MAY 2017



JOIN US ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH—

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From Your President

Hello Ladies and Gents

The 2017 AHQG Retreat has come and gone. What a fabulous time to be had by all. Thank you, Joyce Boyd, for being the Retreat Mistress and handling all the details and issues that came up! You and your team put on a top shelf event!! I was joined by my daughter Jennifer, who is a new member of our guild. I think she is hooked!! I had to leave Friday night for another family event in Nashville. Thank you all for making Jennifer feel like one of the crowd! I would tell you other mysterious things that happened at retreat, but you know what they say??? What happens at retreat, stays at retreat. So to find out you need to be there next year!! We have planned an exciting Show and Tell including some of the great looking quilts that attendees worked on at retreat!

Due to circumstances beyond her control, our speaker for the May program and teacher for the Saturday workshop had to cancel. But never fear, Kathy Smith has agreed to fill in with a trunk show of her very own specialty embroidered quilts. We have never seen most of these quilts because they immediately went up on the wall at Patty's Sewing Center. What a treat this will be!

Our Auction is approaching very rapidly!! Ask Janet Daniel how you can help! I am sure she would be delighted to hear from you!!

Ok see you at the meeting!

Go Spurs Go!

Susan

PRAYER LIST

The AHQG Board feels we can all benefit from prayer. If you would like to raise someone in prayer-for whatever reason-please contact one of the board members. No specific reason required.

Mona Jones, recovering from total knee replacement.

Maggie Oswald's 3 year old great niece Ava Wohltman is facing neurosurgery.

Shirley Carter recovering from knee surgery.

Janis, mother of two members, Rochelle Couch & Lauren Seay-health issues

Julie Olson's Mother—health issues

Carole Van Buren—move to North Carolina with daughter and health issues

Geri Collins—health issues

Nephew of Geri Collins—very ill

Vickie Dubose and her family

Phyllis Shaw and family-her parents are elderly and suffering from poor health

Garnett Szurek—health issues

Ruth Willey's daughter-in-law, Samantha

Michelle Hanus and Claudette Booker—-Mother's health issues

Michelle Anderson—health issues

Diann Arnold recovering from knee surgery and has other health issues.

Beth Barron's grandson, Keaton—in treatment again. Please remember him and his family.

Joanne's nephews—in law enforcement, and all other law enforcement personnel.

Our military members as they work to keep our country free. Please pray for their families left at home.

The guild members we haven't seen recently, or those who just need a little more encouragement with whatever is going on in their lives.

The leaders of our country —-that they make the right decisions to keep our country great.

MEMBERSHIP

It was nice to see every one at our April meeting. In attendance were 33 members, 2 new members and 2 visitors, 37 total. Total membership so far in 2017 is 123.

Barbara Steers joined in January and is involved with the quilts of Valor and has invited the ladies from their organization to attend our meetings.

Be sure to welcome our new members:

Tom Dengler

Elena Reid

See you all soon.

Warm regards,
Marie Emerson
Membership Chairperson

NAMETAGS

One good way for everyone to get to know each other is to wear our name tags. Joyce Boyd was kind enough to make several and all they need is your name. If you don't have an AHQG name tag ask for one when you sign in.



CHARITY BEE

Thank you all for "Charity" night. We had a large turnout and got a lot done. Next year I guess I am going to have to bring two LARGE bags of stuffing, one wasn't enough. I don't have a final count on number of pillows, but hopefully will by guild meeting.

The charity bee was fun as usual. I pulled out a tub of scraps and we cut them up into various size squares, nothing goes to waste if we can help it. We cut, ate, talked, and cut some more. Remember any one is welcome to come visit.

Take care and hope everyone has a great retreat.

Joanne Krepps Charity Chair



Debbie Hewitt	5th
SandyDeGree	8th
Dixie Bradbury	11th
Tom Dickens	19th
Dawn Cochran	21st
Nancy Troyer	23rd
Joan Wallace	29th

Quilters' Blogs and Other Resources

www.thesplendidsampler.com

For Local Quilt Shows Check out —- www.quiltersresources.net

Tips, Tricks, and Tuts Tuesday - Round Robin Quilts by Margie Posted: 26 Jan 2016 07:07 PM PST

B. Bumble & Company Blog http://buzzingandbumbling.blogspot.com/

Our own Doris Rice's blog is at http://quiltingqueenonline.com The Queen's Rustic Retreat can be found at http://www.queensrusticretreat.com

http://www.oneblockwonder.com

ALAMO HERITAGE QUILT GUILD MAY 2017

PROGRAMS

Hello Everyone! Thanks to everyone who was able to join us last month for our Guild meeting where our Charity Chair, Joanne Krepps put us to work stuffing pillows. I understand our Guild members ran out of pillow stuffing, a feat we did not believe would happen due to the enormous sized bag of fiberfill! Thanks Joanne for making it easy for us to do something good for others.

I received a phone call from Trish Stuart of "Trish Stuart Designs" who was scheduled to conduct our Guild program on Thursday, May 11th and a workshop on Saturday, May 13th. Unfortunately, Trish has had to cancel all of her speaking and workshop commitments for the rest of the year. Her elderly parents had come to live with Trish recently and their serious health issues require Trish to remain home. She was in tears when she called as she was so sorry to have to cancel her program and workshop. She asked that I extend her regrets to all and she hopes that she will be able to return to her speaking engagements in the future. I will be returning workshop fees and kits fees to all who had signed up.

In light of the last-minute change of plans and the fact that several Guild members will be attending the AHQG retreat before our meeting on May 11th, in addition to our regular Show and Tell we will have a Special Show and Tell from Retreat. Since I am unable to attend the retreat this year I am really looking forward to seeing what our Guild members accomplished. I will also be conducting a trunk show featuring Machine Embroidery. In the past three months, I have had the opportunity to attend four different workshops conducted by two very talented Australian Embroidery Artists, Tracey Sims and Jane Grove. I would love to show you what I have learned from them and the other projects I have been busy creating. I have not had an opportunity to share these at Show and Tell before so I am excited to show them to you at our Guild meeting.

You will want to mark your calendar and plan to attend our June Guild meeting too! Heidi Staples, from Boerne, Texas, will be doing a presentation and Trunk Show sharing projects from her book <u>Sewing Organized for the Busy Girl</u> and her blogspot "Fabric Mutt". She has lots of great ideas for quick little projects and gifts for those special people in your life.

Our June workshop will be another designated "Auction Sew In" where our Auction Chair, Janet Daniel, has some items for us to help get pieced for our Auction in October.

Our workshop in July will be conducted by Doris Rice, "The Quilting Queen" from McQueeny, Texas, and she will teach us how to use the "X-Block" template to create a "Sweet Liberty" table runner, placements or small wall hanging. The choice is yours! Doris and Susan Hall are collaborating on a kit/template deal so more info to follow. You may recall we saw some of Doris' lovely quilts when she conducted our program last year. You will not want to miss this workshop either!

I will be taking signups for this workshop and sharing the supply list with you at our Guild meeting.

Check out our Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild 2017 calendar to see what else we have planned for this year. I hope you are able to join us for some of those events. Also, please send me any suggestions for next year's programs and workshops since often speaker's calendars are booked well in advance. I could not pull this all together without your support and suggestions – please keep them coming!

We hope you are able to join us at our next Guild meeting on May 11th, you won't want to miss it, and we look forward to seeing you there.

v/r,

Kathy

2017 AHQG CALENDAR

All Thursday evening programs held at St. Matthew's UMC.

All Saturday workshops held at Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, 16245 Nacogdoches Rd, SA TX.

January	12	Program: Denise Green, Holly Dee Quilts, Luling, Texas. Lecture and Trunk Show • Judy Niemeyer Trunk Show • quilts made by Denise using Judy's patterns and techniques.
	14	Workshop: Denise Green, Holly D Quilts, Luling, Texas. "The Cactus Flower" Table Runner Foundation Paper Piecing Workshop.
February 9		Program: Peggy True, San Antonio, Texas. Program, "Fascinations – a Quilter's Exploration of Designing with Radial Symmetry" with a trunk show of about 45 quilts. In addition, Peggy will share with us information on the "Threads of Love" charity.
	11	Workshop: Designated to be Auction Sew In
March 9		Program: Michael Young, AHQG Member, San Antonio, Texas. Trunk Show.
	11	Workshop: Michael Young, AHQG Member, San Antonio, Texas. "One Block Wonder" quilt workshop.
April	13	Program: Charity Night.
Retreat		May 4-7
May	11	Program: Guild Show and Tell; a Special Show and Tell from AHQG Retreat attendees and a Trunk Show by Kathy Smith featuring Machine Embroidery.
	13	Workshop: None.
	8	Program: Heidi Staples, Boerne, Texas, Presentation/Trunk Show sharing projects from her book <u>Sewing Organized for the Busy Girl</u> and her blogspot "Fabric Mutt".
	10	Workshop: Designated to be Auction Sew In.
July 13	13	Program: Guild Skill Builders Stations for Demos set up such as Y-Seams, Scallop borders; binding; ruler work; applique. Specific details to be worked out.
	15	Workshop: Doris Rice, The Quilting Queen. McQueeny, Texas, "Sweet Liberty" table runner, placemats or small wall hanging – the choice is yours!
August	10	Program: Potluck Summer Salad Dinner
	14	Program: Kimberly Jolly, Fat Quarters Shop, Manchaca, Texas, Trunk Show featuring "It's Sew_Emma".
	16	Workshop: Designated to be Auction Sew In.
October	12	Program: TBD
	14	AHQG Auction
November	9	Program: Janie Alonzo, Zo-Ray Creations, Austin, Texas, Certified Sue Pelland Designs Instructor, Lecture and Trunk Show "Fast and Fabulous" with quilts made using the Leaves Galore Template.
	11	Workshop: Janie Alonzo, Zo-Ray Creations, Austin, Texas. Leaves Galore Technique Rotary Cut Applique Class.
December	14	Program: Christmas Party / Exchange

AHQG AUCTION

Thank you all for the great response to our Quilt Auction needs. So many of you picked up quilt kits to make, orphan blocks to make quilts and many tops to be quilted. We are on our way to an awesome Auction!

This month at the guild meeting I am asking for 2 1/2" x WOF strips in red or white or blue or red, white and blue. I want to fill up a fabric strip box to have as an auction item. This sounds like a challenge to me...

Thanks again,

Your Auction Chair - Janet Daniel



This quilt will be part of the 2017 AHQG Auction. The blocks were each pieced by a group of retreaters. Julie Olson then took over and put everything together.

Great job to all!

2017 RETREAT

Well, the 2017 Retreat has come and gone. It was the shortest four days of the year. I believe it was a total success even though at times it looked like a sweatshop. I hope everyone had a great time and completed everything they wanted.

The food was delicious and the staff at the Ranch was very helpful.

The Ripper Kitty was won by Darlene Barbosa—\$125.25. Ripping can pay.

We have reserved the Ranch May 3—6, 2018, so put it on your calendar.

Thanks to all that helped make it a success, from name badges to final breakdown.

Joyce Boyd

SPECIAL THANKS

Many thanks to the members of the Wannabees for their recent donation of 12-Pack Quilts - Simple Quilts that Start with 12 Fat Quarters, from Me and My Sister Designs. The book was donated in memory of Ida Donatto Founteno, mother of Geri Collins, and was ready for check out at our April meeting.

Susan Feeley Librarian

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We also have Gift Certificates that can be purchased at http://www.cottonbollquilting.com/index.htm. Just scroll down the Home page until you see Gift Certificates. Or you can purchase them at CBQ directly.

Thank you to all who completed the educational interest survey! I will be putting out a schedule of classes soon! If you would like to complete it now, here is the link: https://cottonbollquilting.com/

news.htm

Thank you Susan Cotton Boll Quilting 457 Silver Buckle Schertz, TX 78154 (210) 566-7619 (210) 288-8205 www.cottonbollquilting.com



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ATTENTION:

If you have anything of interest to share with the guild members please be sure to let the newsletter editor know. There's always room for sharing in the newsletter.

Next Meeting: MAY11th

Remember to bring your...

Name Tag Show and Tell Items

Library Books Charity Items

Quilt Angels



Quilt Angels are AHQG members who greet visitors at our monthly meetings and lanswer questions about the guild. They also mentor new guild members.

Please take visitors and new members "under your wing" by volunteering to be a Quilt Angel. See Ann Barnett at the meeting.

Please don't forget that Newsletter articles are due the 15th of every month!

Thank You!

Ruth Ann Willey

Newsletter Editor



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