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JOIN US ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH—
WE MEET AT 7:00 P.M. AT
ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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NACOGDOCHES)

From Your President

Ladies and Gents,

Thank you all for your support following my brother's passing. He was 66, a health nut and rode his bicycle 80 miles a week. They say we need to be ready because we do not know the day nor the hour. A painful lesson that brings home the point about who is really "in charge"! I have work to do!

I know that I was counting the months until I stepped down from being your President. I was mostly kidding around and I definitely hadn't planned on moving from the frying pan into the fire of 2nd VP when I said that! I know I speak for all of you when I say how sorry we are to see Kathy Smith step away from the Programs position. She has done an amazing job for 4 years and certainly deserves a break. Thankfully, she has almost filled the calendar for next year! I am very grateful for all her knowledge and expertise. I hope to meet the high bar she has set!

This month we have our Christmas Party. I can't wait to taste the goodies that show up magically! I am still working on which yard of fabric is my MOST to die for! If you saw my private stash, you would know that I love all my fabric! When I see you, the decision will be made and some lucky soul will take possession! I look forward to hearing the ooohs and ahhhhs when the bags are opened!

See you at the meeting, Dec 14th! Until then, be safe and don't let the season stress you out!!

Take care
Susan

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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.

Jeana Kubik and family, recent loss of her mother.

Susan Hall, Carla Richard and family, recent loss of their brother

Marque McKay, health issues

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

Parents of Rochell Couch & Lauren Seay—health issues

Julie Olson's Mother—health issues

Geri Collins and family—recent loss of her nephew

Vickie Dubose and her family

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

Garnett Szurek—health issues

Former member, Charlotte Pittman, recently lost her husband

Michelle Hanus and Claudette Booker—Mother's health issues

Michelle Anderson—health issues

Diann Arnold — health issues.

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

The family of Joanne Krepps — her 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

Greetings from the Membership Lady,

Our attendance for November was 57 members and 6 visitors. Three of these visitors signed up as new members. We now have a total membership of 137 quilters.

Please welcome our new members

Kathy Furci-Brown
Melody Martin
Diane Peters

I am currently collecting 2018 membership dues of \$20.00. Please stop by my table and see me.

Wishing all of you a very Merry Christmas Season.

Thank you,
Marie
Membership Chair

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

Hope everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. Mine was exceptionally busy as I had out of town family, it brought the count up to 17. Lots of food and lots of fun. At least I had fun, they had to eat what I cooked so who knows.

The charity bee was fun as usual. We made a few quilt kits to sew and just cleaned up material.

I took the bonnets Joyce Boyd made for the Cancer Society to them. They were thrilled and so thankful. Thanks Joyce. Nora, my contact, could not believe one person made 74. Hopefully the letter from them I scanned works, and Ruth can get it into the newsletter. (My computer skills are almost non-existent since I retired). I also, took 36 cancer pillows that were left over from charity night and were finished.

I will have a tally of all we have done this year for next newsletter so we have a goal for the next year. I have not taken the quilts to the hospital yet, usually set up an appointment for delivery in December/

Wishing everyone a great holiday season.

Thanks again.

Joanne
Charity Chair



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Michele Hanus	7th
Ganet Szurek	13th
Esther Johanningsmeier	14th
Elena Reid	17th
Mechelle Brown	19th
Michael Young	19th
Anne Yeary	24th
Ann Barnet	30th
Natalie Calvert	31st



November 20, 2017

Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild

Dear Volunteers,

On behalf of the American Cancer Society, we would like to thank you for your generous gift of comfort pillows and lovely bonnets for our cancer patients. Our patients love the pillows as they provide comfort after their surgery as well as for the chemo port. The bonnets are perfect for them as they are soft and beautiful.

Your commitment to helping the Society is sincerely appreciated.

Each year the American Cancer Society continues to advance its mission of eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service. Through our programs we have seen many lives changed for the better.

Thank you for your hard work, dedication and continued support.

We wish you good health and success.

Sincerely,

Aracely Torres

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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>

"Fabric Mutt" at <http://fabricmutt.blogspot.com/>



PROGRAMS

Hello Everyone! If you were not able to join us for our November Guild Meeting you missed a great presentation and trunk show by Janie Alonzo, a certified Sue Pelland instructor from Zo-Ray Creations in Austin, Texas. We all enjoyed seeing Janie's trunk show, "Fast and Fabulous," which featured quilts made with the Leaves Galore applique template set. She also had examples of applique designs that could be cut from the heart shaped applique template set. For those that were fortunate enough to attend Janie's workshop on Saturday we all came away with the beginnings of a lovely wall hanging and a appreciation for cutting curved shapes with a 28 mm rotary cutter! I am determined to master that yet! I so appreciated spending time with our fellow Guild members and seeing the lovely wall hangings they were creating too. I am currently taking sign ups for Michael Young's "Diamonds are Forever" workshop on January 13th, 2018. You will not want to miss the opportunity to attend Michael's workshop as he is an excellent teacher and has designed and created this lovely quilt. The workshop fee is \$35.00 and the cost of the quilt pattern is \$20.00.

You will not want to miss this month's Guild meeting on Thursday, December 14th either as this is our annual Christmas Pot Luck and our First Vice President, Linda Clark has quite a fun filled evening planned for us. I am definitely looking forward to seeing what she has in store for us!

At this meeting we will also have the induction of new Guild officers for 2018. I will be stepping down from the position I have had for the past four years and am turning the reins over to my dear friend, Susan Hall. I have really enjoyed planning our programs and workshops over the years. I have had the opportunity to meet many wonderful presenters and have so appreciated all of the support I have received from my fellow board and Guild members. I hope you have enjoyed our programs and workshops over the years and will continue to support Susan as we move into a new year.

I have worked with Susan to line up some of the events for 2018. Michael Young, one of our very talented Guild members, will start the year off with a Trunk Show on Thursday, January 11, 2018 featuring his Asian collection. Then on Saturday, January 13th, Michael will conduct the "Diamonds are Forever" workshop. At our Guild meeting in February, Rhonda Dort, from Houston, will be doing a trunk show for us. Her quilting on vintage linen is extraordinary and I cannot wait to get a closer look at some of her work. Check out her blog, <https://rhondadort.com/> for a sneak peek at some of her work. Then in March, Shannon Brinkley from Austin, will be doing a program, "Color Confidence for Quilters" with a trunk show and then on the following Saturday, a workshop. We will begin taking signups for her Scrappy Applique workshop at our January Guild meeting.

Susan and I appreciate all of the suggestions and ideas that you have forwarded to us and hope that you will plan to attend the programs and some of the workshops. We could not pull this all together without your support and suggestions so please keep them coming!

Don't forget your "to die for" yard of fabric for the Guild's Christmas Party on Thursday, December 14th. Have you been thinking about making your favorite dish to bring to the party?

We hope you are able to join us at our next Guild meeting on December 14th, 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.

January	12	Program: Denise Green, Holl 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.
June	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	Program: Guild Skill Builders Stations for Demos set up such as Y-Seams, Mitered Borders and Applique.
	15	Workshop: Doris Rice, The Quilting Queen. McQueeney, Texas, "Sweet Liberty" or "Flying Free" table runner, placemats or small wall hanging – the choice is yours!
August	10	Program: Potluck Summer Salad Dinner NOTE: Tony Hansen will have his Mobile Sharpening Unit set up in parking lot for all of your sharpening needs.
September	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: Kathy Hayson, Demo on Creating Your Own Unique Fabric using Gelli Plate Printing
	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 / Bring 1 yd. of "to die for" good quality quilting fabric in a closed paper bag (such as a brown paper lunch bag).

Quilters' Retreat – May 3 – May 6, 2017

John Newcombe Tennis Ranch 325 Mission Valley just
off Hwy. 46 in New Braunfels

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Thank *Fabric • Fabric Kits • Block of the Month*
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Thank you all for visiting Cotton Boll Quilting. OK, I accidentally have a LOT of Block of the Months this year! Only 3 spots left in the new Floral Menagerie Block of the Month that started last month. Floral Menagerie is a 12 month Animal Applique Quilt that finishes at 72 by 96 inches -- perfect for a Twin/Full bed! Registration Fee is \$25.00 and monthly fee for 12 payments will be \$18.00/month plus tax and shipping (if applicable). I will be offering a class on raw edge applique if there is interest. Please talk to me if you would like to try it. Block 2 is the Elephant.

Aunt Grace Basket of Scraps Starts in February for 9 months and makes a quilt that finishes 96 by 102 as a King or Queen size. Sarah Maxwell has a new Marcus Batik Block of the Month starting in March. It comes in 2 colorways and comes as 10 1/2 inch square packs until the 9th (last) month when you will receive border and binding fabrics. And McKenna Ryan has a Momma Bear Quilting Block of the Month which will come as a Laser precut applique kit also starting at the first of the year! There are others, but I will save those for next month!

So much for making space!! New fabric arrivals: Tula Pink's Spirit Animal, Amy Butler's Soul Mate, Haute Zahara by Dena Designs, Ellery by June Bee for Ink and Arrow, Bookshelf Botanicals, Northcott's Mystic Gradations Mixers, Hatters Tea Party, Brooke and Cori Dantini's Hello World! Oh my! Lord of the Rings, Rose on the Vine, Star Wars and many others. So, I am back to needing SPACE!! My big clearance sale will be going on until 5 December. Check it out on the website below

See you in the funny papers!

Thank you

Susan

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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.

Quilt Angels



Quilt Angels are AHQG members who greet visitors at our monthly meetings and answer 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.

Next Meeting: December 14th

Remember to bring your...
Name Tag Show and Tell Items
Library Books Charity Items

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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