



# MARCH 2023

JOIN US ON THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH  
**WE MEET AT 6:30 P.M. AT**  
 SAN PEDRO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
 (14900 SAN PEDRO)

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Good Day ladies and gentlemen,

Oh, don't you just love the month of March. It always feels like a new beginning. The redbud trees are starting to bloom and the first traces of wildflowers can be seen on the roadside. Some of you may have already experienced your first

blooms but I just saw my first blue bonnets on Saturday. 💙💙💙

Spring gives me a new sense of energy. I know I committed to working on my handwork but needless to say I got sidetracked.

Sometimes you need your quilting buddies to give you a lift and motivate you to move forward. I have been organizing my quilt tops and was surprised to learn I had over a dozen completed tops that merely needed the backings pieced and bindings cut. So, I am pleased to report I have 10 backings and bindings cut, matched with the appropriate quilt top, and the best part, everything came from my stash! Yay!! Thank you to all the ladies, and gents, that motivate me daily; those in my bees and those of you in the guild. You are all an inspiration and it is so fun to see what you accomplish each month, whether it be your charity quilts or your show and tells. Please keep them coming.

I'm looking forward to our Program this month, presented by Kathy Groves, along with our Twinkle Star Workshop on Wednesday. I've never attempted Judy Niemeyer paper piecing before so this is me pushing myself out of my comfort zone.

Based on our homework...way out of my comfort zone! 🙌😂 Looking forward to sharing this experience with everyone that enrolled in the workshop. If you haven't attended one of our workshops I encourage you to join us at one in the future. No matter what, I promise you will have a good time. Doesn't mean you won't be challenged, maybe even frustrated, but it does mean you'll be spending time with a lovely group of people sharing a common interest and laughing until you cry.

See you Tuesday and until then,  
 Happy Quilting.



## PROGRAMS

### MARCH 2023

Hello Quilters!

Hello Quilters! We are excited about the line-up of Guild Programs for 2023! You won't want to miss any of the programs because they will offer trunk shows, new quilting techniques, meeting new quilters with unique talents and workshops.

**March 14<sup>th</sup>** – Guest presenter - Kathryn Groves of BobKats Quilts, “How to Eat An Elephant”. Kathy is a quiltmaker and certified Quiltworx Instructor. Kathy has made over 60 Quiltworx quilts and has been teaching quilt making for over a decade. She takes the mystery out of tackling the making of a “Judy (Niemeyer)” quilt. Kathy will also be teaching a Quiltworx workshop on March 15, 2023.

Looking Ahead – **April program** is one of our favorites with Joanne Krepps and Charity! Our long-standing Charity Chairman, Joanne provides us with cancer pillows to stuff for donation to breast cancer patients. It is surprising how many pillows you can stuff and still visit with your table mates!

**May Program** – Lilo Bowman will be presenting a lecture: “Adapting for Change: Learning to Adapt to the Changes in Your Life.” Change doesn't mean creativity has to come to a screeching halt. Whether it's frequent moves, downsizing, or bodily changes, learn easy and clever ”workarounds” to keep the creativity going for years to come.

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask me.

Happy Quilting My Friends,  
Janet Daniel  
Program Chair

## Alamo Heritage Quilt Guild Calendar 2023

All Tuesday Evening Programs and Workshops held at San Pedro Presbyterian Church  
14900 San Pedro Ave San Antonio TX 78232  
Workshops will be held on Wednesday or Saturday

1/10	<b>Program: Carol Morrissey (O'Carol Design) - "Thread Painting"</b>
1/11	<b>Workshop: Free-Motion Thread Painting on a Photograph</b>
2/14	<b>Program: Judy Beskow - " Evaluation Of An Art Quilter"</b>
2/15	<b>Workshop: N/A</b>
3/14	<b>Program: Kathryn Groves - BobKat Quilts - "Quiltworx"</b>
3/15	<b>Workshop: Quiltworx Class</b>
4/11	<b>Program: Charity Night</b>
	<b>Retreat : May 4th thru 7th</b>
5/9	<b>Program: Lilo Bowman - Adapting for Change: Learning to Adapt to the Changes in Your Life</b>
6/13	<b>Program: TBA</b>
6/14	<b>Workshop: TBA</b>
7/11	<b>Program: Inhouse Technique Demonstrations</b>
7/12	<b>Workshop:</b>
8/8	<b>Program: Potluck Summer Salad Dinner</b>
9/12	<b>Program: Karen K Stone - "Quilters Evalution/Trunk Show "</b>
9/13	<b>Workshop: Wild Women Don't Get The Blues</b>
10/10	<b>Program: Trash or Treasures</b>
10/11	<b>Workshop: N/A</b>
11/14	<b>Program: Karen L. Miller Redbird Quilt Co. "Align Your FMQ Stars and Trunk Show</b>
11/15	<b>Workshop: N/A</b>
12/12	<b>Program: Christmas Party</b>

## CHARITY

This last month has been very good for charity. I received some fantastic material donations and quilts. I wish to thank those who gave to us. It has really made my job so much easier. You will be getting some beautiful quilt kits from all our material gifts.

At last meeting you took all of the pillowcase kits. I thought that was sooo fantastic, so at the bee we made 109 more for you to sew.

I talked to the nurse at Baptist Hospital and she was really happy about the idea of everyone getting a pillow case. Some of you asked how many we needed so I asked her. She said they would and could use as many we can give to them. She also gave me a few ideas of other items they could use, which I hope to implement.

There will be NO charity bee this month. I have my normal checkup this month and it falls on Bee day. We will meet next month as usual.

See you at guild.  
Joanne Krepps|  
Charity Chair

## MEMBERSHIP

There were 54 of 119 members present at the February 2023 meeting. Seventy-seven of AHQG members have paid their 2023 dues.

Dues are \$20, payable by cash or check only. Sorry, no credit cards. You can check your dues status at the monthly sign in roster. There will be a column on the attendance roster that shows if you have paid your dues.

Thank you,  
David Duque and Tom Dengler  
Membership Co-Chairs

# BULLETIN BOARD

## 2023 AHQG QUILT RETREAT

May 4-5-6-7, 2023

4 days \$352.00

3 days \$247.00

There are still a few openings for this year's retreat. Contact Joyce Boyd if you are interested..

Looking forward to another great time,



### Pictorial Directory

The pictorial directory will be updated to include pictures of new members. I bring my camera to every meeting. Please let me get a shot of you.

Thanks,



Happy  
Birthday

MARCH

Patricia Dunn	4th
Amanda Dove	6th
Claudette Booker	12th
Carol Johnson	15th
Joyce Warrington	31st





## 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.

Susan Graham and family

Health and unity of our country

Members who are suffering in silence and may need encouragement with whatever is going on in their lives.

Members of law enforcement, other First Responders and all their families

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



## Quilters' Blogs and Other Resources

—[www.thesplendidsampler.com](http://www.thesplendidsampler.com)

For Local Quilt Shows Check out — [www.quiltersresources.net](http://www.quiltersresources.net)

[Tips, Tricks, and Tuts Tuesday - Round Robin Quilts by Margie](#)

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

**Our own Doris Rice's blog** is at <http://www.quiltingqueenonline.com/?m=1>  
**The Queen's Rustic Retreat** can be found at <http://www.queensrusticretreat.com/>  
**And to xblocks:** <http://www.xblocks.com/>

<http://www.oneblockwonder.com>

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

Betsy Chutchian's Blog : <http://betsysbestquiltsandmore.blogspot.com/>

[Jordan Fabrics](#) (Shared by Kathy Hayson)

Matt & Donna Jordan's Precision Hand-cut Quilt Kits + HUGE fabric inventory! Log Cabins, Jelly Rolls, and more! Free patterns and video tutorials.

[www.jordanfabrics.com](http://www.jordanfabrics.com)

This is a short list of **YouTube Videos** where you can get inspiration, instructions and lots of free patterns. Just open the YouTube app and type in the names below and you will find hours and hours of fun!! Until we meet again....

Just Get it Done Quilts

Pat Sloan

Power Tools with Thread – fairly local

Sewspire – she makes bags, purses and organizers

Fat Quarter Shop

Laundry Basket Quilts

Quilt Addicts Anonymous

Vicki Lee Bags/ by Lynne- another bag maker

THE QUILT SHOW

Most of these videos also have Facebook, Instagram and Web pages to browse.

Treads of Love website is [www.threadsoflovesa.org](http://www.threadsoflovesa.org) or you can call them at 210-279-1717.

Found in American Patchwork and Quilting email.

## How Long Does Thread Last?

Sewing thread does expire eventually. Read more below to discover all the factors at play. Then take the simple test to see if your thread is still good!

Piecing and quilting thread can last 50+ years. But if the thread has not been stored correctly, that time length significantly goes down. Thread should be stored out of sunlight, as light can fade and weaken the fibers. If it was stored in a humid place, such as garage or attic for a period of time, it can get sticky or too thick from moisture intake. Similarly, if it was stored in a very dry or cold climate, the fibers can become brittle and break.

Generally, if you've bought thread or own thread that's covered in dust, it's a good sign that it hasn't been stored properly. Here are other important factors that clue you in to whether the thread is still good:

- The quality of the thread (cheap versus a more high-quality thread)
- The coating on the thread (a polyester thread won't deteriorate as quickly as a cotton one)
- The materials of the spool (plastic spools help threads last longer than wood or Styrofoam ones)

Date it was made (older threads weren't made with the technology we have now, so they don't last as long as threads you buy new in the store today)

Here's a quick test you can perform on a spool to see if it's in good shape for your next quilt! Cut a 12"-piece of thread from the spool. Tie a knot in the center of the thread. Then gently pull the thread from both ends – if the thread breaks or tears in any way, it's too old to use.

# My 2023 Projects

MAKE 2023 THE YEAR OF FINISHES! START IT OFF RIGHT BY MAKING A LIST OF ALL YOUR UNFINISHED PROJECTS. COMPLETE AS MANY AS YOU CAN THROUGHOUT THE YEAR—**YOU'VE GOT THIS!**

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## 2023 AHQG Board

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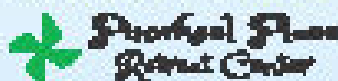
# Bluebonnet Shop Hop



March 22 - April 1, 2023

Visit Every Shop & You Can Win!

## GRAND PRIZE:



2 Night Quilt Retreat for Up to 8 People!

GIFT CERTIFICATES TO EACH STORE

FIRST PLACE \$900 Total Value!

SECOND PLACE \$450 Total Value! | THIRD PLACE \$180 Total Value!

## PRIZE BASKETS

## PARTICIPATING SHOPS

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## Cotton Boll Quilting Closing Sale Update!

Well Cotton Boll Quilting is almost closed! Call now for cheaper prices—lots of fabrics \$3/yd,

Sorry, I am not keeping regular hours or shipping. Cash or Check only.

Thank you!

Susan R. Hall

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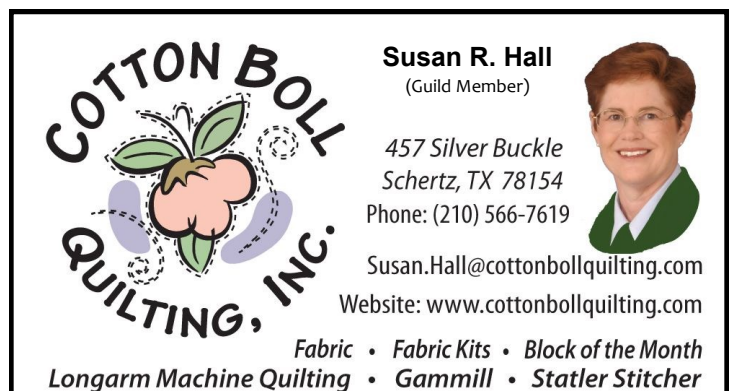
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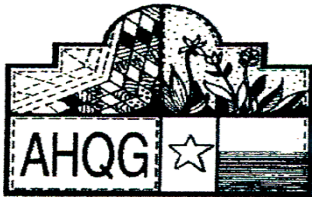
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**ATTENTION:**

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.

### Meeting:

**MARCH 14th**

Remember to bring your...

Name Tag  
Library Books  
Trading Post Items

Show and Tell Items  
Charity Items

Please don't forget that Newsletter articles are due the 3rd of every month!

Thank You!

*Ruth Ann Willey*  
Newsletter Editor



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#### Deadline

1st of each month for current month's issue

#### Contact

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# FUNNIES

I feel like a failure.  
I've been shopping  
for fabric and quilting  
supplies for 20 years  
and I still don't have  
what I need.

Guess what I made with  
all my scrap fabric?!

A mess.  
I made a big mess.

A new study shows that  
buying fabric and  
sewing supplies  
prolongs your life.

Looks like I'm going  
to be immortal.

Here are some little known, very interesting facts about Texas:

1. Port Arthur to El Paso : 889 miles. Port Arthur to Chicago: 770 miles
2. Brownsville to Texline (north of Amarillo): 956 miles. Texline to Canada: 960 miles
3. El Paso is closer to California than to Dallas
4. World's first rodeo was in Pecos, Tx July 4, 1883.
5. The Flagship Hotel in Galveston is the only hotel in North America built over water. Destroyed by Hurricane Ike - 2008!
6. The Heisman Trophy was named after John William Heisman who was the first full-time coach at Rice University in Houston, Texas .
7. Brazoria County has more species of birds than any other area in North America.
8. Aransas Wildlife Refuge is the winter home of North America 's only remaining flock of whooping cranes.
9. Jalapeno jelly originated in Lake Jackson in 1978.
10. The worst natural disaster in US history was in 1900, caused by a hurricane in which over 8,000 lives were lost on Galveston Island.
11. The first word spoken from the moon, July 20, 1969, was " Houston ," but the Space Center was actually in Clear Lake City at the time.
12. The King Ranch in South Texas is larger than Rhode Island.
13. Tropical Storm Claudette brought a US rainfall record of 43" in 24 hours in and around Alvin in July of 1979.
14. Texas is the only state to enter the US by TREATY, (known as the Constitution of 1845 by the Republic of Texas to enter the Union ) instead of by annexation. This allows the Texas Flag to fly at the same height as the US Flag, and Texas may choose to divide into 5 states.
15. A Live Oak tree near Fulton is estimated to be 1500 years old.
16. Caddo Lake is the only natural lake in the state.
17. Dr Pepper was invented in Waco in 1885. There is no period in Dr Pepper.
18. Texas has had six capital cities: Washington-on-the Brazos, Harrisburg , Galveston , Velasco, West Columbia and Austin .
19. The Capitol Dome in Austin is the only dome in the US which is taller than the Capitol Building in Washington , DC (by 7 feet).
20. The San Jacinto Monument is the tallest free standing monument in the world and it is taller than the Washington Monument .
21. The name ' Texas ' comes from the Hasini Indian word 'tejas' meaning "friends". Tejas is NOT Spanish for Texas .
22. The State Mascot is the Armadillo. An interesting bit of trivia about the armadillo is they always have four babies. They have one egg, which splits into four, and they either have four males or four females.
23. The first domed stadium in the US was the Astrodome in Houston.
24. The Beck family ranch land grant is one days ride by horse (25 miles) in each direction from the headquarters.
25. The name of the XIT ranch in Dalhart Texas stands for "ten in texas". That means 10 counties in Texas!

(Not sure of the validity of some of the items above, but they sound good from a Native Texan's viewpoint)