



# Patchwork Pages

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## 2011 AQQ Officers & Committee Chairs

- President - Yvette Buffington
- 1st Vice President: Programs - Marge Bryan & Johanna Britton
- 2nd Vice Presidents: Membership - Jill Stoel & Charline Chronister
- 3rd Vice President: Communications - Betty Matthews
- 4th Vice Presidents: Community Service - Liz Bushong
- 5th Vice President: Ways & Means - Linda Chappell
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- Fat Quarter Lotto: Heather Kremer
- Christmas Brunch: Terri Washburn & Linda Chappell
- Door Prizes & Birthdays: Patsy Taylor & Blanche Williams
- Workshops: \_\_\_\_\_
- Retreats: Sheila Relyea
- Hospitality & Welcome: Joanne Morris, & Sandra Capps
- Sunshine & Shadow: Joellen Brill
- Secret Pals: Ellen Rock
- Members Moving: Joann Morris
- Email Coordinator: Lorraine Mattis & Karen Wood
- TAQQ Representative: Alice Payn
- Donation Quilt Production: Barbara Bomberger
- Donation Quilt Promotion: Linda Chappell
- Mini Quilt Auction: Linda Chappell
- Historian: Allison Bayer
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## *A Message From Our President*

Dear Members,

Everything in my neighborhood is in full bloom. When I left on an unexpected trip to Puerto Rico there were four inches of snow on the ground. When I got back, the trees were in full bloom. You know what they say, if you don't like the weather in Texas stick around for a couple of days and it will change. For those of you who believe in the power of kneel mail as I do, I ask that you keep my mother in your prayers. She is doing much better after suffering a small stroke. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers.

I want to congratulate our members who had their quilts in the Dallas show. They are just stunning! Did you see our "Stars Over Bali"? Our donation quilt 2011 made its debut in the Dallas show this month. Thank you to all who helped make the stars. They are all just wonderful. I also hope you all had a chance to go to the show and enjoy it.

Our meeting date for the month of April has been changed to April 14<sup>th</sup> because of Holy Week. We will meet at the same place and time.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our March meeting.

Yvette Buffington



## March Program

This just in! Laura Kay Houser of Happiness is Quilting will be our speaker. She will let us know what the latest and greatest products are from Quilt Market, and what is "hot" in quilting right now. She will have some items for sale (so you might want to arrive early!)

### Coming in April

Do you have a skill to share? Please call Marge Bryan or Johanna Britton. We plan to have about 5 stations for Skills night. Groups will rotate to different stations every 5-10 minutes.



Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday dear quilters..... we love you! And the March Birthdays are:

Linda Chappell

Alice Payn



## Community Service News

March 2011

Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.

Sir James Matthew Barrie

Thanks again to each of you for your generosity. In February, ten very nice baby care items were given for the Children's Advocacy Center, along with \$30 in cash which will be used to purchase more of these items.

The Children's Advocacy Center provides services to children who have been removed from their homes due to neglect or abuse. They have asked for donations of pajamas for small kids, so we will be collecting those at the March guild meeting. Pajamas may cost more than we are prepared to give individually, so we'll have the cash can where we can "pool our pennies" to help meet this need.

Remember, the guild fabric stash is available for community service projects- including quilts, Storybook Quilts, etc.

Thanks,

Liz Bushong

The Membership Directory will be ready for pick up at our March meeting. If you did not get a chance to renew your membership we will print updates on a quarterly basis.

Thanks so much.

Jill Stoel and Charline Chronister

Membership

## ALLEN QUILTERS GUILD

TREASURER'S REPORT- Jan. 31, 2011

BEGINNING BANK BALANCE \$6516.03

### INCOME:

Deposit- Membership \$775.00

Deposit- Retreat-May \$798.00

Total Income \$1573.00

### EXPENSES:

Storage Place Rental Jan-Mar \$57.00

PO Box Rental \$60.00

Meeting Place Rental-Jan \$50.00

Program-Jan \$318.34

Newsletter-Jan \$72.20

Total Expenses (\$557.54)

Ending Bank balance- \$7531.49

2/17/11 Submitted by Ellen Wilwert

# ALLEN QUILTER'S GUILD

## 2011 AMENDED PROPOSED BUDGET

| <b>Expenses</b>         | <b>Proposed 2011</b> | <b>Actual 2010</b> |
|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Rental of meeting space | \$550                | \$600              |
| Rental of storage room  | 228                  | 228                |
| PO Box                  | 60                   | 60                 |
| Newsletter              | 454                  | 454                |
| Website                 | 325                  | 320                |
| Host-Website            | 48                   | 47                 |
| Domain Name             | 9                    | 9                  |
| PR                      | 22                   | 0                  |
| Programs                | 1521                 | 1406               |
| Charity                 | 200                  | 0                  |
| Raffle Quilt Expenses   | 175                  | 155                |
| TAQG dues and rally day | 75                   | 50                 |
| Membership              | 375                  | 362                |
| Door prizes-postage     | 40                   | 39                 |
| Storybook Quilts        | 182                  | 232                |
| Community Service       | 50                   | 19                 |
| Sunshine and Shadows    | 65                   | 0                  |
| Quilt Auction           | 25                   | 0                  |
| Magazine Subscription   | 0                    | 29                 |
| <b>Totals</b>           | <b>\$4,404</b>       | <b>\$4,014</b>     |

| <b>Income</b>   | <b>Proposed 2011</b> | <b>Actual 2010</b> |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Membership fees | \$1605               | \$1665             |
| Auction         | 1000                 | 745                |
| Raffle quilt    | 1600                 | 1398               |
| Newsletter Ads  | 200                  | 44                 |
| <b>Totals</b>   | <b>\$4,404</b>       | <b>\$3,852</b>     |

Note: Change was to expenses-charity and newsletter as was voted on at our February meeting.

## Allen Quilter's Guild 2011 Spring Retreat

May 12-15

Thursday-Sunday

4 days/ 3 nights-\$248    3 days/ 2 nights-\$169

Location: Bailiteal Farms in Fruitvale, Tx .

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### DON'T FORGET YOUR BALANCE IS DUE APRIL 1<sup>st</sup>.

I'm asking everyone WHO will be attending the Spring Retreat, to do a community service project.

Please take an hour out of your time to make 2 pillowcases. Kits will be available.

Remember by doing this, you will put a sparkle in a child's eye!

For more information on the retreat, please call Sheila at 214-287-7961 or email me at [Sheilarelyea@kimint.com](mailto:Sheilarelyea@kimint.com)

Refreshments for the March meeting will be provided by :

Lynda Lindstrom, Donna House, Elyn Zinsmeister and Joellen Brill

### Upcoming Programs

April Skills Night

May Brenda Jeschke

Judging Criteria-Thru the Eyes of the Judge

June Computers and Quilting

July Mini Quilt Auction and Reception

Make your mini now and invite a friend!

August Back to School Basics-The Power of 10

Learn a trick to help you finish all your UFOs

Also in the works:

Donna Hall-Needles and Thread

Susan Corbett-Domestic machine quilting

Becky Jackson-Mystery quilt workshop

## Mini Quilt Auction

This year the **Mini Quilt Auction** will be combined with a "Reception" sponsored by our guild, and open to the public and our neighboring guilds. This will happen on our regular meeting day, Thursday, July 21. July is only 4 1/2 sewing months away so we have to get those machines in overdrive now. This is a major fund raiser for our guild and this year we are going to invite neighboring guilds and do a lot of promotion for this event. We'll have more details later.

The following will be included in the auction:

Mini quilts and wall quilts up to 34" square

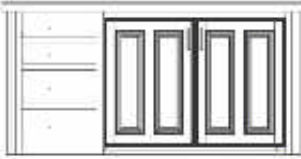
Table toppers and runners 55" square or no more than 24" by 72" long

Purses and totes

Please include a label on the back of your quilt. You may wish to leave the label off or pin it to items such as purses, totes or placemats. Information to include: Your name, the name of quilt, and "Made for Allen Quilt Guild 2011".

For questions, please contact Linda Chappell

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**Fat Quarter Lotto  
2011**

### Member Moving

Please return your finished and signed 6" nine patch block for Susan Oakes at the March meeting. Refer to the guild directory for the instructions. Thank you for your participation.

Joanne Morris

### Sunshine and Shadow

If you have something to share concerning quilt guild members, please contact Joellen Brill. Home phone number is 214-495-8400 and cell phone number is 214-282-6661.

### Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submissions into the April newsletter is: **April 1**

**Do you have some extra fat quarters around the house?**

**Do you love to win fabric?**

Well do we have something for you. Each month at the guild meeting we will hold a Fat Quarter Lotto. To participate all you need to do is bring a fat quarter in the theme of that month. For every fat quarter you turn in you get a chance at winning all the fat quarters in that theme. We will have two themes each month, you may bring in some for one or both of the drawings. You will get one entry for each fat quarter. If 50 fat quarters show up for one theme, we will split them, so two people can take home 25 each.

Please stay with the theme of the month. This should be fun and easy!

A great way to get rid of unwanted Fat Quarters or pick up a bunch of new ones.

Remember: Fat quarters are 18" x 22". Please bring good quality fabric that you would want to receive.

Contact Heather Kremer with any questions: [kremer13@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kremer13@sbcglobal.net) or 972-294-4311

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|--------------|--|--------------------------------|
| <b>March</b> | Food Prints (vegetables, fruit, candy, etc.) | Green (solids or tone on tone) |
| <b>April</b> | Brights (print or solid)                     | Black (solids or tone on tone) |

## Minutes for AQG meeting for Feb 17, 2011

President's welcome and call to order-Yvette Buffington was with her sick mother-Johanna Britton was acting president

Approval of minutes for Nov and Jan-November 2010: Betty Matthews and Linda Chappell; January 2011 with corrections by Mary Lou Smith and Betty Matthews.

Membership (Jill and Charlene)-Members Present-31; Visitors-1

### Officer and Committee reports

Treasurer's report (Ellen Wilwert)-\$6,516 beginning balance; \$7,531 ending balance. The budget for 2011 will be voted on with corrections in the March meeting. The items for change were the Newsletter amount and the Charity amount.

Fat Quarter Lotto, Storybook Project (Heather Kremer)-Remember to continue sewing the storybook quilts; the fat Quarter Lotto winners were Alice Payn-purple and Wendy Thompson-bubbles and dots.

Newsletter (Ellyn)-February 25 is the deadline for the monthly newsletter.

Programs and Workshops (Johanna & Marge)-In March Teena Hopkins from the Blue Ribbon Quilt Shoppe will be our speaker.

Retreat (Sheila)-Spring retreat will be May 12-15 at the Bailiteal Farms in Fruitvale, TX.

PR Communication (Lorraine)-Be sure to sign up with your correct email in our AQG Yahoo group.

Community Service (Liz )-We have some community service quilts ready to be taken and sewed along with pillow case kits.

Ways and Means (Linda Chappell)-A Clip board sign-up to take the donation quilt around to other guilds was passed around and a clip board sign-up for the committee to show the donation quilts was also passed around.

10 minute break

Guest Speaker-San Lamoreaux spoke on the ADQ (Attention Deficit Quilter)

Sunshine and shadows- We have several people to remember—Margaret Schafer had breast cancer and surgery; Yvette Buffington's mom had a stroke; Paulette Sunley has back problems.

Birthday and door Prizes (Patsy Taylor)-February winner was Johanna Britton.

Show and Tell-Betty Matthews-pinwheels, chenille; Karen Wood- big bag, civil war; Sandy Hinkley-Bargello; Sheila Reylea- mellow yellow; Carol Chaffin- red and blue kids quilt, pink and black teen quilt; Helen Tidics- cabin stripes; Lorraine Mattis- storybook quilt, baby quilt; Marge Bryan-disappearing stars civil war quilt; Kristin South- 2 baby quilts; Patsy Taylor- storybook quilt.

Adjournment-9:30 pm

## Storybook Quilt Program

Start bringing your completed quilts and books to the next few meetings. We are going to start be working on them over the summer. There are 19 quilts in progress with a member of the guild. Thank you very much for your support and hard work in making these quilt kits so successful.

Don't forget to include the "Quilter's comments". This explains your thoughts while working on the quilt, and the reasons for the quilt pattern or blocks that were chosen to represent the book.

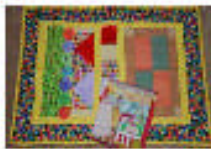
Some helpful starters: Why did you choose this book, the fabric, the blocks? How does this story tie into quilting? What does the quilt mean to you? What is behind the choices you made? How does the story relate to you or to events of today? What is your favorite part or line? How has this story or quilt touched you? Do you have anything you want to point out about your quilt? - example on the website.

**There are some great books ready to be checked out at the March meeting!**

Come by the table before the meeting or during the break.  
We can't wait to see you and help you choose a book.

Contact me with questions or to let me know the book you are working on.  
Heather Kremer 972-294-4311 email [kremer13@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kremer13@sbcglobal.net)  
Thank you for your continued hard work!

**Current additions to our collection! Thank You!**



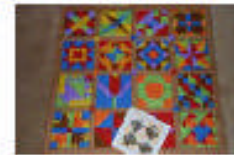
A Clerk for a Dreamer  
by: Alison Friedman  
Quilted by: Patsy Taylor



Amber on the Mountain  
by: Eleanor Coerr  
Quilted by: Sylvia Laird



A Far-Fetched Story  
by: Karin Oates  
Quilted by: Sylvia Laird



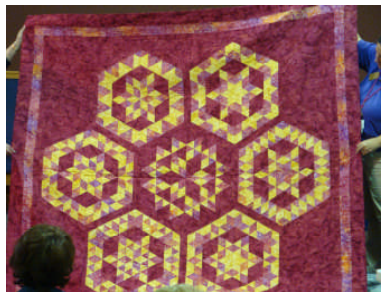
The Seasons Series  
by: Ann Whitford Paul  
Quilted by: Lorraine Mattis



February Program and  
Show and Tell



2011 Donation Quilt





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March 17th

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