



Patchwords

December 2023

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

I hope everyone enjoyed Pot Luck Thanksgiving on Wednesday as much as I did. I was worried about the rain interfering with attendance. The decorations were beautiful. Barbara Tillman and her committee did a wonderful job decorating. I walked into the kitchen to see if there was anything I could help with and I stopped in my tracks. It smelled like mom's kitchen growing up. I felt a lump in my throat and tears welling in my eyes. After a moment I said to everyone how much this reminded me of home. I wasn't the only one that felt the warmth of family and friends. I hope that everyone has a chance to experience that feeling of love and remembrance.

I was told that the night group also had a nice Pot Luck dinner on Friday. It is wonderful that our guild has opportunities for both groups to meet. Cindy Smith and her group always have great meetings and special events. Don't forget the Christmas Party!

The Christmas Season is here! There are so many things that I want to say to all of you. Sometimes it is hard for me to express my feelings. So here goes....First let me say again how much all of you mean to me. I pray that your holiday time is spent with family and friends. Thanksgiving and Christmas have always meant so much to me. I believe it is your faith, family and friends that keep the spirit in you alive. Unconditional love and my faith are what has kept me going.

During this holiday season, let Hope warm your heart and Love warm your family. "Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!" --2 Corinthians 9:15

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Betty

Dec/Jan Calendar

December

No SEW-cial

December 6th

10:00am Board Meeting

December 9th

Day/Night Christmas Dinner
\$10.00

**DOORS DO NOT OPEN
UNTIL 10:30am**

Christmas dinner 11:30
Bell Hall

December

NO Workday Wednesday

January 3st

SEW-cial

9:30-11:30 am Bell Hall

January 10

10:00am Board Meeting

January 11th

6:00 pm Social

7:00 pm Program
Bell Hall

January 17th

9:00 am Social

9:30 am Program
Bell Hall

January 24th

Workday Wednesday

9:00 am

Bell Hall

2023-24 Presidents Challenge

Day - 2-4 members make 64" wide x 74" long patriotic quilt for Sim's or Warrior Beach Retreat

Night- Small picture quilt/wall hanging made from squares and HSTs. No bigger than 160" around the perimeter. **Dimensions due at January 2024 night meeting. Completed project due prior to Quilt Show.**

December Day/Night Program

There will be no program in December. January's theme will be blue and white and Marsha Michel will be in charge of the program "Info on Show and what members can do to help"? Diane

Night Notes

Congratulations to the Christmas ornament challenge winners: 1st Place – Rebekah Wishart, 2nd Place – Donna Gibbens, 3rd Place – Debbie Bennett. Christmas Bling awards went to Barb Palko and Donna Gibbens.

There is no night meeting in December due to the joint meeting on Saturday, December 9.

Our January night meeting will be January 11 at our normal time: 6:30 – social time; 7:00 – business meeting. The January mini challenge is a snow-themed item of your choice. Dimensions of your Squares/HSTs project for the 2nd VP challenge are due at this meeting.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year! I'll see you in January! Cindy

2023-24 Board Members

President - Betty Marler
1st V.P. - Diane Wishart
2nd V.P.- Cindy Smith
Secretary - Rebecca Valle
Night Secretary -
Treasurer-Dianne Diagle

Standing Committees

Beekeeper	Lauren George
Community	Aly Tuttle
	Gerry Hollis
Education	Marie Granger
Events	Barbara Tillman
Ewords	Karen McQueen
Historian	Sheila Jimenez
Hospitality	Alana Yuratich
Library	Loretta Akerlind
Membership	Cindy Straebel
	Shirley Secchio
Parliamentarian	Vacant
Patchwords	Sheila Jimenez
Publicity	Sandy Austill
Quilt Show	Marsha Michel
Sunshine	Linda Tew

Special Committees

Fall Retreat	Carolyn Pic
(Nov 3-5th)	Bev Sparks

UFO

Questions? Contact
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<https://sabqg.org/general-news/ufo-challenge-2023/>



HOSPITALITY

- Happy Thanksgiving to everyone. I am truly thankful for each and everyone of you to be sharing all our Guild experiences together!
- The Events committee has November and December goodies in store for us. Thank you to that wonderful group!
- I have enclosed the schedule of assigned refreshment hostesses for the new year!!!! If there is a problem for your group, please let me know and if some would want to volunteer for the month of Sept., that would be awesome!!!!



- Jan.....Board members
- Feb.....BeachBees, "Art"itude, Joyce & Donna
- Mar.....Monday Group
- Apr.....Material Girls
- May.....Events
- June.....Happy Scrappers & HummingBees
- July.....Thread Catchers & Piece & Love
- Aug.....Busy Bees
- Sept..... ??????
- Oct.....Sisterhood
- Nov.....Events
- Dec.....Events

Sending love, hugs, and thanks to each of you for your generosity!!!! Alana



SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

Please contact me when a member has an illness, loss or just something to celebrate

Linda Tew

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or e-mail

linda.tew@gmail.com



Quilt Show, March

15th - 16th 2024
Central Panhandle Fair
Grounds

<https://sabqg.org/quilt-show-2024/>

send newsletter items to
quiltpcb@gmail.com
no later than
the 23rd of each month

Meeting minutes can be found at

<https://sabqg.org/>

Community Services Current Needs



Sim's Twin Size Quilts	64" wide x 74" Long
Warrior Beach Retreat	Larger than 50" wide x 65" long
Women Shelter Twin Size	64" wide x 74" long
Elder & Disabled Lap Quilts	42" wide x 54" long
Childrens Quilts	42" wide x 54" long
Infant Receiving Blankets	42" wide x 42" long



Community Service

Gerry Hollis and Aly Tuttle delivered 38 stockings, 11 Christmas bibs and 1 large quilt to Sims Veterans Home.

Events

The holidays have started and I am so grateful to be living in our beautiful area of Florida. We have one more event to finish out the year. Our annual Christmas Luncheon is coming up on December 9, 2023. We will open the doors at 10:30 am. I am looking forward to seeing all of our guild friends together for the festivities. We always have such a great time together.

If you have not signed up yet you still have time. Just text me or send me an email and I will add you to the list. You can pay the \$10 when I see you. I need to have your response by Sunday December 3rd. I will be calling the caterer with the final count on Monday the 4th. Please bring a hand made item to exchange in a holiday bag. It can be an ornament, towel, baked item or anything else you choose. Try to be there. We will miss you if you can't make it. Barbara Tillman 🌲 ❄️ 🧊

Thank You

Sorry to have missed this last month. I've had a minor surgery and now in recovery. I also will be leaving in a couple of weeks to return to my father's beside in Illinois. We are coping with the fact this will be his last holiday with us.

Although we knew it was coming, it's still hard to let go. I want to thank each of you for all your kind words and prayers. I only ask that you continue your prayers that his last few weeks with be peaceful and pain free. Cindy Straebel,
Membership Chair

Nov 2023 Attendance

Night Meeting

25 Members

Day Meeting

2 Guest

2 New Member

79 Members

1 New Member from Classes

Tiny Stickers Bee

Do you own a Singer Featherweight? A new Bee is forming for featherweight owners, "Tiny Stickers". I'm hoping we can have a meeting in January, either at night or on a Saturday depending on the availability of church.



Ideas for our Tiny Stickers Bee:

Monthly meeting

Spa Day for you featherweight

Featherweight Retreat

If you are interested please email me at momwishart@gmail.com with the following information, your name, cell phone number, and if you know the birth year of your Featherweight or Featherweights if you own more than one. I would love to hear your suggestions on the Tiny Stickers Bee. The photo above is my dream machine I plan to purchase for myself. Diane Wishart

Quilt Show Notes

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! Hopefully everyone has found some time to work on their quilts for our quilt show in March. We'll have quilt entry sheets available at our December Christmas luncheon. Please be sure to pick one/some up and get your entries in! The show is just around the corner!

Have a blessed Christmas, Marsha Michel

<https://sabqg.org/quilt-show-2024/>

Library Highlights

By Loretta Akerlind, Your Quilting Librarian

www.librarycat.org/lib/SABQGLIBRARY

In her article *Contemporary Japanese Quilting: A Fusion of Tradition and Innovation*, Zanne Aroa says this: “Contemporary Japanese quilting is an art form that beautifully blends together the rich traditions of Japan with innovative techniques and designs. With a history rooted in centuries-old tradition, Japanese quilts have evolved over time to embrace new ideas and styles, making them a unique and captivating form of artistic expression.” Here is a link to the full article (<https://nancysnotions.com/contemporary-japanese-quilting-a-fusion-of-tradition-and-innovation/>), which does an excellent job of explaining both the history and how contemporary Japanese Quilting is a fusion of tradition and Innovation to create beautiful quilts.

Our SABQG library contains a number of books about Japanese quilting. Even if you don't plan to make a quilt in this style, looking through one of these books provides a beautiful, restful look at a current trend in quilting.

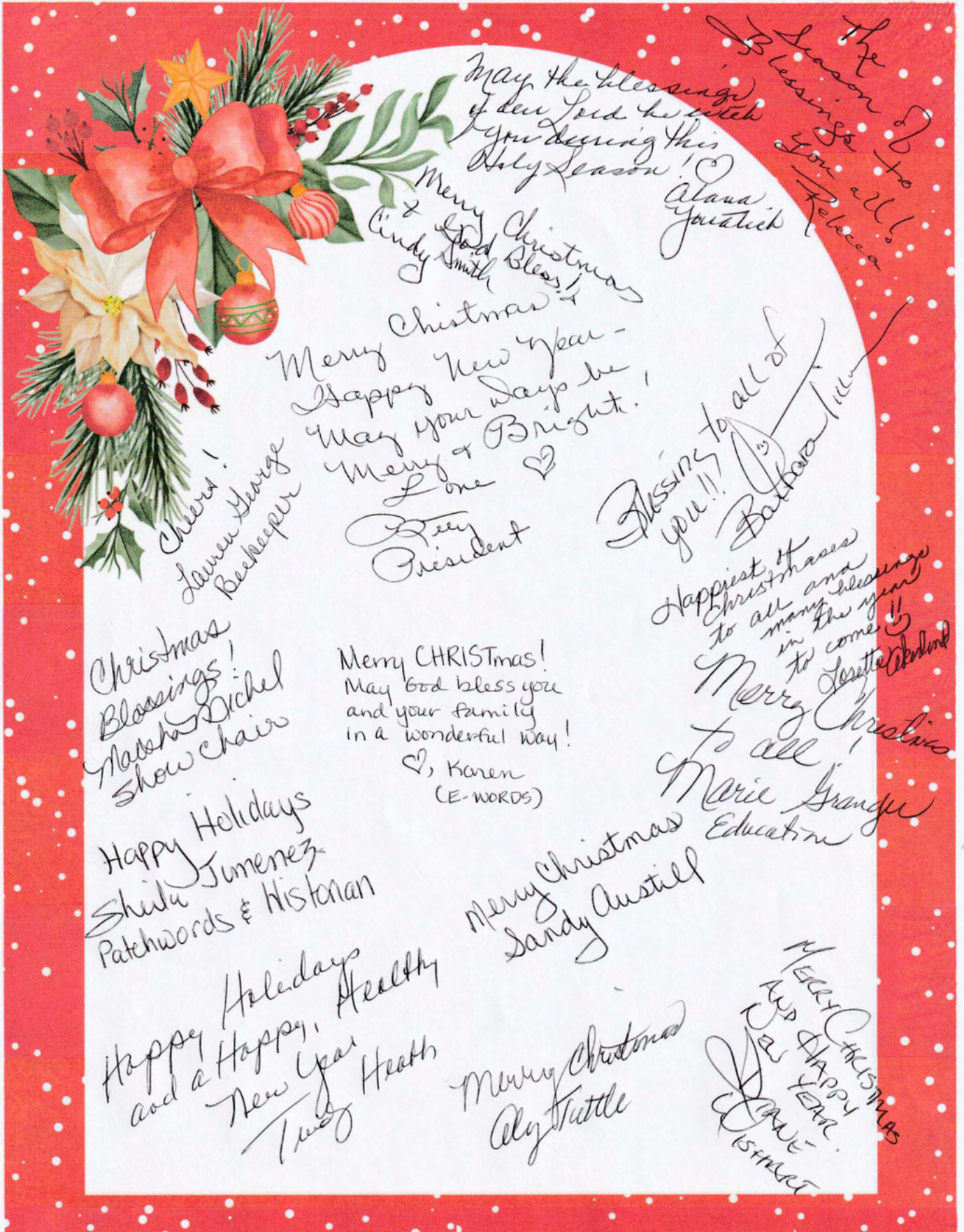
- *Honoring the Seasons: Quilts from Japan's Quilt House Yama by Takako Onoyama
- *Kake-Jiku: Images of Japan in Appliqué, Fabric Origami, and Sashiko by Kumiko Sudo
- *Fabled Flowers: Innovative Quilt Patterns Inspired by Japanese Sashiko and Origami Traditions by Kumiko Sudo
- *Yoko Saito's Bags I Love to Carry by Yoko Saito
- *Japanese Taupe Quilts: 125 Blocks in Calm and Neutral Colors: Elegant Designs to Combine Into Works of Tranquil Beauty by Susan Briscoe
- *Sashiko: Easy & Elegant Designs for Decorative Japanese Machine Stitching by Mary Parker
- *Japanese Quilting Piece by Piece: 29 Stitched Projects from Yoko Saito by Yoko Saito



Thanksgiving Pot Luck



Wishing you and yours the happiest of holiday's
SABQG Officer's and Committee Chair's



May the blessings
of our Lord be with
you during this
Holy Season!

The
Season of
Blessings to
You all!
Alana
Jouatick
Rebecca

Merry Christmas
& God Bless!
Cindy Smith

Merry Christmas
Happy New Year -
May your days be
Merry & Bright!

Love
Dee
President

Blessings to all of
you!!
Barbara Tull

Happiest of
Christmas
to all and
many blessings
in the year
to come!!
Merry Christmas
Loretta

To all
Marie Granger
Education

Merry CHRISTmas!
May God bless you
and your family
in a wonderful way!
Karen
(E-WORDS)

Merry Christmas
Sandy Austill

Christmas
Blessings!
Nash & Michel
Show Chair

Happy Holidays
Shirley Jimenez
Patchwords & Historian

Happy Holidays
and a Happy, Healthy
New Year
Troy Heath

Merry Christmas
Aly Tuttle

MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND HAPPY
NEW YEAR.
DANIE
DISTRICT