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# The Alamo Smocker

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## Novembers meeting in focus

Novembers meeting will feature **Kay Zwart** who will teach the "easy" way to do Madeira appliqué. Our project is an ecru / white linen hand towel with Madeira border and a little holiday snowman. If the mention of this technique has struck fear in your heart then you should plan to attend & find out how even a beginner can have professional results.

### Supplies

- 60wt white sewing machine thread
- wing needle or 100 machine needle
- 70-80 machine needle
- blue wash away marker
- small scissors
- ordinary sewing supplies

Kit fee \$5. there may be one or two extra kits available please call Kay 545-4564

## Make a note

Those of you listed below offered to bring your machine. You must have a blanket type stitch Please arrive with enough time to allow for set up.

Jean Johnson	Marcia Meier
Jan McDonnell	Robin Hensley
Sarah Travis	Mary Weed
Pat Miller	Debbie France
Cindy Haverlah	Bea Buchanan
Helen Miller	Wendy Walsh

## Calendar

November 6th

Monthly meeting 9:30-11:30

Madeira Appliqué  
board meeting to follow

December 4th

Monthly meeting 9:30--11:30  
Elegant Embossed Velvet Gift Bag

board meeting to follow

December 11th

Christmas party

## Looking Ahead

### to Dec.

Decembers meeting will feature Karrie Weber who will show us how to emboss velvet . We will each be making a piece of velvet that can be turned into an easily formed gift bag. A few of you will need to bring an iron & there will be a choice of colors see the sign up in this new letter or at the Nov. meeting. Kit fee \$3

## More about December

Please be sure to mark your calendar with our annual Christmas party and Chinese gift exchange! This year we will be at Jean Johnson's house on Friday Dec 11th. The festivities will begin at 7pm. Bring a gift to enter the exchange or just come & watch as the each of us tries to be nice, all the while plotting how to get the gift we Really want. This evening has become my personal favorite don't miss out.

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## Thanks

Octobers program offered by **Cindy Haverlah** was so much fun! We all got to make such a beautiful tassel to add to our pretty sewing things. Some of us even got a head start on Christmas gifts. Thanks Cindy it was great..

## A B hope to C you there !

Last call for any one who would like to go to the Nov. 4th luncheon. please sign up with **Mary Weed. (684-7810)** the cost to attend is \$40. All proceeds from this of course go to ABC. We will be reserving a table for 10.

## .Sign up news.

The question has been asked " If I signed up for the whole years worth of programs do I have to sign up on the list at the meetings. ?" The answer is a resounding **Sort of.** Suzie Walker will be providing sign up lists that will have your name already on it. but... if there is a color choice required as in Dec you will have to make your preferences know If you forget or are unable to do this a choice will be carefully made for you.

## You really shouldn't have.....

but were glad you did.Thanks for the munchies this past month goes out to **Marcia Meier, Jan McDonnell & Mary Weed.**

In November **Teresa Nelson, Sarah Travis Sue Lee & Ginny** boos will be offering our fare.

## F or sale

The Yarn Barn has asked me to let our membership know that they have one Reed, 16 row pleater that they are selling to close out this line. 50\$ is the sale price. That is nearly 1/2 price. Won't some one give this pleater a good home. Just talk to Marge or Bobbie 826-3679

## Dinner time

We will be getting together for dinner out at the Alamo Cafe, Thursday Oct. 29th in honor of all of our out of town guests! Even if you can make the classes held earlier in the day please join us & visit with **Rebecca Bennion & Marti Gebert** at 6:30pm. If you would like to go just call **Sarah Travis (492-9946)** to reserve a space.

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## Membership & Program Payment Coupon

Membership: Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues : amount \$15.00** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dec kit \$3.00** \_\_\_\_\_

**color choice: black, green burgundy** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

Send to:

make checks payable to Alamo Chapter SAGA  
Marianna Oglesby  
113 Sterling Browning  
San Antonio Tx. 78232

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## Rebecca's Special Classes Set to go.

### Schedule

Thursday Oct. 29th  
beaded necklace 8:30-11:30  
Lunch 11:30-12:00 BYO  
Dyeing Silk Ribbon 12-3pm

### Supplies to bring

Beaded Necklace  
-Plain towel or a surface to bead on  
-scissors  
For those who are not getting a kit call **Suzie Walker** for a supply list.

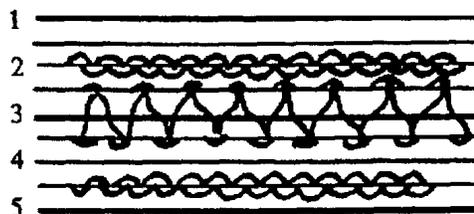
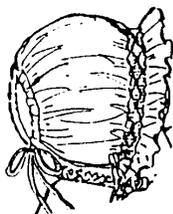
### Supplies to bring:

Hand Dyeing Variegated Silk Ribbon  
-Apron or protective clothing  
-scotch tape  
-2-3 paint brushes  
-water mug  
-washcloth rag  
-rubber gloves(optional)  
-clean 9x13 cake pan

Rebecca says if you would like to over dye any of your own ribbon stash this can be done too.

### Smocked Mini Bonnet Christmas Ornament

By Beverly Fleming  
(from Petal Press, Oct/Nov 97)



### Materials:

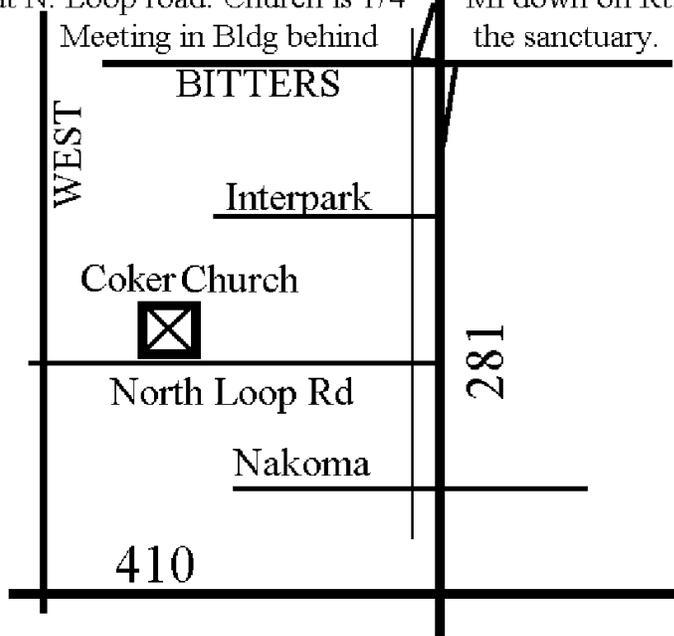
4-1/2" x 18" piece of broadcloth or small Christmas print  
3/4 yard of 1/8" ribbon cut into one 18" length and one 9" length  
1/2 yard of 1/4" ribbon cut into two 9" lengths  
2 complimentary colors of floss  
sewing thread to match bonnet fabric  
#7 darning or #8 crewel needle

### Instructions:

1. Narrow hem (1/8") short sides of fabric
2. On one long edge of fabric, make a 3/8" wide casing.
3. On unhemmed edge run 5 half space pleating threads. The first is row 3/4" from edge of fabric.  
Leave threads long enough to flatten out the fabric.
4. Finish front edge of bonnet by rolling and whipping lace in place or turn up 1/8" and roll edge.
5. Tie off threads to 5".
6. Smock design shown or one of your own.
7. Remove pleating threads.
8. Thread 18" length of 1/8" ribbon through casing. Draw up tight and tie a bow.
9. Tack two 9" lengths of 1/4" ribbon at ends of smocking on short sides. Tie together into a bow.
10. Tie ends of 9" length of ribbon together and tack to top of bonnet for a hanger.
11. Hang on tree and enjoy!!!

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Take 281 access road south from Bitters. Turn right at N. Loop road. Church is 1/4 Mi down on Rt. Meeting in Bldg behind the sanctuary.



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