

Oct, 1998

The Alamo Smocker

Thanks

Septembers program with **Marcia Meier** Was so very informative. Quite a few of us were spotted the next day over at JoAnn Fabrics to make out on the 1/2 price notion sale Thanks so much Marcia.

October meeting in focus

Octobers meeting will be presented by **Cindy Haverlah**. Cindy will be guiding us in making a scissors tassel. If you missed signing up Cindy says that there maybe a couple extra kits just call her to get on the list.(830-484-2379) Our goodies for this meeting will be provided by Marcia Meier, Jan McDonnell & Mary weed. Thanks girls!

The supplies you will need to bring are:

- needle nose or round nose pliers(we will be sharing)
- dress for dyeing!!

Quilt Show Road Trip

All aboard for the 1998 International Quilt Festival. This year the show will be from Oct.29 to Nov.1st. Several of the guild members will be coming & going at various times. For more info if you would like to bum a ride call Kay at 545-4564



Membership Dwindles

To date we have only **14** paid members. Is it possible you were busy in Sept. & forgot. It's not to late to come join. With so many great opportunities coming up we would hate you to miss out. Sadly we will be paring down the newsletters members only starting in Nov. If you are unable to attend please use the coupon page to send in your dues. For all members I would like to encourage you to spread the word so that our great group can continue to bring quality programs to our meetings.

1998- 99 Programs

September 4th

New sewing product review

October 2nd*

Beautiful Scissors Tassels

November 6th*

Madeira Appliqué (Christmas Hand towel)

December 4th*

Elegant Embossed Velvet Gift Bag

December 11th

Christmas party

January 8th

Machine Smocking & Fagoting

February 5th*

Picture Smocking

March 5th*

Church Doll

April 9th

Shadow & fine embroidery doll collar

May 7th

Bonnet Presentation & Luncheon

*expect a nominal kit fee to participate see sign up coupon for details

Good news

This year there is a new option for signing up! For your convenience you can purchase all kits for the entire year. If you would like make your life easier and stop missing out on signing up just sent \$25. along with your dues of \$15 for a total of \$40. A kit or handout will be waiting for you at each meeting. no muss, no fuss no sign-ups for a whole year! If you are unable to attend a meeting your kit will still be waiting for you just pick it up at the next meeting. If you are a bit more selective you may still pick & choose and sign up for meetings individually. Please remember when you sign up a kit will be made for you. **This will be the last month this option is available.**

Looking ahead
to Nov.

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. We will be actually making these towels so we will need about 1 sewing machine for every 2 people. When you sign up please indicate if you would be able to bring your machine.

Supplies

- 60wt white sewing machine thread
- wing needle
- ordinary sewing supplies
- Kit fee \$5

About Our guild

General meetings are the first Friday of each month at 9:30AM at Coker Methodist church located on North loop Rd. Guests & new members are always welcome. At Each general meeting an informative program is offered, show & share, light snacks & coffee. Board meetings will be held this year just following general meetings and are open to all members.

1-2 times per year we bring nationally know teachers to SA for special classes

A B hope to C you there!

Project ABC will be holding their annual luncheon & fund raiser on November 4th at 11am. Once again we will be donating the proceeds from a raffled American Girl tm. doll. The call is now going out for all who have created designer dresses for this effort to turn them in to Susan Baurer.

Raffle tickets will be available again at the Oct.. meeting to buy & also to take along with you to sell. Please make it your personal goal to sell at least 50 tickets before the event.

If you would like to attend the luncheon, please sign up with Mary Weed.(684-7810) While the cost to attend is not yet known it is has been \$35-\$40. All proceeds from this of course go to ABC. We will be reserving a table for 10.

Beginner lesson set to go

Beginning smocking lessons will once again be offered this year to any member in good standing. If you would like to learn this lovely art just sign up or call the individual instructors for the day(s) listed below and direction. There is a one time \$5 charge for a pleated practice piece. Students must bring 3 colors of stranded floss, Size 7-8 crewel needle and scissors

Sept. 25, 9:30a-12noon beginning smocking
Kay Zwart 545-4564

Sept. 29t, 9:30a-12noon continuing on in smocking
Marcia Meier 826-4660(home) 496-3068(work)

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Memembership & Program Payment Coupon

Membership: Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____

Dues Local amount \$15.00 _____
November kit \$5.00 _____
whole year Kit fees \$25.00 _____

Total _____

Send to:

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



Special Classes

Rebecca of Rebecca's Ribbon will offer two very special classes this fall.
Thursday Oct. 29th

"Serendipity" An Exploration in Design
8:30-11:30

This will be a class which begins you well on your way to creating an artistic original spiral rope beaded necklace. The sample of this necklace is pure candy for the eyes.

Kit: \$25.00 There is an optional Hummingbird bead that can be added upon request making the Kit cost \$30.00

color options are:

- A. Pastel multi (pink, blue, purple, green) or
- B. Bright (selection that moves toward burgundy red).
- C. You may supply your own beads. a supply list is available from Suzie Walker.

Lunch
Bring your own
11:30-12

Hand Dyeing Variegated Silk Ribbon
12:00- 3pm

Learn this technique from the expert. We will be dipping into professional grade dyes and learn the secrets of really beautiful ribbon dying. By the end of the class each student will have a wonderful stash to use on future projects.

Kit \$22.50 Includes Dye & 10 yds of 4mm & 3yds of 7mm ribbon. additional ribbon may be purchased from teacher during class time

You may sign up for Just one or both classes. Class fee for one class will be \$15. or take both for only \$25.

Things you must bring

Beading class

- Plain towel or a surface to bead on
- scissors

For those who are not getting a kit call **Suzie Walker** for a supply list.

Dyeing class

- 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.

Dinner time

We will be getting together for dinner out at the Alamo Cafe, Thursday at 6:30pm. If you would like to go just call **Sarah Travis (492-9946)** to reserve a space. There will be several former members in town for this event so please come & catch up on all the news.

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call: (512) 247-5616
(512) 280-0245
FOR INFO.

8th ANNUAL

Jewelry & Bead Bazaar
Nov 7th & 8th 1998
Murchison Middle School

- Beads from All over the World
- Custom Designed Jewelry
- Vendors & local Artisans
- Demonstrations
- Raffles

Free parking • \$3.00 Admission • under 12 free

BRING THIS FLYER FOR FREE RAFFLE TICKET!

\$1.00 off admission with canned food donation to food bank.

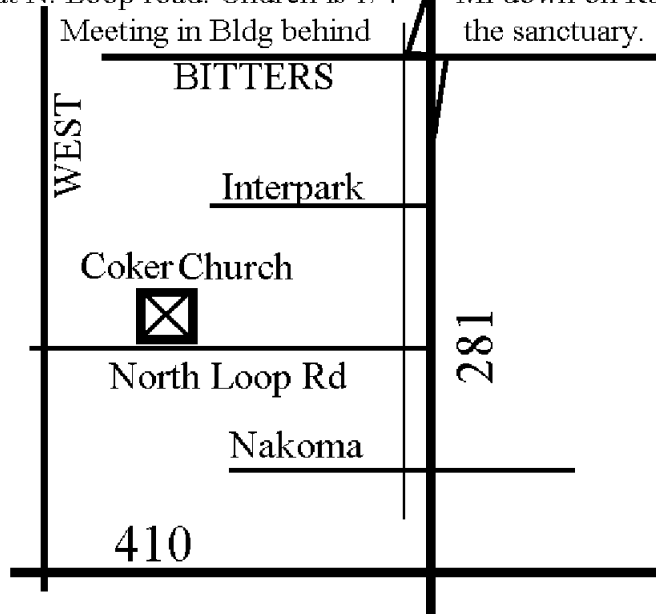
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News Letter Notice

Please be sure to make note of your membership status on your mailing label. If you were a member last year you should have an M by your name. Only members in good standing will continue to receive news letters after the Sept. issue.



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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