

STITCHES IN THE SAND



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MEETING DATE: Thursday, December 8, 2005
HAPPY (HALF) HOUR: 6:30 - 7:00 P.M.
BUSINESS: 7:00 - 9:30 P.M.
PLACE: Marco Forster Middle School



COME ONE - COME ALL

HOLIDAY AUCTION AND RUMMAGE SALE

We are fortunate to have such a gifted and talented membership as Beach Cities Quilters. This year Lyn Mann will auction off more of those wonderful "All Things Quilted" that are made by our many members with love and care. Be sure to bring your checkbooks because you won't want to miss what we have this year.

It is also that time again to see some of the greatest things that we have been hiding in our "sewing area" over the years and have finally decided to let someone else have the privilege of keeping custody of those very items we could not live without last year. Are you like me?? I have a ton of quilting things; but I know that at this meeting I will be able to find what I did not even know I had been looking for!! I am a pack rat and I just love ANYTHING that has to do with quilting. So watch out girls, (and guys), I have my checkbook full of checks! (Now money is a totally different thing.)

See ya there,
Bettie Blauser

Holiday Sale Schedule

- ◆ Rummage Sale and Silent Auction will be open from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm to 8:00 pm.
- ◆ General meeting will take place from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm.
- ◆ Silent Auction winners will be announced at the podium at 8:10 pm.
- ◆ Live Auction begins at approximately 8:30 pm.
- ◆ There will be flyers handed out at the entrance with instructions and rules for the evening, as well as a list of the live auction items.



From the President's Desk

Once again I am amazed at the generosity of our guild. There have been over 500 stockings made for both El Toro and Texas. In addition to the \$695 that went with the stockings, there was \$750, proceeds from the quilt auction, which is going to a school in Texas set up strictly for the Katrina victims who have been displaced. With all the added effort in quilts and pillowcases, I know we are making life easier for the families who have lost everything. In El Toro one woman receiving a quilt just hugged the quilt and wept knowing how much effort and love went into its making.

This is the busiest time of the year with all the holidays starting, but it is also the time we are most productive, as could be seen from the Show and Tell. Even though it took a while, it is inspiring to see the talent of our members. Also, it showcased several friendship group efforts. Because the guild is so large, the friendship groups are a way to have a support network and get to quilt mid month. If you are not currently a member of a friendship group, I suggest you look into it with the January get-together. Contact the Friendship Group chair ladies. The members of my friendship groups inspire me, solve problems that have me in a holding pattern and are wonderful, creative, giving ladies. They are my sisters, and I am thankful for their time, which is a very valuable commodity these days.

Enjoy Thanksgiving and your families and Friends.

Love,
Sheryl



Girl Scouts Helping

Twelve stockings for the Katrina Victims were made by Girl Scout Troup 102 from Mission Viejo. They made these stockings as a service project to earn a sewing patch. These girls are 9 and 10 years old and were excited to learn how to use a sewing machine. The girls are Katelyn Hilde, Alexis Doremus, Allison Fickinger, Jessica Vaughn, Kristen Kaeser, Lauren Severino, Mackenzie Clark, Molly Sharpe, Sarah Singletary and Stephanie Scoles.

Show and Tell

Many thanks to all the women who brought beautiful quilts for November's Show and Tell. Carol McDaniel, Sandy Corbin, Helen Brassaw, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, Chris Huben, Laura Finn, Karen Kowalchuk, Cindy Croucher, Shirl Benda, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, Sharon Pembrook, Mary Chapman, Sherry Glidden, Marian Mapes, Nancy McBride, Julie Montoya, Stacy Russell, Nafsi Martin, Betty Korleski, Helen Brassaw, Scrapbaggers friendship group: Sandy, Helen, Chris, Sue, and Cindy, Becky McDaniel, Nancy Gasparotti, Lupe Maher, Odette Osantowski, Wendy Price, Mary Arntz, Jane Zappia, Marianne Cunningham, June Bauer, Kathie Bellamy, Pat Doughty, Alicia LaLonde, Estelle Perod, Jackie Marrotta, Dolly Smith, Barbara Ward, Erika and Lisa Dunning, Karen Richesin and Sandra Silbernagel.



Workshops

January 13, 2006, Friday: Rami Kim presenting: "The Fifth Dimension"
Cost \$30 Leah's Quilt Shop

Rami Kim is a DNA scientist-turned fabric artist/quilter/instructor known nationally and internationally. She is a 9-time Best of Show winner, distinguished for her innovative art-to-wear. Her passion is in contemporary art-to-wear, quilts, cloth dolls and bags with special interest in 3-dimensional textures and she is known for her own distinctive colors and techniques.

Go beyond traditional 3-D. In this technique workshop you will learn 5 of the exotic and unusual methods that are the trademark of Rami's award-winning works including hexagon and biscuit chopkey, mirror-imaged continuous prairie points, harlequin tucks, North American hand-smocking and lined prairie points.

This workshop could be the answer to those who wish to know about adding 3-dimensional textures and a lot more extra touches to art-to-wear and quilts.

February 10, 2006, Friday: Melody Johnson presenting: "Releasing the Creative Block"
Cost \$30

Many quilt artists design and make quilts that relate to each other in some fashion and become recognized as their particular style. It commonly a single design element that appears repeatedly in their work, with variations and additions. The methodical plan for working in a series is the content of this workshop. Beginning with a simple two or three piece block, plus connecting strips, students will construct a small wall quilt top, using fusing as the assembly technique. This initial block will be the catalyst for the series*. Variations, distortions, additions, compound blocks and color modifications are some of the ways to increase the scope of the series. While fusing is the method used in class, these design variations can be translated into traditionally pieced, but non-traditional quilts. This is a class for the quilter who wants to break free from the norm and is ready to consider building a body of work.

Road to California

We are taking sign ups for Road to California for Saturday, January 21, 2006.
The bus departs from Junipero Serra Park and Ride at 8:30 AM sharp.
The cost is \$28.00 and includes a show ticket.

**Grace Errea
Rachael Severance
Joann Bishop**

Nickel Club

It was so much fun to see many new gals stopping by to get information and dropping off squares for this month's exchange. Your enthusiastic participation is great. Remember you can join anytime. Just stop by the Nickel Club table, and we'll give you all the information you need. You can even see some completed squares! We're planning a workshop the latter part of January. The date isn't firm, but we'll post it in the next newsletter.

Here is our complete list of Nickel Club monthly fabric selections for the 2005/2006 BCQG year.
Questions??? call Delane Turner, 496-2155, or Veronica Dibble, 586-3752, or Jennifer Morgan, 493-3151.

Monthly Fabric Selections 2005/2006

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| Dec: 1800s and/or Solids | May: 30s and/or Mini small florals |
| Jan: Batiks and/or Blue fabrics | June: 1800s and/or Stripes & plaids |
| Feb: 30s and/or Polka dots | July: Batiks and/or Thimbleberries |
| Mar: 1800s and/or Background neutrals | Aug: 30s and/or Black & whites |
| April: Batiks and/or 3 Sisters/Robyn Pandolph types | Sept: 1800s and/or Laurel Burch |

Philanthropy

The generosity of the guild members is extraordinary! Our table at the last meeting was so heaped with Christmas stockings, pillow cases, tops and finished quilts, we lost our sign-up sheet. So forgive us if your name is not included.

A special thank you goes to Sharon Jaeger for those wonderful bears.

If you are interested in attending a philanthropy, workshop, we meet at Leah's the 4th Friday of the month. Our next regular meeting will be January 27th, 9:00 to Noon.

Here's a partial list of October & November donors and philanthropy regulars:

Betty Koskinen, Kathy Chevalier, Lily Shearer, Geneva Wilson, Cindy Croucher, Margie Ehrhart, Helen Brassaw, Jackie Buck, Nancy Ota, Barbara McPherson, Sue Richardson, Sharon Jaeger, Veronica Dibble, Delane Turner, Sue Peters, Hiroko Moriwaki, Deana Progar, Cheri McDonald, Margo Grube, Jan Bogikes, Helene Moser, Joyce Pinderski, Dottie Zink, Martha Parten, Monika Grant, Jo Ann Lockett, Chris Hurst-Loeffler, Sheryl Smith-Bailey, Julie Vlahos, Pat Pardone, Janet Cowart, Kathy Stohland, Karen Kowalchuk, Cecile Rogers, Jackie Buck, Flint Reed.

Sally Gard

Block Party

"Basket Case" Block Party got off to a great start. We had 7 winners: Delane Turner, Veronica Dibble, Ruth Nahas, Betty Korleski, Nancy Mc Bride, Wendy Kretschmann and Helen Brassaw. Thanks to all who participated. Next month is an easy basket called Sugar Bowl. Come join the fun!

**Janet Cook
Mary Arntz**

Membership

*****All data changes for the directory must be to me by the December meeting *****

November Attendance: 276

Members: 264

New Members: 6

Guests: 4

Advertisers: 1

Speaker: 1

There are currently 459 members in good standing and 6 newsletter members.

Welcome to new members who have joined since the October meeting: Anny Bate, Kathy Davis, Katie Dunbar, Laurel Hewitt, Linda Pace, Diane Reho, and Laurie Sageser. Also welcome back to returning members: Marjorie Doyer and Tiffany Numbers.

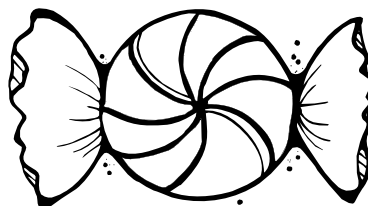
All members are reminded to check in at the Membership table before the meetings. This gives us an accurate count for attendance and helps us plan the appropriate number of chairs for the meetings.

Please remember to wear your name badge at all meetings. It's a great way for new and existing members to get acquainted! (A fine of \$0.25 is payable if it is not worn.) New members are expected to have a badge made within three months of joining the Guild.

The December meeting is the deadline for updating directory information. Please give me changes in writing at the December meeting or mail or e-mail them to me.

Thanks to LaVerne Armour, Linda Martinez, and Kris Smith for helping at the Membership table at the November meeting.

Thanks!
Janet Cowart



Friendship Circles

I am sure you are all very busy during this holiday season, but what will you do in January? How about joining us for a Friendship Circles luncheon on Saturday, January 28, starting at 11:30 a.m.? If you have been thinking about joining a friendship circle or just want to find out more information about being part of a friendship circle, this is where you want to be!

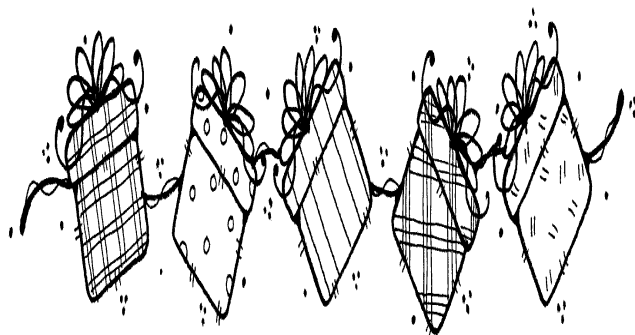
We will have this luncheon at Alicia's home in Mission Viejo. Friendship Circles are a great way to meet people and make new friends. Give yourself the gift of friendship!

Give us a call and we will send you an information sheet on the luncheon or you can pick up information at our Friendship Circles table in January! Happy Holidays!



Karen Richesin

Alicia Passarelli



A Round Of Applause!!!

This is the third year that Marian Mapes and Lillian Lee have teamed to make a quilt, on behalf of BCQG, for the American Cancer Society's Cattle Baron's Ball. This year's quilt featured 96 photos of the cancer kids, with their friends and families, taken at the ACS Western Roundup at Hidden Valley in Irvine. The quilt, made in star designs with western fabric, was auctioned at the Ball for a record \$4,500. We are so proud to have these wonderful ladies as members of Beach Cities Quilt Guild!



Birthdays

Flower: Narcissus

Birthstone: Turquoise

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| Renee Jeske | 1 |
| Rennie Faith | 2 |
| Cindy Shoop | 2 |
| Cynthia Whitten | 2 |
| Chris Dibley | 3 |
| Kathy Tamosaitis | 4 |
| Marie Denison | 5 |
| Kris Smith | 5 |
| Jo Ann Lockett | 6 |
| Amy Mitchell | 6 |
| Vera DeVito | 7 |
| Marilyn McNamara | 9 |
| Karen Wendel | 9 |
| Stephanie Paul | 10 |
| Raquel Reyes-Cardona | 11 |
| Lupe Maher | 12 |
| Odette Goodman Teel | 15 |
| Anny Bate | 18 |
| Marsha Burns | 18 |
| Mary Chapman | 18 |
| Beverly Moore | 18 |
| Sheryl Smith-Bailey | 18 |
| Theresa Culver | 19 |
| Sharon Kleven | 22 |
| Candace Martin | 22 |
| Barbara Kaisersatt | 23 |
| Tanya Koepp Goffman | 25 |
| Diane Morgan | 25 |
| Susan Sall | 26 |
| Kathie Bellamy | 27 |
| Barbara Harney | 27 |
| Maxine McLachlan | 27 |
| Kathy Alder | 29 |
| Marjie Butterworth | 29 |
| Alexi Kouzelos | 29 |
| Norma Leighton | 29 |
| Marian Mapes | 31 |

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Door Prizes

TALL MOUSE

Jennifer Morgan - Sun Printing Kit
Linda Rogers - Fat Pack - Chicken Prints
Janet Cook - Quilting Lap Stand
Melanie Williams - Fat Pack - Brights
Leslie Cushing - Gift Certificate

SHARON WHELAN

Delane Turner - Quilting Calendar

ROSIE'S

Barbara Thieme - Bag of Goodies - Book, Fabric & supplies

THE COTTON SHOP

Freida Shull - Gift Certificate

MOORE'S

Rose Larson - Fat Pack - Fall
Carol Noyes - Book - Ice Cream Quilt
June Foresman - Book - Everyday Embellishments
Jaine Culbertson - Book - Star Spangled Favorites
Lorna Barrowman - Fat Pack - Chickens

LEAH'S

Barbara Green - Fat Pack - Brights
Linda Pace - Fat Pack - Reproduction Fabric

MATERIAL POSSESSIONS

Debbi Kulick - Fat Pack - Fall Colors
Margie Doyer - Fat Pack - Fall Colors
Chaundra Gomer - Gift Certificate

BEAR'S QUILT SHOP

Marion Gleadhill - Gift Certificate
Eileen Auer - Gift Certificate
April Lee - Gift Certificate

JENNY JENSEN HOWARD

Becky Mc Daniel - 3 Project Bags



Monthly Mini

Quilt Maker: Kris Kouzelos
Quilt Winner: Margo Hayes

Kris Kouzelos lives in San Juan Capistrano with her husband Jack, one daughter and two sons. She was taught to sew by her grandmother and made her first quilt when she was 12 from garment scraps. Kris says she didn't truly learn to quilt until she enrolled in Suzanne Stanton's classes 12 years ago.

Kris is a charter member of our Guild and enjoys a variety of quilting styles. She enjoys quilting with kids, traditional quilts with a twist, and bright and whimsical quilts.

Kris' quilt for the month of November certainly showed her skills within the bright genre, but those of us who know Kris, also know of her love of chickens. Since Kris was not able to attend the November meeting and she did not title her quilt, we did so for her. We came up with two appropriate titles. The first was "Where is the chicken?", and the second, which won the crowd's approval, was "Thanksgiving Eve down on the poultry farm."

Maxine McLachlan
Linda Ambrosini



Secret Sisters

Our Secret Sisters group is off to a great start this year. We had a small but friendly group at our Sew-In at Leah's on November 18. Some of us shopped and chatted more than sewed! Now we're all getting ready for the December 2 Holiday Party. At our next guild meeting, ask a Secret Sister how much fun we had.

We all know how busy the holidays are so make your life easier – shop ahead for your Secret Sister. If you buy two or three months at a time (remember, a little token is better than nothing), you won't have that "day of the guild meeting" panic attack!

Our next event is "Stampin' Up" with Jhone Hardesty on Saturday, January 28.

Art Show

Current fabric compositions made by Beach Cities Quilter, Carol McDaniel, are on view at the Aliso Viejo Library. Nineteen pieces, including costume, wearables, bed quilts and wall hangings will be on display until January, 2006. Library hours are Monday thru Thursday, 10:00 am until 9:00 pm. Friday and Saturday, 10:00 am until 5:00 pm. The library is located at 1 Journey, off Park Pacific, across from the fire station. Phone number, 949 360-1730.



Hospitality

A giant thank you to Sue Haw and the Around the Block Friendship Group for all their good works in hosting the Hospitality Table for our November meeting. The decorations and homemade goodies for Fall and Thanksgiving really put us in the mood for the coming holidays. We really appreciate the help of the Friendship Groups in helping each month to set the theme for the season and hosting the table. Our January table will be hosted by the Gals from Material Possessions.

Remember, you receive an extra door prize ticket for hosting and one for bringing a goodie. It's fun to host the table. You really get to visit with everyone as they make a stop by the table.



Sunshine and Shadow

The Guild has sent get well wishes to Linda Campos, Becky McDaniel, LeAnn Goettel, and Diane Morgan. We hope they feel better soon and will be able to join us for the December auction!

Condolences have been sent to Jean Christopher, whose sister Georgia Morton passed away last month.

We were happy to hear the good news that Chris Huben's grandson Jeff will be recuperating at her home. He sustained serious injuries from a car bomb in Iraq. He will be continuing treatment in San Diego.

**Jeanne Haynes
Cheri McDowell
Susan Staebell**



Places to Go, Quilts to See . . .



- January 14** SCCQG Meeting Hosted by South Bay Quilters Guild Topic: TBD
- January 27 & 28** Cotton Patch Quilters of Kern County presents their quilt show Soft Covers for Hard Times at the Kern County Fairgrounds on P Street in Bakersfield, CA. For more information check our website at www.Bakersfieldquiltguild.org or call Becky Fischer at 661-396-1655.
- February 10 - 11** Valley Quilters Show - Valley Quilters Show, Valley Wide Community Center, 901 W. Esplanade Ave., San Jacinto, CA . 10 am - 4 pm. Admission - \$6.00. Featured Quilter, Vendors, quilt appraisals by Julia Zglinic, Guild Consignment Shop and Boutique. Drawing for Philanthropic quilt Saturday at 4 pm. For more information contact Judy Bjorklund, 951-925-7989.
- February 17-18** South Bay Quilters Guild Quilt Show at Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3341 Civic Center Drive, Torrance, CA. We've got a **Fresh New Look** in our Quilt Gallery and Merchant Mall . . . yes, the Merchant Mall is back and better than ever! Some of your favorite vendors along with lots of new faces! Admission is \$7 at the door. Advance purchase tickets (\$5) are also available by sending your check (payable to SBQG) and a SASE envelope to P.O. Box 6115, Torrance, CA 90504. For details: visit our website: www.southbayquiltersguild.org.
- March 4-5** Friendship Square Quilt Guild presents Continuing the Tradition III at the UFCW Auditorium, 8550 Stanton Ave. , Buena Park . Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4.
- March 16** Local History Lecture – Trunk Show, Quilted Wearables – 3/16 Guest Curator, Marinda Stewart, author and TV personality. Covarrubias Adobe. Prepaid Members \$20 /\$25 Guests and Members the Day of the Program. A wine a& delicious hors d'oeuvres reception will follow. Reservations are limited. SUBSCRIPTION SERIES: Secure your reserved seating and save more than 15% when you purchase advance tickets to all three Local History Lectures. Cost for the combined lectures on September 15, October 13, 2005 and March 16, 2006 is \$50. To order by phone call: 966-1061 . Master Card and Visa accepted. The Santa Barbara Historical Society Museum located at 136 E. De la Guerra Street , Santa Barbara , CA., is open to the public free of charge. Museum hours: Tues. – Sat. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. ; Sun. 12 – 5 p.m. Free parking available on-site.
- March 17-19** Glendale Quilt guild 2006 Quilt Show at the Burbank Hilton. The theme is "Romancing the Fabric." Please access our website www.glendalequiltguild.org for further information. Teacher list will be available soon.
- March 25-26** San Joaquin Valley Quilt Show - Springtime in the Valley 2006 March Sat 25 and Sun 26th from 10:00 am until 5:00 PM on Sat and until 4:00 PM on Sunday. The location is the Clovis Memorial Bldg. 453 Hughes Street, Clovis, CA 93612.
If you have any questions you may contact Gerri Pymm@d-gpymm@juno.com or Nancy Christian at nancythequilter@aol.com.
- April 4-9** The Traveling Quilters are off to the International Quilt Festival in Chicago . Join us as we visit the quilt festival, the windy city, and sights in and around Chicago . For information contact: pamoverton@earthlink.net
- April 15** SCCQG Meeting, hosted Cottonpatch Quilt Guild in Bakersfield. Topic: TBD
- April 29-30** Camarillo Quilters Association is having their Quilt Show . Check www.camarilloquilters.org for more details