

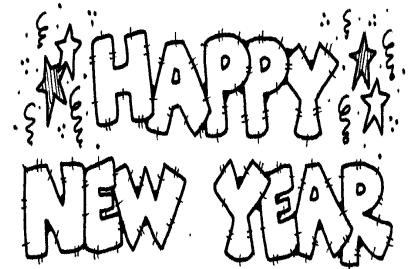
# STITCHES IN THE SAND



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## January 2006

MEETING DATE: Thursday, January 12, 2006  
HAPPY (HALF) HOUR: 6:30 - 7:00 P.M.  
BUSINESS: 7:00 - 9:30 P.M.  
PLACE: Marco Forster Middle School



## YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS RAMI! TWO BY TWO

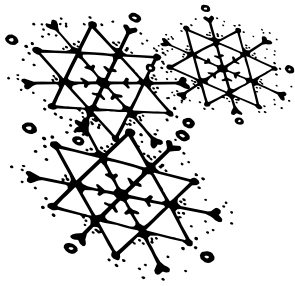
When Rami creates an art-to-wear ensemble, she makes matching quilts, bags, and dolls with the same design. Over the years she developed so many matching pairs that she wishes to share designs and techniques and to talk about how to apply the same techniques and designs to different projects as wearable arts, quilts, dolls, and bags. Rami is a DNA scientist - turned fabric artist/quilter/instructor. She has won many top awards including Best of Shows in the Pacific International Quilt Festival and AQS/Hobbs Fashion Show. Rami is known for her own distinctive colors and techniques. She says she would rather spend more time with beautiful fabrics and threads than with DNA sequencing gels and radioactive isotopes of cold, gray science.

See ya there!  
**Bettie Blauser**  
Programs

### A PEEK AT FUTURE PROGRAMS

February	Melody Johnson
March	Carol Doak
April	Member's Showcase
May	J. Phil Beaver
June	Nancy Odom
July	Sharon Schamber
August	Patricia Lei Murray
September	Cindy Brick
October	President's Quilt
November	Katie Pasquini Masopust





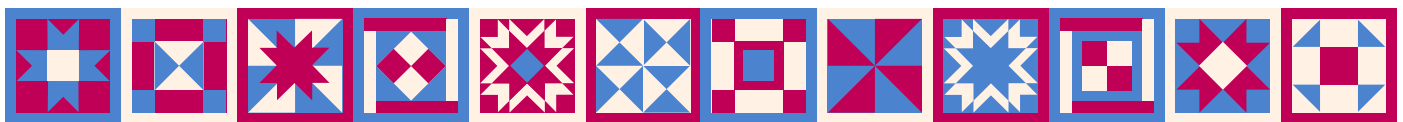
## From the President's Desk

Once again the generosity of our members and their friends and family was truly amazing. The success of the Holiday Auction and Rummage sale is due to all of you who have given so much and supported our guild. I would like to thank Kathie Bellamy, Margo Hayes and Soley Wendell for their tremendous effort for the Auction, as well as Jaine Culbertson, Rennie Faith and Susan Staebell for the Rummage Sale. I know there were many others who collected, packaged, cashiered, monitored and supported all the efforts. Without the volunteers there is no way we could pull off such a tremendous effort.

Now that the Holiday Season has passed, we can work on the challenges for the New Year. My resolutions will be to spend more time with friends and family, quilt more, finish my UFOs and get in better shape. We each should just make a few changes to improve the quality of our work, our family and our environment. We should try new techniques, stretch our skills through a class or through inspiration derived from an Art Gallery or Museum. Our guild gives us the opportunity to see the work of other talented ladies and share through our friendship groups our lives and love of quilting. Sharing our creative gifts with others is a way to multiply our blessings. With the tremendous effort everyone has put forward in support of Katrina survivors and the wonderful reception of these gifts, it is truly a win-win situation. We get to pick the fabrics and patterns and then sew and touch the fabrics and then decide on the quilting. Then the recipients get to snuggle and feel the love that was given in their creation. Since retiring I am ever grateful for all I have and my ability to give back to the community.

May the New Year be better than the last and give you health and inspiration.

Happy New Year  
Sheryl



## Girl Scouts in Service

Troop Leaders, Catherine Huebscher (BCQG member) and Annamarie Bishop, organized their Girl Scout Cadette Troop 149 of Rancho Santa Margarita: Lauren Bishop, Tori Tveit, Margareta Reskusic, Hannah Huebscher and Marissa Heller to produce stockings for Katrina. The girls collected fabric and sewed approximately 61 stockings for the Hurricane Katrina Relief Project. The girls then solicited the assistance of sister Troops in the Rancho Trabuco Service Unit #2 to help fill the stockings for the hurricane impacted kids.

The girls wish to thank all who assisted them in completing the project, including Nancy Stewart (of BCQG) for fabric and assembly of some of the stockings, the troops of Service Unit RT#2 for the generosity in filling the stockings, and the BCQG for taking care of all the shipping and delivery to Houston.

It was a fun and worthwhile project to participate in.

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**Ladies! Start Your Machines!**  
**JUNE 3 and 4, 2006 QUILT SHOW ENTRY FORMS are here.**

Enclosed in this newsletter on page 5 is the entry form for the June 2006 Quilt Show. Please note that the entry forms (not the quilts or items) are due by February 12, 2006. Additional copies of the form can be obtained at both the January and February guild meetings or by contacting Jan Bogikes.

Photos or drawings and fabric samples are required with the forms. It's not too early to start!

### Quilt Show Photos

At the January meeting we will be taking pictures of the quilters that are entering items in the quilt show. The pictures will be used on the labels hanging next to each item in the show. Look for Gigi Gan near the stage at the January meeting to have your picture taken.



### Holiday Auction

A big "**WOW**" to this year's **Holiday Auction!!** The night was a huge success bringing in a total of **\$ 9, 476.05**. Silent and Live Auction made \$8,866.00 and Rummage made \$612.05. We want to thank all of you who donated your "treasures." It's because of you that we were able to have over 250 items to bid on.

We also want to thank the volunteers who generously gave of their time to help before, during and after the event. You gals were so incredible; we were completely done by 9:30 p.m. That's got to be a record! Kudos to Betty Blauser and Lynn Mann for their hard work at the podium.

Happy Holidays,

Margo Hayes

Soley Wendell

Kathie Bellamy

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## Friendship Circles – January 28<sup>th</sup> Luncheon Scheduled

Friendship groups are a great way to:

- ◆ make new friends
- ◆ get inspired
- ◆ share ideas and techniques
- ◆ sew – finish those UFOs!
- ◆ shop
- ◆ road trip to an out-of-town quilt shop
- ◆ attend a quilt show
- ◆ laugh and chat

Currently, we have a list of 10 women interested in joining a Friendship Circle. We are hosting a luncheon on Saturday, January 28, 2006, for these women and anyone else interested in joining a Friendship Circle. This event will be a great opportunity to meet each other and put together a group (or two or three groups) that shares the same interests and schedules. If you haven't already, stop by our table at the January guild meeting or give us a call to RSVP and get directions.

Alicia Passarelli  
Karen Richesin

## Membership

December Attendance:  
243 members and guests

There are currently 484 members in good standing and 6 newsletter members.

Welcome new members Serena Brooks, Tara Hilde, Peggy Jaffe, Yolanda McClure, Peggy Reischmann, Joyce Tachner, and Carol Wilford.

**The new directories and membership cards will be available at the January meeting. If your friends are unable to attend, please get theirs as well as your own.**

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.

Thanks to Linda Martinez and LaVerne Armour for helping at the December meeting.

Thanks!  
Janet Cowart



Birthdays

Flower: Carnation

Birthstone: Garnet

Lisa Pool	1
Lynn Blackburn	2
Peggy Jaffe	3
Rose Larson	4
Carolle Schuegraf	4
Renate Gase	5
Peggy Linton	6
D' Mauerman	6
Toni Selman	7
Jaine Culbertson	8
Carol Mayer	11
Geneva Wilson	12
Joni Downum	13
Sue Haw	13
Vickie Volchok	13
Barbara Roberts	14
Aleida Doll	15
Ardie Chamness	16
Cheryl Hough	16
Megan Lord	16
Laurie Peden	17
Margie Carnahan	19
Deana Progar	19
Sandi Strauser	20
Donna Bradshaw	21
Judy Freund	22
Sally Gard	23
Mary Farrand	24
Julia Neff Maben	24
Mary Throop	24
Linda Martinez	25
Lisa Dunning	27
Emile Leighty	27
Karen Langham	28
Elaine Johnston	29

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## Nickel Club

WE HAVE A WORKSHOP DATE! Tuesday, January 31 at Material Possessions we will get together to work on our Nickel Square projects. We've got the classroom from 2:00 in the afternoon until 9:00 pm. We hope those of you who are unable to attend afternoon workshops will be able to come in the evening. We had lots of squares dropped off at last month's meeting. Your enthusiastic participation is great. Remember you can join anytime. Just stop by the Nickel Club table and we'll give you all the info you need. You can even see some completed squares!

Here is our complete list of Nickel Club monthly fabric selections for the 2005/2006 BCQG Year.  
Questions??? Call Delane Turner, Veronica Dibbleor Jennifer Morgan.

### Monthly Fabric Selections 2005/2006

Jan: Batiks and/or Blue fabrics  
Feb: 30s and/or Polka dots  
Mar: 1800s and/or Background neutrals  
April: Batiks and/or 3 Sisters/Robyn Pandolph types

May: 30s and/or Mini small florals  
June: 1800s and/or Stripes & plaids  
July: Batiks and/or Thimbleberries  
Aug: 30s and/or Black & whites  
Sept: 1800s and/or Laurel Burch

## Secret Sisters

Happy New Year! Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! Here are some of the events coming up:

January 28<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) from 10:00-noon: Stampin' Up workshop at Jhone's house. We will be making tags, a tag purse and tag cards for Secret Sisters, Valentine's Day and Birthdays! The cost for supplies is \$7 or free with the purchase of the Stampin' Up tag punch kit. Please sign up by contacting either Megan or Renate.

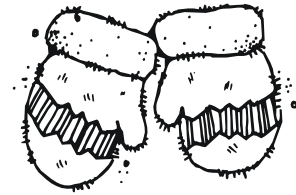
February (date to be determined) – Another fun Sew-in. With the holidays over, you can finish up all of those UFOs for you! If anyone has any suggestions for the date, let us know.

We would like to thank everyone who is participating. The success of the Secret Sisters program really depends upon its participants. I'd like to thank everyone who makes a conscious effort each month to ensure that her little sister has a gift each month. Please remember that if you can't make a meeting, please have a friend bring your little sister's gift and check for yours. Feel free to call me by the Wednesday before the meeting if you need assistance in delivering your gift.



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## WORKSHOPS



**January 13 and 14, 2006, Friday and Saturday  
at Leah's Quilt Shop, Mission Viejo  
Rami Kim presenting: "The Fifth Dimension"  
Cost: \$30**

Rami Kim's January workshop will feature her 3-dimensional techniques to make a beautiful tote bag, or to be used in wearable art such as a vest, jacket, or dress. We will learn five of the exotic and unusual methods Rami uses in her award-winning works, including hexagon and biscuit chopkey, mirror-imaged continuous prairie point, harlequin tucks, North American hand-smocking, and lined prairie points. Take a look at her gorgeous sample totes at the workshop table and join us to learn these extra touches to art-to-wear and quilts.

Please bring you lunch and enjoy the workshop.

**We are taking sign-ups for the 14. E-mail Rachael Severance to sign up and send in your \$30 workshop check.**

**February 10, 2006, Friday  
at Material Possessions, Lake Forest  
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.

Workshop Gift Certificates are available for \$30 and make a great gift for a Secret Sister or friend.

### **"Road to California" Bus Trip**

Leave the driving to us and take the quilt show bus on Saturday, January 21, 2006. There are just a few seats left. Cost is \$28.00 and includes the show ticket. The bus will leave the Junipero Serra northbound Park & Ride off the 5 Frwy promptly at 8:30 a.m., so plan to be there at 8:15. We should be home by 4:00 p.m. Sign up at the workshop table.

**Grace Errea  
Rachael Severance  
Joann Bishop**



### **Sunshine and Shadow**

We had a "Meet and Greet" on December 1 for new members. Thanks to Pat Pardoen for hosting the event. It was fun to get acquainted and explain the happenings of our wonderful guild. We will be doing this every couple of months instead of having one large tea.

Get Well Wishes were sent this month to Glenda Razor, Janet Pugh, and Susan Stemporzewski's husband, Sam. A sympathy card has been sent to Margaret Patch whose mother passed away recently.

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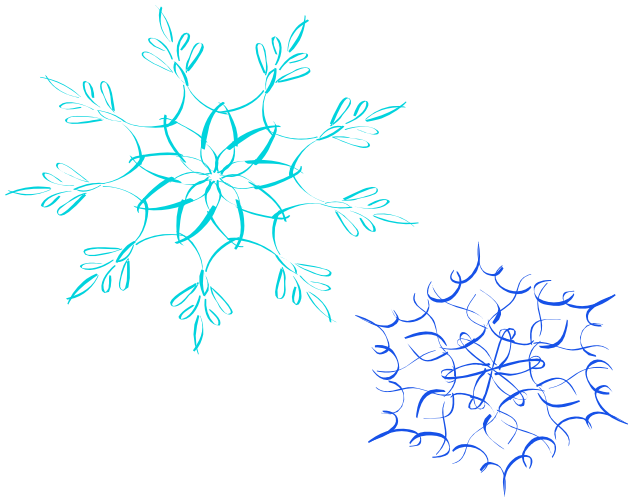
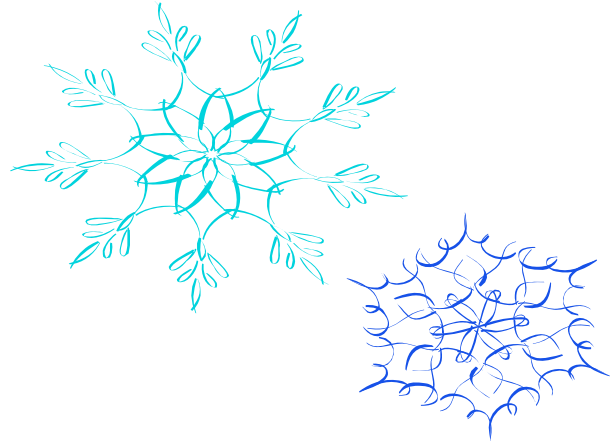
## Hospitality

WOW! Thank you so much to *The Ladies of the Night, One Piece at a Time Friendship* group for hosting our hospitality table at the December auction. The goodies were wonderful, varied, and there was a **LOT** of food at the beginning of the meeting! It sure went quickly! It was wonderful to have all of the homemade items for sharing! And a special "Thanks" to Karla Hendrix for bringing her personal decorations to set the mood for the table! My apologies to anyone whose feathers I obviously ruffled. This was my first month being in charge, and I was in the midst of a family emergency to boot. I hope to have things run more smoothly as I continue.

Those of you who brought goodies in December, please remember to bring your colored slip to the January meeting for an extra chance in the door prize drawing. If you brought goodies in December and didn't get a colored slip, please just let me know at the January meeting, and we'll be more than happy to give you a slip then and there! We have Melanie and the Girls from Material Possessions for January Hospitality Hosts, and we need sign-ups for the rest of the year. Many thanks to you all!

P.S. We could use a couple more helpers, too!

**Barbara Green  
Emily La Mond**



## Block Party

In this busy time of year, we want to thank all of you who made the basket blocks. The lucky winners were: Nancy McBride, Betty Korleski, Deborah Singletary, Cindy Croucher, Helen Brassaw and Cecile Rogers. Join us next month for the easy "Sugar Bowl" block.

Thanks,  
**Janet and Mary**

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## PHILANTHROPY

The results of your efforts have warmed a few hearts recently. Over 250 Christmas stockings were sent to Houston and the Orange County organizers for distribution to Katrina Kids. In addition, 34 quilts and 65 pillowcases have been delivered to our local Katrina victims. Our ongoing effort will focus on bed size quilts, so if you can help us out, it would be wonderful.

We were able to accomplish all of the above and still distribute 11 pillows, 47 cancer caps and 67 quilts for senior centers, Camp Pendleton and Orangewood Children's Home.

Our next Philanthropy meeting will be held, as usual, at Leah's on Friday, January 27th. We would like to have you join us if your schedule permits. Thank you for supporting our philanthropy work....it's important and appreciated.

### **HOFFMAN TOUR**

As announced at the December meeting, a tour of the Hoffman fabric facility is planned for Thursday, January 26th, 10:00 to Noon. Based on the signup sheet at the December meeting, the following guild members are scheduled for this tour: Barbara Green, Ruth Nahas, Nancy McBride, Julie Vlahas, Mary Arntz, Dee Patton, Joanne Bishop, Carol Wilford, Bette Bradley, Kathy Hutchins, Jhone Hardisty, Sue Peters and Sue Richardson.

Because of the enthusiastic response to this tour, we will plan another tour shortly.

Directions to Hoffman California Fabrics, 25792 Obrero Dr., Mission Viejo 92691:  
From the 5 freeway, exit at Alicia Parkway and go east. Take a left on Jeronimo and left on Obrero. If you are unable to attend, please call Sally Gard so another guild member can take your place.

### **IN APPRECIATION**

Susan Nash, the Houston guild organizer for Katrina, sent Nancy Ota a note indicating they had over 1100 stockings ready for delivery to Katrina Kids. *"Words cannot express the impact this project has had. We are both humbled and overwhelmed by the support from all the sewers in our wonderful country."*

Village of Hope, Saddleback Christian Church, the Orange County Katrina organizers sent the following note:

*Thank you so very much for all your generous donations to the survivors of Katrina. Your time, thought and effort are appreciated more than words can say. Many have been blessed with your beautiful quilts, pillow cases and very soon...stockings! Amazing things have been happening and lives blessed thanks to you. May you have a wonderful holiday season. Thank you for everything.*





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## Places to Go, Quilts to See . . .

- 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.camarilloquilters.org) for more details