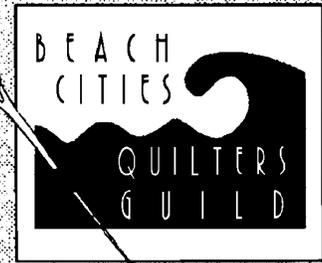

STITCHES IN THE SAND



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

Katie Pasquini

We will be welcoming fiber artist, Katie Pasquini as our speaker in November. She has traveled around the world teaching contemporary quilt designing. Katie presents her contemporary quilting theories in an easy but energetic manner. She has been featured in Quilter's Newsletter many times and was included in the "Gallery" in Fiber Arts magazine. She has judged the AQS show and has won many awards throughout her career, but considers Best of Show at the Houston Quilt Festival in 1982 and 1986 and at the Pacific International Quilt Show in 1994, her best achievements. She also won first and second at the AQS show in 1995 and her piece "Dimensional Portal" was in the 1991 Quilt National, where it won People's Choice. Her quilt "Rio Hondo" was selected for inclusion in the 100 quilts of the 20th Century.

A PEEK AT FUTURE PROGRAMS

December	Holiday Auction
January	Kelly Gallagher-Abbott
February	Cathy Miller
March	Lyn Mann
April	Members Showcase
June	Peggy Martin



BETTIE'S BITS AND PIECES

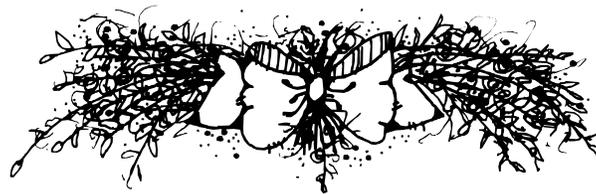
I don't know about you, but I am always happy when November comes around. One of the reasons is that the weather turns much cooler and that makes me very happy since I seem to be hot all the time these days. I come from a large family and we always get together for the holidays. Family is very important to me, and I look at Beach Cities Quilters Guild as an extended family. This year I have much to be thankful for. As many of you know, my mom has been battling cancer for the better part of four years. She just finished a 3rd horrible round of chemo which nearly took her from us. But I am blessed to let you know that she is in remission at this time and will be with us at Thanksgiving and Christmas, which is the holiday that my family celebrates. I hope that all of you will have a special blessing this year during your holiday season. I am also fortunate and grateful to be on the receiving end of the great support and encouragement that I have received from the Guild since I was elected President. I appreciate every comment that all of you have given me. And I thank you for them.

While I was in communication with Diane Gaudynski arranging for her to speak at our guild (November 2008) I noticed she has monthly "tips" on her website (which is where I got the idea). I asked her if I could pass any of them on in my newsletter article and she gave me the freedom to do so. One of her tips this month is about machine quilting. I know you will enjoy it!

If you like the *automatic "needle down"* feature when doing free motion quilting, but find that once you stop, when you start up again this is where glitches happen and find that the needle seems to jump up and sideways instead of the direction you are quilting and it zigs and zags a few times before you get it under control. Try tapping the foot control once and have the needle come up (or turn the wheel on the machine, or push your needle up button) and *then resume quilting*. It is much easier to control your quilt. It's also a lot easier to learn to do this than stop and take out stitches that went off course.

May you always have a quilt to work on.

Bettie



Nosegays for Helen

In September, Jan Hirth was given 110 nosegays handpieced in the 1930's. She decided they would make a beautiful quilt so she passed them out to about 50 guild members to appliqué onto muslin with the idea that the quilt would be raffled off with the proceeds going to Helen Brassaw who is going through chemotherapy again. Through her 15 years in the guild, Helen has donated, on the average, 18 quilts a year to philanthropy, auctions and the mini-quilt auctions. Eight ladies sewed 50 of the blocks together with a diamond border designed and made by Cindy Croucher in keeping with the nosegay pattern and using authentic 30's fabrics. The quilt top was basted at a meeting of the Threads friendship group of which Helen is a member then machine quilting was done in the ditch around and through the nosegays and now the background design and grid are being hand quilted. Tickets can be purchased at the November meeting for \$5 a ticket or by mailing your donation and address labels to Jan Hirth. Please email her at home for more details. The winner of the quilt will be drawn in December.

Thank You for My Spectacular Quilt

Once again this Guild has outdone itself in the creativity and superb quality of my President's quilt. Even though I expected a great quilt, I was overwhelmed by the diversity of the blocks and the great work by all involved. When Pat was describing the efforts of all the people participating, my throat closed down and I had a very hard time trying to breathe. Pat Pardoen's skills and great attention to detail amaze me and she is to be applauded for this great effort. This quilt was a result of hundreds of hours of design and assembly as well as quilting and binding. Thank you all for your time and efforts. Debbie Myers did a wonderful job with the back art. I would love to learn to create the type of effect she achieved on the back. The flow of colors and depth are amazing. This quilt means so much to me, since the ocean and all its wonders are a part of our family. Living so close to the ocean is truly like being on vacation year round. Another dream part of my life is all the wonderful friends I have found through the guild. You all have enriched my life and add so much joy to the everyday things.

Thank you so much
Sheryl Smith-Bailey



Philanthropy

Monday November 27th 10:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. Leah's Fabrics

We have met our goal of 100 cancer caps for October. This is great! If you still have kits out, I encourage you to bring them to Leah's and we will deliver them to the hospital. The chemo room is quite cold and these caps provide warmth, comfort and caring for the women. Just another way of women helping women. Thank you for your help for the ongoing project.

We have squares and sashing cut, so this month we will focus on sewing some tops together. It will be easy and fun so please come. The quilts that are made in philanthropy are for Orangewood Childrens Home, where teens live and smaller kids have been placed mostly because of abuse. Thirty-six quilts were delivered to Orangewood this month. We also make quilts for a senior home and for Pendleton hospital where the marines can take the quilts home.

Please bring your SEWING MACHINES, SCISSORS, AND A FRIEND.

Holiday Rummage Sale

The Holiday Auction and Rummage Sale are just around the corner. You still have time to clean out that STASH and donate it. We will gladly accept fabric, books, patterns, miscellaneous quilting and sewing accessories, batting, and U.F.O.'s. What you have and no longer need or use may be that little something that a fellow quilter has been looking for forever. Please, NO magazines.

Donations can be made every Saturday morning from 9 – 10 a.m. in the parking lot behind Leah's in Mission Viejo from now until December 2nd. We will also have another collection at the November 9th BCQG general meeting from 6-7 p.m.

Thank you for all of the donations that have already been dropped off. There will be some great things for sale.

Also, volunteers are needed to sort, price and prepare for the sale. We meet 3-4 times a week in Mission Viejo. Please call Marianne so that we can send you a calendar of when the volunteers will be meeting, and the directions. We are also looking for help the day of the sale. We will need drivers to help transport the items from Mission Viejo and San Clemente to Marco Forster Middle School, helpers to set-up the sale and to clean-up afterwards. The more that volunteer, the quicker everything gets done. This will turn out to be a huge success and benefit to the Guild, but only if you help. We have a lot to do in just a short amount of time.

Marianne Cunningham
Mary Arntz

Workshops

November Workshop-Katie Pasquini Masopust "Designing Abstract Quilts"
Friday and Saturday, November 10th & 11th---two day workshop
Material Possessions, Lake Forest 10:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Cost \$60.00 – plus \$12.00 Kit fee due to teacher at workshop

This very popular designing workshop filled up quickly so at this point we will only have a waiting list (in case of cancellation).

The original supply lists given out are in error and Katie has provided me with a new list which I will either E-mail to those who have signed up, or if you do not have E-mail I will send you a new supply list by snail mail. I will also be asking for each person to provide an item for a friendship salad that we will have for lunch on the first day of the class. (The Guild will provide lettuce, dressing and drinking water).

December - No Workshop

January Workshop- Kelly Gallagher Abbott "Jukebox Rose"
Friday and Saturday, January 12th & 13th two- one day workshops
Leah's, Mission Viejo 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM Cost \$30.00

Kelly describes this workshop as an opportunity to practice a lot of the things that she will be showing in her "Technique lecture". She will be putting together a poster and fliers for us to see (we will not have a quilt before her lecture). I recommend that you go to her web site as it is very informative, just go on line to: Jukebox Quilts.

Workshop committee: Marjie Butterworth, Paula Pangle

THINK SPRING!

Mark your calendars for **SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2007** for the **SPRING TEA AND SEWING ROOM TOUR!**

In the 'off' years when there is no BCQG Quilt Show, we hold a wonderful Spring Event for our members. Starting in the morning, a few of our very generous members open their sewing rooms for our viewing pleasure. You'll drive from house to house and see the varied ways in which these quilters manage their stash, organize their sewing space, and display their quilts. After the tour, we gather for a wonderful luncheon and program which includes viewing the Challenge Quilts. Members will be able to vote on their favorites and prizes will be awarded.

This event will be held at JSerra High School, just off the 5 Freeway on Junipero Serra Rd., in San Juan Capistrano. It's freeway close with ample, level parking. The facility can seat up to 400 people, and tickets will go on sale in February.

Our Challenge theme this year will be **"It's All About Me"**! Finally, a chance for you to be the star of the show! We encourage you to make a quilt, garment or decorative item that is a reflection of who you are, what you do, who you love or how you live. You may choose any technique to make your entry. Hand or machine pieced, appliquéd or fused, traditional or abstract, intricate or simple, photo transfers and embellishments . . . all are welcome. The main requirement is that your entry should tell us something about YOU! Quilts must have at least a 100" perimeter, no greater than 145". All three fabrics included in the kit must be used, but you will be able to choose which to include the greatest amount of. Each entry must also include a star. Kits include three fat quarters of beautiful Hoffman fabrics and complete instructions and will be sold for \$12 at the November meeting and monthly thereafter until sold out.

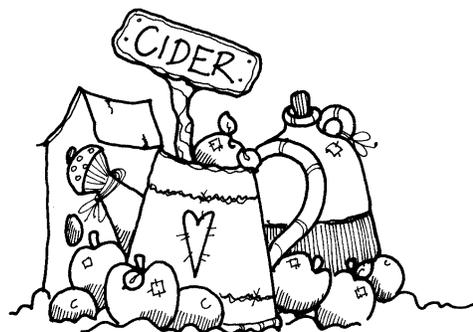
More information will be provided at upcoming meetings and in the newsletter. If you are interested in serving on the committee or volunteering to help at the event, please contact Marian Mapes. If you would like more information about including your sewing room on the tour, please contact Pat Pardoen.

Marian Mapes , Spring Tea Chairman, 2007
Julie Greenspan, Spring Tea Quilt Challenge Chairman 2007

Opportunity Quilt 2008 Under Construction

What is yellow, orange, gold, pink, purple and green all over? It's the Opportunity Quilt for the 2008 Quilt Show. Debbie Myers and Jan Hirth are co-chairing the making of the quilt. The pattern is an uneven log cabin that will create curves and bends in the layout. Last month kits were passed out to members to take home to make a block using fabrics from their own stashes along with the six fabrics given to them in the kit. More kits will be available at the November meeting. The blocks are due at the January meeting but can be turned in sooner. Debbie and Jan hope to have the quilt completed by November 2007.

Tall Mouse is looking for an energetic, organized, and experienced individual to manage the fabric department in the Laguna Niguel store on a full-time basis. If you're interested in applying, please contact the manager, Eric Lamm.



October 2006 Show and Tell

Nickel Club	Nickel quilts
Mary Arntz	“Dominos”
Sandy Fisher’s Friendship Group	“Birthday Quilt”
Sandra Silbernager	“Haunted Houses” Block Party Oct. 1998
Betty Korleski	“Race for the Cure”
Lily Shearer	“A birthday quilt for her daughter”
Diane Reho	“The Game is Really About the Cheerleaders”
Ingrid Stuver	“Explosion of Hearts”
	“Color Bliss & Horses”
Sharon Whelan	“Kapalua, Maui”
Elayne Hoyle	“Fortune Cookie”
Helen Brassaw	“School House Baskets”
Eileen Campbell	“Double Wedding Ring”
Sally Guard	“Paradise”
	“Georgetown Star”
Cheryl Carrerra	“Posy Pots”
Nancy Miller	“Bag from Rami Kim workshop”
	“Pointsettia quilt from Phil Beavers workshop”
Karla Hendrix & Ladies of the Night Friendship Group	“60 and Counting”
Karla Hendrix	“Crazy Kat”
Carolyn Jay	“A quilt made during the Great Depression by Louise Briggs”



SECRET SISTERS

Secret Sisters is off to a great start this year with more than 20 participants. Those who signed up in September have already received information on their ‘little sisters’ and exchanged gifts at the October BCQG meeting. We are adding on another 10 or so ladies to begin in November.

Donna and I are planning an exciting and fun year for everyone involved. For November, we will have a get acquainted dessert on Sunday, November 5th from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Leah’s. And for December, we are planning an Afternoon Tea and ornament exchange on December 2nd. Secret Sisters will be receiving more information soon regarding both of these activities, so please schedule your calendars – we look forward to seeing you!

Martha Hurlburt



Sunshine and Shadows

Well wishes have been sent out to Delane Turner’s husband, Clay, who has a fractured spine. Former guild member Pat Richardson has passed away. Our sympathies go out to her friends and family. On a happy note Sheri Forrester is a new Grandmother of twin boys. Jeanne Stone, Jarry Myers and I are excited to be this year’s welcoming committee. We are busy planning our first “Meet and Greet” for sometime in January.

Rachael Severance

Membership

*****IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP, IT HAS LAPSED*****

Thursday October 12th, 2006

Door Prize Winners and Vendors

October Attendance: 237
Members: 214
New Members: 14
Returning Members: 4
Guests: 4
Advertisers: 1

There are currently 392 members in good standing and 7 newsletter subscribers.

Welcome to new members: Donna Avila, Claire Bell, Chris Biro, Nancy Bloyer, Judy Bowes, Rita Brei, Lee Brown, Carol Csabafy, Marie Gray, Sandy Jones, Debbie Kendall, Carol Lally, Sharon Loftus, Susanna Openshaw, Terry Pyle, Joyce Reeves, Renee Regan, Pat Saia, Miriam Siegel, Sara Slygh, Renee Svarc, Stephanie Wagner, Emily Wallace, Linda Warzyca and Holly Winston. Also welcome back to returning members: Christine Browning, Karen Harvey, Fern Luhnnow and Ingrid Stuiver.

THIS IS YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Please update your information on the form enclosed in your September newsletter and bring the form, with your check for \$25, to the next meeting, or mail them to Nancy McBride. Remember to review and complete the back of the form.

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.

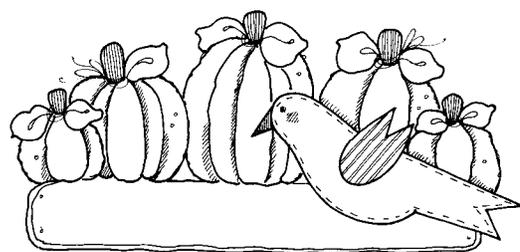
The December meeting (12/14) is the deadline for updating directory information. Any changes need to be given to me in writing either at the November or December meetings, regular mail or e-mail.

Thanks to LaVerne Armour, Marian Mapes, Julie Montoya, Toni Selman and Kris Smith for helping at the Membership tables at the October meeting.

Thanks! Nancy McBride

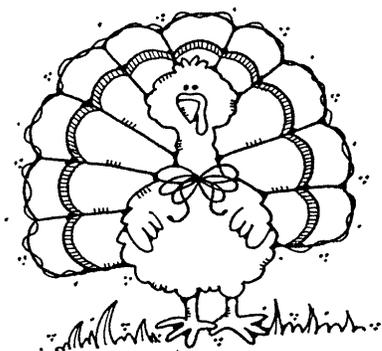
Vera DeVito - Scrapbook paints, Brushes
Joann's Foothill Ranch
Sue Zahradink - Scrapbook paints, Brushes
Joann's Foothill Ranch
Joyce Conyers - Gift Cert \$10 * Bears
Karen Langhan - Gift Cert \$10 * Bears
Joann Lockett - Gift Cert \$10 * Bears
Diane Reho - Gift Cert \$25 * Tall Mouse
Maureen Metheny - 5x5 Moda Promo Pack * Tall Mouse
Martha Hurlburt - Gift Cert \$10 * Flying Geese
Nancy Miller - Gift Cert \$10 * Flying Geese
Jackie Buch Gift - Cert \$15 * Material Possessions
Chaundra Gomer - Fat Quarter Pack * Material Possessions
Betty Koskinen - Fat Quarter Pack * Material Possessions
Pat Pardon Gift - Cert \$10 * Leah's
Rachel Fernelius - Gift Cert \$10 * Leah's
Diane Morgan - Fat Quarter Pack * Moore's
Mariann Thurman - Fat Quarter Pack * Moore's
Katy Lillie - Fat Quarter Pack * Moore's
Juin Foresman - Fat Quarter Pack * Moore's
Caroline Sullivan - Charm Quilt Book
*Rosie's Calico Cupboard
Leslye Stringfellow - Project bag, Template, Rosebud Pattern, Uncle Sam Booklet
*Rosie's Calico Cupboard
Bambie Comer- 2 piece scissor set * Capistrano Sew n Vac

Janet Crosson - 1 Box Madera Thread *
*Capistrano Sew n Vac
Sherry Muetzel - 1 Box Madera Thread *
*Capistrano Sew n Vac
Becky McDaniel - Embroidery Software, Koala, Needles *Capistrano Sew n Vac



“The Auction’s Getting Closer”

Here we are again (your Ways and Means committee)! We have received a number of contributions for this year's Live and Silent Auctions but we still have a number of gaps in what we need. Currently the things that we still need are FABRIC, FABRIC, and FABRIC along with those **gorgeous projects** that you ladies plan to give us for both the live and silent auctions. So far we have received lots of baskets, lots of fun UFO's (Unidentified Fabric Objects), and way more magazines than we can ever hope to utilize. So once again the three things that we still need are auction class finished items, fabric, and more willing helpers. Anyone planning to donate finished items for the live or silent auctions that will be doing so as late as the first of December, please contact Laurie Sageser at so that we can save room for your items. We have all been having a ball preparing for the December festivities and hope to provide everyone who attends with an equal amount of enjoyment. Thank you for all of your past and future donations! Count down until December 14th!



Monthly Mini October

October's mini was made by Mary Arntz. She started quilting in the 90's and joined Beach Cities several years ago. She enjoys making quilts for family, friends and the Guild. But most of all she loves making them for her two grandsons.

Janet Cook
Wendy Price
Mary Arntz

November Birthdays

Debbie Kendall	2
Laurie Sachs	2
Elizabeth Geer	3
Heddie Lee	3
Jhone Hardesty	4
Lu Pringle	4
Cindy Gilkey	5
Katy Lillie	6
LaVergne Brown	7
Pat McNeil	7
Paula Omidyar	8
Vivian Malcolm	9
Pat Patel	9
Susan Wills	9
Barbara Cotter	11
Kathy Baltierra	12
Catherine Huebscher	12
Diana Montenegro	12
Sara Slygh	12
Bridget Thomason	12
Jan Maag	13
Joyce Reeves	13
Katie Bigger	15
Alice Coons	15
Judy Kingdon	15
Margaret Patch	15
Norma Fiorello	16
Linda Rice	16
Cindy Hickson	17
Jeanne Tavasci	18
Virginia McCullough	19
Sharon Philippe	19
Helen Brassaw	21
Dorothy Tarr	21
Polly Hada	22
Brigida Martinez	22
Joyce Tachner	22
Carole Malenius	23
Susan Peart	25
Ann Saindon	25
Jacqueline Graeff	26
Carol Lally	26
Jarry Myers	26
Alice Schreiner	26
Eileen Wintemute	26
Nancy Bloyer	27
Grace Errea	27
Julie Maclean	27
Dolores Patton	27
Tiffany Numbers	30

Block Party

Who said that the NINE PATCH block is boring? The Block Party Co-chairs have set out to prove that the nine patch block is not only versatile but fun for creating quilts. By using color and strategically placing half-triangles, strips, squares, prints, etc., the blocks we create will be beautiful and easy to make. All blocks for this year will measure 9-1/2 inches unfinished. Please join Sandra, Megan and myself and participate in Block Party.

The basket blocks for October featuring Halloween fabrics were amazing. Eighty-nine (89) blocks were turned in. WOW! We had eight winners of ten blocks each and one winner of nine blocks - Stella Ljungborg, Deborah Singletary, Sandy Jones, Sandra Silbernagel, Helen Brassaw, Cecile Rogers, Ruth Nahas, and Betty Korleski. Congratulations to all that won! Much thanks to everyone that participated.

**Megan Lord, Lupe Maher,
and Sandra Silbernagel**



Hospitality

First we would like to thank Barbara and Emily for making the transition so easy. Thanks so much for all your help.

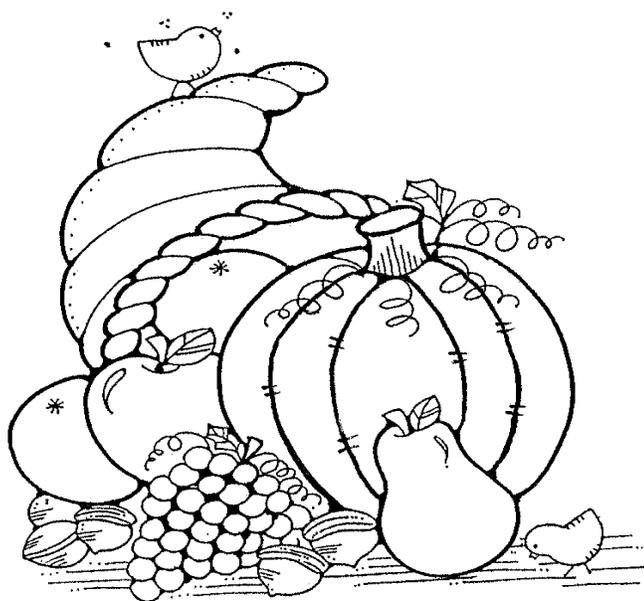
Next month will be hosted by Sue Haw's Around the Block Friendship Group. Thanks ladies. We have sign ups for December and January but will need sign ups for the rest of the year. So get a few friends together and call me.

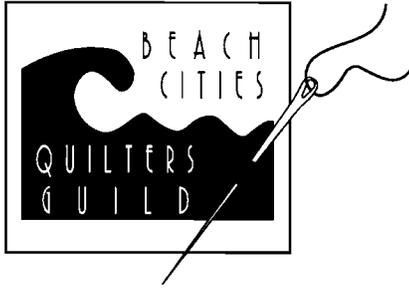
Please remember to bring your goodies in disposable containers. If you bring something that you would like back, remember to check the back table at the end of the meeting for your items.

Sharon Gilmore and Eileen Campbell

Places to Go, Quilts to See . . .

- Nov.12 - Quilt Visions 2006 - *The Art Quilt* will be at the Oceanside Museum of Art. The
Jan. 21 Opening Reception will be Saturday November 11 from 5-7 pm. For additional
information visit the website: www.quiltvisions.org
- Nov. 12- **VICTORIAN BEAUTIES - Crazy Quilt Exhibition and “The Quilted
Jan.22 Tree”** – History reveals itself in subtle ways from choices of fabric to embroi-
dered “clues” stitched into the exuberant designs of these visually-exciting
“crazy” quilts. Visitors will also marvel at the 15-foot holiday tree festooned
with handmade quilt ornaments created for this exhibit by area quilters. Recep-
tion for Tree Ornament Quilters and Crazy Quilt Opening Party – 11/20 SUB-
SCRIPTION 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 pm.; Sun. 12 – 5 p.m. Free parking available on-site.
- December 9 The 13th Annual Wrightwood Holiday Home Tour will be held from 11:00 a.m.
to 4:00 p.m. Featuring four homes decorated for the holidays, the Pine Needles
Quilt Guild fills the homes with quilts. There is also a boutique at the commu-
nity center with vendors selling holiday items, quilts, homemade jams, etc.
Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. To pre-purchase tickets, send a
SASE to Pine Needles Quilt Guild, PO Box 2800, Wrightwood, CA
92397. Contact Marlene Bowman at 760-249-5753 for further information.





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Party Blocks, Secret Sister Gifts, Philanthropy
Projects, Show & Tell, and
Holiday Rummage!

