

Patchwork Post

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Speakers & Workshops at a Glance:

Patricia Beaver

Lecture/Meeting: September 9, 2013
Workshop: Sunday 9/15/2013

Terry Waldron

Lecture/Meeting: October 14, 2013
Workshop: Tuesday 10/15/2013

Kim Diehl

Lecture/Meeting: November 11, 2013
Workshop: Tuesday 11/12/2013

Philanthropy Night

Meeting: January 13, 2014

Susan Axelrod

Lecture/Meeting: February 10, 2014
Workshop: Sunday 2/9/2014

Anelie Belden

Lecture/Meeting: March 10, 2014
Workshop: Sunday 3/9/2014

Beth Ferrier

Lecture/Meeting: April 14, 2014
Workshop: Tuesday 4/15/2014

Cathy Van Bruggen

Lecture/Meeting: May 12, 2014
Workshop: Tuesday 5/13/2014

President's Message

I would like to start off with some GREAT BIG THANK YOU's!!!

First Thank You goes to Deb Tait, who found out we couldn't meet at the school, then helped solve the problem by calling Karla Stockton.

The second Thank You goes to Karla and the Incarnation Lutheran Church of Poway for opening up their doors at the last minute and for the warm welcome we received.

The third Thank You goes to Margaret Byrne and Susan Axelrod for taking on the huge task of making those phone calls to all our members on Sunday night to notify them of the site change. It showed me that our phone tree is an important thing to have in place. In fact here is a perfect opportunity for me to ask for some volunteers. Easy job, there is nothing to do, except for in an emergency. Quick, sign up before all spots are gone.

Our speaker last month, Kim Diehl, was a delight to have and she didn't seem bothered by the change in venue. Her workshop was well received with 25 members attending. We all learned some new techniques and I am looking forward to putting them into practice. Make sure you look up our other speakers and sign up early for their workshops. We have great speakers scheduled.

My travel plans are simple this month. We are traveling to Phoenix to spend a week at Thanksgiving with my mom. Then I will be back in time for our annual holiday potluck. So bring those wonderful dishes to share.

The holidays are among us and I am sure, like me, you are all busy with starting and finishing projects for gifts such as quilts, table runners, and stockings, not to mention the cooking, cleaning and decorating. What a wonderful time of the year! I love it, but it can be overwhelming and exhausting. Make sure you take out a few minutes each day for yourself, you deserve it.

I am thankful for all our members and the new friends I have made in the guild.

See you at the Holiday meeting/potluck on December 9th.

Hope you all have a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Keep Quilting and have fun.

Becky

Holiday Potluck

Bring your favorite dish to share as we celebrate the season at our December meeting. Suggestions of what to bring, if your last name begins with:

A thru C - Side Dish

D thru J - Main Dish

K thru M - Appetizer

N thru R - Salad

S thru Z - Dessert

You may also bring a tablecloth or setting if you'd like to make your meal special!

Meetings

Board Meeting & Potluck

Monday, Dec. 2, 6:00pm at
Roberta Russell's home.

Everyone is WELCOME!

Guild Meeting:

2nd Monday of the month

(Sept—June) 7 PM,
Garden Road Elementary
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Membership

High energy and great meeting last month! Lots of ladies thanked us for the phone calls about the last minute location change.

We had 126 in attendance, and 15 guests! There were 3 new members, and 2 renewals. That brings our membership number up to 176. Need just 25 more to reach our goal. I even see that new members are bringing guests – isn't that wonderful!

Still hunting for a replacement for the Membership Chair. Contact me if you're interested.

Having any trouble receiving guild e-mails?? Please let me know.

See you at the meeting – remember to wear your nametag.

Susan Axelrod, Membership Chair

Library News

Kim Diehl was a wonderful speaker with a fantastic trunk show! If you are eager for more information on making one of her designs, we have four of her books in our library:

SIMPLE BLESSINGS

SIMPLE CHARM

SIMPLE COMFORTS

SIMPLE GRACES

We have added some terrific donated books to our library this month:

BEYOND THE BLOCKS-QUILTS WITH GREAT BORDERS - Nancy Martin

CATS IN QUILTS - Carol Armstrong

CONVERGENCE - Ricky Tims

GRANNY QUILTS - Darlene Zimmerman

OPTICAL ILLUSIONS FOR QUILTERS - Karen Combs

VISUAL DANCE - CREATING SPECTACULAR QUILTS - Joen Wolfrom

Please contact Yvonne or Holly if you would like to reserve any of our library books.

We did not have enough space at our November meeting to set up the famous "Shop In The Dark" \$2.00 Book Sale. We will have that sale at our December meeting. Please stop by the table outside and look at the many great books which have been donated to us.

There will be no library table at the December meeting - so if you have a book checked out - you may keep it until Jan 2014!

See you at the "Shop In The Dark" Sale Table!!

Retreat

The next guild retreat is April 25-27, 2014 at Vina de Lestonnac retreat center in Temecula. The cost is \$250.00 for a double room, \$200.00 for a triple room, \$350.00 for a private room and \$115.00 if you're a day tripper and go home at night to sleep. (All prices are per person). I will start taking sign-ups with deposits at the January guild meeting. The retreats have become very popular and fill up fast so please get to the meeting early to sign up. If you have never been to one of the retreats before, they are a lot of fun. Everyone brings their own projects to work on. You can get lots done and get lots of input if you ask for an opinion.

Lou Pennock

Programs - Up Next

December 9, 2013 is our Holiday potluck. Look at the front page of this newsletter for a list of “who brings what”.

January 13, 2014 will be a Philanthropy activity. Charlene Renne will have more information on this at the meeting as well as in the newsletter. Be prepared to roll-up your sleeves to assist in sewing, cutting, ironing, folding, whatever needs to be done to get projects completed.

February 10, 2014's speaker is our own Susan Axelrod. Susan will have a Trunk Show of all the beautiful quilts she has made. Susan is having our workshop on February 9, 2014 the DAY BEFORE the meeting. Please go to Friendship's website (<http://friendshipquilterssd.org/>) to see the beautiful Hummingbird and Flower applique wall quilt we will be making. This is a “Susan original” and it is absolutely gorgeous. The Supply List can be found under Workshops.

March 10, 2014's speaker is Anelie Belden. Anelie's website is www.Anelie.com and she is going to be teaching us how to do **Trapunto by Machine on March 9, 2014 THE DAY BEFORE THE MEETING**. There is still room in the workshop and we would love your participation. Please be sure to visit Friendship's website

(<http://friendshipquilterssd.org/>) to obtain the Supply List – you have the option of purchasing a kit for \$15.00 or Anelie has provided paper templates of circles or hearts so those who do not want to buy a kit can premark their tops. This will make more class time to focus on learning Trapunto. Students have a choice of 3 different designs. Be sure to stop by the Programs Table to sign up. You won't want to miss this workshop. It is going to be awesome.

Information for the April, May, and June guild activity can be found on our website (<http://friendshipquilterssd.org/>). The website contains up-to-date information available for your viewing.

Debra, Elaine, Ann., Programs Committee

Opportunity Quilt 2013-2014

It's true – we are going to have an Opportunity Quilt this year and all the funds (less the ticket printing) received by ticket sales will be money for the guild. The name of the quilt is “Oldie but a Goodie”. Cookie has so graciously volunteered to be our “record keeper”. Cookie has done this a few times in the past and is experienced in keeping the “books”. Now we need YOU!!! Please stop by the Opportunity Quilt table and pick up your tickets. We only ask that you take and sell \$20 in tickets – you can do that – sure you can!!! Just think, if we all – 170 members of us – take and sell \$20 in tickets we will have ticket sales in the amount of \$3400. That is just money earned by you taking \$20 in tickets and doesn't include the money we can earn taking the quilt to various guilds, art shows, quilt shows, all over. We can continue with our excellent speakers, workshops, retreats, etc. It's your guild and each one of you is an important part of it. It's YOU who keeps the guild growing strong.

We are going to do a little research on local guilds to see who they are, when they meet, etc. and in the January 2014 newsletter there will be a list that we would like you all to look over. If you can take the quilt to one of their meetings and sell tickets it would be greatly appreciated. Once the list is compiled you can call me or sign up at one of our Friendship meetings with the guild you would like to attend to take the quilt. Also, if anyone is aware of any quilt shows, art shows and/or craft fairs and they would like to take a buddy and sit with the quilt for a few hours that would be greatly appreciated as well.

Any and all ideas are welcomed. Take care – see you on the 9th.

Debra, Cookie

Opportunity Quilt Committee

Budget Balance Sheet a/o October 31, 2013

	<u>May 31, 14</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Friendship QOSD	12,698.39
Friendship Quilters of San Diego	<u>20,887.68</u>
Total Checking/Savings	33,586.07
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid Expense	<u>1,037.50</u>
Total Other Current Assets	<u>1,037.50</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>34,623.57</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>34,623.57</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	27,118.76
Retained Earnings	2,598.37
Net Income	<u>4,906.44</u>
Total Equity	<u>34,623.57</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>34,623.57</u>

WANTED: Special Skills

Are you looking for a way to serve the guild? I am searching for someone to take over the Membership Chair at the end of this term (6/1/2014). Are you comfortable working with a computer? Can you use Microsoft Access 2010? Do you have this software on your computer already? I would be happy to train you, if you are willing.

The software holds the guild's membership data and generates reports. For this position, it's good to work in a team of 2, just in case you can't make it to every meeting plus, sometimes the sign-in table is busy and two people are better than one. So talk to your friend(s). It's one of the BEST board positions. You get to greet everyone who comes in the door and you will make lots of new friends.

Just contact me at sewsalot@aol.com or call me at 760-787-1649 if you want to be my replacement or if you have questions.

Susan Axelrod, Membership Chair

Needed: Someone who would like a FREE trip to Asilomar

The lineup of guest speakers will be unveiled at the May 2014 meeting. The theme of 14-15 will be:

"Bringing Asilomar to You".

Most of the teachers have taught at Asilomar so the lineup is well respected. All the contracts have been signed, the gift bags will be made, program done, and bios created by June. However, someone needs to volunteer to sign-up folks next year, take care of sleeping arrangements for speakers, and arrange the dinner at a restaurant before the monthly meeting. Why would anyone want to do that? Simple, you and a partner can go to every workshop free of charge. Also, it really is a lot of fun getting to know members and speakers better. Think of it as two weeks free at Asilomar!

If you are interested, please come talk to me at the programs table.

Elaine Swatniki

Door Prize Winners

1. Six Christmas fat quarters won by Mary Lewis
2. Christmas charm pack won by Susan Axelrod
3. Two one-yard fabric pieces won by Candy Mittag
4. Botanika quilt pattern won by Sue Busch
5. Thimbleberries Basic Beauties book won by Pat Wolfe
6. Quilt the Seasons book won by Judi Quintrall
7. Piecemakers Times and Seasons Calendar won by Amy Wazny
8. Quilting DVD, Embroidery pattern and floss won by Mary Drobnis
9. Puff Quilting clip set, Jan Krentz playing cards and charm pack won by Holly Torrez
10. Three patterns won by Jane Jensen
11. Three patterns won by Julie Kursave
12. Three patterns won by Cheryl Cooper

Slow Cooker Cinnamon Almonds

Time: Three hours of stirring every 20 minutes

Ingredients:

- 1 cup of Sugar
- 1 cup of Brown Sugar
- 3 Tablespoons of Cinnamon
- 1/8 teaspoon of Salt
- 1 Egg White
- 2 teaspoons of Vanilla
- 3 cups of Almonds
- 1/8 cup of Water (2 tablespoons)

Editor's Note: Rebecca shared these wonderful nuts at the November Quilt Retreat. I can testify, they are absolutely delicious!!!

Directions:

In a bowl, whisk egg white and vanilla until it begins to get a little frothy. Stir in your almonds until they are all coated in the egg white and vanilla mixture. In a separate bowl, mix together sugar, brown sugar, cinnamon, and salt. Add Almonds to cinnamon mixture and toss until completely coated. Spray your slow cooker with non stick cooking spray. Cook the almonds on high for two hours stirring every 20 minutes. After 2 hours pour your water over the almonds and mix very well to make sure there are no clumps! Reduce heat to low and cook for one more hour, still stirring every 20 minutes. Line a cookie sheet with parchment paper and evenly spread out the almonds to cool and dry on the paper. I still had to break up some clumps, which gave me an excuse to eat a few while still warm.

Rebecca Lighthill

Philanthropy

We had a super Sew-a-thon on Veterans Day at Bits & Pieces. There were about 12 of us and we were able to produce about 27 placemats for Meals on Wheels and 5 more Christmas stockings for Rady's Hospital. We had a fun-filled day sewing, visiting, laughing and eating. Thanks to everyone who participated AND to Bits and Pieces for letting us use their classroom. It just felt good to share our time and talents for these worthy groups.

Charlotte Fan accepted quilts and placemats from Friendship Quilters on behalf of Meals on Wheels. She said that they prepare goody boxes with placemats for clients on special occasions like birthdays and anniversaries. They include quilts for very special birthdays. They also have Christmas, or Holiday, goody boxes and hope to include placemats for everyone. We soon will be delivering the additional placemats we made on Veterans Day along with those turned in at the last meeting and additional donations we have received.

Stay tuned for more about the special January meeting. We will have lots of Philanthropy nuts and bolts news and information.

Charleen Renne, Philanthropy Chair



December Birthdays

BIRTHDAY	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Dec 01	DIANNE	BARILOTTI
Dec 01	PEARL	AIELLO
Dec 02	MARY	DROBNIS
Dec 08	ELAINE	SWATNIKI
Dec 10	CLARISSA	WILLING
Dec 19	ALICE	KOENITZER
Dec 23	JO	LINDSTROM
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Evening and Weekend Appointments



December Craft Table Rental

Once again the December meeting welcomes its members to rent a table to sell their wares! If you have items you'd like to sell, you can rent a table for only \$10!

If you're interested, please contact Cheryl Wilson, Treasurer, before the next meeting.

Call Me!

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We had the opportunity to see our phone tree in action last month with our meeting location change. It is important to get the word out about last minute changes and the phone tree is a valuable tool even in the age of the internet.

With our membership approaching 200 we are assembling a Phone Tree Team to make the work manageable. Being part of this team is a great way to become involved in the guild organization without a huge commitment.

Please contact Margaret Byrne at 858-549-3375 or mbyrne@mbyrnelaw.com.

Thank you!

Margaret M. Byrne

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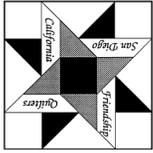
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Next General Meeting - POTLUCK!

December 9, 2013

- Name Tag
- Your Mug
- Potluck Dish to share
- Items for Sharing

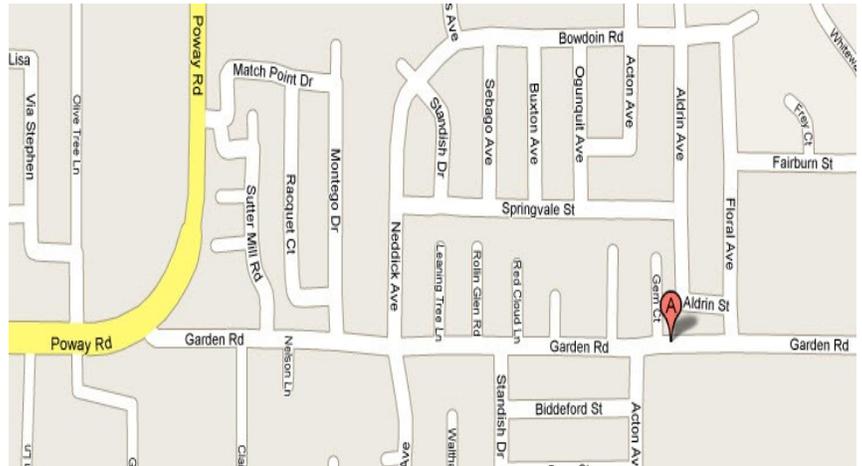
Doors Open for Setup 6:00pm

Tables Ready 6:30pm

Meeting Begins 7:00pm

Please help put chairs away after the meeting

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