

Patchwork Post

September 2005

Friendship Quilters
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Programs

We are pleased to have an active guild member provide us with her **Tips and Tricks of the Trade**, Wendy Mathson. Several of our members routinely take classes from her through the Palomar College Education Program. She is also founder of the nationally known Prayers and Squares ministry which she started in 1992.

Wendy has a way of looking at complex patterns and creating short cuts that allow you to be successful in recreating them. She is always supportive and energetic. I am sure she will provide us with an exciting and informative meeting. Wendy will also be teaching us on Tuesday, her method of Storm at Sea. We still have openings so please contact Sue Mezera (858 391-1348) or Debbie Koczela (858 675-0435) to reserve your spot.



Thinking of You:

We would like to extend condolences to the family and friends of guild member Pat Burket, who passed away on Saturday, July 23rd, 2005. Pat was a Living Treasure, a title we reserve for those members who attain the age of 75 and continue as active and valued members of our guild. One of Pat's friends tells us, "Pat had a wonderful sense of humor! She went out of her way to do things for people. She wanted to be everybody's friend."

November Auction Update

Friendship Quilters is conducting a quilt auction this year in conjunction with Village Quilters. This is a new activity for us, and Village Quilters has graciously offered to assist us in the planning of this event. The auction is to be held at the Poway Senior Center at 13094 Civic Center Drive, Poway, on November 5, 2005. It will be open to the public. Setup begins at 8:00 AM, the preview is at 10:00 AM and the auction begins at 11:00 AM. Please mark your calendars!

We need quilts!!! The audience for this auction will be largely made up of non-quilters, so completed quilts is a must. If you would like to donate a completed quilt for the auction, please bring it to the general guild meeting, no later than October 2005.

We need Quilters!!! Auction volunteers are cutting and piecing quilt tops. We are desperately in need of volunteers to quilt them! We know you are out there – members for whom the quilting is the most satisfying part of the process. We desperately need you to come forward and offer your skill in support of this effort. Tops will be available for pickup at the September meeting.

All volunteers will be gratefully accepted. Don't worry that your skills may be unequal to the task! Quilt tops are available in all sizes -- table runners, wall hangings, baby quilts, lap size, and bed size tops are being made.

Or perhaps you enjoy finishing a quilt. You can help out by offering your services to bind one or more of these quilts once the quilting is complete. Any and all assistance would be greatly appreciated.

We need donations!!! We need batting in all sizes. We need backing fabric. Once those quilting volunteers step forward, they are going to need the supplies to complete our auction quilts. If you haven't had the time or opportunity to contribute a quilt or top to the auction effort, this plea is meant for you. Please give us a call if you can help. We can provide additional detail as to what size batting and amount and color of backing fabric would be most helpful.

The auction is November 5th, so time is running short! If you have the wherewithal to support this effort, please call Reggie Gross @ 858-748-6560 or Kathi Doleshal @ 858-748-1546.

Recipe Corner

This recipe can highly recommended. I've been told it will "knock your socks off"

Mexi-Gilroy Garlic Dip	chopped	
1 Cup small curd cottage cheese	1 large tomato, finely chopped	
1 Cup mayonnaise	salt and pepper to taste	
1 Can (4 oz.) diced green chilies	Mix together all ingredients, cover	
1 Can (4 oz.) sliced black olives	and refrigerate. Serve with chips,	
6 cloves fresh garlic, minced	crackers or veggies.	
4 green onions, with tops, finely		



FONS & PORTER'S LOVE OF QUILTING MAGAZINE PROGRAM

Thank You - Thank You - Thank You

The guild has earned \$320.00 this past year from your new and renewal subscriptions to the Fons & Porter *Love of Quilting* magazine. This is an ongoing program and here's how it works:

Guild members can purchase a one-year subscription (six issues) to *Love of Quilting* magazine for the discounted rate of \$20 (a savings of \$10 from the single-copy price) and the guild will receive \$10 for each subscription from Fons and Porter.

Or for Renewal Subscriptions: If you have a current subscription and would like to renew by using this program, just let me know your \$20.00 payment is for RENEWAL. Please give your name and address as it appears on your magazine subscription label and I'll take care of the rest.

You'll enjoy each issue of the magazine and you'll help the guild's treasury grow. Think about subscribing even if you're new to quilting and get inspiration from each issue. Or, consider a gift to a friend or

donate \$20 to the guild as a subscription for Opportunity of the Month so some lucky winner will get a free subscription.

If you can't make it to the guild meeting and would like to subscribe, send your check for \$20.00 (payable to Friendship Quilters) to PO Box 1174, Poway, CA 92074-1174 and request a Fons and Porter's Love of Quilting subscription. Include your mailing address. If it is a renewal, note this on the check. Your first magazine should arrive in about 6 to 8 weeks.

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Getting to know our Members

Question: What is it about quilting that you enjoy so much?



I love making things with my hands. I love sewing and I love working with color. Quilting encompasses all those things, plus provides a creative outlet. Quilts are useful, as well, to warm our beds or warm our walls. For all those reason I love quilting and love teaching others to quilt. – Peggy Martin

The creativity – even using a pattern I can play with the fabrics and make something special.
– Jenni Morris



Color is my favorite part of quilting. In the Navy I wear a khaki uniform everyday so I surround myself with color. I enjoy playing with various color and value placements & seeing how different it can make the blocks look. – Karla Seyb-Stockton

The acceptance and appreciation from fellow quilters. – Sue Mezera



The design process – especially since there are so many beautiful fabrics to choose from. Actually, I design things in my head while doing errands and then forget the good ideas by the time I get home.
– Miriam L Machell

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Fun Fall 2005 Retreat

The weekend of Oct 7-9th is almost here. I'm starting to get excited, aren't you? For those of you attending this fun packed yet relaxing weekend, you'll need to pay the balance of the amount due on or before the September meeting. The total cost of the retreat is \$180.00 and most of you have put down a \$25.00 deposit. This means the balance of \$155.00 absolutely needs to be paid on or before the September meeting. If we do not receive the balance by the September meeting, you will forfeit your spot and it will be given to one of the fun time enthusiasts on the waiting list. If your plans have changed and you can not attend the retreat, please let either Lois Russell or myself know as soon as possible so that we can refund your deposit. Thanks for your attention.

Lou Pennock (858) 486-3282
 Lois Russell (858) 679-8518

October Board meeting:
 This month's board meeting is Monday, October 3rd @ 7:00 PM at the home of Emily Lawhorn. Please email or call our president, Debbie Keener, if you would like to discuss a topic at the meeting.

President's Message:

Dear Members and Friends –

Welcome to a new Guild Year!

Most board positions have been filled. I would like to express my gratitude to all of the board members for stepping up and taking an active interest in our guild. It takes a large group of volunteers to keep a guild the size of Friendship running smoothly.

I would like to acknowledge all of those members who participated in our guild in the past year in ways both big and small. If I don't say that often enough, it is because I get so busy that I forget to take the time to acknowledge each and every one of you.

Thank you to those who donated quilts and placemats to philanthropy and items for opportunity and for the store.

Thank you to those who participated in the design, cutting and piecing of our extraordinary opportunity quilt.

Thank you to those who organized our July 4th quilt show and provided quilts, hung quilts and helped with cleanup.

Thank you to those who participated in the regular and the summer philanthropy quilt-ins at San Rafael church.

Thank you to those who came together on short notice to form the November auction committee and who spent several weeks organizing this activity and preparing kits for quilts to be auctioned. This committee will be asking for your help a bit further down in this newsletter. I ask EVERY member to think about how you may offer your support.

Did I miss anyone? If I did, THANK YOU for all of the ways in which you contribute to make our guild a place where members want to come to be entertained, to be educated, and to be among friends. I look forward to quilting with you this year!

Debbie Keener



SMALL SEWING GROUPS

– See you there!

Are you looking for another opportunity to get together with friends and sew each month? There are two small clubs that meet at Amidon's once a month and there's room for you.

Redwork Club: This club meets on the first Monday of each month from 10:00 am – Noon. Ellie will teach you the tricks if you're new to Redwork. The fee is \$35/year payable to Ellie Cormier. You can call Ellie if you have questions at 760-788-2114.

Appliqué Club: This "sit and sew" is all about appliqué. Your favorite appliqué technique (freezer paper, needle turn, machine, etc.) is welcomed at this group. We bring our projects and work on them from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm and if there's no workshop at the shop in the afternoon, we can stay and sew until 4:30 pm. It's a great time to get things done. The new club member fee is \$25, payable to Susan Axelrod. You can call Susan at 760-787-1649 or Lois Russell at 858-679-8518 for more information.

Front and Center!

How would you like to guarantee a seat in the front, center section? All you have to do is agree to take a new member under your wing for the evening. The guild is starting a new program where we are going to help new members feel welcomed and at home. If you volunteer to be a buddy, you will be asked to sit with a new member (in the center, front section) and help them get oriented – show them where to get their door prize ticket, show them the library and the store, that kind of thing. Each new member will receive an information packet which they may begin reading right away or they can look at later. You can use this packet as an ice breaker by going over some of the info with them or pointing out where the different stations are located. If you are interested in helping out in this area, see Jenni Morris (look for the New Members sign) when you arrive at the meeting, or, if you would like further information on how you can help, feel free to contact Jenni at 679-2325.

Dear Pins & Needles:

I have recently been shop hopping with my friends. We had a great time buying up fabric like there's no tomorrow. My problem is how do I get my fabric into my sewing room without my husband seeing how much I bought? Any suggestions?

- Signed Material Girl

Dear Material Girl,

A very common question! We have a few good suggestions. First for those larger cuts of fabric (1 yard or more) there's the "Body Wrap" where you wrap the fabric around your body under your clothes. The tighter you wrap the better you look!

Then there's the "Boob Job" for cuts up to 1 yard. Yes, that's right, stuff that bra! Warning: This might require several trips if your well endowed!

Last but not least, get your pets in on the action. "Chic Cat" and "Dapper Dog", you guessed it, fat quarters make great bandanas in place of their regular collar!

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Volunteers Needed to Help at the Auction

If you are available on November 5th, please come out and assist at the auction. Volunteers are needed immediately. Please call Reggie Gross @ 858-748-6560 or Kathi Doleshal @ 858-748-1546 if you would like to help. Positions include –

- Setup crew
- Hospitality committee - provide and manage refreshments
- Registration – assign numbers and give out paddles
- Silent auction – set up and manage the silent auction
- Persons to record sales
- Spotters during auction
- Persons to carry quilts and hold them up during the auction
- Persons to give out claim tickets
- Cashiers to take claim tickets and money and provide receipts
- Persons to check receipts and hand out quilts
- Clean-up crew
- Provide security - check receipts and quilts at the door
- Persons to sell Opportunity Quilt tickets

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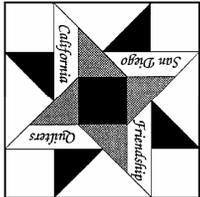
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Monday September 12, 2005

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- Your Name Tag
- Refreshments
- Your Mug
- Library Books
- Donations for the Guild Store
- Items for Sharing

Doors Open for Set Up 6:00pm
Tables Ready 6:30pm
Meeting Begins 7:00pm

Don't forget to help put chairs away after the meeting.

Friendship Quilters and Village Quilters Auction

Saturday, November 5, 2005.

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Preview Starts 10:00 AM and the Auction begins at 11:00 AM

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