

Patchwork Post

Friendship Quilters
of San Diego

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May 2006

Programs

Phil is a retired school teacher from Indiana who has been quilting since 2000. As a school teacher he taught drawing, silversmithing, metalsmithing, weaving and 3D fiber design. The winner of 53 national quilt show awards, Phil has appeared on *Simply Quilts* and designed a fabric line for Free Spirit.

Phil Beaver found quilts and quilt shows by chance in 2000. Some first quilting attempts followed soon after that, but he became serious and more productive as a quilter and quilt teacher in 2003. As of January, 2006, he has produced ten large quilts and won 59 major awards, including 9 Best of Show awards, in the most major quilt shows in the world.

Come to the meeting for an entertaining and enjoyable evening. There is a 2 day workshop with fabric painting on Tuesday May 9 and appliqué on Wednesday May 10. This workshop is being held at Bits and Pieces in Escondido and is currently filled.

- Submitted by Sue Mezera



2006/2007 Programs

The 2006/2007 Programs flyer is now available! Effort has been made to introduce extra workshops in both Poway and Ramona, different days and hours as well! See Candy at the Programs table for both a copy of the flyer and for workshop signups.

Encourage your friends to come out and show their support for the guild by signing up for a workshop! Look for the new Programs information on the web site.

Please contact me by the end of May if you are willing to demonstrate a quilting technique with other members at the special September 2006 meeting. It would be much appreciated!

Emily Lawhorn
2nd VP Programs Chairperson

May Board meeting:

The May board meeting is Monday, May 1st @ 7:00 PM at the home of Susan Axelrod.

June Board meeting:

The June board meeting is Monday, June 5th @ 7:00 PM at the home of Sue Mezera. This is our end of year potluck and is open to both outgoing and the incoming board members.

Please email or call our president, Debbie Keener, if you would like to discuss a topic at the meeting.

President's Message

This is my final message to you as president of Friendship Quilters, dear members and friends. The past two years have flown quickly by and I relinquish this position to Trudy with a mix of regret and relief. I treasure the time spent working closely with the truly remarkable women of the board these many months and have formed lasting friendships with several of them and with several of you as well.

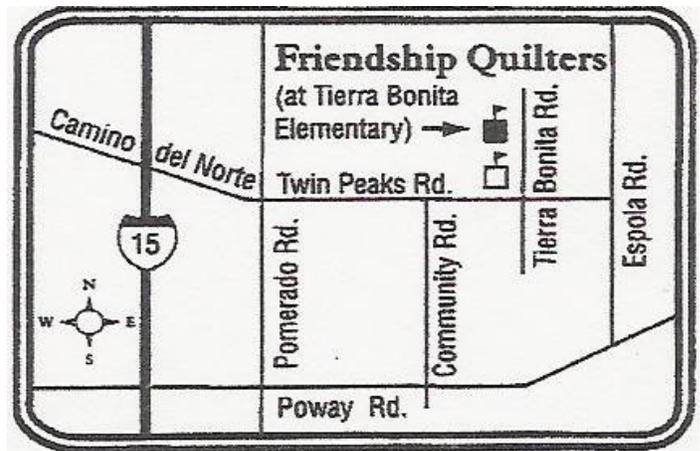
Thank you for your friendship, your support and your patience as I struggled through a few difficult decisions during my term as president. Thank you for your welcome smiles and greetings at every meeting. I look forward with enthusiasm and renewed energy to taking on a new role next year.

The role of president can at times be a challenge and I regret that at times I was unable to please everyone. I ask everyone to please show Trudy the same consideration and patience you afforded to me. At the end of the day, the president is still a volunteer, here for the same reasons as the rest of us; for the companionship of people who share a common interest and to have a good time.

Please support the incoming board as we begin preparations for the upcoming guild year. There is a great deal of activity over the summer of which guild members may be unaware. If you are called upon to help, please do so with enthusiasm. Your efforts will benefit the entire guild.

As I close, I would like to thank Mary Tabar for a fun and contemporary program at the April guild meeting. What are the odds that we would have to call upon our own members two months in a row to fill last minute program openings and that we would have such a wonderful time as a result? Mary, your program was a breath of fresh air! Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Keener



Friendship Quilters Guild of San Diego is a non-profit corporation organized to educate the community and to promote interest in all forms of quilting. General Guild meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at Bonita Elementary school, Poway, CA. Annual membership is \$25.00 from June 1 to May 31 of the following year. Members who are not able to attend meetings may pay \$10 per year for a "newsletter Only" membership. Non members pay a \$5 guest fees per meeting. More information is available on the website: www.friendship.quilt.to.

Comments and articles are always welcome and may be emailed to the editor, Lois Russell at lrussel2@san.rr.com. or snail-mail to The Editor, Friendship Quilters, P.O. Box 1174, Poway, CA 92064

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Ways & Means

At this time we would like to thank you so much for making our two years at the 'Store' such fun. We were both new members of the Guild and didn't know each other or anyone else. We found volunteering to take the position of 'store' for Ways & Means let us get involved and to meet people, have fun, handle lots and lots of fabric and to bring in some cash for the Guild. We admit there were some heavy boxes to lift and lots of transporting to and fro.. Yes, it's work---pricing and storing, spending guild meeting time selling and then taking home what is left. But we both have enjoyed it..

Now it's time to move on, but first we must find our replacements. This is a great spot for newcomers and beginning quilters. No quilting involved, you just have to love fabrics—and we'll help you get started. It's the best job in the guild—come on, get involved!!

You will have NO auction work to worry about next year. When the time comes, a separate committee will be formed for that event.
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Tips & Tricks

This tip comes from Betty Alofs, for those of you who love paper or foundation piecing, but hate the times when your block doesn't come out to the right size. Perhaps it is a little short here and there sometimes, because of the many seams and fabric folded over other fabric.

Here's Betty's solution: Mark the outside edge of the block with a highlighter before you cut sections apart to sew. This way, you will know where the edges are. Then, after piecing a whole section, take it to the cutting board and trim 1/4" around the edges of the section, EXCEPT for the outer edges, which you will make 1/2". After the entire pattern is done and the papers are removed, iron with spray starch, then trim to the proper block size. You will have that extra 1/4", allowing you to make the block the size you want.

Betty Alofs is a teacher, designer, author, and owner of Betty A's Designs. You can visit her new Web Site at www.bettyalofs.com

If you have a clever trick you would like to share with the guild, please email me at sidhemagik@cox.net

Happy Quilting,
 Deanna Padilla

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Newsletter Deadline:

All submissions to the newsletter must be received no later than the Friday following the general guild meeting. This month's deadline is **May 12, 2006** Please email to newsletter editor Lois Russell at lrussell2@san.rr.com.

At our next General Meeting we will vote to elect next years board. Please review the candidates and be prepared to vote at the May meeting.

**Friendship Quilters Guild
2006-2007 Board Candidates**

- President: Trudy Cleveland**
- 1st vice President: Candy Dalton**
- 2nd Vice-President: Susan Axelrod**
- Secretary: Mary Casner**
- Treasurer: Emily Lawhorn**
- Advertising: Open**
- Banner: Stephanie Gragg**
- Block of the Month: Open**
- Block Exchange: Open**
- Door Prizes: Deanna Padilla&Stephanie Gragg**
- Historian: Lyn Mardesich**
- Librarian: Open**
- Mailing: Open**
- Membership Directory:**
- New Member Hostess: Jenny Morris**
- Newsletter: Debbie Keener**
- Opportunity of the Month: Open**
- Philanthropy: Karla Stockton**
- Parliamentarian: Debbie Keener**
- Public Relations: Open**
- Quilt Events: Open**
- Quilt San Diego Liaison: Miriam Machell**
- Refreshments: Lou Pennock & Lois Russell**
- Retreat Coordinator: Francine Nady & Carol Giesing**
- SCCQG Representative:**
- Sharing: Open**
- Telephone Tree: Deb Tait**
- Ways and Means: Open**


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**Friendship Quilters of San Diego
Revised Draft of Proposed Budget for 2006– 2007**

<u>Categories</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>
	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Income</u>
Administration	\$ 165	
Advertising	360	\$ 475
Block of the Month	120	350
Business, Professional	100	
Door Prizes	175	
Equipment	50	
Insurance	1,200	
Interest/CD		200
Library	450	125
Membership/Directory	275	4,375
New Member Hostess	50	
Newsletter Mailing	1,775	
Opportunity of the Month		350
Philanthropy (includes Opp. Quilt)	300	1,500
Programs 2005-06		
Speaker Fees	2,050	
Transportation/Food	1,990	
Workshops	4,600	4,950
Program Admin.	100	
Programs 2006-07		
Program Admin.	65	
Refreshments	200	
Rent		
Ways and Means (store, auction, etc.)	100	1,800
Savings		0
TOTAL	\$ 14,125	14,125

Prepared by: 2005-2006 Board Members
Submitted by: S. Axelrod, Guild Treasurer

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Opportunity of the Month

The April meeting offered three opportunities to win a great prize. “Ebb on the Boardwalk” art quilt print donated by Jan Krentz was won by Cherie Brown.

“The Country Paradise Quilt” book was won by Leemary Heath.

The great collection of 38 fat quarters donated once again by Lou Pennock was also won by Cherie Brown.

These opportunities generated \$46 for the guild treasury.

See you all in May!
Lois Sonntag

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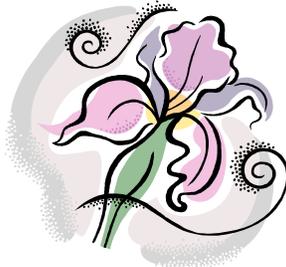
ON-GOING PROGRAM

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 \$5 for each subscription. This is for new and renewal subscriptions.

You can see me at the next guild meeting or you can send your check (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 subscription renewal please note this on the check. This also makes a great gift for a quilting friend.

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Susan Axelrod - Treasurer



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- ★ Quilt safety pins with grip covers from Paul Jean Creations, & 5 spools 100% cotton thread from Gutermann of America won by Brenda Colia.
- ★ Two quilting block patterns from C&T Publishing won by Miriam Machell.
- ★ Amazing tape from The Crazy 9-Patch quilt store won by Lois Sonntag.
- ★ Handbag pattern book from Indygo Junction, Inc. won by Karen Collins.
- ★ Quilt pattern and quilting magazine from Amidon Quiltworks won by Cris Kovacovich.
- ★ Four juvenile print fat quarters from P&B Textiles, won by Emily Lawhorn.
- ★ Quilt book from Oxmoor House won by Candice Dalton.
- ★ Four spring print fat quarters from P 7 B Textiles won by Peggy Dunn.
- ★ Seven fat quarters from Freespirit won by Deanna Padilla.
- ★ \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions, won by Shelley Gragg.
- ★ Six fat quarters & matching Valdani thread from Rosie's Calico Cupboard, won by Francine Nadey.
- ★ \$20 gift certificate from Quilting Divas quilt shop in Murrieta won by Ellie Corner.

Block of the Month

I am so sorry that I missed our last meeting, but I was out of town doing a lecture for another guild. I heard Mary Tabar was a wonderful last-minute speaker. Way to go, Mary!

Our block cutters for last month were kind enough to man the block of the month table for me. Thanks Peggy Dunn and Marsha Skarupa, you obviously did a fantastic job of both cutting and selling. The report was that all the block kits were gone by 6:45! As Peggy said, "the fabric will sell the blocks". I'll be looking forward to seeing the finished blocks come in next month.

Marian Asunuma won the black and hand-dyed "Windmill" blocks from March. Next month Lisa Coulombe and I will be cutting the last set of blocks for the year. Now is the time for all of you to find that set of blocks you won – what year was that? I know I've seen many lovely blocks go home with excited winners over the years, but I don't remember seeing too many finished quilts during sharing. Make that a part of your spring cleaning this year. Better yet, forget about cleaning, just sit down and finish quilts!

Wendy Mathson
Block of the Month



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+ <u>Deposits</u> (3/21/06-4/12/06)	2,060.95
- Total Expenses/Invoices Paid (3/21/06-4/12/06)	<u>(602.66)</u>
Checking Account Total as of 4/12/06	\$ 14,535.84
Balance in Savings (CD) as of 3/29/06	13,720.36
Petty Cash Advances Outstanding	40.00
TOTAL ENDING BALANCE AS OF 4/12/06	<u>\$ 28,296.20</u>

Prepared by: Susan Axelrod, Treasurer
 Apr. 12, 2006
 More detailed information is available on request.



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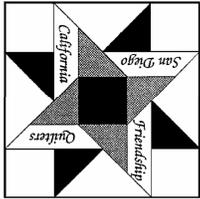
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- Items for Sharing

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

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