

Friendship Quilters
of San Diego
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Tom Lettington, Webmaster
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June 2006

Message from the President

The month of June is traditionally a time of transition. The "old" board will make the transition into the "new" board.

I want to thank everyone for their hard work and dedication in the past year. We started this year with ambitious ideas and goals. We had wonderful speakers, and when we had unforeseen glitches members came forward to save the situation. Our November auction was a huge success thanks to all the strong commitment of our membership. Our Opportunity Quilt received rave reviews and proved to be extremely successful. The support of our membership is evidence that our guild is thriving.

Next year should prove to be equally as exciting. But with growth comes change. Our program/workshops schedule will be the most ambitious schedule we've tried. We are tapping into our own talents with a "member demo" meeting and several workshops will be offered twice to

accommodate more of our membership.

When members renew their membership you will have the chance to receive your newsletter via the Internet. This option will allow you to access the newsletter the day it is released, no waiting for the post office to deliver it! It also saves the guild money that can be redirected to other resources.

Change is always difficult, but can be exciting also. I encourage every member to consider how he or she can become involved and shape the future of our guild. As your incoming president I want to thank everyone who has come forward to accept a position on the new board.

I am looking forward to the next year and working together to continue to promote quilting in our lives and our community.

"When you're finished changing, you're finished"
Benjamin Franklin

Trudy Cleveland

President's Challenge

Participants

Completed projects must be turned in before the June meeting to be eligible for Viewers' Choice vote and awards. Please give me a call at 619-561-9243 or send email to keener80@cox.net to arrange to drop off your quilt.

Thanks,
Debbie Keener

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, Trudy Cleveland, if you would like to discuss a topic at the meeting.

Tips & Tricks

Here are some tips for those of you who like to hand quilt:

Quilting stitches look better when they are made on the bias of the fabric rather than with the grain, as stitches sewn on the grain tend to blend with the threads of the fabric.

Try to keep a consistent amount of quilting on all areas of the quilt so that some areas are not puffier than others.

When you have a long quilting line, start quilting at the center of the thread rather than making a quilter's knot, and quilt off from both ends of the thread.

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

Happy quilting!

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, 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.friendshipquilt.to.

Comments and articles are always welcome and may be emailed to the editor, The Editor, Friendship Quilters, P.O. Box 1174, Poway, CA 92064

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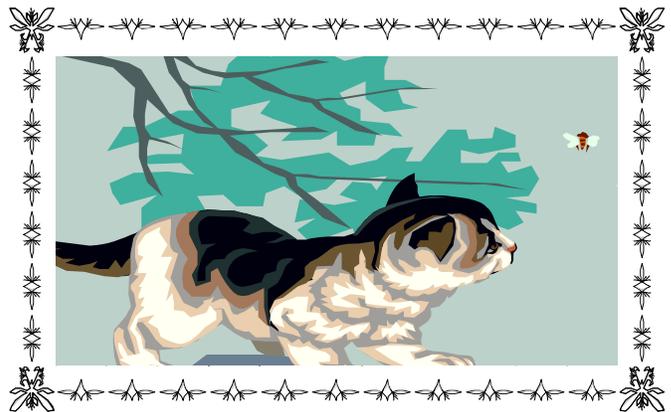
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Ways & Means

Well members, it really is time for us to say Farewell to "The Store".

Time to say Adieu to fabrics, put away the Patterns, Tally-ho to the thread.

But before we go we just wanted to thank you all again, our loyal customers both old and new, for all the support you gave us at 'the store'.

Its been a fun filled two years and we're glad we had the opportunity to serve you.

Our sales for the April meeting was \$135.45 and at the May meeting we took in \$188.20. The store will be closed at the June meeting but we will have a few interesting silent auction items to hopefully pique your interest.

We still need replacements for this fun job!!!!!!

Kathi & Reggie



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Opportunity Quilt

Everyone held their breath as Phil Beaver, our guest speaker drew the winning ticket... The winner of the 2005/06 Opportunity quilt "Timeless Mariner" is our very own member Debby Sharp! Ticket sales from "Timeless Mariner" resulted in a final profit of \$2950. Thank you to everyone that helped in any way with this year's very successful opportunity quilt.

Shelly Gragg



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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 **June 16, 2006** Please email to the **NEW** newsletter editor, Debbie Keener at keener80@cox.net

Treasurer's Report for May 2006

Balance Forward-Cash in Checking Account as of 4/12/06	\$ 14,535.84
+ Deposits (4/13/06-5/9/06)	3,202.77
- Total Expenses/Invoices Paid (4/13/06-5/9/06)	(2,421.33)
Checking Account Total as of 5/9/06	\$ 15,317.28
Balance in Savings (CD) as of 4/27/06	13,741.96
Petty Cash Advances Outstanding	40.00
TOTAL ENDING BALANCE AS OF 5/9/06	<u>\$ 29,099.24</u>

Prepared by: Susan Axelrod, Treasurer
May 9, 2006

**Friendship Quilters of San Diego
Approved Budget for 2006– 2007**

<u>Categories</u>	<u>Budget Expense</u>	<u>Budget 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	<u>\$ 14,125</u>	<u>\$ 14,125</u>

Prepared by: 2005-2006 Board Members
Submitted by: S. Axelrod, Guild Treasurer
Approved by: Membership in attendance on
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Opportunity of the Month

May opportunities of the month included “Christmas at Bear’s Paw Ranch”, which was donated by Dee McClelland, and won by Beverly Fraser. Yet again another wonderful basket of 39 fat quarters of blue fabrics was donated by Lou Pennock, and the lucky winner was Kathy Pease. These opportunities added \$62 to the guild treasury.

Please welcome the new Opportunity of the Month chair Debbie Tait starting at the June meeting. I hope you all will continue to support this guild position in the coming year. I wish Debbie lots of fun presenting many fun opportunities as well!

Have a great summer, everyone!

Lois Sonntag

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- ★ Dancing Flags quilt pattern from A Quilter’s Dream & quilting book from Sulky of America, won by Mimi Byrne
- ★ Four fat quarters from FreeSpirit, won by Stephanie Gragg.
- ★ Needle case from The Crazy 9-Patch, won by Ellie Cormier.
- ★ Six fat quarters & matching Valdini thread from Rosie’s Calico Cupboard, won by Shirley Vigil.
- ★ \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions Quilt Shop, won by Carol Soapes.
- ★ \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions Quilt Shop, won by Candice Dalton.
- ★ \$20 gift certificate fro Quilting Divas in Murrieta, won by Yvonne Gagne.
- ★ Bundle of batik fat quarters from Marcus Bros. Textiles, won by Linda Rothbun.\

★ Submitted by Deanna Padilla

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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. Thanks for helping fund the guild treasury.



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Hi,
 It's membership renewal time again!! In May and June, we will be taking renewals for the 2006-2007 Guild year. [Membership will run until May, 2007.] Dues are \$25.00 with the usual exception for our Living Treasures [members over 75 years young.] Living Treasurers must register as well.

Thanks.
 Linda Wilcox
 Terri Seaburg
 Membership

Date: _____ Year application: 2006-2007

Name: (Please Print) _____ New Renew

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Telephone: (____) _____ Birthday (Month & Day) _____ (75 or older?)

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New Member Hostess

Way to go guild!

I am so thankful to each of you who went out of your way to make the New Members feel welcomed. Just about every month we had a New Member and after I talked to them for a few minutes, I simply asked whoever was nearby to take the New Member under their wing and show them around. Every person I approached to do this, not only immediately agreed and took over, but did such a wonderful job that several new members dropped by the month after they joined and told me how friendly everyone was and how glad they were to have joined our guild. Yeah guild members!

On a personal note, I would like to encourage each of you, especially the New Members to consider becoming a board member. I joined the guild in January '05 and joined the board six months later. Primarily I saw this as a way of getting to know other members quickly. I have been so impressed with the people who make up our guild's board. The monthly meetings have turned out to be something I look forward to, not only to find out what is happening in the guild, but also as a way to fellowship with the other board members. Following the meetings, which typically last an hour, we always have a chance to "munch and bunch" – snack and talk in small groups. This time has been an opportunity for me to ask questions of more experienced quilters, to see how other quilters set up their quilting areas, to see quilts that others have made, and to build friendships. I look forward to spending another year with many of these same people as well as getting to know the new board members. Why don't you consider joining us!

-Jennifer Morris

Block of the Month

Marsha Skarupa and Peggy Dunn cut the very popular "Rosebud" blocks that were won at the May meeting by Janice Rudgers. Our last set of blocks for the year, cut by Lisa Coulombe, features a wonderful selection of fabrics in shades of green, purple and tan/brown. Each kit has 4 separate blocks, so the winner will have many options for arranging them.

As of our last meeting I noticed that several Board positions were not filled for next year, including "Block of the Month". This is a very easy job to do, and it is a wonderful position for two people to share. (That gives one person a chance to go to the library table, visit the store, sign up for workshops, etc. while the other person mans the table.) Other than the meeting itself, this job takes very little time and energy, and it adds so much to our guild. This year I decided to write up the directions myself for the monthly blocks, including assembly diagrams when necessary. I know not everyone has the inclination (or computer software) to do this, so I have a proposal. If you are interested in doing Block of the Month next year, or better yet, if you and a friend would like to take this position, I will be happy to continue putting together the pattern directions for you. I could even have several patterns ready in advance, so the volunteer cutters would just need to buy the fabric (the really fun part!) and cut the pieces. Were you wondering what you could do for our guild next year? Here is a great opportunity to continue a Friendship tradition that is really a lot of fun. Contact Trudy Cleveland, President, to volunteer.

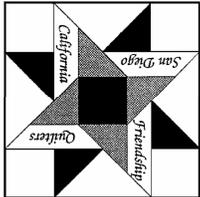
- Wendy Mathson

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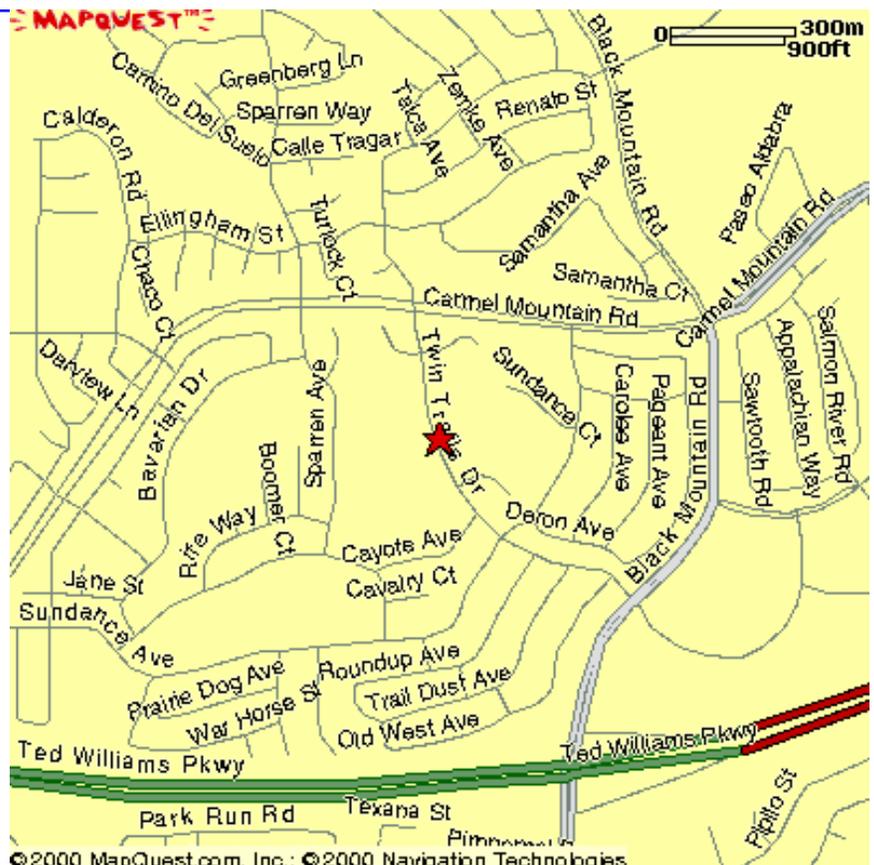
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