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Speakers & Workshops at a Glance:

Norah McMeeking

Lecture/Meeting: September 12, 2011

Workshop: Tuesday 9/13/2011

Mary Sue Suit

Lecture/Meeting: October 10, 2011

Workshop: Sunday 10/9/2011

Sheila Groman

Lecture/Meeting: November 14, 2011

Workshop: Tuesday 11/15/2011

Karla Alexander

Lecture/Meeting: January 9, 2012

Workshop: Sunday 1/8/12

Marti Michell

Lecture/Meeting: February 13, 2012

Workshop: Sunday 2/12/2012

Maggie Ball

Lecture/Meeting: March 12, 2012

Workshop: Sunday 3/11/2012

Brenda Henning

Lecture/Meeting: April 9, 2012

Workshop: Tuesday 4/10/2012

Betty Alofs

Lecture/Meeting: May 14, 2012

Workshop: Tuesday 5/15/2012

Meetings:

*Board Meeting Monday,
December 5th, 6:00pm at
Mary Casners home.
Everyone is WELCOME!
It's a potluck..please call
Mary @ 760-743-7742 for
info if you want to attend.*

*Guild Meeting : 2nd
Monday of the month
(Sept—June) 7 PM,
Garden Road Elementary
School*

President's Message

Greetings Fellow Quilters

What a fun time of year it is. I still have trouble understanding that it is really Christmas amid this mild weather but I sure love it J.

At our December guild meeting we will have our scrumptious potluck. This meeting is allows us plenty of time to socialize with all our quilting buddies. If you wish, you can decorate your table with a special place setting,a placemat, table cloth or centerpiece. Be creative - as I know you all are. Because we have extra time to talk to everyone, please make sure to welcome new members and to include them in the festivities.

As in the past, we will have craft tables set up so you can do some of your shopping right at the guild meeting. There is still time to reserve a table to sell your own wares. It is only \$10. Please contact Cheryl Wilson if you would like to have a space reserved for you.

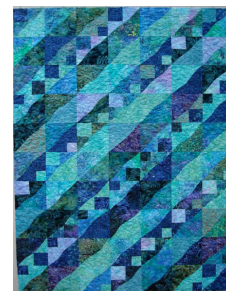
We will not have the library set up for lending this month but you are welcome to return any books you have checked out. There will be some freebies available from the library however. We will also not have the Loot Locker at the December meeting as all the tables will be needed for *eating* or for crafters.

Philanthropy projects are going full steam ahead. I think it is so wonderful that we support organizations in the community as fully as we do. On behalf of the board I would like to thank all of you for your generosity. How fun that Hope had no more kits to give out at the November meeting. Don't forget to attend her cutting party so we have kits ready to go again.

I will be unable to join you for the December general meeting. We have been invited to spend a week in the Cayman Islands and just could not turn down the opportunity. So, I will use this message to wish each of you a wonderful holiday season. I feel so honored to be part of this magnificent group - thank you to everyone!

Mary



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Blocks*Amy Treicher: *Telephone Tree*Don & Lois Russell: *Webmaster*Sylvia Lovett: *Door Prizes***January Program and Workshop—Sneak Peek !****Karla Alexander/January Program****Somersault Workshop still has some openings !****Date:** Sunday, 1/8/12**Time:** 10—4:30 pm**Location:** Quilters Paradise, Escondido**Cost:** \$40 member/\$45 non-member**Library News**

Thank you all so much for supporting our Shop In The Dark Library Book Sale!!!

We earned \$100 to spend on new books during the first quarter of 2012. There are quite a few wonderful new books that will be released then and we will be shopping for our guild. If you have any ideas, suggestions or requests for new books - please e-mail Yvonne or Holly with the name of the books.

We checked out 81 books at the November meeting and they are all due back in January 2012.

There will be no library table at the December meeting, but we will be available to collect any books that you want to return. We will also bring all the reserve requests in December. . We have received quite a few magazine donations - so we will have the white rack set up with Free Magazines.

We are so happy to see so many new members!!

Just a few words about how the library works for them:

You may check out as many books as you want and they are due at the next meeting. We have one member who brings her own bag and takes home 20 books from each meeting! It is a wonderful way to look over and enjoy all the fabulous books.

We gladly accept donations to our library. If you have books that are no longer of interest to you, bring them to us at a meeting. We will add them to our library or if they are duplicates - we will sell them to raise money to buy new books.

We always appreciate suggestions for new purchases - we want our library to be a comprehensive resource to our members. Please call or e-mail your suggestions directly to us.

All of our nearly 700 library books are listed on our Friendship Quilters website. If you don't know the exact name of a book or author - just hit the search button and all the books will be listed for you alphabetically.....you can browse through them. When you find the ones you want just make note of the box number and include that with the title in your e-mail to us. Call or e-mail us to reserve any book:

Yvonne Gagne ydgagne@yahoo.com

Holly Torrez Hollyt888@sbcglobal.net

See you at the Library Table!!

SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, December 6

With the drawing for the current Opportunity Quilt upon us, the next quilt is getting started. Come to Amidon Quiltworks on December 6 for a cutting party, and get a sneak peek at the new design. The more, the merrier (and quicker, too).

December 6

10:00 a.m.

Bring: favorite rotary cutter, long ruler, and energy

Hope to see you there!
Rebecca Lighthill
Opportunity Quilt 2012

Looking for Small Quilting Groups

Many people join quilt guilds hoping to learn something new and become a part of the quilting community. They look forward to making new friends that share their passion, whether they are new to quilting or are experienced quilters new in town, or finally have the time.

Classes are one way to get to know others within our Guild. Friendship Quilt Guild does admirably providing inspirational speakers and related classes for expanding our skills.

Another way to meet new quilters is to join or form a small group of quilters who get together on a regular basis. New members often ask about this. Currently, there is not a list of small groups that some members of our Guild belong to that we can share with new members.

Therefore, a new Small Groups chairmanship is being created to help coordinate this. Karen McCarty will be the chair.

So, if you already belong to a group, please contact Karen with information of where and when it meets, a contact number, and any other information about your group's activities (handwork, sewing machines, mini classes, etc.). Please state whether it is an open or closed group.

If you are interested in joining a group please contact her with your name, contact info, location, and best days and times for you (morning, afternoon, or evening). This will really get going in January, but it would speed things along if groups and individuals were already registered for participation before that time.

Contact Karen McCarty at kerimac@hotmail.com or 760-703-5191

Loot Locker

Cha Ching.! We made \$117.40 from the loot locker this month!

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Member Highlight ! Irene Ashkenas visits Bali and shares her trip

As many of you know, in October I joined 20 other quilters and Rosie and Vic Gonzalez (of Rosie's Calico Cupboard) on a guided tour of Bali. Bali is a rainforest island in Indonesia. Our transit time from Los Angeles to Denpasar, Bali, via Hong Kong was approximately 25 hours. Denpasar is the capital city of Bali and is very crowded with motor scooters being the main form of transportation. Entire families ride on one scooter and compete with cars, trucks, and buses. The countryside is mainly rice paddies along with sweet potatoes, corn, soybeans, and other vegetable patches.

Other than Denpasar, there are no cities, just clustered villages. Without the distinction of cities and suburbs, it was hard to determine where families lived. The Balinese, who are predominantly Hindu (the rest of Indonesia is mainly Muslim), live in family compounds. Each compound has a family shrine to honor the deceased family members. Each village also has a temple and the Balinese live their lives around their spirituality and make offerings at least 3 times daily, at home and at every business. These offerings are placed at the entrance to businesses, entrances to homes, and at each shrine.

Of course, we all had batiks on our minds and got to satisfy that by visiting three batik factories, each one using a different technique. The first one used what we would call a whole cloth quilt top. On this fabric, a design (usually floral) is drawn and then the design is outlined with wax. The artist paints the design and when the paint is dry, the piece is boiled to remove the wax, leaving a white outline around the painted design.



Batik Painter



Completed Painted Batik



Stamping fabric at factory



Application of additional dye



Artist applying wax on drawing

The next day we went to Princess Mirah's factory. Princess Mirah is a beautiful and gracious lady who is the granddaughter of the last King of Bali. Her factory produces more traditional, stamped batiks. The white fabric is dyed, and then a pattern is stamped on using a stamp dipped in wax.

The fabric is then redyed and sometimes it is "scrunched up" and another color is drizzled on. Once it is dry, the fabric is boiled to remove the wax.

The third method is to draw a pattern on white fabric. Wax is applied on the drawn lines and then the piece is dyed. After the piece is dry, it is boiled to remain the wax leaving a white drawing on colored fabric. This factory employed very talented, very patient people who each took one member of our group and helped us to make our own batik panel. Mine is dark blue with koi on it. As soon as I make it into a wall hanging, I will bring it in to share!



The remainder of the trip involved a trip to the Bali Bird Park, a ride on an elephant, a trip to the monkey forest, and shopping.....lots and lots of shopping! The market area of Denpasar has a two-block area of stalls selling fabric. Batik is about \$2.25 a meter insuring we each brought an extra suitcase to be filled with batiks!

On the last day there, as we were checking out of the resort, we were treated to a 6.8 earthquake. While everyone else was running in panic, us Southern Californians sat calmly in the lobby until Security made sure we were all out on the driveway!

If you get the chance to visit Bali, take it!



Irene



December 2011

Philanthropy

At this giving time of year, you all are so generous. Twenty-three completed items were turned in by nine members at the November meeting. Thank you so much, to all of you for making quilts, placemats, wheel chair bags, Christmas stockings, and more. The people who receive them are very appreciative. I receive thank you letters from the organizations expressing their appreciation. And I also hear stories from individuals who know someone who has received a placemat or quilt from a guild.

Two Veteran's wheel chair bags, 3 Meals on Wheels bags, 3 lap-size quilts, 22 stockings and 12 placemats will all be delivered to Veteran's Hospital, Meals on Wheels, Children's Hospital, and St. Claire's Home.

The guild also received generous donations of fabric from Cash for Stash (thanks to Frances Symons and Mary Lewis) blanket fabric from Valerie Gall, Ann Albertson, and more.

November 19 we had a cutting up party. The next one is Dec. 3, from 9:00 - 11:00 at Hope Campbell's in Rancho Bernardo.

Hope

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December Birthdays

DATE	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME
Dec 01	DIANNE	BARILOTTI
Dec 01	PEARL	AIELLO
Dec 02	MARY	DROBNIS
Dec 08	FRAN	LEWIS
Dec 19	ALICE	KOENITZER
Dec 23	CAROL	GILBERT
Dec 31	MARY	ROZENDAL

Spring Retreat

I had a great time on our last retreat and everyone else said they did too. I even got everything done that I had brought along to work on (that's a good feeling. Our next retreat is the first weekend in May, May 4-6, 2012 at Vina de Lestonnac retreat center in Temecula. The cost will be \$235.00 for a shared (you and one other person) room and \$305.00 for a private room. I will begin taking sign ups at the February meeting. Hope you can make it. It's a great way to get stuff done and make new friends.

Lou Pennock

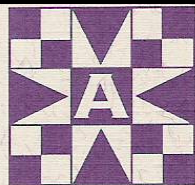


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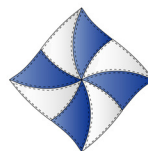


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Refreshments/Dec. Potluck !

In December we have our annual Holiday potluck. Here is a suggestion of who should bring what. Remember this is just a suggestion. If you have a delicious dish you would like to share with us, please bring it.

If your last name begins with:

I thru O --Main dish

P thru Z -- appetizer or salad

A thru H -- dessert

Thanks and I hope to see you at the meeting.

Membership

We are well on our way to our goal of 200 members. As of our November meeting we now have 192. Help us get eight more. If you've been missing someone at the meetings, let them know they are missed. At our November meeting we had 4 new members and 18 guests. See you next month

Susan Axelrod, Membership Chair

Ellie Cormier, Membership Co-Chair

Renewals

It's not too late...you can still renew your membership for \$25 either at the next meeting or by mail to: Friendship Quilters, PO Box 1174, Poway, CA 92074-1174



Friendship Quilters of San Diego Balance Sheet As of May 31, 2012

	May 31, 12
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Friendship QOSD	14,249.58
Friendship Quilters of San Diego	20,709.63
Total Checking/Savings	34,959.21
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid Expense	500.00
Total Other Current Assets	500.00
Total Current Assets	35,459.21
TOTAL ASSETS	35,459.21
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	27,118.76
Retained Earnings	2,040.59
Net Income	6,299.86
Total Equity	35,459.21
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	35,459.21

Welcome New Members

We have **FOUR** new members to welcome to our guild this month!

They are:

Diana Badyrka

Gwen Brauer

Susan Bush

Ellen Lundie

Welcome All,

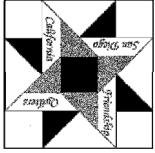
Cheryl Atkiss -New Member Hostess

Door Prizes

- * Project Pack for Christmas Sweatshirts won by Carol Anne Boshell
- * Book – Simple Blessings won by Brenda Colia
- * Omnigrid Mat & BiRange Ruler won by Joan Hamas
- * Fabric – 12 – 1/8th cuts won by Linda Kaup
- * Kit – Readers are Leaders won by Darlene Lum
- * Book – Everyday Angels won by Mary Cooper
- * Martelli's Binding System – won by Marilyn Phillips
- * Garden Delight Pattern donated by Rochelle Yoelin won by Colleen McCune
- * 8 Fat Quarters donated by Red Rooster Fabrics won by Cindy Mittag
- * 2 Charm Packs won by Shelly Gragg

Submitted by Liz Schmidt and Sylvia Lovett





Next General Meeting

December 12th, 2011

- ☐ Name Tag
- ☐ Pot Luck Yummy!
- ☐ Snack item to share
- ☐ Your Mug
- ☐ Library Books / Birthday Book Donations
- ☐ Loot locker items
- ☐ Items for Sharing

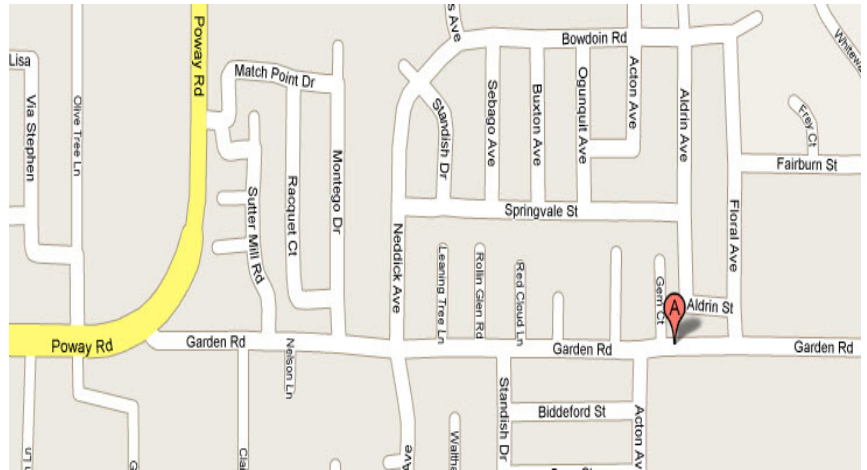
Doors Open for Setup 6:00pm

Tables Ready 6:30pm

Meeting Begins 7:00pm

Please help put chairs away after the meeting

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