

# Patchwork Post

December 2005

Friendship Quilters  
of San Diego

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## President's Message

Dear Members and Friends –

My message to you this month must be brief - It's a busy time of year, so don't over-commit yourselves like I have! And of course take time to enjoy the Holidays in whatever format you choose to celebrate them!

Upcoming events:

Friendship Quilters December Potluck – bring a dish and your sense of humor and enjoy the company of good friends!

Holiday Blessings,  
Debbie

## A Christmas Quilter

T'was a few weeks before Christmas and in my head was a plan  
To make all of my Christmas gifts by my own hand.  
Away to my scrap box in a flash I did fly.  
With patterns in my head and a twinkle in my eye.

I cut and I sewed as merry as an elf.  
Making things for others and not for myself.  
A quilted vest for a teen-aged niece.  
Quilts for the grandparents with love sewn in each piece.

Quilted covers for aunts' tabletops,  
Away I go with hardly a stop.  
On scissors, on needles, on thimble and thread,  
Oh, hurry I must, for Christmas day is ahead.

A quilted diaper bag for the baby so new.  
I may even quilt Santa a coat before I'm through.  
Quilted beardspreads for Mother and Sis.  
I still have a few left on my list.

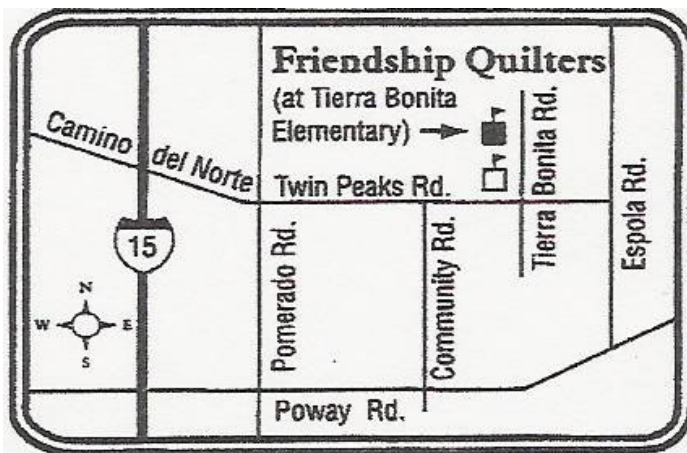
Cushions with quilted tops and potholders done.  
It's now Christmas Eve and I have a gift for each one.  
So I sprang to my Volks wagon and made quite a clatter.  
The neighbors ran to the windows to see what was the matter.

From one house to the other, I leaped like a deer.  
Leaving my presents and hopefully cheer.  
With best wishes to each for a Christmas so bright.  
A tired, happy quilter drove away in the night.

(Author: Pat Everson)



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### December Board meeting:

The December board meeting is Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM at the home of Trudy Cleveland. We will have our annual board potluck dinner at this meeting.

### January Board meeting:

The January board meeting is Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00 PM at the home of Tracy Linyard. Please email or call our president, Debbie Keener, if you would like to discuss a topic at the meeting.

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

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## Refreshments

Now that I've been a member of Friendship for a few years, our December Pot Luck has become part of the holiday tradition for me. I enjoy seeing everyone dressed up in their holiday colors - in hand made vests, decorated sweatshirts, jackets, etc. So dig out those holiday garments and famous recipes and enjoy the company of your fellow members. Here is a rough guide of what to bring:

A-H Main Dish

I-R Dessert

S-Z Appetizer or Salad

Submitted by Jennifer Ross

## Ways & Means

Out of 30 various items, tree skirts, place mats, covered baskets and an unusual selection of one of a kind vests, 24 sold bringing in a total Of \$744.00 at our silent auction on November 5. All in attendance seemed to enjoy themselves. More fun came during the live auction when Auctioneer Mike Ruple kept the pace moving rapidly and sold every quilt displayed. That total was \$5274 and when combined with the silent we netted \$6018.

Some of the buyers drove from three different counties, the farthest was from northern California. It was exciting to see how quickly the once empty hall turned into a bidding bonanza. Advertising really pays off, thank you Roberta. The cashiers, pick up and register areas worked very fast. We would like to thank everyone who helped out, whether it was sewing, setting up, quilt removal, clean up, or just by being there--you all did a great job.

There are still some quilts out that were taken to finish. Would you please return them or make other arrangements to the Store at the December meeting. The finished tops that didn't get into the auction will give us a head start for next time. Our Store sales for the November meeting was \$276.15. We are in desperate need for additional storage space for fabrics and batting---anyone have any spare space????????? If you love fabrics and always wanted to work in a fabric store, we've got the perfect job for you. Come help Kathi and Reggie at the Store---its fun and very rewarding.

Kathi & Reggie

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## Getting to know our Members

Question: When it comes to quilting are you a process or product person?



I cut time up, sew together and enjoy doing it!

- Leigh Auberson

I'm a process person. I enjoy thinking it up, selecting the fabric and putting it together. Don't even ask how many unfinished quilt tops I have.

- Gay Steinweg



I am a process person. I like to explore many different processes.

- Mary c Schroepfer

I'm a process person. I really enjoy the trip along the way.

- Elizabeth Brookins



I'm a little of both. Determining colors, styles, variance in pattern is just a fun and gratifying as seeing a finished quilt.

- Loretta Harry

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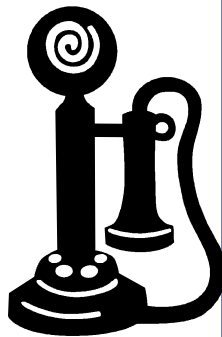
Balance Forward-Cash in Checking Account as of 10/14/05	\$ 9,274.89
+ Deposits (10/15/05-11/16/05)	1,568.00
+ Auction Proceeds (11/5/05)	5,274.00
- Total Expenses/Invoices Paid (10/15/05-11/16/05)	<u>(1,430.62)</u>
Checking Account Total as of 11/16/05	\$ 14,686.27
Balance in Savings (CD) as of 11/01/05	13,611.39
Petty Cash Advances Outstanding	40.00
<b>TOTAL ENDING BALANCE AS OF 11/16/05</b>	<b><u>\$ 28,337.66</u></b>

Prepared by: Susan Axelrod, Treasurer  
Nov. 16, 2005  
More detailed information is available on request.

**Telephone Tree**

I am the new Phone Tree representative. Anyone interested in being at the top of a Phone Tree branch please contact me. My e-mail address is mwcas@aol.com and my phone number is 858-613-5261.

Thanks,  
Mary Casner



Hey, do you have a tip you can share? I am trying to get them from guild members, so that it is a sharing thing, and so that members can get a kick out of seeing their idea in the newsletter. No one has emailed me since this last one, though. I will need to ask members at the meetings, perhaps. I thought it might be fun to ask the speakers, too, eh?

Deanna Padilla

**Tips & Tricks**

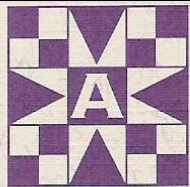
Here's a tip from *Betty Alofs*, who is well known to Friendship Quilt Guild members.

'When you are sewing machine stitching, don't stare at the needle. Instead, carefully watch your guide mark, whether it is a marked line, a presser foot guide, or your walking foot guide. The needle isn't going anywhere but up and down! Guiding the fabric correctly is the key to a good seam'.

That's a great tip, especially for beginning quilters! If *you* have a clever trick you would like to share with the guild, please email me at

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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 **December 16, 2005**.

## Block of the Month

The winner at our November meeting was Sharon Wilson. Everyone just loved the New York Beauty blocks cut by Gay Steinweg. The variety of colorful batiks was particularly appealing, and everyone really wanted to win those blocks! I asked our speaker, Joan Shay, to draw the winning name just to be on the safe side. (My name was in there, too!) Congratulations to Sharon and thanks to Gay for doing such a terrific job as last month's cutter.

Buck and Alice Polk chose traditional red and green Christmas colors for this month's block. But the pretty star block is not totally traditional: Alice decided to reverse the usual value arrangement to make a light star on a dark background. Someone will have the start of a beautiful holiday quilt when they win these at our December meeting.

I've decided not to have a new Block of the Month at our December potluck meeting. I checked the records for the past couple of years and noticed that very few people signed up to sew the December blocks. I know it wasn't because of the blocks, because they were lovely. Could it be that people are just so busy at this time of year that they don't want one more item on their "To Do" lists? Whatever the reason, we'll take a month off and have our "Crystal Clear" block cut by Jean Nagy and Terry Seaburg available at the January meeting.

Wendy Mathson

## Want Ads

If you have a quilting related item that you would like to buy or sell, try using our newsletter want ads. For more information contact Roberta Russell, Advertising.

## Philanthropy

I have a lot to be thankful for, and one of the special groups I am grateful for is our quilt philanthropists. Thanks to the following members for bringing items for donation to our charities in the community: Leslie Aselis, Ida Kirkland, Kay Lettington, Sharon Wilson, Debbie Larrabee, Lois Sontag, Ellie Cormier, Betty Rios, Leigh Auberson, and Marion Clute. Marion was the lucky winner of a set of coordinated fat quarters. Items donated were holiday and every day place mats, Christmas stockings, several flannel baby quilts, a child's quilt, and a couple of quilts for the Veterans Hospital patients.

I especially want to thank Betty Rios for the wonderful patriotic quilt with the names of soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines who



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have died in Iraq. It is a special gift.

I will be collecting Christmas stockings for St Claire's Home yet at the December meeting. They can be any style or design, simple or fancy, not too big and not too small is best. I will also be taking placemats for the home meals programs to the Ramona center after the December meeting, so finish them up and turn them in!

Blessings,

Karla Seyb-Stockton





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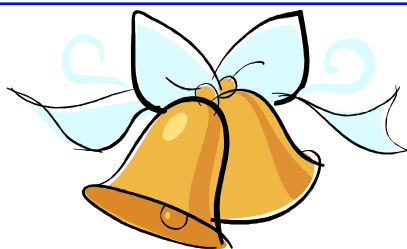
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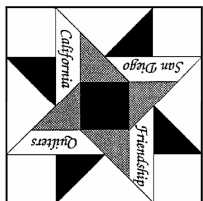
### Door Prizes

1. Five spools of thread from Guterman of America, won by Wendy Mathson.
2. Garden Brunch quilt pattern from The Crazy 9 Patch, won by Marsha Skarupa.
3. Five spools of thread from Coats & Clark, won by Leigh Auburson.
4. White Embroidery Blocks from Quilts & Kits, won by Mary Rozendal.
5. Five yards of fabric from Kona Bay Fabrics, won by Dan Bowman.
6. Five yards of fabric from Kona Bay Fabrics, won by Linda Kerridge.
7. Machine needles & four quilt marking pencils from Baker's Sewing Center, won by Deanna Padilla.
8. Quilt pattern from Country Threads & ruler from The Gadget Girls, won by Sue Mezera.
9. Wash Away thread & fabric grip glue from Baker's Sewing Center, won by Jean Nagey.
10. Block of the Month quilt pattern from Pine Needles Designs, won by Julie Ward.
11. Vintage Art CD from Brewer Sewing Supplies, won by Evie Arend.
12. \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions Quilt Shop, won by Janha Grone.
13. \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions Quilt Shop, won by Candy Dalton.
14. \$10 gift certificate from Joanne's Stores Inc., won by Perlita Newman.
15. \$15 gift certificate from Pomegranate Quilts, won by Cherie Brown.
16. \$25 gift certificate from Walmart, won by Janet Haas.
17. Jewel Box Quilt Book from Quilt in a Day, won by Karla Seyb-Stockton.
18. Mini iron from The Crazy 9 Patch, won by Terry Seaburg.
19. Two quilt patterns for 3-D Appli-bond technique, donated by our speaker, Joan Shay, won by Coleen Philpot.
20. Mystery Box donated by Mary Ellen Gabley, won by Kris Mitchel.

Submitted by Deanna Padilla

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Next General Meeting

**December 12, 2005**

- ☐ 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.

Don't forget those  
stockings for  
Philanthropy

December 12, 2005 Guild Meeting

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