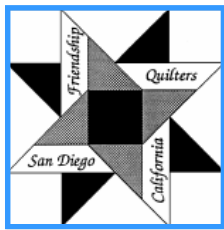


March 2008



Patchwork Post

Friendship Quilters of San Diego

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March Guild Presentation with Sally Collins

Our guest speaker in March will be Sally Collins. It has been 5 years since Sally visited us last and during that time she has continued to win awards for her fantastic quilts. Sally is mostly recognized for her quality workmanship, attention to details and her teaching expertise. Her classes focus on how to achieve quality workmanship in any scale and she has helped many students advance and improve their own creative and technical skills. Sally has a love for the process of quilting which she calls "the journey". Join us for Sally's lecture on "Small Scale Quilting – What Is It?" See quilts that excite the eye, challenge the hand, and tempt the imagination! The meeting begins promptly at 7:00 pm on Monday, March 10th



at Valley Elementary School in Poway. To see a gallery of Sally's quilts, visit her website at www.sallycollins.org.

Additionally, Sally Collins will present two workshops: Saturday, 3/8, "Learning to Love Templates" and a two-day workshop on Sunday, 3/9 and Monday, 3/10, "Patchwork Pincushion". The location of these workshops is Amidon Quiltworks in Poway from 10am – 4pm each day. For more workshop information and supply lists, visit our Programs/Workshops page at www.friendshipquilterssd.org.

Susan Axelrod

Programs VP 2007/2008

President's Message



In my six years with Friendship Quilters, I've seen a lot of good people come and go. And those who go leave with opinions about what they'd do if they were in charge. New and current members, now is your opportunity to help guide the future of your guild. We are looking for candidates for next year's board in the following areas: president-elect, 2009-2010 program chair, historian, opportunity quilt, quilt events and telephone tree. Please see me at the meeting if you'd like more information.

Mark your calendars for the San Diego Cruisin' Quilters local shop hop, March 1-8. Visit your local shops and have your passport validated to be eligible to win one of many special "grand" prizes.

The outreach of Friendship Quilters into the surrounding community is an effort to educate and to engage others, to share our love of quilting and to make new friends. That's what Friendship's July 4th Quilt Show is all about. Please lend a hand to Mary Tabar as she plans this year's festivities.

Our thoughts and prayers are with guild member Loretta Harry as she moves into the next stage of her cancer treatment, with surgery scheduled for March 5th to remove a portion of her liver. Loretta's strength and optimism continue to amaze and inspire all who know her. Please keep her in your thoughts.

- Debbie Keener



Retreats

Well we're going to have a full house at the retreat in Temecula in May. As predicted, the 26 spots filled quickly and we have one on the waiting list. (Please let me know ASAP if your plans change and you cannot attend).

I plan on having a fabric challenge for this retreat. If you don't want to participate you don't have to. I will supply the background fabric and a block pattern. I'm asking you to go through your stash and provide bright scrappy batiks for the rest of the fabric

for the block. It's a very simple block to make and I'm asking participants to make two blocks so there can be two winners. I should have the fabric for the blocks cut by the March meeting so come see me at the Retreat table.

Looking forward to May,

Lou Pennock

Store News

Julie and I (Ruth) would like to thank everyone for their donations at our last two meetings. Also thank all the members who did some shopping. We are still taking donations and need any thing you want to give away. Thank you.



Tips and Tricks

A very basic tip but one that beginner sewers are often not aware of: If your machine has a front or top loading bobbin, then more than likely your needle should be inserted with the flat side toward the back. ALWAYS MAKE SURE your presser foot is raised when threading your machine. This ensures that the top thread sits in the tension disks and does not loop underneath. More often than not, the loopies you see on the underside of your sewing are the top thread not the bobbin thread. If you are having tension problems, there are several things you can try. Put a different color thread in your bobbin so you can see what is really happening. If the bobbin

thread is showing on the top of your sewing, then you either need to tighten your bobbin tension or loosen your top tension. If you are not sure how to do that, check your book or contact someone who might know. If your top thread is showing underneath, and you are sure the thread is firmly seated between the tension disks, then you can try tightening the top thread tension or loosening the bobbin tension. Of course there is always the possibility that there might actually be something wrong with your sewing machine in which case you may need to have it serviced.

- from <http://www.lifesastitch.ca/tips.htm>

Door Prize Winners

1. Quilt patterns from P & B Textiles, pin-cushion kit from A Quilter's Dream, and fabric samples, won by Darlene Lum.
2. Pin-cushion kit from A Quilter's Dream and water soluble stabilizer from Sulky of America, won by Stephanie Gragg.
3. Fabric samples from Timeless Treasures, card and envelope from Piecemakers designs, & quilt patterns from P & B Textiles, won by Lee Olson.
4. Calendar Planner from Piecemakers Designs & quilt pattern from Amidon Quiltworks, won by Chris Berg.
5. 2006 quilt book & calendar from Piecemakers Designs & quilt pattern from Little Stitches, won by Yvonne Cagne.
6. 2004 quilt book & calendar from Piecemakers Designs, quilt patterns from P & B Textiles, & fabric samples from Michael Miller, won by Darlene Armstrong.
7. Fat quarters & quilt patterns from P & B Textiles, won by Mary Tabar.
8. Fabric samples from Michael Miller & quilt patterns, won by Dee McClelland.
9. Fabric samples from Michael Miller & quilt patterns, won by Jean Nagey.
10. Fabric samples from Michael Miller & quilting thread pack from Gutermann of America, won by Joann Shultz.
11. ½ yard of fabric & quilt pattern from Quilts & Kits, won by Carol Geising.
12. ½ yard of fabric & quilt pattern from Quilts & Kits, won by Dot Koerner.
13. ½ yard of fabric from Quilts & Kits & pin-cushion kit from A Quilter's Dream, won by Carol Bell.
14. Quilt Visions book, fat quarters, templates, & fabric samples from Rosies Calico Cupboard, won by Lois Russel.
15. Quilt Visions book, quilt patterns, and fabric folding bar, from Rosie's Calico Cupboard, won by Sandra McCullough.
16. Encyclopedia of Quilting & quilt patterns from Leisure Arts, won Janice Nute.
17. \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions, won by Sylvia Ginsberg.
18. \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions, won by Jan LaGrone.

Philanthropy

MARCH (QUILT) MADNESS

Please join us on Saturday, March 29, 2008, for the guild's annual "Quilt Work Day".

WHERE: Penasquitos Lutheran Church, 14484 Penasquitos Drive (across from Double Tree Hotel)

TIME: 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

BRING: 1. Sewing machine, thread, scissors, rulers, pins, cutting mats, rotary cutter, (your own sewing needs)

Any quilt top(s) you would like to make/finish for philanthropy. We have batting!

Dish of food to share – POT LUCK – at 12 noon. Paper goods, water, coffee – will be provided.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE: 1. Quilt tops/quilt kits to make or finish.

Quilt tops to back, layer, tie, bind, label.

Kits for wheel chair bags, chemo scarves, doo-rags.

Some patterns for making your quilt from scratch!

Fabric for backs as well of fabric for complete quilts.

**MANY HANDS = MANY QUILTS = LOTS OF FUN
= FRIENDSHIP**

Donations for February/March: 6 quilts for Life Choices, 4 quilts and 5 wheel chair bags to Veterans Hospital, 1 quilt and 2 wheel chair bags to Balboa Naval Hospital. They are so grateful for our donations. Thank you notes are available at the Philanthropy table for you to view.

We received 8 completed quilts and 7 placemats from guild members to be distributed in the next month. Thanks so much!

Ladies, if you have been working on quilts and wheelchair bags from Philanthropy kits, please bring them either to the March meeting or to the workday (finished or unfinished).

March Birthdays



CAROLYN WRIGHT	March 2
SUSAN BUSCH	March 7
JAN KRENTZ	March 7
SUE MEZERA	March 9
LEE OLSON	March 11
MARCIA MCNELLEY	March 11
MARY TABAR	March 12
BERNICE PLUTH	March 15
PATSY TIGHE	March 23
JOANNE DOBSON	March 24
LINDA MCCAGUE	March 29
CECILIA PRICE	March 29
DEBORAH HEATON	March 30

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 the second Monday of the month at Valley Elementary School, Poway, CA.

Annual membership is \$25 from June 1 to May 31 of the following year. At the January meeting, membership dues are reduced to \$15 for the remainder of the fiscal year. Members who are not able to attend meetings or enjoy other benefits of regular membership may pay \$10 per year for a Newsletter-only membership and pay the guest fee of \$5 per meeting on the occasions when they are able to attend a meeting.

More information is available on the website at www.friendshipquilterssd.org.

The **Patchwork Post** is published monthly for members and neighboring guilds. Comments and articles are always welcome and may be mailed to the Newsletter Editor, Friendship Quilters, PO Box 1174, Poway, CA 92064 or sent to keener80@cox.net. **Deadline is the Friday following the general meeting.**

To advertise in the Patchwork Post, contact Diana Lott at djlott@gmail.com.

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*** Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for submissions to this month's newsletter is Friday, March 14th. Please email to the newsletter editor at keener80@cox.net.

*** Board Meeting

This month's board meeting is Monday, March 3rd @ 7:00 PM at the home of Stephanie Gragg. Please contact Debbie at keener80@cox.net to discuss a topic at the meeting.



Events Calendar

Feb 1-Mar 23: *California Fibers*, Visions Art Quilt Gallery www.quiltvisions.org.

Mar 1-2: Friendship Square Quilt Guild presents "*Quilted Treasures*" at La Habra Community Center 101 W. La Habra Blvd., La Habra, CA 90631. Hours: Sat. 10-5 Sun. 10-4. The show will feature a large display of handmade quilts, Opportunity Quilt-"*Nature's Garden*" adapted from designs by Ellen Heck, Merchant Mall, Silent Auction, Boutique, as well as small opportunity quilts to benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Admission: \$6.00. Free Parking. www.friendshipsquarequiltguild.com

Mar 1-8: *San Diego Cruisin' Quilters*, Mon-Sat 9am-7pm, Sun 10am-4pm. Be part of the 4th annual San Diego Cruisin' Quilters Shop Hop. By visiting all 18 shops you will be eligible to win one of three grand prizes. See www.cruisinquilters.com for a list of participating shops.

Mar 7-8: Desert Guilds Quilt Show "*Desert Magic 2008*" at the Palm Springs Pavilion, 401 South Pavilion Way, Palm Springs, CA. 10AM-5PM.

Mar 14-15: Women's Club of Lakeside 23rd Annual Quilt Show, 9906 Maine Ave., Lakeside, CA. 619-561-0372.

Mar 28-Apr 3: Glendale Quilt Guild Quilt Show, Burbank Marriott, Burbank, CA. Workshops. www.glendalequiltguild.org, Email Contact: quiltsquiltsquilts@yahoo.com.

Apr 12-13: East Bay Heritage Quilters "*Voices in Cloth 2008*" Quilt Show, Oakland Covention Center, 550 Tenth, Oakland, CA. Admission \$10. Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4. www.ebhq.org.

Apr 26-27: Seven Sisters Quilt Show at the Madonna Inn Exposition Center, Madonna Inn, 100 Madonna Rd, San Luis Obispo, 30+ vendors, opportunity quilts, challenge quilts. Sat 9-5, Sun 9-4. \$7/day or \$10/2days. www.aqgcc.org.

May 8-10: Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival, Del Mar Fairgrounds, sewing, quilting, needle-art and craft supply exhibits, workshops and seminars. www.quiltcraftsew.com.

July 25-27: **DEBUT** *International Quilt Festival/Long Beach*, Classes begin July 24, tours offered July 23. www.quilts.com.

Treasurers Report

Submitted by Cheryl Wilson

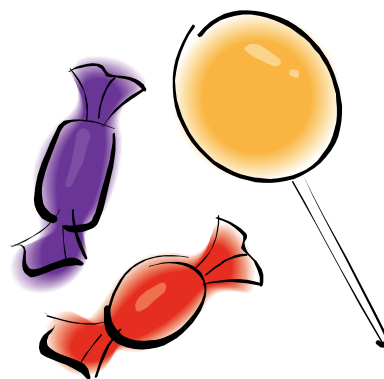
Friendship Quilters of San Diego Balance Sheet As of February 16, 2008

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Friendship QOSD	13,761.77
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Total Checking/Savings	28,199.94
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid Expense	100.00
Total Other Current Assets	100.00
Total Current Assets	28,299.94
TOTAL ASSETS	28,299.94
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	27,118.76
Retained Earnings	-1,761.41
Net Income	2,942.59
Total Equity	28,299.94
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	28,299.94

Refreshments

Thank you to everyone who brought a treat to share. I know we all look forward to the goodies that are brought in. In March we'll celebrate St. Patrick's Day so bring in a lucky treat to share with all the leprechauns in your life.

Lou Pennock



QUILTER'S WORKSHOP: July 20 - July 24, 2008

FEATURING COLLEEN WISE

Workshop Description:

- *Discharged Shadows* - Surface design techniques combined with appliqué or fusing create powerful three-dimensional illusions.
- **Plus** Two Separate Finishing Techniques:
Machine Quilting from the Backside and Bindings the Easy Way

Workshop Location: *Viña de Lestonnac, Retreat Center, 39300 De Portola Road, Temecula, CA*

Cost: \$500.00 per person/double occupancy (additional \$85.00 for private room) includes meals and lodging for 4 nights and 5 days (Sunday afternoon thru Thursday afternoon), instructor's fees and expenses

- For more information contact Susan Axelrod at 760-787-1649 or e-mail sewsalot@aol.com for the registration brochure.

(Registration has already started - limited to 25 participants.)

"TENTATIVE" QUILTER'S WORKSHOP

FEATURING ESTERITA AUSTIN?

Interested in learning "Portraiture" quilting techniques from an expert? This could be a 4 day workshop, probably in 2009. If there are at least 20 people interested, I will contract with Esterita Austin and the retreat center in Temecula (fees are unknown at this time). This is a great way to get away, concentrate on one technique, and practice as soon as you've learned - not to mention the fun time we'll have together. E-mail Susan Axelrod at sewsalot@aol.com or call 706-787-1649 to be added to the "interested list".

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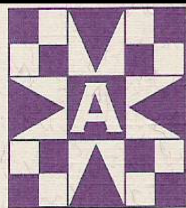
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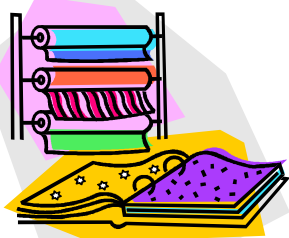
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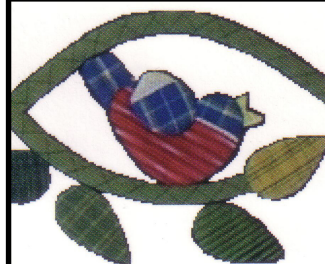
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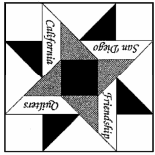
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Next General Meeting

March 10, 2008

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



Doors Open for Setup 6:00pm

Tables Ready 6:30pm

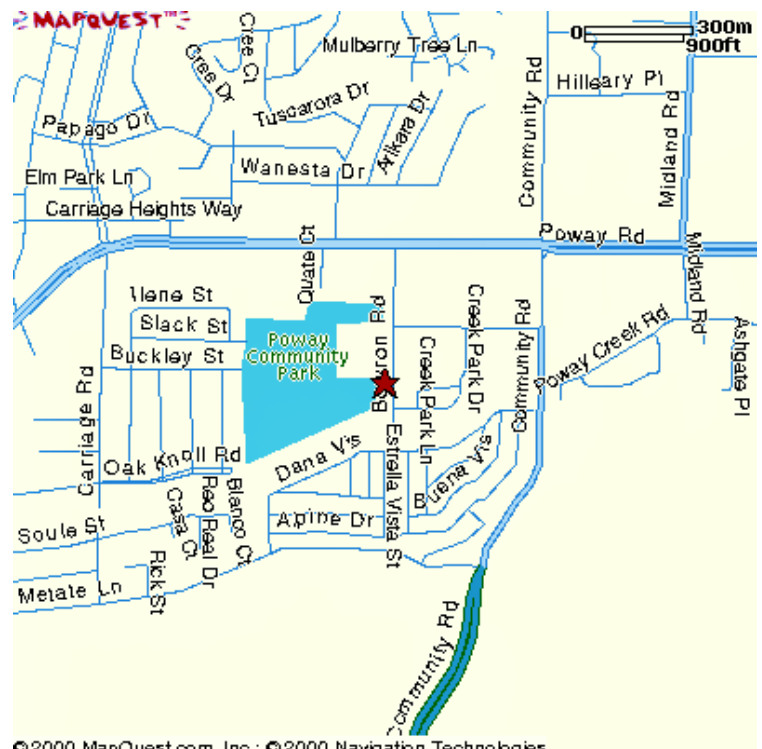
Meeting Begins 7:00pm

Please help put chairs away after the meeting

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