

# Patchwork Post

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## Workshops

Our workshops are very reasonably priced so that our members have the opportunity to learn and broaden their horizons with new techniques from renowned teachers at great deals for our members. In order to get this fabulous deal we need your participation. To just break even for our cost we need approximately 15 people per workshop. We only have been getting 3-5 people to sign up for these workshops. Please help support your guild by signing up for some of these superb classes. If you can't attend, help spread the word about the classes to other quilter's by researching the future speakers on their websites so you can share what we have planned for all to enjoy and invite acquaintances to share in this great opportunity.

This is going to take a huge team effort to keep our guild having the best speakers. Most Speakers require 1-3 workshops to come speak at a guild. We need your support.

We all get to bring one friend per year free to our wonderful guild meetings. That is how I learned about our guild and was thrilled to sign up to be a member just to get to hear our tremendous speakers. We have so many wonderful and talented members and we live up to our great name – Friendship Quilter's of San Diego. Share our tremendous opportunity with others so they too can enjoy the exceptional chance we have in this enlightening metropolis of opportunity.



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## President's Message

Hope you've been enjoying the Programs this year as much as I have. We have a great line up and we're counting on each one of you to attend at least one or two workshops. You will be sure to learn great techniques from our guest speakers and you'll meet some new friends with common interests.

Our December guild meeting will allow us plenty of time to socialize at our holiday potluck (Optional: You can decorate your table with your special place setting, a placemat, or centerpiece). This is the meeting where you'll have extra time to talk to everyone, so welcome new members and get around to those you don't see too often. As in the past, we'll have craft tables set up so you can do some of your

shopping right at the guild meeting. Bring any holiday quilt for sharing (Valentines Day, Easter, 4th of July, Christmas, etc.). Also, remember to bring a Philanthropy placemat – we're trying to collect at least one from each member.

Where has the year gone?! Does it seem like time is flying by? My friend, Fran, was sharing an article with me the other day about how to find time to get things done. It was relating to work around the house - like taking 5 minutes here and there to clean out a drawer in the kitchen or a messy closet, or to clean a bathroom. Each of these 5 minute jobs eventually adds up to neat and tidy drawers, closets and bathrooms. This is great advice that can be carried over to your quilting, too.

## Meetings:

- **Board Meeting: Holiday Potluck.** Tues. Dec 2, 6:00 PM, home of Roberta Russell (note day of week and time change)
- **Guild Meeting: Holiday Potluck,** Mon. 12/8/08, 7:00 PM, Tierra Bonita Elementary School (Decorate your Table!)

### 2008-2009 Officers and Committee Chairs:

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## Retreats

Our retreat in November was lots of fun. I hope everyone had a great time. Our next retreat is May 15-17, 2009 at the retreat center in Temecula. I will be taking sign-ups and deposits starting in Feb. Hope to see you there.

Lou Pennock

## President's Message (continued)

If you find a few minutes to select fabrics from your stash, then a few minutes to cut blocks, you'll soon have a project that's ready and waiting by the sewing machine. As you find 15 minute segments of time, you can begin chain stitching some of the block units. Pretty soon you'll have blocks completed and ready to sew into rows. I can't find a shop that sells "time in a bottle" – we'd all be in line to buy that product, but finding a few minutes here and there is a little like finding "time in a bottle". You can create quilting time that adds up quickly and you'll see progress on your quilt as you go. The same thing goes for your hand stitching projects. Bring them along to work on as you are waiting in the doctor's office, etc. – you'll be surprised how much you can accomplish in just minutes a day.

See you at the December potluck at Tierra Bonita Elementary School.

Susan Axelrod, President

## President's Challenge Info – "Name That Tune" by Susan Axelrod

You can enter this year's challenge for \$2 until January 1, 2009. Your entry should represent a song without using the words or title on the front of the quilt. The minimum size on each side is 20" and maximum is 40" (it doesn't have to be square). The hard part is: you must keep it a secret. Completed quilts are due in May 2009 and will be displayed for voting at our June 2009 guild meeting. Good luck and keep humming!



## Refreshments

Thank you to all who brought goodies to share at the October meeting. We really had a good turnout. I would like to remind everyone to please check for any leftovers and pick up your plates, bowls or baskets at the end of the meeting. We had one basket left behind. I hope the owner will contact me at 858-722-3018.

December is our holiday potluck. The guild will provide coffee, tea, water and soda to drink. Please bring your own cup or glass (another way to help cut expenses). Please bring a dish to share based on your last name:

**A - H = Dessert**

**I - R = main dish**

**S - Z = salad or side dish**

Thanks, Lou Pennock

## Philanthropy

**NORTH POLE TO FRIENDSHIP QUILTER'S GUILD** ....the sleigh is filling up with all the wonderful items you have made and will be delivered late November, early December to Children's Hospital, Veteran's Hospital, St. Claire's, etc. Many thanks for all your support and for keeping the elves busy. (Report on how many items, to what charity ... will be in the January Newsletter.) **Santa**

Reindeer Blitzen says:....."**Placemat Blitz** for Meals on Wheels is on and many kits were taken home at the November meeting. The elves cut out over 60 kits and there are two/three left. **Thank you!** Remember to finish and bring the placemat to the December 8th Pot Luck. I, Blitzen, will be presenting these placemats plus a quilt plus wheel chair bags to the Meals on Wheels Representative who will, hopefully, be a

guest at the January 12th meeting." [Note from Reindeer Dasher: "Placemats can also be brought to the January meeting; AND placemats are welcome at any time."]

**Items Received during October/November:** 18 Christmas Stocking , 3 Wheel Chair Bags, 25 Placemats, 1 almost.. finished Trip Around the World Quilt Top, 3 Quilt Tops and backing ... and much needed batting. Many Thanks ... we are sooooo proud of all you donate during these busy months.

**January "Snowball Quilt Day"** will be held on Monday, January 19th at Penasquitos Lutheran Church from 9am to 3pm. Salad luncheon, quilting, a snow ball fight, and fun will be the schedule for the day. Your wonderful donations bring smiles to so many ....and especially to us. The Elves (Lee and Jean)



## Member News

Guild member Mary Tabar was invited to show her art at La Jolla Fiber Arts galley at 7644 Girard Ave. It's called "A Celebration of Small Art Quilts by Pacific Quilt Artists". Her work, along with 9 other area quilters, will be on display from November 3 thru January 3. Each artist was asked to display two small new quilts. Opening reception on 11/3 was attended by friends and Friendship Quilters members. The gallery is also displaying clothing and jewelry made by local artists. Be sure to stop by, you'll really enjoy it.

## Tips and Tricks

*The sewing machine manual is the best tool you have to maintain your sewing machine. Sewing machine companies understand that manuals get lost and will assist you in replacing an original manual for many sewing machines. Contact the company that made your machine to get started (here are a few.)*

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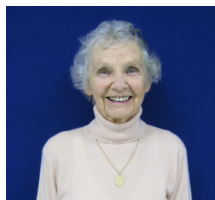
## Door Prizes

1. Home Stuff from Leisure Arts won by Sylvia Ginsberg
2. Quilt Along With Emilie Richards donated by Leisure Arts won by Darlene Armstrong
3. Pattern donated by Quilters Paradise won by Jennifer Ross
4. Pattern donated by Rosie's Calico Cupboard won by Kay Lettington
5. Book of Redwork Patterns donated by Crazy 9 Patch won by Liz Brookins
6. Patterns donated by Krause Publications won by Anne Konrad
7. Appliqué Quilt Revival donated by Kari of Peterson Arne won by Kathi Doleshal
8. 2 Patterns donated by Kari of Peterson Arne won by Thelma Alley
9. Book-Gifts in a Jar donated by Kari of Peterson Arne won by Peggy Quising
10. Patterns Triangulations Bed Quilts and The Rest is Easy donated by Brenda Henning won by Deborah Lancaster
11. Project bag of quilting tools donated by Rosie's Calico Cupboard won by Shelly Gragg
12. Dazzling Designs Book donated by Leisure Arts won by Ines Bongarz

## Getting to Know You

Submitted by Susan Axelrod

This month, I'd like to introduce you to Anna Mae Bach. Anna Mae has been quilting since 1980 when she noticed a newspaper article by Ann Albertson mentioning a new guild – The Friendship Quilters. Anna Mae says that traditional quilts are her favorites. She loves civil war era quilts and has owned many antique quilts. If you need a quilt dated she has a good eye for fabric dating.



Being a member of a small sewing group since 1980 has been very rewarding for Anna Mae. She has formed lasting friendships with a fantastic group of about twelve ladies with similar interests and enjoys every chance she has to sew with them. If she gets “stuck” on a certain project, she

knows that talking with her group on Tuesday night will get her going again. You guessed it; the name of their group is the “Monday Night Quilters, That Meet on Tuesday Nights”. (They originally met on Monday nights during Monday night football, but then the night was switched so they wouldn't miss out on the monthly guild meeting.)

While quilting at home, she may listen to background music or just enjoy quiet sewing time. Her advice for beginners is to join a small sewing group and take a series of beginning quilting lessons from a quilt shop. A technique learned from a quilting teacher that has stuck with her is how to miter corners using a border stripe fabric. She volunteers at her church's thrift shop and loves to go on hunting expeditions to antique shops with friends. I hear from a close friend of Anna Mae's that “she's a fun lady and never acts her age!” Anna Mae has been a member of Friendship Quilters since its inception and is a cherished Living Treasure.

## Opportunity of the Month

This month, with three prizes, we had two winners: Linda Rathbun won the pretty doll and the seasonal pillow wrap kit, and Dee McClelland won the roomy tote bag. Thanks to all who took a chance, we raised \$19 for the guild.

I'll be taking a break in December to socialize and enjoy the potluck. Look for new "Opportunities" in January!

Rebecca Lighthill

## Library News

The silent auction of duplicate library books was a huge success! Thanks to everyone who participated. At our December guild meeting the library will sell all of the donated magazines and patterns for \$1.00 each.

Reminder: Please bring a new or gently used book to donate to the library during your birthday month. This is our only source for new publications. Many thanks!

## Sharing

For our December meeting we would like to do something special with sharing. We would like everyone to bring in and share 'Holiday' quilts. They can be for any holiday, i.e. Christmas, Hanuka, Halloween, Valentines Day, etc. We just want to see a parade of quilts. Feel free to bring in your most recently completed non-holiday quilt too, as that is always reason to celebrate.

Shelly Gragg, Sharing Chairperson

## Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Cheryl Wilson

| <b>Friendship Quilters of San Diego</b><br><b>Balance Sheet</b><br><b>As of November 15, 2008</b> |                   |
|---|-------------------|
|   | <b>Nov 15, 08</b> |
| <b>ASSETS</b>   |                   |
| <b>Current Assets</b>   |                   |
| Checking/Savings  |                   |
| Checking Friendship QOSD  | 10,488.85         |
| Friendship Quilters of San Diego  | 14,856.19         |
| <b>Total Checking/Savings</b>   | <b>25,345.04</b>  |
| <b>Other Current Assets</b>   |                   |
| Prepaid Expense   | 100.00            |
| <b>Total Other Current Assets</b>   | <b>100.00</b>     |
| <b>Total Current Assets</b>   | <b>25,445.04</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>   | <b>25,445.04</b>  |
| <b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>   |                   |
| <b>Equity</b>   |                   |
| Opening Bal Equity  | 27,118.76         |
| Retained Earnings   | -2,682.49         |
| Net Income  | 1,008.77          |
| <b>Total Equity</b>   | <b>25,445.04</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>   | <b>25,445.04</b>  |

## Calendar of Events

**Oct 17-Jan 4:** *Playing with a Full Deck*, Art Quilts from the Warren and Nancy Brakensiek Contemporary Quilt Collection. The exhibition also includes new work by selected Full Deck artists. Visions Art Quilt Gallery, 2825 Dewey Road, Suite 100, San Diego,. Free admission. Tues-Sun 10am-4pm. The Gallery (619)546-4872, [www.quiltvisions.org](http://www.quiltvisions.org).

**Nov 06 - Jan 31:** *Art Quilts at the Adobe 2008*, Annual exhibit of art quilts by members of Pacific Quilt Artists, a juried group of studio artists dedicated to making, exhibiting and promoting the quilt as an art form. Rancho Buena Vista Adobe Gallery, 640 Alta Vista Drive, Vista. Thurs-Sat 10am-3pm except holidays. Free admission.

Contact: Jill Le Croisette, 760-434-7491, [jandl@mail.com](mailto:jandl@mail.com).

**Nov 9-Mar 1:** Quilt Visions 2008: *Contemporary Expressions*, Quilt Visions displays 45 outstanding contemporary quilts that reflect a universality of artistic expression. Jurors and commentators will show how art quilting relates to the broader field of contemporary art. Oceanside Museum of Art, please call the museum for hours. 760-721-2787, [www.oma-online.org](http://www.oma-online.org) or [www.quiltvisions.org](http://www.quiltvisions.org).

**Dec 6:** Pine Needles Quilt Guild *Holiday Home Tour* 15th Annual Wrightwood Holiday Home Tour and Boutique Saturday, Dec. 6, 2008 - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sponsored by Pine Needles Quilt Guild and Wrightwood Friends of the Library. Ticket prices: Advance: \$12.00 – available after Nov. 1 Day of tour: \$15.00 – available at boutique and homes By mail, send SASE to: Pine Needles Quilt Guild P.O. Box 2800 Wrightwood, CA 92397-2800 760 249-5753

**Jan 15-19 :** Road to California. *The Best in the West* at the Ontario Convention Center, Ontario CA, Thurs - Sat 9:30 - 6; Sun 10-4. Preview night Wed Jan 14, 7:30-9pm. One day admission \$10, unlimited admission \$20. Information and advance tickets available online at [www.road2ca.org](http://www.road2ca.org). Don't miss *Sharyn's Swan Song* (SE04) — Sharyn is retiring at the close of Road to CA this year.



## Guild Garage Sale

The guild garage sale is tentatively scheduled for March 14, 2009. We think this will be a fun and easy way to earn a bit of extra money for the guild and to perhaps offset the loss of income from the guild store.

While you are organizing your sewing rooms over the Holidays, please set aside a few quilt or craft related items and bring them to Mary Casner or Debbie Keener at the January meeting.

Seasoned garage sale-r's, please send us your ideas for keeping costs down and boosting earnings!

Thanks,

Mary Casner and Debbie Keener ([keener80@cox.net](mailto:keener80@cox.net))

## December Birthdays

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| PEARL AIELLO     | 12/1  |
| BARBARA FINDLEY  | 12/3  |
| ANNA MAE BACH    | 12/7  |
| FRAN LEWIS       | 12/8  |
| CATHERINE WILSON | 12/13 |
| CAROL GILBERT    | 12/23 |
| BEVERLY FRASER   | 12/23 |
| STEPHANIE GRAGG  | 12/24 |
| MARY ROZENDAL    | 12/31 |



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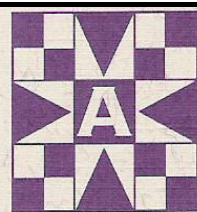


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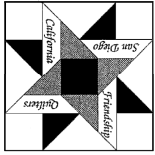
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**Next General Meeting**

**December 8, 2008**

- ☐ **Name Tag**
- ☐ **Potluck Dish to Share**
- ☐ **Your Mug**
- ☐ **Library Books / Birthday Book Donations**
- ☐ **Donations for the Guild Store (on hold for now)**
- ☐ **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**

**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. Please check each month's newsletter for up-to-date location information.

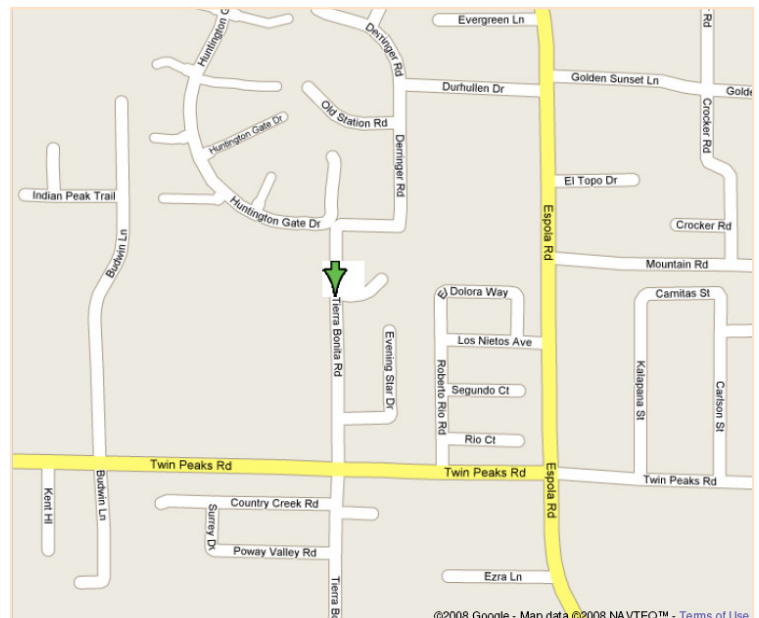
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