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January Guild Presentation with Anita Shackelford

Anita Shackelford has been a quiltmaker since 1967 and began teaching in 1980. She is an internationally recognized teacher and lecturer who loves combining appliqué and fine hand quilting to create new quilts in 19th century style. She also enjoys using her sewing machine for many parts of the creative process and has recently added longarm quilting to the mix.



Anita has been featured on several television programs, including Today's American Quilter, Kaye's Quilting Friends, Linda's Electric Quilters, and Simply Quilts. Her work and antique quilts from her collection have been featured in several gallery and museum exhibits.

Her quilts have been exhibited in shows across

the United States, in Australia and Japan, winning many awards, including twelve Best Of Show and many for workmanship. Two of her quilts have received the Mary Krickbaum Award for best hand quilting at a National Quilting Association show. Her quilts have been published in American Quilter, American Patchwork & Quilting, Better Homes & Gardens' Fashion Ideas, Love of Quilting, Quilter's Newsletter Magazine, Quilting Today, Quilting International, Quilt Craft, Traditional Quilter, Patchwork Quilt Tsushin, Americana Magazine, Award Winning Quilts and Their Makers Vol I, The Quilt: Beauty in Fabric and Thread, Rodale's Successful Quilting Library, and Great American Quilts, 2001.

Anita is the author of THREE DIMENSIONAL APPLIQUE and EMBROIDERY EMBELLISHMENT: Techniques For Today's Album Quilt, ANITA SHACKELFORD: SURFACE TEXTURES, APPLIQUE WITH FOLDED CUTWORK, COXCOMB VARIATIONS, INFINITE FEATHERS, and A

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Meetings:

- **Board Meeting:** Mon. 1/5/09, 6:30 PM, home of Candice Dalton
- **Guild Meeting:** "Personalizing Your Quilt", Mon. 1/12/09, 7:00 PM, Tierra Bonita Elementary School
- **Workshop:** "Miniature Baltimore Album", Tues. 1/13/09, 11AM at Amidon Quiltworks

President's Message

We had a wonderful December meeting including a lot of sharing and a delicious potluck. There was such a variety of yummy potluck items that we were all convinced to put aside our diets and indulge. The holidays are special times to enjoy family, friends and food, but now that the holidays are over, we're back to our diet and exercise programs, not to mention all those New Year's resolutions.

Some people I talked to have a long list of resolutions for the New Year but others never make New Year's resolutions. What about you? I like to make a list of all my "work in progress" items and decide which ones have priority – I don't call these New Year's Resolutions, just my "to do list". This helps me organize my work. I like to review my projects

to see where I left off and figure out the next steps just to see if there are a few that can be finished up quickly and easily. Maybe a quilt top is ready for quilting and I can make a decision on whether I'll be quilting it or if it will be one that goes to the longarm quilter. Maybe there's a quilt that just needs a binding and I can fit that in between some other handwork I'm doing. Perhaps on your "to do list" you have some projects that you've lost interest in? These are candidates to wrap up and donate so that someone else can finish them. Don't feel bad about it, just make the decision and move on. It will help get your list down to a manageable number and allows you to feel OK about starting that new exciting project.

I look forward to seeing each of you at the

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Stephanie Gragg: *Telephone Tree*

N/A: *Ways and Means /Store*

Candice Dalton: *Auction*

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Programs (continued)

MODERN MIX, all published by American Quilter's Society.

Books and quilting tools marketed under her own business name, Thimble Works, include OHIO COLLECTION, PENNSYLVANIA PLAIN & FANCY, RucheMark ruching guides, Berries, Grapes & Tendrils, and the Infinite Feathers Design Template.

Anita has been a member of the National Quilting Association since 1982 and served four years on the NQA Board as membership chair. She is a charter member of the American Quilter's Society and the Museum of American Quilter's Society.

Anita travels extensively, teaching and lecturing for shops, guilds and quilting conferences. She is a quilt judge, certified by NQA, qualified to judge Masterpiece quilts, and has been involved in judging shows at local, regional and national levels. She is currently the program coordinator and serves on the faculty for NQA's Quilt Judging Seminar.

Submitted by LeeMary Heath

President's Message (continued)

January meeting. Pass the word that our membership dues are only \$15 for January – May 2009. I would like to see us exceed our goal of 200 members this year so anything you can do to help us find new members would be great. We have great programs in store for you so check out the speakers and workshops either at the meeting or on our website: www.friendshipquilterssd.org.

See you soon.

Susan Axelrod, President

Philanthropy

What a wonderful event the Placemat Blitz was! We received 97 placemats at the December meeting. 31 holiday place mats were given to Meals on Wheels in December, the rest will be given to Meals on Wheels at the January meeting. It's not too late to make a placemat!

The next exciting event will be the "Snowball Quilt Day" at Penasquitos Lutheran Church, 14484 Penasquitos Drive (across from the Doubletree Hotel) on January 19, 2009 from 9am to 3 pm. Please bring sewing machine, pins, thread, scissors, thimbles, cutting mat, rotary cutter, ruler, etc. And, we'll make "snowball" blocks to be used for a Auction Quilt or a charity quilt. We'll do a salad lunch with Jean providing the lettuce, Lee will do the paper goods and the salad toppings will be brought by the participants at the workday.

Items received in December: 97 placemats, 1 wheelchair bag, 2 quilt tops and one quilt for the Philanthropy April Challenge! Many thanks to all of you!

Items donated in November/December: 3 bed size quilts and 6 wheelchair bags to Veterans Hospital, 5 do-rags and 10 Christmas socks to Rady's Children's Hospital, 159 Christmas socks, 7 stuffed animals and three bags of hotel sized toiletry items to St Clare's, and 31 holiday placemats to Meals and Wheels.

Lee Olsen and Jean Nagy

The guild banners have been returned! As hoped, they were tucked away in a member's home with other guild items following the July 4th Quilt Show. Look for the banner in its usual location at the January meeting!

Refreshments

Well, I would say the December potluck was a definite success. I couldn't believe all the Delicious food. Thank you to everyone. There were a couple of items left behind, a large serving spoon and a small soup spoon. If they are yours please contact me. There were also a couple of people who said that their serving utensils were missing. If you happened to have gotten home any discovered that you had something that didn't belong to you, would you please bring it to the next meeting. I hope that everyone still feels like baking after the holiday so we can have goodies at the January meeting. See you then.

Lou Pennock

Retreat

I will not be taking sign ups and deposits for the May 15-17, 2009 retreat until the February meeting. It promises to be lots of fun so be sure to come early and sign up.

Lou Pennock



Door Prizes

- Book and Fat quarters from Rosie's - Julie Ward
- \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions - Joanne Laviolette
- \$15 gift certificate from Material Possessions-Ellie Cormier
- Pattern from Quilters Paradise - JoNell D'addario
- 4 fat quarters from Clothworks - Rickie W.
- Charm Square pack from Crazy 9 Patch-Holly
- Book, Scotty & Friends - Frances Symons
- Book - Time Out Quilts - Betty Adams
- Book - Holiday Wrappings - Julie Pyka
- Quilt Pamphlet - Peppermint Twist - Kathi Doleshal
- Quilt Pamphlet - Handbag - Valerie Gall
- Quilt Pamphlet - Dainty Cake Stands - Lou Pennock

Submitted by Roberta Russell

Tips and Tricks

Quick Edging for Place mats (great for Philanthropy Meals on Wheels place mats)

Instead of binding place mats, sew 3 or 4 rows of straight stitching around the edge then pink it!

Here's how: Sew the first row where the binding would normally start (about 1/2 inch in from the edge). Then sew another row a fraction closer (about 1/16 inch) from the first row of stitching, toward the edge. Repeat this one or two more times then Pink the edge close to the last row of stitching and there you have it, fast and easy binding for place mats, Christmas stockings, coasters, etc.

Submitted by Lois Russell

Have a tip you'd like to share? Send it to the newsletter editor at keen-er80@cox.net.

Member News

We have a few members that have quilts in Road 2 CA this year.

Peggy Martin: *Eye of the Storm*

Lorraine Marstall: *Flights of Fantasy, Solitary Sentinel*

Mary Tabar: *Sea of Fire, Sea of Flowers*

Pat Wolfe: *Storm at Sea*

Getting to Know You (Submitted by Deanna Padilla)

Thirty years ago, Ann Albertson put an article in the local paper asking for people interested in forming a quilt group. Soon after, with about 25 members, she founded the Friendship Quilters Guild of San Diego. Today, the guild is still going strong, with a thriving membership, something Ann is pleased to note, but says she often found surprising. "I thought the resurgent interest in quilting would pass within a few years, but I think the emergence of art quilts brought new life and input to the traditional art of quilting. Machine quilting also made it more viable to women with busy lives." She also credits the lasting interest in quilting to the fact that there are so many wonderful quilt books, patterns, fabrics, and quilting tools available today. "We used to make templates from the cardboard on cereal boxes," she laughs, "and the patterns that were available were not always accurate. I've fixed a lot of messes."



When asked why she founded the guild, Ann said

that when she moved here from Virginia, where her husband served in the military, she knew that quilting would offer a wonderful introduction to the community and give her an opportunity to make friends. At least two of those friends, Jackie Koenig and Carol Gilbert, have remained close with her to this day as part of a mini quilt group they formed, and others in the group of about a dozen have been around almost from the beginning.

Ann has taught quilting for adult educational classes, and done presentations at guilds in other states. When the guild was first formed, she would demonstrate quilting techniques, and ask other teachers to offer their expertise. After the guild had been in existence for only about a year, the members presented their first quilt show, the proceeds of which went toward starting the guild library. "Things have certainly changed since then," she marvels, "Now we have so many books to choose from that we have an on line library!"

The one thing Ann agrees has not changed, though, is that the Friendship Guild is still a wonderful place to make friends and share the art of quilting. Thanks to her initiative thirty years ago, we all enjoy that opportunity.

Library News

Thanks to everyone who bought magazines and patterns from the library! We will be saving future donations of these items for the March garage sale.

Do you want us to bring a specific book to the January meeting? Just call or e-mail Yvonne Gagne or Holly Torrez.

Reminder: Please donate a book to the library during the month of your birthday - or anytime! Please be sure your book donation was published within the past 2 years - otherwise it is probably already in the library. Many thanks!

Holly Torrez

Guild Quilt Auction

The guild quilt auction is scheduled for April 18, 2009.

Our thanks to members who have completed and/or promised auction quilt(s). We request that completed quilts be turned in no later than the March guild meeting, to give us time to organize, label and photograph them before the auction.

In addition to those completed and promised, we need 20 more quilts to meet our goal. To donate a quilt or help finish quilts, contact Candy Dalton at daltongang@gmail.com or 858-486-2007. To volunteer for a committee contact Susan Axelrod at sewsalot@aol.com or 760-787-1649.

Treasurer's Report (submitted by Cheryl Wilson)

Friendship Quilters of San Diego Balance Sheet

As of December 11, 2008

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking Friendship QOSD	10,517.84
Friendship Quilters of San Diego	14,856.19
Total Checking/Savings	25,374.03
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid Expense	100.00
Total Other Current Assets	100.00
Total Current Assets	25,474.03
TOTAL ASSETS	25,474.03
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity	
Opening Bal Equity	27,118.78
Retained Earnings	-2,682.49
Net Income	1,037.78
Total Equity	25,474.03
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	25,474.03

Calendar of Events

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.

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 or www.quiltvisions.org.

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. Don't miss *Sharyn's Swan Song* (SE04) — Sharyn is retiring at the close of Road to CA



Mailing List

Members—please subscribe to the guild mailing list, provided by Google Groups. This is a free and convenient method to reach members with news, events and updates on meeting locations, etc.

Please go to www.friendshipquilterssd.org/Membership and follow the instructions to subscribe to the guild mailing list.

Guild Garage Sale

The guild garage sale is 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)

January Birthdays!

REBECCA LIGHTHILL	1/1
CAROL YOUNG	1/5
ANN ALBERTSON	1/5
KRIS MITCHELL	1/6
LORRAINE MARSTALL	1/7
LOIS HAMMOND	1/8
ROBERTA RUSSELL	1/8
ELIZABETH SHIRGAOKAR	1/9
JULIE WARD	1/10
WENDY MATHSON	1/10
PATRICIA WOLFE	1/11
MARION CLUTE	1/12
SYLVIA GINSBERG	1/13
FRANCES SYMONS	1/13
YVONNE REGALA	1/15
DARLENE LUM	1/15
DOT KOERNER	1/15
ELLIE CORMIER	1/15
KARLA SEYB-STOCKTON	1/24
DJ JORDE	1/25
KATHI DOLESHAL	1/26
LOIS RUSSELL	1/31



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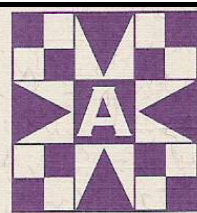


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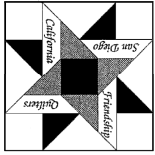
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Next General Meeting

January 12, 2009

- ☐ Name Tag
- ☐ Refreshments 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.

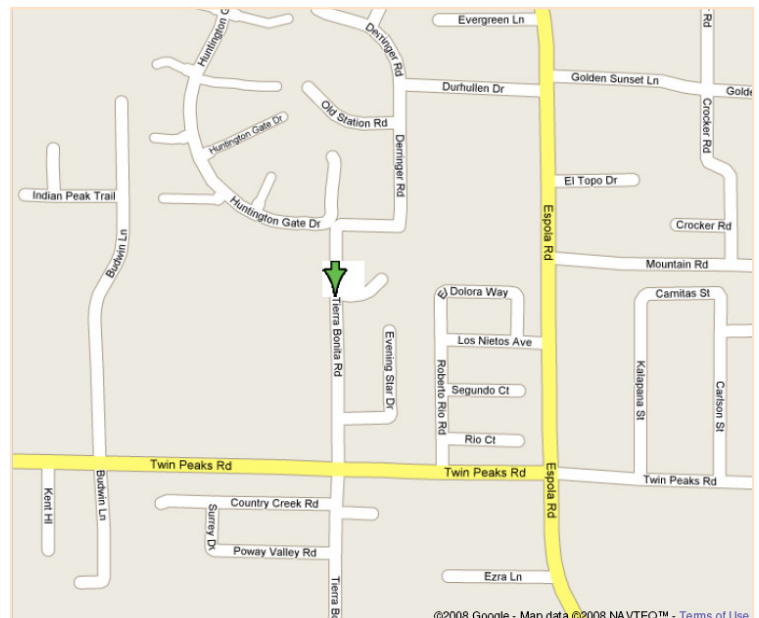
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More information is available on our website at www.friendshipquilterssd.org.

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