

Patchwork Post

www.friendshipquilterssd.org Shelly Gragg: Webmaster Pat Howell Schmidt: Newsletter Editor

Friendship Quilters of San Diego

Speakers & Workshops

April 11 Meeting / Lecture Helen Godden In person meeting and zoom

May 9 Meeting / Lecture In person meeting Workshop: May 11th Wendy Mathson

> June 13 Meeting End of Year Party





President's Message

Looks like our warm weather is moving in to stay so our Board has been busy doing things to wrap our current year and to prepare for our next guild year. One of the things we did is close our storage shed unit last Saturday, March 12th, which housed all our fabrics for philanthropy, quilt racks and miscellaneous items. I want to give a great shout out and heartfelt thanks to the board members and their husbands for helping to move all the fabric and racks. We were a well oiled team loading carts and running down hallways to the elevator, loading the elevator and retrieving empty carts from outside where they had been unloaded and loaded into waiting trucks, vans and even a sports car! We received a very generous offer from Past President, Sue Mezera, to move our stash into her large office at Quilter's Paradise free of charge. This will save us \$1,300 per year. We managed to move everything and unload in three hours!! Then Tuesday, March 15th, several board members met and went through 1 our fabrics weeding out pieces that were too small or unneeded . Look for some great opportunities on the loot locker table at the April general meeting.

The best news is we can now have regular sewing opportunities for Philanthropy on some Fridays at Quilter's Paradise! Ruth has more info in her segment!

April 2022

CONTINUATION OF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

We are also working on updating our procedure manuals for each position since they haven't been done for a few years because of Covid.

We are working on the new budget and hope to have a copy onscreen at the April meeting and May newsletter so we can vote at the May meeting. Also May we vote on our new board and potential by-law changes. See the section on nominations below and please consider joining the board or a committee. Many hands make light work as they say. I can't wait to see you all in person or on Zoom at the April meeting!! Candy



4th of July Quilt Show is BACK!!!!!

We will be holding our annual quilt show at the "Old Fashioned Fourth of July Celebration" at Templers Hall in Old Poway Park sponsored by the City of Poway. We are putting together a committee to help with this event. We need people to help prepare for the show, to help set-up on July 3rd, work the show on July 4th, help take down the quilts on July 4th, and make sure quilts are returned to their owners. If you are willing to help with this wonderful guild event please contact Laura at friendshipquiltersinfo@gmail.com. It is a great way to make long lasting friends.

Fundraiser Focus Group

I am looking for people in the guild who would be willing to come to one meeting on Monday April 18th at 6:30pm to discuss the possibility of our guild to hold an annual fundraiser to help fund our

activities. The board has worked hard this year to reduce our expenses by doing things like finding free storage. However, we could use funds to help offset our costs for speakers, workshops, location fees, parties, prizes, etc. We will be discussing different ideas for fundraisers. Please contact Laura at <u>friendshipquiltersinfo@gmail.com</u> if you are interested. Being involved in your guild helps the guild to be better and helps you make lifelong friends.



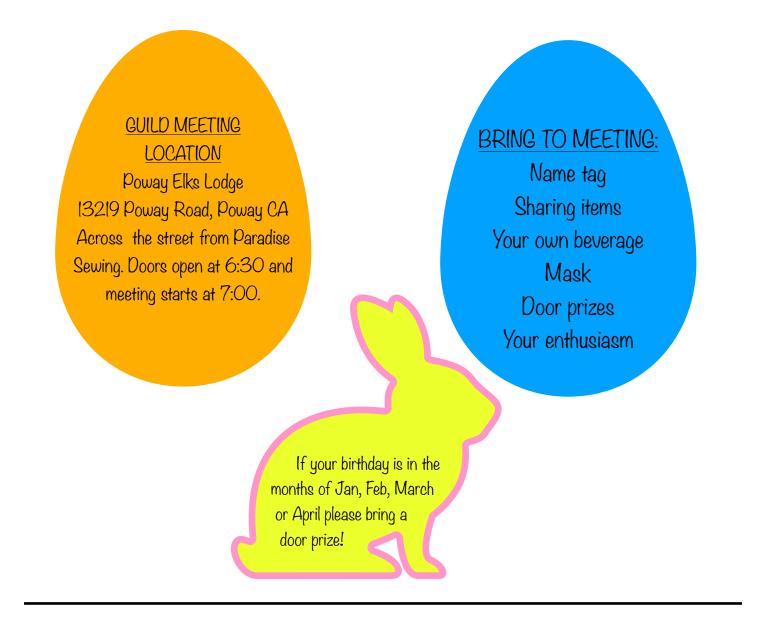
Nominations- We need someone to head of the nominating committee to help find candidates for Board positions. Several members of the board and committees have agreed to stay on in their positions but there are some important vacancies needed to be filled:

OFFICERS President - Laura Martin Vice President. OPEN Programs 1 - Karen Schwartz Programs 2 - OPEN Secretary - Colleen McCune Treasurer - Iris Williams Membership - Loretta Stuart-Edgerton

COMMITTEES Electronic Communications (Zoom) Jan Krentz and Karen Brow-Meister Website - Shelly Gragg Facebook - Gloria Mauno Philanthropy- Ruth O'Neil Parliamentarian: Candy Mittag Library - Yvonne Gagne (?) Loot Locker - Lynn Olsen Retreats - Colleen McCune, Ninette Turner, Crystal Simpson & Marianne Tucker Newsletter - Pat Howell Schmidt **Opportunity Quilt - Candy Mittag** Outreach - Cathy Scarpelli Refreshments - Jerre Mayer ? Advertising- OPEN PHD - OPEN Sharing - OPEN Photos - OPEN Banner - OPEN

Please think and rethink about volunteering for one of the open positions to help contribute to make our guild bigger and better than ever. We need some new faces or returning members who have had positions in the past to make our upcoming year a big success. What do you think? You better not be shaking your head.... I can see you!! Give a little of yourself to help others.





SHARING

Next month we'll meet in person, so please bring your quilts for live sharing! If you won't be attending but would like to share, go ahead and pass along your photo to me at <u>karen@javahousequilts.com</u> I think we'll still be able to share photos via Zoom to anyone attending remotely.

Karen

GUILD MEETING TIME CHANGE

The new guild meeting times are: Doors or Zoom Room open- 6:30pm Meeting starts - 7pm

All business must be conducted before the meeting or at the break. The committee chairs will not be able to conduct business after the meeting. We have a time constraint to pack up and leave. Thank you for your cooperation.

IMPORTANT CHANGE

GUILD EMAIL

We have a new email address for all Friendship Quilt Guild business. Please use the new email to contact any of the current board members. The email will be forwarded to the appropriate person. <u>friendshipquiltersinfo@gmail.co</u> m

The guild had to change our Zelle address! It is now: <u>friendshipquiltersinfo@gmail.com</u> You need to enter this address into your Zelle account in order to send money through Zelle!

PHILANTHROPY

Hello, quilting friends. As I write this, spring is definitely springing!! Gorgeous flowers are blooming, the smell of jasmine fills the air, the breeze is balmy! We are so blessed to live here in San Diego! And that is only ONE of our blessings! We have the gift of quilting to enjoy and to share!

As you will see in Candy's article, we have moved everything to Sue Mezera's wonderful site, Quilter's Paradise, in Escondido. Not only is this a boon to our budget because of Sue's generosity, it also provides a place where we can gather and sew together. Her facility has a wonderful big conference room where we can bring our machines on a regular basis. Our huge collection of fabrics and batting will be just a few steps away! At this point, we are looking at alternate Fridays from 9:00 to 2:30, beginning April I, and then April 15.

I will also bring kits for fidgety quilts and for pillow cases, as you saw in our March program. If you have any fidgety items to share as well, that would be great. We have placemat kits and quilt kits already there, too. I would suggest you also bring any cutting supplies and/or extension cords you may need. It will take us a couple of meetings to get a routine set up and organize our supplies.

The address is 304 Enterprise Street, Suite E, in Escondido. There are a couple of doors for entry, so I will put out a sign for the one that leads to our gathering space. There is a soft drink machine there. Otherwise, please bring your own lunch or snacks. There is a deli just down the street. Feel free to call me with any questions. 760) 207-2090.

I cannot begin to thank Sue adequately for her kindness in providing this for us! What a gift to our guild!!



Look at this super cool fidget quilt on the right that Marcia McNelley made for her aunt! Colorful, stimulating, fun and safe!



PROGRAMS

Hip Hip Hooray! We get to meet in persona at the next guild meeting on April IIth; it will be both inperson and on Zoom. We are hosting Helen Godden who is an "Extreme Free Motion Quilter and Fiber Artist". Helen will zoom from Australia!! She has won awards both nationally and internationally for her quilts as well as is the Handi Quilter Ambassador for the Sweet Sixteen (sit down long arm machine). Her lecture is "My Top Ten Art Quilt Techniques." Helen offers many workshops in both free motion quilting and art quilting. You can sign up for a workshop with her at <u>helengodden.com</u>





Our May speaker will be a local favorite, Wendy Mathson. Wendy will be speaking in person and holding an in-person workshop! Double Hip Hip Hooray! Her lecture/trunk show and workshop will be "From Black and White to Brilliant" The lecture will be Monday May 9th. The workshop will be held on Wednesday May 11th at Paradise Sewing from 10 AM to 4 PM.

Explore the creative possibilities of "no-mess" spot dying as you transform black and white prints to fit the color scheme of your choice. We will use dye pencils and fabric markers to add color, and to create visual texture, shading, and depth. You'll also learn how to create your own prints with simple doodle-like designs. (It's a "Zen thing".) No drawing skills needed. (Continued on next page.)



CONTINUATION OF WENDY MATHSON'S WORKSHOP

One of the benefits of this class is that you can experiment with various dye coloring media without having to purchase them in advance. The workshop is \$45 for members/ \$55 for non-members. There has already been a lot of interest in this workshop. If you want to attend contact Laura at <u>friendshipquiltersinfo@gmail.com</u>.

RETREAT

We anxiously await gathering at Vina de Lestonnac at the end of April. We certainly can promise you a great time. As of the writing of this article, we still have four spots open. There are only single and double rooms. If you were on the fence about attending, and are now wishing you had reserved a spot, it is not too late. Please contact me via email if you have any questions at <u>colleen.sandiego@gmail.com</u>. Singles are \$478 and doubles are \$328.



ENGLISH PAPER PIECING

Do you like to do handwork? Do you dream for a technique that will help you have perfect points that match all the time? Maybe English Paper Piecing is for you! Come join our group on the first Monday of the month and see what it is all about.

For April, we are meeting on Monday, April 4, I-3pm Pacific time on Zoom.

Please contact Karla Seyb-Stockton by phone or text at (858)883-8038 to get the connection information.

See you then!

OPPORTUNITY OF THE MONTH

At the March meeting, the winners of the Opportunity of the Month were Michael Dwyer, Frances Symons, and Yvonne Gagne. Each won a bag of a variety of fabrics in length and in coordination plus some other useful items.

We are planning to meet in person for the April and May meetings, so once again we will return to the Opportunity of the Month activity where you can examine the bag and buy tickets for a chance to win a specific bag of fabric .

This picture shows an example of a winning bag. Hope Campbell





Iris at Quilter's Paradise with SOME of our fabrics!

April Birthdays

This month we have three members who have April birthdays! Ruth O'Neil April 4 Evie Holland April 28 Peggy Martin April 28





<u>A Day In The Life Challenge</u>

Just a reminder we have postponed the challenge from this year. It has been hard to sign people up with so few in person meetings. We will be picking it up again next year. Anyone who signed up this year will be automatically enrolled in next year's challenge. The challenge will be the same focus fabric and theme.

ROAD TRIP TO QUILT SHOW IN LONG BEACH !! **Treasurer's Report** February 1, 2022-February 28, 2022 For those of you who are dying to go to a guilt show this summer your dreams can come true! Traveling Beginning Balance 14,104.98 Quilters will have a bus going up to Long Beach on Income Saturday August 6 to the Long Beach Quilt Show held Retreats 2929.00 at their Convention Center. Workshop 45.00 Misc The cost is \$63 and the pick up locations are at the Laura Martin 1.00 Park 'n Ride at the intersection of 15 and Via Rancho Dues Alice Koenitzer 30.00 Parkway on the west side of 15 or in La Mesa. Total Income 3005.00 If interested email Lynn Crawford at Expenses www.lynn@travelingquilters.com. Their website is Storage March 135.00 January Speaker Shawnee Miller 400.00 www.travelingquilters.com. Lynn will send you more Outreach Cathy Scarpelli postage 11.60 information and a booking form. Tina Curran Speaker 2/2022 550.00 Tina Curran Workshop 2/2022 650.00 The guild is not endorsing this but thought you would be interested in doing something fun-seeing guilts and Total Expenses 1746.60 shopping- and leaving the driving and gas prices to Ending Balance 15,363.38 someone else. It will be a nice big tour bus with restrooms. Time to party!! Pat





ADISE SEWING 13242 Poway Road Poway, CA 92064 - PH: (858) 679-9808 peter@paradisesewing.com - Tues - Sat 9-5, Sun & Mon Closed



At Paradise Sewing, we're dedicated to helping you realize your creative potential through excellent customer service, sewing machine repair, and a variety of sewing products. Whether it be a beginner sewing machine or a multi-needle professional embroidery machine, Paradise Sewing has what you need! We're your one-stop-shop for Pfaff, Viking, Janome and Babylock Machines, Accessories, Embellishments, Fabric and Notions. Because we care about your sewing experience, we offer help with your sewing needs plus fun, informative classes for sewing and embroidery enthusiasts of all ages and skill levels.

Paradise Sewing and Vacuum is a fully certified service center. We give free repair estimates on all makes and models, as well as comprehensive estimates at the service bench. When your machine is at Paradise, you can breathe easy knowing that your machine is in good hands.

We also carry a full line of new and used machines. We have a wonderful selection of sewing machines starting at just \$99. We will make sure we find the perfect fit for your creative needs. You will also receive free one-on-one training for new machine purchases and free attendance at in-store group training. We will always provide warranty service on new machine purchases. We will strive to provide high-quality service for you and your precision machine.

Stop by to get the best prices in San Diego!



