

Coast Lines Newsletter for Coastal Quilters of Santa Barbara

Volume 20 Number 6, December 2008

#### This Month:

#### December 11th Mtg.

- » Wear name tags
- » Return Library books

#### **December 19th Deadline**

Newsletter articles due for December edition

December 18th Board Mtg. at Maravilla (in the craft room)

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## **December Program**

There will not be a speaker for our December holiday meeting. BUT...it's shaping up to be a fantastic get-together with "Make-n-Take" projects, many door prizes and library book sales, etc.

#### **Program Highlights**

Come join us for an evening of holiday merriment! Our December meeting promises to provide something for everyone. Listed below are just some of the many wonderful activities taking place throughout the evening.

- **Ongoing Door Prizes** A new twist on an old favorite
- Library Book Sale Save, Save, Save!
- Quilter's Hall of Fame Presentation by Roz Perry
- **Opportunity Quilt Drawing** Don't forget to buy those last minute chances!
- **2009 Challenge Revealed** Start planning now; June is only 6 months away
- Make 'n Takes Quick projects that support our Adopt-a-Family program
- Adopt-a-Family Food Drive All non-perishables in non-breakable packaging accepted
- Adopt-a-Family Present Wrapping Donated supplies appreciated
- Incredible Refreshments Incredible because they are made by you and available all evening!
- Orphan Block Collection by the Loose Threads
- Harvest of Colors 2008 Show DVD's available (\$5)
- **Live Music by You** Limber up those fingers and dust off the holiday music the piano is available

So, if you're looking for a fun-filled evening, look no further! Come spend it with your fellow guild members and help us welcome the holiday season by laughing, socializing, and participating in quilting related activities, what could be better? See you there!

#### **Refreshment Notice for December meeting:**

In keeping with long-established tradition, refreshments for our holiday celebration meeting on December 11 will be your favorite cookies, candies or Brownies. Bring some to share. Your refreshment committee volunteers will take care of drinks.

## Community Quilts: Gifts of the Heart

Somewhere today there is a child facing a terrifying diagnosis - that of cancer. This child and their family is reeling with new knowledge, new fears, and new experiences that no child or their family should ever have to face. Yet they are facing these challenges with courage and hope.

This is the season of giving, a special time when we often give of ourselves and of our creativity as quilters. By making a quilt for a child with cancer for the Teddy Bear Foundation, we can extend that spirit of giving to these children and their families. Just knowing there is a stranger who is aware of their struggles and is thinking of them can be so powerful. And the tangible evidence in the form of a lovingly made quilt is a lifelong testament of that fact.

Of course, we all know that there is a second gift in the making of these

quilts - the gift we give ourselves with the feeling of having done something that can make a difference and brighten the lives of others.

While we will not have a display at the December meeting, we hope you will keep the spirit of giving alive this month by working on the kit you may have already checked out or by making your own design. If any of you wish to get started on a kit before the January meeting you can always contact either Jeanne Surber or Lou Ann Smith. Remember, Nancy King is available for quilting, for her set-up fee of \$45.00. Thank you, Nancy! For questions or comments please contact:

# Lou Ann Smith louannsmith6@hotmail.com Jeanne Surber jbs@surber.sbcoxmail.com

#### **Welcome New Members:**

#### **Sandy Fenske**

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#### **Nancy Sweet**

117 Canon Dr. Santa Barbara, CA 93105 fsweet@aol.com

#### and Returning Members:

#### **Judy Boesler**

801 Poinsettia Way Santa Barbara, CA 93111

#### **Patty Latourell**

8237 Santa Ana Rd. Ventura, CA 93001 latpatt@aol.com

## **Elected Officers & Committee Chairs 2008-2009**

President:

Darilyn Kisch

**VP Current Programs:** 

Dee Johnson

**VP Future Programs:** Cathe Hedrick

**VP Workshops:** Suzy Pelovsky

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Kathy Draine

Corresponding Secretary:

Barbara MacCallum & Jean MacMillan

Treasurer: Naomi Hicks Parliamentarian:

Edalee Keehn

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Block of the Month:

Loose Threads

**Challenge:** Kathy Rose

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Lou Ann Smith

**Door Prizes:** 

Sue Kadner & Chris Allen

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Doris Gilman & Carol Boyce

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Heather Georgakis &

Kathy Laabs

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Jean Faison

Opp. Quilt Ticket Sales:

Rochelle Schneider

**Refreshments:** 

Liz Turner

**Satellite Groups:** 

Liz Turner

Webmaster:

Lou Ann Smith

**Welcome Committee:** 

Diane Moore & Barb Postma

Outreach:

Betty Kelley

**Opportunity Quilt:** 

Ticket Sales: Sew Whats

(Betty Kelley)

Quilt Provider: Joann

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## From Darilyn's Desk:

With the Holidays rapidly approaching, I'd like to take time to fill you in on where we are regarding our mid-year membership efforts. Earlier this year our board requested an accurate count of how many active members we have in our Guild. Becky Gallup and Jean Faison (who have worked tirelessly cleaning up the rosters) report that we currently have 256 active Guild members. Wow! The Board also set a target of enrolling 50 new members for this year. As of the November meeting, we have welcomed 24 new members. Congratulations, we are right on track to meet our goal.

I'm also pleased to announce that our first round of New Member Welcome Coffees held in November were a success. Both new and current members joined me to meet and welcome many of our new members. As a group, we learned that while quilting draws us all together, we also share many other common interests. I personally found our time together to be most enjoyable and informative. Since this activity was so well received, I have decided to host quarterly New Member Welcome Coffees. So if you are a new member who was unable to attend a November coffee you are invited to attend our next get-together at the end of January. And, if you are a current member who is interested in meeting and welcoming our newest members, I invite you to join us. Specific dates and times will be published in the January newsletter.

Remember, each of you can help us achieve our membership goals. Please don't forget to use the guest passes that you received in your membership packet this year. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite a friend to attend one of our monthly meetings for free. With all that we have to offer our members, I'm sure that if you bring your friends, they are likely to join. So think of who you might like to introduce to our guild and bring them along to our next meeting for a fun filled evening.

Until then, let's go sew, Darilyn

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December Birthdays  Happy Birthday to one and all!					
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Nancy Miller	Dec. 2	Georgia Jameson	Dec. 19		
Judy Messick	Dec. 3	Tami Bollay	Dec. 19		
Nancy Tolivar	Dec. 5	Diana Iler	Dec. 21		
Olive Moreno	Dec. 5	Brenda Massey	Dec. 22		
Susan Carty	Dec. 6	Carol Boyce	Dec. 23		
Marie Smeznik	Dec. 8	Ranell Hansen	Dec. 23		
Edalee Keehn	Dec. 10	Cathe Hedrick	Dec. 25		
Lupe Dwyer	Dec. 10	Mariel Hawel	Dec. 25		
Ulla Sigurdson	Dec. 12	Barbara Ervin	Dec. 26		
Nancy Miller Judy Messick Nancy Tolivar Olive Moreno Susan Carty Marie Smeznik Edalee Keehn Lupe Dwyer Ulla Sigurdson Susan Italo	Dec. 14	Dundie Schulte	Dec. 19 Dec. 21 Dec. 22 Dec. 23 Dec. 23 Dec. 25 Dec. 25 Dec. 25 Dec. 26 Dec. 27		

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## **Future Programs**

#### **January**

For our January speaker we are proud to announce that it is **Sue Rasmussen**. The title of her lecture is "A Desperate Housewife's Quilt Journey." She will take us through her development as a quilt maker of the two main quilt styles: Intricate Pieced Quilts and Machine Pieced Landscape Quilts. Her workshop will include a lesson and a landscape pattern of a 'Single Tree Landscape.'

#### **February**

In February, **Anita Luvera Mayer** will tell us about "Not Doing Guilt Anymore" and show us how to "Embellish Surfaces."

#### March

March brings us to **Melinda Bula's** visit. She'll show us "How to Discover the Artist Within Our Quilts and Wearables" and "How To Make Fabulous Fusible Flowers."

#### **Organizing Tip of the Month:**

from Juli Shulem, Professional Organizer

Weed out your fabric...Part 1: Purge If you are running out of space for your fabric and have no intention of adding onto your home for more storage, some weeding out is probably a good idea. The prospect of doing this is worse than the actual job typically, but planning ahead is wise. Block a decent amount of time to make a dent. Schedule the time in your calendar, like an appointment and keep it. If you find fabric that you haven't touched in years or know you truly will never use it, that is the first stuff to let go of. It's only keeping you from finding and using the fabric you DO love and want to use by covering your usable stuff up.

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## Started your New Year's Resolutions list yet?

#### Be sure to add "Support Guild!"

Beginning in January, your guild will need to begin filling the following positions:

#### 1) Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales

All committee chair positions follow a July to June operating year EXCEPT for Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales. This job runs the calendar year from Jan-Dec 2009.

The "Sew What's" satellite group has done an outstanding job promoting 2008's "Tuscan Gold" this year, but their term will end with the drawing of the winner at the December meeting.

The upcoming 2009 Opportunity Quilt needs an individual or satellite group to chair ticket sales. This position is so important to all of us as Opportunity Quilt ticket sales are one of the guild's main fund-raisers that support our programs (speakers) and workshops.

#### 2) Harvest of Colors Quilt Show Chair

In the world of quilt shows, 2010 is just around the corner! The new chair needs to be in place ASAP to begin forming a committee and making plans. The group from the 2008 show has lots of documentation to forward that will give you a big head start!

#### 3) Elected Board Vacancies

Board positions typically run for 2 years. Vacancies coming up this year are *Recording Secretary*, *VP Workshops*, *Treasurer*, and *Promotions*. Replacements are voted on by the general membership in May - which means the slate needs to be ready for submission in April - which means you need to start thinking now about which position is your perfect fit!

For job descriptions or any questions, contact me.

#### Darilyn Kisch

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## Harvest of Colors Quilt Show 2008

#### **Income**

Admissions	7,939.00
Tote Bag Sales [Loose Threads]	496.00
Boutique donations from Guild	110.00
Boutique Income	5,771.87
PayPal Online Store [workshops]	697.96
Dinners	1,215.00
Judging Fees	570.00
Miscellaneous [PayPal acct. verification]	0.11
Quilt Sales after Show (15%)	84.63
Raffles	688.00
Sponsors	13,100.00
Vendor Fees	9,380.00

**TOTAL INCOME** 

40,052.57

#### **EXPENSES**

	TOTAL EXPENSE	28,250.30
Volunteer Expense		63.00
Tickets [wristbands]		312.75
Signage		223.14
Sales Tax		427.00
Raffle Expense		13.33
Publicity		3,170.12
Program [catalog]		334.36
Miscellaneous [Treasurer's expense]		21.00
Judging		615.16
Hospitality - Vendor bags, etc.		276.23
Hospitality - Thursday lunch - judging		255.90
Hanging		6.45
Featured Artist		1,663.99
Facility [Earl Warren Showgrounds]		7,153.00
Education-Workshop refunds		750.00
Education [Instructors]		1,656.48
Display [pipe & drape]		4,000.00
Dinner Expense Table Settings		355.82
Dinner Expense Food		1,562.35
Banners		800.00
Boutique Sales [85% to sellers]		4,374.29
Boutique Expense		103.38
Acquisitions		112.55
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#### **Events Around California**

#### **American Ouilts: Two Hundred Years of Tradition**

Sept. 20th - March 15th, 2009

#### **Bowers Museum**

2002 N. Main St., Santa Ana, CA 92706

Approximately 30 quilts from the Bowers Museum collection will be on exhibit, many for the first time, in the first exhibition focused on this important collection of American quilts dating from the 18th -20th centuries. A variety of techniques and styles will be displayed including fine examples of Crazy Quilts, pieced together with elaborate materials, an unusual Jacobean quilted bedcover depicting a Tree of Life made in 1776, a child's quilt created from tobacco flannels which were given as premiums with the purchase of cigarettes in the early 20th century, a late 19th century quilt made in Indiana with the insignias of Grand Army of the Republic regiments from the Spanish American War, and two quilts composed of the fragments of opera star Madame Schumann – Heink's dresses worn during her performances.

More info: 714.567.3600

http://www.bowers.org/explore/exhibitions.jsp

#### **Pine Needles Quilt Guild Holiday Home Tour**

Saturday, Dec. 6, 2008 - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Advance tickets: \$12.00 – available after Nov. 1

Day of tour: \$15.00

15th ANNUAL WRIGHTWOOD HOLIDAY HOME TOUR AND BOUTIQUE SPONSORED BY PINE NEEDLES QUILT GUILD AND WRIGHTWOOD FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY –

*More info: 760 249-5753*; Tickets are available at boutique and homes, or by mail; send SASE to:

Pine Needles Quilt Guild P.O. Box 2800 Wrightwood, CA, 92397-2800

#### **Village Quilters: Shelley Swanland**

"Cathedral Windows and More" trunk show and lecture. January 10th, 2009

Shelley Swanland workshop "Machine Stitched Cathedral Windows: Exploring the Basics". Work through the entire process while creating a small wall hanging.

Email Contact: aakeskey@cox.net Website: scrippsvillagequilters.com

#### **Road to California Quilter's Conference**

January 15-18th, 2009

#### **Ontario Convention Center**

Ontario, CA

100 classes/lectures over \$25,000 in prize money over 160 vendors. For more information: www.road2ca.com

#### **Valley Quilters 29th Annual Quilt Show**

February 13 & 14th, 2009 10am-4pm, Admission \$6

#### **Valley Wide Recreation Center**

San Jacinto, CA

More info: 951-927-9739; Email: sewbetty3@roadrunner.com

#### South Bay Quilter's Guild Annual Quilt Show

February 22 & 23, 2009 Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4

#### **Torrance Cultural Arts Center**

Torrance, CA

More Info.: quiltshow@southbayquiltersguild.org

Website: southbayquiltersguild.org

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## Block of the Month for December

#### **January is Stripes!**

The theme for this year's blocks is **Geometrics**. Each month will feature a different geometric shape. There are simple and consistent guidelines for the entire year, so you can stock up on fabric and use your creativity in the pattern, design and size you choose. You could make two blocks each month, and submit one, and by the end of the year, you will have your own geometric beauty, not to mention all the ones you won during the year! The shape for January is STRIPES: This can be one large bunch of stripes, such as an Amish Roman stripes pattern, or a simple design like the one Marty Frolli invented using the new stripey batiks at Craft Essentials. Now, you can call these blocks STRIPES, or you can call them STRIPS, or you can call them anything you want. Just make sure they sort of conform to the guidelines above. Remember playing Strip Poker? Ever seen a Strip Tease? Ever done a strip tease? How about jail stripes? 3 stripes and you're out? Sergeant's Stripes? Yipes Stripes? Zebra stripes? Stars and Stripes? Venetian blinds? OK, I'm reaching now, but you get the idea... Go for it!

Above all, HAVE FUN!

#### Susan Carty

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## Lucky November Door Prize Winners

Nola Ferguson Patty Hunter Marty Frolli Nancy Miller

Cathe Hedrick

Congratulations to all, and thanks to all who buy tickets and the wonderful vendors who participate to help generate income for the CQG.

Sue Kadner & Chris Allen Door Prize Co-Chairs

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. You may choose *any size block* as small as 4 inches square (finished), up to 16 inches square (finished) as long as the finished size is divisible by two (4x4, 6x6, 8x8, etc.). Don't forget to build in your seam allowances—the working block would be one-half inch bigger than the finished block. Right? The fun of this guideline will be for you to figure out how to put together different-sized blocks into an interesting and cohesive design. It's a challenge!
- 2. All blocks must have **black borders** preferably at least one inch wide. If you use a pattern with a background, make that background color black as well. The border and background can be pure black, or black-on-black fabric.
- 3. **No large or busy prints** think Batiks, Bali prints, brights, tone-on-tone, jewel tones, primary colors, whatever you think will look great.
- 4. While there will be **no specific pattern**, we will supply you with tips, samples, and ideas of what you can do for the SHAPE of the month.
- 5. **No other SHAPE** should be in the block for the month. But any block that features the shape-of-the-month will be just fine!

#### A Big Thank You to Our Donors!

We appreciate your support. Vendors who donated items for the October prizes:

- Baron's Fabrics
- · Clover Needlecraft, Inc
- Craft Essentials
- Grant House
- Guterman's Thread
- Piecemakers Country Store, Costa Mesa, CA (www.piecemakers.com)
- · Quilters Dream of America
- Sulky of America
- Treasure Hunt
- Anonymous Guild Members

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## **Quilting Resources**

## Antique Quilt Dating Guide— By Style

Written by Kimberly Wulfert www.antiquequiltdatingguides.com 805.649.1821

#### **Baron's Fabrics**

Discount to Members 379 Carmen Road Camarillo, CA 93010 www.baronsewfab.com 805.482.9848

#### **Craft Essentials**

Discount to Members 187 South Turnpike Santa Barbara, CA 93111 805.681.3115

## The Creation Station Fabric & Quilt Shop

Classes, Retreats and Online Shopping Dawn and Patrick Farrier, owners Large selection of cotton solids/prints and flannels all priced at \$5 per yard. 252 East Hwy 246, Unit A Buellton, CA 93427 www.thecreationstation.com 805.693.0174

#### **Grant House Sewing Machines**

Discount to Members & Classes Offered 5152-A Hollister Avenue (Magnolia Shopping Center) Santa Barbara, CA 93111 www.granthousesewingmachines. com/ 805.967.3680

#### **Nancy King**

Santa Barbara Custom Quilting www.sbcustomquilting.com 805.687.2063

#### **Professional Organizer Juli Shulem**

20% discount given to members.

Need to organize your sewing room better, or perhaps other places as well? 24 yrs. experience organizing spaces and people. For a complete list of services check my website: www. julishulem.com.

964-2389

#### **Quilt Ventura**

Stash Card & Classes Offered 4572 Telephone Road Ventura. CA 93003 www.quiltventura.com 805.658.9800

#### **Santa Barbara Quilting Retreats**

Cathe Hedrick P.O. Box 91429 Santa Barbara, CA 93190-1429 www.santabarbaraquiltingretreats. com 805.899.3947

#### The Sewing Parlour

1333 De La Vina Street; Suite A Santa Barbara, CA 93101 www.thesewingparlour.com 805-899-0058

#### Susan Italo/Wild Onion Studio

Custom Long-arm Machine Quilting, Wearable Art, Wild Onion Jacket Pattern www.wildonionstudio.com http://wildonionstudio.wordpress.com Susan@Wildonionstudio.com (805) 746-0186

#### **The Treasure Hunt**

Fabric Card 919 Maple Ave. Carpinteria, CA 93013 www.carpinteriaquilts.com 805.684.3360

If you are a member of the Coastal Quilters Guild and have products or services relating to quilts, you can be listed in this section of our newsletter. Your listing is free, and special attention will be paid to members offering discounts, "stash" cards, classes or sale events. Please send your information to Juli Shulem, Newsletter Editor, 713 Cathedral Pointe Lane, Santa Barbara, CA 93111 or email jshulem@aol.com.

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Coastal Quilters Guild Inc

http://www.coastalquilters.org

Coastal Quilters Guild of Santa Barbara and Goleta is a nonprofit, educational and charitable organization. The purpose of the Guild is to educate its members about the history and preservation of the art form of quilting and its related topics; to learn new techniques and improve skills; and to inform the community at large about our quilt making heritage.

Guild Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at:

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 4575 Auhay, Santa Barbara, CA

This Month's Meeting

December 11th, 2008 7:00 p.m.

**Next Month's Meeting** 

January 8th, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Please carpool, parking is somewhat limited.

#### **Coast Lines Newsletter**

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