Marty Frolli opened the meeting at 7:40 p.m. in the Goleta Library. There were 57 people present.

The evening's \$-raffle items were explained: a doll pattern from our guest speaker, Elinor Peace Bailey, and a "Fat Ladies" wall quilt, donated by one of our satellite groups, the Stitch 'n' Bitchers. Tickets for our latest raffle quilt were also being distributed.

Suzy Carter introduced the evening's guests, Judith Segel, Crystel Bianchi, Shana Kharrazi, Perie Mercer, Helen Black, and Anneke Zwart. Committee announcements were made:

-Carol Boyce, who is in charge of the Goleta Valley Days display, reminded docents for the display to dress nicely and urged all of us to come see this first full-scale display the guild has put together. It will be this Saturday, October 14, from 11:00 to 5:00 at the Goleta Valley Community Center.

-Jan Inouye explained the program committee's general plan of having two big-name speakers with workshops per year and expressed regrets that it is so difficult to schedule these events so that they won't conflict with people's work schedules.

She reminded us that there will be a quilt display at UCSB during February and March.

November will be the month that we bring in our finished Childhood Memories challenge quilts. We will hang them up as they are brought in, and then see if we can guess who did which quilt.

-Carolyn Nielsen asked members to pick up the raffle tickets they are expected to sell, and apologized that the accompanying photos will not be ready until next month. The drawing will be held at our December meeting.

-The nomination committee told of how they have tried to contact all members by phone to learn who can help the guild function in the coming year. Based on what they have learned, nominations will be made at the November meeting.

-Norah McMeeking, our newsletter editor, announced that the next issue, due in November, will probably be her last.

-Janet Berlin, of the refreshment committee, applauded the great response she has had from the membership, but said we are always in need of more.

Maggie Godwin conducted the Block-of-the-Month raffle and was lucky enough to finally win them herself. She then presented next month's block, which will actually be strips of Seminole work.

Sandi Globus explained in more detail the "Fat Ladies" wall quilt, which brought in an unprecedented \$105! The Bitchy Stitchers have issued a challenge to all other mini-groups, calling on them to also produce items to raffle - the competition to raise more money than the others would certainly benefit the guild. Liz Steele won the Fat Ladies, and Caroline Nielsen won the doll pattern.

We had a brief Show & Tell.

Jan Inouye introduced Elinor Peace Bailey, our speaker for the evening, who charmed us all with her eccentric and innovative lecture, "Dolls and Beyond".