

Coast Lines

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This Month:

January 8th Mtg.

- » Wear name tags
- » Return Library books

January 16th Deadline

Newsletter articles due for February edition

January 15th Board Mtg.
at Maravilla (in the craft room)

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January Program

Sue Rasmussen's lecture, "A Desperate Housewife's Quilt Journey" sounds exciting since we all have our own journey into the quilting world. She's driving to Santa Barbara and will be bringing dozens of her quilts. She's been a quilt instructor since 1988 and promises to stretch us beyond our

traditional confinements. Her workshop, "Landscapes - Machine Pieced" will include curved piecing, design techniques, fabric choices and pattern development. Her pattern, "Single Tree Landscape" will be available to workshop students.

Now, About Those New Year's Resolutions...

The holidays are winding down and in another week or two all the decorations will be packed away for another year. With 2009 just around the corner, now is the time to act on those New Year's Resolutions to meet new friends, learn new quilting techniques, or support worthy causes by volunteering for a guild board position or committee.

Your guild is in immediate need of filling several key positions. The Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales Chair for 2009 is open. The sale of Opportunity Quilt tickets is one of the Guild's main fund-raisers that support programs (speakers) and workshops. Think this might be too much work? Engage your satellite group or a couple of friends and volunteer for this VIP (very important position). Many hands make light work!

Your guild also needs a 2010 Quilt Show Chair now! Another fund-raiser is our biennial (every two years) quilt show. You won't have to start from scratch as many of last years show committee members have already volunteered for the 2010 show. They learned so much from the 2008 show and have documented everything that needs to be done for future shows. You will also benefit from the many useful suggestions they have for making 2010 a great success.

If these two positions don't sound interesting to you, how about working on the Board? Upcoming vacancies include:

Recording Secretary
Treasurer

VP Workshops
PR

Regardless of your skills or available time, your guild has a place for you. So fulfill that New Years Resolution to become more active today.

For job descriptions or any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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Community Quilts: Gifts of the Heart

Please come by the Community Quilts table at the January meeting and see some of the beautiful quilts our members have already completed for the Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation project. It's exciting to see the response we have gotten so far, and the variety, beauty, and workmanship of these quilts.

This year we offer you the opportunity to make a quilt for a child with cancer for The Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation. The mission of the Teddy Bear Cancer Foundation is to ensure that children with cancer receive the undivided comfort of their parents during the treatment and recovery process. You can give the gift of comfort and encouragement to a child in need. We are accepting all sizes of quilts, so it doesn't have to take a long time to create a special gift.

We still have all sizes of quilt kits to get you started, as well as a few un-finished

objects (UFO's) if you want to complete something quickly. We also have patterns for you to check out, or copies of patterns for you to take home, and batting if you need it. Remember, Nancy King is available for quilting. Contact her at 687-2063 for her set-up fee of \$45.00.

Please read more about the project and our guidelines on our website at: http://www.coastalquilters.org/community_quilts.html. We look forward to seeing more of your beautiful quilts in the months to come.

For questions or comments please contact:

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Welcome Returning Member:

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Santa Ynez, CA 93460
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annmarie@silcom.com

Winter New Member Coffee

Save the date!

The next New Member Welcome Coffee is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 14th, at 10:00am.

As always, everyone is invited to my house to meet our newest members.

Please RSVP.

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From Darilyn's Desk:

Many thanks to all of you who attended our December meeting and special thanks to those who brought along a guest. It was a wonderful evening with plenty of time to visit and have a lot of fun. I loved having a zillion things happening at once!

The ongoing Door Prize Mania was a great hit (and, no, I didn't rig the pot to be the lucky winner on the first draw). Many of you took advantage of the book sale by purchasing your own perfect Christmas present. You were also very generous in buying Make 'n Takes and giving cash donations for our Adopt-a-Family. My van was packed full of wrapped presents and food when I delivered them to (fill this in). We truly have made a difference in our community!

The "goodies" you brought to snack on throughout the evening were so fabulous that I'm considering putting together a guild cookbook for us to sell in the future. What do you think?

The evening just wouldn't have been the same without the time, talent, and treasures given by your fellow members. I'd like to extend my sincere thanks to the following individuals who helped make our evening together so special:

- Roz Perry for sharing information on the Quilter's Hall of Fame
- Kathy Rose for finally revealing the 2009 Challenge (I couldn't get even one hint out of her in the last 5 months!)
- Mom (Marilyn Kisch) and Penny Bridges for providing the background holiday music
- Susan Carty for giving us a reason to clean out all those "orphan" blocks (I actually let go of several made in 1969)
- A special thanks to Joann Conklin for donating the 2008 Opportunity Quilt (Hanging next to the Christmas tree in the soft light, the quilt was breath-taking)
- Pat Masterson for sharing her special slipper secrets with all of us (I don't think anyone will ever look at slippers the same way again!)
- All the "elves" that made the Holiday Party a huge success (You know who you are - it couldn't have happened without you!)

Lastly, I'd like to wish all of you a healthy and happy holiday season. See you next year!

*Until then, let's go sew,
Darilyn*



Future Programs

February

Trying to find more time to quilt? Anita has the answer! In February **Anita Luvera Mayer's** lecture is "Not Doing Guilt Anymore"...or "What Other People Think of Me Is None of My Business." Sounds like much humor is in store for us.

March

March's lecturer will be **Melinda Bula** with her topic of "Discovering the Artist Within." She'll cover the world of quilts and wearable art. There'll even be a fashion show! Her workshop is "How to Make Fabulous Fusible Flowers." Let's join in on this one!

April

April brings us to **Peggy Martin's** "Beyond Tradition" with a trunk show. Peggy's workshop is "Quick-Strip Paper Piecing" for beginners to advanced quilters.

Organizing Tip of the Month:

from Juli Shulem, Professional Organizer

Weed out your fabric...Part 2: Divide and Sort

You have two basic choices for organizing your fabrics:

1. Sort by colors
2. Sort by size

You may choose to do a little of each depending on the type of stash you have and the work you primarily do. Be sure to find appropriate sized containers for what you plan to keep as well as containers which allow you to see what is inside. Next LABEL each container, shelf and area with what is stored there so you don't have to go 'fishing' each time you want to find something. This way you can safely store things behind other items if you have deep shelves/drawers yet will still be able to find what you want. And remember if you happen upon a fabric that just doesn't go anywhere...it probably shouldn't.

2009 Opportunity Quilt – Name That Quilt Contest

The 2009 Opportunity Quilt is almost ready but, I confess I'm not very creative when it comes to naming a quilt. So, we are having a 'Name That Quilt' contest. Entries for the name of the quilt will be accepted at the January Guild meeting or, they can be emailed to me at kjdraine@verizon.net from now until January 12, 2009. I will narrow the field to my favorite three names and then the board will make the final decision on January 15, 2009. The finished quilt will be presented along with its new name at the February Guild meeting. The member that submits the winning name will receive a free guild workshop.

What do you see in the picture to the right? Put on your creative hats and send me your classic, funny, off the wall, clever, traditional, whatever names (multiple entries accepted).

Thank you for your support,

Kathy Draine

2009 Opportunity Quilt Donor



Block of the Month for December— Huge Success!

The Block of the Month for December was a block, any size, any color, any pattern. The collected blocks will be shipped to a group in Washington state that makes quilts for all kinds of children in need. The response to this request was an absolute flood of blocks from just about everyone in the Guild. Thank you to all of the members who contributed and who seemed to be delighted to have a place to get rid of blocks that were no longer needed or wanted, but who didn't want to just throw them away! I couldn't count the number of blocks we have but the stack of blocks is at least two feet tall (when it wasn't falling over), so there will be a lot of kids who will get quilts made from these blocks in the coming year. I have asked the group, called Wrap Them in Love, to let us know how the project goes and to send some pictures if they can.

If everyone in the Guild is in agreement, I have proposed that this block donation be an annual event. It sure seems like a good idea and a great place for our "orphan blocks" to find a new home. Let us know what you think, OK?

Thank you again for an extremely successful Orphan Block Collection!

—The Loose Threads satellite group

A CQG Member's 2009 New Year's "Resolution"

I know, I know! People make (and break) New Year's resolutions all of the time, but this is one that I'm personally determined to keep! And I hope every member of the Guild will join me in this one, because it packs a BIG PAYOFF for everyone.

AT EVERY GUILD MEETING IN 2009, I pledge to:

- Wear my membership nametag (the current year's, please; I recently "found" mine... again!)
- Introduce myself to at least one different member whose name I don't know and to learn theirs... AND also remember it!

Looking out across the sea of smiling faces at the December's festive meeting, I was pleased to recognize how many people I actually knew by name... and most of them by last name, too! Getting more involved with the Guild's activities has really helped!

But, I was also dismayed by the number of faces, whose names I didn't know... some looked "sort of familiar"... but their name? Forget it?

Then I got to thinking: If EVERY MEMBER of the Guild honors this same pledge, it wouldn't be long until there are NO strangers at the meetings... unless perhaps it's someone NEW! Think of all the interesting new "friends" we will have made!

Maybe we shouldn't call this a "resolution"... those seem to be so easily forgotten... so instead, let's call it a "CHALLENGE"!

Are you with me?

Kathy Rose

Let's Go On A "Walkabout"!

In case you missed the big "reveal" at the December meeting, we'll all be WORLD TRAVELERS with this year's "For Members' Only" Quilt Challenge: "Travel Poster Art"

Let's celebrate the beauty, and art, of travel posters that have the power to whisk us away with the lure and mystique of exotic locales or dream of a longed-for destination.

This challenge is meant to be FUN, so use your imagination and (literally!) anything goes!

Maybe you've already BEEN to your dream destination spot, but long to return there... now you can, but... PLEASE take us along, too! Enter the Challenge and you'll HAVE that travel poster to hang in your home for inspiration... or a hassle-free interlude when you need to catch your breath on those "busy days"!

Maybe you've been harboring a "secret" adventurous desire... Scaling the pyramids of Egypt? Climbing Mount Everest? Traveling the Amazon? Going on safari in the Serengeti? Dancing with penguins in Antarctica? Snorkeling in Bora Bora (Lucky me! I've done that!)? Or how about exploring the "Outback" in Australia? (Ask Isabel about her many adventures throughout the world!)

Or maybe your desires run a bit more to the cosmopolitan... New York City on New Year's Eve? New Orleans during Mardi Gras? Paris and the Eiffel Tower? London and Big Ben?

Rose & Downs Travel Tours challenges you to "make your escape" for the enjoyment of all at the 2009 "Coastal Quilters World Geographic Tour" on Thursday, June 11th.

While the "Port of Call" is YOUR CHOICE and the "sky's the limit" (Hmmm... then again, they ARE talking about "vacations" in space!), THIS season's award-winning "globe trotters" must include all of the following "booking details":

- **"Language Skills"**
Must contain at least ONE word not part of a pre-printed fabric
- **"Standard Baggage"**
Standard construction consisting of three layers, quilted
- **"Longest Round Trip"**
100 inches "circumnavigation" (smaller "jaunts" are OK, too)
- **"Baggage ID" (just in case!)**
A label with the quilt title and your name
- **"One Carry-On"**
A 4-inch hanging sleeve
- **"Valid Passport"**
Completed entry form; limited to one entry per member

And, as always, **BE CREATIVE** and **HAVE FUN!**

Stay tuned next month for more details on "booking your itinerary"!

Brought to you by your travel agents,

Kathy Rose and Isabel Downs

January Birthdays

Happy Birthday to one and all!

Marilyn Martin	Jan. 2
Mary Ballard	Jan. 3
Gretchen Beckert	Jan. 3
Nancy Little	Jan. 3
Diane Haley	Jan. 4
Jane Manasse	Jan. 4

Harriet Bender	Jan. 6
Kay Fox	Jan. 6
Jan Inouye	Jan. 7
Paul Sinicrope	Jan. 7
Lynn Manchester	Jan. 8
Judy Stanton	Jan. 9
Debbie Breyman	Jan. 12
Mary Nelson-Perry	Jan. 14
Patti Hunter	Jan. 20

Lillian Blackwell	Jan. 22
Nancy Bauerle	Jan. 23
Gail Tinsley	Jan. 23
Martha Avila	Jan. 24
Kathryn Draine	Jan. 24
Melissa Frolli	Jan. 27
Paula Blackwell	Jan. 29
Pat Masterson	Jan. 30

Events Around California

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

The Traveling Quilters

February 26 – March 1, 2009

Our Temecula Quilt-Away Retreats are always fun and productive weekends. It's a great opportunity to finish projects or start something new. We usually have anywhere from 30 to 45 people at the retreat so it's always fun to see what people are working on. Each person has half an 8-ft table for sewing space in our large, well-lit classroom. Once again we'll be staying at the Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center in the Temecula wine region.

Email Contact: pam@travelingquilters.com
Website: [temecula-quilt-away-retreat](http://temecula-quilt-away-retreat.com)

Hi Desert Quilt Guild "Jewels of the Desert"

Biennial quilt show
March 7-8, 2009
Sat. 10 am - 5 pm, Sun. 10 am - 4 pm
Free parking

Mesquite Hall: Desert Empire Fairgrounds

520 S. Richmond Rd.
Ridgecrest, CA.

Saturday's activities also include a small quilt auction at 2 p.m. with a silent auction taking place on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and an opportunity quilt drawing. Admission is \$5 (under 12 yrs-free). Vendors, door prizes, gift baskets, demonstrations, etc. A quilt appraiser is available (fee for service).

Contact: Linda Anderson (760) 446-0867 or Sandie Lane (760) 384-2482.

Glendale Quilt Show - 30th Annual

March 27-29, 2009

Burbank Airport Marriott Hotel & Convention Center

2500 Hollywood Way
Burbank 91505.

Creative workshops and informative lectures with nationally acclaimed instructors: Jodi Barrows, Brett Barker, Sandi Cummings, Nancy Eha, Rami Kim and Paula Reid. Three fun filled days of quilts, dolls, wearables and a large vendor mall. New this year, Children's classes conducted by Judi Gunter.

Website: glendalequiltguild.org

Young Piecemakers Quilt Guild Show

March 28, 2009
10:00 am. - 5:00 pm

Centennial High School

1820 Rimpau Avenue
Corona, CA.

Vendor Mall, Over 100 Quilts, Opportunity Baskets and Sewing Machine Giveaways, Featured Artist, Viewers Choice (\$300-\$200-\$100 prizes) Food Court, Silent Auction to benefit UCLA Medical Center for Children with HIV/AIDS. Admission \$5.00 12 years and over.

Email Contact: youngpiecemakers@yahoo.com
Website: www.ypqg.org

Block of the Month for February

February is Hexagons!

The shape for February is HEXAGONS: This can be one large HEXAGON, or a grandmother's flower garden-type block. You can appliqué it, piece it, glue it, top-stitch it, or embroider it, but you can't ignore it! You can make hexagonal flowers, hexanimals, whatever you want.

Are you ready for this? Remember, it's a New Year!

A hexagon is a six-sided polygon. (A polygon is a many-sided figure, with sides that are line segments.) (A segment is a ... oh fooy. You figure it out.)

In proposition IV.15, Euclid showed how to inscribe a regular hexagon in a circle. To construct a regular hexagon with a compass and straightedge, draw an initial circle A. Picking any point on the circle as the center, draw another circle B of the same radius. From the two points of intersection, draw circles C and D. Finally, draw E centered on the intersection of circles A and C. The six circle-circle intersections then determine the vertices of a regular hexagon. (Follow the instructions on the drawing below.) (Or not. Make up your own hexagon!)

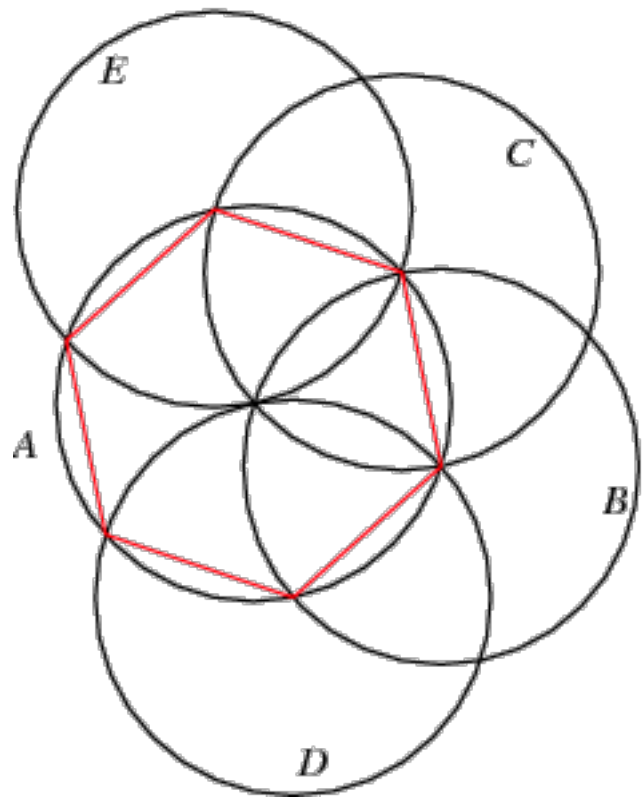
Above all, HAVE FUN!

-The Loose Threads satellite group

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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!



Lucky December Door Prize Winners

- | | |
|---------------------|---------------|
| » Susan Carty | » Naomi Hicks |
| » Elizabeth Hensgen | » Ann Marx |

Our thanks to all who bought tickets and congratulations to the 18 winners of Doorprize Mania. We hope everyone enjoyed themselves.

Sue Kadner & Chris Allen
Door Prize Co-Chairs

A Big Thank You to Our Donors!

We appreciate the support of those who donated items for December's prizes including:

- Baron's Fabrics
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- Craft Essentials
- Grant House
- Guterman's Thread
- June Taylor
- Martelli
- Moda/United Notions
- Treasure Hunt
- YLI Thread
- Anonymous Guild Members

Quilting Resources

Antique Quilt Dating Guide— By Style

Written by Kimberly Wulfert

www.antiquequilt datingguides.com
805.649.1821

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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

January 8th, 2008 7:00 p.m.

Next Month's Meeting

February 12th, 2009 7:00 p.m.

Please carpool, parking is somewhat limited.

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