

Coast Lines

Coastal Quilters Guild of Santa Barbara & Goleta, California

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Next Guild Meeting TBD

Quilt Show MeetingPostponed for now

Reminders

- Time to renew your membership - see page 5
- Continue to work on your Challenge Quilt
- Need Opportunity Quilt Tickets? Email Sue Kadner sgkadner@yahoo.com
- We need articles for the June newsletter. Email editor for more information (cageditor@gmail.com)

Questions? Or need to change your address, phone, and/or email, please notify the Guild at cqginfo@gmail.com

Newsletter articles for June edition due June 14th (send to cqgeditor@gmail.com)

President's Message

It is our second month with "social distancing" keeping us from our regular meetings. I hope everyone is staying safe and using at least some of the time for creative endeavors - whether mask-making, finishing UFOs or starting something new.

During this time of isolation, it's nice to have creative "techies" like Susan Katz, Bonnie Barber and Ranell Hansen working to find ways to keep us to-



gether. If you haven't attended the Zoom Quilters' Coffee Break, you are missing a wonderful opportunity to stay connected. Watch for e-blast updates for future chats and be sure to register. I've heard reports that satellite groups are also getting together via Zoom. With quilters, where there's a will, there's a way!



We also just had our first board meeting via Zoom. While none of us knows what to expect in the coming months, it seems apparent to most of us that a meeting in June is unlikely. As you know, the May meeting has already been cancelled. We will keep our fingers crossed for a reunion in July. Likewise, we are hoping that our quilt show will move for-

ward as planned.

At our next in person meeting, we will be holding our annual meeting which includes voting for new officers. Except for Recording Secretary, all positions are filled. I hope I can count on one of you to step forward to fill this important role. It's an opportunity to work with a wonderful group of women and contribute to the strength of the Guild.

The Board also voted to approve the proposed Bylaws revision which will now go to the membership for a vote. We will likely hold this vote at our annual meeting as well. To review the document, you may access it on our website. Until we meet again in person, stay well and stay connected!

— Karen Pickford, President

Time-honored Tradition of Quilters Getting Together Continues Online

Quilters on quarantine! What??? Probably a lot of us thought in the beginning that this wasn't such a bad idea — maybe we'd get tons of quilting done, and besides, surely we had



enough fabric for it! After a fabulous conversation with Mel Beach (speaker scheduled for May who has been rescheduled for February 2021) who spoke about how her Guild (the Santa Clara Valley Quilt Association) started having online get togethers, we decided to see if this technology might work for our Guild. The result? We have had two Zoom (online) get togethers, with two more scheduled for *May 15* and *May 29*!



We are calling them **Quilters' Coffee Breaks**.

They are meant to be a way for us to see one another, even if only online, and to share what we've been doing. For the first one, April 27, we spent some time at the beginning with Bonnie Barber giving a run-down of

Zoom basics, helping those who were new to the format get on board. Then Karen Pickford gave an update of things going on with the Guild, including the Mask project. After that, Mary Maxwell gave a talk on Bagmaking 101, sharing some of her many handmade bags and showing how she makes boxed corners on the bottoms of some of them. Members were able to ask questions via the chat function, and Mary responded. From that, we learned several things: a lot of people really liked seeing their guild friends! And they liked getting an update of what's happening with the Guild, as well as seeing Mary's presentation.

So we adjusted our agenda for the second Quilters' Coffee Break, held May 1, and opened the Zoom "door" 15 minutes early and stayed about a

half hour after the meeting for people to just talk with one another. In between, we had Karen again bring us up to date on Guild news, followed by a virtual trunk show and studio tour by Ranell Hansen. One of the gratifying aspects of all this is to realize that first meeting online:

a) allows us to stay up to date with Guild goingson, plus

b) we can do some things that might be trickier to do in a large, in-person meeting such as Mary's close up demo of how to do boxed corners on a bag, for instance, or Ranell's studio tour.

After that, we opened the Coffee Break to show & tell, and members shared what they've been doing, and some members also shared stories about the origin of their projects.

Coming up are two more Quilters' Coffee Breaks

• Friday, May 15, 1 p.m. We'll highlight merchant members (Grant House, Roxannes, Old Town Quilt Shop in Orcutt, Creation Station and Santa Barbara Quilting Retreats), with owners or reps from the shops sharing what they're doing to help their guilting customers during this time. Then Bonnie Barber will host a segment called "What's Out There," featuring some interesting projects and sites she's found online. For "What's Out There," please bring your own list of quilt-related projects and sites you've been following or run into. And we'll have show & tell, too. Now that you've seen how it works, do please bring something you've been working on to show and/or tell about. And this is a special call to members: if you have done a quilt or project from a class or workshop or YouTube video you've found online, please bring that. I know some of you have done Edyta Sitar's Mystery Quilt that she led during the early days of lockdown. Some did Gudrun Erla's Quarantine Quilt-along on a Sunday in March, and some have made things from classes on Bluprint and elsewhere. I know there are probably plenty more out there, so bring what you have and pipe up - we would love to hear from you!

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• * Friday, May 29, 1 p.m.: Helmina Schenck will share some of her quilts, including the series of quilts she's made based on Ricky Tims' Convergence quilt. Then Helmina, who has a rich background teaching quilting in Alaska and Washington State, will do a demo of a simple Convergence project to show how it's created. Afterward, we'll have show & tell, so bring your own projects.

Meanwhile, huge thanks to Ranell Hansen and Bonnie Barber, who have been instrumental in bringing the Coffee Breaks to life. Thanks also to Mel Beach, who mentored us along the way and has provided untold amounts of help getting this off the ground. Big thanks to Karen Pickford, Mary Maxwell, and Ranell Hansen for going first with demos and presentations!! And special thanks to all you Guild members who have tuned in thus far and made this the fun event that it is. If you're enjoying it, please tell your Guild friends and invite them to join us all next time!

If you have ideas for demos or presentations you'd like to see... or you have a how-to you'd be willing to share in a future Coffee Break, or you can recommend someone else who does... or you'd be willing to do a studio tour or know of a Guild member who might, please let us know. You can contact me directly at susanbkatz@gmail.com. Please put "Coffee Break" at the beginning of your subject line so I'll be sure to catch it!

One more thing: if you've done everything according to plan, but the time for a Quilters' Coffee Break comes along and you find yourself unable to connect, please give one of us a quick text so we can help you get online:

Bonnie Barber: 805-453-1405 Ranell Hansen: 805-637-4706

Susan Bullington Katz: 310-926-5116

Thanks again, and hope to see you at the next one!

— Vice President, Programs, Susan Bullington Katz

Community Quilts

The Community Quilt locker is still accessible and neatly stocked with thousands of yards of fabric and batting - we are just waiting for your call! Used up all your funky stash, but on a roll with mask-making? A new box of novelty fabrics was delivered to Karen Pickford's porch last week. Swing by her house, be inspired by her beautiful yard and pick out some "new to you" fabrics. If you have completed quilts to donate, contact us for pick up. We received word last week that the Adult Ed woodworkers (makers of the doll beds) were able to finish 150 cradles before classes were stopped. We are now putting together kits for distribution beginning July or August.

Kathy Draine, Darilyn Kisch and Laura Perry

Block of the Month

Fond greetings, my fellow quilters! Once again, our live meeting is postponed. Please enjoy stitching this month's block **anyway**. It is "Star of Hope", one of Marty's wonderful blocks you may recall from June of 2017. I'm looking forward to the treasure trove of blocks we will have to share, when we meet again. Until then, I'm hoping you will enjoy the 'virtual quilts' I will be assembling from the photos of the blocks you send to nbutterfield@coastalquilterssb.org. They will be posted on the Block of the Month page on our wonderful website. Check them out!

— Block of the Month Chair, Nancy Butterfield

Call for Articles

We would love to hear from you!! Send in pictures of your recent projects or send us an article. Your Guild wants to hear from you. We miss you!! Send anything and everything to cqgeditor@gmail.com. *Questions?* Call Shelly Dixon at 805-452-7288. Thank you from the bottom of our quilting hearts!!

— Coast Lines Editor, Shelly Dixon

*** Please be on the lookout for an eBlast giving the Zoom registration link for the Quilters' Coffee Breaks. (We ask that you register ahead of time, because our Zoom account at this point can only accommodate 100 people. When you register, please be sure to use the name we know you by in the Guild. Thanks!)

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Supporting Our Community - One Mask at a Time



Masks Santa Maria Health Care Center



Therapy Nurses wear masks made by Marty Frolli



Cottage Hospital Nurse



Masks Santa Maria Health Care Center

To date (5/1/20) our "little project" has created over 2400 masks, and will likely be over 2500 or more by the time you read this. We began by distributing masks to Cottage Hospital employees in various departments. After Cottage told employees not to wear fabric masks while working with patients, our efforts turned to filling needs for other caregivers and essential workers. Some of the recipients for our masks are listed below. A full list will be published at the end of the project.

- Cottage Hospital (several departments)
- Senior Living facilities, including Villa Alamar, Heritage House, Val Verde and Maravilla
 - Unity Shoppe (for both employees and customers)
 - · UCP Work Inc.
 - Foodbank (two separate sites)
- Santa Barbara County Fire Department and Fire Station #1 in SB
- Goleta Union School District (for food servers and office staff)

Currently, there are 46 mask-makers working on this project, including a few non-Guild members (some of whom will hopefully be joining our Guild). There are also people helping with pick-ups and deliveries of masks and materials. All are welcome to join our group and contribute whatever you can. The need for fabric is ongoing. Information about recommended patterns can be found on our website, and materials such as elastic, hair bands and interfacing can be provided if you need them.

From the Mask Project we have received a great deal of positive press from the Newspress,

Edhat, Noozhawk and others. To see these and other articles please go to our website.

We have also received total cash donations in the amount of over \$1250 from mask recipients, Guild members and friends. I personally have received cards and a couple of orchids to show the appreciation of the recipients.

I would like to thank all of those who have jumped in to participate in this important project. You are definitely playing a part in flattening the curve and possibly saving lives. As Diana Hamilton put it so well, "we are putting a quilt on every smile!" For updates on this project, please see regular posts on our website.

Karen Pickford, President



Many of us are shopping online these days and if you are doing so and if you are buying from Amazon, please consider using Amazon's Associate and/or Smile Programs to support the Guild. Using the links to these program – which are available on the bottom left on the Guild's website home page - you still get the same products, prices, and shopping features but the difference is that the Guild can earn from .5% to 15% on your purchases.

Questions? Email Marcia Greiten at imamarcian@msn.com.

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Time to Renew Your Membership

Membership in the Coastal Quilters Guild runs from *July 1* through *June 30*, so now is the time to renew! Membership forms are usually available at the check-in desk at Guild meetings, but since that is not an option yet, please download the 2020-2021 form from our website under "Our Guild/ Membership". Please contact me quiltnut@aol.com or 805-770-2282, if you would like the form mailed to you.

Annual Dues are **\$40** with the following options: mailing newsletter **\$15**; mailing directory **\$2**. Donations are always welcome and will be put to good use! Your Guild membership brings you many benefits. We look forward to seeing your name on the renewal list.

— Sue Orfila, Membership Chair

2019-2020 Opportunity Quilt



We are getting closer to the drawing for the 2019-2020 Opportunity Quilt which has been scheduled for June but will probably be moved to the July meeting. There are many of you that might not have made it to our meetings for very legitimate reasons that still need to acquire tickets and some of you who have taken tickets and still need to pay and turn in the stubs.

Whichever your situation, please contact Sue Kadner at sgkadner@yahoo.com and she'll work with you to be sure you have paid and your stubs are in the bin. You can't win the quilt otherwise!

— Opportunity Quilt, Sue Kadner & Carol Fay

Quilt Show

Now is an excellent time to start (or continue) planning the quilt(s) you are going to enter in the 2020 Harvest of Colors Quilt Show! It is our intention to have a members' showcase and we are doing all that we can to bring that to fruition. In this time of uncertainty, I encourage you to take heart in creating something beautiful. I cherish the hope that the show can happen as planned in September. All show preparations are on schedule thanks to the diligent work of our many Committee Chairs and members. It is truly gratifying to see the teamwork exemplified by our Guild members. My motto is "All dressed up and ready to go" and if we need to, we will postpone but **not cancel** our showcase.

Many of our members are mentoring/encouraging/sponsoring a young friend or relative to enter a quilt in the Kids Can Quilt exhibition.





Keep up the good work! They all need a hobby they can do at home, now more than ever. Details about Kids Can Quilt are on our website at www.coastalquilters.org/quiltshow.html.

Quilt Show Leadership Team, Toni Percival,
 Nancy Butterfield and Eileen Lewandowsky

Events

The following events have been canceled that were listed in the March Newsletter.

- The Long Beach Quilt Festival is still scheduled at this time for July 9-11 but a final decision will be made by May 15.
- The Rosie Lee Tompkins exhibit at the Berkely Art Museum is canceled as the Museum is closed. However the exhibit can be viewed online.

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2020 Challenge

Our 3 T's Challenge evening is planned for July, during our annual picnic. Members have had extended time to create a rectangular, 120" or less perimeter entry using a newto-you technique which may be either part of the entry's construction or one of the two required types of embellishments, although embellishment types are not restricted to two. Remember to bring your entry form, a copy can be downloaded from the Guild website. If you are not able to attend to submit your Challenge please arrange for another member to deliver it to us. Entry storage may be a pillowcase or for special handling wrapped around a pool (foam) noodle within a pillowcase or protected within a hard-sided cardboard carrier. Your name, address and phone number should be clearly written on the cloth or cardboard case. For our upcoming Harvest of Colors quilt show novelty prints are encouraged for entry storage to help facilitate easy identification and faster return after take down. You may make a novelty quilt storage case now while you have plenty of time at home. Do you have any fabric in your stash which qualifies? A novelty print may represent a holiday, story character, animals, bold colors or designs, etc. Challenge collection will be set up in the hallway near the church double-door exit to the right of the Library. It will be so nice to be able to circulate again and enjoy some time together.

— Suzy Pelovsky, Carol Hart and the Sew It All's



ACCEPTING DONATIONS

If you want to make a cash donation to the Guild Mask Making Project please send a check to:

Coastal Quilters Guild, PO Box 6341, Santa Barbara, CA 93160

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May Birthdays

Marcia Brown	May 1	Ursula Dial	May 10	Marcia Greiten	May 22
Rita Hardin	May 4	Melinda Taylor	May 10	Sue Reinhart	May 23
Shirley Morrison	May 4	Marilyn Lake	May 12	Eileen Lewandowski	May 27
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Block of the Month for June 2020 Star of Hope

12 x 12" Block (12.5" x 12.5" Unfinished)





June is a month of transitions, hopes for the future and bright summer days.

Let's stitch up some cheerful stars to share with each other.

Cutting

• White Solid or White on White:

Cut 4 - 4 1/2" Squares Cut 1 - 5 1/4" Square • Bright Yellow:

Cut 1 - 5 1/4" Square

• Bright Pink:

Cut 2 - 4 7/8" Squares

• Bright Pink/Yellow Print:

Cut 1 - 4 1/2" Squares

Cut each 5 1/4" square diagonally in both directions to make 4 triangles. Then cut 4 7/8" squares in half once to make 4 triangles.

Assembly

Use 1/4" seam allowances.

- **1.** Arrange triangles to form a block unit. Piece as shown below. Make 4 block units. Press to yellow. Press to pink.
- **2.** Arrange triangle units and squares. Sew into rows. Press seams to squares. Sew rows together. Press seams to outside.









Please bring your block(s) to the next meeting

Questions? Please call Nancy Butterfield at nlfbutterfield@gmail.com, 805-455-3033

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Guild Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at:

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church 4575 Auhay, Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Next Guild meeting: TBD Quilt Show Meetings: TBD

Submit your articles for the Newsletter: June 14

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