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Newsletter for Coastal Quilters of Santa Barbara

March 2004

March Program

Chances are you have made a quilt using a fabric designed by Robyn Pandolf. She has produced many fabric lines including the *Folk Art Wedding* series by Moda Fabrics. Most of her fabrics have a vintage floral look in beautiful soft colors. She also designs appliqué and quilt patterns under the label, "Cabin Fever Designs."

This month, Robyn will take us through her design process and experience. She will talk about folk art and how it has influenced her designs. We'll get to see some of her work. Look for her on *Simply Quilts* or go to www.cabbagerosequilting.com to see some of her fabrics and patterns.



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HOLLIS CHATELAIN SEMINAR

May 13th (the afternoon of our guild meeting)

1:00-4:00 pm Place to be announced

FOLLOWING YOUR PASSION
MARKETING YOUR STRENGTHS
3 Hour Seminar

Class Description:

Becoming a successful professional in the field you love is everybody's dream. Our experiences have taught us that the passion we have for our work can also become our source of energy.

In this 3 hour seminar, we will discuss how to combine your energy with practical marketing techniques to steer your way toward your career goal.

Coming from an art background, my experience has helped me to use a different approach for selling my textile art. Based on this, we will talk about getting started, resources, presentation package, portfolio, photography, places to exhibit or sell your work, preparing for an exhibition, prices to help you get started, and the "art market" approach.

Each participant will receive a folder with all the information that we cover in it. This folder can also be used as a reference to help you put together your own presentation package.

Supplies:

Students are asked to bring a notebook and pencil for notetaking.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

While growing up in Illinois, I associated this time of year with my annual bout of spring fever. March was usually the month when the depressing gray skies and dreary weather would lead me to the fabric store to surround myself with cheery colors, eventually selecting cloth and pattern to make a summer dress. This prespring fling was often accompanied by a new and sometimes drastic haircut.

Now that I live in Santa Barbara away from the wallop of real winter, I never experience even a little bit of spring fever. Doesn't it follow that I should also skip the dreaded 'spring cleaning'? I already know that the answer ringing in my ears is a big NOT THIS YEAR! For days I have been cleaning out closets, going through boxes, and airing out musty clothes. One thing leads to another, so little by little my house is looking more organized and much less dusty.

This is not an annual tradition for me. I am looking for something specific, something important, a baby sweater that my mom knitted more than fifty

years ago. My brother Jay R is soon to become a papa and would like to bring his baby home in the little green sweater that Mom made. Yikes! I don't even remember being given the sweater 'for safe-keeping' about fifteen years ago, but Mom is pretty sure she gave it to me.

In the course of my search, I have rediscovered a virtual history of my sewing past: baby quilts from the 1970's, sweet smocked dresses and doll clothes from the 1980's, costumes, prom dresses and wall quilts from the 1990's, but no little green baby sweater. While I

mope my way through my accumulated memorabilia, I imagine my quilting friends happily working on new projects. I still

have a few boxes left to check, but hope is fading and the mess strewn in my basement today isn't pretty. I wish I could just find the sweater and get back to the fun process of painting sky fabric learned in Mickey Lawler's wonderful February workshop. Besides, I honestly think it might be cruel to put a newborn baby in a heavy sweater in September in Las Vegas! I know, I know. I'd better get back to work. I'll see you at Guild.

Susan West



CHALLENGE 2004 GET ELEMENTAL!

This year's theme for the Guild Challenge is (drum-roll, please). . . .

EARTH, WATER, WIND & FIRE.

New members may be wondering, "What is the Guild Challenge?" All Guild members, regardless of skill level or experience, are invited and encouraged to create an original quilt that meets the Challenge guidelines. The quilts will be displayed at the September Guild meeting and the October Quilt Show. This year the Challenge guidelines are as follows:

- 1. The entries must be quilts, three layers sewn together. Quilts may be appliqué, patchwork, surface design, or any combination of these. No bags, wearables, etc, will be accepted.
- 2. The quilt can be inspired by one or more of the theme elements, either separately or in combination.
- 3. The maximum size is 120" around (such as 30"x30"); the minimum size is "big enough to hang" for display. Because of limited display space at the Quilt Show, this rule will be STRICTLY enforced!

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SCCQG Calendar of Events - 2004

The Calendar of Events is maintained by SCCQG and made available to members to aid in scheduling and advertising quilt shows and other guild-related activities. Calendar event notices will be accepted from any paid guild or individual member. Space priority is given first to guild activities. Notices are generally limited to four (4) lines.

March 5-6, 2004: Desert Guilds Quilt Show "Fun in the Sun" 10 AM to 5 PM, Palm Springs Pavilion, 401 S. Pavilion Way, Palm Springs, Ca. Presented by Pass Patches Quilt Guild, Cactus Sewables Quilt Guild, Coachella Valley Quilt Guild. For information contact 1-760-365-6796 or burkhaj@earthlink.net

March 6-7, 2004: Friendship Square Quilt Guild presents Continuing the Tradition II quilt show at UFCW Auditorium, 8530 Stanton Ave., Buena Park. Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4. Info: Sarah Herndon 714-527-2322or sherns@comcast.net

March 19-21, 2004: Glendale Quilt Guild 24th Annual Quilt Show. For information visit our website: www.glendalequiltguild.org

April 17, 2004: SCCQG Meeting hosted by Simi Valley Quilt Guild. Topic: Alternative and creative ways of fund raising (other than quilt shows).

April 24-25, 2004: Camarillo Quilt Guild Quilt Show, Seaside Park, Ventura. There will be a drawing for a free Bernina sewing machine, donated by Baron's Fabrics. Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4.

May 1-2, 2004: The Bear Valley Quilters of Los Osos, CA will present Quilt Fest 2004 at the Morro Bay Community Center, 1001 Kennedy Way, Morro Bay, CA. A vendor's mall, opportunity quilt drawing, quilter's attic, AQS certified appraiser and refreshments will all be available. Admission is \$5.00. The hours of the Quilt Fest are from 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday and 10 am to 4 pm on Sunday. Strollers are permitted on Sunday only. For more info please call Carole Fairbanks at 805-528-0572 or email Eileen Silon at info@down2earthspirit.com

May 8, 2004: Citrus Belt Quilt Guild and Redlands Area Historical Society present their 3rd Annual Home Tour and Quilt Show from 10am to 4pm. Home tour will begin at 125 W. Vine Street (corner Eureka and Vine). Tickets are \$10.00 pre-sale or \$15.00 day of show. Advance tickets may be ordered from Redlands Area Historical Society, PO Box 1024, Redlands, CA 92373, (909) 307-6060 or visit the website at: http://members.aol.com/oldhousegroup/quiltsandhomes.html.

May 9-13, 2004: Quilters' Escape 2004 An annual quilting seminar/retreat on the California North Coast in the redwoods overlooking the Eel River. 2004 national instructors are: Jane Sassaman, Judy Severson, Dixie McBride, Cynthia England, and Janet Jones Worley. Please send SASE to Quilters' Escape, 3414 K Street, Eureka, CA 95503 ph 707 442-0081 or visit www.quiltersescape.com for detailed information.

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Guild Web Page Address: http://www.coastalquilters.org

This Month:

March 11 Guild meeting 7 PM
Speaker: Robyn Pandolf
*Wear name tags
*Sign up for refreshments for April
*Return Library books
March 18 Board meeting
March 22 Newsletter deadline for
April newsletter.

New Members and Membership renewals:
Mail your membership form, check or money order for \$25 payable to:
Coastal Quilters Guild, Inc.
Attention: Membership
P.O. Box 6341
Santa Barbara, CA 93106

Guest fee: \$5.00



Guild meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 4575 Auhay, Santa Barbara, CA. Please carpool, parking is somewhat limited. Coastal Quilters Guild of Santa Barbara and Goleta is a non-profit, educational and charitable organization. The purpose of the Guild is to educate its members about the history and preservation of the art form of quilt making and its related topics; to learn new techniques and improve skills; and to inform the community at large about our quilt making heritage.



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