



Baste & Banter

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Set up is at 6 pm, and then you can be ready to participate in the evening's celebration which starts at 6:15 with drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

Please bring the following:

- ✳ Your festively prepared dish in its own serving mode
- ✳ Serving utensil marked with your name
- ✳ Your gift for the gift exchange (optional)



POTLUCK DINNER



Holiday Gift Exchange

The rules are simple:

- ✳ You are not required to participate
- ✳ If you do, bring a gift of \$20 or more
- ✳ The gift needs to be holiday or quilting related, made or purchased especially for the exchange.....no re-gifting please



I am looking forward to this special evening with holiday decor & festively prepared dishes. No holiday pressure, just relax and enjoy the company of fellow quilters and perhaps make a new friend! **If you did not sign up, come anyway, bring what you can & be ready to have fun!**

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call at (951)377-9639

Laurie Gonzalez, Hospitality Chair

Tuesday, Dec. 12
6:00 Set up
6:45-9 Dinner meeting & gift exchange



December

President's Message



Happy Holidays to you all! It's hard to believe 2017 is almost over. The year has flown by! (I hear the years fly by even faster, the older you get.)

I would like to thank and commend everyone who has worked in any way toward the impressive array of items our Philanthropy program has produced for donation this year. What an amazing table full of items! Even the knife sharpening guy was impressed—he told me so!

Thank you very much to Cindy McAlister for sharing her quilting journey with us in November. She showed us some beautiful quilts, and gave us a touching reminder of how quilting links us together, and how important it can be to make newcomers feel welcome. I'm sure she's going to do a great job as Ambassador next year. Thanks also to Gloria Bachmann and Jan Dolan for being willing to share their quilts with us and then being so congenial about not sharing them with us after it became painfully obvious we were way "overbooked." I look forward to seeing their individual trunk shows as soon as we can fit them in.

I think you're going to be pretty impressed with your own generosity to our vets when you see what all we have to turn over to the **U.S. Vets program**. Eddie Estrada, the Inland Empire Director of U.S. Vets, is going to join us for dinner. He will receive our donation, and tell us a little bit about the program. I think you're going to feel very good about it. We plan to continue our toiletries, pillowcase and quilt collections for vets in 2018 as well. Watch this newsletter to see what items we have slated for each month. If you want to make one or more quilts for the March vets, please remember the quilt needs to fit a twin size bed, so **64" x 80" minimum**, please. If we receive quilts that do not meet that minimum size, we route them to other recipients, such as Casa de Paz or the Temecula Vet Center. HUGE THANKS to **Lynn Korito** and her mother, **Carol Marderosian** of the D.A.R., for all the work they've done all year sorting, organizing, and storing all these items!

Gail Ledbetter will present checks of some of our auction proceeds to representatives of **Round Up Hope, 4 Paws 4 Patriots, and the Temecula Food Pantry**. Those representatives will join us for dinner also.

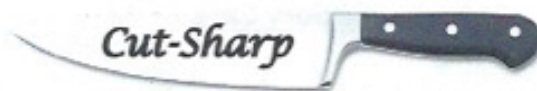
I am looking forward to 2018 and all the great speakers we'll have. There are a ton of quilts, stockings, baby quilts, pet beds & pillowcases to be made. Let's get to work!

Thank you for being a part of Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild.

--Ellen French, President



Happy Holidays

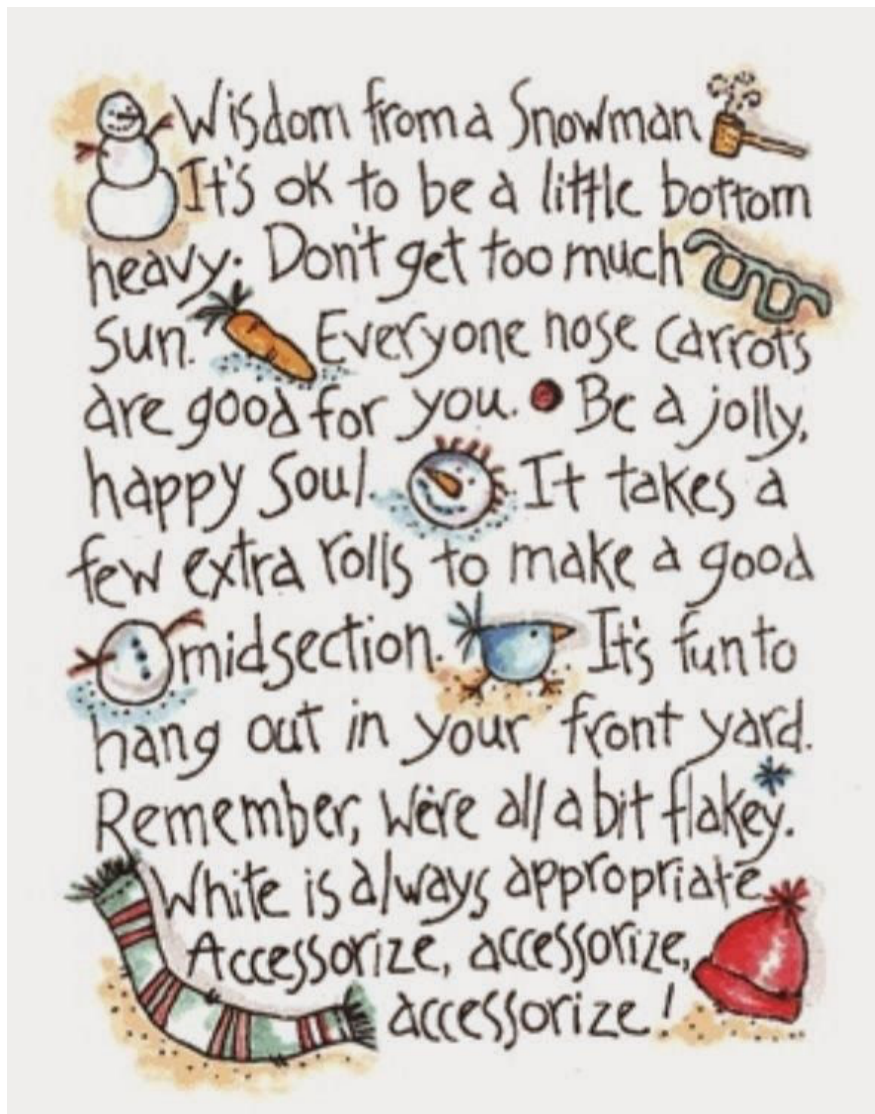


Bob's Sharpening Services

Wow – OK - **We were overwhelmed** with your response and we apologize for those of you who were not able to leave your items, or not able to pick them up the same night. Bob has already delivered some items directly to members, and has spoken with several of you about pick-up at some of his weekly Fresh Air Markets around the Valley. We have invited Bob back to the **December 12th Guild meeting**, where he will be returning items others brought to the November meeting and left with him. He will also be accepting new items.

For new items: Please email, text or call Karen Wurfel with a count of new items of each type that you will be bringing in December. Bob is going to determine a maximum number he can complete during the meeting. Those who have contacted me will go on a priority list for return of items that night, according to their date of contact. If you do not make that list, you are, of course, free to leave your items and arrange a pick-up. **Bob can be contacted directly at 360-708-4677.** Now that we know there is a lot of interest in this service, we will be thinking about how to do a better job next year. Again, our apologies for the confusion.

Your Valley of the Mist Quilt Guild Board



2018 Programs

BONNIE HUNTER

January 9, 2018 Lecture: Addicted to Scraps

January 10, 2018 Workshop: Jared Takes a Wife

Addicted to Scraps! This lecture takes you through Bonnie's years of scrap quilting and how she has organized her scraps and leftovers to be easily accessible and workable into her quilt making. Also includes discussion of tools of the trade that she finds helpful in scrap quilting. You can download the pattern and supply list from the Bonnie Hunter website.

JILL SCHUMACHER

February 13, 2018 Lecture: Tips and Tricks for Machine Quilting

February 14, 2018 Workshop: Feathers and Background Stitches

Jill Schumacher is amazing in that she is an award-winning quilter AND she is an outstanding instructor! This is your opportunity to play with free-motion quilting and gain confidence.

JEAN IMPEY

March 13, 2018 Lecture: Finding Your Passion

March 17, 2018 Workshop: Spider Webs

Jean Impey resides in San Juan Capistrano, California. She is passionate about quilting, speaking and teaching all levels of quilters. She teaches a wide variety of quilting classes.

PATT BLAIR

April 10, 2018 Lecture: What's my Line

April 11, 2018 Workshop: Media Mixer with Patt

Patt is a talented artist and works in multiple mediums. She is a wonderful teacher and many of our members have enjoyed her classes.

MIKE MCNAMARA

May 8, 2018 Lecture: The Quilts of Mike McNamara

May 9, 2018 Workshop: Magic Square

Mike likes to re-invent blocks or give them a new setting, such as Double Wedding Ring, Sunbonnet Sue, Pickle Dish, Drunkard's Path, Broken Dishes, Sunrays, to name a few.

BASKET BONANZA

June 12, 2018: Annual in-house fund raiser. No speaker, no workshops

QUILTERS UNIVERSITY

July 10, 2018: Member Mini Workshops. No speaker

PHILANTHROPY SEW-IN

August 14, 2018: Annual philanthropy sewing evening. No speaker, no workshops.

ANNUAL GUILD BIRTHDAY PARTY

September 11, 2018: Dessert challenge, & challenge quilts. No speaker, no workshops.

BECKY MCDANIEL

October 9, 2018 Lecture: My Appliqué Journey

October 13, 2018 Workshop: Paper Pieced Crazy Cushion

This project is paper pieced with 3 different pattern designs: Star Jasmine, Pineapple (Not showing) and flying geese. It has a zipper & strap for carrying to wherever you need to have a cushion! The finished size is 16" x 16" x 3".

MEMBER SHOWCASE

November 9, 2018: Lectures and Trunk Show of Members. No workshops.

HOLIDAY PARTY

December 11, 2018: Holiday party potluck and optional gift exchange

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL

Membership in Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild runs from January 1-December 31. Dues are payable before end of January if you are renewing. Fill out your forms & bring with your payment of \$30 to the December or January meeting or mail per instructions below. What a bargain for 12 monthly meetings, national and local speakers and workshop teachers, quilt show participation, seasonal activities, friendship groups, an active philanthropy group, community involvement and as much quilting fun as you can stand! Join or renew & tell your friends! These forms are also available on our Guild website.

Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild PMB 435, 27475 Ynez Road., Temecula, CA 92591 **Membership Form**

Dues are \$30 for the year, **January 1 through December 31**. Our January meeting is the renewal deadline. Please fill out the form below and either mail it to the Guild (Attn: Membership) or turn it in at the next meeting along with your payment. Make checks payable to Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild.

You must have a completed membership form included with your dues payment.

Today's Date: _____ New Member _____ Renewal _____ Membership #: _____

Name: _____ Birthday: Month/Day _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

Email Address: (This address will be used to email your monthly newsletter, roster updates and any other Guild notices) _____

May we use photos of you and/or your work on our website? Yes _____ No _____

How would you rate yourself as a quilter? Beginner _____ Intermediate _____ Advanced _____

Are you interested in joining a friendship group? Yes _____ No _____

What type of programs or workshops would you like to see offered? _____

New members, please tell us how you found out about the Guild: _____

Guild Participation:

_____ Serve as an elected or appointed official, or in auxiliary position. Indicate area of interest below.

Preference: _____

_____ Serve on any standing or special committee (Quilt Show, Philanthropy, Opportunity Quilt, Membership)

Preference: _____

Members are requested to sell or purchase \$20.00 worth of Opportunity Quilt tickets, participate in the work of the Guild and in the work of the Quilt Show. If you have any questions, please go to our website (valleyofthemistquilters.com) or contact a Board member. You can also write us at the address above.

Payment: _____

Membership Card _____

Guest Pass _____

Roster _____



Quilt Show Participation

Name: _____

E-Mail _____

Date _____

All members of the Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild are asked to help make our annual quilt show successful. The following list includes the most common choices available for quilt show participation.

If you have another idea, please contact the Quilt Show Chairperson. This form will be submitted to the Quilt Show Chairperson.

_____ Work on Quilt Show Committee: attend monthly committee meetings, help plan and execute the quilt show

_____ Work a minimum of 3 hours at or toward the Quilt Show

_____ Make and donate a quilt larger than 24" x 24" for the Quilt Show Auction.
(This may be done as a group project friendship group or others.)



Monthly Programs & Room Set Up

Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild Program and Room Set Ups

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Program	Speaker	Speaker	Speaker	Speaker	Speaker	Basket Bonanza	Quilters University	Phil. Sew In	Challenge Quilt	Speaker	Member Showcase	Holiday Party
Block of the Month	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Challenge Quilt	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no
Charm Squares	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Door Prizes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Library	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Merchandise Table	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Monthly Mini	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Opportunity Quilt	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Philanthropy	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Show and Tell	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	no
Refreshments	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
						Board provides			Dessert contest			Members Potluck



Quilt Show News

At the December meeting, I will be presenting checks to each of the three charities the quilt show committee voted to support with the proceeds of the 2017 quilt show. The checks will go to **4 Paws 4 Patriots, Roundup Hope and The Temecula/Murrieta Community Pantry.**

You can help to choose next year's charities by signing up to serve on the **2018 quilt show committee.** It is so rewarding to be a part of the biggest fund raiser of the year. The guild and community need your help! Remember "it takes a guild to put on a quilt show." Bring your talents, skills, ideas and enthusiasm and help to make our 20th annual Old Town Temecula Quilt Show the best one ever.

It has been a pleasure to chair the 2015, 2016 and 2017 quilt shows. I am confident our new chairman, Rita Dominguez, will do an outstanding job of chairing the 2018 show. Thank you so much for all of your help and support.

Gail Ledbetter



Workshops

The next workshop is on **January 10, 2018, with Bonnie Hunter** as our instructor. We will be meeting at the Temecula Assistance League at 28720 Via Montezuma, Temecula, 92590. **This workshop will start at 11:00AM and end at 5:00PM.** The workshop is full, so please be punctual so we can start on time.

Supplies for this class are basic sewing supplies and a sewing machine. We will set up ironing boards and irons for your use. Please bring extension cords if you have them (some will be supplied). We only have six outlets for the whole class.

Bonnie's suggestion for fabrics are four different two-yard cuts, plus other coordinating fabrics. You might want to do your quilt scrappy. It's up to you how many fabrics you use. Be creative!

To get the pattern for this workshop, Bonnie's website is quiltville.com/jaredtakesawifepf.html, and it is printable. I will bring a few extra copies with me for your use, but please try to print your own.

For this workshop you can bring your lunch or buy at a fast food restaurant nearby. We will supply snacks and water.

This year I have enjoyed being your workshop chairperson and will miss this responsibility. Deanna Carpinelli will be 2018's new coordinator. Please welcome her, as she is new to the Guild, and will benefit from your patience.

Thanks, Sandy Besanson (951) 294-8030 sandybesanson@gmail.com

Deanna Carpinelli Carpinelliteamoffers@gmail.com

P.S. Please see list of upcoming workshops for 2018, sign-ups at January guild meeting.

Guild Elections

Elections - another year of success!

At our November meeting, we held our annual election of our executive board and the following board members were approved by the general membership and will begin January 2018:

PRESIDENT:	Ellen French
1st VICE PRESIDENT:	Marlene Oaks
2nd VICE PRESIDENT:	Shelley Wilson
TREASURER:	Laura Alvarado
SECRETARY:	Janice Emmerson

We have one open position remaining for our executive board which is the Ways & Means Chair. The official job description for this position from our by-laws is as follows:

The WAYS AND MEANS CHAIR shall oversee, coordinate and develop fundraising activities including, but not limited to, the Old Town Temecula Quilt Show, Opportunity Quilt, June Basket Bonanza, Merchandise Table, and the Monthly Mini. The Ways and Means Chair shall also supervise and direct a committee to develop ideas and projects for fundraising.

In the past few years our Ways & Means Chair has not overseen the Quilt Show, but rather our Quilt Show Chair has. We are now trying to incorporate the full job description for the Ways & Means Chair and have them involved, as our by-laws state, with all fundraising including the Quilt Show. Our Quilt Show has grown too large for the Quilt Show Chair to handle it alone. Therefore, we are looking for a Ways & Means Chair that will be more closely aligned with our by-laws job description as noted above.

If you are interested, please let me or Ellen French know. The Quilt Show Chair will be still the primary person that organizes and runs the Quilt Show.

Other board positions that have been filled are listed on the following page. **The red highlighted positions are still unfilled. If you would like to help, please let me know. Job descriptions are below for your review.** More detailed descriptions and notebooks are available for each position. Thank you to everyone who has stepped up and helped out. We have an amazing guild and your help is greatly appreciated by all who enjoy the guild activities and events!

OPEN POSITIONS

The **LIBRARIAN** shall oversee and direct the Library Committee in maintaining the Guild's Library collection which includes books, magazines, media, and other materials donated or purchased for members' use; bringing a portion of the Library to each general meeting for check-in and check-out at the monthly meetings; purchasing books from allocated funds; and collecting fines for overdue or replacement of lost items. The Librarian shall also update the annual collection of the Library and publish an annual listing for the Guild members via newsletter, email, and/or printed lists at Guild meetings.

The **HISTORIAN/PHOTOGRAPHER** shall take pictures and maintain a scrapbook composed of publicity and mementos of Guild activities and events. The Historian/Photographer reports to the President.

The **PUBLICITY AND PUBLIC RELATIONS COORDINATOR** shall coordinate and distribute material concerning Guild activities and special events and make available at Guild meetings minutes of the previous Guild meeting, the current Newsletter, and other items of general interest. The Publicity/Public Relations Coordinator reports to the President.

The **QUILT SHOW ASSISTANT** shall maintain and update the procedural manual, represent the Quilt Show Committee in the absence of the Quilt Show Chair, and attend all meetings with the Quilt Show Chair.

The **OPPORTUNITY QUILT COMMITTEE CHAIR** shall present the Opportunity Quilt design to the Executive Board for approval, oversee construction through completion of the Opportunity Quilt, arrange for a picture to be taken of the quilt for inclusion on the raffle tickets.

Note: GLORIA BACHMAN is continuing to coordinate and record distribution and sale of Opportunity Quilt tickets and seek outside venues for Opportunity Quilt ticket sales, and coordinate with the Treasurer to be sure the Non-profit raffle report form has been completed each year after the Opportunity Quilt has been awarded to the winner.

Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild 2018 Board

POSITION	NAME	NAME	NAME
<u>Elected Positions:</u>			
PRESIDENT	Ellen French		
1st VICE PRESIDENT	Marlene Oaks		
2nd VICE PRESIDENT	Shelley Wilson		
TREASURER	Laura Alvarado		
SECRETARY	Janice Emmerson		
WAYS and MEANS	OPEN		
<u>Appointed Positions:</u>			
ADVERTISING COORDINATOR	Sheryl Eramo		
AMBASSADOR COORDINATOR	Cindy McAlister		
BASKET BONANZA	Sherry Riddle		
BLOCK OF THE MONTH COORDINATORS	Adrienne Ridder	Shelley McNeely	
CHALLENGE QUILT COORDINATOR	Sandy Benson		
CHARM STRIPS COORDINATORS	Janice Quackenbush	Georgianne Beebe	
CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY	Vickie Jensen		
DOOR PRIZE COORDINATOR	Joyce Schmidt		
FACILITY COORDINATOR	Laurie Gonzales		
FRIENDSHIP GROUP COORDINATOR	Linda Bretton		
HISTORIAN/PHOTOGRAPHER	OPEN		
HOSPITALITY HOSTESS	Laurie Gonzales		
INTERNAL AUDITOR	Lynn Korito		
LIBRARIAN	OPEN		
MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS	Cheri McDowell	Linda Bretton	
MERCHANDISE COORDINATOR	Jeanette Stevens		
MONTHLY MINI COORDINATOR	Charolette Baker		
NEWSLETTER EDITOR	Diane Lapio		
OPPORTUNITY QUILT CHAIR	OPEN		
OPPORTUNITY QUILT SALES	Gloria Bachmann		
PARLIAMENTARIAN	Shirley Brown		
PAST PRESIDENT/PRESIDENTS QUILT	Pat Jordan		
PET BED COORDINATOR	Tawnya O'Herron		
PHILANTHROPY CHAIRS	Karen Wurzel	Ida Colvin	
PUBLICITY & PUBLIC RELATIONS	OPEN		
QUILT SHOW CHAIR	Rita Dominguez		
QUILT SHOW ASSISTANT	OPEN		
RETREAT COORDINATOR, 2018	Sherry Riddle	Lynn Korito	
RETREAT COORDINATOR, 2019	Jeanette Stevens		
SHOW & TELL COORDINATOR	Dot Demmin	Liz Lehner	
SCCQG REPRESENTATIVE	Carole Donohoe,	Janice Quackenbush	Gretchen Bryant
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	Tina Sandoval		
WORKSHOP COORDINATOR	Deanna Carpinelli	Teresa Thompson	

There are also opportunities to serve on the following committees:

QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE
 OPPORTUNITY QUILT COMMITTEE
 PHILANTHROPY COMMITTEE
 AMBASSADOR COMMITTEE

Please notify Pat Jordan to sign up and participate in any of these committees.

Philanthropy



We hope you enjoyed meeting two of our Philanthropy recipients at the November meeting. Diane from the Sheriff S.A.F.E. program, and Matrice and Garry Ann from the Alternatives to Domestic Violence helped to give us a better idea of what their organizations accomplish in our community. **It is wonderful to know that all of our combined efforts do touch hearts and lives.** Items have also been delivered to Lynn Korito for the U.S. Vets program, to the Rancho Springs NICU, and to Tawnya O'Herron for the Animal Shelter beds. We know there are a few more Veterans Quilts coming in through January that will be added to the count later. A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped in any way and to our mighty team of regulars who meet on the last Saturday of every month to make kits, prepare backing and batting, cut binding, make quilt kits, and maintain our fabric bins. **Please rejoice with all of us on the report below:**

2017 Philanthropy Report

- **32 Twin size quilts and 60 pillowcases** to U. S. Vets- March ARB Program for Homeless Vets (and Ellen collected your monthly toiletries and other items)
- **93 Bed and lap quilts and 133 pillowcases** to Alternatives to Domestic Violence Women's Shelter
- **90 neonatal blankets and changing pads** to Rancho Springs Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
- **56 Christmas Stockings** to SAFE Alternatives for Everyone – P.A.L. Youth
- **1 patriotic Quilt** to Quilts of Valor
- **100+** Pet Beds to numerous animal shelters and private animal rescues.

Next Philanthropy workday:

Saturday December 30: 10:00-3:00

Assistance League - 28720 Via Montezuma
Temecula, CA 92590

Potluck! Come and ring in the New Year with us.

Bring a machine + if you are sewing, or bring your favorite rotary cutter and mat.

Call Karen Wurfel for more information:
661-733-4037 or email: kjwurfel@gmail.com



Opportunity Quilt



A big **thank you** to all who volunteered to sell opportunity quilt tickets or be a white glove hostess at the Road to California Quilt Show in January. I will email all volunteers in early January to remind you of the day and time you selected as your shift. Meanwhile, enjoy the holidays!
Gloria Bachmann



Every year as if by magic, the Guild's holiday party Santa outfit appears, and Mr. Bobbins disappears.

Basket Bonanza



I will begin collecting items in January for our upcoming **Basket Bonanza, which is held annually in June.** These items would include any sewing or crafting supplies, books, tools, threads, yarn or fabrics that you no longer need or want, but that someone else can use. After the holidays would be a great time to clean and reorganize your sewing rooms!

For those of you who are not familiar with this event...we take all your donations and place them in baskets. We also add a few new items & gift certificates. Tickets are sold and you place your ticket in the baskets you wish to take home with you! We usually have between 100-200 baskets.

I'm really looking forward to this event as it is fun and also such a good fund raiser for our Guild. This is the most generous Guild and every year all of you come up with many wonderful items. Thank you all for your support.

Sherry Riddle, Basket Bonanza Coordinator

2018 Retreat



The 2018 Guild Retreat is fast approaching and only about one third of our attendees have paid in full! We hope you are one of those, but if not, **please plan on taking care of your balance no later than the February Guild meeting.**

We tried to add additional rooms because we currently have 6 people on our wait list. However, the facility is completely booked, so it's very important that everyone pays their balance by February or allow someone on the wait list to attend.

Thank you everyone.

Sherry Riddle & Lynn Korito, Retreat Coordinators



Quilter of the Month

Let me introduce to you our joy-filled President, ELLEN FRENCH.

Ellen was born in Caro, Michigan, in the thumb of Michigan she says. She was raised there until she went off to Central Michigan University. She received a B.A. in Political Science and ultimately earned an M.A. in Interpersonal Public Communication.

In 1984, she followed her husband-to-be, Steve, to California where they were wed. They have one son, Sean, now 31.

Ellen was not raised in a quilting home, however her mother sewed other things. To her delight, her mother has now become a quilter. Ellen says that her grandmother may have been a quilter as there is a family quilt she could have made.

Ellen is a woman of many talents and areas of creativity. She writes poetry and stories and used to draw portraits. Her early dream was to grow up to be a writer. The best present in her childhood was a big batch of legal pads and pencils from her mother. She was on the debate teams in high school and college which helped her to think critically and formulate arguments. She also was a radio D.J. during this time. She keeps in touch with many of her old friends, including grade school friends.

She has had a number of fascinating jobs including: 7/11 Field Rep after working up from clerk; freelance writer for Gale Research (best job ever); co-owned Calico Cottage Quilt Shop; paralegal, getting her certificate when she was 52; Jr. College teacher; and currently works at Primitive Gatherings. She says most jobs she stayed at about 5 years.

When Ellen was in her 30's, she saw a woman in JoAnns with a cartful of calico. She was so curious that she asked the woman what she planned to do with all that fabric. When she heard "quilting," Ellen thought, "I could do that!" She taught herself at first with an Alex Anderson book. She made three wall hangings (the only wall hangings she ever made) and 3 lap quilts "all by hand, every bit" as she did not own a sewing machine. She didn't want to purchase one unless it turned out she really did like quilting. Well, it turned out she did like quilting, and in 2001 she purchased a 1947 Featherweight from Aileen Woerth. She felt comfortable with this machine as it looked a lot like the one her mother had and the one she learned to sew on. In fact, she estimates she has now made over 300 quilts, almost all given away!

She loves handwork and scrappy quilts. She really likes to appliqué by hand but dislikes all the prep work. She thinks perhaps the appliqué method would work for her and plans to take the next class offered by Shirley Brown. Mostly she is settled in the patterns she is familiar with and knows will turn out beautifully. She hardly ever watches television, preferring to read or sew.

Ellen loves the close circle of friends here in the Guild. She celebrates that we all love quilting, creativity, and share a love of humanity which is shown pointedly in the Guild's philanthropy projects. In our deeply shared interests, we get along despite differences in backgrounds and experiences. She loves to make quilts for our Vets, having made 9 last year and 4 so far this year. One was sent to a friend for a homeless person who had just gotten an apartment. He now has been "Ellen-wrapped" in caring and beauty.

Ellen shared her goals for next year including helping to grow our Guild. She also wants to lose 50 lbs. (me too!).

Whatever else she does, Ellen brings a sense of fun and humor to all she does.

(Submitted by Marlene Oaks)

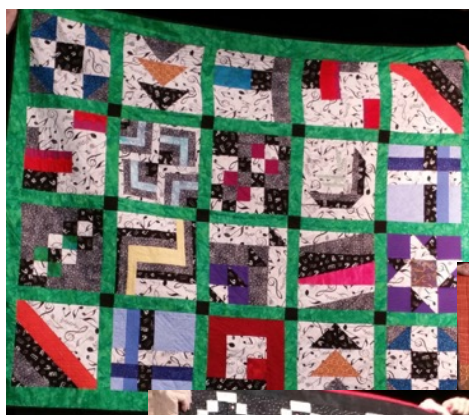


There will not be any formal Show and Tell in December.

Thank you,

Dot Demmin and Patricia Ogden

**A few of
the
Nov..Show &
Tell quilts**



Reminder: Snacks & Door Prizes

Birthday Month	Bring Door Prize	Bring Snack	Monthly Program
January	yes (plus Dec.)	yes (plus Dec)	Speaker
February	yes	yes	Speaker
March	yes	yes	Speaker
April	yes	yes	Speaker
May	yes	yes	Speaker
June	no (bring in Sept.)	no (bring in July) (board members to bring snacks)	Basket Bonanza
July	no (bring in Sept.)	yes (plus June)	Quilters "U"
August	no (bring in Sept.)	yes	Philanthropy Sew
September	yes (plus June-Aug)	no, (bring in October)	Guild Birthday Party
October	yes	yes (plus Sept.)	Speaker
November	yes	yes	Speaker
December	no (bring in Jan.)	no (bring in Jan.)	Holiday Party/ Potluck



"It is a little bit late for Christmas peppermints.
Let's say they're beach balls."

Block of the Month

Block of The Month 2017: Block #12

Block is due at the January 2018 meeting.

The block of the month continues our color scheme for the year: black, white, the monthly birthstone color, and a shade (or tint) of that color. This month's color is blue, so your second color should be a tint of blue. Please look at the January newsletter for the color chart. We encourage you to make two blocks, one to enter in the drawing and one to keep. Please sew with an accurate quarter inch.

This block is called Square within a square by Kaye Wood, from the Janome 100 blocks in 50 days. This block is similar to a pineapple block and looks incredible.

Cut list -- For one 12 1/2" block:

Blue tint: One 3 7/8" square (for center); four 1 3/4" X 6" rectangles

Blue: four 1 3/4" X 5 1/2" rectangles; two 5 1/2" squares (sub-cut the squares on the diagonal into two rectangles to end with four total)

White fabric: four 1 3/4" X 5" and four 1 3/4" X 7" rectangles

Black fabric: four 1 3/4" X 4 1/2" and four 1 3/4" X 6 1/2" rectangles

For ease of assembly, fold each piece in half lengthwise and press line in each piece. For the center square press both directions and for the corner triangles, press folding the long side in half.

Assembling the block:

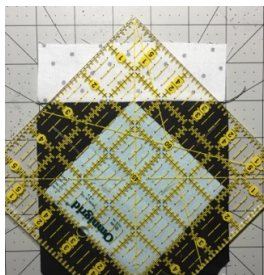
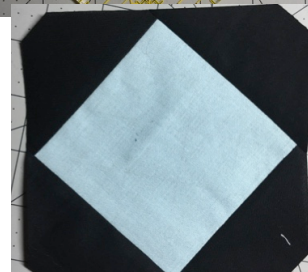
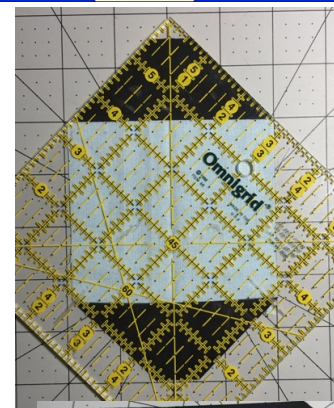
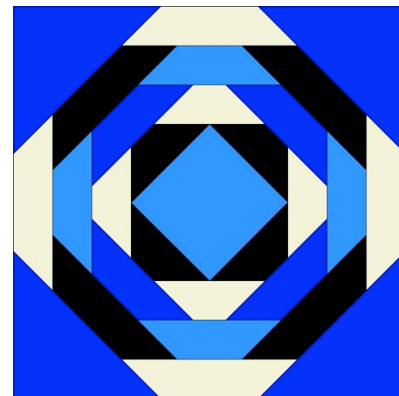
1. Arrange rectangles in size order. You will sew from smallest to largest. Starting with the blue tint square sew one of the smallest black rectangles to opposite sides, aligning pressed centers. Press away from the center square.
2. Next, look at photo two. Line up the corner of the ruler at a 45 deg. angle as shown so that the outside edges of the ruler touch the seam line (the tip of the ruler will extend past the fabric at the top.) Trim as shown.
3. Now sew the remaining two small black rectangles to the other sides. Press away from the center and trim as in step two. See photo 3.
4. Sew on the next row using the center of the prior square to line up the center of the rectangle being attached. Always press away from the center Using photos 4 & 5 as reference, when trimming, use a square ruler, make sure the 1 1/2 inch line on both edges of the ruler is on the previous seam line of the prior two rows.
5. Keep adding rows in size order and when

all rectangles are attached, add the four corner triangles using the pressed center to align in the center of the corner.

Press and using a 12-1/2" square up ruler, trim to get a 12 1/2" block. Repeat to make a second block!

We love this block – it isn't hard, just hard to describe.

Adriane Ridder & Shelly McNeely
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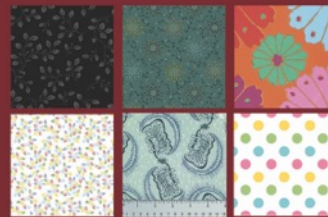
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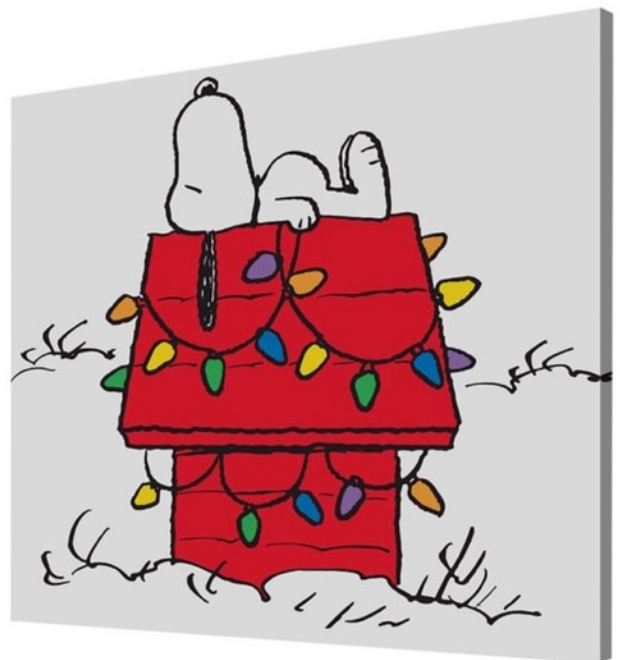
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* Sign up for 2018 Board position!

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* Bring food dish for Potluck dinner w/ serving utensils.

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