

The newsletter serving SLO Quilters, Inc. — San Luis Obispo's Quilt Guild

QUILTSPEAK

February 8, 2010 The Congregational Church, 11245 Los Osos Valley Rd., SLO

Program

Margaret Wheeler & Suzanne Heitzman

Mary Russell was our guest speaker at the January meeting. Mary is a founding member of SLO Quilters. As a founding member, teacher, and entrepreneur in quilting in our County, she has made a huge contribution to the quilting efforts here. She told us what it is like to start a quilting-related business (she invented and markets the double wedding ring template), and many stories about what it was like to quilt in the 70's, 80's, and 90's. If you were a quilter in those days, it was a great reminder of how far quilting has come since the resurgence of quilting in 1976. If you are newer to quilting, it was opportunity to learn what it was like to sew without something so basic as a 1/4" foot, for example.

In February we will have Mary Jo Hiney as a guest speaker. Mary Jo is a prolific author and has written many books, including *Two Hour Vests*, *The Beaded Objects: Making Gorgeous Flowers & Others Decorative Accents*, and *Creative Decorative with Ribbons* to name just a few. Our topic this month will be a lecture about working with silk. This is an exciting new trend in quilting, and if you have thought about or tried it, you will want to hear about this talented quilter has to say about incorporating silk into your quilting projects.

Shelley Swanland will be presenting a lecture and our first workshop in 2010 in March. Shelley is a former member of our guild, and has written two quilting books. She

From Our President

Jill Sabol

I hope you enjoyed hearing Mary Russell at our January meeting. Mary was my first quilting teacher at her store which used to be across from the Mission. I learned so much from Mary; she is a very talented lady!

I was quilting last night as I watched figure skating on tv and thinking how lucky we quilters are. We have an activity we love that we can enjoy alone or with friends. We have an incentive to live into our hundreds in order to use up our stash and complete the many projects we have planned. February is a good month for quilting. Many of the quilt stores have wonderful Super Bowl Sunday sales. Valentine's Day and President's Day provide ideas for quilts; and the weather makes sewing inside such a cozy and satisfying activity. I have quilts to finish for the Seven Sisters so that must be my priority. The extended deadline for turning in applications helped with more entries. If you missed the January meeting, there are still numerous slots to fill for volunteering with the show. Contact Paula Jaster, our guild's volunteer coordinator for the Seven Sisters Show.

Ricky Tims Seminar sent us 3 dvds, 4 cds, and 2 patterns for our library to thank us for being a promotional partner for the Downey Seminar in December. Look for those in the library.

Call or let me know at the February meeting if you want to have one of your quilts in the mini-quilt show at the Beacon Art Show on March 26 and 27. I will accept them at the March meeting.

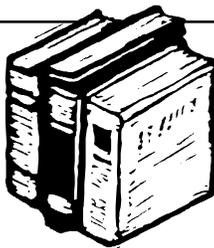
Well, time to get out the exercise dvd so I can live into the hundreds! Happy Quilting!

invented a technique called Machine Stitched Cathedral windows. She now makes her living as a quilt teacher and vendor. She will be lecturing about her experiences as a quilter and teacher. Shelley's workshop will be Tuesday, March 9 from 9 to 3, in the same place we hold our guild meetings. The workshop will be "Cathedral Windows and so



much more." The traditional cathedral is completely hand stitched, and Shelley created a method of sewing it on the machine. If you have ever admired a cathedral window quilt but not been willing to tackle the traditional method, this workshop is for you. Seats are filling fast so be sure to sign up at the February meeting.

The Library Corner



Katrina Ostby
Bertha Evnas

I missed many of you at the library booth at the January meeting. Please stop by and see me in February and let me know what types of books or videos you would like to see added to our library. If you have books checked out, please remember to bring them back at the next meeting.

Are you tired of books? Tired of boring television? Do you miss Simply Quilts? Maybe you need a jolt of high speed quilting on the Internet. Did you know that there are tens of thousands of videos about quilting techniques available on the Internet? Well, here are a few of the websites to get you started. Some are free, some charge annual subscription fees.

Simply Quilts

105 segments of Simply Quilts are still available to view on the HGTV website at: www.hgtv.com/topics/quilting/

The Quilt Show

Since the end of Simply Quilts, Alex Anderson has gone on to team up with Ricky Timms and create an Internet-based show called "The Quilt Show." Unfortunately, it isn't as technique oriented as Simply Quilts. This show includes an occasional very useful tip/technique provided by Ricky Timms. Quilt artists are interviewed, talk about and show a few of their quilts, and briefly demonstrate their work. The demonstration may be showing how to put fabrics/colors together, or how to hand sew a Y-seam, or how to use a special thimble for hand quilting. Although the subscription to the show it isn't free, if you go to the website they will allow you to view one show for free. Visit www.thequiltshow.com/ and look for the "Watch Our FREE Show" button on the right side of the screen.

Sharon Schamber Network

The Sharon Schamber Network has almost 100 of Sharon's videos on Piec-Lique, needle-turn appliqué, raw-edge appliqué, fabric painting, free-motion quilting, hand quilting, long-arm quilting, corded bindings, flying geese, Y-seams, mitered corners, and more. Over a dozen of the videos are available for

Block a Month

Chris Lancellotti, Laurel Golling, Melissa James, Vivian Herriman, Sarah Blackstone

Block returned in January:

Chinese Lanterns

Number of Blocks Won: 19

Won by: Chris Lancellotti

Block due in February:

Pink Hearts & Red Hearts

Block due in March:

Granny's Flower Garden



free at sharonschambernetwork.com/free_area/free.html. I watched the video "April 2008: The Perfect Pressing Board" and made a pressing surface which is very firm and great for most of my ironing/pressing needs.

Sharon Schamber's PDF tutorials on Pieclicqué and hand quilting are available at www.sharonschamber.com/free_stuff/Free_Stuff.htm. Many of Sharon's videos are also available on YouTube, but at much lower resolution.

QuiltersTV

QuiltersTv has a variety of quilting programming, including promotional videos on how to use a variety of tools, as well as standout shows like Quilt in a Day, Sewing with Nancy, Quilting from the Heartland, and more.

QNN TV

Featuring over 1,000 quilting videos in 25 categories, QNNtv has something for every quilter. In addition to running shows created for traditional television such as Love of Quilting, Quilt in a Day, QNNtv.com produces Quilt Out Loud with hosts Jodie Davis and Mark Lipinski. Subscriptions to QNNtv cost \$24 per year at www.qnntv.com.

Quilt-Video.com

Free videos on Appliqué, Art Quilts, Quilting, and more. You can even learn Ruth Jensen's 3-dimensional paper piecing technique at www.quilt-video.com/category/paper-piecing/

For more of Ruth Jensen's work, check out her website at thimble-art.com/quilt-school-video-quilting-library/
eHow™

Over a dozen Shelly Cordsen videos on quilting basics are available at www.ehow.com/videos-on_5369_quilt.html

The Quilting School

The Quilting School offers a variety of free and paid quilting video workshops. The free videos at

www.thequiltingschool.com include Quilt in a Day, Quilting with Shar, Cheri Meineke-Johnson, Linda V. Taylor, and more.

Quilt University

Quilt University offers online classes in quilting, including Appliqué, Design & Color, Computer-Aided Quilt Design, Dyeing & Painting, Garments, Paper Piecing, Patchwork & Piecing, Pictorial Quilts, Quilting, and Surface Embellishment. Most classes have 3-5 lessons, one week apart, and cost \$20-50.

Longarm University

The Longarm University has free videos on flying geese and basic quilting techniques

www.longarmuniversity.com/

Quiltbug.com

Quiltbug has links to about a dozen free quilting videos.

YouTube

I typed in "Quilting" at the www.youtube.com website and got 12,900 videos.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

February

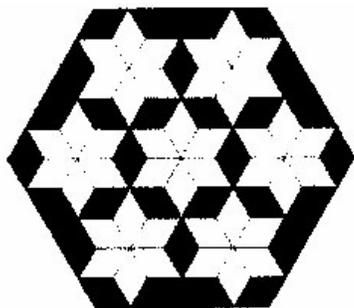
- 2 - Kathi Battles
- 3 - Patty Reis
- 11 - Susan Krout
- 19 - Vivian Herriman
- 22 - Karen Biery
- 26 - Sandy Edmunson



Community Quilts

Signe James

It's time for the end of the year report. I am pleased to say that we have another all time high total of 290 quilts donated for 2009. Those divided up as: SART – 145; Chemo Cozies – 85; TAPP (Baby quilts) – 19; Military – 8; and “Other” – 33. The Wednesday Morning group (Ruth Meador, Judy Fry and ?) contributed just over 50 throughout the year and the Swappers friendship group contributed 28 last August. They both get a really big thank you from us for sending that total over the top. However, our thanks go out to each and every one of you who contributed in any way. It takes all of you to make a great total like 290 happen.



Seven Sisters Challenge

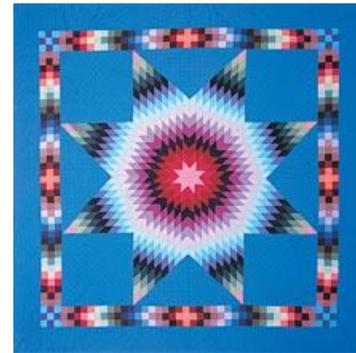
Signe James

We have 19 SLO Quilters who have accepted the small quilt challenge this year. There may be as many as 50 entries over all. I have a few reminders to those of you who have entered. The size of the quilt should be 18” x 22”. “Some” of the 6” sq. challenge fabric must appear on the front of the quilt. You may NOT use more than the 6” square. (If perchance you “goof up” and want to start again, I can give you another 6” square). The title and artist statements are due by April 1st and that is your final commitment that your quilt will be done. Thank you for participating.

Volunteer for the quilt show!

Paula Jaster

Clipboards are making the rounds at our guild meeting for all to sign up to volunteer for the Seven Sisters Quilt Show in April. There are plenty of opportunities for fun. Helping at the show is such a great way to see people and all the quilts. If you are not able to sign up at the meetings, please call me to reserve your spot or spots. Areas to choose from include White Glove, Security, Challenge Quilts, Opportunity Quilts, Vendor Hosts, Food, Set Up, Take Down and Clean Up. Here's my number, I am waiting for your call!! 215 0710 (Spaces are going like hotcakes----) Thanks- Paula



Amish Abstractions: quilts from the Collection of Faith and Stephen Brown

Nov. 14, 2009 – June 6, 2010

This exhibition features approximately 48 full-size and crib quilts dating from the 1880s to the 1940s. Quilts made by girls and women of various Amish communities in Pennsylvania and the Midwest are visual distillations of their way of life. The Amish faith embodies the principles of simplicity, humility, discipline, and community, but their quilts are anything but humble. Using a rich color palette and bold patterns, these quilts are truly a unique contribution to American textile history. The quilts highlight the beauty and complexity of the abstract patterns.



Treasurer's Report

Sue Fiscalini

Beg. Bal. Income **\$10,471.09**
December

Advertising	
AQGCC	
Coffee Cans	
Comm. Quilts	
Gift	15.00
Interest	11.00
Library	
Mem. Dues	
Opp. Quilt 08	
PIQF trip	
Polling Place	
Programs	
7 Sister '09	
7 Sisters '10	
SCCQG	
Sm. Auction	
Total Income	25.00

Expenses

Auction 2010	
AQGCC	
Bank Fees	
Block	
Comm. Quilts	24.58
Donations	250.00
Historian	
Hospitality	
Insurance	
Library	
Membership	
Newsletter	
Oper. Exp.	75.00
Opp. Quilt '10	21.06
PIQF	
Polling Place	
Programs	35.14
7 Sisters '09	
7 Sisters '10	
SCCQG	
Total	\$405.78

Ending **\$10,091.31**

Meeting Minutes



Sue Barker
January 11, 2010
Pres. Jill Sabol called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and reminded the new board members to check the yellow file on the back table. All members should check the back table for notices of quilt shows, guild newsletters, and vendor ads. Hospitality reported one guest, and door prizes are from Betty's, Quiltery, Birch, Quilt Attic, Sew Fun, Beverly's and our speaker, Mary Russell. New members are Judy Mueting and Barbara Neal. Old Business: Fibre Arts show continues in Solvang, and with a detour to the Shelby Ranch fabric shop it is a fun trip. Our last month's Food Bank Donation of \$250 supported the Giving Tree and food for many county residents. Services for Berkeley Johnston, husband of Jacquie Johnston, will be Sat., Jan. 16, details at Tribune website. Kathy Clarke's nine week Adult Ed Class will begin Jan. 12, and will explore half-square triangles and alternate blocks. Committee Reports: AQGCC - meeting was held in Placentia with speaker Dawn Farrier of Creation Station "thinking outside the box". She had many ideas relevant to our quilt show. Programs: Suzanne Heitzman, Margaret Wheeler. In February, Mary Jo Hiney will speak on how to handle silk. In March,

Shelley Swanland will teach "Machine-stitched Cathedral Windows. All workshops will be on Tuesdays after the meetings in our meeting room. One member will be the class "angel" to do setup, collect money, organize refreshments, clean up, call members with workshop reminders. Block-a-Month: 19 Chinese Lanterns were won by Chris Lancellotti. February's block is pink and red hearts. 7 Sisters Show: Jody Nelson has signups for Raffle quilt sales in 2 hour slots. \$483.50 in tickets sold so far. Vicki Bookless will pass signups for white glove, security, setup/take down - some seated. Sue Tonik reminded us of the on-line applications. Print it and mail to Melissa James (Acquisitions). Ginny Murach will input data for those who cannot. Signe James has received 19 entries for the challenge. Library: Katrina reminded us that Shelley Swanland's Cathedral Windows book is in our library. Friendship: Dawn Jones asked anyone to get in touch with her if you want to join a small group. Community Quilts: Signe James - 18 quilts turned in tonight; total for the year is 290. There is a need for non-juvenile masculine quilts. Our speaker tonight is longtime member Mary Russell on the topic "From a Hobby to a Business". The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

-2010 SLO Quilters Guild Board -

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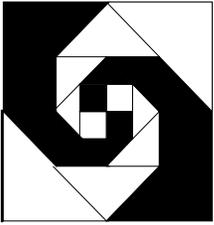
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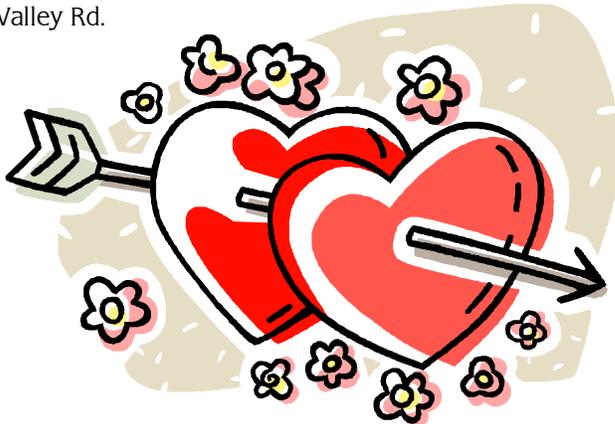
Monday, February 8, 2010

~ 6:30pm Social Time

~ 7pm Meeting

The Congregational Church

11245 Los Osos Valley Rd.
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Events & Information

Valley Quilters (Hemet) 30th Annual Quilt Show

February 12 - 12
Valley Wide Recreation Center, 901 Esplanade Ave., San Jacinto, CA.
Featuring over 125 quality quilts, consignment shop, boutique, quilt appraiser, vendors, & featured quilter. 10 am - 4 pm. Admission \$6. No strollers or children under six.
Info: 951-927-4348
Email: lindawayment@verizon.net

Springtime in the Valley

San Joaquin Valley Quilters Show
March 6 10-5, March 7 10-4
Clovis Memorial Hall
453 Hughes Ave., Clovis
For additional information
Sue Sidebottom 559-455-06215,
suziquilts@aol.com

South Bay Quilters Guild Annual Quilt Show

February 20-21
Over 150 quilts on display.
Quilt Auction, Sunday, 1 PM. Merchant Mall. Quilters Cafe.
Email: sue.glass@verizon.net
southbayquiltersguild.org

Quilts: It's Easy Being Green

32nd Pajaro Valley Assn. Show
Sat., Feb. 27, 10-5
Sun. Feb. 28, 10-4
Santa Cruz Fairgrounds, Watsonville
Hwy. 152/2601 Eastlake Ave.
pvqa.org

Santa Barbara Quilting Retreat

April 12 - 16
with Rosemary Eichorn

Seven Sisters Quilt Show

April 24 - 25
Associated Quilt Guilds

of the Central Coast
Madonna Expo Center,
San Luis Obispo, California.



Central Coast Quilt Shop Tour

June 4 - 6
centralcoastquiltshops.com

Templeton Outdoor Quilt Show

Saturday, June 19, 9am-4pm
templetonquiltshow.com

International Quilt Festival

July 23-25, 2010
Long Beach
quilts.com