



quilt speak

Programs

Dd Leece, Val Lund, Linda Lyon

For our annual potluck this month, we will gather at 5:30 to share a meal and some fun – along with Show & Tell and our business meeting. Bring a favorite holiday food – beverages will be provided.

December is the last month to bring donations for our January Stash Sale. Thank you! We have received so many items and yards of fabric. Be sure to bring your cash and/or checkbook in January – fabric will be \$1/yard! Spread the word to friends who are new to quilting, and friends in other guilds. We'd love to sell out!

Your checkbook is also handy to sign up for upcoming workshops—two opportunities to improve your machine quilting in February, a quilt with curves and embellishments in March, and some improvisational piecing and hand-stitching in May.

Another Collaborative Quilt Project is in the works for 2016! Janis B. and Sue B. will take sign-ups in January for those interested in participating in this creative challenge. Similar to our 2015 CQP, with a new concentration on color, it will be a lot of fun for those willing to commit to the seven month project.

From our President

Pres. Irene Dailey

What a wonderful time of year! Shorter days, cooler evenings, a little rain now and then, and the holidays! I hope you include attending the guild's Holiday Potluck in your list of fun seasonal events. The Programs Committee has some wonderful things planned for us. Remember to come early!! Doors will open at 5:30, and we'll eat dinner at 6 p.m. The "Business" part of the evening will include Show and Tell, Community Quilts, and Raffles.

Thank you for voting for me to be President again next year! I am honored by your support, and I love the job. Thank you, Susan Knowles, for taking on Membership as well as being our Treasurer!

We will gladly accept your "My Stash to Yours" donations at the December meeting. Or get in touch with me for pick-up at your house. Mark your new 2016 calendars and start inviting friends now to our January 11th sale! We have tons of great stuff (see below). Thanks to those of you who have already donated. This guild is full of delightful people, and I'm happy to be a part of it!

With my best wishes to you for Happy Holidays, Irene



Upcoming Workshops

February 12-Intro to Fearless Machine Quilting, Jenny Lyon.

February 13-Fearless Fills & Thrills, Jenny Lyon.

March 15-Wild & Crazy Quilt, Cathie Hoover.

May 10-Simple Kantha Stitching, Debby Schnabel.

May 11-Improv Piecing & Patching, Debby Schnabel.

Happy December Birthdays

5 - Suzanne H
7 - Sabrina S
24 - Carol E
25 - Paula J

A Reminder

Ginnie Murach

You can read archived newsletters online at www.sloquilters.com. All newsletters that appear on our website have been stripped of personal information by our Newsletter Editor, Marylu, and then double checked by our Webmaster, William. Your phone numbers and addresses are NOT on the website.

Member Updates

Ginnie Murach

Please welcome our new member:

Meghan B. A.
Birthday: March 22

And welcome back:

June F.
Birthday: June 1

(June actually rejoined us in September, but an error on my part didn't get her reactivated. Apologies to June.)

My Stash To Yours Sale January 11, 2016

The sale begins at 6 p.m. Our business meeting begins at 7:30. Here is a list of just some of the things included in the sale:
*all fabric is \$1.00 a yard

- *Handi-Quilter
- *Alto's Quilt Cut 2 Fabric Cutting System
- *Sears sewing machine – just serviced
- *hand quilt table frame
- *antique quilt dated 1933
- *antique quilt tops
- *needlepoint
- *Neva Orton quilts
- *books are \$.50
- *patterns are \$.25
- *thread and quilting tools
- *boutique items

SLO Quilters Board Members for 2016

President – Irene D
Vice President – Sue B
Secretary – Elaine P
Treasurer – Susan
AQGCC Rep and Seven Sisters Quilt Show Guild Rep – Jeannie C
Block-a-Month - (you?)
The Brown Bag Project – Janis B, Sue B
Community Quilts – Signe J and Gay H
Hospitality – Dian R, Michelle S, Tammy R
Library – Gillian B and Judy T
Membership – Susan K

Newsletter – Marylu W M, Emily C
Photos – Kathi S
Programs – Linda L, Lori G, Karen Hogan, Mari Kay G
SCCQG Rep – Smitty P
Website – Janis and Will B
Youth Initiative Coordinators – Kathi S, Sue B, and Irene D

Reimbursements

Susan Knowles

Current law allows charities to reimburse volunteers, on a nontaxable basis only, up to the charitable mileage rate of 14 cents per mile. Alternatively, volunteers are permitted to deduct their “out of pocket” expenses incurred in providing donated services — when those expenses are not reimbursed. In addition you may deduct the cost of tolls and parking while using your vehicle for the approved purpose.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has the authority to regulate volunteer mileage rates for business and medical/moving purposes, but not for charitable activities. The charitable rate can only be adjusted through the legislative process, and has remained unchanged since 1997.



Christmas Stockings

Jill Sabol and Kathi Settle

There is still time to bring Christmas stockings or items to put into the stockings to the Dec. 2 Board Potluck or to the December 14 guild potluck meeting. You may also bring them to my house (Jill Sabol). Social Welfare currently has 350 children in their care who look forward eagerly to these stockings which are filled by the staff at Social Services. Our guild has also given any surplus stockings to nursing home patients. Thank you to all who have made stockings. Stay tuned at the December meeting for numbers and a few prizes.

Helping Youth Learn to Quilt

Jill Sabol

Beginning in January our guild is going to be discussing ways we might be able to help young people learn the art of quilting.

One idea is to participate in the 4-H program. The 4-H organization is looking for someone to teach quilting in our area. At least one person must become a certified 4-H leader. A small amount of training would be required. Then others in the guild could act as volunteers to help. Junior and Teen leaders in 4-H also act as assistants. The 4-H organization has a room off Johnson Avenue for use as a meeting place. It is as large as our guild meeting room with tables, chairs, electric outlets and even some sewing machines. Only 6 hours would be required to teach for the year 2016.

If anyone is interested in learning more, contact Jill Sabol for more information.

Cutting Edge Fiber Arts Group of SLOC

has an exhibit on display from December 4, 2015 through January 31, 2016. The exhibit is called "Off Kilter". On December

5, at 2pm, there is "ARTALK" by Paso Robles ACQG member Jeanne Aird, followed by an opening reception from 3-5pm. 1010 Broad Street, SLO ([805](tel:8055438562)) [543.8562](tel:5438562), website - sloma.org.



**SEW DAY, Saturday,
January 23, 2016**

It's free!
But we have space
for only 20 people.

Contact Linda L
to sign up!



We have a theme this month: Janis B showed a quilt-as-you-go quilt.



Christmas stockings!



Carol Wi

Gwen W's Christmas applique quilt



Treasury

Susan Knowles

Beg. Bal.	\$22,998.57
Income	9/30/15
Advertising	75.00
Coffee Cans	39.00
Comm. Quilts	
Donations	20.00
Interest	0.74
Library	
Membership dues	740.00
Opportunity Quilt	450.00
PIQF trip	
Polling Place	
Programs	
SCCQG	
Workshops	1595.00
Total Income	7014.47
Expenses	
Auction-Experience	
Block a Month	
Comm. Quilts	
Donations	
Historian	
Hospitality	
Library	
Membership	
Newsletter	
Operating Expenses	225.00
Opportunity Quilt	
PIQF trip	
President's Quilt	
Programs	31.81
Rent	20.00
Seven Sisters Show	
SCCQG	
Taxes	
Website	
Workshop	100.00
Total Expenses	376.81
Balance	29,636.23

Meeting Minutes

Karen Hogan

November 9, 2015

President Irene Dailey presided; meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

*The guild welcomed returning guests, Megan and Maddy A, as new members this month, and Donna C joined in August. There were no guests this evening.

*Irene read a follow-up to last months article "Gorgeous".

*Remember to bring fabric, notions, etc. to our December meeting for the "My Stash to Yours" sale at our January meeting.

*NEW BUSINESS: The next board meeting will be Nov. 12th at Irene D's home.

Voting was held for the 2016 executive board. Results : Irene D - Pres.; Sue B - VP; Sec. - Elaine P; Treas.- Susan K. Ginnie M/ Suzanne H. unanimous by members. New board will be introduced in December.

*Also voted on: should SLO Quilters participate in Seven Sisters in 2017? Ginnie M/Smitty P. Unanimous by members. It will be the 10th anniversary of the show.

*BOM: Kathi/Jill - trees, candy canes, gingerbread man, santa hat, and poinsettia are the Dec blocks. Christmas stockings (46) were turned in for a total of 363. Ruth and Judy have made over 200.

DOOR PRIZES: Dian/Luella - 16 prizes were given this evening.

*LIBRARY: Smitty has several new books, so be sure to check them out.

*COMMUNITY QUILTS: Signe/ Gay - 17 beautiful quilts were turned in this evening.

*AQGCC: Our website has forms, apps, and guidelines for the 2016 Seven Sisters show.

*SHOW AND TELL: Several members shared wonderful examples of quilts using different blocks and techniques. Gwen noted that she will be teaching classes of free-form flower design.

*HOLIDAY QUILTS: Members also shared holiday themed quilts.

*PROGRAMS: Dede - the Dec. meeting will be our annual holiday potluck. Please bring a dish to share and pictures from past meetings also to share and have fun.

*Sue B wants to remind members that the 2016 Seven Sisters Challenge theme is "Colorful Central Coast". The deadline for quilts is April 1, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

SLO Quilters



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Monday, December 14, 2015

~~ 5:30pm Sewcial Time

~~ 7:00pm Meeting

The Congregational Church

11245 Los Osos Valley Rd. SLO

It's our annual holiday party!



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