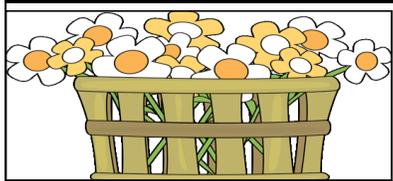




April 2018
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GENERAL MEETING - TUESDAY,
April 10, 2018
San Clemente Presbyterian Church, 119 N Ave De La Estrella,
San Clemente, CA 92672
Doors open 9:30am Business Mtg 10:00am Program follows.

“Cre-a-tiv-i-ty” with Jean Impey

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Jean is one of our talented local quilters who is a member of Surfside Quilters Guild and Beach Cities Quilters Guild. She lives in San Juan Capistrano with her husband Walt.

Art has been an integral part of Jean’s life since she was a child. She remembers always being intrigued and absorbed with making things. Her mother encouraged her exploration of all things creative and Jean’s life-long creative journey took off, including painting, sewing, photography, ceramics, embroidery, and gardening to name a few! Now she teaches classes at various guilds, at Empty Spools Seminars at Asilomar in Pacific Grove, CA, and at various other venues. She will be teaching on a 10-day Alaska cruise in July 2018. On top of all of this she is now offering long arm quilting for your special quilts. <https://sewjean.com>

Jean’s style, passion, and energy is boundless.



Board Meeting -
April 17 - 10am at
 Seaside Villas Clubhouse
 33715 Surfside Drive
 Dana Point.
 Call Maggie to save a seat:
 949-488-3011

Future Programs
May 8 - President’s Quilt and Meet the Board
June 12 - Kathryn Pellman, Art Quilts Whimsical to Traditional
www.kathrynpellman.com
July 10 - Tina Curran www.tinacurran.com

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Linda Rigdon gltnecat@cox.net 949-588-1640



Linda Rigdon

Thank you for the honor of being your president for the 2017/18 term. Surfside Quilters Guild is a "Special" Guild, and I want to thank each one of you for making it Special.

One thing you've heard me say before, and I'm still saying it: "I get by with a little help with my friends." When things were a little "iffy" or "sticky" (which happens under every-one's best intentions), you have stood with me and held my hand. When things have fallen into place and everything has gone well, we have celebrated together.

Every one of you has brought me joy and thankfulness. Who could ever ask for more?
Thank you, Surfsiders!

I have had a fabulous Board, and they deserve a huge round of applause. Please give them a pat on the back and a quick "thank you", for they worked hard, made tough decisions, and have done it all with the Guild's best interest at heart.

I encourage all of you members to attend the April meeting. We will have the formal elections of our new Executive Board. This should only take a short time and then we will move on to a great program with Jean Impey. Jean is such a talented lady; the meeting is sure to be entertaining and informative.

I'll see you around the Guild!

Linda Rigdon (Choosing to be happy!)

PRESIDENT'S QUILT QUILTING BEES

Betty Collins 760-722-4796 760-805-9908 cell

March 30, 31, and April 3, Karen Wendel - phone 949-240-8516 Karen.L.Wendel@gmail.com:
Address: 27991 Paseo Reposo. San Juan Capistrano. Time is 10 to 2.

April 5, Maggie Bell (Mini Maniacs) after their regular meeting, phone 949-488-3011
or cell 949-338-9344 MBELL62@aol.com Seaside Villas, 33715 Surfside Drive, Dana Point,
Maggie can give instructions to get to the club house.

April 16 and 17, Sheri Hill - phone 949-492-3788 or cell 949-291-7581 dsmkhill@cox.net
140 Avenida Buena Ventura, San Clemente: Time is 10 to 2.

April 18, at Philanthropy Meeting at the Church in the Basement, Sheri Hill is also sponsoring this Bee.

April 19, 20, Judy Nunn - phone 949-586-1746 judy.nunn@cox.net 25191 York Circle, Laguna Hills Time: 1 to 5.

Please come help us finish the quilting on Linda's President's quilt. Experience is not a worry. There will be someone there to help you get started. Linda is going to be so pleased with the quilt. It is super cute and the blocks are wonderful. Thank you all who made a block for the quilt.



Officers and Committee Chairs wear orchid leis to show that they can answer questions and direct people to the correct places at the meetings. Don't hesitate to ask them for help. They are happy to be there for you.

**WEAR YOUR
NAME TAG
SO WE WILL
LEARN YOUR NAME.**



Presenting the Slate of Officers for 2018 - 19 Betty Collins collins0430@att.net

The 2018 Nominating Committee, Suzette Blake, Barbara Ann Christensen, Betty Collins, Mary Freedman, and Wendy McCalley, with Sheri Hill and Carol Whiteside as alternates, are proud to present the Surfside Quilters Guild 2018-19 Slate of Officers. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the April General Meeting provided that prior written consent of the nominee has been obtained. Voting will take place at the April meeting.



President - **Becky McDaniel**

Becky has loved quilts since she first became aware of them at age 8. She had the opportunity to take her first sampler quilt class when she was 15, in 1975. In 1999, she overheard some ladies at Material Possessions talking about a quilt show, so she got directions and went. She was blown away that there were others like her. She joined Beach Cities Quilt Guild in 1999 and realized that she had found her people. Since retiring from the work place in 2013, she has enjoyed Surfside Quilt guild and loves the warmth of the meetings, from the piano music that greets us, to the ocean breezes and friendly people. Becky currently serves as 1st Vice President - Programs



1st Vice President/Programs – **Monica Shafer**

Monica has been sewing since middle school Home Economics class, and quilting since 2000. She has explored many quilting styles and methods, from traditional blocks to modern improvisation, art quilts, appliqué, English paper piecing, foundation paper piecing, guild challenges and memory quilts. Monica is a charter member of Surfside Quilters Guild, and is currently also a member of the Orange County Modern Quilt Guild. Her other activities include book club, practicing ukulele and playing with her six grandchildren. Monica has chaired a number of Guild committees, including the November Fest Boutique committee in 2017.



2nd Vice President/Membership - **Judy Nunn**

Judy began sewing "stretch and sew" pants for herself in the late 60's, then added home decorator items before taking her first "Quilt In A Day" class from a certified Eleanor Burns instructor in the early 70's. She has made over 1,000 rag quilts for babies and children. She used to sell rag quilts at local holiday boutiques along with her "pocket scarves". She has progressed in her quilting to become a "topper"; she now quilts by checkbook. She enjoys learning new techniques and has taken many classes and workshops over the years - leaving her with a very large collection of UFO's/PHD's. She enjoys creating simple tops for philanthropy and special gifts. She has an extremely large collection of fabrics, which she realizes she will never use in her lifetime. Judy was a member of BCQG for a while and is a Charter Member of Surfside. She has been helping at the membership table for a few years and has been Membership Vice President since this past summer when she took over the job. She feels blessed to have so many wonderful quilting friends!



3rd Vice President/Facilities - **Betty Collins**

Betty is a former President of the Surfside Quilters Guild. It is with great pleasure that she will serve as the Facilities chair for the next year. She has done Facilities before for the guild and loves to be the coordinator between the 1st Presbyterian Church of San Clemente and the guild.

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Secretary - **Debbie Myers**

Lulled to sleep by the sound of her mom's featherweight, Debbie grew up sewing. Her mom bought fabric instead of school clothes and said, "get busy, girls." And although her home-made clothes marked her as a "dork", Debbie's interest in all-things-textile survived. She presently lives in Carlsbad with two cats that don't get along and way too much fabric and yarn – just like most of us.



Treasurer – **Deanna Garcia**

Deanna and her husband retired in 1994. After 6 months of retirement she was bored. So, she decided to check out the Capistrano Unified School District for classes in quilting. Her first class in quilting was with Jan Hirth making the "Sampler Quilt". Since then, there has been no stopping her. Deanna and her husband made another transition after retirement and moved to Henderson, Nevada, where she joined a guild and, wanting to get involved volunteered for the position of treasurer. Unfortunately her husband passed away, so she decided to return to California to be close to our daughter and family.

And not an elected position at this time, the past president continues as a member of the Executive Board.



Past President, Parliamentarian - **Linda Rigdon**

Linda loves quilts because they are comfortable and warm. And, she loves quilters because they are comfortable and warm. She especially loves Surfside Quilters Guild because it is the embodiment of comfort and warmth. Linda started quilting in 1999 and she has more patterns and stash than should be legal! After serving President for the 2017-2018 term, she has more UFO's to keep her in the PHD Group until - forever. Linda's mantra, "Choose to be happy!"

PHD GROUP (Formerly UFO)

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 Sheri Hill dsmkhill@cox.net 949-492-3788 949-291-7581Cell

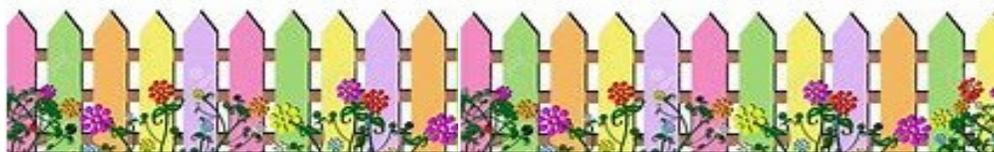
The PHD group members have now completed projects number 1 and 2 for this year. The project number for April is **#8**. Additional members are welcome in this group, so if you would like an incentive to work on your PHD, join us at Seaside Villa's Clubhouse (33715 Surfside Drive Dana Point) on Friday, April 27th.



**Johanne
Gibson**



Sheri Hill



HOSPITALITY

Glenna Anderson glenna8@cox.net 949-661-2468

We have enjoyed the variety of treats that our members bring to share each month for our hospitality table. In addition to cookies, candy, quick breads, deviled eggs on toast, and red bean mochi, one might find fruit or nuts!

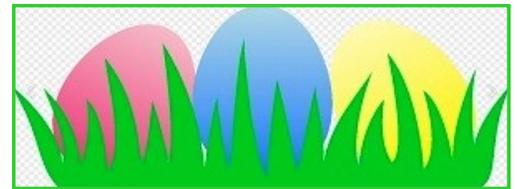
And in our Guild we are not limited to only bringing something good to eat during our birthday month, anyone can contribute any month. Each person that participates writes their name on the provided paper to enter the drawing that is held at the end of the meeting; that lucky member may take home the centerpiece!



Glenna Anderson



Maureen Wagner won the hospitality drawing for the table decoration - a lovely bowl of growing grass. Just the place for some Easter eggs.



MEMBERSHIP

Judy Nunn judy.nunn@cox.net 949-586-1746

For the March meeting there were 101 members, 6 guests, 0 new members for a total of 107 attending. Total membership is 200.



Judy Nunn

IT IS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Membership renewals for 2018-19 begin this month. Bring your \$40.00 cash or check, payable to Surfside Quilters Guild, to the Membership Table and verify your data in our Master Directory Notebook. If your information is all correct in the current directory, please initial your approval, turn the page and initial 3 more times to the following questions we have added to our membership form.

Initial box to indicate Surfside Quilters Guild has permission to use your photo and your name in hard copy and on-line publications. (For example: use of Show & Tell pictures of your projects in the newsletter or on the website).	INITIAL HERE
Members are expected to commit themselves to an active role in the Guild. Committee Chairpersons are expected to assist new members in participating in Guild activities.	INITIAL HERE
DO NOT INCLUDE my photo, address, phone number or email address in the directory (please circle all that apply).	INITIAL HERE

If you can't attend the April, May or June meeting, please mail a completed Membership Form (available in this newsletter or by e-mailing judy.nunn@cox.net, and in the future on our website) and your \$40 check to: Surfside Quilters Guild, PO Box 3295, San Clemente, CA 92674.

The deadline to be included in the directory is June 13, 2018. We plan to be able to distribute the new directory in July or August.

SURFSIDE QUILTERS GUILD

Membership Form

Dues are \$40.00 annually for the membership year May 1st through April 30th. Guests are always welcome for a donation of \$5.00. Newsletters and other communications will be sent through the internet.

The information you provide will be used in the Surfside Quilters Guild directory. A completed membership application must be submitted no later than the June general meeting to be included in the directory for the current membership year. The directory is distributed to guild members and is not made available to other sources.

Name		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Email		
Home phone	Cell phone	
Birthday: Month Day		

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Surfside Quilters Guild, P.O. Box 3295, San Clemente, CA 92674

New Member/Date	Check #	Cash (rec'd by)
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WORKSHOPS

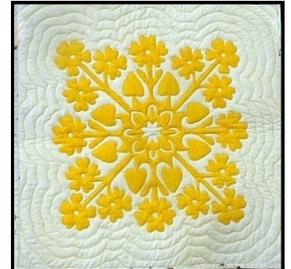
Vivien Hawker vivienhawker@cox.net 949-218-0347

On April 11 our workshop “**Let’s Make Vintage Postcards**” with **Jean Impey** will be on how to make an old fashioned valentine or creative, holiday artwork inspired by vintage postcards. Using dual tip pens along with Jean’s techniques to highlight and shade, you will learn to give projects dimension and bring them to life. Visit www.sewjean.com to see more inspiring patterns in her Vintage Holiday Class workshop.



On April 24th we will have a Sew-cial featuring Irene Hughes, my mom from South Africa, . We will make an African Girls wall hanging using her appliqué techniques. The pattern and African fabrics will be available for \$10.

On May 9th Claudia Gomez will be returning to give us a dye painting workshop. Create a Modern Hawaiian quilt the no appliqué way! Claudia will also share tips on how to do echo quilting. This is a workshop that you can just show up and have fun. Required kit provided for \$25. See her gorgeous flower designs at www.devotedtcolor.com



Our June 13 workshop will be with Kathryn Pellman. Her workshop is Fashionistas: Paper Dolls for Grown Ups. Using your imagination, your sense of humor, fusible appliqué, conversational prints, free cutting and free motion appliqué, you will create a small single frame scene featuring a personalized snapshot of yourself or anyone you like. The project can be as easy or as difficult as you like and is for all levels of quilters. All you need is to be able to use your sewing machine and be open to new ideas, creativity and fun. See her fabulous work on www.kathrynpellman.com



Vivien Hawker

>Workshops are held at San Juan Mobile Estates, 32302 Alipaz, San Juan Capistrano, (turn south from Del Obispo Street; the Estates is located about 1/2 mile down on left side), 9:30 to 3:30 on the Wednesday following the SQG general meeting unless otherwise noted.

>Any kit or book fees are payable directly to the teacher. The workshop fees are \$40.00. Non-member fees are \$50.00. Please make checks to Surfside Quilters Guild; the bank will not accept SQG.

>SQG members have first priority for workshop reservations until the break at the previous general meeting. Non-members are put on a waiting list and, following the break, will be confirmed to attend .

>If you have a reservation but are unable to attend, please attempt to find someone to fill your space and advise **Vivien Hawker** by e-mail ASAP. Refunds are available until the break of the previous month’s general meeting.



Meet the Teachers Meeting

All members of Surfside Quilters Guild are welcome to attend this very interesting meeting. Speakers/Teachers buy a booth to show their work. They are given a few minutes to speak. Our Programs Vice President is always happy to hear of what interests our members. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn what presentations are available and to give guild your input. Would you be interested in sharing your quilts and talents with other guilds? Registration is open for "Meet the Teachers" scheduled April 14, 2018 at the Carson Community Center, 801 E. Carson St, Carson, CA.

Go to the SCCQG website: <http://www.sccqg.org> for information.



Nancy Ota

Quilt Magazines for Sale

Carmelle Spruill cmspruill@sbcglobal.net 949-498-1931

Cleaning out your space and ending up with a stack of used quilting/sewing magazines, patterns, books or pamphlets that you no longer want to keep? If they are dated **2011 or later**, bring them to Guild meetings where we sell them four for a dollar. The money earned by this project goes toward guild expenses.

Please do not bring magazines published prior to 2011.



Linda Chui



Debbie Knutson

FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

Robin Free robinfree107@gmail.com 949-234-0567

Our get acquainted coffee held on Thursday, March 15th was a success! The following quilters attended: **Linda Farlow, Robin Free, Mary Freedman, Donna Matukas, Becky McDaniel, Linda Rigdon, Jane Salem, Sally Silvers** and **Charlotte Spere**. This group consisted of board members, new members, and those who are currently looking to join a group.

We had a lively discussion about friendship groups and the importance of reaching out to new members in friendship. One attendee shared her experience of being a new member and not having any one reach out to her. She solved that issue by starting her own friendship group. We all decided that the newly combined Welcoming and Friendship group board members will work together to shepherd the newbies and assist them in making friends. That's what our guild is known for; **Friendliness**.

Donna Matukas' group is looking for new members; a group that is very active. They make quilts for November Fest, take field trips to quilt shops, as well as work on group projects and generally have fun!

Sally Silvers expressed an interest in an art quilt group and **Linda Farlow** is also interested.

Mary Freedman, Jane Salem and **Charlotte Spere** would like to join a group that is actively making quilts for charity.

Hopefully, some of you who read this article and have room for new members will reach out to these ladies.

In future gatherings, representatives of existing friendship groups looking for new members will attend; meet new members and new connections will be made.



Robin Free



Surfside Retreat – May 21 -23, 2018

Michelle Howe mhowe93@gmail.com

The 2018 Surfside Retreat is starting to fill up. We had 13 people sign-up at the March guild meeting.

At the April 10, 2018 guild meeting we will continue to accept applications for the retreat. Keep in mind that we can only take 17 more people. So, if you have been waiting for a formal invitation, here it is.

A \$100 deposit is required for each person at the time you submit your application. Please write the check out to Surfside Quilters Guild. Final payment is due at the May 8, 2018 guild meeting.

Guild members have an opportunity to spend two nights and three days at the relaxing Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center in Temecula. The dates are Mon, May 21 to Wed, May 23, 2018. Check-in is 10 a.m. and check-out is 2 p.m. All meals and lodging are included in the cost of the retreat.

The retreat center provides a large sewing room with enough tables to comfortably seat 30 people. You can work on your own projects and stay up as late as you want.

Prices are: Double Occupancy \$250 Single Occupancy \$350 Triple Occupancy \$220

If you do not have a roommate in mind, but want to share a room, we can try to match you with someone who also might be looking for a roommate.

If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Howe at mhowe93@gmail.com



Michelle Howe

Surfside Quilt Guild Retreat Sign-up

May 21 – 23, 2018 (3 days/2 nights)

Date of sign-up _____

Name _____

Email _____

Cell phone _____

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- Double (2 twin beds per room)
- Triple (3 twin beds per room)
- Single (1 bed per room)
- Handicap accommodation
- Prefer first floor room (Every effort will be made to fulfill this request.)
- Special needs (i.e. dietary) _____
- Willing to carpool _____
- Roommates (s) _____

Attach a \$100 nonrefundable deposit to this form and submit to Retreat Coordinator – Michelle Howe

For Coordinator Only

- Confirmed wait list

STASHBUSTERS - PHILANTHROPY

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Nancy Pestal , butterflynp@cox.net Barbara Ann Christensen, barbaraannpd@gmail.com Charlotte Spere, jcspere@cox.net

Our next meeting will be: **WEDNESDAY, April 18th, 10 AM - 2:00 PM**
SAN CLEMENTE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
119 AVENIDA DE LA ESTRELLA IN SAN CLEMENTE

Thank you all for the support you give to philanthropy. We cannot do it without you.

April is Marine Baby Shower month for SCPS. Never too many baby/toddler quilts. Keep them coming.

QUILT TOP KITS Philanthropy will have KITS for simple QUILT tops. Please come by the Philanthropy table and choose a kit. Make the top, return it to Philanthropy, and the committee will finish it.

FABRIC SALE!! Check out the FABRIC SALES at the Philanthropy table each month. Not just Fat Quarters.

As always, the church appreciates any toiletries donated. Please put the in the Fireside Room by the fireplace.



Suzette Blake Barbara Ann Christensen Charlotte Spere Nancy Pestal

MONTHLY MINI Vickie Janis 2010vickie@gmail.com 949-842-6089 Sheri Hill dsmkhill@cox.net 949-492-3788



..with the bluebird of happiness!



Sheri Hill



Vickie Janis

Tickets are 1 for \$1, 6 for \$5

Joann Bishop and Susie Russell are donating April's Mini, this 16" hand appliqued and hand quilted springtime pillow. From a Cheri Payne pattern.

In March Pat McNeil won the folded star table mat made by Vivien Hawker.



FEBRUARY 2018 TREASURER'S REPORT

Nancy Northrup 949-492-2752
nancynorthrup5@gmail.com

02-01-18 through 02-28-18

Beginning Balance: **\$ 55,322.26**

Income:

Donation	1,087.00
50-50 Raffle	76.00
Monthly Mini	82.00
Philanthropy	123.00
Recycling	29.00
Special Event Bus	20.00
Workshops	497.00

Total Income: \$ 1,914.00

Expenses:

Facilities	300.00
Hospitality	69.08
Operations	15.00
Philanthropy	498.32
Program	1,120.30
Special Events	159.00
Treasurer Supplies	89.16
Workshops	104.83

Total Expenses: \$ 2,355.69

Current Balance: \$ 54,880.57

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Northrup,
Treasurer,
Surfside Quilters Guild
2017-18



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Mary Freedman guiltlady@cox.net
949-388-6901



Mary Freedman

**Tickets are \$1 each
or 6 for \$5.**

Once again we have a happy guild member in Marilyn Novak who won \$115.00 at the March meeting. You too can receive the "winner" portion of the money by participating. Please remember to bring smaller bills, it makes the transaction go much faster.

FAT QUARTER SALES

Philanthropy continues to have fat quarters and other fabric cuts for sale in the back of the meeting room. Each month will focus on color themes for the following few months. There will also be children's fabrics for that last minute baby or toddler quilt you need to make. Prices will be very reasonable so you won't be able to resist getting a head start on your projects.



SMILE

Monica Shafer monicashafer@gmail.com



Don't forget to use SMILE at Amazon to benefit Surfside Quilters Guild.

1. Go to www.smile.amazon.com.
2. Log into your Amazon account using your email address and your password.
3. Choose a charity. Put Surfside Quilters Guild into the search line
4. Click the yellow box that says SELECT.
5. Shop and generate donations to the guild.

Questions? Contact Monica Shafer monicaeshafer@gmail.com 949-362-5524



Monica Shafer

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Priscilla Hackbarth 1
Silsue Butsko 2
Millie Goldschmitt 2
Lois Rake 2
Peggy Dickey 6
Connie Veldkamp 6
Hiroko Moriwaki 7
Karen Noble 8
Lynn Tweet 12
Verna Rollinger 16
Jane R. Salem 17
Marcia Archer 21
Kerry Joho 21
Kuo Yuanmei 24
Nancy Northrup 29
Angela Irish 30
Helene Mosier 30
Cora Schmitt 30

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Judi Killberg judi.killberg@hotmail.com 949-226-8992 949-212-7951

Spring is in the air and I know I'm ready for it!

We have some sad news for several of our friends, **Nancy Pestal's** brother has passed away. Our thoughts are with you, Nancy.

We have word that **Verna Rollinger's** daughter passed away. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Please reach out to these dear friends and give them your love and support.

Please let us know how we can help celebrate with you in your joyous occasions and come along side in those hard times. May your spring be a time of renewal and excitement for new projects!



Judi Killberg



PLACES TO GO

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Continuing until April 8 Visions Art Museum - Five exhibits: "The Nature of Things" with Betty Busby and Jane Sassman; "Rust and Ruin" with Regina Benson; "Felted Gardens" with Erma Martin Yost; "Blooming", the Visions members' Challenge; "Organic by Design" the 2017 Challenge from Canyon Quilters of San Diego. Opening reception: 5pm - 7pm **January 20th.**

Visions Art Museum; Contemporary Quilts & Textiles, 2825 Dewey Rd, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92106 619-546-4872. Admission: \$7. Hours 10am - 4pm Tues - Sat. Noon - 4 Sun. www.visionsartmuseum.org

Continuing through April 30th - "**Birds from the Thomas Contemporary Quilt Collection**" Back Porch Fabrics Gallery, 157 Grand Ave @ Central, Pacific Grove, CA www.backporchfabrics.com Hours: 10-5.

April 13 – 14 Camarillo Quilters Assoc., Quilting By The Sea Quilts, Vendor's Mall, Boutique & More. Ventura County Fairgrounds, Santa Cruz Hall. Ventura, Fri, Apr 13 10 -5 Sat April 14 9-3 Admission \$10

April 13 - 15 Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild Quilt Show Chautauqua Hall, 16th St at Central, Pacific Grove, CA. Fri & Sat 10am to 5pm, Sun 10am to 4pm. \$7 Adult admission for all 3 days. Quilts, Boutique, Garage Sale, Raffle Quilts. Opportunity Quilt drawing Sunday at 3pm.

April 14 Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds Meet the Teachers, April 14, 2018 - 9:00 am until 2pm Carson Community Center, 801 E. Carson Blvd., Carson, CA Contact: Nancy Ota 949-498-4243 Home

April 21 Flying Geese Quilters Guild Quilted Treasures Auction and Tea. 11am Luncheon, Quilt Viewing, and Raffle Baskets (11-noon), Live Auction of Beautiful Handmade Quilts (noon-2 p.m.), Free parking. \$5 admission includes luncheon/auction. Miller Community Center - City Hall, 300 Centennial Way, Tustin, CA 92780

April 27 Los Angeles County Quilters Guild Greek Orthodox Church of Long Beach, 5761 Colorado Street, Long Beach, CA. Admission:\$10 Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-3pm. Quilts, Vendors, Raffle Baskets,

BLOCK OF THE MONTH - APRIL 2018

Angela Miller angelavtquilts@gmail.com

Our Block of the Month currently is a non-committal chance to try something new (I know I heard a lot of people saying they were going to try new things this year!) and if you would like to try to win all the turned in blocks, follow the suggested colors, make a block or two (or more), bring the blocks to the next meeting, and get one entry in the raffle for each block you turn in. If you are the lucky winner, you will go home with all the turned in blocks!

April is the last in this series of "non-committal" blocks of the month. If you would like to try to win blocks, make one or more in the specified parameters and turn them in to the April meeting, fill in an entry, and we will draw one lucky person to win all of the turned in blocks! Good luck!



Angela Miller
802-578-9957 Cell

SURFBOARDS. A Modern Style quilt block sewn in solids.

To take part in the exchange, please use solids in blues, aquas, grays, creams, whites. The squares are cut and a color strip is inserted. Quick and easy.

For one block:

Cut 4 - 5" squares from one solid good-quality cotton
Cut 1" X 26" strip, contrasting solid good-quality cotton
Neutral cotton thread
*1/4" seam used throughout

Stack 5" squares, right side up. Place on cutting mat. Align ruler on diagonal, starting 1" in from bottom left to 1" in from top right, cut. (Picture A)

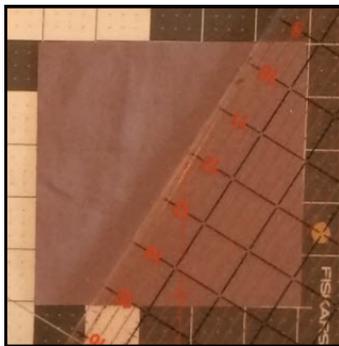
Using left part of stack, so you are sewing from the large edge to the small edge, select and sew each piece as follows: sew the 1" strip along the diagonal cut, right sides together, leaving 1/2" extra of strip at the top. Strip piece the 4 sections, leaving a small space between each section.

Press seam toward strip. Cut apart and trim strip, using ruler to keep block square.

Turn stack of the opposite side so the large part of the diagonal is on top, as with first half.

With right sides together, matching the small edge of one half to the to the large block edge of the other half, place strip with half square over the other half. Open to double check you will be making a square. The edges match at the 1/4" seam line at top. Sew along the diagonal. Press toward strip. (Picture B)

After completing 4 squares, and looking at pictures for correct placement, sew the squares together. Press around, as the block wants to go, pressing the seam open in the very center of the squares. (Picture C)



Picture A



Picture B



Picture C (1 block)



Blocks sewn together.



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Hopefully, by the time the meeting rolls around, we will be into SPRING! Have you made a basket quilt filled with spring flowers or bunnies or eggs? (**Jackie Buck** had/has a darling shirt with the cottontail side of a bunny on the back. Do you still have it?). Are you preparing for someone's graduation? Have you discovered a new block that you've put into a quilt? Did you finish Shelley Swanland's cathedral windows like **Jeanne Tavasci, Linda Ramsey** and **Annette Leinen** shared at the General Meeting? Please show us what you've been creating. You can always fill out the form at the meeting, but remember it is also online, for your convenience.



Nancy Pestal



Susan Staebell

As always, a big thank you to the 12 ladies who showed their creations. Such talent! And an extra thanks to **Kay Johnston, Diana Imhoff,** and **Janis Toman** for their help in "showing and telling". Honestly ladies, you make things so much easier for us.



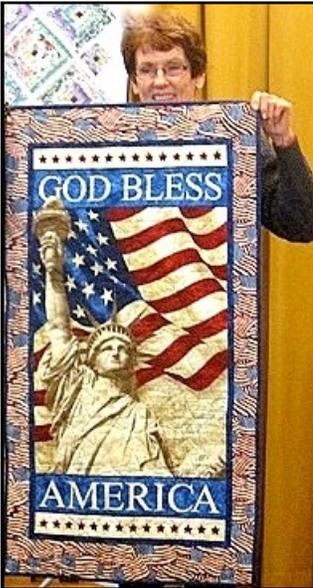
"Get Well, Dear Friend" by **Nancy Ota**. **Claudia Redfern** hosted the Nat'l Quilt Day party in 2014. The group decided to piece the blocks "Cranberry Chutney" by Madison Cottage Design, using black and white backgrounds and bright strips. They made the blocks, mailing them to the 16 quilters who participated. The owner will be Teri, who worked with Nancy for the same dentist as dental hygienists for over 30 years and became good friends. Teri was diagnosed with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma/Stage 4, and just completed her 3rd of 6 chemos at the City of Hope. It is quite difficult as each one is 5 days of 24-hour chemo drip. Nancy decided to use these blocks alternated with the white blocks with tiny silver polka dots. She will give Teri Pigma pens so that friends and family may write messages of encouragement in the squares. Nancy had fun quilting words in some of the squares; using templates traced to the fabric and machine quilted.



"Katz" was made by **Betty Collins** from a Shabby Fabric quilt kit. Made with pre-cut flannels because she is lazy. Very fun to make, but don't look too close at the quilting. When she finishes the top she just wants to get done with the quilt, so she quilted this, but isn't real proud of the job she did. It is a wall quilt so no one will notice. She hopes.



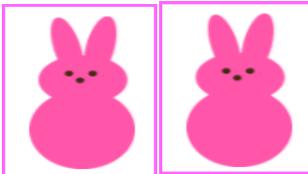
HAPPY SPRING!



Ursula Hartunian likes anything patriotic. The gracious Statue of Liberty stands, as you know, in the New York harbor. Since she was born in New York and lives in California she made this pillow with printed blocks she has had for awhile, but doesn't remember where they came from.

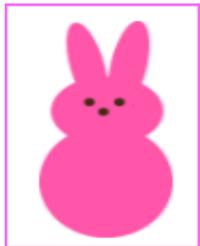


Jeanne Tavasci made "Look Out" (because it isn't easy!) in Shelly Swanland's workshop. This class needed a lovely, patient teacher and, boy, was she patient. Jeanne likes the result and it matches my guest room décor.

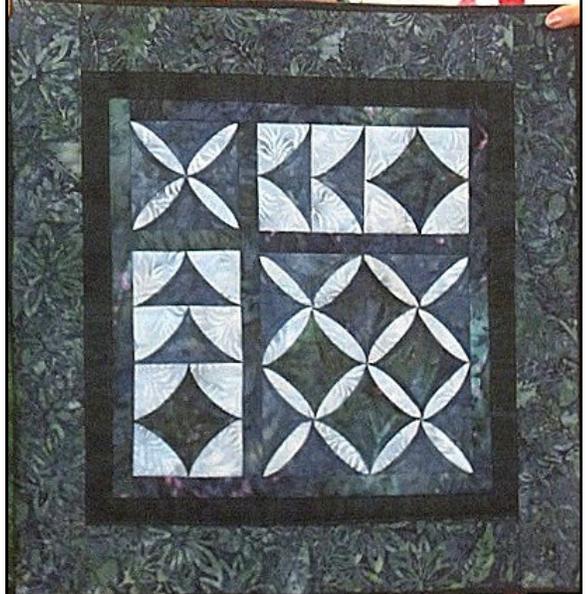
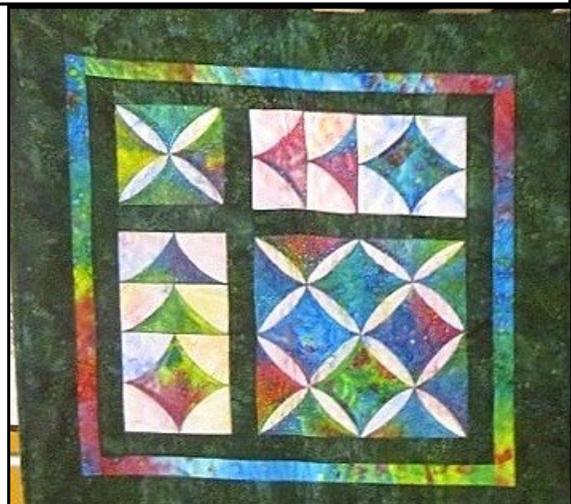
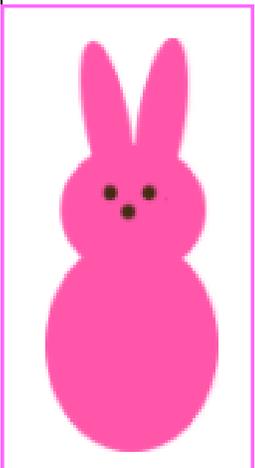


Linda Ramsay made this Cathedral Window quilt in Shelly Swanland's workshop.

Annette Leinen couldn't decide which kit to buy in Shelly Swanland's workshop, so she bought both. The bright one is "Brighten my Day" and the darker "But Let Me Sleep at Night". She enjoyed learning the technique.

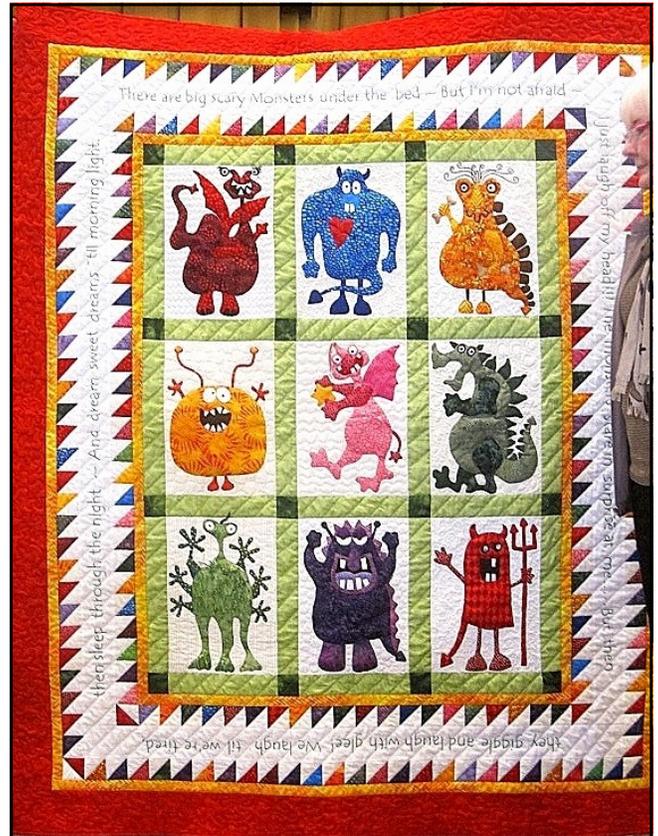


"Brighten My Day" **Annette Leinen**





Debbie Fradin shared "Wrapped in a Hug" made for the wedding of her son, Corey and soon-to-be-daughter, Ali. When they sent out "save-the-date" in August, Debbie followed those with a letter asking each guest to secretly send her a special piece of fabric - one that symbolized their relationship with the couple. The only thing, it had to be blue. She received fabric from all over the USA including pieces of clothing from passed away grandparents and a special rose appliqué which was part of Ali's grandmother's wedding dress. In addition to the fabric Debbie asked each guest to send a note card with a sentiment to the couple, these note cards will be turned into a scrapbook with a piece of fabric and the note. It's the key to the quilt and why each fabric is so meaningful. Cory and Ali are getting married Friday, Mar 16th, Debbie can hardly wait to give them the quilt.

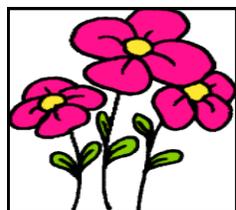


Jan Hirth shared "The Monsters" which she made and quilted. This was a block of the month pattern from Quakertown Quilts that Jan made in about a month. She fused the monsters, then hand embroidered the border verse around the quilt. It says, "There are big scary Monsters under the bed - But I'm not afraid - I just laugh off my head! The monsters stare in surprise at me... But then they giggle and laugh with glee! We laugh 'til we're tired, then sleep through the night - And dream sweet dreams 'til morning light."



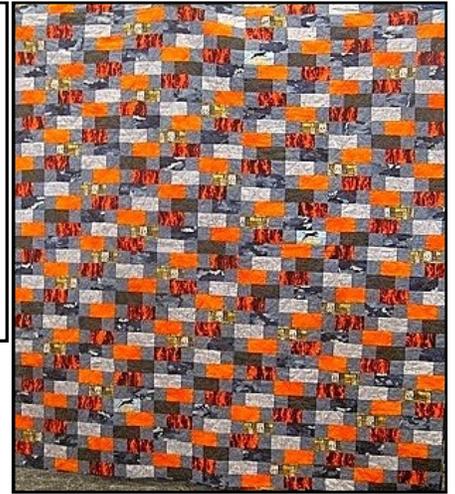
Michelle Howe showed "On the Road Again" a row-by-row quilt made by her friendship group "Sew Fine" for the April auction for Flying Geese Quilters Guild.

Charlotte Runyan took Tina Curran's class in January and made these two flag quilts. The first one took 2-1/2 weeks to make, paper piecing 1300 pieces. The second one took 2-1/2 days strip piecing the stripes - 960 pieces.



Marilyn Egler showed “My Hero” a quilt she made for her brother John because he served in the Navy during the Vietnam war. It is part of the “Quilts of Valor Foundation” program. The quilt design is based on the pattern “Give and Take” using lots of orange, John’s favorite color. Because he served in the Navy she machine quilted the Navy emblem in the center. The “Quilts of Valor Foundation” is a wonderful way to honor a special person that you know that had either served or is in active duty in the military. See the website for all the details:

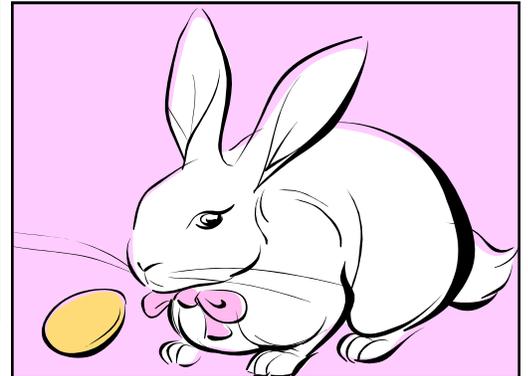
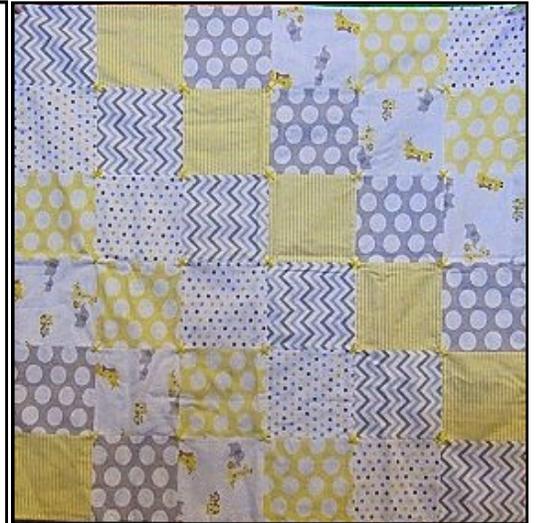
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Maggie Bell showed one of many baby quilts. Her explanation about them follows: “Two years ago August, one of my daughter’s and my younger sorority sisters gave birth prematurely to her daughter, Evelyn, who survived less than a day. This was doubly tragic as Melissa had endured several IVF failures. She and her husband decided to channel their grief into helping others, and thus the “For Love of Evelyn” project was started. Since Evelyn was due to be born in early December, Melissa and Jason asked their friends if they would consider donating baby blankets to the NICUs at the two hospitals that cared for Evelyn during her short life. I think she asked for about 60 blankets to be delivered to the hospitals on Dec. 9, 2016. However, she received nearly 200, so more families with infants in those NICU were given blankets.

Last year, another drive was initiated and in addition to baby blankets, other items were sent that were put into gift baskets for the families at the two hospitals.

This year, Melissa and Jason asked that their friends consider doing a project or their own to benefit babies. About the same time this request was made, my own daughter decided to clear out her stash of flannel to make room for the yarn she is collecting for her crocheting projects. She gave me seven white trash bags stuffed to overflowing with all that flannel. I then asked Katy’s and my friendship group, “A Few Loose Threads”, to help me make baby blankets that will be given to the SQG Philanthropy group to be donated to a Camp Pendleton Marines Baby Shower and any other group in need of baby blankets. So far, we have 18 finished blankets, but enough flannel left over that will end up as donations in the future.”



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