

Cotton Patch Quilters of Kern County

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A Thimbleful of Wisdom

by Shazila K. Planz

“The problem is not the problem.

The problem is your attitude about
the problem.”

Captain Jack Sparrow



Six more weeks of winter

February AT A GLANCE

Tuesday 2-6-18 BOARD MEETING
MOVED TO MARCH

Thursday 2-15-18 - Guild Meeting
1:00 p.m. – Social Time
1:30 p.m. – Meeting begins

Thursday 2-15-18 CPQ at Night
6:15 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday 2-26-18 FINAL DAY to send
Officer and committee reports for
February 2018 Newsletter

President's Message

Amazing! Here we are, it's February already. Our quilt show is coming up next weekend at its new location at Hodel's. I'm quite sure that this is going to be a great show as well as an excellent location!

A big thank you to Nancy Palmer for giving us a rundown of all the of the preparation for the quilt show and where help is needed. Please do your best to get involved anywhere you that you can. Nancy also requested that if you have anything for the Country Store to bring it to her home. You can also call me 661-619-2763 and maybe I can assist in that department.

For some of you I know that the Super Bowl might be a big deal for you. For me it means that I head out to Creation Station in Buellton for a 4-day quilt retreat where there will be no discussion of politics, sports or the Super Bowl. Basically, I will leave my brain in the glove compartment of the car and sew mindlessly all 4 days.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the CPQ Quilt Show.

Be Blessed, Bob



February 14th

Loving Hands



Hi everyone! I don't have much to report except that February is the month of L-O-V-E and you can share the love by participating in Loving Hands! ☺
Each month our Guild is proud to present 10+ small quilt (isolettes) to four local hospitals.....thanks to all who participate! Special hugs and kisses to those of you who are the "committed".. X O X O

Kits for the Isolettes® (small quilts) including batting are made available at each meeting. Size: 32"x 32", washed and CPQ label sewn on. If you have any questions regarding Loving Hands, please call:

Deanie Hogan 301-7173



Paws for a Cause

The month of February has plenty of good stuff going for it. Being a short month, you won't be as penniless in the last week as you usually are. The days are getting longer, the evenings lighter and before you know it....it will be spring. Yahoo! February is also known as the month of LOVE! On Valentine's Day we celebrate love and affection. Let's show a little love for the homeless pets in our community by quilting them some warm, comfortable pet-beds.

At the January meeting we collected 19 pet beds. That is a great start towards our 2018 goal.

Pet beds can be any size or shape from 18 inches square for kitty cats and puppies; up to 5 feet square for large dogs. The beds can be sewn with cotton, flannel or fleece material. Use either cotton or polyester batting. Please stop by our table and grab a few more pet bed kits to take home and practice your quilting skills.

Happy tails!

For more information contact:

Diane at 834-3481 or Denice at 809-6241

*** A CHANGE TO REMEMBER ***

Cotton Patch Quilt Guild members who will be celebrating their birthdays in February, remember it's your turn as a "Birthday girl (or guy)" to bring a plate of goodies for our March 15th meeting. It's sort of a reverse birthday party!



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| Feb. 1 | Rita Bright |
| Feb. 1 | Dian Schwanz |
| Feb. 2 | Cynthia Chase |
| Feb. 3 | Marilyn Smith |
| Feb. 4 | Jeanette Coughran |
| Feb. 5 | Debra Clutter |
| Feb. 6 | Roberta Klink |
| Feb. 7 | Lynn Brown |
| Feb. 8 | Gwen Gerth |
| Feb. 13 | Deborah Howard |
| Feb. 14 | Diane Chapman |
| Feb. 18 | Jandel Pulcher |
| Feb. 21 | Jewell Forrest |
| Feb. 21 | Elizabeth Lehman |
| Feb. 22 | Mary Mattson |
| Feb. 22 | Carla Talley |
| Feb. 23 | Dolores Phillips |
| Feb. 26 | Susan Sims |
| Feb. 28 | Eva Nipp |
| Feb. 28 | Arlene Velis |

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

February 15, 2018 Program

Anelie Belden

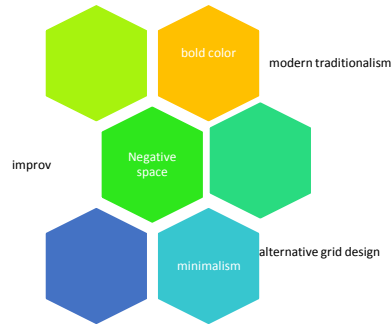


“Thoroughly Modern Dresden”

Fiber artist Anelie Belden began her sewing career working in the fashion industry which gave her the skills to begin her quilting journey. After owning her own quilt store and teaching quilting in her area she began designing quilts. She has taken the traditional Dresden Quilt design and created a new updated Dresden Designs which are featured in her book titled “Thoroughly Modern Dresden.” Not only are the designs modern, they are constructed using a breakthrough piecing technique to improve speed and accuracy. Belden has recorded a program demonstrating her technique with “The Quilt Show,” starring Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims.

She has also taught at Quilt Guilds throughout the country, Houston Quilt Festival and Empty Spools Seminars in Asilomar, California. An accomplished quilter, she had her quilt “Amazon Horizons” featured in the 2012 “The Art of The Quilt” Calendar published by Orange Circle Studio. Her designs have been featured in Quiltmaker Magazine.

CPQ at Night



***** (the third Thursday of every month) *****

Riverlakes Ranch Community Center

3825 Riverlakes Drive (off Coffee Road)

Bakersfield CA 93312

6:15 to 8:00 pm

February meeting: SWAP time! Our evening members have selected a secret sewing partner in October and will be ready to swap in February! Please bring your swap item, a friend and a share!

March meeting: Cotton Patch member Kelly Dahl of KMK Quilting will be doing a trunk show and discussion about quilting with her Statler Stitcher. Mark your calendar, you won't want to miss it!

Darla Hall



February 19th

Look who is coming this April to Cotton Patch Quilt Guild!

Bonnie Hunter



"Bonnie K. Hunter is passionate about quilt quilting, focusing mainly on scrap quilts with the simple feeling of "making do." She started her love affair with quilting in a home economics class her senior year of high school in 1980 and has never looked back. Before quilting because her full-time career, Bonnie was the owner and designer of Needle in a Haystack!! Creating more than 70 patterns for dolls and stuffed animals with a country primitive feel.

Many of her designs were licensed through the Butterick Pattern Company, translated into 7 languages and sold around the globe through fabric stores. But quilting has always been Bonnie's first love. She has been machine quilting since 1989 and professionally long arm quilting for the public since 1995, retiring in 2009 when she no longer had the time due to her teaching, traveling and writing schedule. She has been featured in magazines both for her quilt patterns and articles she has written on scrap management and using that stash to its full potential.

Dedicated to continuing the traditions of quilting, Bonnie enjoys meeting with quilters, teaching workshops and lecturing to quilt guilds all over the world, challenging quilters to break the rules, think outside the box, and find what brings them joy.

When not traveling and teaching, she spends her time piecing scrap quilts, enjoying the peaceful reward of English paper piecing and hand quilting as much as machine work, and loving life in her wooded surroundings in beautiful rural Wallburg, North Carolina, a suburb of Winston-Salem. She and her husband, Dave are the proud parents of two grown sons, Jason, and Jeffrey. They round out their household with Sadie the dog and two cats – Emmy Lou, who loves life inside only, an Chloe who only loves life on the outside—keeping Bonnie company while she designs, quilts and plays happily with her fabric.

Bonnie also writes a regular column for Quiltmaker Magazine entitled "Addicted to Scraps" with the main intention to help you to put various aspects of your own Scrap Users System to good use!

Catch up with Bonnie's doings through her extensive website at Quiltville.com. There you will find Quiltville's calendar for lectures and workshops, tips and tricks, techniques, tutorials and a long list of free quilt patterns to help you dig into your scraps. From there, head over to Quiltville.blogspot.com for Bonnie's (almost) daily blog, Quiltville's Quips & Snips.

Her global email list, Quiltvillechat has become a hot spot for mystery quilters from all over the world with a focus on using scraps and stash.

Don't forget Facebook! Keep in real-time touch with Bonnie on the [Quiltville Friends Page](https://www.facebook.com/QuiltvilleFriendsPage). "
(from Bonnie Hunter Website)

CPQ is offering two full workshop days with Bonnie, and a special morning lecture, "Addicted to Scraps."

Wednesday, April 18, 2018: Workshop @ Thimble Towne, "Wonky Wishes" (Purchase your pattern online from Bonnie's website—we will not have patterns available)

Thursday, April 19, 2018 @ 10:30 A.M.: Lecture @ Thimble Towne with regular CPQ meeting

Friday, April 18, 2018: Workshop @Thimble Towne, "My Blue Heaven" (Free pattern download from Bonnie's Website)

There is still room in both workshops for those interested. Workshops are \$40.00 for CPQ members and \$55.00 for non-guild members. Cost includes lunch. Contact Debbie Lindgren or Cindy Brakeman for more information.



SAVE THE DATE!

COTTON PATCH QUILTERS OF KERN COUNTY QUILT SHOW

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10,
2018
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

HODEL'S COUNTRY DINING
5917 KNUDSEN DRIVE
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA

A Special Note about the Bylaw Changes

Due to the format of the Newsletter, the Bylaws will be listed **above February 2018** tab under "Newsletters" on the CPQ Guild website.

From the Parliamentarian:

You will notice the tab above the February newsletter this month which are proposed Bylaw changes. Never give the job of reviewing the Bylaws to an Ex-English teacher!

Many of the changes are merely making the Bylaws grammatically correct, as well as making them visually correct (some formatting issues). But there are some significant changes, including adding four director positions to the Executive Board. These positions will help the Guild run more smoothly, hopefully give more support to our committee chairs, and involve more people in the operations of the Guild. One of the four new director positions is the Quilt Show Chairman. We think this is such an important job that that person should have been a member of the Executive Board all along.

Also, we are suggesting a \$5.00 increase in dues, which will help us cover the costs of Electronic Funds Transfers. As many of you know until recently we have not been able to take credit card payments, but beginning with the Quilt Show, we will now be able to accept credit card payments for dues, classes, admission to special events, etc.

Please read over the Bylaw changes carefully, we will be voting on these changes at the February meeting. Any deletions to the old Bylaws will have a strikethrough, and any additions will be in red. If you have any questions you can direct them to myself, Darla Hall, or Dee Glinzak.

Cindy Brakeman

Update for Judged and Display Only Quilts!

In a few short days our 2018 CPQ Quilt Show will open to the Public! This display of **YOUR** quilts is guaranteed to please!

Important dates & useful information:

- ✓ Tuesday, February 6, 11 am - 2 pm. Drop off **ALL** (judged and display only) quilts to the Event Center at Thimble Towne, 2841 Unicorn Rd., Bakersfield.
- ✓ Wednesday, February 7, 8:30 am - whenever judging is complete. Quilt Judge - Linda Rasmussen.
- ✓ All entered quilts must have a 4" sleeve; quilts under 40" can have a smaller sleeve. Quilts over 80" must have a split sleeve.
- ✓ Quilts should be folded with the label showing and your name should be taped over.
- ✓ Please be prepared to take any protective coverings (pillowcases, plastic bags, etc.) back with you.
- ✓ Make sure your quilts are clean and free of any markings, loose strings, pet hair, lint, etc.
- ✓ Quilt Release will be 5:30 pm on Saturday, February 10.

The excitement is building! I hope you have all volunteered to work in some capacity during the Quilt Show. Together we will make it the best one yet!

Maireann croi eadrom i bhfad (A light heart lives longest)

CeCe Westerfield
Quilt Judging Chair

BEST OF THE VALLEY QUILT SHOW

2018 Entry Rules and Forms Mail-in

[Paper Entry Forms](#)

[Guidelines](#)

Enter Online:

botvquiltstentry.com

2018 Challenge

Create a quilt with the theme of "Snapshots of the Valley."

Feel free to express yourself within the confines of a 18x24" quilt.

[Download Guidelines and Entry Form](#)

Resources

[Photographing Your Quilt](#)

[How to Make a Quilt Sleeve](#)



UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

February 15, 2018 Program

Anelie Belden
“Dresden Dance”

February 16, 2018 Workshop

Jelly Roll Split Blade Dresden
4 design choices or a Wall Hanging
Class \$30.00

March 15, 2018 Program

Cindy Seitz-Krug
“20 Tips & Tricks for Better
Machine Quilting”

March 16, 2018 Workshop

Gorgeous Gridded Backgrounds
Class \$30.00
Kit \$30.00

April 19, 2018 Program

Contact Deborah Lindgren or Cindy
Brakeman for event details

April 20, 2018 Workshop

Contact Deborah Lindgren or Cindy
Brakeman for event details

To sign up for classes, contact
Donna Haynes 661-345-6701
or
Deborah Kelton 805-760-049

Class fee is due upon registration for class.

Cancellation Policy: If class is not filled 30
days prior to class date, class will be
cancelled, and fees returned.

All workshops will be at Thimble Towne
2841 Unicorn Rd #103
9:30am – 4:00pm

Cotton Patch Quilt Guild

2017-2018 OFFICERS

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|--------------------|----------------|
| President | Bob Miller |
| 1st Vice President | Deborah Kelton |
| 2nd Vice President | Donna Haynes |
| Treasurer | Dee Glinzak |
| Secretary | Darla Hall |
| Parliamentarian | Cindy Brakeman |
| Member at Large | |

Committee and Philanthropic Project Chairpersons

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|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Blocks for the Brave | Deborah Kelton Donna Haynes |
| Bus Trips | LaNita Northway |
| Challenge Quilt | Darla Hall |
| Christmas Party | Bob Miller |
| Door Prizes | Laura Rude |
| Greeter | Candace Meares Linda Stone |
| Hospitality | Cher Pannell |
| Kern County Fair | Dayle Metcalf |
| Library | Jennifer Armantrout |
| Loving Hands | Deanie Hogan |
| Membership | Mary Jo Henry |
| Membership Directory | Lynn Brown |
| New Membership Tea | |
| Newsletter | Jandel Pulcher |
| Opportunity Quilt | Carol Smith |
| Opp.Quilt Marketing | Marilyn Droppers |
| Paws for a Cause | Diane Chapman Denice Rudolph |
| Photographer | Patty Ruettgers |
| Publicity | Cher Pannell |
| Quilt Show | Nancy Palmer |
| Ronald McDonald House | Sandy Thomas |
| Show and Tell | Sharon Godley |
| Storage | Diane Chapman |
| Sunshine | Ruth Snedden |
| Sweet Dreams | Shannon Banks |
| Website | |

Mission Statement

The purpose of this organization shall be:

- to preserve and continue the traditions, culture and history of quilting;
- to promote fellowship among persons interested in all aspects of quilts;
- to contribute knowledge and to promote the appreciation of fine quilts;
- to sponsor and support quilting activities;
- to encourage quilt making and collecting;
- and, to contribute to the growth and knowledge of quilt making techniques, textiles and patterns through educational meetings.



Please contact Ruth Snedden
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needing a ray of sunshine
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Fabricologist:



/fa-bric-'ä-lä-jist/

n:/one who has perfected the art
of stashing fabric.

Cherry Berry Quilts - Bakersfield
Debbie's Fabrics - Tehachapi
Calico Mermaid - Porterville
Thimble Towne