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## **Blocks for the Brave**

Join us <u>every</u> Tuesday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Thimble Towne to work on quilt tops, binding, pillow cases, cutting and pressing. Just bring your sewing machine and basic sewing supplies, along with your enthusiasm! We are always happy to have new volunteers join us! Thanks, Donna Haynes (661) 345-6701

## May AT A GLANCE

Tuesday 5-08-18 BOARD MEETING 5:00 p.m. Bob's house

Thursday 5-17-18 -- Guild Meeting 1:00 p.m. – Social Time 1:30 p.m. – Meeting begins

Thursday 5-17-18 -- CPQ at Night 6:15 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Friday 5-18-18 – Workshop Thimble Towne 9:30 am – 4:00 p.m. \$25 covers both kits \$30 Class Fee

Friday, May 25, 2018 FINAL DAY to send Officer and Committee reports for June 2018 Newsletter

## **President's Message**

What an amazing meeting we just had a couple of weeks ago! Bonnie Hunter is a great speaker and a very good teacher. Because of the four-day events that she was doing at Thimble Towne, we held our meeting there too. A big "shout out" to Jeremy for hosting us and taking care of every need we had. He was excellent and so was the location!

I attended the workshop on Wednesday and watched everybody working and enjoying their projects and realized that sometimes, as we sew along, we might need a little relief for pain in our lower back, neck or shoulders. I took a little time to demonstrate four or five little exercises you can do while sewing that might help relieve those aches and pains. If you would like me to show a little demonstration, please let me know.

On the last page of this newsletter is the slate of officers for 2018-2019. You might take time to look it over and possibly consider stepping up to one of those positions sometime in the future. It's a nice way to meet members and make new friends!

It's with sadness that I have to report that our members lost a dear quilting friend on Sunday evening, April 29. Jane Mulligan was tragically killed in a car accident. Please keep Jane's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Be Blessed, Bob



Our Guild will be dark in July, so at last month's meeting, I asked members who are already Loving Hands participants and other members if they might consider bringing 2 isolettes to our June meeting.

Last month, I also introduced Patty Ruettgers who will be the next committee chairman of Loving Hands for 2018-19 beginning in July.

Recognition of this year's Loving Hands participants will be held at our June meeting for participants who have completed at least 9 isolettes for this year.

Special thanks to Gail Clark who assisted me at the Loving Hands table for the last five years. We have enjoyed getting to know many wonderful, generous quilters.

Isolette Specs: All cotton, 32" x 32", batting, stitched authentic Guild label, and washed.

Questions.....call Deanie Hogan, Chairman Loving Hands 661-301-7173

### If I stitch fast enough, does it count as aerobic exercise?



The month of May offers the perfect climate for beautiful plants and flowers to flourish. May is also known as a time when animals thrive and grow. There are many puppies and kittens up for adoption around Kern County. Adopt a dog or adopt a cat and you'll have a friend for life!

Thank you so much for your time and energy it takes to sew/quilt these precious beds. The homeless cats and dogs really appreciate the comfortable beds they get to relax on.

The beds can be any size or shape from eighteen inches square for cats and small dogs; up to five feet square for large dogs. The beds can be sewn with cotton, flannel or fleece material. Use either cotton or polyester batting.

We have donated 72 pet beds this year! Keep up the good work.

Please come on by our table at the next CPQ meeting. We will have bunches of free pet bed kits available for you to take home and practice your quilting skills.

#### Happy tails!

For more information contact Diane at 834-3481 or Denice at 809-6241



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### \*\*\* PLEASE REMEMBER \*\*\*

Cotton Patch Quilt Guild members who will be celebrating their birthdays in <u>May</u>, remember it's your turn as a "Birthday girl (or guy)" to <u>bring a plate of</u> <u>goodies for our May 17th meeting.</u> It's sort of a reverse birthday party!



- May 2 Lorna Quiggle
- May 4 Rebeca Wells
- May 5 Patricia King
- May 6 Anna Lee
- May 6 Rose Paslay
- May 8 Kim Linder
- May 9 Lois Watkins
- May 14 Donna Haynes
- May 15 Judy Colin
- May 15 Darsha Spalinger
- May 18 Juanita Bean
- May 18 Candace Kielty
- May 21 Jennifer McNees
- May 23 Patricia Filkins
- May 23 Denice Rudolph
- May 24 Cher Ami Pannell
- May 27 Marcia Dee Recker
- May 29 Cynthia Brakeman
- May 31 Lucia Haney



I will continue to accept dues at the May and June guild meetings. Remember, the dues are now \$30.

I need to apologize to the guild's Honorary Lifetime Members. I wasn't thinking when I sent them the notice to pay their dues - they don't pay dues!! Please, if you are a HLM, disregard that request to pay your dues.

At this point, 20 guild members have renewed their dues for 2018-19, and we have four new members for 2018-19. Please say hello to Eileen Paine, Joni Easlick, Eric Foss and Dolores Clark at the next meeting.

If you ordered a name tag, it will be at the membership table. Don't forget to sign in, too.

> Happy Sewing! Mary Jo Henry Membership Chairman

#### **UPCOMING PROGRAM**

May 17, 2018 Program

### Shirley McGuire "Wool on a Budget"



Shirley McGuire has come from a long line of quilters, sewers and crafters. She won numerous sewing competitions as a teenager, but didn't make her first queen size Lover's Knot guilt until the age of 15, using cardboard templates. Fast forward 30 years after careers in teaching Home Economics and retiring from the Army, Shirley took her first quilting class and was hooked. Since then Shirley has taught quilting classes for the past twelve years through adult school and in private venues. When a student of Shirley's asked her if she could teach wool appliqué, a new passion was born. That student was Maureen Waterhouse, whom she has since collaborated with in dyeing wool, teaching and pattern design. Together they have presented their lecture/trunk show and have offered a variety of fun wool appliqué and needle felting workshops. They are in the process of publishing their first book on wool appliqué and dyeing.

#### May 18, 2018 Workshop

with Shirley McGuire

Kit for both projects \$25.00 Pin cushion in a.m. session Pillow in p.m. session Class Fee is \$30.00 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

To sign up for classes, contact Donna Haynes 661-345-6701 or Deborah Kelton 805-760-0490

Class fee is due upon registration for class. Cancelation Policy: If class is not filled 30 days prior to class date, class will be canceled, and fees returned.

#### June 21, 2018 Program



<u>July 2018</u> No Meeting No Workshop

## **Cotton Patch Quilt Guild** 2017-2018 Officers

President 1st Vice President 2nd Vice President Treasurer Secretary Parliamentarian Member at Large

**Bob Miller Deborah Kelton** Donna Haynes Dee Glinzak Darla Hall **Cindy Brakeman** 

**Committee and Philanthropic Project** Chairpersons

Blocks for the Brave

**Bus Trips** Challenge Quilt Christmas Party **Door Prizes** Greeters

- Hospitality Kern County Fair Loving Hands Membership Membership Dir. New Membership Tea Newsletter **Opportunity Quilt** Opp.Quilt Mktg. Paws for a Cause
- Photographer Publicity Quilt Show Ronald McDonald House Show and Tell Storage Sunshine Sweet Dreams Website

Deborah Kelton Donna Haynes LaNita Northway Darla Hall **Bob Miller** Laura Rude Kathy Torchia Linda Stone Cher Pannell Dayle Metcalf Deanie Hogan Mary Jo Henry Lynn Brown

Jandel Pulcher Carol Smith Marilyn Droppers **Diane Chapman Denice Rudolph** Patty Ruettgers Cher Pannell Nancy Palmer Sandy Thomas Sharon Godley

Ruth Snedden Shannon Banks

## **Cotton Patch Quilt Guild** 2018-2019 Slate of Officers

President **1st Vice President** 2nd Vice President Treasurer Secretary Parliamentarian Member at Large Director of Membership Director of Philanthropy Director of Communications Debra Clutter Director of Quilt Show

Pat Ruiz Krystina Steed Laurie Britt Karen Fitzsimmons Karen Blount

Laura Rude Mary Jo Henry Stacy Heredia Darla Hall

## **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.