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Just a few more weeks until we can have some welcome relief from this heat! Hope you have all enjoyed some "get-away" time during this heat spell!

AS OF TODAY, AN IMPORTANT UPDATE

The September 21 workshop with Linda Wagner regarding borders may be canceled unless we get some registrations. So, if you're interested in this workshop, please register on the website by August 15, 2018!

August AT A GLANCE

Thursday 8-9-18 Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. – Potluck at Debbie Clutter's house

Thursday 8-16-18 - Guild Meeting featuring Laurie Britt 1:00 p.m. - Social Time 1:30 p.m. - Meeting begins

Thursday 8-16-18 - CPQ at Night featuring Darla Hall with "EPP" (English Paper Piecing), and time to Swap! 6:15 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday 8-18-18 – Workshop with Laurie Britt. See Event Calendar on website for details and registration.



Cotton Patch Quilt Guild President Pat Ruiz!

Happy August to everyone even though it's been a really hot summer with too many days over 100 degrees. August is Back-to-School for children, teachers, school administrators and school support staff. Most importantly, relief and quiet time for Grandmas and other care givers who have been busy with family duties during this summer. Planning and preparing entries into the Kern County Fair have also begun, so don't linger and get those entries completed. Fair date is Septemer 19 – 30th! Let's have a good showing from Cotton Patch Quilters!!

Don't forget to bring your completed items to the August meeting - Loving Hands preemie quilts, pet beds for the shelters, pillow cases for "Sweet Dreams" & quilts for "Blocks for the Brave" and donations for Ronald McDonald House! Donations can be tabs from pop top cans, food items to stock the kitchen pantry, cleaning supplies or sanitary supplies for kitchen and bathroom are also welcome!

As the new president, I'm really excited about the coming year, working with the Board and getting to know the members of Cotton Patch Quilters.



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<u>Upcoming Program and Workshop Information</u>

UPDATE 8/6/2018

At this point, there are no sign-ups for the September 21 workshop re borders with Linda Wagner. If there are no registrations as of August 15, class will be canceled!

A Quick Summary

August

16 - 1:00 p.m. - Riverlakes Community Center Guild meeting featuring Laurie Britt

16 - 6:15 p.m. - Riverlakes Community Center Guild Meeting featuring Darla Hall with English Paper Piecing, and it's time to Swap!

18 - Workshop at Thimbletown 9:30 - 4:00 p.m. - Laurie Britt teaches landscape collage.

September

20 - 1:00 p.m. - Riverlakes Community Center Guild meeting featuring Linda Wagner

20 - 6:15 p.m. Riverlakes Community Center Guild meeting

21 - Workshop at Cherry Berry 9:30 - 4:00 p.m. - Linda Wagner teaches borders and bindings. Class may be canceled as of 8/15/18 if there are no sign-ups.



Time for Sign-Ups for the new year! Get those UFO's (unfinished objects) out of your closets and drawers and "get 'em done"! Oh, and did I mention an opportunity for cash prizes at year end? Now there's a motivator! A win-win!



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Aug 8 Martha Francis

Aug 16 Kelly Dahl

Aug 21 Lisa Buffington

Aug 24 Linda Hummer

Aug 25 Mary Lauria

You may contact Cher Pannell to coordinate at (661) 393-4473 if you'd like to bring goodies to the meeting.

Thimbleful of Wisdom by Sheila K. Plane

"The difference between school and life? In school, you're taught a lesson and then given a test. In life, you're given a test that teaches you a lesson."



Stacey Heredia



Paws for a Cause

We're still needing a Chairman for "Paws for a Cause". If someone might be interested, please look for Stacey at the meeting, or call her at her phone number below!

Denice Rudolph has been an assistant to the previous Chairman and is willing to continue as assistant. She delivers the pet beds after each meeting to the SPCA and the Kern County Animal Services. The Chairman would be responsible for:

- Setting up the table each month at the meetings with the fabric/batting kits for members to take home to make the pet beds
- Kits are made by the Chairman and/or helper(s)
- Plenty of fabric and batting is in the quilt guild storage bin.
- The previous Chairman, Diane Chapman, is willing to train and indicated that it should be an easy, quick transition.

Happy tails!
For more information contact
Stacey Heredia at (661) 401-4492



Help Wanted

Chairman Shannon Banks needs an assistant to help with Sweet Dreams (pillowcases). Please see Stacey if interested. Thank you.



Ronald McDonald (RM) House 420 34th Street Bakersfield CA (661) 327-4647

Our Chairman, Carla Talley, is asking for donations to support families who stay in the RM house so they can be near their children who are admitted for treatment at the local hospitals. Pantry food items, cleaning supplies .. most anything that can be stocked so families can have food and necessary supplies readily available as needed. So as you head out the door to the guild meeting, stop by your cabinet for a quick check to see if there's something you can donate.

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! All supplies are available there! We are always happy to have new volunteers join us!

Thanks,
Donna Haynes – (661) 345-6701
Deborah Kelton – (805) 760-0490



FOR SALE

Pfaff Quilt Expression 4.0 with acrylic extension table and knee control. \$500. Call Mary Lauria at (661) 398-8284 Selling due to health issues.

DUES AND DON'TS"



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Did you know that you can pay your dues online now?

Finally, hooray!! Dues are \$30 and can be paid with a few clicks on the keyboard of your computer! If you don't have a computer, send me a check or bring it to the meeting, and I'll do it for you. By now, if you have an email address, you should have received two notices that it's time to pay your dues. These notices include a temporary password so you can log into the system at www.cottonpatchquiltguild.org. Once you're logged on, you can update with your own password and other information. You will also find a section where you can possibly select a committee of which you might enjoy serving. If you need help, don't hesitate to click on the link to me at "Membership Director". I hope to have new membership cards for everyone at the August meeting. Happy sewing!

> Mary Jo Henry Membership Director



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