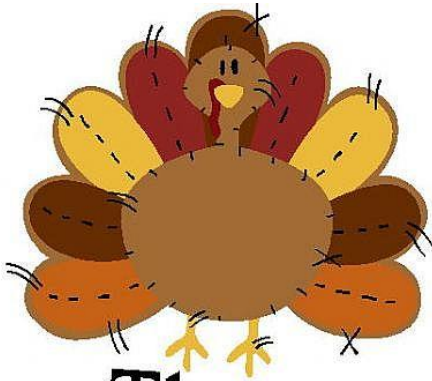


# Cotton Patch Quilters of Kern County

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## Happy Thanksgiving

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### *November AT A GLANCE*

Thursday 11-8-18 Board Meeting  
Lauri Britt's house  
10905 Rainwater Lane  
Bakersfield CA 93306

Thursday 11-15-18 Guild Meeting  
Rami Kim "Two by Two"  
Riverlakes Community Center  
1:00 p.m. – Social Time  
1:30 p.m. – Meeting Begins

Thursday 11-15-18 CPQ at Night  
Riverlakes Community Center  
6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Facilitator – Darla Hall

Saturday 11-17- Rami Kim  
Thimble Towne 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
See Event Calendar on the website for more  
info and registration (\$30)

### President's Report by Pat Ruiz

Just around the corner is Thanksgiving and then, oh my goodness, Christmas! Busy times with family, friends and Cotton Patch Quilt Guild!

Just remember to **turn in your completed quilts** at the November meeting to be taken to those affected by the California fires, or contact myself, Stacey Heredia or Sandra Ferguson for pickup. As of this date, only 10 quilts have been completed and turned in. Batting and backing donations are needed, and your generous donations are appreciated. Also, volunteers are **still needed** to complete quilts (quilting and binding). I would like to give kudos to Sandra Ferguson for her relentless, caring work in making sure this project is completed and a success.

Don't forget to sign up for the Christmas luncheon. Fun stuff and prizes are planned for the event and it's a good time to spend with fellow quilters.

See you at the November general meeting and Happy Thanksgiving!



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### DETAILS OF OUR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

DATE: Saturday, December 8, 2018

TIME: Social 11:30 - Serve 12:30

PLACE: La Cabaña Restaurant

ADDRESS: 6725 White Lane, Bakersfield

MENU: 2 Entrees, rice, beans, chips and drink

COST: \$14 per person (member or spouse)

RSVP with \$ to Mary Brown at the  
raffle table at November meeting please

Volunteers needed for decorations. Request friendship groups to make baskets for raffles.

Questions: Bob Miller (661) 619-2763

## CPQ NOVEMBER PROGRAM AND WORKSHOP

November 15, 2018 - Riverlakes Community Center

1:00 p.m. - Social Time

1:30 p.m. - Meeting begins

Program: Rami Kim - "Two by Two"

### CPQ at Night

November 15, 2018 - Riverlakes Community Center

6:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Program: Darla Hall

### Workshop

Saturday, November 17, 2018

Rami Kim teaches "The Fifth Dimension"

Place: Thimble Towne

Time: 9:30 a.m - 4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 (register online at CPQ website under "Event Calendar" tab)

See her classes at <http://www.ramikim.com/home>



## A Thimbleful of Wisdom

by Shzila K. Plang

"Be a pineapple.

Stand tall, wear a crown,  
and be sweet on the inside."



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## LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CPQ QUILT SHOW FOR 2020



### Hospitality Chairman Janice Biggs

I'm looking forward to this new assignment as Hospitality Chairman for the guild. Members have always been so generous in providing goodies at the meetings, and we all know if there's a lady meeting, there HAS to be goodies! Lol. I'll be sending an email reminder to the November birthdays closer to the meeting date of Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have any suggestions or comments, please don't hesitate to call me. Janice Biggs (661) 699-0157.

### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Nov 4 Linda Stone  
Nov 7 Donna Parker  
Nov 8 Patty Ruetters  
Nov 14 Patricia L. Walters  
Nov 20 Shannon Banks  
Nov 26 Susanne Burress  
Nov 29 Vivian Patterson  
Nov 30 Irene Gilbert

## Loving Hands



### Loving Hands Needs Quilts

If you are working on a Christmas themed isolette, please turn it in at the November meeting.

If you have made a commitment, please turn in two quilts in November as there is no meeting in December.

Thank you to everyone who turned in an isolette at the last meeting. Every quilt makes a difference, and they mean so much to these families at what must be a very difficult time in their life.

Hope you have a wonderful turkey day 😊

Patty Ruetters



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Chairman Shannon Banks needs an assistant to help with Sweet Dreams pillowcases. She just need someone willing to fill in for her at the meetings, if she is unable to attend. Please see Stacey Heredia if you're willing to help fill that need. Thank you.



## Paws for a Cause

Introducing our new Paws for a Cause Chairman,  
Catherine Foster!



Hi, I'm new to quilting, so I joined the guild to be able to learn and share. I'm glad I did. Not only have I made new friends, but I have re-connected with an old friend (small world) from school days. So glad to be part of this group.

*(Note) I can already see puppy tails wagging with excitement! Kits will be available at the November meeting, so stop by and say hello to Catherine as you pick one up!*





Blocks for the Brave had another successful sew-in recently. There were kits to sew and many quilt tops turned in and many are ready to be quilted and have the binding hand stitched. We even got to meet a Veteran, Scott Beaver, who received a beautiful quilt pieced and quilted by Susan Kappelman.

Join us every Tuesday from 1pm to 4pm at Thimble Towne. Just bring your sewing machine and basic supplies for a fun afternoon of sewing and visiting.



Pictured are (L) Susan Kappelman and Scott Beaver, and Dyna Hall.

Thanks,

Donna Haynes – (661) 345-6701

Deborah Kelton – (805) 760-0490

Ronald McDonald (RM) House

420 34<sup>th</sup> Street

Bakersfield CA

(661) 327-4647



Veteran Scott Beaver receives a well deserved quilt!



Thank you to all that donated soda can tabs, food and toiletries. Ronald McDonald house greatly appreciated it all. They are getting ready to break ground for their expansion of the Ronald McDonald House. They are operating out of a trailer and still helping families. I am accepting soda cans and water bottles. Anything will be appreciated. Thank you again for your donations.

Carla Talley

I Think God is a Quilter  
(Author Unknown)

I think God is a quilter  
Who takes His needle and thread  
To piece our world from nothingness  
And give it form, instead.  
I think God is a quilter  
And everything I see  
Are pieces from His careful hand  
From tree to bumblebee.  
I think we see God's stitches  
His texture everywhere;  
The velvet moss, the grainy sand,  
The silky strands of hair.  
I think God is a quilter;  
Stitching tight and tiny rows,  
Adding to my scraps and pieces,  
Seaming everything He knows.  
I think He cuts the patterns  
From what I'd throw away.  
He shows me how to use each scrap  
In His redeeming way.  
I think God quilts a pattern  
From everything I live;  
But He can only stitch the quilt  
From what I choose to give.  
I think God is a quilter  
Stitching strength where I am weak.  
Showing me that life He touches  
Embraces everything I seek.  
I think God is a quilter  
From the patience in each thread;  
Proving length of time no barrier;  
Treating time a gift, instead.  
I think quilts are lessons  
God uses just to teach  
That our pieces and our remnants  
Have kaleidoscopic reach.  
So, in the life I'm living  
With pieces everywhere  
I'll give them to the Quilter  
To stitch with loving care.  
I'll give them to the Quilter  
Unwanted though they be  
And with His work of quilting  
He'll make a quilt of me.



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**Membership Directory**

Don't forget to put your picture on the web page, so it can go in the directory! Or, you can send it to me by email, text or snail mail and I'll put it on the web page. I know I need to see faces and names together to help me remember who's who!

The guild has three new members! Janie Albert, Randi Hodson and Lisa Roskam. Welcome to our guild! Members are continuing to renew their memberships, so we are up to 163 members now!

Hopefully, the directory will be available for everyone at the November guild meeting, so get those renewals to me as soon as possible .. and pictures too!

Thanks so much. Mary Jo Henry, 2508 Judith St. Bak., CA 93306; [notime2quilt@aol.com](mailto:notime2quilt@aol.com)

*And the  
Winners  
are...*

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A few of our happy Opportunity Drawing winners!  
Prizes donated by our local quilt shops, members and  
the Cotton Patch Quilt Guild!

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Officers and Committee Chairmen  
2018-2019

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President	Pat Ruiz	(661) 203-3035
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Krystina Steed	(661) 378-6352
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Laurie Britt	(661) 205-3438
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Director of Membership	Mary Jo Henry	(661) 809-0433
Director of Communications	Debra Clutter	(661) 706-2999
Director of Quilt Show	Darla Hall	(661) 839-5805

We are in need of Chairmen for the following committees. If you have any questions or would like to express interest, please contact Stacey Heredia for Sweet Dreams, and Mary Jo Henry for the Sunshine Committee. Thank you.

Sunshine Ruth is no longer able to chair Sunshine. Send cards to members as necessary, and let guild members know if there is a particular need we can help with.

Sweet Dreams Shannon Banks, current Chairman, would appreciate an assistant that would be available to set up for meetings, if she is unable to be there.

Committee	Chairman	Committee	Chairman
Blocks for the Brave	Donna Haynes	Membership	Mary Jo Henry
Bus Trips	LaNita Northway	Newsletter	Janice Biggs
Challenge Quilt	N/A	Opportunity Quilt	Debra Clutter
Christmas Party	Bob Miller	Paws for a Cause	Catherine Foster
Opportunity Drawings	Laura Rude	Photographer	Patty Ruetters
Evening Mtg Facilitator	Darla Hall	Ronald McDonald House	Carla Talley
Greeter	Jennifer Armantrout	Sweet Dreams	Shannon Banks
Hospitality	Janice Biggs	2020 Quilt Show	Darla Hall
Loving Hands	Patty Ruetters	Website	Debra Clutter