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Thimbleful of Wisdom

by Sheila K. Plane

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs."

1 Cor 13:4-8

February AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, 2-12-2019 - Board Meeting 6:00 p.m. Karen Blount's, 1712 Classen St., Bak. (661) 330-5838

Thursday, 2-21-2019 - "Love our Babies" Sew-In Thimble Towne 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Details on Page 2

Thursday, 2-21-2019 - CPQ at Night
Riverlakes Community Center
6:15 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Featuring CPQ Member Laurie Britt
Demonstrating how to create an Art Quilt

President's Message:

Well the new year is in full swing now! The month of February is when lots of love is shared on the 14th with gifts of flowers, candy, cards, special times together and so many other ways. For Cotton Patch quilters, our day to share our gift of quilts will be February 21st at the sew-in for Loving Hands isolettes at Thimble Towne Quilt Shop. Such an awesome way to share our love of quilting with the community.

For those of you who know someone who quilts, but is not a CPQ member, the February sew-in would be a nice time to bring that someone and be a part of an awesome event. Remember, Cotton Patch quilters is for the young and not so young, beginner, rookie, intermediate and experienced quilter. Oh! And, of course, men are welcome too!

A special thank you to Calico Mermaid Shop in Porterville for supporting CPQ. Each time one of our members shops at Calico and mentions they are a member of CPQ, our guild receives 5% from the sales. So remember, when you're at Calico Mermaid shopping, mention CPQ!

A reminder there is still a need for volunteers to help with the planning of the 2020 quilt show. If you would like to help, contact Darla Hall at (661) 839-5805 or attend the next quilt show meeting, which will be in March.

See you on the 21st!

Pat Ruiz



LOVE OUR BABIES SEW-IN! THIMBLE TOWNE!

Hi everyone! I'm so impressed with the quality of the quilts that are submitted! Thank you all for your lovely isolettes! This month, of course, is the "Love our Babies Sew-in" at Thimble Towne on February 21 from 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Bring your sewing machine, supplies and lunch! Come and sew with us for all, or even part of the day. Hospitality will have some treats for us too.

Isolette Specs: All cotton, 32" x 32", batting, no raw edges, guild label, and washed. I am transitioning away from using any flannel. If you have one started with flannel, please go ahead and turn it in!

I'm looking forward to a day of sewing and hope to see you there!

Patty Ruettgers



"Love is the Thread that Binds Us"
-author unknown

CPQ DAY AND NIGHT MARCH MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 21, 2019
Time: 1:30 p.m. <u>AND 6:15 p.m.</u>
Place: Riverlakes Community Center

Speaker: Anna Koelewyn

"From Traditional to Art to Modern"



Workshop Anna Koelewyn Saturday, March 23, 2019



"Stack and Whack"
(details and registration instructions in
March newsletter and on website)

Workshop by CPQ Lifetime Member Cindy Seitz-Krug Teaching "Appliqued Clamshells"



Date: Saturday, March 30, 2019 Time: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Place: Thimble Towne Quilt Shop

Cost: \$40 (plus \$12 kit fee, which includes a plastic clamshell template, plus 100 clamshell paper pieces). Payable directly to Cindy via PayPal, credit card, or mail in check. In this class, you will learn the hand applique and machine applique method for making beautiful clamshells.

To Register:

Call Cindy at (661) 342-9373, or Email her at cindy@quintessentialquilting.com

Blocks for the Brave

Donna Haynes – (661) 345-6701 Debbie Kelton – (805) 760-0490



2019 CHALLENGE QUILTS

by Chairman, Maggie Adams

As your CPQ Member-at-Large, I will be handling the quilt challenges for the coming year. There are four total, and they are to be isolette size (32" x 32"). The challenge themes are as follows:

March – Easter

June – 4th of July

September – Halloween

November – Christmas

Quilts for each theme will be due at the above month's guild meeting. Guild members and visitors will vote, and one winner will receive \$25.00. The isolette quilts will be donated to local NICU's during that season (theme).

I encourage all members to participate in this fun guild activity. Make them as creative or as simple as you like, but please participate. The more entries, the more fun it is for all of us! We all want to see your creativity and talent.

Any questions about the challenge quilts may be directed to Maggie Adams, CPQ Member-at-Large, at (661) 912-4537, or email at marggaretadamms@yahoo.com

Membership Chairman Mary Jo Henry

At the January meeting, Barbara Campanella renewed her membership. Welcome back, Barbara! That means we have 167 members! If you came to the January meeting, you finally received your guild directory! My apologies for the delay. I also owe an apology to Beverly Overdevest, Celia Ho, Maryln Rauser and Thimble Towne for the mistakes I made in the directory. The mistakes are corrected and members will be receiving a corrected sheet to insert into your binders at the February meeting (sew-in). Don't forget to stop by the membership table for quilt show flyers, our quilt show pins, your name tag (if you ordered one or would like to order one), checking off your name on sign-in sheets, volunteering for a committee or asking a question! Happy Sewing!

Mary Jo Henry, Director of Membership



Paws for a Cause



Hi gang, Hope everyone is busy and happy this new year. Great news! We made and delivered 24 pet beds for our local shelters. Thanks for all your efforts and let's keep up the good work.

Thank you all, Catherine Foster, (831) 682 6024



Sweet Dreams is alive and well and our members show much love and interest as they turn in pillow cases for kids who are in shelters. Chairman is needed and would be responsible to prepare fabric kits for meetings and be available at the table at the meetings. Please contact Stacey Heredia at (661) 401-4492 if you're interested.



SPECIAL REQUEST

February birthdays, please bring treats to our Sew-in! Our ladies will be most appreciative!

Feb 1 Dian Schwanz

Feb 2 Cynthia Chase

Feb 4 Jeanette Coughran

Feb 5 Debra Clutter

Feb 6 Carolyn Reinen

Feb 7 Lynn Brown

Feb 10 Dolores Clark

Feb 13 Deborah Howard

Feb 14 Diane Chapman

Feb 18 Jandel Pulcher

Feb 21 Elizabeth Lehman

Feb 22 Carla Talley

Feb 23 Terri Nelson

Feb 23 Dolores Phillips

Feb 26 Susan Sims

Feb 28 Eva Nipp

Feb 28 Arlene Velis

Ronald McDonald (RM) House 420 34th Street

Bakersfield CA (661) 327-4647



We did a good job in January! I was able to deliver several boxes and bags of food and toiletries to the RM House! I also collected \$20.15. Keep up the good work! I will be accepting donations at the sew-in. No donation is too small!

Carla Talley

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING WINNERS!



(L to R): Denice Rudolph, Sandra Ferguson, Jill Ramey, Donna Haynes, Deanie Hogan

Denice: Fat Q's, Wonder Clips, Scissors

Sandra: 5 Yds. Harlequin Pattern Fabric

Donated by Thimble Towne

Jill: Thread, Rotary Blades, Needles,

Valentines Day Fat Q's Donated by Beverly's

Donna: \$30 Gift Certificate

Donated by Cherry Berry

Deanie: Sweet Treat Treasure Chest

Donated by Mary Jo Henry

GROUP SHOT OF OUR JANUARY MEETING!



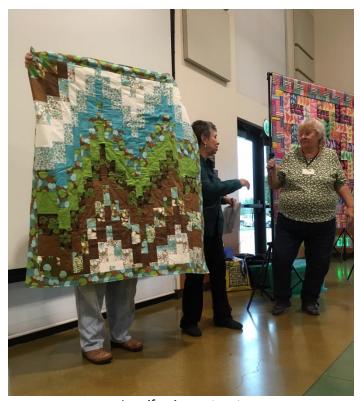


Our speaker, Tina Curran

SHOW 'N TELL QUILTS



Donna Haynes



Jennifer Armantrout



Sandra Ferguson



Dana Hutchison



Wynona King



LaNita Northway



Krystina Steed



Donna Haynes

Officers and Committee Chairmen 2018-2019

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Director of Quilt Show	Darla Hall	(661) 839-5805

We are in need of Chairmen for the following committees. Please contact one of the directors listed above if you're interested in serving.

Bus Trips

Responsible for making arrangements for a bus, (most likely Orange Belt) for our guild to be able to attend various quilt shows throughout the year, as a group. Also responsible for taking RSVP's from members. Chairman may ask someone within the guild to assist making arrangements for an event, as need be.

Photographer



Patty Ruettgers is currently serving as photographer, however she is willing to give it up if someone might be interested. She will finish this year at June 30. Note: Pictures are always appreciated at the various classes and events by anyone in attendance for the newsletter. Please submit photos with names, if possible, to newsletter editor at gmajanbiggs@gmail.com

New Membership Tea:

Chairman is responsible for organizing a luncheon to welcome members who joined within the last year to introduce them to our guild activities and the various committees that we have within the guild.

Sweet Dreams

We need a Chairman for this important charity as soon as possible. Chairman is responsible for making kits for the meeting and chairing the table at the meeting. Please call Stacey Heredia at (661) 401-4492 for questions or to express interest. Pillow cases are for children in the area shelters.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairman</u>	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chairman</u>
Blocks for the Brave	Donna Haynes	Newsletter	Janice Biggs
Assistant Blocks for Brave	Deborah Kelton	Opportunity Drawing/Day	Laura Rude
Bus Trips	?	Opportunity Drawing/Night	Sharon Casey
Challenge Quilts	Maggie Adams	Opportunity Quilt	Debra Clutter
Christmas Party	Bob Miller	Paws for a Cause	Catherine Foster
Evening Mtg. Facilitator	Darla Hall	Photographer	Patty Ruettgers
Greeter	Jennifer Armantrout	Ronald McDonald House	Carla Talley
Hospitality	Janice Biggs	Show 'N Tell	Sharon Godley
Loving Hands / Day	Patty Ruettgers	Storage Unit	Diane Chapman
Loving Hands / Night	Rebecca Wells	Sunshine	Deanie Hogan
Membership	Mary Jo Henry	Sweet Dreams	Shannon Banks
		Website	Debra Clutter