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# DECEMBER AT A GLANCE

# REMINDER: NO CPQ GUILD MEETING IN DECEMBER

December 10 CPQ Board Meeting Karen Blount's House 1712 Classen Street, Bak. 6:00 p.m.

December 11 Sewing for Boutique Open to all members Thimble Towne 9:30 a.m. – est 3:00 p.m.

December 14 CPQ Christmas Party at The Gaslight Melodrama 12748 Jomani Drive, Bak 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**JANUARY 25, 2020** 



ROAD TO CALIFORNIA BUS TRIP

**DETAILS - SEE PAGE 3** 

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Pat Ruiz

Just want to wish all of you a blessed Merry Christmas and a safe New Year. The new year will also finally bring the amazing Cotton Patch Quilt Guild Ruby Jubilee Quilt Show on February 28-29. Many plans are in the final stages and members are working to finish their quilts for the show. Remember, there is no general meeting for December, so see you next year!



We hope to see you at our Christmas party at The Gaslight Melodrama! 12748 Jomani Drive, Bak December 14 – 1:00 p.m.

(There's still a few tickets available. Call Penne Sherer if you're interested at (661) 330-5814)

# A Thimbleful of Wisdom

by Sheila K. Plane

"One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas Pay."

Andy Rooney

# LOOKING FORWARD TO 2020!

# JANUARY 16th MEETING

Our scheduled January speaker is unable to be available to speak at our day meeting, as she will be out of town waiting delivery of a new grandbaby. We hope to book her later in 2020.

Our CPQ at Night meeting should be exciting, however! Our own Karen Blount, currently Secretary of our Board, will be teaching hand quilting with a hoop! I'm so intimidated by some of the quilters in our guild, particularly those who do hand quilting! If you feel like I do, maybe we should attend this meeting and see what it's all about!



# JANUARY 18TH SEW-IN

January will be a busy month for our guild, as we will be just one month away from our Ruby Jubilee! Be sure to register online, or at the January meeting. It's free, but Penne needs a head count for Thimble Towne, and lunch orders. You may place your lunch order online when you register. We're ordering from Sub Station and it's \$10. Of course, you may also bring your own lunch. Here's the details of the sew-in:

Sew-In at Thimble Towne Saturday, January 18, 2020

Please mark your calendars now so all hands will be on deck for this sew-in! Come prepared to finish off quilts with binding, or possibly making quilt sleeves, so they can be hung at the show. If you don't know how, please check Pinterest or just show up at the sew in with a 9" strip of fabric you want to use for your sleeve. The strip should fit across the top of your quilt on the back. Or, make a cute little doo-dad for the boutique. Check Page 13 of this newsletter for some other great ideas!



# CPQ IS GOING TO ROAD TO CALIFORNIA QUILT SHOW!!!

Ladies .. we have 27 signed up, we need to fill 3 more spaces! Please make phone calls to your friends and let's fill the bus!

Date: Saturday, January 25, 2020

Place: Ontario, California Cost: \$60 / members

\$65 / non-members

(cost includes trip and entry into the

quilt show).

### \$ DUE BY DECEMBER 14

Payment should be made either on the website at

www.cottonpatchquiltguild.org, or pay Carla Talley via US mail. Please make checks out to CPQ. Carla's address is 2601 University Avenue, Bak CA 93306

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# CPQ GUILD MEETING FEBRUARY 20, 2020

With our quilt show just a few days away, our February general meeting will definitely be one for the books! All of the excitement will be in the air as we discuss final plans and answer any last minute questions members may have!

AND ...



BE SURE TO PARTICIPATE IN
OUR
RUBY JUBILEE
ISOLETTE QUILT CHALLENGE
TO BE HELD DURING
OUR RUBY JUBILEE QUILT
SHOW
FEBRUARY 28-29, 2020!

#### AND DARLA SAYS ...

There's still a few spots open for the Ruby Jubilee class to be held on Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup>, so be sure to keep that in mind! An all inclusive price of \$60 will cover entries both days, Friday night lecture (that includes pattern for class Saturday), and the class Saturday! Parking is free. Class is open to members and public!

# HOW TO PREPARE YOUR QUILT FOR THE RUBY JUBILEE

We're just 3 short months away from our quilt show! We're asking all of our members to pull quilts from every nook and cranny of your houses to fill up our building! Quilts will need the following to be accepted into the show:

- All quilts entered into the show will need a sleeve for hanging. Many of our guild members have made them before, so there's plenty of info and help available. You may also check Pinterest. Be aware that some of the Pinterest sites use pins rather than hand tacking the sleeves down. Pins will not allow the quilts to hang straight, so we ask that all quilt sleeves be <a href="hand sewn">hand sewn</a>. The sleeve can be temporary, it doesn't have to be permanently adhered to the quilt.
- Quilts will also need a label that will include a name for the quilt, and other information pertinent to the creation of the quilt. Forms are available online as you register, or there will be forms at the meetings. Registration is free for quilts that are for show only. Quilts that will be judged will be \$10 each for registration.
- We're excited to have a category for "Vintage Quilts". Deanie Hogan is chairing our vintage quilt section. Quilts must have been made in 1980, or prior, to be placed in the vintage category.
- There will also be a category for kids. We would love to see some of our grandchildren become interested in quilting. Kids under the age of 18 will be qualified to submit their quilts in this category. Grandparents are encouraged to teach/help them so they'll have a fun experience in seeing their own quilt in our Ruby Jubilee Quilt Show!
- The deadline for quilt registration is January 16<sup>th</sup> at our guild meeting, or online.



#### December Birthdays

Dec 12 Jackie Williams Dec 14 Marilyn Droppers Dec 16 Juliet Granger Dec 18 **Becky Evans** Dec 19 Sheila Plane Dec 20 Lyn Schneider Dec 21 Judy Walker Darla Hall Dec 23 Dec 28 Mary Brown Jennifer Armantrout Dec 30



Sweet Dreams Chairman, Kim Linder We received 15 pillowcases in November. There is no December meeting, but if you can pull some pillow cases together out of your stash for the January meeting, it would be so appreciated! Be sure to stop by the January table and pick up a kit or two for the February meeting. Thank you!



Gail Clark, Director of Membership
We had two new members join at the last
meeting. Welcome to Monica Herring and Rhonda
Watson. Our membership is now 152 active
members! Thank you for your support!

If it's your birthday month, remember to stop by the membership table for a free fat quarter to celebrate! (Reminder there is no December meeting, but stop by in January!)

Have a wonderful holiday season! Happy quilting!

### **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!

Also, if you have a long-arm machine and would like to quilt for Blocks for the Brave, please call Dyna Hall at 805-712-1323.

Thanks, Donna Haynes – (661) 345-6701



### Sunshine Chairman, Deanie Hogan

Several members will receive a cheerful card because their names were shared at our last meeting. Thank you. At every monthly meeting, look for the Sunshine board to be passed among our group as we are seated. If you know of a member who needs cheering, please share their name. Although I send a corporate card on behalf of the guild, feel free to send individual cards. In addition to the monthly Sunshine board, you may call me with card requests.

Note from CeCe Westerfield:

"Some of you may already know the news that I have been asked to pass along, however I need to tell you that Debbie Kelton and her husband lost their 24 year old daughter in a tragic car accident during Thanksgiving. This happened in Arkansas, where Jenna was attending college". Information regarding cards, flowers and memorial service are as follows:

Debbie and Doug Kelton 1402 S. Cherry St., Trlr Sp #37 Tomball, TX 77375

Celebration of Life Thursday, December 5, 2019 Hill Barn Event Center 100 Hill Road Bryant, AR 72022 (501) 748-0454 There will be another memorial service here in Bakersfield for all to attend. Date to be determined.



We're happy to report that Mary Jo had her back surgery Nov 27, and is recovering beautifully! She anticipated 7-10 days in the hospital and she was home snuggled in her own bed on Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>! Our CPQ members are tough cookies! We're proud of you Mary Jo and anxious to see you "standing tall"!

Future surgeries: Laura Rude - December 10, 2019 Donna Parker - January 21, 2020

# NOVEMBER FUN WITH CPQ DAY MEETING

# OUR SPEAKER, PAT KNOECHEL "QUILT IN A DAY"







OPPORTUNITY DRAWING TABLE



LUCKY WINNERS OF OUR OPPORTUNITY DRAWING! CONGRATULATIONS, LADIES!

# SHOW AND TELL PROJECTS!













# SHOW AND TELL PROJECTS (CONT'D)









## NOVEMBER FUN WITH CPQ NIGHT MEETING



### KARIN FITZSIMONS CPQ AT NIGHT SPEAKER

CPQ at Night was treated to a presentation by Karin Fitzsimons showing ideas for gift giving as we approach the season of giving. The items shown have been made by guild members and donated to the boutique table for our 2020 quilt show. Karin also is giving a BIG Thank You to everyone that is participating by taking the time to be creative and making the 2020 boutique a success!

The range of handmade items such as mug rugs and table-toppers, key fobs, pencil holders, pillows, pin cushions, baskets, book covers, card holders, cute zippered bags and more, including doll dresses trimmed with lace and several small embroidered quilts to name a few of the items shown at the meeting.

The Boutique Friendship Group has been meeting the 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of the month at Thimble Towne from 9:30 to? If anyone is interested in participating (open to all) anyone who would like to come and make something for the boutique is welcome! The next Wednesday is December 11<sup>th</sup>. If you need ideas on what to make, you can call Karin on her cell at 702 219-1478 or check out the boutique suggestion list on Page 13 of this newsletter!

Come on down to Thimble Town!

### **Boutique Items and Gift Ideas**







# SHOW AND TELL AT NIGHT







# "CIRCLE OF FRIENDS CLASS" WITH TEACHER PAT KNOECHEL













#### CPQ QUILT SHOW BOUTIQUE

Seriously! What woman doesn't love a well-stocked boutique! "Well stocked" being the key word for our CPQ Boutique within our 2020 Ruby Jubilee Quilt Show! And, with our enthusiastic and talented Chairman, Karin Fitzsimons, we can be promised only the best! Karin and her committee are anxious to invite all of our members to participate by making any and all variety of items for our show! Karin will be holding meetings off and on in the next several months as time progresses, AND there will be a boutique sew-in later this year with all items made to help stock our boutique! There will be kits and/or instructions ready to hand out, so just show up! Here are some ideas that Karin and her committee have come up with, but hey! If you already have something in mind, all ideas are encouraged! Here ya go! Be thinking about what you'd like to make!

#### Kitchen Items:

Potato Micro Bags

Pot Holders

Jar Openers

Oven Mitt

Crochet Pot Holders

Cord Holders

**Baby Items:** 

Burp Cloths

Bibs

Crochet Items

Pacifier Holders

Laundry Room:

Mesh Bags

Automobile:

Trash Bags

Project Bags for Kids

Seasonal Items:

Mug Rugs (pieced or machine embroidered)

Table Runners

Tissue Holders

Sewing Room:

Cord Holders

Pin Cushions

Thread Catcher

Foot Pedal Pad

Project Bags

Lanyards (scissors, name badges, etc.)

Mug Rugs (pieced or machine

embroidered)

Needle Holders

#### Miscellaneous Items:

Tissue Holders

Key Fobs

Luggage Tags

Mug Rugs

Micro Neck Warmers w/Rice

Pillow Cases

Fat Quarters

Bags for Travel

Boxy Totes from Placemats and/or fabric

Chapstick Holders

Jewelry Travel Wallet

Fabric Baskets (pieced or machine embroidered)

Decorative Pillow (pieced or machine embroidered)

Gift Bags (pieced or machine embroidered)

Journal Covers

### Boutique Friendship Group Sew-Ins

Don't be shy about joining us! We meet twice a month to work on projects for our Ruby Jubilee Boutique! AND, we order great salads, or you may bring your own lunch! Here's the scoop:

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at Thimble Towne - 10:00 a.m. - ? (December 11)

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at Thimble Towne - CANCELED due to Christmas

# Officers and Committee Chairmen 2019-2020

| Pat Ruiz          | (661) 203-3035   |
|-------------------|--|
| Penne Sherer      | (661) 330-5814   |
| Denise Henson     | (661) 619-2643   |
| Karin Fitzsimmons | (702) 219-1478   |
| Karen Blount      | (661) 330-5838   |
| Mary Brown        | (661) 477-1876   |
| Carla Talley      | (661) 283-0126   |
| Stacey Heredia    | (661) 401-4492   |
| Gail Clark        | (661) 398-8085   |
| Krystina Steed    | (661) 378-6352   |
| Darla Hall        | (661) 839-5805   |
|                   | Penne Sherer Denise Henson Karin Fitzsimmons Karen Blount Mary Brown Carla Talley Stacey Heredia Gail Clark Krystina Steed |

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.

| <u>Committee</u>        | <u>Chairman</u>            | <u>Committee</u>          | <u>Chairman</u>  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Blocks for the Brave    | Donna Haynes/Debbie Kelton | Opportunity Drawing/Day   | Carla Talley     |
| Bus Trips               | ?                          | Opportunity Drawing/Night | Sharon Casey     |
| Challenge Quilts        | Maggie Adams               | Opportunity Quilt         | Darla Hall       |
| Christmas Party         | Krystina Steed             | Paws for a Cause          | Catherine Foster |
| Evening Mtg Facilitator | Darla Hall                 | Photographer              | Sharon Mettler   |
| 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              | Gail Clark                 | Sweet Dreams              | Kim Linder       |
| Newsletter              | Janice Biggs               | Website                   | Krystina Steed   |