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# JANUARY AT A GLANCE

January 8 Quilt Show Meeting

Darla Hall's House 7204 Norris Rd., Bak

6:30 p.m.

All Members Welcome

January 9 CPQ Board Meeting

Karen Blount's House 1712 Classen Street, Bak.

6:00 p.m.

All Members Welcome

January 16 CPQ Guild Meeting

Riverlakes Community Center

1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Details on Page 3

January 16 CPQ at Night

Our own Karen Blount speaks on "Hand Quilting in the Hoop"

January 18 Ruby Jubilee Sew-In

Thimble Towne 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Raffles/Prizes/Fun

See Details on Page 4

January 25 Road to California Bus Trip

See Details on Page 5

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By Pat Ruiz

Sooooo! 2020 is here and our long awaited 40<sup>th</sup> Ruby Jubilee quilt show is upon us! Darla and her quilt show crew have their Ruby Jubilee track shoes on and are busy with preparations for this amazing event! As Cotton Patch Quilt (CPQ) members, your help in running this quilt show is of utmost importance to ensure a smooth-running show. Signups to volunteer for many areas of the quilt show will start at the January meeting (refer to page 6 of this newsletter to ponder where you might consider helping).

I also want to thank CPQ members for their continued support of Cotton Patch Quilt Guild. It was a fantastic year with all the talented speakers sharing their talents with us during the general meetings and workshops. 2020 looks to be another fun-packed experience for CPQ members!

My New Year's wish is for our members to continue to share their creations and talents with their families, friends and the community.

# A Thimbleful of Wisdom

by Sheila K. Plane

"Today is the oldest you've ever been and the youngest you'll ever be again."

# **January General Meeting**

# **Sewing Room Sale Donations**

January 16th @ Riverlakes Community Center



Who doesn't like a good sale? And, who wouldn't like to start the new year with a clean sewing room? What do these questions have in common? The answer is our January / February CPQ Sewing Room Sale. This will be an awesome time to clean out your sewing room closet and drawers to donate gently used & new items you no longer want. Here's how it will work.

Bring in your unwanted items (fabric, notions, magazines, patterns, & books) to our **January General Meeting**. Everyone donating will be entered into a drawing for a cool prize! You will receive 1 to 5 tickets, depending on items donated. We will be collecting items at our January meeting for our **Sewing Room Sale** that will be held during our February General Meeting.

Remember that donating to our Guild is tax deductible!! Our goal is to raise money for our Guild's philanthropic projects. And, help you clean out your sewing room!! It's a win-win!

We will not have a speaker during our January meeting. We will have updates on all of our ongoing projects & committees, including upcoming speakers. There will be extra social time scheduled so we can visit with fellow members, as well as our Show & Tell.

If you have any questions regarding donations for the Sewing Room Sale, please contact Penne Sherer @ 661-330-5814



# January Ruby Jubilee Sew In

Thimble Town - January 18th - 10 - 4

We would like to invite all of you to join our January Ruby Jubilee Sew In. This will be a fun filled day for everyone. Although it is an event to work on your quilt or boutique items for our quilt show, you can also make a Ruby Jubilee Isolette (32x32) and donate it to our guild. (You do not have to enter it in the Ruby Jubilee Challenge, unless you want to). Our local hospitals always have a huge need for Isolettes.



During the Sew In, we will be having drawings for great prizes. Also, we will have a raffle drawing. We will sell tickets for the raffle during the first few hours and the drawing will be sometime after lunch. Lunch will be served by Sub Station for \$10.

So, grab your favorite NICU/Isolette pattern, some red and white fabric and join the fun! You can also choose to work on your quilt for the show, or boutique items. Either way, this will be a fun social event for our Guild.

The Sew In is Saturday, January 18th at Thimble Town, from 10-4. Register on our website (It's free) and place your lunch order on line as well. We will collect the \$10. at the event.

Seats are limited, so register as soon as possible!!

Thanks for your support!!

If you have questions, please text or call.

Penne Sherer ~ 661-330-5814

Denise Henson ~ 661-619-2643



# Join us for a fun filled day in Ontario, CA !! Our Road2CA bus trip will be a blast! We will do the driving, you will do the fun!!

When: January 25th 7am - 8pm

Cost: \$60.00 includes ticket into the quilt show - Can pay \$30. now to save your spot

Where: Drop off at the entrance of the Convention Center

Enjoy the Quilt Show and all the wonderful vendors!! Shop til you drop! But don't worry, we will do the driving back to Bakersfield and you can relax!!

Bring your own snacks and beverages

Pick up and Drop off location will be announced soon!!

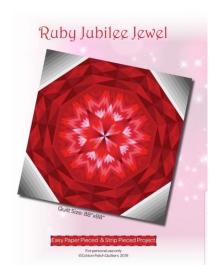
We've extended the deadline to register!! Please register by January 8th!! Register on line or contact Carla Talley @ 661-283-0126 / 951-805-5910. We must give a final count to the bus company. Thank you!!



# January Meeting Reminder Thursday, January 16, 2020

- Bring donated items from you sewing room and receive tickets for drawings at the February meeting!
- Bring unsold tickets or \$ for the Opportunity Quilt and submit to Karen Fitzsimons
- Bring any new, completed boutique items to Karen Fitzsimons you would like to contribute so the boutique committee can start pricing!

# Sign-Ups Needed for the Ruby Jubilee!



Look at this gorgeous quilt "in the making" in honor of our Ruby Jubilee! Patterns will be available for sale and we'll need help at the quilt show for that, plus the following areas below. Please ponder and sign up at our January meeting!

- Need front door greeters to sell tickets into the show
- Help at the children's table
- Sell tickets for our opportunity baskets (see next page)
- Sell tickets for our Opportunity Quilt
- Sell patterns for our Ruby Jubilee Jewel Quilt
- White glove workers to show quilts on display
- Set-up workers Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday take down
- Help Deanie with the vintage quilt display Wednesday and Saturday evenings

### OPPORTUNITY BASKETS

Wouldn't YOU just love to win ones of these opportunity baskets? Well, we're pretty sure our visitors at the Ruby Jubilee will drool over them! But we need volunteers to sell tickets .. so please consider either a 2 hour time slot, or possibly more! It's a great way to get to visit and chat with our visitors, answer questions and welcome them to CPQ if you get a chance! Here are the "baskets" we are working with. Some of them are empty and need YOU to help fill them with goodies of any kind! Sewing notions, fabric, wine, cheese, kids toys or games .. just fun things to make a nice variety! Take a peek at what we have:













These empty baskets could be filled with items for men, children, wine and cheese .. or possibly ideas YOU may suggest! If you're interested in helping out, please contact Debbie Bride, she would LOVE to hear from you! Her number is (661) 333-9144.

And thank you, Debbie, for all you're doing to help us have a successful quilt show!



### TIME TO REGISTER YOUR QUILTS!!!

Forms will be available at the meeting and plenty of help to answer questions! It's also easy to register them online, and it's FREE (display only). \$10 if you want your quilt judged. Just go to <a href="www.cottonpatchquiltguild.org">www.cottonpatchquiltguild.org</a> click on the blue tab "2020 Quilt Show" and then click on either "Quilt Show Entry" or "Vintage Quilt Entry". We need all the quilts we can get! Don't be shy or feel inferior! Visitors love to see a variety and we are all in some stage of learning! Invite your friends to participate too, everyone is welcome to display quilts!

# VINTAGE QUILTS

A couple of reminders regarding the vintage quilt display:

- Quilts must be completed
- Quilts must have been made prior to 1980 (or 1980) to be accepted
- Quilts must be clean. A few small stains from age is okay, but overall it should look neat and clean.
- Quilts need a sleeve on the back to hang
- Be ready to register before or at the January meeting!

You may contact Deanie Hogan for questions at (661) 301-7173

# HOW TO PREPARE YOUR QUILT FOR THE RUBY JUBILEE

We're just one short month 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 <u>hand sewn</u>. 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.

# AND .. SPEAKING OF THE RUBY JUBILEE

Don't miss out on the class Saturday morning, February 29, with our featured artist, Karen Tripp, the "DIY" Addict! This is what the class is all about!

# Join this exciting workshop, with the DIY Addict herself, Karen Tripp!

- Learn the three primary stitches used with EPP - the flat back, whip, and ladder stitches
- How to fussy cut and spot which fabrics work best Find out how to glue and thread baste.
- Let her share with you what products she have found through the years that work well for EPP and which products are new and fantastic.
- She has lots of tips and tricks that she will share to make the process go smoothly.
- No machine needed and you will receive enough papers to make a pillow!

Once again, you may register online for this class at <a href="https://www.cottonpatchquiltguild.org">www.cottonpatchquiltguild.org</a>, or you may register at January's meeting. An all inclusive price of \$60.00 covers entry to the quilt show for both days, the Friday night lecture/trunk show (that includes free pattern for the class), and the class Saturday morning. There's limited spots available, so be sure not to miss out!



### January Birthdays

Jan 5 Bob Miller

Jan 10 Karen Blount

Jan 18 Dee Glinzak

Jan 18 Jill Ramey

Jan 19 Colleen Cross

Jan 19 Nancy Peters

Jan 19 Debra Yadon

Jan 20 Debbie Szydlowski

Jan 26 Debra Bride

Jan 30 Martha Barrall

# TEAM WORK

Gail Clark, Director of Membership
Happy New Year from the Membership
Table! We have 152 members! Thank you for your
support, and remember to sign up to help at the
upcoming quilt show! Reminder to our January
birthdays to be sure to pick up a free fat quarter from
Jennifer Armantrout at the Membership Table!
Bring on 2020! Hope you have lots of projects
planned. The new year always has such potential!
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

# Loving Hands



Loving Hands Chairman, Patty Ruettgers

It's a new decade, and with the holidays over, maybe we'll have some time to sew again. I've got a few isolettes in the works, and I bet you do too!

I know that you're busy putting finishing touches on your quilt show entries, but please don't forget the NICU babies. You don't have to make a commitment to donate every month. The hospitals and the families appreciate every single quilt that is given.

Stop by the table - we have fabric bundles, batting and labels, if you are in need.

See you at the Meeting! Patty



# Sunshine Chairman, Deanie Hogan (661) 301-7173

Happy New Year! Praying for a "bright sunshiny" new year!

### Updates:

Mary Jo is recovering nicely. She's "ahead of the curve", according to her doctor!

Laura Rude's back surgery has been postponed temporarily.

Donna Parker is still scheduled for surgery 1/21/2020.

Help keep me informed if you know of a guild member who could use some sunshine/cheer, notify me and I'll send a card.

Update on Services for Jenna Kelton
There will be a Celebration of Life for Jenna
Kelton, daughter of Debbie and Doug Kelton.
Jenna was 24 years old and a member of
Cotton Patch Quilt Guild before moving to
Arkansas to continue her education.

Celebration will be Saturday, February 1, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sales Pavilion at the Kern County Fairgrounds, 1142 South P Street, Bakersfield CA 93307. Parking will be in the Harvest parking lot. Enter gate from Ming Avenue.

### A "Thank You" Note from Newsletter Editor and Hospitality Chairman

As we have just completed 2019 and are entering 2020, I just wanted to write a thank you note to all of our members for your generosity to our guild.

So many beautiful quilts have been given to our community in so many different areas. Quilters, in general, seem to have a heart for giving and our members don't miss a beat, no matter what the need is! And the generosity reaches beyond the guild's immediate needs sometimes, such as Kim Linder's "Quilts for Kids" project, and Donna's "Blocks for the Brave", the donations given for the Ronald McDonald House, the NICU Units, the pet beds! Our members give, give, give! And, in addition, I want to personally thank you all for contributing to the goody table at our meetings during your birthday month. It's always so nice to have munchies/goodies at our meetings and again, you give .. thank you!

I also want to thank the members of our CPQ Board who each work so hard in their respective area to keep the "choo choo on the track", and it's sometimes tiring and feels overwhelming. I hope our members might take a quick minute to thank those who serve our guild daily for it to be what it is.

And Darla Hall ... thank you for stepping up to chair our Ruby Jubilee! What an undertaking! We're on the countdown and the excitement is building! I just know it will all be worth it! And while I'm at it, Karin Fitzsimons has done an amazing job with the boutique!

Please consider filling in a spot or two during the show. We really need your help! Thank you!

And with that, I will wish you all a Happy New Year and may this year bring health, happiness and lots of fun moments with each other and our families. God Bless You ...

Janice Biggs

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	Penne Sherer Denise Henson Karin Fitzsimmons Karen Blount Mary Brown Carla Talley  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 Hayne	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
<b>Evening Mtg Facilitator</b>	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