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Holiday Dinner: December 13, 2016

December 2016

President's Corner - Donna Bowker and Alex Tsubota

Happy December! We have lots going on this month. Our Holiday Dinner is Tuesday, December 13. Doors open at 6:00 pm and dinner will be served at 6:30. Along with great food and fellowship goes merry quilt tying! Bring your thimble, large-eye needle, and scissors (or share with a table mate). If you don't want to tie quilts, just come and enjoy the meal.

December 13 is also the **deadline** to submit your quilts for our Quilt Show. The quilt does not have to be completely finished [ask me (Donna) how I know...] but the top should be done, and you should be sure it will be finished by the date of the show.

The Holiday Dinner is also the final opportunity to donate Stockings, and we hope you will participate in the Secret Santa gift exchange. Read through the newsletter to catch up on details of everything that's happening. We wish each of you a warm and wonderful holiday season! Travel safely if you are on the road or in the air, and enjoy the sights, sounds, scents, tastes, and touch of the things you love best!

Programs / Workshops - Gina Shankle & Stephania Bommarito

December is FINALLY here – along with all of the amazing craziness that comes with this time of year – and we have several exciting activities happening early next year that we'd like you to be aware of. First and foremost, we're having our next Saturday Sit-In event on Saturday, January 7th. Hopefully you'll be done with all of the holiday insanity by then and be ready to spend a few hours with your quilting buddies but, even if you're not, this will be an amazingly fun getaway for everyone. Additional details regarding this worthwhile event are provided below so please consider attending. The cost is only \$10 and we're confident everyone will walk away with a better understanding of sleeves, labels, bindings and/or facings as well as a new technique or two.

And lastly, thank you everyone for your amazing support of our Programs and Workshops activities this past year! There are many more activities this coming year that we look forward to your participation in. We're so blessed to have the opportunity to work with each of you and wish you a happy and joyous holiday with your family and loved ones.

► Our workshops are held at **AAA Sewing & Fabric** in Lomita from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. When you sign up for workshops, you can pay for them either by cash, check or credit card (Visa or MasterCard only) and we recommend you sign up early as workshops are filling up quickly. Registration is currently open for all of this year's classes, so don't miss out on taking the classes you want. Please contact Stephania Bommarito (310-503-7989, quiltwizard1024@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending any of the workshops. Detailed information for upcoming workshops is available on the SBQG website.

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Programs/Workshops (continued)

◆◆◆ Upcoming Speakers and Workshops

▶ **Dinner with the Speaker.** All guild members are invited to join us for dinner with the speaker at 4:45 p.m. on the night of our guild meetings. We meet at **Good Stuff** restaurant located at Ave I and PCH in the beginning of the Hollywood Riviera in south Redondo Beach. If you do plan on joining us, please let us know so we can reserve ample seating.

▶ January 7, 2017 Saturday Sit-In – Pam Overton, et al – **Finishing Your Quilts**

Come join us for an informative – and interactive – session on several of the key steps to finishing your quilts. In this session, we'll talk about a variety of methods for making and attaching **hanging sleeves** to our quilts (with an emphasis on how it should be done for the upcoming SBQG Quilt Show) and talk about the need for making **labels** for our quilts. Why should we bother to make labels, how should we make them, what types of information should they include, etc.? Demonstrations will also be given for several different methods for **binding and facing** quilts. Although the focus of this session will be discussion, feel free to bring your sewing machine if you'd like to try some of the techniques that will be discussed. This event will be held at **Nina's Quilt Barn from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.** and the cost is only \$10 per person. Registration is required, so please contact Stephania as soon as possible to sign up for this fun-filled event.

▶ January 17, 2017 – Sandy Corbin – **Making Scrappy Quilts Fresh**

Sandy has always loved using lots of different fabrics in her quilts and this love has led to her obsession with making scrappy quilts. In this presentation, Sandy will share her techniques for making scrappy quilts fresh and fun. She will also provide an amazing trunk show of her scrappy quilts for everyone to enjoy.

▶ January 18, 2017 Workshop – Sandy Corbin – **My Basket Collection**



Grab a wide variety of your scraps in all sizes, colors, and prints including polka dots, stripes, and plaids to create a set of non-traditional baskets. No two baskets will be alike in shape, size or handles. Let your imagination play with the look of each one whether whimsical, magical, quirky or amusing. Naturally the setting will be fanciful and original too.

▶ Additional information regarding Sandy Corbin and her amazing work can be found on her website (<http://www.sandycquilts.com>).

▶ February 21, 2017 – Debbie Maddy – **No Diamonds / No "Y" Seams: Old Quilts, New Methods**

In this informative presentation you will learn about the technique used to make Debbie's beautiful *No Diamond / No "Y" Seam* quilts. There will also be a detailed discussion on the history of the blocks used and the journey from the first quilt that Debbie designed to the latest. The main portion of the presentation will be focused on viewing Debbie's amazing quilts.

▶ February 22, 2017 Workshop – Debbie Maddy – **Carpenter's Star**

This is a great class for fat quarter lovers with an extremely easy and fast quilt to piece with amazing results that look like hours were spent making diamonds. Discover Debbie's *No Diamonds/No "Y" Seams* technique that works like magic to make novice friendly patterns look like an expertly pieced masterpiece. The class includes instructions on how to arrange the fabrics for a stunning quilt, as well as how to pin and press for success. An added bonus will be insight into how to work with directional fabrics in your quilts.

▶ Please take a few minutes to visit Debbie's website at <http://www.calicocarriage.com> to learn more about her. The site also has an online shop as well as links to Debbie's blog and Crafts class (among many other things).



Quilt Show - Julie Limbach-Jones

“World of Color” February 18-19, 2017

The quilt show is 2 months away but the **deadline to enter** your quilts for the 2017 show is December 13th! We hope to see a quilt from every member in the show. Don't be shy! Please take a few minutes to do the online application (on the Members Only section of the website under Quilt Show) and email a photo to sbqqquiltshowentry@gmail.com. Or you may bring your quilt to the Holiday Dinner to have a photo taken there and give Melanie Dreike your application. Questions or problems, call Melanie Dreike at 310-214-2175.

Color Challenge participants: Melanie already has your quilt photos from our October voting, so we only need you to fill out the application. We want all the challenge quilts for this special display at the show.

Take a moment to look at your calendar for **Road to California** January 19th-22nd. We will be selling tickets for our Opportunity Quilt on Thursday, January 19th. Volunteers are needed to sell tickets that day or to White Glove at any time over the weekend. 2 hours of White Gloving gets you free admission to the show! Please let Stephania Bommarito know if you can help at Road 310-503-7989.

We still need plenty of **Auction Quilts and Raffle Basket donations** to make these fundraisers a success. While you are out holiday shopping, pick up something extra to donate. We need these items no later than the January meeting along with your **Opportunity Ticket stubs, Sewing Raffle stubs and money**.

We need garden-themed quilts for display at the Torrance Library. Please bring them to the December Dinner Meeting or contact Stephania Bommarito to drop them off before December 22nd.

Thank you for all of your efforts to make our Quilt Show a success!

Membership - Pat Bryan and Marie Cortez

A very warm welcome to our newest Junior Member, Kyrie Hinkle, who is Cory Downs Granddaughter. It's great to have you join us!

At the upcoming Holiday Dinner we will have membership supplements available at the Membership table. Please pick one up to keep your booklet up-to-date. We will also have the booklets and badges not yet picked up. If you need to have yours mailed please let one of us know (Pat - 310-547-3824 or Marie - 310-325-4245).

Looking forward to greeting everyone at the Holiday Dinner on December 13.

Travel - Joann Kennelly

The deadline has passed for signing up for the Road to California trip. The bus and the tickets have been ordered. We have a good crowd. So, just to let you know, I will not be sending out individual reminders to members or non-members. So, if you invited a friend, be sure to share this information with them. The bus will be leaving from the Lawndale green metro station at 8:00 on January 21. We don't wait around for people so we will leave on time. Be there or be square. We will leave Ontario around 3:30 for our return home. The cost of the trip includes transportation, snacks both ways, entrance to the show and a tip for the driver. Be aware, it does not include the cost of a lunch. (Or all those other purchases you will make.) If you are having problems, you can contact me at (310) 902-3959 or rare@dslextreme.com. If you want to add your name to the list, we will start a waiting list. See you then. Thanks!

Intra-Guild - Julie Limbach-Jones and Rain Burch

'Tis the Season! Intra-Guild activities will focus on our holiday traditions this month. The December meeting will be our final collection of stockings and travel-sized toiletries to be distributed through Community Services in our community. All stockings donated this year will be on display during the Holiday Dinner.

We will have a **Secret Santa Exchange** at our Holiday Dinner. If you'd like to participate, please bring a **wrapped gift** (put your name inside so the recipient knows who it is from). It may be handmade, something for the holidays or something just for fun (quilty or not)! If you purchase rather than make something, the suggested price range is \$12-15.

Congratulations to Lois Grover, winner of the **Row-by-Row** participation prize in November! Row by Row will take a break this month and resume in January. Have a wonderful holiday season!

Holiday Dinner-Sue Glass

December 13, 2016 **SBQG Holiday Dinner**

Second Tuesday in December

Doors open at 5:30, Dinner served at 6:30

\$25.00 per person

Members and Guests Welcome



Holiday Dinner News: We have sold 85 seats for our Holiday Dinner, which is wonderful! I know friendship groups like to sit together for this event, and that's great, but let's be aware that many of our attendees will be alone, so please – if you see someone who is by herself, and your table has an empty seat, invite her to join you! It's the "quilterly" way of doing things, and it is always fun to meet someone new. We want to be sure everyone is welcomed for our holiday dinner.

If you are able to come to the church at 4:30 and help set up, please call Sue Glass, 310-372-3945, and let her know. We could use more helpers. We ask that you only come early if you are on the setup committee, as we will have lots to do. We will open our doors to the general guild membership at 5:30. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Thanks!

Hospitality - Andrea Mc Cowan

It's time for our Holiday Dinner, so no snacks are needed. Please come and enjoy.

Library - Joanne Stine

There will be no library table set up at the December meeting. Enjoy your books and DVDs for an extra month!

Quilt Show Treasurer - Pam Overton

October 2016			
Beg Balance			9,970.64
	Income		
		Opp Quilt Tickets	305.00
		Sewing Machine Tickets	120.00
		Vendors	475.00
		Advance tickets sales	16.00
	Total Income		916.00
	Expense	Publicity	454.85
Net Income			461.15
		Ending Balance	10,431.79

Guild Calendar

December 13	Annual Holiday Dinner Doors open at 5:30, Dinner will be served at 6:30 \$25.00 per person. Members and Guests welcome!
December 30	Newsletter Articles due
January 3	Board Meeting
January 17	Guild Meeting

Happy Birthday

December

Kyrie	Hinkle	12/02
Velma	Anderson	12/6
Jessica	Cao	12/07
Thom	Knight	12/15
Noreen	Shaffer	12/17
Louise	Davidson	12/25
Gwen	Brock	12/26
Karin	Cooper	12/28
Deborah	End	12/31

Treasurer - Nancy Payne

				Nov 16
	Ordinary Income/Expense			
		Income		
			Amazon Earnings	20.45
			Book Raffle	20.00
			Paper Newsletter	20.00
			Silent Auction	170.00
			Membership Dues	335.00
			Guest Fees	25.00
			Christmas Dinner	675.00
			Workshop Fees	800.00
			Trip Fees	1210.00
			Book Sales	2.00
			Interest Income	0.17
			Workshop Sit-in Fees	10.00
		Total Income		3,312.62
		Expense		
			Hospitality	50.00
			Insurance	10.00
			Intra-Guild	39.68
			Newsletter	45.02
			Library Books	8.56
			Merchant Fees	57.63
			Room Rental	300.00
			Storage Rental	3,048.10
	Programs/Workshops		Speaker Fees	350.00
			Misc. (meals, etc)	40.00
			Speaker Travel	118.80
			Teacher-Workshop	450.00
			Programs/Workshop - other	166.32
		Total Expense		4,684.11
	Net Ordinary Income			-1,371.49

January

Joann	Kennelly	1/01
Bea	Savellano	1/02
Carolle	Schuegraf	1/04
Carol	Thomas	1/04
Joanne	Stine	1/24

Community Services - Pam Overton

Many thanks to AAA Sewing and Fabric for allowing us to use their classroom again in November for a full day sweatshop. We spent the day working on quilt tops for Read Me a Quilt and finishing Comfort Quilts for tying this month!

We look forward to seeing your Read Me a Quilts and Wounded Warrior quilts as you turn them in at the meeting. We always need helpers to hold the quilts. If we approach you with clipboard in hand, please say yes!

Read Me a Quilt - Julie Maas

Once again, we had many quilts turned in at the November meeting. With more to come in December I'm sure that we have been able to make the holidays brighter for the children in foster care. Our partnership with the CASA program continues to provide warmth and love to children in need. Keep them coming!

We have a number of books that you can use to pair with your quilts. Please take a look at the full list of books on the SBQG website in the members only section. Many of the books are identified by age group. If there is a book you would like to use for inspiration for a quilt, please let me know which title and I will bring it to the meeting. As the books are spoken for I'll update the list on the website. Contact me at pam@travelingquilters.com or (310) 701-2706

The Comfort Project - Mary Shadbourne

COMING SOON—ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER AND QUILT-TYING EVENT! December 13, 2016. Look elsewhere in this newsletter for details.

Even if you're not planning on dinner, feel free to come later, just for the quilt-tying get-together. Help us tie a pile of quilts and get in the holiday spirit by giving of your time and talents to start off the season. ...and remember, you don't have to tie quilts to win prizes. There are plenty of ways you can help make this evening a success other than the actual tying of the quilts.

Here are the usual reminders for the December meeting:

--Bring your large eye needle, some small thread-cutting scissors and a needle threader if you need one. No worries if you don't have/can't find thread and scissors—we bring extras.

--Bring any miscellaneous travel toiletries you might have left over from your summer travels.

--Bring finished holiday stockings to donate to The Comfort Project.

--Bring PRIZES—gently used (or new) items for the drawing.

Silent auctions and regular second-Tuesday sweatshops will resume in January. Watch this space.

Wounded Warriors - Arlene Zobrist

Quilts for Wounded Warriors Arlene Zobrist 310-543-5302

Last month we sent 8 quilts to the Joint Craig Theater Hospital at Bagram AB, Afghanistan. Thanks again to Pam Overton, Sharon Amos, Bev Mulligan, Norene Shaffer, and non-guild quilters Lynn Dutton, Martha Smith and Cynthia Bradshaw. The quilt shown here was made by Martha Smith, who has now made 37 quilts for wounded warriors. Kudos to Martha for her dedication!



We have a new point of contact at Bagram, and he has already emailed us that they “really appreciate all your efforts in support of them in the desert.”

Requirements:

Size: 48” by 78” (stretcher size)

All cotton (*including batting, 80/20 acceptable*)

Appropriate patriotic theme/design

Optional: Pillowcase, 20”x30”, coordinating fabric

Scrapbag

“**Kick Off Your Shoes**” – an outreach for the homeless. Please bring new or gently used shoes to Susan Salazar. Her son has started this project. They can use warm scarves also.

Barely used Bernina Aurora 430 Sewing Machine.

Like new. Includes a BSR attachment that was never used, carrying case, several presser feet, many bobbins, 2 bobbin cases, sliding pad, instruction booklet.

\$900.00 (bought for around \$1800.00, about 4 years ago).

Please contact: Marie-Laure Ilie or text: 310-293-5434

Modern Quilts: Redesigning Traditions Exhibit

Thursday, December 1, 2016 through Sunday, January 22, 2017

Inspired by modern design, explore a juried selection of 40 + modern quilters from the U.S.A. and abroad as they consider traditional patterns in new and exciting ways. Modern Quilts is organized by Guest Curator and Modern Quilter Georganna Hawley. Free Admission.

Dottie's Findings - Dottie Daybell

1. This is a nicely done tutorial on Dogwood quilting (or Pumpkin Seed or Orange Peel). It is an all-over design, not a border design. She uses a bowl to mark the design, and doesn't worry about matching it to the block dimensions. You could instead use a circle template that did fit your block size exactly.

<http://fluffypuppyqw.blogspot.com/2016/04/dogwood-quilting-tutorial.html>

2. Barb Robson shows us how to insert a very narrow 1/4" finished strip in a quilt border, which makes a nice accent. A clever method makes it easier:

<http://www.barbrobson.com/journal/2012/2/19/narrow-14-borders-a-how-to.html>

3. Square up your HSTs before pressing them open, and you'll need only two cuts. Here's Corey Yoder's trick:

<http://corianderquilts.com/2014/01/epic-hst-technique/>

4. WW BOM The Fons and Porter website has a free pattern for a starry quilt they call American Independence. Seven Square in a Square and eight Puss in the Corner blocks are alternated. Half-blocks are then added around the outer edges, to complete the stars. If the 3-strip outer borders are omitted, and a simple 3" border is added at each end, you'll get our 48" x 78" size. The download link is not obvious; it's the last link under the "From our Quilt Shop" heading.

http://www.fonsandporter.com/articles/American_Independence_Free_Quilting_Pattern

5. Lee from Freshly Pieced has a tip for foundation paper piecing, posted on the Bernina blog. It's especially good for covering pointed corners:

<http://weallsew.com/how-to-make-paper-piecing-easy/>

Remember to bring:

- Your badge Your Read Me a Quilt and/or Wounded Warrior Quilt donations Show and Tell
- Christmas Stockings Finished Comfort Quilt tops or tied quilts Secret Santa Exchange item
- Your donation to the St. Andrews Food Pantry (fruit and meat canned goods)

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- January 21, 2016 – Road to California – San Diego Departures Only
- February 23-26 – Temecula Quilt-Away Retreat – SOLDOUT – contact us to add your name to the wait list.
- May 1-4 – Temecula Quilt-Away Retreat – **NEW**
- June 1-7 – Western New York
- September 15-18 – Temecula Quilt-Away Retreat

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