

Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild

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# Kaleidoscopic Voices

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*President's Message*

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**This month is our meeting program is Christen Brown presenting "Artfully Embroidered". Please join us!**



Peggy Couvrette, President

## President's Message

**Happy New Year! Welcome to a new decade!**

**I am loving the Barbara Walter's impersonations of this is 2020! 100 years ago women fought and succeeded in getting the right to vote. We have come a long way baby! Still more to do but we need to take a little time to honor the women who made this happen 100 years ago. Our 2020 challenge of Her story does just that. What will they be saying about us in 100 years!**

**We have a fun filled year ahead of us.**

**Looking forward to seeing all of you at our meeting.**



## Upcoming Dates to Remember

- 1/8 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.  
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 1/15- Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,  
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month Christen Brown presenting a  
slide/trunk show "Artfully Embroidered". Please join us!**
- 2/12 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.  
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 2/19- Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,  
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is Chris Staisny presenting  
"Notion News: Our Favorites and Why".**
- 3/11 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.  
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 3/18- Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,  
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is Shirley McGuire presenting  
"Wool Applique & Beyond".**
- 4/8 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.  
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 4/15- Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,  
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is Patty Lawrence presenting  
"Celebrating YourStory".**

### **Kaleidoscope Monthly General Meetings**

**When:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Doors open 6:15 p.m. meeting starts 6:30

**Where:** Lemon Grove Masonic Center, 2590 Main St., Lemon Grove, CA.

### **Kaleidoscope Monthly Board Meetings**

**When:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** Peggy Couvrette's home

### **Who to Call:**

**President:** Peggy Couvrette 619-466-6103

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**Programs/Workshops:** Barbara Michalec or Toni Mohondro



## Our January Birthdays

Lola O'Leary	1/6
Judy Thacker	1/18
Anna Lancia	1/20
Toni Mohondro	1/22



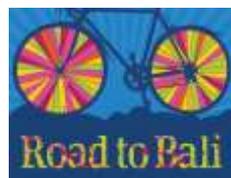
## Membership, 2020

We will begin membership renewals for 2020 this month. We are hoping to have everyone's membership renewed by February if possible. If you are unable to be at the January or February meetings, please contact Susan Stewart or Barbara McDonald for arrangements.

## Kaleidoscope 2020 Retreat

### *Road to Bali*

September 5 through September 8



The retreat at beautiful Vina de Lestonnac in the Temecula wine country begins Thursday, Sept. 5 at 4:30 pm and concludes Sunday Sept. 8 at 2:00 pm. Save those dates and times and prepare to make your first deposit of \$100 at the February meeting. The total cost for a double room is \$350 and a triple room is \$310. The committee does not assign roommates, you are responsible for getting your roommates.

Our retreat is always fun with lots of time for sewing in the company of wonderful fellow quilters, so please consider coming in 2020. Our theme will lend itself to the tropics and related crafts found in Indonesia. Batiks anyone?

# HAPPY NEW YEAR! 1920 - 2020

Wow 100 years since women received the right to vote! Did you watch the Rose Bowl Parade and see the women marching as the Suffragettes? I was impressed! Well, that also got me thinking about my Woman's Quilt - HERSTORY for 2020.

I thought I knew who I was going to make a quilt about, but then sitting with friends talking about the parade, the quilt challenge came up.

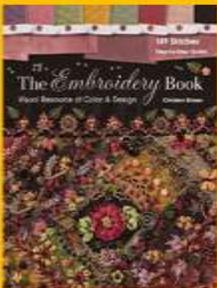
Of course, everyone had an idea for me, so I got a bit more excited thinking now of a few different women. One friend even sent me a link to a person he thought was interesting and local. So, this morning I made my decision, partly based on some new research and a realization that I had lots of the right fabric I could use. I am keeping her secret for now though.....shhh!

So just a reminder to pick your person(s), choose your fabric and get busy! You do not want this quilt on your UFO list for 2021.

- \* Quilt size is wall hanging to lap size please.
- \* Be creative and try to incorporate the colors and style of her decade into your quilt.
- \* Have fun and learn all about your person so you can share HERSTORY with us at our October meeting.

Excited to take this challenge with you,  
Patty

## January Meeting Program: Artfully Embroidered with Christen Brown



Be prepared to be awed as our January speaker, Christen Brown, shares her 40 years of experience stitching embroidered and embellished artwork. This is a combo slide presentation and trunk show that includes examples of wall hangings, home accessories, garments and much more. We will be able to see actual samples of Christen's work included in her book, The Embroidery Book, published by C&T Publishing. Plus, we will be able to see and appreciate the detailed intricacies of her work up close via the slides. Christen is the author of six books on embroidery, ribbon work, beading and embellishment. Check out her work at [www.christenbrown.com](http://www.christenbrown.com) and be sure to join us at January's meeting to see her "artfully embroidered" work first hand.

- Barbara and Toni



## JANUARY 2020 PHILANTHROPY

We received a letter from Debbie Case, President & CEO of Meals-on-Wheels thanking us for our donation of 86 placemats which "is greatly appreciated. Your kind donation will bring a smile to our seniors and brighten their day. Your generosity allows us to continue our work of nourishing the lives of seniors through fresh, locally produced meals, daily wellness checks by caring volunteers and staff, and reaching out to underserved communities in SD County. Your support really does make a significant difference. Thank you."

We have a star amongst us. Looking back over 2019, there is someone who has excelled in making and donating quilts to philanthropy, and that is Julie Reyes. During 2019, Julie donated 46 quilts to philanthropy! Thank you Julie, and congratulations for a job well done. You are a Star!!!

This past year we donated 108 quilts to sick, hurting and lonely people. The following places received our quilts: Reo Convalescent Home, Ronald McDonald House, Veterans Home in Chula Vista, and the Prescott Veterans Home.

Now my proverbial quilt cupboard is bare. Make a new year's resolution for 2020 to double the number of philanthropy quilts you sewed last year 😊

Keep those sewing machines whirling!

Marilyn Carnes (Roseway@cox.net), Marilyn Helkenn, Mary Weflen

## UFO News

Can you feel the cool refreshing breeze of change flowing through our ranks? At the November meeting we registered 20 courageous quilters ready for a year-long adventure into UFOs. That means there is the potential of  $20 \times 12 = 240$  unfinished fiber objects getting done! WOW! Think of all that free shelf space! Think of the happy faces of the people on the receiving end of such delights! It's enough to motivate us to make ourselves a cup of tea, get the iron preheated and head straight to our sewing rooms ignoring the pile of to-dos that will certainly not miss us for an hour or two while we work our way through one of our own 12 UFOs.

When you finish one of your UFOs and bring it to guild to share, be sure to stop by the UFO table at the meeting to get your UFO item checked off your UFO Passport, get a congratulatory prize plus a ticket entry for the year-end prize and be showered with lots of kudos from those of us still working away.

If you didn't get a UFO Passport yet, not to worry. You can sign up for the UFO challenge and get your passport at the January meeting. Welcome aboard, UFO-hunters!!

- Barbara and Toni

Siri, take me  
to quilt shop  
Earth.



## A note from Suzannah Richardson in Australia

I'm sure you've heard by now that Australia is on fire. We are safe and at least 3-4 hours from the nearest fire but the air in Melbourne is thick with smoke today. There are so many fires and evacuations going on right now, and with images of destruction everywhere it is hard to avoid the reality. A lot of beautiful land has burned, and with it estimates are that around 500 million animals will perish. That is heart breaking.

If you're wanting to help but aren't sure what you can do from afar, there are a few options. Those of us quilters and crafters who are fortunate to be safe in our homes are banding together to help in our own way – by sewing! There are two Facebook groups, the Animal Rescue Craft Guild, focusing on making joey pouches, bird nests, and bat wraps for the animal rescue groups, and the Cool The Fireys group, which is working on making neck wraps to cool down the fire fighters while they're taking a break. If you're interested in participating, you are welcome to join either group through Facebook; there are people all over the world helping with these endeavors. Patterns and directions on where and how to send are on each website.

Postage can be quite prohibitive, so another way to help is through donations to some of the wildlife organizations working to save and rehabilitate the animals. Wildlife Victoria is having a Bushfire Appeal, and the WIRES wildlife rescue organization is another of the many animal groups that could use help if you're interested.

We are hopeful that yesterday and today's rain will help the situation in Victoria, but the fires are still spreading and the full scope of destruction isn't yet known. These poor animals are going to need our help for many months to come.



**A firey modeling a Cool Tie**



**An orphan in a Joey Pouch**



**Knitted and Crocheted Bird Nests**



**Baby Flying Fox in a Bat Wrap**

**Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild**

**Treasurer's Report December 2019**

<b>Beginning Balance Dec 1, 2019</b>	<b>\$ 13,104.13</b>
<b>Income</b>	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>Expense</b>	
Check #1972-Lemon Grove Masonic Temple Association	\$ 100.00
Check #1973-Patti Smith-Christmas Party	\$ 68.67
Check #1974-Marilyn Carnes-Philanthropy	\$ 62.23
Check #1975-Peggy Couvrette-Bins for Quilt Show	\$ 25.00
Check #1976-Peggy Couvrette-Nine Bar Creative-Website	\$ 180.00
Check #1977-Peggy Couvrette-Christmas Party-Main Dish	\$ 26.14
Check #2065-Gary Burt-Christmas Party 2018-Lost Check	\$ (150.00)
Check #1978-Gary Burt-Christmas Party 2018 Replacement check	\$ 150.00
Check #1979-Gary Burt-Christmas Party 2019	\$ 150.00
Check #1980-SCCQG Renewal	\$ 40.00
Check #1981-Peggy Couvrette-Christmas Party -Prize	\$ 25.00
Check #1983-Peggy Couvrette-Batting Oppt. Quilt	\$ 22.93
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 699.97</b>
<b>Balance December 31, 2019</b>	<b>\$ 12,404.16</b>

**Kaleidoscope 2019 Year-End  
Financial Statement and 2020  
Proposed Budget**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>Proposed 2019 Budget</b>	<b>Actual 2019 Budget</b>	<b>Proposed 2020 Budget</b>
Membership	\$1,125.00	\$1,225.00	\$1,200.00
Mini Quilt Show Boutique	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Opportunity Quilt	\$2,000.00	\$2,510.00	\$2,000.00
Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Workshops	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Retreat	\$7,000.00	\$9,191.00	\$9,200.00
Membership Supplies/ Nametags	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Guest Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Quilt Show Boutique	\$2,600.00	\$4,670.93	\$0.00
Quilt Show Room Deposit Refund	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$13,150.00</b>	<b>\$17,596.93</b>	<b>\$12,425.00</b>
General fund appropriation			\$1,532.00
			\$13,957.00
<b>EXPENSE</b>			
Masonic Lodge Meeting Room Rent	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
SCCQG Membership	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00
P.O. Box Rent	\$90.00	\$96.00	\$102.00
Newsletter	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Workshops	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
* Programs	\$2,000.00	\$2,386.59	\$2,000.00
Philanthropy	\$250.00	\$83.73	\$250.00
Opportunity Quilt	\$400.00	\$263.24	\$400.00
Holiday Party	\$300.00	\$269.81	\$300.00
Sunshine/Shadows	\$30.00	\$22.00	\$30.00
Hospitality	\$50.00	\$4.83	\$50.00
Administration (Receipt books, Stamps, BOM)	\$60.00	\$52.51	\$60.00
Historian	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Retreat Vina Contract	\$7,000.00	\$9,088.02	\$9,200.00
Website	\$150.00	\$180.00	\$200.00
Membership Supplies/Nametags	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
Donation	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Quilt Show (includes \$325 room rental)	\$725.00	\$693.68	\$0.00
Quilt Show Room Deposit	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Quilt Show Boutique	\$330.00	\$285.55	\$0.00
Mini Quilt Show Boutique Monte Vista Village	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$13,150.00	\$14,765.96	\$13,957.00

\*Programs 2020 budget shows \$1718.96 in expenses. Given cushion and monies for prizes UFO and Her History

\*\* Retreat Vina .expense Breakdown \$7273.00 2019 final payment, 2020 Deposit \$1632.00 Expense \$183.02

