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**Our program this
month will be
Sylvia Davis "A
Quirky Quilter's
Alphabet".**



Peggy Couvrette, President

President's Message

Hope everyone survived the wind and rain storm on Sunday. We were so lucky to get our painting class in before the rain and wind. What fun was had by all at the workshop. We should have great sharing for the meeting.

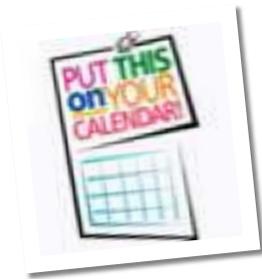
So enjoyed Road to California this year. I hope you got a chance to go. If not try to go next year. This year they had wonderful quilts both traditional and art quilts. I came away with lots of ideas.

There are still a few spots left for Eleanor Burns lecture at her shop.

Happy quilting!

See you at the meeting!

Peggy



Dates to Remember



- 2/10 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome. Starts 6:30 p.m.
 - 2/17 - Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15, meeting starts at 6:30. Lecture this month is Sylvia Davis presenting "A Quirky Quilter's Alphabet".
 - 3/4 - Field trip to Quilt-in-a-Day shop in San Marcos. We will see a lecture by Eleanor Burns and they will have lunch. Cost is \$20. There will be plenty of time to shop as well. Times are 10:00 - 2:30 p.m.
 - 3/9 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome. Starts 6:30 p.m.
 - 4/2 & 4/30 - "From Photo to Quilt" workshop. \$35 for members \$40 for non-members. See Karen Brixner for details.
 - 3/16 - Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15, meeting starts at 6:30. Lecture this month is Peggy Couvrette presenting "Photo to Quilt" technique.
 - 5/7 - Kaleidoscope member Studio Tour. See a few of the Kaleidoscope member's sewing studios. Gather at the end of the day for refreshments and visiting at Pat Gailband's.
- Ongoing - Quilt Visions Museum & Shop, Liberty Station (Old NTC).
 Rotating Displays and Classes. Currently showing Jan 16 - April 3
 Yvonne Porcella: 50 years an Artist
 Modern Simplicity, Kathleen Probst
 Riot of Color: Divining Treasure, Darcy Falk
 Earth, Wind, Fire and Water - Canyon Quilters Challenge
 Gallery Hours Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.- 4 p.m. Closed Monday and major holidays. Admission is free 1st Friday each month, 5-8 p.m.
 Info: www.quiltvisions.org

You can find more info on quilt shows and guilds around the country online at www.quiltguilds.com

Our February Birthdays

- 2/18 - Patty Smith
- 2/22 - Earthleen Briggs

Happy Birthday, Everyone!



Advertise in our newsletter

Rates per year (12 issues):

Business card size	\$40
¼ page size	\$60
½ page size	\$80

You can start an ad any time of the year.

Guild Historian Needed

We are still looking for someone to take this position. Please let Peggy know if you can help out. It involves taking photos at the meeting and sending a few to Debbie for the newsletter.

February Program and Upcoming Guild Activities

By Karen Brixner

Our speaker this month will be Sylvia Davis, a quilt artist, designer and teacher from Inglewood, CA. Sylvia will show us a wide variety of quilts and give numerous quilting tips and ideas to inform and entertain us in her program entitled "A Quirky Quilter's Alphabet." If you want to know why she says "S is for sex," then you will want to attend our meeting, Wed., Feb. 17 at 6:30 pm. The guest fee for nonmembers is \$5.

We still have room for the field trip to Quilt in a Day in San Marcos on Friday, March 4. See me if you're interested. The fee is \$20 per person, including lunch. Transportation is on your own so try to carpool with other members.

And don't forget the "Photo to Quilt" workshop taught by Peggy Couvrette on April 2 and 30th. To sign up see me at the meeting or call me at 619-460-0776 for details. The fee is \$35 for members or \$40 for non-members.

Membership

By Linda Pohlenz & Cindy Hawley

Thank you to those members who paid their membership dues for the new year. A big welcome to our new members! We have 2 new members for 2016 so far... We're so happy that you're with us. There are a few who have not paid 2016 guild membership dues. We will be happy to see you and accept cash or checks at our February meeting.

Hospitality

By Connie Close

Refreshments this month are the following -

Snacks: Dee Johnson
 Lola O'Leary
 Rosa Blatchford

Drinks: Leigh Corsi
 Laurie Larabee-Baker

February 2016 Philanthropy

I couldn't believe it!!!! We had 17 quilts donated at our January meeting. I was able to take a stack of quilts to the Ronald MacDonald House and another to the San Diego Adoption Center. Both groups greeted me so enthusiastically and were so pleased with the quilts.

Quilt kits will be available at the meeting. If you need batting, send me an email and let me know what size.

Happy Stitching!!!

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

Treasurer's Report

Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild
Treasurer's Report January 31, 2016

Beginning Balance January 1, 2016	\$8,031.54
Income	
Membership	\$800.00
Opportunity Quilt Tickets 2015	\$25.00
Opportunity Quilt Tickets 2016	\$140.00
Painting Workshop	\$90.00
Quilt In A Day	\$60.00
Masonic Temple Association - Room deposit	\$400.00
SCCQG - Hosting Meeting	\$500.00
Total Income	\$2,015.00
Expense	
# 1605 Lemon Grove Masonic Temple Assoc. Dec rent	\$75.00
# 1606 Lemon Grove Masonic Temple Assoc. Room rental for SCCQG meeting	\$250.00
# 1607 Lemon Grove Masonic Temple Assoc. Room deposit for SCCQG meeting	\$400.00
# 1608 US Post Office - PO Box Renewal	\$82.00
# 1609 Debbie Sherrell - Painting Workshop	\$30.25
# 1610 Shirley McGuire - January 2016 Speaker	\$200.00
# 1611 Sheryl Smith-Bailey - 2016 Opportunity Quilt	\$200.00
# 1612 Peggy Couvrette - 2016 Opportunity Quilt materials	\$108.86
# 1613 Peggy Couvrette - SCCQG meeting	\$30.43
# 1614 Peggy Couvrette - Painting Workshop	\$245.15
# 1615 Arlene Beckhusen - Postage for Sunshine and Shadows	\$9.80
Total Expense	\$1,556.49
Balance January 31, 2016	\$8,490.05

HOSTING THE SCCQG

ON January 9th we hosted the Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds

It was a great day - we had quilters from as far away as Paseo Robles, Lancaster and Beaumont. Everything went well because of a great team of ladies. Thank you to the following: Julie Reyes, Nancy O'Connell, Linda Pohlenz, Anna Lancia, Karen Brixner, Judy Woyke, Connie Close, Margaret Winbury, Rita Anaya, Arleene Beckhusen, Marilyn Helkenn, and Cindy Hawley.

I want to thank you all for your time, effort, flexibility, friendliness and hospitality for making the Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds meeting a success today!!! You were wonderful.

Everything went smoothly. The only drama occurred and was solved before it came to my attention - when Nancy found that the coffee pots had blown the fuse in the kitchen and the coffee wasn't perked; Arleene to the rescue! - she went and found the circuit breaker and fixed it. (Kudos to Arleene!!!!)

Thank you all so much!
Marilyn

From the Opportunity Quilt Committee:

We will be showing and selling tickets for our Opportunity Quilt in front of Rosie's Quilt Shop on Sat Feb. 27th, during the Quilt Run.

We will be having sign-ups at the Feb. meeting for those who would like to help. The 2 hr. shifts will be 10am-12:00; 12-2pm and 2-4pm.

If you have not received your packet of tickets with quilt picture, please pick it up at the meeting.

Rita and Margaret



2016 Kaleidoscope Retreat News

September 8 arriving at 5 P.M.

September 11 departing by 2 P.M.

This year we are again booked at beautiful Vina de Lestonnac in Temecula for 3 nights, arriving Thursday evening at 5 P.M. Another group will be departing ahead of us and the retreat center will need time to prepare the room for us. Our first meal will be served at 6:00 P.M. Thursday. The cost is a bit more, but we will be getting much more for our money given the extra evening meal and the extra evening of sewing. The total cost for double occupancy is \$280. **We will be taking the first payment of \$90 at the February 17 meeting.** Another \$90 will be due at the May meeting and the final payment of \$100 will taken at the July meeting. **The retreat center requires a firm guarantee of 25 ladies in March. Non-members will be allowed to sign up at our February meeting since we must have a guarantee of 25 participants.** Their cost will be \$310.

The theme for our retreat this year is "Mardi Gras". Start planning your original Mardi Gras masks for our contest. We can't wait to see what you come up with.



Any questions contact Judy Shepard or Pat Gailband.



T. I. P. S.* for February, 2016

It seems to me that one of the very basic skills for us quilters is the $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam. Quilting without a correct $\frac{1}{4}$ seam will be nothing but a big headache. Do you have a wonderful vintage sewing machine that does not have a good guide - or foot - for $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seams? Simply eyeballing the correct width is not a sure-fire path for success. Bonnie K Hunter has a nice explanation on her website for making a seam marker out of an old plastic credit, hotel or library card.

<http://quiltville.blogspot.com/2016/01/sadie-snow-and-all-day-sew.html>

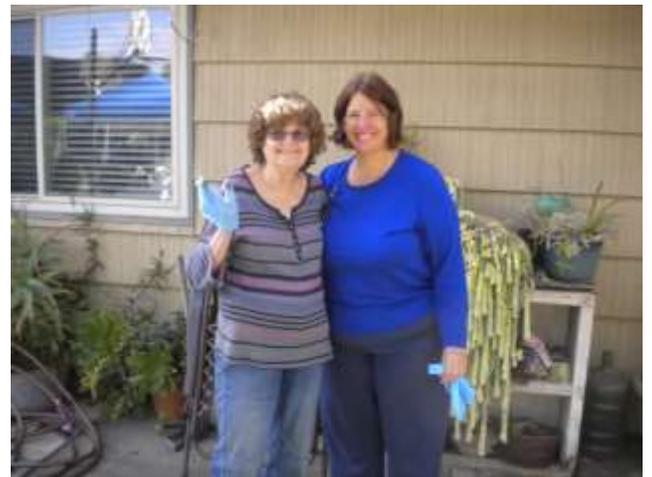
Is there a seat reserved for you on the couch during football or baseball games? Want to make a quilt with your favorite team logo? If you can't find the desired logo in your local quilt store, here is a website source that might help - check out what they offer under "licensed fabric":

<http://www.onlinefabricstore.net>

Have you ever needed to sew a perfect circle? Here's one idea. Tape a thumb tack on your sewing machine (with the point sticking up) with a piece of tape. To place the thumbtack, measure out from the sewing machine needle half the size of the circle you want to sew (if you want a 3" circle you would tape the tack $1\frac{1}{2}$ " from your sewing machine needle). Poke the center of your fabric circle onto the thumbtack and pivot the fabric around the tack as you sew. The fabric spins in a circle as you sew. You might put a rubber eraser over the tack to keep the fabric from slipping off.

Photo Gallery





Linda Pohlenz sent this link in. It's a connection to a cute article entitled "So God made a Quilter". I hope you are able to connect to it.

http://www.accuquilt.com/blog/uncategorized/so-god-made-a-quilter-video-transcript/?RILT=transcriptreadmore&utm_source=E160119C-Newsletter-B&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=consumeremail

News from Down Under

By Suzannah Richardson

A couple weeks ago I went to Jakarta for a work trip. We arrived Monday evening to the busy Jakarta airport, and right away I felt the humidity and smelled that hard to describe but distinct smell of Indonesia. There were two lanes painted on the road, but the cars had created three lanes and in between the narrow gaps thousands of motor bikes squeezed by.

When I woke up Tuesday I opened the curtains, eager to see what the surroundings looked like- lush hotel grounds below, then just past that a large white Mosque. Directly next to that was a neighbourhood of slums packed tightly together, and it was all surrounded by a ring of tall office buildings and a layer of haze. It was an interesting contrast.

That morning a driver took me to my company's facility in Bandung. It was interesting sitting in the back of the car by myself in a new place - nothing else to do but look around and take in the scenery. It slowly changed from crazy big city rice paddy fields and then lush mountains. We arrived at the facility and the driver parked and waited for me. All of the expats at my work have their own drivers, and I was fascinated how their days were spent either pushing along in crazy traffic or just waiting around.

I met some coworkers I'll be working a lot with - I was glad their English was very good as my Indonesian is limited to Selamat Pagi (good morning). After lunch they gave me a tour of the facility. It reminded me of the 1950s style work shop in the US, sort of a step back in time with some modern technology thrown in. After my introduction, it was time to head back to Jakarta before traffic got too bad.

My second day in Jakarta was nice and boring. Work meetings all day, and my throat was really sore so I went to bed pretty much right after work. Thursday started out pretty much the same way - more sore throats. We went into the office for some more meeting but then things got interesting.

It was about 11 am, we were in the middle of a meeting and an admin walked in and called the meeting leader out. He came back in a few minutes later and told us there were some bombings nearby and he was in charge of making sure everyone was accounted for and ok. We all started looking online and found just short stories online indicating that something was going on at a mall about 1 km from the office. We were briefed that there were some bombings at the Starbucks in front of nearby Sarinah mall and there were at least a few deaths. Everyone had been accounted for except for one visiting coworker, and she was in meetings with a customer very near that mall. We were asked not to leave the building or floor and told that we would be updated again as information came in.

We all sat around after that trying to figure out what was going on, any attempt at getting work done that day was feeble at best. We had another update meeting an hour later, and the coworker had been found and was ok but as asked not to move from her location until we got the all clear from the corporate security group. Apparently someone was riding on a motor bike shooting at people with an AK-47, so staying inside was essential.

Down Under cont'd

Lunch was brought in for everyone, and every once in awhile helicopters would fly by. We kept seeing conflicting reports online about the number of attackers involved, where exactly they were, and the number of people hurt or killed. We all sat around that afternoon talking with each other about what was going on. By then it was clear that this was a terrorist attack and it was really strange to be that close. I didn't really feel like we were in danger where we were - we were high up in a building with decent security and there weren't really any American-associated businesses in the area. It seemed like as long as we stayed where we were we were fine.

Around 3 pm it became clear that the action was over and we had another group meeting. Corporate security had cleared us to all go home and had said it was ok for us to go back to our hotel. Employees were asked not to take public transportation. They had the available drivers take everyone home, dividing them into groups according to what area of the city they lived in. Everyone was asked to email the person in charge once they were back home so he could make sure they were all ok. We had a really quiet night that night, staying in the hotel for dinner and calling it an early night. I think we were all weary from the stressful day and needed to relax.

Friday morning we went into the office again and ended up all congregating together and just talking about the events. It seemed liked we all needed to talk about it some more to process what really happened. But it also seemed like outside the city had already moved on, and that seemed strange as well. We finally got to work, stayed in the building for lunch, and went straight to the airport in the afternoon. I had thought we might have a chance to look for some batik fabric during the week, but with the excitement that didn't happen. At the souvenir shop at the airport I did find some gorgeous batik panels - a good price and great quality, it was a nice surprise after an interesting trip. It was a relief to finally get on that plane, and even better when we landed in Melbourne. How nice to finally be home after such an eventful trip.



Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes - January 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Peggy Couvrette who thanked the people who helped set up the hall for our meeting. We need some angel signups to help with this in the coming months.

Membership—Linda and Cindy reported that we have 2 visitors as well as several former members who have rejoined us.

Treasury—Our proposed budget was in the newsletter. We will be taking \$975 from our general fund to balance our budget for the year. Questions on the budget were asked for and answered. Anna Lancia moved that we accept the budget as presented, Debbie Sherrill seconded the motion, and the membership approved it. The ending balance of the Treasury, December 3, 2015 was \$8031.54.

Our program for the month is Shirley McGuire who will talk about working with wools.

The January meeting of the SCQCCG was held in our hall and everything went great . Marilyn Carnes was in charge.

Our fabric painting workshop will be January 30th from 10-3PM in Debbie Sherrill's backyard. Member price is \$30 and non-member price \$40. The guild will provide paints and some fabric. Members need to bring natural sponges, paint brushes, and plastic containers to mix the paint in. Samples of what we will be doing were shown.

Friday, March 4th will be our day with Eleanor Burns at Quilt in a Day. It goes from 10 AM - 2:30 PM and includes lunch for the \$20 fee. We will carpool to this event. Members need to sign up and pay for their spot.

We are looking for volunteers to open up their sewing space to us on May 7 for our studio tour. After the tour, Pat Gailband will host a gathering.

Retreat—Peggy filling in for Judy/Pat. We will start collecting money in February and non-members can pay in March. Members pay \$280 and non members pay \$310. The retreat will be Thursday Sept 8-Sunday Sept. 11th. We have to give the retreat people a head count in March. The theme is Mardi Gras.

Opportunity Quilt—Rita and Margaret have tickets and photos available at this meeting. We made \$60 at the SCQCCG meeting.

Philanthropy—Marilyn reported that there are quilt kits available for sewing. All members have been asked to make one quilt for philanthropy.

Hospitality—Leftover items from SCQCCG were given to Connie to use for our meetings.

Newsletter—No more hard copies printed. All receive newsletter on internet.

Positions needed : a new historian is needed and someone to be in charge of the Christmas party.

Mary Weflen ---Secretary



Kaleidoscope Monthly General Meetings

When: 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Time: 6:30 p.m. (Doors open at 6:15 p.m.)

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

Kaleidoscope Monthly Board Meetings

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Time: 6:30p.m.

Where: Peggy Couvrette's home

Who to Call:

President: Peggy Couvrette 619-466-6103

Programs/Wrkshops: Karen Brixner 619-460-0776

Newsletter: Debbie Sherrell 619-463-3258

What to bring to the meeting: Nametag, Sharing,
and philanthropy donations.