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**Our program this month
will be Peggy
presenting "From
Photo to Quilt".**



Peggy Couvrette, President

President's Message

What fun we had at Quilt in a Day with Eleanor Burns! Eleanor and her team are so creative in making traditional quilts easier to construct. I liked how she said they divide up tasks.... She is more the engineer and her sister the artist. I also was very touched to see her son step in and do quilting videos while she was recovering from surgery. Sue Bouchard her assistant also help keep things rolling.

Our speaker last month, Sylvia Davis gave us a fun inspiring lecture of her and her friends work.

I want to thank Rita Ana, Margaret Winbury and all who sat with the Opportunity Quilt at Rosie's during the run. It was well received and our first showing!

I will be our speaker this month... My topic is taking a photo to a quilt. I will be showing a few different ways to get there. I hope you find it enjoyable and you learn a little something. We will be having a workshop on the process as well.

See you at the meeting.

Peggy



Dates to Remember

- 3/9 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome. Starts 6:30 p.m.
- 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 "From Photo to Quilt" technique.
- 4/2 & 4/30 - "From Photo to Quilt" workshop. \$35 for members \$40 for non-members. See Karen Brixner's Programs article for details.
- 4/15-16 - El Camino Quilters Quilt Show "Piece by Piece". QLN Conf. Ctr. 1938 Avenida del Oro, Oceanside. 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Admission \$10. See website for more information: www.elcaminoquilters.com
- 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.
- 5/20-21 - Chula Vista Quilters Guild Quilt Show. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Cong. Church, 276 "F" St., Chula Vista. Donation \$5.
- 6/4-5 - Beach Cities Quilters Guild Quilt Show "FantaSea of Quilts". Soka University. Merchant Mall, Refreshment Vendor and Live Auction Saturday @1 p.m. Admission \$10. See website for more information: www.beachcitiesquilters.org
- 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.quiltquilds.com

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Our March Birthdays

3/7 -	Margaret Winbury
3/9 -	Connie Fisher
3/14 -	Kimberly Rick

Happy Birthday, Everyone!

March Program and Upcoming Events

By Karen Brixner

Our speaker this month will be our own Peggy Couvrette. Peggy will give us some insight into how to turn a photo into a quilt with her talk, "From Photo to Quilt." This will get you excited to sign up for her workshop on this process in April. Don't miss this month's meeting! If you are thinking of taking the workshop, please bring two or three photos you might like to use to this month's meeting. Choose photos that don't have excessive details if possible. Peggy will advise you as to which photos might be best to work with if you are a novice to these techniques.

Peggy's two-day workshop, "From Photo to Quilt," is scheduled for [Sat., Apr. 2](#) and [Apr. 30, from 10 am to 3 pm](#), at her home. The cost of this workshop will be \$35 for members, \$45 for non-members. The first session will cover transforming your photo into a pattern, fusing methods, & backgrounds, with some homework for the second session. The second session will continue with the project, answering any questions/issues that may have arisen. Further details and material list will be forthcoming. Sign up at our next meeting or call Karen at [619-460-0776](tel:619-460-0776).

[On Sat., May 7](#) we are planning a progressive tour of 4-5 of our members' quilting studios/sewing spaces with a reception at the end of the tour at Pat Gailband's home. We still need some volunteers willing to show off their sewing spaces and show our members a few of their ideas on organization. Please see Karen at the meeting if you are interested. It will be a fun day.

Hospitality

By Connie Close

Refreshments this month are the following -

Snacks: Yvette Maynard
 Lois Gresham
 Karen Brixner
 Nancy O'Connell

Drinks: Anna Lancia
 Becky DeSelle

Treasurer's Report

Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild

February 29, 2016

Beginning Balance February 1, 2016 \$8,415.05

Income

Quilt In A Day \$140.00

Membership \$150.00

Retreat \$2,450.00

Total Income \$2,740.00

Expense

#1616 Lemon Grove Masonic Temple - Jan Rent \$75.00

#1617 Debbie Sherrell - Paint Workshop - Yard use \$40.00

#1618 Peggy Couvrette - Paint workshop teacher \$84.60

#1619 Peggy Couvrette - Philanthropy batting \$156.60

#1620 Sylvia Davis - Feb speaker \$440.40

Total Expense \$796.60

Balance February 29, 2015 \$10,358.45

Amount of \$2,450.00 as income is for retreat

From Opportunity Quilt Committee

by Rita Anaya

We showed our beautiful Opportunity Quilt at Rosie's Quilt Shop on Feb 27th, the first Saturday of the Quilt Run. The quilt had many admirers and it made for us \$142.00!!! A big thank you to those who helped Margaret and I with a shift; Julie Reyes, Lola O'Leary and Patty Smith.

Our next opportunity to show our quilt will be at the Spring Garden Festival at Cuyamaca College on Sat. April 23.

If any of you would like to take the quilt while visiting another guild, please let Margaret or me know.

News From Down Under

By Suzannah Richardson

We had a long weekend for Australia Day at the end of January and made the four hour drive to Bright to spend the weekend with some friends there. Saturday morning my husband and our friend went for a bike ride in preparation for their big 200 km ride the following day. Meanwhile, I went for a walk along the Ovens River. It was a beautiful walk through the canyon and the scenery was peaceful and spectacular.



Sunset drive to Bright



Ovens River

We spent the rest of the day relaxing, something we don't do nearly often enough at home. Sunday morning my husband and our friend started their Alpine Classic 200 km bike ride at 4 am. They rode up Mt Buffalo and Falls Creek, making for a long day of climbing peaks.

Phil was happy to finish, having had bad luck and an early retirement when attempting the ride the year before. After a shower and a nap, we had a nice meal out to celebrate their success. The following day we drove along part of the ride route, through Mount Beauty (which is not actually a mountain but a town), Bogong, Falls Creek, and back. We stopped along the way and went for a couple walks, one up to Fainter Falls and another to see Wallace's Hut. It was surprisingly cold at the top of Falls Creek (which is a mountain, not a creek). It was a long enough ride in the car that I can't even fathom how long it must have felt riding the bike. We ended our weekend of fun with a visit to Bright Brewery for some drinks and a stop at a really good cheese factory on the way back.



Fainter Falls



Wallace's Hut

MARCH 2016 PHILANTHROPY

This past month we received two very nice thank you notes for the quilts our guild donated. The first is from the Ronald McDonald House. They have been very appreciative of our quilt donations over the years, and were so enthusiastic over the last bunch of quilts I delivered. They wrote a very nice letter saying they are "*delighted*" that we chose to support their efforts to "*provide a home away from home for families whose children are facing serious, often life threatening, medical conditions. All of the gifts we receive help us to advance our mission of providing care, compassion, meals and lodging to families with a child who is hospitalized with a medical crisis.*"

The second thank you is very touching. A lady named Jennifer contacted us via our website (printed on our quilt label). She wrote:

"I was cleaning out my daughter's closet today and ran across the quilt we were given at Zion [hospital]. At the time, I didn't realize that quilt would be so precious to us, and I almost forgot to bring it home. Once we got home, it became the quilt we used for EVERYTHING. It brought back so many amazing memories pulling this quilt out of the drawer today. Thank you for the joy you have brought our family and the joy you bring to all you touch with these amazing quilts!"

I am so glad we were able to give them comfort in a time of need; we can only hope that her daughter is healthy and thriving after her serious medical crisis.....Your philanthropy quilts do make a difference!

Happy Stitching!!!

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

Retreat News and Update



It's Mardi Gras and time to sign up for retreat if you haven't done so yet. We had a wonderful response at the February meeting. If you would please make a payment of \$90 by March and pass on this information to your non-member friends that would be great. The total cost of the weekend starting on Thursday night at 5 pm is \$280 for members and \$310 for non-members. Dinner is served at 6 pm Friday. The retreat center will be getting our sewing room ready that afternoon after another group leaves. We will have a list of stores that might interest you before your arrival and then there are the wineries. Many of the wineries serve lunch and there is always Temecula Old Town.

Start planning your mask for the mask contest.



Please send your payment to Pat Gailband if you will not be able to attend the March meeting to the following address. **Make checks out to Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild.**

Pat Gailband
2835 Silvia Street
Bonita, CA 91902





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

Recently my husband said "Marigold, where are all our shopping bags?" Wow! I had no idea, they used to be in the trunk of the car, but a quick search didn't locate even one. In thinking about it, I realize that I use my fabric shopping bags for a lot more than just toting groceries. Going shopping in San Diego without personal shopping bags is not a problem, because plastic ones are always supplied. But have you been shopping in Los Angeles lately? Several

months ago, while up there, I went to Target, bought a bottle of this, a box of that and a bunch of bananas. Got to the check out line, and remembered: oh, no!!! I didn't bring a shopping bag. And, frugal me, when asked if I wanted to buy a bag from them I of course said "no, thank you". Well, I felt foolish leaving the store, trying to balance all my stuff in my arms, and not strew it across the sidewalk or dump it in the parking lot. What to do? *Go Green!* Make my own shopping bags of course! And...do I have some extra fabric just waiting to be made into shopping bags - you bet! Here is a very interesting site by *Holly DeGroot*, that describes making a boxed-corner shopping bag that you will be proud to carry into the store:

<http://www.bijoulovelydesigns.com/2010/05/market-tote-tutorial.html>

Now that you have made several designer shopping bags, word will be getting around, and requests coming in from your family and friends for shopping bags. Here's an interesting site, by *Bailey Marie* that gives measurements you can use while designing all these bags - with her help you will know how to get the perfect sized bag.

<https://baileymarieandme.wordpress.com/2013/07/21/box-corner-bags-making-your-own-measurements/>

Are you becoming green? greenish? greener? Ready to join a movement? Can't believe it, but there is a movement afoot to make fabric shopping bags (195,612 have been made so far world wide), and getting the plastic out of the environment. There are actual groups you can join to sew for the cause, called pods. There are four pods in the San Diego area. Here's a pattern for a Morsbag, which makes an 18" x 20" bag. There also is a video for you visual learners, information about the environment and labels you can download and sew onto the front of your bags. Do that, and you are really official!!!!

<http://www.morsbags.com/get-involved/pattern-download-links/>

Remember, March is the GREEN month!

Photo Gallery



Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes, February,17,2016

The meeting was called to order by Peggy Couvrette who announced that the Lakeside Quilt Show is looking for quilts to hang for March 11 & 12.

Membership reported that we have one visitor tonight.

Treasury: Our balance at the end of January was \$8,415.05.

Programs: Karen- Quilt in a Day program is Mar.4 We can still add people and we need to carpool. The topic is "Quilts from El's Kitchen". The \$20 includes lunch.

Photo to Quilt Workshop---\$35 a member. 2 Meetings—April 2 and 30—bring appropriate photos to March meeting for Peggy to determine if they will work for photo to quilt.

Still need volunteers to share their sewing space with group on sewing room tour.

Next meeting the speaker is a quilt shop owner from Escondido.

May 18th speaker has canceled. Instead we will have a presentation on making batiks in Bali. We may also have a batik strip exchange or something similar.

Karen on website—Most members have not put anything on the website. The information is not visible to others who are not in the guild. Karen will help you if you need help posting quilts.

Retreat—Judy/Pat—They will start collecting money in February. Non members can pay in March. Members-\$280, non members \$310. Have to give retreat house a count in March. Dates are Sept. 8-11.

Opportunity quilt—Rita and Margaret are still handing out tickets for the opportunity quilt. We have sign ups to sell tickets on Feb. 27 at Rosie's and on April 23 at Cuyumaca College.

Philanthropy-Marilyn-We gave away 17 quilts so far this year. Julie did 18 quilts herself last year.

Hospitality—sign up list

Secretary passed around for volunteers.

Newsletter—everything is under control.

Positions still needed---historian, and Christmas party volunteers.

No other business was brought up so meeting was adjourned for sharing, refreshments , and our speaker.

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.