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Program this month is

Speaker Carolina Moore.

Her presentation this

month is on paper-piecing.



Peggy Couvrette, President

President's Message

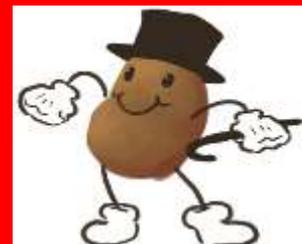
Happy 4th of July! Hope everyone had a good one with family and friends.

I had a wonderful vacation. Helped a new quilter make her first quilt top, a log cabin. I was Hoeing and hilling potatoes! Bike rides, broken spokes pushing a bike 5 miles but because we were walking we saw bald eagles, herons. Got to make the best of it.

Now back to my art quilt. I have till October 1st to get it finished. Deadlines are good.

We have another good speaker this month. Hope to see you at the meeting.

See you soon!



Peggy



Upcoming Dates to Remember

- 7/11 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 7/18 - Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is Carolina Moore presenting a paper
piecing lecture.**
- 8/8 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 8/15 - Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is our annual member showcase.
This year we are featuring Mary Weflen and Judy Whitney. This is also the month
the "San Diego" panel challenge is displayed.**
- This is also the deadline date for entering quilts in the San Diego Quilt Show.
www.sandiegoquiltshow.com for entry info.**
- 9/6 – 9/9 – Guild's annual retreat at Vina de Lestonnac retreat center, Temecula, CA.**
- 9/12 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 9/19 - Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is our annual philanthropy sew-in.
This year we are making placemats for the meals-on-wheels people to deliver
with their meals.**
- 9/20-22 – San Diego Quilt Show, San Diego Convention Center, Rita Hutchens, guest
artist. Show theme this year "Wild West". www.sandiegoquiltshow.com for
latest news and info.**
- 10/10 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 10/17 – Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is a "Quilt Matters" video and
discussion.**
- 11/7 - Guild Board meeting at Peggy Couvrette's house. All are welcome.
Starts 6:30 p.m.**
- 11/14 - Guild General meeting at the Masonic Center. Doors open 6:15,
meeting starts at 6:30. Program this month is Ann Scott presenting "Made by
You".**
- 12/12 – Guild annual holiday party. Appetizers at 6:00, dinner at 6:30.**

Our July Birthdays

13th Marilyn Helkenn

20th Ruth Simons

21st Julie Reyes

Happy Birthday, Everyone!!

Hospitality

Snacks:

Debbie Sherrell, Judy Whitney,
Michelle Lawrence & Pat Gailband

Beverages:

Nancy O'Connell
Arleene Beckhusen



Quilt Retreat 2018

Final Payments Due

Our "Flower Power Quilt Retreat in 2018" will start Thursday 5:00 pm, September 6 ending Sunday Sept. 9 at 2:00 pm. Dinner will be served at 5:30 Thursday evening Three meals will be served on Friday and Saturday and our last meal will be brunch on Sunday.

The cost: \$305 for a double room, \$275 for a triple and \$405 for a single.

Sign-ups: Final payments of \$105 for a double or \$75 a triple will be taken in July.

Guests: We will take payments for non-members at this month's meeting. An additional \$30 will be required.

It's not too late to sign up. We would love to have you join us at the Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center in the beautiful wine region of Temecula.





JULY 2018 PHILANTHROPY

Our Mini Quilt Show at Monte Vista Village was a lot of fun. Marilyn H and I were at the Philanthropy table demonstrating making quilted placemats for Meals on Wheels. There was a lot of interest from both quilters from other guilds to folks who didn't quilt, so Peggy had a great idea when she suggested that we sew at the show. Between the two of us, we Marilyn's made 9 placemats.

Please give a round of applause for these ladies who donated philanthropy quilts at our last meeting: **Mary Weflen, Patty Lawrence, & Margaret Winbury. Thank you!!!**

And for the monthly Scrap Report: we are now over 300 pounds, thanks to some very busy ladies this past month.

At our September meeting we will have our *Philanthropy Sew-in*, so plan to come to this meeting - it's always a lot of fun. And this year I hope to have 90 placemats to donate to Meals on Wheels - but can't do it without your help.

Keep those sewing machines whirling! See you at the meeting!!!

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

July Program

Carolina Moore is a sewing, quilting, and crafting blogger who's never met a craft she didn't like! She is presenting a discussion on paper-piecing at this meeting. Her blog, [Always Expect Moore](#), is filled with step-by-step sewing and crafting tutorials, as well as recipes and other fun projects. She's also one of FaveQuilts' video bloggers, and designed the [FaveQuilts' Block of the Month](#) video series. Come hear her talk!

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE SCOOP ON FABRIC RECYCLING.....

By Marilyn Carnes

....and you heard it here, first, at Kaleidoscope! OK - here's the problem I have been working on for the last 6 months.. .and the solution! - (sadly I'm not as fast as Michael Turko from KUSI was).

I had heard from the quilting grapevine that Salvation Army accepted fabric scraps, and I jumped on it. What a great idea! I announced it to the guild, and started dropping bags and bags of fabric scrap into a collection bin outside of Jerome's on H Street. Usually this was done about 9 PM, in a dark parking lot, after we had gone to the gym. The response from our guild was great, but I started to feel my clandestine drop-offs might not be meeting with the response I had anticipated...in fact, I started having visions of cameras being installed above the bin, trying to apprehend the culprit who was filling their collection bin with piles of scraps. So I started calling around, trying to confirm the information that I had been acting upon.

Using the telephone got me nowhere. I called both the Salvation Army and the Goodwill, and got no helpful information. Then I emailed the Environmental Services Department of the City of San Diego, and a very nice man actually called the Goodwill for me, and let me know that they do accept "scraps" to add to their textile recycling bales. (Thank you Steve Weihe, Recycling Specialist II- you deserve a raise!)

OK - here's where the story takes a turn to the left. I switched my donations from the Salvation Army to Goodwill - we have a donation center under the 54 freeway overpass on Sweetwater Rd. We drove there with the trunk packed to the gills with bags of fabric scrap. Two burly fellows came to help me unload. I told them politely that it was fabric scrap, which brought a puzzled stare to their faces. Then they told me they didn't accept fabric scrap, because they had to open all the bags. Yikes!, if they opened the bags right there in the parking lot, there would be fabric scrap from Bonita to Tijuana. I argued with them, informing them that I had good information from the City Environmental Services Department. They relented just enough to say I could drop the bags off just that one time, but never again. NUTS!!! So I went home, determined to get to the bottom of this. Instead of using the telephone, I decided to write a note to both the Salvation Army and to the Goodwill, and email it. IT GOT RESULTS!!! My husband thought I was nuts, but I was so-o-o happy.

First, the phone rang, and it was the Goodwill calling me! They said that all donation centers should accept bags of scrap, if properly bagged and labeled. And guess what??? Remember the big burly fellows under the 54 overpass who didn't want to accept my scrap bags? They are in for additional training!!! (However, I don't know if I actually am brave enough to ever show up there to that location with another bag of fabric scrap. They might not appreciate their "additional training").

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(Scraps, cont'd)

Then I got a very nice lengthy email from the Salvation Army, which confirmed that yes they do accept fabric scrap which is then sold to textile recycling companies and used by many industries to make carpet padding, upholstery, etc. *"All donated, resalable items we collect are sold in our stores and fund our Adult Rehabilitation Centers where those with no means to pay for getting clean and sober come for recovery in our 6+ month, residential 12 Step program. The Salvation Army has calculated that if every quilter/sewer in San Diego County gave their scraps for a year to this program, they would generate over \$50K additional funding for this program, not to mention the fabric scraps and recycled textiles would be kept out of the landfill! We are grateful for your quilting scraps (that won't go in the landfill) and any other donated goods you may drop off at any of our Donation Bins or Certified Donation Centers. Here is a link to our drop off sites, just enter your zip code and the closest one will pop up. <http://satruck.org>"*

She went on to write: *The Salvation Army is one of the world's oldest and largest recyclers. Here are the categories of items we are able to recycle and help fund the program as well:*

- Textile recycling
- Shoe recycling
- E-waste (electronic)
- Scrap metals
- Cardboard
- Books

So, in conclusion, both the Goodwill and the Salvation Army do accept fabric scraps, if bagged correctly. Recycling is win-win, it helps our environment, and if you want to also help get folks off the street and trained for a job - donate to the Goodwill. If you want to save the environment and also get addicts off the street and rehabilitated - donate to the Salvation Army. Both are wonderful organizations worthy of our support.

HOW TO DO IT: Fabric (quilting scraps, unusable towels and rags), thread and yarn can be recycled. (please, no dryer lint, spools, pins, paper, etc) Place the scrap in clear plastic bags (I double-bag them) and knot them securely. Each bag should have a large label that says: **Fabric Scrap, for Textile Recycling Bales Only.**

Whew!!! Case Closed



Each bale is labeled with:

TEXTILE
SCRAPS
For Textile
Recycling
Bales

From Down Under... by Suzannah Richardson

No pictures this month, just thought I'd share some of the funny words I've been learning

When sewing in Australia, nothing is at it **seams**. You **chuck a sickie** (take a sick day) because your schedule has been so **chock a block** (totally full) that haven't had time to sew a block. When you have a **stitch** you have a cramp from running, and if it's a **stitch up** it's really a set up or trick. But if you want to stitch your fabric together it's called **patchwork**, not a quilt. If you make the patchwork big enough, you can use it on your bed instead of a **doona**(duvet). You'll also need some **wadding** instead of batting that you purchase by the **meter** instead of the yard. Make sure you use quarter inch seems and cut that binding to 2.5" though, because it would be silly to actually cut or sew using centimeters. When you're finished, you can say "**You little ripper**" - that's fantastic - but if you make a mistake, better grab your seam ripper, that's not so fantastic.

If the **colour** (color) of your patchwork is maroon, you say it's **Mah-Rone**, which you'd be a moron not to know. If you want to make a **prezzy** (present) for your **mate** (friend), you can buy some **wool** (yarn - of any material -) and **Crow-shit** (instead of crow-shay) a **tea towel**. Just make sure you check the **docket** (receipt) to verify the **shop** (store) applied your **voucher** (coupon). Now I haven't quite figured out why all small towels here are called tea towels, but they come in handy in the kitchen when you want a **cuppa** and a **bikkie** (cup of tea and a cookie). Or if you want something stronger, have some **plonk** (cheap wine), **my shout** (my treat). You could also sew the outsides of small circles of fabric, gather them, and make some **Suffolk Puff** (yo-yo) pot holders. Now, that pot on that holder is made out of **aluminium** rather than aluminum, and if you decide to put it under a **pot plant** instead don't be alarmed, that's actually a potted plant.

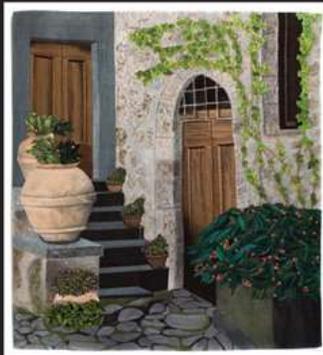
But I digress. It's time for me to pack my **trackie dacks**, **togs**, and **thongs** (pants, bathing suit, and flip flops) and hit the **frog and toad** (road - though road is actually called **bitumen**). We will take an **aeroplane** (airplane) and begin our **annual leave** (vacation). I am looking forward to getting away from the 1 degree C (33 F) winter (July) mornings!



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**Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild
Treasurer's Report June 1, 2018**

Beginning Balance June 1, 2018	\$	13,367.03
Income		
Membership	\$	37.50
Opportunity Quilt Tickets	\$	60.00
Mini Quilt Show- \$221.00 Boutique, \$130.00 Oppt Tickets	\$	351.00
Total Income	\$	448.50
Expense		
Check #1918 - Lemon Grove Masonic Temple Assoc. - May Rent	\$	100.00
Check #1919 - Jan Hayman - June Speaker	\$	200.00
Total Expense		<hr/>
	\$	300.00
Balance June 30, 2018	\$	13,515.53
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Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting, June 20, 2018

Debbie Sherrell called the meeting to order for Peggy Couvrette who was on vacation. We had one new member and 4 visitors who came to hear our speaker.

Treasurers report: Balance on May 31, 2018, our balance was \$13,367.03 of which approximately \$1300 is retreat money.

Programs—Upcoming programs--- Jan Haman (June 20,2018), Carolina Moore-Paper Piecing, Member Showcase in August—Mary Weflen and Judy Whitney. We are trying to get speakers together for next year's programs.

Retreat—September 6-9. Final Payments are due in July.

Opportunity quilt—Sold \$131 worth of tickets at Monte Vista Village.

Philanthropy--- Sewed 9 placemats for Meals on Wheels at Monte Vista Village. People there had lots of questions for us. We are recycling fabrics at both Goodwill and Salvation Army.

Hospitality--- signups look good.

Monte Vista Lodge—Made \$131 on opportunity quilt tickets. The boutique made \$220. Sold one of Julie's quilts. The whole thing worked very well and was enjoyed by many people.

Mary Weflen

Secretary



2018 Opportunity Quilt "50 Shades"

Kaleidoscope Monthly General Meetings

When: 3rd Wednesday of each month.
Doors open 6:00 p.m. dinner starts 6:30.

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

Kaleidoscope Monthly Board Meetings

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month.
Where: Peggy Couvrette's home

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