PATCHES THE COACHELLA VALLEY QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER Nov/Dec 2014, Volume 14, Issue Number 5

Mailing address: P.O. Box 3121, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Meetings are held at 10:00 a.m. the second Saturday each month at Coachella Valley History Museum 82616 Miles Avenue, Indio, CA

Website: www.cvquiltguild.org

MISSION STATEMENT: The purpose of the Coachella Valley Quilt Guild is to promote appreciation of quilting, share and uphold the heritage of a timeless folk art, and to further the education and still levels of the members of the guild.

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Hello everyone. I would like to welcome back snowbirds for the winter season. It will be good to see you all again.

Our next meeting is Saturday, November 8 at the Coachella Valley History Museum. We are looking forward to hearing from our two local quilt shops on their new products from the Houston International Quilt Festival. Be here for this meeting if you can.

On December 13 we will be having our Holiday Brunch at the Desert Willow Golf Club. Look for details in the 1st Vice President's message in the newsletter.

Don't forget to get your handmade silent auction items ready for the Holiday Brunch. Lucy Jewkes and Shannon Bucionis will be collecting the items at the November meeting and will be taking them throughout the month and into early December. Here are some ideas for items to donate: small quilted items - sachets, pot holders, wall art, decorative items, ornaments, etc.; knitted or crocheted scarves, gloves, mittens, etc.; special holiday art. Money raised from this event help to pay for our wonderful upcoming programs.

We are still looking for a small group to put together a basket for the basket raffle. If you are able to do this, please let me or Connie Fleischner know.

Don't miss the information under Membership later in this newsletter. You will want to get your membership renewal in early.

Beginning in January, we will be meeting at the University of California Riverside in Palm Desert. We will be sending out more detailed information about our new venue later in December.

See you all at the November meeting.

Linda Rae Shea President

2nd Vice President Report

By Kathleen Herring

Wow! We did fantastic at the QuiltFest Oasis with regards to selling raffle tickets. Our volunteers sold \$1196.00. The quilt, Primitive Garden, amazed and intrigued the viewers at the show. Thank you to the volunteers who sold raffle tickets and to the volunteers that white gloved and made it possible to show our quilt. It was also wonderful to have the show here in Palm Springs and I for one enjoyed it immensely and am looking forward to next year's show.

November 8-9 is the Art Affaire at the Rancho Mirage Community Park (formerly Whitewater Park). Cheryl Jensen and I are looking for a few more volunteers for the 11:30 to 1:30 and 1:30 to 4:00 shifts on Saturday, November 8 and the 9am to 11:30 shift on Sunday. If you can volunteer for any of those shifts, please call Cheryl at 760 321-2380. We are also looking for some small art quilts, wall hangings, table runners, miniatures, etc. that would show off various quilting styles. If you have a quilt that could be displayed for those two days, please contact Cheryl at the number above. Thanks.

I hope you are thinking about what quilt(s) you are going to enter in the Date Festival this year. We want to make sure that the display is as impressive as ever. We need to keep the number of entries up so that we can sell raffle tickets for our Opportunity Quilt. The Date Festival is a big money maker with regard to ticket sales. There are quite a few different categories that you can enter in — regular size quilts, miniatures, wall hangings, clothing — so check out the possibilities at the Date Festival website www.datefest.org . If you have any questions, please call me 760 567-9011.

I won't be selling tickets at the November guild meeting because of the Art Affaire so our Holiday Brunch will be the last chance to get tickets. However, if you have ticket stubs to turn in, you can give me those in November or bring them to the brunch. Don't forget them!!

Kathleen Herring

Philanthropy Report – November 2014

Charities Served

As we enter into the Holiday Season, and the desert "High Season", I'm pleased to report that the Coachella Valley Quilt Guild has delivered 186 quilts to the following organizations serving our valley:

- Barbara Sinatra Children's Center 45
- Camp Erin 23
- Desert Samaritans 1 (prior to their dissolution)
- Shelter from the Storm 71
- Riverside County Dept. of Aging Senior Care Intervention and Transition Program 46

We are getting closer to our goal of receiving 300 for distribution, as we have received 214 quilts to date. There is still time left for our members to bring in completed quilts in order to reach the 2014 Quilt Challenge of 300 quilts. The biggest need currently is quilts for children.

Additionally, the Guild has provided donations for the after-school sewing program at Las Palmitas School in Thermal for fifth and sixth graders. A presentation to the teacher, who teaches these children the joys of creating a lasting gift and skills the children would not otherwise have, will be made at the upcoming November 8th meeting. Be sure to attend to honor her efforts and the lasting skills these children have learned.

Financial donations to other deserving charities will be announced and awarded in January, 2015.

Quilting Supplies

The Philanthropy Committee still has a large amount of fabric (some small, some larger pieces) which is available for use by guild members for charity quilts. Contact the Philanthropy Committee Chairperson, Cheryl Taylor, to make arrangements to go "fabric shopping". You can contact her at **philanthropy@cvguiltguild.org**. Batting for charity quilts is also available. If you provide the size of batting you need by November 5th, it will be brought to the November 8th General Meeting and will be available for pickup at the Philanthropy Table.

Quilt Kits will also be available for pickup at the November 8th General Meeting. Please do your best to return any kits you currently have prior to the December 13th Holiday Brunch. If you need to bring them to the Brunch, let the Chairperson know in advance.

Thanks to all of you who have made this year's Philanthropy outreach so successful!

Respectfully Submitted by Philanthropy Committee Chairperson, Cheryl Taylor

Reminder:

Philanthropy Quilters: Please wash the quilts before donating. Thanks for all the work you are doing!



Membership Report

Hello Members!

First a special thanks to all of the Membership Table Volunteers. In September we had Teri Kirschner, Cher Gellman, Kathy Klein, Cara Stansberry and Mary Ann Toomey. In October; Barbara Lind, Cher Gellman, Lidia McCowin and Lucy Jewkes. It couldn't be done without them!

Attendance for the September meeting was 69 with 3 new members. The door prize was won by Karen Flick. Attendance for the October meeting was 71 with 2 new members and 3 guests. The door prize was won by Karen Lummus. Our total membership to date is 208.

Welcome new members:

Connie Corteville	Lydia McCowin
Theresa Lake	Dolly Van Blarcom

Stella Lopez

In September we started taking renewals and new memberships for 2015. I am happy to report that 71 members have already renewed!

In case you missed the previous newsletter, if you renew or join for 2015 by December 1st (at a meeting or by mail) your name will be entered into a special raffle. (I will have preprinted forms at the meeting or it is available on the website)

Claire Victor

Membership Chair

Winner to receive garden themed decorative basket filled with all these goodies:



4 yards Robert Kaufman Floral Focus Fabric 7 yards (in ½ yard cuts) of Coordinating Fabric

Light Orange Yellow Dark Raspberry Raspberry Gold Light Pink Medium Pink Pink Cerise Light Green Medium Green Darker Green Multi Green Wine

5 Spools Cotton Essential Thread, 1200 yards, 50 weight

Baby Pink Persimmon Goldenrod Custard Grass

Floral Note Cards Favorite Appliqué Ideas by Lena Thorpe Mary Ellen's Best Press Small Conair Travel Iron 6 Multi-colored Clips Dancing Solar Flower Bouncing Ball

Renewal form to be postmarked by December 1, 2014 - Drawing will take place at December Holiday Luncheon

Programs

Below is a list of the programs through March of 2015. We will have a really nice mix of different speakers and teachers coming up. Check out the complete list on our website at www.cvquiltguild.org

Please stop by our display in the lobby to see samples for Luella's class and Jean Impey's class.

December is Linda's last meeting as President. Please bring in your block for her before then. It should be 6 ½ inches (6 inches finished) Bright colors and geometric designs. Get it to Pat Siegel or Natalie Shonerd before our December meeting.

Saturday, November 8, 2014

What's new at Houston Marketplace Presentation by Monica's Quilt and Bead Creations and Quilter's Faire Meeting starts at 10:00am Speakers at 11:00am

Saturday, December 13, 2014

Holiday Brunch Desert Willow Golf Course 9:00am to Noon For detailed information, <u>click here</u>

2015

\$25.00

Saturday, January 10

Half Day Class noon to 4pm

Luella Grangaard Luella is one of our many talented guild members. She will provide a trunk show of her work. Meeting starts at 10:00am Speaker at 11:00am **Sunday, January 11** Luella Grangaard "Roadrunner"

Saturday, February 14

Juli Shulem www.jsdesignsunlimited.com "Conquer Your Quilt Room" Meeting starts at 10:00am Speaker at 11:00am February 15, 2015 Jean Impey www.SewJean.Shutterfly.com Two half day classes \$25.00 each 9am to noon - Inks & The Amazing Alphabets 1pm to 4pm - Garden Party Pillow Top Saturday, March 14 Dragonfly Dyeworks Meeting starts at 10:00am Speaker at 11:00am Sunday, March 15 Dragonfly Dyeworks Fabric Color Magic Dyeing Workshop Meeting starts at 10:00am Speakers at 11:00am \$5.00 Supply Fee

<u>Spotlight on success!</u> (please share your successes with us so we can include them in the newsletter – email:katmckernan@roadrunner.com)

It is with great humility that I share my recent success – Curator's Choice / Applique for this year's Hoffman Challenge. I was as shocked as you will be when you see it (it will be at Road) – how did this quilt get picked???? It is a folk art style salute to the Beatle's 50th anniversary of their debut on the Ed Sullivan Show in a Name-That-Tune-Format. It was a lot of fun to work with the fabric on this quilting adventure – my 89 year old mother-in-law, the amazing precision hand quilter kept asking when I would be done (she was visiting while I was finishing it) – the answer was as soon as I covered up all the mistakes I made. I hope you have as much fun viewing as I did creating! And yes, I listened to a lot of Beatles music during the process... (Kathy McKernan) <u>http://www.hoffmanchallenge.com/2014challenge/winners14/appwinners2014.html</u>