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Meetings are held at 10:00 a.m., the second Saturday of each month at UCR Palm Desert,
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www.cvquiltguild.org

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

Welcome back quilters. The long hot summer is coming to a close and we are back together. It is so great to see some of our snowbirds returning and we look forward to the next couple of months as everyone returns to the desert. I know it has been a busy summer for everyone, including the Guild board.

The studio tour in June was a HIT!!! Special thanks to all of our host quilters. The studios were beautiful; the creativity abounds and is amazing. The level of talent the quilters in our guild possess is remarkable. Cal, our VP-Programs and his committee outdid themselves. What a great team.

The summer retreat, in Temecula, provided a slight break from the heat. Lots of new friendships were made and a great time was had by all. The fall retreat is coming up in November. If you are interested in more details, contact me.

The board continued to work during the summer months to firm up our programs and activities for the balance of the year and into 2018. Lots of great things are happening. Membership renewal time is approaching and Membership will be distributing the dues registration forms.

There are still a large number of members who have not purchased their 2 books of Opportunity Quilt tickets. If you haven't, please do. We will be drawing the winning ticket at our Holiday Luncheon. The Holiday Luncheon will be held at Bellatrix at the Classic Club. Reservation forms will be available in September. Sign up early as seating is limited.

And speaking of the Holiday Luncheon, we are in need of items for the boutique and volunteers to make the raffle baskets. More information is coming at the September and October meetings. Consider getting a few friends together to make a basket. The boutique and raffle baskets are the biggest fund raisers for the Guild. It helps provide for the wonderful programs, classes and our fabulous facility.

Don't forget to check out upcoming events, classes and programs on our website and join us on Facebook.

Karon Patterson
VP Facilities, Acting President

Opportunity Quilt - Vice President Report
Leslie Gardiner

We have had good ticket sales so far, with more to come in the fall, we hope! We do need a volunteer or volunteers, to make an Opportunity Quilt for 2019. It doesn't necessarily have to be a huge one! If you are interested, or know anyone or any groups that might be interested, please let me know.

I hope everyone is having a good summer! See you in the fall.

Leslie Gardiner

Programs - Vice President Report
Calvin Trimpey

September – Linda Anderson

Linda likes to tell a story with her art quilts. The images she chooses are like a momentary snapshot that makes one wonder “what happened just before this moment” and “what will happen next”. It is the combination of high drama and gentle delicacy she tries to create using raw edge machine appliquéd.

Cottons are ideal for her work, as she usually hand paints washes of color to create areas of value change for the specific need. She loves the process of drawing—the use of line, shapes, movement, detail, and texture. She plans her quilts completely by creating a full drawing of her vision, and then she enlarges it to the desired finished size to use as a pattern. Using multiple layers of batting in different areas adds additional depth. Colored pencils are also used for subtle transitions within fabric shapes.

Life is full of contradictions and juxtapositions, whether socially, politically, psychologically, emotionally or within nature. She likes to find that snapshot moment that highlights that duality.

Check out her website at: www.laartquilts.com

October – Hoffman Fabrics

“Time travel” with Hoffman Fabrics to learn about the design and making of Hoffman’s legendary Bali batiks and its innovative Hoffman Spectrum Digital prints. Each yard of Hoffman Bali Batiks is dyed and batiked by hand in Bali where the company has been the main employer of a small village for 30 years. Philip Hoffman and his brother, Walter, fell in love with the centuries-old art form of batik and introduced these hand-dyed fabrics to quilting. Each batik design is drawn by hand at Hoffman’s headquarters in Mission Viejo, Calif., before being sent to Bali for batik production.

Still an industry leader in its 93rd year of business, Hoffman rides the next new wave of quilting cottons with digitally printed fabrics. The sky's the limit for the number of colors, hues and shades in Hoffman Spectrum Digital fabrics that are produced on the same superior-quality cotton base goods that Hoffman is known for. Learn how Hoffman Spectrum Digital prints are transforming the art of quilting!

November – Allyson Allen

Allyson Allen, a former high school English and Special Education teacher, has been teaching quilting and doll making through state funded programs in public and private schools for 25 years, seven of those years teaching at three southern California Youth Authority facilities. She also teaches at quilt shows, retreats, and cruises. Her workshop venues have included the Disney Music Center, the California African American Museum, the African Market Place & Cultural Faire, and the California Craft & Folk Art Museum. Her work has been commissioned by entertainers, dignitaries, and organizations across the country, and her quilts, fiber art pieces, and handmade journals have been featured in numerous newspaper articles, exhibit catalogs, and books. Her exhibit venues include galleries, cultural centers, museums, art venues and embassies throughout the United States as well as in Canada, Europe, and Africa. She is a multiple California Arts Council grant award recipient, twice nominated for NEA National Heritage Fellowship consideration, and has been recognized for more than two decades as an award-winning Master African American Quilt and Doll Artist by the state of California. She is a Special Exhibitor, lecturer, and instructor for Mancuso National Quilt Shows.

Check out her website at: <http://kuumba421.wixsite.com/quilts421>

November – Saturday Afternoon Round Robin

Also in November will be our Round Robin! Sign up at the meeting, and learn new techniques while having great fun!

WE NEED HOSTS!

The Coachella Valley is becoming a major festival destination, which is driving up the cost of hotel rooms. To keep our costs down, we'd like to have the option of accommodating guest speakers in a guild member's home. If you have a nice guest room with a private bathroom, you might be interested in volunteering to be a host. Just think... you could have a world-famous quilter, artist, teacher all to yourself! One to three nights, non-smoking required, no pets preferred, and within 15-20 minutes of the UC Riverside Campus. If you're interested, contact Calvin at caltrimpey@gmail.com.

Our program schedule is always available on our website: www.cvquiltguild.org

Membership Report
Kim Glossip

The May and June detail statistics will be included in the next newsletter. Our attendance declines in the summer months, and we look forward to the snowbirds return. We had a good turn-out for the June Studio Tour, and greatly appreciate all our hosts and volunteers efforts.

There will be a Volunteer sign-up sheet at the Members sign-in table; we can always use an extra hand, so please take a shift (or more) if you can. It's a good way to meet other members, and to put names with the faces you know.

We will not open the doors for the general members until 9:30 AM, so please respect the signs on the doors. If it's exceedingly hot, please wait in the auditorium until then.

We will begin collecting 2018 dues at the September meeting in the front lobby. Please remember that membership dues can only be paid separately from your tickets for the December Luncheon. Bring two checks. Sorry, no exceptions can be made.

Our new member name badges have a "NEW" sticker attached. We ask that you leave the sticker on your badge for a few months so we can recognize you and introduce ourselves. The sticker is made of post-it material, and can be removed easily. Thank you for wearing the sticker, and WELCOME to all our new members.

If you haven't yet picked up your Membership Card and Directory, or your name badge, please pick them up at the Members sign-in table. Replacement badges are \$5. We will order far fewer Directories next year, as we've had so many left the past two years.

I look forward to seeing you in September.

Kim Glossip

Philanthropy Report
Pene Owens

Hello everyone from smoky hot Hood River, Oregon. I am currently traveling so I don't have my numbers with me but from my memory our numbers are good and if all of you have been able to relax and have time for sewing for charity we should end with a job well done.

I can't believe we are almost to Fall. It feels like it here in the Northwest and I will be heading to visit Patricia Young in Wisconsin so it will be fun to see how it feels there. We will be doing lots of sewing together. Her locale Fair will be going on so I will get to see her entries and ribbons I am sure.

In September I will have foundation blocks and bags of strips again for sewing. It's quick and fun. I would appreciate finished quilts but if you just cannot finish the quilt we will take tops. It just makes the process longer and more difficult to find backing and to quilt and bind them.

Sew What Table

I continue to get donations for the Sew What Table and have some great bins of fabric ready for putting out in September. I will have a sale of all the fabrics bundles with the jute rope. And, hopefully red mark the tags so there is no mistaking what is on sale. I don't think we will have the books out until October. Kim is away along with her helpers so I will only do the fabric.

Please remember the doors do not open for check in until 9:30. Unless you are helping one of the Board Members before 9:30. Kim Glossip will have a list from each of us stating who will be coming early. Unless you are on that list no entrance until 9:30. This helps all of us to get set up and ready to greet each and everyone back this September.

Please call me with any donations you may have for the table. Thanks

Pene Owens

New Member Lunch **Annie Houston**

The New Member Lunch group will begin meeting again in the late fall. Thanks to Annie for putting this together.

Annie Houston, hahaannie@aol.com

Parliamentarian **Linda Crowe**

Hello from the lovely Coachella Valley! The position of Membership Chair remains without a nominee for 2018. Please consider offering your expertise (we know you're out there) to our wonderful Guild. The Membership Chair is a key position in the Guild and needs someone with computer skills either as Chair or Co-Chair. The position is an ideal one to share with another member, so why not volunteer with a friend and increase the enjoyment of helping your guild? A great advantage is the number of members who are eager to help with sign-in and many other

duties attached to the job. Newer members will find this position excellent for the opportunity to meet and work with many Guild members. We all have love of quilting as a common ground for, at the very least, a good conversation.

Please join the other nominees for 2018 to help our special Guild continue the fun and informative activities during the year. The duties are described in the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations published in the membership book and Guild website. Term of office is one year with a maximum of two years. Contact Linda Crowe twoblackwings@hotmail.com with questions or to communicate interest in the position.

The nominees for board positions are introduced in October, voted into office in November, and installed at the December holiday luncheon. We hope current nominees will shadow the current board member at the fall meetings to become more familiar with the duties. Board members are happy to answer questions about the individual positions.

I will miss the September meeting, so see you in October !.

Linda Crowe

2018 Desert Guilds Quilt Show Boutique

The quilt show is in March. There is lots to do... Quilts to make in several categories and handmade items for the boutique. The quilt show boutique is one of the ways we pay for our speakers and activities during the year. Hope everyone had a great summer and made lots of projects for the Boutique. I am currently in Oregon, but will begin collecting your handmade donations at the October meeting.

Pat Siegel

Silent auction

I hope you have all had a wonderful summer and that you are working on your silent auction donations. Last year we had so many great donations from our very creative quilters. I will be back in the desert by the middle of October to begin collecting them. I just want to thank you all ahead of time for contributing to this event. Any questions, email JannaSCalkins@gmail.com

Jana Calkins

CALLING ALL HOLIDAY BASKETS!

Gather a group, choose a theme and design a basket for our Holiday Luncheon in December. Create a basket you would love to win in our Holiday Basket drawing. Please make sure all the items are new or unused. Sign ups will begin at our September meeting or you can contact Kathleen Herring at kathleen.herring@icloud.com. It will be wonderful to see what you come up with this year!

Committee Chairs:

Block-of-the-Month/Facebook: Robert Tucker

Historian: Kathleen Herring & Kathy Klein

Newsletter: Pat Siegel

Philanthropy: Pene Owens

New Member Welcome: Annie Houston

Sew What Table: Pene Owens, Kim Carlson

Web Site Coordinator: Kathleen Herring

