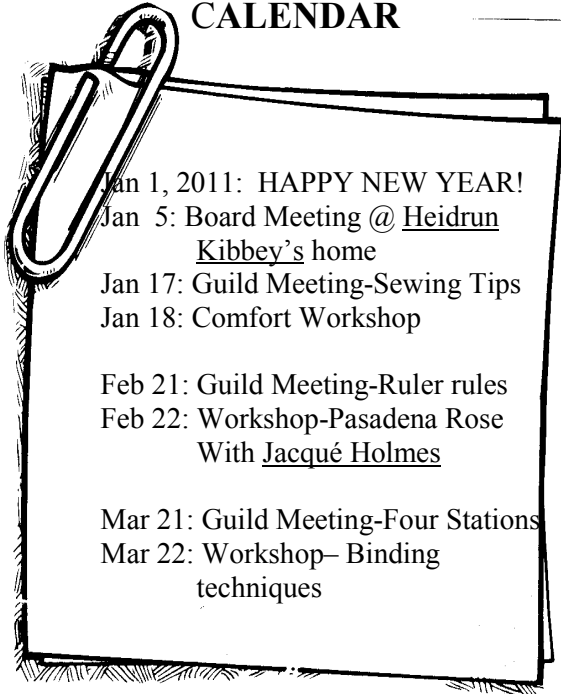




THE BEAR FACTS

BUSY BEAR QUILT GUILD—DEC/JAN 2011

CALENDAR



Jan 1, 2011: HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Jan 5: Board Meeting @ Heidrun Kibbey's home

Jan 17: Guild Meeting-Sewing Tips

Jan 18: Comfort Workshop

Feb 21: Guild Meeting-Ruler rules

Feb 22: Workshop-Pasadena Rose
With Jacqué Holmes

Mar 21: Guild Meeting-Four Stations

Mar 22: Workshop- Binding
techniques



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year! I hope you all have had a wonderful Christmas holiday and are ready to get the New Year going.

I'd like to say THANK YOU to all you quilters who have served so well over the past year and especially to Bonnie Snell who did such a wonderful job leading our guild over the last couple of years. I hope to carry on as well as she has done. We certainly had a great 2010 and I'm looking forward to the New Year with a great slate of officers and volunteers. Together we all make this a great guild!

I would also like to send a special Thank You to Lorraine Taylor for planning such a wonderful Christmas Party. The Best Western provided a great venue for us to once again be able to enjoy a festive occasion together. The room was beautifully decorated and our "favors" were very cute and will be useful to us all. Thanks to all the ladies who sewed long and hard to make these lovely gifts for us all. Also for the creative use for the toilet paper rolls!!

Remember too, that Kay would like all of you that made an ornament to exchange at the party, to be working on making a dozen more to sell at the boutique at the quilt show. You already have the supplies handy so it should be a snap to put a few more together before you put your supplies away!

Looking ahead to the coming year, Lorraine has lined up some terrific programs. This year we have tried to schedule our guests around the months that we prepare for our quilt show, hopefully this will make our meetings flow better. We are also going to have the meetings start at 6:00 pm, social time starting at 5:30. This should help us to get out a little earlier.

I am really looking forward to working with all of you in the upcoming year. I hope that working together, we can keep our guild the wonderful organization that we all enjoy and continue learning new quilting skills. If you have ideas or suggestions, please contact me or any of the executive board.

Hopefully we won't have a snow storm and I'll see you on the 17th!

Carol Henderson



DINNER BEFORE THE MEETING

Welcome to the New Year and Great Fun ahead! By now you probably know that I'll be the new face in your circle around the dinner table. To start out, let's meet at I-HOP because that seems to have been your favorite during the past year.... We can talk about what other places we would like to meet at in the future.

For our NEWBIES: Please join us at these monthly meetings for a little nourishment, idle chat, problem solving, laugh, a little gossip and sharing of anything you want to. It starts at 4PM on the Monday of our monthly guild meeting. I'm looking forward to getting to know all of you better.

Maybe it would be best you
Let me know if you will attend.
Heidrun Kibbey 518-1704

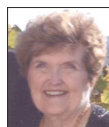


EDITOR'S EPISTLE

Whew!, this is one BIG newsletter! So sit down with a cup of tea or coffee, put your feet up and enjoy! A lot of articles by our new board members and chairpersons with some wonderful new ideas.

So pay attention, (**there will be a test**) and take it all in.....I believe we will be starting the new year with a bang!

Jacqué Holmes & Kay Higdon



BUSY BEARS QUILTING GUILD MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 2010

President Bonnie Snell called the meeting to order, and thanked the ladies that brought the delicious refreshments. Bonnie also thanked the ladies that setup, and the ladies who stay after to help clean up. And she thanked the ladies who brought refreshments and gifts for the mini raffle, and reminded them to get an extra ticket. She verified that everyone got their extra tickets for bringing guests, and wearing a name badge. Guests get one ticket, brought a new member you get two. They go in the mini raffle.

January our meetings will start at 6:00 pm. Our bylaws will be changed to reflect this.

Bonnie asked if there were any corrections to October minutes. A motion by Maggie Regalado to approve, and seconded by Betty Clark. Motion approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Bonnie asked if there were any corrections to October minutes. There was a motion by Marion Lama to approve, and a second by Ruth Beattie. Motion approved.

MEMBERSHIP - No guests.

EXECUTIVE BOARD - Bonnie asked for a vote for our new Board, Marion Lama motioned to approve, and Maggie Regalado seconded the motion. Board approved.

President—Carol Henderson, outgoing Bonnie Snell

1st Vice President - Heidrun Kibbey

2nd Vice President - Lorraine Taylor

Recording Secretary - Maureen Franks

Sunshine/Corresponding Secretary. - Lynn Komar—Loretta Castelluccio

Treasurer - Wendy Green

Membership Kay Higdon—Fran Martin

Newsletter - Jacque Holmes—Kay Higdon

Philanthropy - Jeannie Wallace

SCCQG - Cat Harris—Jeannie Mazzacane.

BUDGET - Bonnie asked if there were any changes to the budget. There was a motion Jeannie Arneri to approve, and seconded by Betty Heller. Motion approved.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS - Sally Klein and Tish Duesler will be teaching a beginning quilting class at Patchworks . starting January 12th for 7 weeks. The class will include picking out material, fabric, cutting, piecing, piecing the whole top together, adding boarders, layering, quilting and the last class will be binding. The class will start at 10:30. Diane McCarty from the Design Center in Bear City let us know that Midge Warner will be teaching a hand quilting class. Please go by there and sign up. There will also be silk ribbon embroidery, and beading course.

WORKSHOP - Comfort quilt workshop tomorrow.

PROGRAM - Monica Gonzales put on a fantastic program for us. She is looking really good after her recent stroke. Thanks for coming, Monica.

OPPORTUNITY QUILT - Jeannie Mazzacane shared the quilt top for the 2011 quilt. It is fabulous.

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SUSHINE/SHADOWS - Wendy Monahan, Kathy Knapp's daughter sent us a note that she had given our donation to the pastor that had taken care of Kathy's funeral. It was a wonderful service, and everyone learned a lot about Kathy.

PHILANTHROPY - Ann McNicholl presented a check to Bill Young from Friends of the Zoo. Bill brought curator Debbie from the Zoo. Debbie has raised mountain lions, wolves, raccoons and snakes. Debbie and her daughter baby raccoons, Abby and Gibb. They are 7 months old. Debbie had to bring home and raise 9 wolf pups and had to feed them every hour. The zoo will move to Moonridge triangle They will be on 10 acres and they are hoping to move there in spring 2013.

Ann presented gift certificates for Staters Brothers to the Church Pastor Nancy Carlson. She presented a check to Doug Walters from the Historical Society. This year, the Museum had 4,000 visitors. Ann presented Julie Chamberlain from the Middle School a check for the kids. The money will go towards a program to change the way kids think. They trained 40 kids on how to defuse an abusive situation. Ann presented Megan Meets from the Mom and Dad project a check for kids at the parenting resource center for books

Please let Loretta Castelluccio know of any sunshine/shadow in the future

XMAS PARTY - Lorraine Taylor has 43 signed up for the Xmas party. Starts at 6, cost \$15 to members. Bring a hand made and wrapped ornament.

SHOW N TELL

Maggie Regalado - made some darling stockings for CATS.

Carol Howerton - shared her frustrated turkey, she ruffled the feathers, darling.

Ann McNicholl - Son is retiring from the Navy, she made an awesome quilt for his party, and everyone can sign it.

Sharon Scott - shared her cute witch face.

Jeannie Arneri - shared her swap a block, with home spun fabric, and her Xmas swap a block. Love the home spun.

Heidrun Kibbey - shared her very first quilt, her Santa quilt, (3) table runners, comfort quilt and her Thanksgiving quilt. Good job Heidrun.

Bonnie Snell - shared her darling comfort quilt with chenille, and a three bears quilt wall hanging.

Lorraine Taylor - took Janet Schultz's class at Patchworks, and shared her Angel doll.

Janine Miller - shared her night/day table runner. She also shared her Block of the Month quilt with minkee backing, and finished her first quilt kit from 4 years ago.

BOARD MEETING - November 2, 10:00am at Janet's house - for old and new committee members—open to all members, it will be a potluck.

Recording Secretary, Mo Franks



ANN McNICHOLL'S HANDED OUT DONATIONS GIVEN BY OUR "BUSY BEAR QUILT GUILD"

BIG BEAR ZOO

Bill Young, Debbie & Catalina Richardson showing 2 Raccoons

METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor Nancy Carlson

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Doug Walton

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Julie Chamberlin

MOM & DADS

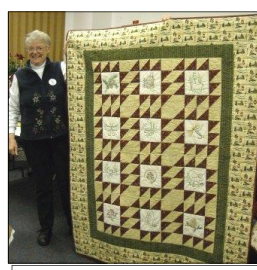
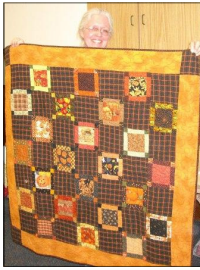
Megan Meadors



***** **SHOW & TELL** *****



Heidrun Kibbey shows off /5 Table Runners & 3 Quilts-what a busy girl



Jeanne Arneri/2 quilts

Sharon Scott

Janine Miller/2 quilts & table runner



Monica & Susie showing us all the new gadgets & goodies from Monica's shop

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Ann McNicholl

Carol Howerton

Maggie Regalado

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Annie Our Shop Cat

MEMBERSHIP

We had 48 members in attendance with 2 guests & one became a new member.

WELCOME A NEW MEMBER for 2011

Sterling, Carol M. (08/26) BE-MAY-(P)
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 377 Cedar Lane No email
 Sugarloaf, Ca., 92386



Carol has been in BB since 1972, she's a new quilter & she likes Cats, Reading, Making Jewelry, Embroidery, & old Movies.

IMPORTANT NOTICE—MEMBERSHIP

WOW-We have 78 Members that have renewed so far BUT-we still have 8 members left that haven't.
 Please give me a call & let me know if your going to JOIN OR NOT

IF YOU DON'T RENEW FOR 2011
 Sorry but this will be your last Newsletter & you'll be removed from the directory.

SEND YOUR CHECK IN TO ME- ASAP
 P. O. Box 135009, Big Bear Lake, Ca 92315
 Kay Higdon



BIRTHDAYS & R&R DATES/DEC 2010

	Birthday	R&R
Birdwell, Marilyn	19 DEC	OCT
Bolton, Billie	11 DEC	OCT
Butler, Carol	08 DEC	MAR
Cannarella, Sandi	31 DEC	JUL
Clark, Betty	18 DEC	APR
Gilham, Jill	02 DEC	MAY
Heller, Betty	16 DEC	MAR
Henderson, Carol	31 DEC	MAR
Howerton, Carol	26 DEC	APR
Klein, Sally	21 DEC	FEB
Jacobs, Christine	15 DEC	?
Mazzacane, Jeanne	26 DEC	OCT
McCain, Kay	07 DEC	OPEN
Merritt, Sue	18 DEC	JUN
Penn, Penny	20 DEC	FEB
Snell, Bonnie	09 DEC	MAY

The above ladies have already brought their R&R WE JUST WANT TO WISH THEM A BELATED BIRTHDAY

BIRTHDAYS & R&R DATES/JAN 2011

	BIRTHDAY	BE&R
Blee, Kathy	07 JAN	JAN
Bost, Sue	17 JAN	JAN
Clark-Dorris, Dawn	04 JAN	----- OPEN
Duesler, Tish	18 JAN	JAN
Galish, Linda	25 JAN	JAN
Green, Wendy	31 JAN	JAN
Harris, Cat	09 JAN	JAN
Hendra, Virginia	20 JAN	JAN
Komar, Lynn	25 JAN	JAN
Miller, Janine	15 JAN	JAN
Price, Mary	26 JAN	JAN
Young, Cindy	13 JAN	JAN

This year R&R will now be called **BE&R**



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A MERRY CHRISTMAS WAS HAD BY MANY MEMBERS OF THE BUSY BEAR QUILT GUILD at the BEST WESTERN INN



Betty Clark showing off her Block of the month quilt



Jacqué Holmes our Story Teller



Bonnie was presented this quilt in appreciation as our President



Our 2011 Opportunity Quilt

2010 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Well, the holidays are over and I think most of you survived. It was so fun starting the season with our annual Christmas Party on Monday, December 6. We were blessed with great weather and had a great turnout. We had 49 in attendance and I hope you all enjoyed yourselves. We missed those of you that were not able to join us.

The Best Western Chateau did a great job with the food and decorations. Of course, I just had to add a few of my snowmen. They get so lonely staying home all the time just being cute. The ladies arrived to find their gifts at each place setting. These gifts were lovingly and generously made by my wonderful committee. We hope you will all find them useful and remember this year's party with fond memories.

After dinner we moved into the evenings events. First, we only had one person sharing a quilt. Betty Clark showed her "block of the Month" quilt. It was amazing and so is she. She is 87 year old and we all decided we wanted to be like her when we grow up. Next, we held the annual drawing for three \$100 cash prizes. The lucky winners were Bonnie Snell, Rose Marie Merrigan and Cindy Young. Bonnie was the only one in attendance so Rose Marie and Cindy need to contact Diana for your prize or get it at the next meeting.

Then we moved onto the presentation of the Past President's Quilt. Bonnie seemed very pleased. Thank you to Janet and all those that worked on it. We so appreciate the two years Bonnie served and hope the quilt will remind her of how much we love her.

Then Jeannie Mazzacane made the "big reveal" of the 2011 Opportunity Quilt top. It is fabulous and once again we thank the ladies that gave their time to create such a wonderful piece of art. Can't wait to see the quilted finished product.

The evening was topped off with the annual telling of the "The Night Before Christmas" read by Jacqué Holmes. After loving instructions by Walt Murphy and added to by Jacqué, we started the story, passing our homemade ornaments to the person to our right or at least tried to. The important thing is that we had fun and that everyone ended up with an ornament. The goal was accomplished.

I want to thank each of my committee and those that helped make the gifts and set up the room. They each stepped up and made this job so easy for me. Thank you to all of you.

Lorraine Taylor



January 2011 SCCQG

The January 2011 meeting of So Cal Council of Quilt Guilds is being held Jan 8, 2011 at the Downey Women's Club. 9813 Paramount Blvd in Downey. The program topic is *Brainstorming: New Ideas for Fund Raising or How to Wake Up Old Ideas*. I plan on attending, but will already be in that area so will be unable to take passengers along. If you are interested in attending and driving yourself or with others, contact either Jeanne Mazzacane or myself so that we may make reservations/give directions.

Kaaren Nowlin, President of SCCQG, mentioned a group of American soldiers in Afghanistan who are making baby and children's quilts, hats and booties on their own time with their own funds, in an area that a chaplain has given them. There is such a shortage of blankets there that babies are being sent home wrapped in newspaper. The group's needs are simple: sewing machine needles, hand needles, thread, fabric flannel for batting and anything else that would make their efforts easier. Kaaren went to the USPO and got the largest box that can be sent anywhere for \$12.50 at any weight. She plans on stuffing it with as much as it can hold and sending it to:

Erika L Fields
USFOR-A NKC
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Erika leads this group. Both she and her husband are deployed in Afghanistan. There are also many other interesting philanthropic opportunities mentioned in the newsletter. Go Online @ www.sccqg.org to view it in full.

Kaaren also reminded us that all insurance and membership fees are due before Jan 1, 2011.



Cat Harris and
Jeannie Mazzacane



Alterations

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COMFORT QUILTS

I'm really pleased to be the new Comfort Quilts chairperson — sharing a hug through a quilt is an activity that 's dear to my heart! Our Busy Bears Guild donated a stack of beautiful quilts to Doves last year, but sadly, there's always a need for more. As a gentle reminder, every guild member is encouraged to donate at least one comfort quilt per membership year, so please make it your New Year's resolution to get started NOW on your 2011 quilt-full-of-love! Even the simplest quilt will brighten the spirit of someone who's in need of cheer and hope.

The comfort quilts we make are donated to the local Doves shelter for abused women and children. The residents, who arrive at a time of crisis in their lives, really appreciate receiving a special quilt of their own that's been stitched full of warm wishes. There's a particular need for adult-size quilts—up to approximately 60" x 80", in addition to the child/crib-size ones we often donate.

We'll be holding our first CQ workshop of the year on January 18, the day after our guild meeting. Join us at the church at 9:30 for a few hours of sewing and companionship. Bring your comfort-project-in-progress, or get started on a new comfort quilt with the fabric and supplies which will be available that day. We'll have work tables, cutting boards and ironing boards set up, but you need to bring your own sewing machine and notions. New member and beginning quilters are especially welcome — you'll make new friends, and the encouragement of the group will help you get going on an easy project that will warm someone's heart! Beverages and treats will be served...bring your lunch if you're planning to stay into the afternoon.

If you're not able to join us at the workshop I'll have fabric kits, easy patterns and batting available for you to take home from the guild meeting. Please feel free to call me or email me if I can assist you in any way with your 2011 comfort quilt!

Jeanne Arneri

909/806-0436 jeanearnieri@yahoo.com



Busy Bears Quilt Guild TREASURERS REPORT September 2010



Balance 11/1/10 \$ 17,052.15

Income \$ 1292.50

Expenses \$ 2640.91

Balance 11/31/10 \$ 15,703.74

Detailed Income and Expense Details:

Income:

Challenge Quilts \$ 234.00

Christmas Party 525.00

Membership 300.00

Bargain Table 13.50

2011 OpportunityQlt 220.00

Expenses:

Xmas Party Décor \$ 39.97

Education Expense 50.00

Newsletter 65.24

Organization Supplies 530.80

Philanthropy 1800.00

Sunshine 50.00

Postage-Newsletter 22.00

President Expense 31.86

Rent 50.00

Bank Adjustment 1.04

Total Income \$ 1292.50 Total Expense \$ 2640.91

October 2010

Balance 12-01-10 \$ 15,703.74

Income \$ 495.00

Expenses \$ 1805.00

Balance 12-31-10 \$ 14,393.74

Detailed Income and Expense Details:

Income:

Christmas Party \$ 75.00

Membership 2011 300.00

2011 OpportunityQlt 120.00

Expenses:

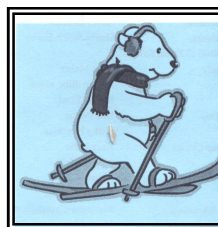
Xmas Party Awards \$ 300.00

Xmas Party Dinner 1505.00

Total Income \$ 495.00 Total Expenses \$ 1805.00

Diana Bedwell—Treasurer

HANDY HINT: Place a strip or two of blue painter's tape on the back of fabric you want to write on. The tape keeps the fabric stable as you write. Of course you also can iron freezer paper on the back for stability.



Busy Bee

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LATEST FROM PATCHWORKS

Quilt Parties every Thursday! A new theme every week, something very simple and we will provide the pattern. This is not a class, just a get-together to sew with friends. Bring a snack to share. Starting Jan 6, Pillowcase party..... Jan 13, Pot holder.....20th, Apron...and on 27th, Promise Quilting..

We have a few more spaces open for our Beginning Quilt Class, thanks to our electrician, either the Tuesday or Wednesday Class, call Patchworks.

Janet will be having her doll class Jan 15, "Frostina". Janet is a great instructor and her classes are always fun!

Sandi is back for a beginning appliqué class on Jan 29th at 10:30am. This is a 3 hour class you will not want to miss. Class fee \$15.

Sally has been very busy making kits for the store, come on in and take a look.

We have added a Sizzix cutting machine, it will do 8 layers of fabric at one time. We have A 2½" die cut for strips along with squares, triangles, etc. and new ones coming in every month as they are released. Bring in your stash and start cutting, \$10.00 an hour.

As I am sure you have all heard, Cotton is going up and most Quilt Shops are charging \$10.99 per yard. I am going to try to stay at \$9.99 per yard and with your discount that makes it \$8.99 for Busy Bear Guild members. Don't forget to remind us at the register if you are new.

We want to take this time and thank everyone for their support!

Karen, Sally, Christa and Tish

COMING—PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

Well, here we are already heading into 2011. As the new program chair, I wanted to share some of the plans for the first part of 2011. First, I would like to introduce my committee, Cat Harris and Laurie Nahay. As a team we plan to provide a year of fun programs, giving each of us an opportunity to learn new techniques, from the beginner quilter to the experienced. Since we always have a chance of our winter meetings being cancelled, we have come up with a couple of ideas that should prove fun and entertaining.

January Meeting: We will be sharing favorite sewing tips and ideas. Please bring a hard copy of your tip or email to Cat Harris. Our plan is to compile a booklet that will be available for sale at our show. If you have a finished example of your tip or idea, bring that to the meeting also. Everyone that turns in their tip will be entered into a drawing. Along with our usual sharing, also give some thought to sharing a homemade gift you received for Christmas or one that you gave.

January Workshop will be by Comfort Quilts. See Comfort quilt article for details (page 8)

February Meeting: Do you have a specialty ruler that makes your sewing projects easier? Let Lorraine, Cat or Laurie know by February 7. We are looking for a couple more people to present their favorite ruler technique. Karen at Patchworks will have these rulers available.

February Workshop: This workshop will be lead by our very own Jacqué J Holmes. See page 10 for details.

March Meeting: Four Stations. We will have some of our members demonstrating various projects. You will have the opportunity to visit each station and learn something new.

March Workshop: Binding Techniques. (see page 10)

April Meeting: Our guest speaker will be Ann Turley. She will be sharing with us about creating Challenge quilts. Her trunk show includes many of the challenges she has created over the years.

April Workshop: Ann will also be teaching the workshop Cords and Thread teaches a no-piece abstract background, cord-making, thread painting and embellishment.

Workshops are available to all members for \$15. The sign-up sheets and supply lists are available at the meetings, two to three months in advance of each date. There is a limit for each workshop, so sign up for the ones that interest you. Fee is payable at time of sign up. We look forward to seeing you at the coming meetings and workshops.

Lorraine Taylor



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MARCH WORKSHOP

The March workshop is to be on Piped Binding methods. The Ricky Tims method requires a couple of specialty items. I thought you might want to be looking to see if you already have these and if not, you will have some time to purchase them.

You will need 2 specialty feet for your machine; an edge stitching foot (sometimes called an edge joining foot) and a 7 groove Pin-tucking foot. You will need some #3 pearl cotton, (I usually use white) enough to go around your small wall hanging or practice piece, plus about a yard. (The knit/needlepoint shop in Bear City has it) You will need to use a sewing machine that has an adjustable needle, left and right.

Bonnie Snell



PASADENA ROSE© FEBRUARY WORKSHOP

In commemoration of the Pasadena Rose Parade, I've designed a pieced Rose Wall Hanging with four long stemmed roses radiating out from the center (one option). There's a rose bud vine winding around the border, plus an alternate rose border to with a different setting. I have added additional instructions to make a table runner.

SUPPLY LIST: Sewing machine in working order, rotary cutter, mat and ruler and usual sewing supplies

FABRIC: 1 yd background

½ yd leaf green

6" square pale flower color

1/8 yd medium flower color

¼ yd bright flower color

Binding and backing fabrics

Pattern is available at Patchworks.

Any questions, call me @ 585-5670

Jacqué J Holmes



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2011 OPPORTUNITY QUILT

Thank to Susan Meyers, our Opportunity Quilt for 2011 has been expertly and creatively quilted and is now in the capable hands of Sharon Scott who is adding the binding and the sleeve.

We intend to display the finished quilt at our January meeting.

Again, many thanks to all who have contributed their time and talents to making this years Opportunity Quilt so very special.

Jeannie Mazzacane



BIG BEAR PROMISE STITCHING

Promise stitching is easy, forgiving, relaxing...no stress...so worries. And it's Fun to sit and enjoy each others' company while your quilt grows.

If this sounds interesting to you, let me know. I'm not sure when we will be getting together this year. Let me know what days will be good for you.

Thanks, Jill Gilham



LOVE, LOVE, LOVE IT !....

Thank you all for the adorable quilt. Thanks, especially, to everyone who worked on it and who signed the bear paws. I've been told that Janet Walz was very instrumental in the making of this quilt so an extra big 'thank You Bear Hug' to Janet. **I will treasure it always.**

I would love to have the signature of everyone who would like to sign it, my quilt will be at the next couple of guild meetings.

Our Christmas party was terrific. Thanks to Lorraine and her committee. It was a great ending for our BBQG 2010 year.

I wish for each of you, **a wonderful and fulfilling 2011,**

Bonnie Snell



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SWAP-A-BLOCK

We are putting our heads together to decide on which block to use for the next Swap A-Block. We decided to use bright colors in light, medium and dark shades. We are planning to have directions printed and a sample made for the January meeting. It will involve making half square triangles and learning to make them using a grid. The squares will be due at the April meeting, at which time we



hope to offer directions to a different block — due in July.

Sue Bost

and Bonnie Snell

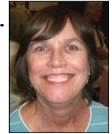


PHILANTHROPY

I am thinking that with the state of the economy, the food pantry at the church should receive more attention. If you have any ideas on how we should do that, please contact me. If nothing else, please bring non-perishable items to the Guild meeting. I will list the recommended items needed most in the next newsletter. Thanks in advance.

Jeanne Wallace

See page for ideas of foods needed



MINI RAFFLE

Tish and Linda have resigned their positions and we are currently looking for new volunteers. Hopefully we will have someone by the meeting. Meanwhile, if it is your turn to bring a raffle gift, we will have a table set up.

BARGAIN TABLE

After several month, the bargain table will be operating at the Jan meeting. We have many patterns, magazines, notions and craft items. Most for the bargain price of \$\$quarters\$\$\$. Stop by and see if we have something that will keep you busy

during these cold winter months indoors. If you have items to contribute, please drop them by the table.

Janet Schultz and Joanne Stanton



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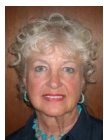
Happy New Year! AND a Happy New Year of Quilting Projects! Now that all those items that just had to be finished for Christmas are done with, take it easy and browse through our books for ideas you might want to accomplish this year.

Since I (Rose Marie) am a retired Librarian, it is my hope to catalog our entire collection this term so that you will be able to find exactly what you are looking for in various ways. Also, you will find below the first review of a special book from our Library. Sandi and I are here to serve, so call with questions, or visit the Library display and let us know your interests and desires.

BOOK REVIEW

Creative American Quilting, by Better Homes & Gardens, c11989,256p illus. An excellent source-book for traditional designs as well as contemporary ideas that grew out of Grandma's standards. Pillow, placemats and personal items abound amidst plentiful quilts and the extensive color photos, diagrams and patterns only enhance the presentation. Every aspect of the quilting process is detailed from appliqué, batting, backing, hand stitching and embroidery stitches for crazy quilting. All, from novice to master, will enjoy this complete tasteful representation of a craft dear to our hearts.... You will find many, many things that you will want to make from this resource!

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2011 QUILT MARKETING

Hi everyone, I trust you all have had a wonderful holiday season. Our Opportunity Quilt will soon be ready and we will once again be starting our "marketing tour". We will be showcasing our quilt at many of the traditional venues and I'm hoping to expand to some new venues. If any of you have any new ideas or if you would like to reserve a time to take the quilt to a venue that's near and dear to your heart just let me know so I can put you on the calendar. I am hoping that our first venue will be the Glendale Quilt show. I have sent a request to the Glendale Guild and I'm awaiting a response. We did very well there last year. I'm looking for volunteers and someone who would be willing to be the driver as I don't see very good at night anymore. The driver would need to be willing to be in Glendale the whole day. You would only have to sell tickets for the normal time and you would have the rest of the day to shop the show. The driver will receive free entry to the show. Yes, it makes for a long day but it's a lot of fun.

Please make time to take a turn sitting with our quilt at one of the venues. Remember, the more people that volunteer the less time each shift will have to be. We only have about six months to market the quilt so we need to make each event count. Please keep in mind that if you don't want to sell or buy your own tickets, you can work an event and sell your tickets there. If you choose to do this please try and work an event early in the season so it's taken care of early.

If you did not pay for your tickets when you renewed your membership, please turn your money AND your ticket stubs into myself, or Laurie Nahay only. We will then update your records and turn the money in to our treasurer.

Please volunteer, we can only be as successful as we make ourselves. Here's to a GREAT YEAR!!

MARY PRICE

P.S/I'll let everyone know when the tickets have been printed.



SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Sharon Scott just had surgery on her wrist & is doing well. Our condolences to Diane Bedwell & family for the passing of her father-in-law.

Let's begin 2011 by sending Sunshine to each and every one !!

Loretta Castelluccio
& Lynn Komar



MINI GROUP REPORTS

CUT-UPS—Our Christmas meeting/party was held at Janine Miller's as usual. The potluck had all the wonderful foods of the season. For January, we will meet at Ruth Beattie's.

Fran Martin



HAPPY HEARTS—We had a wonderful holiday get-together at the home of Sandi Cannarella. Everyone had a productive work time on many different projects, along with a good amount of socializing. We hopefully, weather permitting, will meet in January on the 27th at Marilyn Birdwell's.

Carol Henderson



SEW-N-SEWS—We had a Christmas Luncheon on 12/14 at JoAnn Mark's home, a WONDERFUL time was had by all! It was the first time in a long time when all twelve of us were able to attend. On January 10th we will meet at Betty Clark's and Mo Franks on January 24th.

Jeanne Wallace



STITCHY FINGERS—We met at Sue Bost's on Oct 22, at Lorna Hatfield's on Nov 5th and on the 19th at our house.....and then we were treated with homemade soup at Loretta Castelluccio's house. And if the weather is nice, we will meet at our house again on Jan 7th.

Jacqué J Holmes



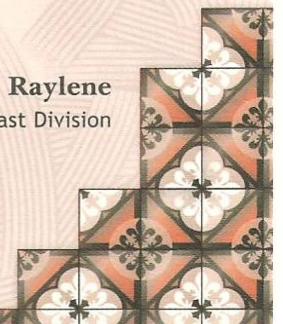
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BASKETS

A little trivia about baskets. For centuries, Native Americans have made baskets from a wide variety of materials. Europeans came to America with seeds to grow the special trees, such as willow, that they used to make baskets. Other immigrants brought basket-making techniques, including a style that came from Africa with the first slaves. A May basket, decorated with flowers and ribbons, is a beautiful way to welcome spring and celebrate new life. You can buy a basket or make your own. America has a rich history of basket making.

HANDY HINT: How about using a paper towel dispenser as a holder for your freezer paper and fusible web? Either the countertop or wall-mounted versions will

JANUARY GOALS

Twas the month after Christmas, and all through the house

Nothing would fit me, not even a blouse.
The cookies I'd nibbled, the eggnog I'd taste
At the holiday parties had gone to my waist.
When I got on the scales there arose such a number!
When I walked to the store (less a walk than a lumber).

I'd remember the marvelous meals I'd prepared:
The gravies and sauces and beef nicely rared,
The wine and the rum balls, the bread & the cheese
And the way I'd never said, "No thank you, please."
As I dressed myself in my husband's old shirt
And prepared once again to do battle with dirt—
I said to myself, as I only can "You can't spend a winter disguised as a man!"

So—away with the last of the sour cream dip,
Get rid of the fruit cake, every cracker and chip
Every last bit of food that I like much be banished
Till all the additional ounces have vanished.

I won't have a cookie—not even a lick.
I'll want only to chew on a long celery stick.
I won't have hot biscuits, or corn bread, or pie.
I'll munch on a carrot and quietly cry.
I'm hungry, I'm lonesome, and life is a bore—
But isn't that what January is for?
Unable to giggle, no longer a riot.
Happy New Year to all and to all a good diet!

COMING EVENTS

Jan 20-23: Road to CA, Ontario Convention Center,
Thurs/Sat, 9:30-6pm, Sun, 10a-am-3:30
Info: www.road2ca.com

Feb 11-12: Valley Qlters 31st Annual Quilt Show,
Valley-Wide Recreation Center, 901 W
Esplanade, San Jacinto 10am-4pm
Info: Barbara Bradford - 951/929-2311

Feb 19: Friendship Qlters present [Jinny Beyer](#),
"Color & Design" at Mater/Catholic High
School, Kassebaum Theatre, 1615 Mater
Dei Drive, Chula Vista CA—2 sessions,
9:30-12:00 OR 2:00-4:30. Mail-in form at
www.friendshipquilterssd.org

Feb 19-20: So Bay Qlters Show, "Twice as Nice", at
Torrence Cultural Arts Center, 3330 Civic
Center Dr, Torrance. Sat, 10am-5pm,
Sun, 10am-5pm.
Info: Jean Newton, 310/515-3929,
qshow@southbayquiltersguild.org

THE CHURCH PANTRY

The Emergency Church Food pantry is needy.
Please keep in mind that some of the food will go to people with very limited cooking facilities and no refrigeration. The food should be very easy to prepare. Please do not bring food that is unusual or exotic or expired items. The pantry is especially short of canned fruit and vegetables, spaghetti and sauce, Velveeta cheese and tuna. They request that we put our donations in the large basket near the piano.

Suggested items to bring

*** indicates items most needed*

Peanut Butter **	Canned Vegetables
Powdered Milk **	Canned Fruit
Canned Meats ** Tuna, Spam	Canned/Bottled Juice
Chicken, Ham,	Breakfast Cereal
Pork & Beans, etc	Pancake Mix (complete)
Boxed Macaroni & Cheese	Pancake Syrup
Instant Potatoes	Velveeta Cheese
Spaghetti Sauce (with meat)	Mixes for cakes,
Boxed side dishes (Rice-a-	muffins, etc.,
Roni, Noodles, etc)	Minute Rice
Pasta—Spaghetti, etc	Jams, Jelly
Canned/Dry Soup, Chili	Cracker, Raisins, Popcorn

Also occasionally need:

Baby diapers Toilet Paper Baby Formula
Toiletries: small bars of soap, shampoo,
toothbrush and toothpaste, razors, etc.

2011 BLOCK OF THE MONTH—#1

This year, we are going to make a sampler of Baskets. They will be 9" finished and on point. There will be 9 different baskets, empty, and it will be up to you to fill them. You can put anything in your baskets.....oranges, flowers, toys, etc. We should have some wonderful baskets. Be sure to cut your blocks at least 10" square.....to allow for shrinkage from the appliqué. Don't forget to add your ¼" seam allowance to your basket. Some of the blocks will be pieced. Allow at least 1 yard of background fabric, unless you want to have a variety of background fabrics. As the months progress, I hope we will have more hints, etc. Have fun!

Jacqué Holmes



9" finished, 10" cut square



BUSY BEARS QUILT GUILD
Meetings are held the 3rd Monday of each month
at the United Methodist Church on North Shore
(between Division and Greenway)
6:00 pm—Social 6:30 pm—Meeting
Workshops every Tuesday
following the Monthly meeting
unless otherwise noted

Check our website at www.busybearsqUILTguild.com

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DON'T FORGET!

Bring to the meeting
Name tag for extra door prize ticket
Refreshments & Door Prize
(if it's your turn—extra tickets!!!!)

Library Books
(return those overdue)

Swap a Block

Show and Tell Block of the Month

Newsletter contributions

*To help save the environment and some Money for
the Guildhow about bringing your
own mug for your coffee or tea ? ! !*

Donations of Food for Emergency Food

Cupboard at the

BB United Methodist Church

Pull tabs for Ronald McDonald House

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