



THE BEAR FACTS

BUSY BEARS QUILT GUILD - September 2017

CALENDAR - 2017

Sept. 4: Board Meeting
 18: General Meeting
 19: Workshop

October 2: Board Meeting
 16: General Meeting
 17: Workshop



EDITORS EPISTLE

What a great quilt show! The team work of our guild members was phenomenal. Not only do we work well together, we have some great cooks. The food at the potluck was wonderful. Looking forward to the viewer's choice awards at our next meeting. See you at 6:00 p.m. Monday, September 18th.



Shirley Hartwick



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



CONGRATULATIONS! Busy Bears for a Terrific Show... Kudos to our Show Co-Chairs, Belinda Evans and Jeannie Mazzacane who brought everything together. In spite of the parking issue, fewer attendees than usual, and the "hoorahs" from the football teams (they did their warmup chants right behind the stage), we had a very good show. I heard many positive comments about our show. Our members, their husbands or significant others really put out extra effort and it showed. Our special thanks to the men who helped put-up and take-down the show. When you see any of these special guys, please give them a big 'Thank You'. Without them we could not have gotten everything done. The quality and variety of our quilts, the boutique, our awesome Opportunity Quilts, beautiful baskets and our terrific members all helped to make the show a success. I must include our exceptional pot luck dinner too. Our vendors, who are wonderful, always comment on what a special treat our pot luck is for them. Whether or not you were able to enter a quilt this year, I hope you will enter one or more next year. And now is the time to begin thinking about next year. ...Job Well Done! and Thank you all.

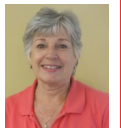
Bonnie Snell,
President



September Dinner before the Meeting

Our dinner before the meeting this month will be at Maggios in the Von's shopping center at 4 PM! Come and get acquainted with your fellow Busy Bear's Guild Members! How about bringing a guest so we can spread the word about what a great group we are and share our philanthropy with the Big Bear Valley!

Laurie Nahay



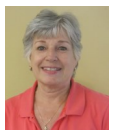
M E M B E R S H I P

63 paid members

Fran Martin



Laurie Nahay



Busy Bears Quilt Guild ~ General Meeting Minutes ~ August 21, 2017

Call to Order: A regular meeting of the General Members of Busy Bears Quilt Guild, was held at The Community Church Recreation Building 40946 Big Bear Blvd, Big Bear Lake, CA on August 21, 2017. The meeting convened at 6:02 p.m. President, Bonnie Snell presiding, and Belinda Evans secretary.

Bonnie Snell welcomed our guests this evening.

Approval of Minutes: Motion was made by Karen Cumberland, and seconded by Carol Henderson to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2017 meeting. Motion Carried.

Treasure Report: Lori Felber motioned to accept the July 2017 Treasury report that was posted in the August 2017 newsletter and seconded by Beverly Bennett. Motion Carried.

Officers Report:

President: Bonnie Snell welcomed tonight's guests and thanked the August Birthday members for bringing refreshments and gifts to the Birthday table.

Bonnie stated that Jacque Holmes really want to come home but needs some assistance in her home. If you have a block of time between now and September 5th and you can assist, please contact her daughter Dawn Clark-Dorris.

Next Month's Board Meeting will be Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at Bear Country Quilts & Gifts at 9:00 a.m., due to Monday being a holiday. Members are always encouraged to attend.

Cindy Young-Kolic has resigned her co-chair position at the Birthday Table and is looking for a volunteer to assist Jill Graham. Loretta Castelluccio volunteered. Thank You Loretta!

Programs: Tonight's program is our Challenge quilts where we will be voting for a 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winners. We also have the "Do Not Touch" signs to vote on as well. We will not have a workshop because tomorrow is our annual picnic at Sugarloaf Park. Next month we will be presenting our Viewer's Choice award ribbons to our members. Our September workshop will be a Jelly Roll Race be prepared for a prize. October's program will be a Trunk Show and Lecture by Susan Wade. Tuesday's workshop will be Fabric Collage.

New Business:

Sunshine & Shadows: Happy Birthday to our August members.

Wendy Stephens gave us an update on Lys Axelson the best news ever is she is in a Rehab and progressing very good. They hope to have her home in the next few weeks.

Beverly Bennett is having knee surgery and we wish her a speedy recovery. Beverly is asking for some assistance with Sunshine & Shadows while she recovers with writing get well cards should they come up, as well as Birthday cards.

On a sad note, we are saying good-bye to Karen Cumberland who is moving in September to Nevada to be closer to her daughter. She has been a dedicated member who has volunteered to chair the Quilt Show in the past as well as our current Newsletter Editor. Thank you Karen, you are going to be missed by many.

Philanthropy: Cheri Smith stated that those who have picked up Mom & Dad quilts to please complete them and return, so we can meet our commitment.

Opportunity Quilt 2017: The quilt has been schedule several times for Music on the Mountain Thank you for sharing your time and helping sell tickets for our beautiful quilt.

Quilt Show 2017: Lynch Mob is scheduled for Friday, August 25th 5 p.m. to remind us how to hang the quilts. Please bring helpers and husbands. Sign-up sheets to volunteer your time during the show as well as set-up and take down are on the back table. There are only a few spots left, and a big thank you for those who have volunteered their time. The final day to drop off your quilts is Sunday, August 27th at Elaine Dobiesz home between 10:00 and 2:00. The Judging will be at the Mary Johnson Center on Tuesday, August 29, at 10:00. This is a wonderful opportunity to see how judging is done.

2018 Opportunity Quilt: Laurie Nahay stated the quilt top is completed and is with January at Cherry Berry for the quilting.

Annual Picnic: Tuesday, August 22, 2017. It's a pot luck picnic lunch at the Sugarloaf Park. This year we are embellishing a Tea Towel. Wrap your Tea Towel in a fat quarter and join in on this fun game. Relax and enjoy good food, great conversations, and fun.

Big Bear Lake Quilt Guild is extending an invitation to spend a day at the "Quilt in a Day's" headquarters in San Marcos, Ca. Thursday, October 19th cost \$25.00. Additional information is available at Patchworks Quilt Shop & Bear Country Quilts & Gifts.

Show & Tell: Tonight many members turned in their quilts for the quilt show. Our show and tell was a preview of the beautiful quilts that will be displayed at the show.

Other Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.



**Busy Bears Quilt Guild
TREASURERS REPORT 2017**

August 2017

Balance 07/31/2017 \$ 11,822.82

INCOME

Bargain Table	\$ 39.00
Birthday Exchange	\$ 53.00
Workshops	\$ 120.00
Opp Quilt Tickets 2017	\$ 479.00
	\$ 691.00

Income	\$ 691.00
Expenses	\$ -1,677.80
Balance 08/31/2017	\$ 10,836.02

EXPENSES

Challenge Quilt Awards	(\$ 100.00)
Show- Advertising	(\$ 50.00)
Show Postage	(\$ 17.64)
Show Equipment	(\$ 11.95)
Show Equipment Rental	(\$ 410.00)
Show Judging	(\$ 330.02)
Show Ribbons	(\$ 315.28)
Show Signs	(\$ 318.51)
Sunshine & Shadows-Cards	(\$ 20.35)
Sunshine & Shadows-Postage	(\$ 9.80)
Education Meals	(\$ 19.25)
Rent	(\$ 75.00)
	(\$ 1,677.80)

Carol Henderson - Treasurer



Quilt Show by the Numbers

	Saturday	Sunday	Total
Paid Guests	#221	#220	#441
Admissions	\$1,766	\$1,762	\$3,528
Baskets	\$ 515	\$ 422	\$ 937
Opportunity Quilt	\$ 227	\$ 294	<u>\$ 521</u>
Total Receipts at show			\$4,986
Total Opportunity Quilt Tickets sold	\$3,338		

Carol Henderson - Treasurer



Quilt Show Boutique

I would like to thank all the ladies who participated in the Busy Bear Boutique. There were 17 of you selling items which gave us a nice variety for a successful boutique.

Thank you to all of the volunteers who made my job easier- Cheri Smith, Sue Merritt, Heidi Llanes, Kay McCain, Sharon Reeves & Laurie Nahay.

Elaine Dobiesz



Challenge Quilts!



Mary Baughman
National Watermelon Day!



Wendy Stephens
Mad Hatter Day
1st Place Award



Beverly Bennett
Elephant Appreciation Day
3rd Place Award



Bonnie Marshall-Creel
Peculiar Day



Wendy Green
National Boyfriend Day
2nd Place Award



DO NOT TOUCH CONTEST

Cheri Smith—1st Place Award

Elaine Sisson—2nd Place Award



SHOW AND TELL



Jill Gillian



Sue Bost



Elaine Dobiesz



Elaine Dobiesz



Elaine Dobiesz



Karen Bell



Karen Bell



Shirley Hartwick



Shirley Hartwick

SHOW AND TELL



Susan Boylin



Loretta Castelluccio



Belinda Evans



Belinda Evans



Belinda Evans



Jan Jamriska



Cheri Smith



Mary Baughman



Fran Martin

SHOW AND TELL



Fran Martin



Bonnie Marshall-Creel



Bonnie Marshall-Creel



Bonnie Snell



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Bonnie Snell



Jeannie Mazzacane



Madeline Frey



Lorna Hatfield



August Birthday Exchange

Mary Baughman- Fabric, clips, applique
Madeline Frey- Ruler
Janet Beaty—gift card
Bonnie Smets—Mug
Elaine Dobiesz- Wool

Winners

Sue Boylin
Laurie Nahay
Lorie Felber
Shirley Hartwick
Lorna Hatfield

Birthday Exchange and Refreshments

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BIRTHDAY</u>	<u>BE/R</u>
Beverly Bennett	9/14	Sept.
Lorraine Taylor	9/3	Sept.

August Refreshments

Mary Baughman-Fruit Bowl
Snickerdoodles
Janet Beaty– Mini Bear Claw
Madeline Frey-Grapes & Brownies
Bonnie Smets– Brownies

If you are listed for this month BE/R, this is your month to bring a GIFT for the Birthday Exchange Table & FOOD for Refreshments & don't forget to sign each list. If you missed your assigned month, pick another month to bring a Gift & Food.

A Note of Thanks

Dear BBQG Members,

As most of you know, I am finally home from my 4 month hospital stay ordeal. I want to thank you all for the support, prayers and cards etc. Also, thank you for respecting my wishes of no visitors, flowers etc. I was not aware of visitors most of the time during the first 3 months and there were so many tests, procedures etc. that I may have not been in my room. The hospital did not allow more than two visitors at a time, really only family and no flowers as they were concerned about contamination of not only me, but other patients as well through the air/heater vents.

I love the quilt you all made for me. It truly was comforting and the brightest thing in my room. All who saw it loved it. Thank you for all of your work

Thank you also goes to my good friend and advocate Wendy Stephens for doing such a great job keeping you all informed, taking my husband to visit me, and whipping the Drs. and staff into shape. You Wendy are truly a good friend. I really don't know what we all would have done without you.

Lys Axelson

Wendy Stephens and Lys Axelson
at the Quilt Show.



Busy Bears Program Update for September

Many thanks to Laurie Nahay and her helpers for another successful summer picnic at Sugarloaf Park. We had more food than we could eat; fun games and our Tea Towel exchange.

This month we will have our Quilt Show Wrap Up. Viewer's Choice Ribbons will be presented by Belinda Evans and me. Carol Henderson will give us a recap of guest numbers and money earned.

Our workshop on Tuesday will be given by our own, Shirley Hartwick. She will give us the basics on how to make a Jelly Roll Quilt, using two and half inch strips. You have the choice of participating in a race to see who can sew one the fastest...or not. There will be a prize given to the winner.

This is being considered a Comfort Workshop, and there will be no fee to attend. Do bring a sack lunch; coffee and water will be provided.

Looking ahead:

In October, Susan Wade will give us a lecture and trunk show of her creations.

In Tuesday's workshop, we should have fun making a Fabric Collage of our choosing. Fee for this workshop will be the usual \$20 for members and \$35 for guests.

Jeannie Mazzacane



Jelly Roll Race—September 19th at 9:30

Supply List: Sewing Machine

One Jelly Roll with like colors with 40 strips that are 2 1/2" x 40, scissors, thread, one full bobbin.

Plan to attend and enjoy making tops for the Comfort Quilts.

Shirley Hartwick



Sunshine and Shadows

Lys Axelson, is home. It was great to see her.

Jill Gilham- New Great Grand-daughter born Sept 7th. Welcome Charlotte.

Beverly Bennett- Recovering from knee surgery.

FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

CUT-UPS

We will have an October meeting at Jeannie Mazzacane's home on October 11, 2017 at 10:00 am. We need to make plans for our Nov. joint get together with Stitchy Fingers at Laurie Nahay's home in Apple Valley.

Fran Martin



STITCHY FINGERS

Last month we got together at Loretta's for great company, chatting, and sewing on the 4th. Then more fun chatter, etc. plus Fagioli soup and homemade bread at Lori Felber's on the 18th.

This month, on the 8th at Sue Bost's, we were so involved in discussions on several interesting topics that we were surprised when we discovered that it was past four o'clock!

I hope we will have as much fun at my house on the 22nd.

Jill Gilham



Philanthropy

September is Boxed meals or boxed potatoes month. Thank you for all your support last month. It was the largest donation this year. Let's repeat it again this month.

Comfort Quilts

I am out of batting the order will be coming soon. Remember to pick up comfort quilts kits for the Jelly Roll Race on Tuesday workshop by Shirley Hartwick. Please cut everything into 2 1/2 inch strips except for the backing to be ready for the race workshop.

Mom's and Dad's

Please work on your baby quilts. This current class ends in October.

Pop Tops and Education Box Tops

Please remember your Education Box Tops and Pop Tops.

God Bless

Cheri Smith



SCCQG

The next SCCQG meeting is on October 7, 2017, hosted by Friendship Square Quilt Guild.. The topic will be "Out of the Box Fund Raising Ideas". Doors open at 9:00 am for new SCCQG Reps orientation at 9:30 am. The general meeting begins at 10:00 am.

Directions to the meeting: LaHabra Uniyed Methodist Church, 631 N Euclid Av., La Habra, Ca.

Bonnie Snell



Mountain Treasures Quilt Show XXIX Meeting News

Belinda and I would like to give a big "Thank You!" to our many show chairpersons and all of our guild members that stepped up and volunteered to help out. We appreciate your efforts!

Bonnie Smets, our Corresponding Secretary, sent out letters for donations, and Heidi Llanes did our Publicity. Elaine Dobiesz and Lorraine Taylor took care of Marketing our Opportunity Quilt.

We had several new show chairs this year: Anna Harriger did Baskets, Elaine Dobiesz, with the help of Cheri Smith did the Boutique, Mary Baughman was in charge of Food, and Jill Gilham took care of decorations. These Ladies were amazing! Thank You.

Not to forget our veteran show chairs; Fran Martin organizes show curtains, Bonnie Snell does quilt labels and organizes the quilt pick-up after the show. Laurie Nahay, keeps bring us vendors we love, and Carol Henderson is our tireless Treasure...who keeps our cash boxes straight for us. Thank You, Thank You!

Belinda and I enjoyed working together this year and are already talking about and making plans for our 30th Annual Mountain Treasures Quilt Show in 2018...and so, our dear fellow quilters, let's get busy and finish those UFOs and start thinking about what quilt we are going to do next.

We look forward to seeing you at our September meeting when we award the Viewer's Choice Ribbons.

Jeannie Mazzacane and Belinda Evans



Thank You for Vendor Assistance

I want to take this opportunity to Thank You for shopping with our vendors at the quilt show! They really work hard to put up beautiful booths with fabulous merchandise! Thank You also to those that helped with the take down and assisted the vendors!

Laurie Nahay
Vendor Chair



Please bring your quilt show signs to our Sept.meeting. Thank you, Jeannie



Judges Ribbons

Challenge quilts

1st-Bonnie Marshall-Creel-The Village Elder
2nd-Wendy Stephens- Steam Punk Mad Hatter
3rd-Wendy Green- National Boyfriend Day

Small Wall Hangings

1st Bonnie Marshall-Creel- Hannah The Hummingbird
2nd Belinda Evans- The Dress and Ribbon for Long Arm Quilting
3rd Sue Merritt Spring Fun

Large Wall Hangings—1 person

1st Belinda Evans- Labyrinth Center Square
2nd Fran Martin—Snow White
3rd Bonnie Snell- Here's Looking at You
Modern Award- Sue Merritt- Star Burst #2
Applique Award- Sue Bost- When I Grow Up
Novice Award—Karen Bell- Chevron

Large Wall Hangings—2 person

1st Laurie Nahay- Whale of a Tale
2nd Belinda Evans- Diamonds on a Rail Fence
3rd Colleen Olson—Spring Bunnies

Twin/Lap/Wall Hangings—1 person

1st Mary Price- French Roses
2nd Belinda Evans— Jelly Roll Race
3rd Elaine Dobiesz- Nolan's Eye Spy Quilt and Ribbon Machine Embroidery
Whimsical Award—Bonnie Marshall-Creel- Daddy's Little Monster

Twin/Lap/Wall Hangings—2 person

1st Janet Walz- Stone Log Cabin
2nd Laurie Nahay—The Generals
3rd Madeline Frey- Confetti Stars and Nine Patches
Best Color Award- Shirley Hartwick- Rainbow of Love

Large Quilt—1 person

1st Sue Merritt- Deer in the Field and Ribbon Best of Show
2nd Jill Gilham- Out of the Blue and Ribbon Domestic Machine Quilting
3rd Sue Merritt- LaPetite Fleurs

Large Quilt—2 person

1st Sandy Tocalino- Labyrinth Walk Quilt
2nd Kay McCain- One Block Wonder
3rd Laurie Nahay—Sugar Camp Friendship Quilt

You are invited to attend

a day at the Quilt in a Day's Headquarters in San Marcos, Ca.

Thursday, October 19, 2017

Cost: \$25.00 for Guild Members

\$30.00 for Non-Guild Members

Cash or checks made payable to Big Bear Lake Quilters Guild.

Payment is due upon sign up.

Sign-up sheets at Patchworks or Big Bear Country Quilts.

We will leave from the parking lot behind Patchworks Quilt Shop at 7:00 a.m. Sharp!

Carpool Drivers needed. It will take approximately 2 ½ hours' drive time.

The Event will begin at 10 am with a fun, informative program in their Quilt in a Day television studio. Eleanor will entertain us with stories and technique lessons on their latest patterns.

When the program is finished, we will join Eleanor for a catered lunch in their beautiful classroom. This will be a great opportunity to get autographs, take pictures, and just get to know her.

After lunch, we will enjoy shopping for fabric, notions and patterns in their retail store. Our Guild will receive a 10% discount on regularly priced items. And we will get to check out their wonderful sales room full of topnotch fabric priced at least 40% off.

They will have door prizes throughout the event and everyone who attends will go home with a souvenir! All for \$25.00 per person for Guild Members and \$30.00 for Non-Guild Members.

Sign Up today!

Program and Workshop Line-Up for 2017 ~ Our Theme for this year is "Celebrations"

Sept. 2nd & 3rd ~ Mountain Treasures XXIX Quilt Show

Sept. 18th ~ Viewer's Choice Ribbons

Sept. 19th ~ Jelly Roll Race

Sept. 23rd ~ Saturday Studio Tour & Lunch

Oct. 16th ~ Susan Wade ~ Lecture & Trunk Show

Oct. 17th ~ Susan Wade ~ Fabric Collage Workshop

Nov. 20th ~ Miguel ~ Houston Market Report

Nov. 21st ~ No Workshop

Dec.4th ~ Laurie Nahay ~ Annual Christmas Party

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