

Coast Lines

Newsletter for Coastal Quilters of Santa Barbara

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This Month:

April 14th Mtg.

- » Wear name tags
- » Return Library books
- » Bring canned goods for donation

April 23rd Deadline

Newsletter articles due for March edition

April 21st Board Mtg.

Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. in Maravilla's Galleria room.

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Meet Wendy Butler Berns

Quilt artist, teacher, and lecturer, Wendy comes to us from Lake Mills in southern Wisconsin. Since 1997, she has taught and lectured about the art of quilting regionally and nationally. Her work appears regularly in juried shows and galleries as well as private collections across the country.

Wendy's quilts are noted for their bold use of color, unusual fabrics, and a combination of unconventional techniques. Quilt designs are original and they fluctuate between traditional with a twist and contemporary art quilts. They are inspired by her desire to capture the colorful yet changing world around her, whether it be a garden landscape, an endearing family member, or a statement of how we must act as role models for our children to cultivate greater compassion and preserve our natural world's future. She delves into all aspects of quilting: teaching workshops, lecturing about the art of quilting, designing original work for entry into local and national shows, and displaying work for sale in various galleries.



Wendy is the 2009 recipient of the Jewel Pearce Patterson Scholarship for quilting teachers awarded annually by International Quilt Market. In November of 2010, she curated an exhibit of 12 quilts: three of her own and nine of her students, which reflect inspirations she had during her studies as a student. The theme for the exhibit is "Out on a Limb." It debuted at the International Quilt Festival in Houston. During 2011, the exhibition will be shown at the International Quilt Festival in Long Beach. Put that on your calendar, ladies!

Her April 15 workshop, which is full, is **Liberate Your Logs**, and should be lots of fun. View her quilts at her website: www.wendybutlerberns.com.

A message from the Sew It Alls...

"What are these?" We named them a **Critter Cozy**

For those of you who entered the challenge and received a patchwork "token gift" with a box of Animal Crackers in it, you may have wondered what exactly you received and what it is called. Several months ago at one of our guild member's home, as we sat doing some hand piecing or quilting, I asked her what "it" was. She had "one", gifted to her years ago as a thank you from another quilting friend and was using "it" as a handy fabric basket to stow sewing notions or as a portable thread / scrap wastebasket. I thought it was sweet and attractive. I borrowed "it" to copy, making a few samples to show my fellow Sew It All satellite members. At our monthly meeting we agreed it would be a nice thank you for entering the challenge. We substituted animal prints around the middle and named them Critter Cozies. After a bit of confusion, the method of construction became clear and we got into production mode. If you are interested in making some, e-mail me and I'll send directions for making a pattern and stitching them.

— Carol Hart, hartcg@msn.com

Community Quilts

We want to once again thank the board for providing Community Quilts a working area to sort and house fabric. We have spent many hours emptying boxes and discovering the treasures that you have donated. Being able to look at everything has helped with creating kits as well as finding backing and batting to help meet our guild's goal to be of service to those in need.

After enjoying these finds, it was necessary to add to our children's fabric. So, now we have some exciting choices to provide you. However, we do need some primary colors to make up kits. If in cleaning out your fabric stash, you find a quarter to a yard of bright fabric that is not calling out your name, think about donating it to Community Quilts.

We also want to thank Grant House for the generous donation of batting. This gift has already been cut for distribution and will help with a number of children's quilts.

With only a few months left in this year's cycle of giving, we are excited about your continued support. Our goal is to have the quilts for Fostering Friends and Veterans by the May meeting. The children's quilts are needed in June. With the exception of the twin-bed-size quilts for those leaving foster care, the other quilts range from receiving blanket to lap quilt sizes. Whatever you judge your quilting level to be, because it is sewn with love, it is a masterpiece.

We would love to hear your thoughts about an organization to consider as next year's recipient. As always, KEEP QUILTING, knowing that your generosity brings a smile, warmth, and a message that someone cares.

— **Yolanda Garcia and Louise Salgado**

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From the President's Desk

Last month's meeting was, in a word, AMAZING! The talent in this guild was on display in the fabulous challenge, and it was awe-inspiring. The projects were diverse and creative and definitely amazing. Congratulations to all the participants for answering the challenge and to the winners!

Speaking of answering the challenge... We have had a number of people step up and volunteer for many of our open positions, but we still have a few available. We need your help to make the guild operate at the standard that has been set by previous boards so PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE consider helping us out as a committee chair or on the board. The positions still available are Recording Secretary, Workshop Coordinator and Block of the Month.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please submit your name and the position you are interested in to Debra Blake, Parliamentarian. If you aren't sure, please find a current board member to discuss your interest, and we'll answer as many questions as possible.

April brings another great speaker in **Wendy Butler Burns**. The workshop is full but we can all be looking forward to the guild meeting to hear her speak. And for those lucky workshop participants, I know it will be a great day of inspiration and teaching. The May workshop will be **Karla Alexander** for **Stack a New Deck, Bent Out of Square**. It is filling up fast! Our Program Chair works hard to bring a great diversity of speakers and workshops for the enjoyment and growth of our guild. I think they have done and continue to do an amazing job.

And a final thought: Do you think about the purpose of our guild? It is a great place to meet new friends and develop great relationships with fellow quilters. There is nothing like the common thread of quilting to build relationships. AND we provide inspiration for your quilting projects with the annual challenge and our speakers and workshops. But another purpose of our guild is to help our local community and communities on distant shores. Quilts represent caring and love in any language. Our hearts and prayers are with the people of New Zealand and Japan as they suffer untold damage and suffering as a result of recent catastrophic events. Donating quilts to our local charities or any of the international causes would be greatly appreciated.

Quilt 'til you wilt,
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Future Programs

MAY

May 12 Presentation: **Karla Alexander, Lift the Quilts Out of Your Stash**. This is a way to look at your stash in a whole new way and actually start using your fabric rather than just admiring it!

May 13 Workshop: **Stack a New Deck, Bent Out of Square**. Windows of luscious color that entice your eyes from block to block from her new book, **Stack a New Deck**.

www.saginawstreetquilts.com

JUNE

June 9th Presentation: **Cindy Needham, Superior Threads, "Thread Fact or Fiction."** Information packed lecture about how to distinguish quality of all types of threads including decorative and regular.

June 10, 2011 Workshop: **Open Thread Bar.** Hands on instruction for students with regular and specialty threads.

JULY

Annual Guild Potluck, Picnic, and Book Sale

April Birthdays *Happy Birthday to one and all!*

Roxanne Barbieri	Apr. 5	Louise Salgado	Apr. 20
Nancy King	Apr. 5	Carol Drescher	Apr. 21
Laura Perry	Apr. 7	Rita Mondok	Apr. 22
Margaret Kocimski	Apr. 8	Elaine Rottman	Apr. 24
Juli Shulem	Apr. 10	Laura Nanna	Apr. 25
Ruth Walters	Apr. 12	Paula Whited	Apr. 25
Maryann Huggins	Apr. 13	Paulette Ley	Apr. 26
Norah McMeeking	Apr. 13	Diana Hamilton	Apr. 27
Kathy Rose	Apr. 13	Gwendolyn Jeter	Apr. 27
Erma Sheaha	Apr. 16	Linda Karpinnen	Apr. 27
Fern Halperin	Apr. 18	Gladys Brown	Apr. 28
Jean McCaffrey	Apr. 19	Sherran Cressall	Apr. 28
Karen Pickford	Apr. 20	Darilyn Kisch	Apr. 29

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Challenge “All Creatures Great and Small”

The Sew It All's thank all the guild members who participated in this year's challenge. You made our show a delightful success. We were thrilled to receive such a nice assortment of theme interpretations using animal prints. One-quarter of the entries fit into the “anything with some quilting” rule, adding charm and surprising variety. Three-quarters of the entries were wall hangings. I could tell that many of this year's entries will become a gift to a special youngster or captured the joy a dear pet has given a family or expressed one's love of nature and the animal kingdom or gave us a chance to laugh at the whimsical.

On Friday, March 18, several guild members presented a personal viewing of our challenge to about 20 residents at Maravilla. Assembling in their clubhouse, the inspirations were read as the entries were slowly paraded before them. We also included a nice selection of community quilts for their entertainment. Your color choices, quilting skills, and artistic flair gave them a lot of pleasure.

During April, the Grant House Sewing Machine Store, 128B E. Canon Perdido St., will exhibit our challenge. Due to the large number of entries this year, the show will be modified to fit the shop's space. Those not displayed at Grant House will be “ready for return” in the room off the kitchen at the April meeting before and after meeting and during intermission. If you haven't visited Grant House's store before the upcoming guild meeting, check to see if your entry is waiting for you in the back room. Until then, all of your entries are well cared for, laid open, flat, and protected from light, covered with a sheet. Those to be shown at Grant House will be available for return at the May meeting, using the same set up.

I want to express how much I enjoyed being involved with the challenge. I volunteered the services of my satellite group, because the former hosts said it was such a thrill to unveil the entries as they came in. This was indeed true, but I've gained so much more from this experience. I saw about half the entries after returning home with them from February's collection at guild. I laid them out to prevent wrinkles and had time to delight in each one, finding the sometimes-elusive animal print, studying various techniques, and reading the often-touching inspirations. Since the presentation at Maravilla, I've been able to spend time with the rest of the entries received from the seven other collectors and revealed to me just after deadline when we planned show layout. Your work is so inspiring, displaying techniques I'd like to improve upon or learn, some of which were probably taught in our guild-sponsored workshops and local quilting classes. I hope you intend to participate in next year's challenge too. I can't wait!

— **Carol Hart and the Sew It All's**

Appeal for Donations:

“Comfort” Quilts for Earthquake Victims

Please consider donating a small (lap or crib-sized) quilt to be sent to comfort victims of the February 22 Christchurch, New Zealand, earthquake. You may also donate an unfinished quilt top, which Ranell Hansen is willing to quilt gratis (up to 4 tops/month). I will be collecting quilts until we resume our sabbatical travels on April 22. After this date, Ranell Hansen (h: 684-7042) will accept quilts from those in Carpinteria and points south, while Tone Steiro (h: 682-2152, c: 284-7849) will receive quilts from Santa Barbara quilters, and Suzanne Zanesco (h: 967-4005) will collect from Goleta folks. The label should have the quilter's name, city, and country. There is no need to name your quilt if you don't want to.

Quilts will be shipped at the end of August. Qantas Airways Cargo has graciously offered some assistance with shipping costs but collection boxes are located at Craft Essentials (in Goleta) and the Treasure Hunt (in Carpinteria) should you also wish to help. (International shipping is obscenely expensive.)

While I would deeply like to extend this effort to include the many victims of the horrific Japanese earthquake/tsunami/nuclear meltdown disaster, I don't know anyone in Japan who could handle distribution, so I humbly suggest that if you wish to help there that you make as generous a donation as you can manage to a reputable disaster relief agency.

Lastly, I am reiterating the message I voiced at the March CQG meeting:

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR DISASTER PREPAREDNESS PLAN IS UP-TO-DATE.

For guidelines on disaster preparedness, visit the FEMA website (www.fema.gov). Also to talk to your neighbors about preparedness, and perhaps set up some kind of a network. It was very reassuring in Christchurch to have the neighbors checking up on us on a regular basis, although I don't recommend a disaster as the way to meet your neighbors.

Thanks for your involvement.

— **Isabel Downs, 682-2152, ifdowns@cox.net**

Events Around California

The Quilt: A Stitch in Time

Through June 3. Call the Jewish Federation of Greater Santa Barbara for gallery times. Free admission.

This exhibition is an opportunity to celebrate a common link in our cultural heritage - The Quilt. The exhibit includes quilts from local guild members.

Jewish Community Center, 524 Chapala St., Santa Barbara. (805) 957-1115.

Visit the show's web at www.jewishsantabarbara.org/artatthejcc.aspx.

Meet the Teachers

April 9, 2011

Hosted by Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Guild, RSVP to Patti Voyles.
Santa Clarita Valley United Methodist Church, 26640 Bouquet Canyon Road, Saugus, CA
email: patti.voyles@att.net

Young Piecemaker Quilt Guild Quilt and Fashion Show featuring Eleanor Burns

April 9; Admission \$6.00. If it rains, admission \$5.00. Free Parking.

Beautiful Quilts, Vendors, Door Prizes, Gift Baskets including Sewing Machines, Viewers Choice, Food Court.

Young Piecemakers Quilt Guild, P.O. Box 77113, Corona, CA 92877

email: youngpiecemakers@yahoo.com for entry forms and more info
website: www.ypqg.org or call (951) 277-4577

Seven Sisters Quilt Show

April 30-May 1, Saturday 9 am - 5 pm; Sunday 9 am - 4 pm
\$10/for a wristband-good for one or both days. Children under 12 free

Alex Madonna Expo Center at the Madonna Inn, 100 Madonna Road, San Luis Obispo, California

The show will include: over fifty vendors, Opportunity Quilts, Challenge Quilts, Wearable Art, Food Vendors, Hoffman Challenge and Trunk Show

More Info and entry forms at: <http://www.aqgcc.org/>

"Country Quilt Fair" Quilt Show

April 29 & 30, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Free parking. Admission: \$7.

Hosted by the Inland Empire Quilters Guild

Riley's Gym, Norco Community Center, 3900 Acacia, Norco, CA.
Just north of Hamner & 6th Street, (6th St. exit off the 15 Fwy.).

More than 150 Quilts on display, vendors, challenge quilts, craft boutique, door prizes, special exhibits, quilts for sale, silent auction (Sat., 3 p.m.). *Opportunity Quilt*: Star Glazing 70" x 90" Drawing (Sat. 4 p.m.). *Opportunity Baskets Drawing* (Sat., 4 p.m.)
Show Information: Lana Dougherty 951-751-0573, IEQG@hotmail.com

Antelope Valley Quilt Association's 34th Annual Quilt Show and Home Tour

May 14 & 15, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. & Sunday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Parking is free. Advanced tickets are \$8 and \$10 at the door. Husbands are admitted free.

There will be a vendor mall located at the Lancaster Marketplace in Lancaster, California. Quilt auction on Saturday. Sunday, 3:30 p.m. opportunity drawings for quilt, baskets, and sewing machine.

Email Contact: sue.jacobson@vetkrazy@hotmail.com

Website: www.avqa.org.

Bold Expressions — African American Quilts

Sunday, May 15 through Sunday, November 6, Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Closed Mondays and national holidays.
Regular admission is \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$4 for students and active military with ID.

Mingei International Museum, 1439 El Prado in Balboa Park, San Diego.

First-ever museum exhibition on quilts from Chicago collector Corrine Riley.

For information, call 619-239-0003 or visit www.mingei.org.

Santa Monica Quilt Guild Bi-Annual Quilt Show - Quilting by the Sea.

August 13

Email Contact: kennaleem@aol.com

Website: santamonicaquiltguild.org

Traveling Quilters Quilt-Away Retreat

Sept. 15-18

Our Temecula Quilt-Away Retreats are always fun and productive weekends. It's a great opportunity to finish projects or start something new. We usually have anywhere from 30 to 45 people at the retreat, so it's always fun to see what people are working on. Each person has half an 8-ft table for sewing space in our large, well-lit classroom. Once again we'll be staying at the Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center in the Temecula wine region.

Contact: pam@travelingquilters.com Website: www.travelingquilters.com

Fallbrook Quilt Guild Biennial Quilt Show

November 4 & 5

Show is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

Beautiful quilts and other treasures, vendors, auction at 1 p.m., country store, and food booth.

Fallbrook Presbyterian Church, 463 S. Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook, CA 92028.

Contact: scott760760@hotmail.com

Website: www.fallbrookquiltguild.com

Block of the Month for May

SCRAP INSANITY: WHIRLIGIG

A whirligig is anything that whirls or spins around. Do you remember playing with one when you were a child? Notice how this block spins. When you put them together in a quilt top, you will feel like you are part of the breeze.



There are 16 pieces to this block and it will finish to a 12 1/2" square.

FABRIC:



Background: white. Cut 8 rectangles 3 1/2" x 5".

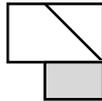


Scraps: you will need 8 different medium or dark fabrics. Cut 8 rectangles 3 1/2" x 5".

ASSEMBLY:

The first seams you sew will determine the direction of the spin. Make sure your units match the pictures at each step!

Make 8 light and dark units. Place a background fabric at a right angle to the scrap fabric right sides together. Stitch across the corner as shown and trim seam to 1/4". Press seam to the scrap.



Finished unit will look like this:



Sew two units together to form one quarter of the block.



Does your unit look exactly like this?

Congratulations, you are almost done! Simply sew four of these units together using the top picture as a guide.

Square the completed block to 12 1/2 inches.

Having problems with the block? We are here to help.

Cathe, Darilyn, & Kathy

7 Day Fiber Arts Adventure Cruise to Alaska

July 29th to August 5th, 2011 with award-winning art quilter Terry Waldron and purse book author Ricki Bremer. Three days of classes are designed for all levels — special Quilter's Package, and non-sewing companions are welcome. For more information, contact john@connectiontocruise.com.

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— **Bonnie Barber**

Door Prizes

The **March Door Prize** winners were: **Joan Abraham, Sue Davies, Nancy Miller, and Shirley Morrison.**

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Calling all quilters, fiber and bead enthusiasts!

Entry forms for the 2011 African Folklore Embroidery Challenge are now online at www.aflembroidery.com The grand prize is \$500 cash, 2nd prize \$50 and 3rd prize \$25. All entrants will receive certificates of participation and be considered for inclusion in a new book.

The deadline for entries is July 15th 2011. All entries will be on display at the International Quilt Festival in Long Beach at the African Folklore Embroidery Booth.

Last year's 1st place winner was Madeline Reyes from the Coachella Valley Quilt Guild, 2nd place was Judy Dymond from the Mountain View Embroidery Guild Chapter and 3rd Place Carol Cunningham-Hutte also from the Mountain View Embroidery Guild Chapter.

Entries from the 2010 African Folklore Embroidery Challenge can be viewed at:

www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=234386778169&ref=ts

For more information, contact:

Leora Raikin, info@aflembroidery.com (818) 999-6094

Quilting Resources

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<http://www.coastalquilters.org>

Coastal Quilters Guild of Santa Barbara and Goleta is a non-profit, educational and charitable organization. The purpose of the Guild is to educate its members about the history and preservation of the art form of quilting and its related topics; to learn new techniques and improve skills; and to inform the community at large about our quilt making heritage.

Guild Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at:

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church
4575 Auhay, Santa Barbara, CA

This Month's Meeting

April 14th, 2011 7:00 p.m. (Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

Next Month's Meeting

May 12th, 2011 7:00 p.m.

Please carpool, parking is somewhat limited.

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