



Sierra Mountain Quilters Newsletter



We had an excellent turn out for **Sandy Klop**'s presentation in June. Her quilts were numerous, amazing and inspiring. She has been quilting huge tops with teeny tiny piecing for 30 years. She also brought a van full of her fabrics and patterns to sale. Fun! Great Friday workshop too!

July 10, 2014

Meeting Schedule

Pavilion at the Oakhurst Community Center

Doors open at 5:30

Business Meeting @ 6pm

Refreshments provided by
July birthday ladies!

Program:

Suzi Parron

Barn Quilts presentation

July Greeters - Diane Ward & Mary Brand

July Setup/Takedown - Betsy Blum, Caroline Gaither, Helen Ramsey

July Guest Speaker - info from her website.

www.barnquiltinfo.com

Suzi Parron, author with Donna Sue Groves of ***Barn Quilts and the American Quilt Trail Movement***, is now traveling the country full time speaking to quilt guilds and other groups about barn quilts and the quilt trail.

Suzi will take you on a journey along the quilt trail, beginning with the very first barn quilt, which stemmed from Donna Sue Groves and her wish to honor her mother's quilting art. Suzi's presentation features over one hundred stunning photographs of barn quilts, some of which rival cloth quilts in their intricacy. You will hear stories of some of the individuals who have painted quilt blocks to honor loved ones or their local culture, along with a few humorous anecdotes.

The presentation is both informative and entertaining, as Suzi explores the way in which our quilting heritage takes on new meaning as this movement continues to expand.



**Sierra Mountain Quilters Association
General Meeting, June 5, 2014**

Vice President Pat Pfankuchen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at the Oakhurst Community Center in Oakhurst, California. She welcomed everyone to the meeting and then led the flag salute.

Pat introduced one new member and one guest. She acknowledged members with June birthdays and anniversaries. Pat thanked those who brought refreshments. She also thanked the set up committee and the greeters for the evening.

Old Business:

- The minutes for the May 1, 2014 were approved.
- The Treasurer's report was accepted/ filed for audit.
- 1st Vice President Pat Pfankuchen reported that the July program will be the Barn Lady.
- Pat also had a drawing for the American Jane workshop on June 6, 2014.
- Nancy Swanson collected payment for the September 8-11, 2014, retreat for Lin Crow.

New Business:

- Chris Hudson passed out the June clue for the Mystery Quilt.
- Pat held the raffle for a quilt hanger for the participants in the Seasonal Mini Quilt.
- Mel Peters held the raffle for the guild members in attendance.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:20 pm followed by

Show and Tell

Refreshments

Program – Sandy Klopp trunk show.

Submitted by Jullie Vasquez

Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Helen Ramsey

June 11, 2014

(Checking account)

Balance Forward (5/21/14) \$ 10,356.64

Income \$ 666.00

Expenses \$ 1,869.66

Bank Balance (6/11/14): \$ 9,152.98

CD \$ 16,835.

Savings \$ 11,616.

Cuddle Quilt Report

by Judy Andes

THANKS TO THE GREAT RESPONSE TO CUDDLE QUILT OLYMPICS. WE GAVE TEN BABY QUILTS TO HELPING HANDS AND TWENTY FIVE QUILTS TO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN JUNE. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF PUTTING LABELS ON ALL THE QUILTS BEFORE THEY ARE DISTRIBUTED.

Future SMQA Programs

August 7 & 8 *The Disappearing Nine Patch* with Diane Mathews - Trunk show & Friday workshop, sign up now with Pat Pfankuchen.

September 4 & 5 Long Cabin with Janet Houts.

October 2 TBA

November 5 & 6 *Creative Self-Portraits* with Charlotte Rogers with workshop on Friday.

December 4 Christmas Party

Keep the programs coming by signing up for our workshops!

Quilting Circles**by Sharon Lawin**

The **YoYo's** will meet on July 21st at Myra's house. YoYo's had a wonderful play day in June at Vivian's house. They played with Sun Printing. They were delighted that Kathy M. was able to join in the fun (with leg up, of course) making some very pretty pieces. Yeah for Kathy—one day at a time toward healing!

Tuesday Strippers will meet in July on the 9th at Julie Draska's home.

July 24th will find the **Thursday Thimbles** meeting at Pat Miller's home. Meeting starts at 9:30 a.m. and lunch will be hosted by the summer gang.

Sew Thrilled members will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in July at various

member's homes. For details, contact Linda Pennington.

The **Material Girls** will meet on Tuesday, July 8th, 1:00 p.m. at Bear Paw Quilts. They will continue to discuss their basket for the 2015 Quilt Show.

Footloose members will be meeting July 7th and 21st from 4 to 6 pm at Chris Hudson's studio. They will continue to work on the Community Quilt.

The **Bits & Pieces** group will not be meeting in July.

Note: If anyone wants to begin a new Sewing Circle, contact Sharon Lawin at sllawin@netptc.net.

President's Message**Kathy Milhollon**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Pat Pfankuchen for stepping up and taking my place at the SMQA meetings in May and June. I have been told by many that she did a wonderful job and I am so grateful. She is truly a very dedicated Vice President and friend.

Well the summer months are here and so is the hot weather. When we moved to the mountains I thought I would spend most of my time sewing in the winter, but it did not turn out that way. I sew more in the summer when it is over 100 degrees and too hot to go outside. It is also the time for summer vacations and travel. When you are on a trip, look for the quilt shops along the way and let us know what you find.

I hope everyone is coming to our next meeting to hear the barn quilt lady, Suzi Parron. There are many quilt barn trails throughout the United States. Travel through the county and you'll see colorful, painted quilt blocks displayed on all sorts of buildings, from barns and businesses to public buildings and personal residences. Barn quilt projects have become increasingly popular in recent years, and the trend is growing. We even have a project going on in Oakhurst at Timberline Gallery. There will be nineteen 4' x 4' blocks installed on the outside of the building, with many different designs. One of the blocks will be a quilt block designed by Vivian Aumond-Capone, a SMQA member, so be sure to watch for the installation in early July.

Opportunity Quilt Raffle Tickets

Kay Marshall will be in charge of taking in sold tickets/money and disbursing additional tickets during the next two months...July and August. She will be at the Guild meetings at the Membership table or you can reach her by phone between meetings. In addition, there is a supply of tickets at Bear Paw Quilts. You may pick up tickets there to sell without involving Kay. There will be photos of the quilt in Kay's supply and also at Bear Paw Quilts. Hope your summer sales are good!

Mel Peters

Membership Report

Jean Richter will be greeting you and taking care of your membership needs during July and August. I will be away at our cabin in the higher mountains (Elev. 6800'.) You are welcome to phone Jean if you have questions or need something between meetings. Happy Summer to all! Mel Peters

Pacific International Quilt Festival

October 16, 2014

Day Trip - 7:00 am-7:00 pm

The cost is \$48.00 per person (member or non-member) and pays for bus trip and entry fee. Your fee must be paid on or before September 10th. We will make two stops. One in Los Banos for breakfast at Mc Donald's, and dinner at Casa de Fruta. Your fee when paid is not refundable. Should you have to cancel it will be your responsibility to sell your ticket to another. Make checks payable to **Heart of California Quilt Guild**. Should you need additional information please contact trip coordinator

Kathleen Castillo - go4cesta@comcast.net or PM via Facebook.

NEW MEMBER

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Please make our new members feel welcome at our meetings.

Please add Cindy's name to your Directory and make all new members feel welcome at the meetings.

July Birthdays

<i>Mary Roseling</i>	<i>July 5</i>
<i>Virginia Corriea</i>	<i>July 7</i>
<i>Guadalupe Schuhl</i>	<i>July 7</i>
<i>Beverly Williams</i>	<i>July 16</i>
<i>Toni Morton</i>	<i>July 17</i>
<i>Barbara Graas</i>	<i>July 19</i>
<i>Sue Collins</i>	<i>July 20</i>
<i>Nancy Swanson</i>	<i>July 26</i>
<i>Beverly Gulley</i>	<i>July 29</i>

Happy Birthday & you're bringing our July 3rd refreshments. TIA!

**Amenities**

Cards were sent to:

- Bonnie McClintock
- Pat McDonald
- Tillie Helmer
- Kathy Milhollon

Contact **Linda Miller** if you know a member who would appreciate us thinking of them.

683-6007

SMQA Board Meeting

July 28, 2014 @ 1pm

Yosemite Bank Community Room



Just a few of Sandy Klop's quilts she shared with guild members at our June meeting, plus a Perennial Star we worked to duplicate at her workshop.



Summer Themed Show & Tell



Above: Three random entries from the many 12 inch blocks submitted for our Summer Challenge. And 2 summery quilts.

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Quilt Shows

"The Quilts Of Lake Almanor"

Saturday, August 2, 2014
 10 a.m. to 5 pm.
 Sunday, August 3, from 10 a.m. to 4

Chester Jr/Sr High School
 612 First Street,
 Chester, California.

Admission \$7.00

Vendors, General Store, Raffle Baskets
 along with many lovely quilts will be
 featured.

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DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR NAME
TAG TO THE JULY 10TH MEETING!

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