



Sierra Mountain Quilters Newsletter

January Program

This is your chance to make your own SMQA name badge that you have seen members wear. If you already have a badge make a cute pin cushion instead.

Please bring the following if possible.

Badge/Pin Cushion Workshop

- Sewing Machine - or buddy up with a friend
- Ruler
- Rotary Cutter
- Mat
- Pins
- Seam Ripper
- Fabric needs to be 6+6 inches other pieces can be smaller

SMQA will also be selling fabric.



Thank you out-going President Lin Crow for your dedication to SMQA. Lin was presented with autograph blocks from the membership at our December meeting.

January 2, 2014

Meeting Schedule

The Pavilion at the Oakhurst Community Center

Doors open at 5:30

Business Meeting @ 6pm

Show and Tell

Program: Make SMQA badges or pin cushions.

Refreshments provided by the guild.

Sierra Mountain Quilters Association
General Meeting, December 5, 2013

President Lin Crow called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at the Oakhurst Community Center in Oakhurst, California. Lin welcomed guests from the Manna House to accept the Opportunity Quilt made by the guild. Donna Baxter and Chris Hudson presented the quilt Lin gave thanks to those who set up the room for the meeting and for the greeters Sharon Cox and Lin Crow.

The November 7, 2013 General Meeting minutes were approved.
The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Reports: 1st Vice-president Pat Pfankuchen shared plans for 2014 meeting activities.

January will be making new name badges or pin cushion.

February's meeting will be a presentation by Arlene L. Arnold about Civil War quilts. March's meeting will be borders which will be a workshop. She also announced that refreshments will be brought by those whose birthdays fall in the month of the meeting.

Mystery quilts for the year were shown at the meeting.

New Business: The budget for 2014 was presented and reviewed. Pat Pfankuchen made the motion to accept the proposed 2014 budget. Nancy Swanson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Member Items: Mel Peters announced the Mountain Community Women were having a Christmas Home Tour. She has tickets to sell.

Show and Tell:

Installation of officers for 2014: Diane Martin conducted the installation of officers for 2014:

President – Kathy Millhollon, 1st Vice President – Pat Pfankuchen, 2nd Vice-President – Patty Spinelli,

Treasurer – Helen Ramsey, Secretary – Jullie Vasquez, Mel Peters – Membership.

Meeting was Adjourned at 7:15 followed by Christmas refreshments and visiting.

Treasurer's Report

A year-end treasurer's report is forthcoming.

New Members

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California, A Promise to the Future

150th State Park Anniversary seeks quilters

Earlier this month, California State Parks Director Major General Anthony Jackson announced the official launch of the commemoration for the **150th anniversary of California State Parks in 2014** (culminating next September) and the release of the new anniversary website, www.150.parks.ca.gov. We hope you will check it out!

California State Parks is seeking assistance from quilters to help commemorate the anniversary in a creative and unique way-- through quilts! Quilters will pick a favorite state park or simply an inspiration from any state park and create a quilt! The quilts webpage provides information about the effort and an online quilt show as an important part the anniversary commemoration.

Within the anniversary website, there is a specific webpage with a call for quilters, www.150.parks.ca.gov/quilts. You can also access the page through the "A Promise to the Future" link on the home page. Please share the attached flyer – which includes the webpage link – with your members and contact us if you have any questions or ideas you want to share.

Thank you for considering this rare opportunity to make history!

Sincerely

Marcy Brown

Anniversary Quilt Coordinating Volunteer

916-653-9578

marcy.brown@parks.ca.gov

Quilting Circles by Patty Spinelli

Sew Thrilled meet every second and forth Wednesday of the month. We meet in members homes. For more information please contact Linda Pennington.

Thursday Thimbles will be gathering at Georgia Harvey's home on the 23rd. Bring your lunch and RSVP no shows..

Bits and Pieces will meet Wed., Jan. 8, 11 a.m. at Virginia Corriea's home. You'll receive an email about lunch plans. Mel will bring supplies for our heart block project. Bring handwork. Usual agenda. Carpoolers meet at the Sierra Star at 10:45 a.m

Yoyos will be at Myra's in January. Making plans for the New Year.

The Tuesday Strippers will meet at Bev Gulley's home on January 14th.

Footloose will meet on January 6th at Mountain Home School and on the 20th at Chris Hudson's place (directions will be sent via email). We meet from 4-6PM. Bring what you'd like to work on and any show & tell you may have. We'll plan on discussing our 2014 calendar.

Material Girls will be meeting at The Bear Paw at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, Jan. 14th. Hostess P. J

Future SMQA Programs

February - Civil War Quilts program by Arlene L. Arnold

March - Sharon Templeton - Borders Program & workshop

April - Cuddle Quilts

May - Ice Cream Social

June - American Jane returns with Sandy Klop, Program & wkshop

July 10 - Barn Quilt Lady

Membership Renewal

Enclosed with this month's newsletter is an application form for 2014 membership in the Sierra Mountain Quilters Association.

Please make a copy of this application, fill it out and bring it with your membership payment to our January or February meeting. You may mail it to SMQA, P.O.Box 1359, Oakhurst CA 93644

(write Membership on the envelope) if you prefer. Deadline for inclusion in the directory is Feb. 6, 2014.

Mel Peters, Membership Chairmen, 2014



SMQA Board Meeting

January 27, 2014

Yosemite Bank @1 pm

Good-Bye

Due to low interest the **Secret Sewing Sisters** will not be meeting this year, 2014. Sorry. Hope to start it up again later. Thank you for your support. Bonnie

See more SMQA pictures at our Facebook page.

Amenities

Long time member
Joddie Poitras
recently passed.
A card was sent to her husband Dick.

Contact Joan if you know a member who would appreciate us thinking of them.
Joan Steskal 642-2805 tomstes@sti.net

January Birthdays

Dianne Archibald	Jan 13
Patty Spinelli	Jan 4
Linda Pennington	Jan 6
Juliana Draska	Jan 9
Colette Wear	Jan 15
Chris Hudson	Jan 30

Send newsletter items to
Betsy at
smqa2012@gmail.com.

**Sierra Fiber Arts**

7462 N Fresno Street
Fresno, Ca 93720 (Fresno Street at Alluvial)
559-432-8900 sierrafiberarts.com

Complete the learner's class and rent the Longarm Machine
For \$15 per hour.

Use free motion. or computer-assisted quilting methods.



Do you need any Quilter's **thread**, Machine Embroidery, Serger or Longarm thread? Check our selection. We have quick table runner **kits** and easy pillowcase kits available. All kits include fabric and pattern. We have a large variety of themes to pick from.

New Class Alert! Learn Innovative Techniques, beginning sewing, quilting, machine embroidery, home decor, and garments.

Test drive a new Bernina today! We offer lifetime lessons on your new machine.

We are your local community store and we are here to help you.



Refreshments Our New Plan

Way to go January Birthday Ladies, you are off the hook. February Birthday Ladies stay tuned...plan on bringing refreshments to celebrate your birthday month.



The 2013 Community Quilt was donated to Manna House. Tom and Pat accept it from Donna who organized the design and quilters.



Kathy Millhollon, our new SMQA President organized our 2013 Mystery Quilt. Here she is shown with hers. The December meeting was the big reveal for finished and unfinished quilts.

Below: The new board takes their oath of office on a pile of fabric. The installation was amusingly officiated by Diane Martin.



HELEN RAMSEY, SALLY WALKER, JULLIE VASQUEZ, PAT PFANKUCHEN, KATHY MILLHILLON

Pajaro Valley Quilt Assoc. 2014 Quilt Show 2014 PVQA 36th Annual Quilt Show - "From Sea to Shining Sea"

February 22-23, Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds

2601 East Lake Avenue Watsonville, CA 95076

Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- Exhibiting over 400 quilts, dolls and wearables.
- Special exhibits include: Red and White quilts,

Modern quilts, Wearable Art, Pincushions, Totes, Bags and Dolls.

Other attractions include:

- Featured Speaker: Rachel Clark
- Fashion Show - Saturday, 12:30
- Live Auction - Sunday 12:30

- Ongoing Demos
- Bed Turning
- Over 40 vendors
- Flea Market
- Certified Quilt Appraiser

Ample Free Parking

Lunch and snacks available to purchase, provided by Eric's Deli

For more information, go to pvqa.org and click on the Quilt Show tab

Quilted Iris

Did you ever need a baby quilt for a gift, or a wall hanging, or a table runner, but didn't have one already made?

If so, please check out my **Etsy** account at:

<http://www.etsy.com/shop/QuiltedIris>

or contact me at: quiltediris@sti.net

I have lots already made for you.

Thanks, Virginia



2014 Spring Retreat

March 6-9

Thursday through Saturday

This is just a note to remind everyone about the retreat at ECCO this spring. I still have openings and I need more ladies to stay overnight. The rates are the same as last year \$267 for a double room, \$249 for a quad room and \$25 per day for day campers. (Thursday through Saturday).

I will need your deposit of at least \$100 for overnight and at least \$25 for the day campers at the next meeting in January. If you cannot make the meeting please mail your checks to me made out to "SMQA" marked retreat to my address at P.O. Box 369, Ahwahnee, CA 93601. If you have any questions, please call 683-5582 or email me at snotop@sti.net.

I look forward to putting on this retreat in March and I hope a lot of you will join me in having fun and completing some of your UFO's. Diane Ward

Sierra Mountain Quilters Association Membership Form 2014

Your membership dues support the many functions of SMQA including: meetings, speakers, workshops, newsletter, website, quilting retreats, circles, Biennial Quilt Show and fellowship.

Cost: Please circle

Individual Membership
\$25

Family Membership
\$35

Please Print

NAME _____

Day of Birth: (Month/Day) _____

HOME ADDRESS:

Street _____

City _____ ZIP Code _____

MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT

PHONE Home _____ Work _____

Mobile/Cell _____

Email: Newsletters will be delivered via email beginning January 2013. If you don't have an email address and can't access our new e-newsletter please let us know ASAP so we can provide a hard copy.

⇒ **Email** _____ ☐

Check box if this is a new email address or a corrected address (refer to our directory).

Please check all that apply to help us plan for Programs and Workshops

I am interested in a program/workshop for:

Wearable Art ☐

Antique Sewing Tools ☐

Sashiko ☐

Landscape Quilts ☐

Raw-edge Appliqué ☐

EQ ☐

30's Quilts ☐

Red-work ☐

Memory Quilts ☐

Color & Design ☐

Featherweight maintenance ☐

Child/Adult summertime sewing workshop ☐

Photo Quilts ☐

Sierra Mountain Quilters Association

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DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR NAME
TAG TO THE JANUARY 2ND MEETING!

BOARD MEMBERS

President -
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Second Vice President -
Treasurer -
Secretary -

Kathy Millhollon
Pat Pfankuchen
Patty Spinelli
Helen Ramsey
Jullie Vasquez

Quilt Show Chair –
Parliamentarian –
Amenities –
Circles –
Big/Little Sisters –
Cuddle Quilts –
Librarian –
Historian –

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Joan Steskal
Patty Spinelli
Donna Pike-Baxter

Barbara Graas

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