



# Sierra Mountain Quilters Newsletter

Next meeting **May 7, 2015**

Oakhurst Community Center Pavilion

Doors open at 5:30

Business meeting at 6:00 followed by Show & Tell

Program: Round Robin of Quick Projects

## May Program

DIY sewing projects, a round robin learning.

Demonstrations and handouts will be available as you will learn five small projects to make at home during ten-minute demos.

A *power cord wrap* construction will be shown by Judy Andes.

Nancy Swanson will share a new style of purse *tissue holder*.

Samples of *travel size pillow cases* together with regular size will be shown by Diane Ward.

Nancy Mason will be showing the construction of a *self-binding blanket* along with various pot holders.

Donna Lalev has a great *fleece hat* we know you'll want for the Fall weather or Christmas gifts.

To top off the program Ginnie Westfall will demo a *thread catcher*.



### Coming to May Meeting:

SMQA Name Badges with magnet fasteners.

More info in *Kathy's Korner* on page 5

## Sierra Mountain Quilters Association

General Meeting, April 9, 2015

President Kathy Millhollon called the meeting to order at 6 pm at the Oakhurst Community Center. Kathy welcomed everyone and led the flag salute. Kathy wished a Happy Birthday to those who have April birthdays. She thanked the birthday girls for bringing refreshments to the meeting. Kathy then welcomed three guests and two new members to the meeting. Kathy thanked greeters Colette Wear and Judy Andes.

### **Old Business:**

The Minutes for the March 5, 2015 meeting were approved as written in the Newsletter. The Treasurer's report was approved and filed for audit.

The **By Laws & Policies and Procedures** were updated and revised. Members submitted very good input to first revision. The committee will meet and review again and will send out to members to read and comment. They will be voted on at the July 2015 meeting.

### **Quilt Show:**

Virginia Corriea and Sharon Cox passed out flyers and post cards to be distributed to quilt stores and the community. Mel thanked everyone who turned in their money for the Opportunity Quilt. She reported that we now have \$5,185 and will have more after the money turned in tonight is counted. Peggy McKnelly from the Country Store said that members can make things to sell in the Country Store. The member must volunteer to work the store. Ten percent of the member's sale will go to the Country Store. Sally Walker reported that she needed more people to sign up for up-coming activities to display the Opportunity Quilt and sell tickets. She has sign ups at the front table. Patty Spinelli awarded Sammie Baker a prize for being the first person to turn in a quilt entry for the SMQA Quilt show. She said the 50<sup>th</sup> person to turn in an entry would also receive a prize. All applications need to be in by May 1, 2015. The application will be on the website. Kathy is taking pictures for those members displaying a quilt in the Quilt Show. Jean Richter asked for volunteers to work security at the Quilt Show. She explained what was required. Nancy Hyde also had a sign up for those who would volunteer to work in the kitchen for the Quilt Show. Nancy Swanson has a sign up for the White-glove volunteers.

Kathy Millhollon said she was looking into badges for the guild. She asked how many would be interested. She will report what she finds at the next meeting in May.

Betsy Blum, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President reported upcoming events in May will be Peggy Mcknelly with small projects round robin. June will be Sandra Bruce with a lecture and workshop.

**Announcements:** Patty held the drawing for the small Friendship Quilts. The next small Friendship quilt will contain circles.

Mel Peters held the member attendance ticket drawing.

### **Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm**

Followed by Show and Tell

Refreshments

**Guest Speaker:** Judy Sisneros, Circle Pizzaz

Workshop to follow on Friday, 4-10-15, at the Community Center

Respectfully Submitted, Jullie Vasquez for Margie Williams

### New Members

**New member**

**STULL, Sharon K.**  
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 Coarsegold CA 93614  
 Home: 559-641-5216  
 Cell: 805-428-7718  
[SharonKStull@gmail.com](mailto:SharonKStull@gmail.com)  
 DOB 10/06

**Renewing member**

**YOUNG, Cindy**  
 40636 Lilley Mountain Dr.  
 Coarsegold, CA 93614  
 Home: 559-641-5351  
 Cell: 559-676-2781  
 DOB 05/12

**Change of Address:**

**LOCKS, Tara M.**  
 P. O. Box 711513  
 Mountain View, HI 96771  
 Local telephone: 209-386-9557

**Directory update:**

**WATERS, JoAnn P.**  
 2318 Snowdrop Dr.  
 Bakersfield, CA 93311  
 Home: 661-735-5546

Please make this correction in your 2015 Directory.

**Directory change:**

**KINSEL, Trudy**  
 Please delete the home telephone number.

*Please add new and renewing members to your 2015 Directory.*

### 2015 SMQA Meeting Dates

May 7	Jun 4
Jul 9	Aug 6
Sep 3	Oct 1
Nov 5	Dec 3



### Greeters for 2015

May	Nancy Swanson Peggy McKnelly
June	Diane Ward Peggy McKnelly
July	Ginnie Westfall Toni Morton
August	Helen Ramsey Carolyn Gaither
September	Pat Bauer Mary Wyly
October	Sammie Baker Susan Campbell
November	Judy Andes Sally Walker
December	Georgia Harvey Betty Fish

## Quilting Circles

By Sharon Lawin

May, 2015

The **YoYo's** will be meeting at Vivian's on May 18<sup>th</sup>. They will be finishing up their basket for the Quilt Show.

Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> will find the **Wednesday Wildflowers** meeting at 9:30 a.m. at the YLP Clubhouse. Those participating in the BOM should bring their completed blocks for Caroline and Barbara will be handing out her block. Bring a lunch or you can join others in the Blue Heron restaurant. For further information contact Sandy Johnson.

Joan Steckal's home will be the gathering point for the **Tuesday Strippers** on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

The **Thursday Thimbles** will meet at Kay Marshall's home on May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Sew Thrilled** members are scheduled to meet on May 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at member's homes. For further information contact Linda Pennington.

May 12<sup>th</sup> will find the **Material Girls** gathered at Bear Paws at 11:00 a.m. Members, please bring a sack lunch. They will continue to work on their quilt top.

Due to the holiday in May, the **Footloose** group will be meeting at Chris' studio on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. They will be working

to finish their Community Quilt and Quilt Show basket. As always, members should bring anything else they would like to work on or any completed items to share with the group.

**Bits & Pieces** will meet on Wednesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. at Linda Miller's home. They will continue their usual agenda, plus finalize their Quilt Show raffle basket. Bring handwork.



### 2015 Quilt Shows

#### June 6 & 7:

Wine Country Quilt Show  
1351 Maple Ave , Santa Rosa, CA

#### June 13:

Pine Needlers Quilt Guild  
Main St, Groveland, CA

#### June 13 & 14:

Sierra Mountain Quilters 20th Quilt Show  
Community Center, Oakhurst, CA

#### June 27 & 28:

Seven Sister Quilt Show  
Alex Madonna Expo Center  
San Luis Obispo, CA

## Kathy's Korner

Just a reminder, SMQA guild members donated fabric and notions to Beth Drogue the Kings Canyon elementary teacher. She will be bringing students to our next meeting to show us what they have been making with the donated materials. If you have anything you would like to give to the kids again, please bring it to the May meeting.

It is almost time for our quilt show and anyone who hasn't signed up to help white glove, assist in the kitchen or security can still sign up for positions in May.

We will also be taking photos of anyone entering a quilt in the show and if you haven't sent in your application you can fill in the entry forms on line and send them in electronically. Just go to our website at [sierramountainquilters.org](http://sierramountainquilters.org).

We will be taking orders for Sierra Mountain Quilter Badges for only \$5.00 each at our next meeting. Come and check out the sample badge and place your order.

Happy Quilting! Kathy Millhollon



## Amenities

Cards were sent in April to:

Pat Bauer  
 Kay Marshall  
 Sharon Craig  
 Nancy Mason  
 Pat Miller  
 Margie Williams  
 Fran Metzler  
 Lin Crow  
 Ernie Sagesser (for Polly)

Contact **Linda Miller** if you know a member who would appreciate us thinking of them. 683-6007

## Basket Donations for Show

Because the woodworkers generously gave us two cradles and a stroller, we are asking for donations to make these into raffle basket type items for Sinta to raffle at the show.

Please donate anything you can to fill these. We think toys or clothes for a girl (infant to about 3 yrs.) would be great. You can bring the items to the guild meeting or drop them off at Bear Paw.

Thanks bunches!  
 Virginia and Sharon

## Almost Quilt Show Time!

Quilt Show time is getting closer and closer. There are some positions that need to be filled to make our show a success.

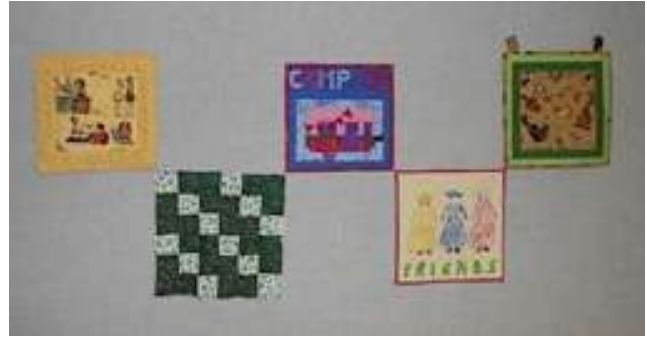
Please be prepared during our next guild meeting to sign-up to help at the show.

Nancy Swanson (white glove) and Jean Richter (security) can really use your help. Please check with your husbands first if you are going to sign them up for security duty.

Barbara Mattice is looking for helpers in the kitchen and Peggy McKnelly has all the forms if you are interested in selling items in the store, as well as helping her in the store.

And don't forget Pat Bauer at the entrance table. Any questions, call us!

Virginia and Sharon



*April 12 x 12 Challenge Quilts*

### 12x12 Quilt Challenge

"Friendship" was won by Carolin Gaither. Congratulations!

Our new word is "CIRCLES". The Quilt will be due at our June meeting. I hope more members participate with this new word. -Patty

### May Birthdays

Metzger, Lissa	5/2
Talley, Karen	5/6
Millhollon, Kathy	5/11
Young, Cindy	5/12
Wiens, Patty	5/13
Westfall, Ginnie	5/17
Helmer, Tillie	5/19
Locks, Tara	5/20
Ramsey, Helen	5/24
Hartesveldt, Christine	5/25
Peters, Mel	5/26

**Please bring birthday snacks to our  
May 7 meeting**

*We wish you all a very Happy  
Birthday!*

### Treasurer's Report

by H. Ramsey

*April, 2015*

(Checking Account)

Balance Forward (2/27/15)	\$14,246.49
Income	\$ 2, 789.00
Expenses	\$ 4,113.02
Bank Balance (3/31/15)	\$12,932.47
CD:	\$16,835
Savings:	\$11,620



### March Show & Tell









**Sierra Fiber Arts**  
 7462 N Fresno Street  
 Fresno, Ca 93720  
 (Fresno Street at Alluvial)  
 559-432-8900  
[sierrafiberarts.com](http://sierrafiberarts.com)

Complete the learner's class's (\$50) and rent the Longarm Machine for \$15 per hour and quilt your own quilt.

**Your Local Bernina, Melco and Tin Lizzie Longarm Dealer, Hours 10:00 to 6:00pm M-F, 10:00 to 5:00 Saturday, Closed Sunday**

Do you need any Quilter's thread, Machine Embroidery, Decorative, Serger or Longarm thread? We also have a selection of yarns, inks, paints and other fiber arts items. **Check our selection!** [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.



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**REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME  
TAG AT THE NEXT MEETING!**

### BOARD MEMBERS

President	Kathy Millhollon
First Vice President	Betsy Blum
Second Vice President	Patty Spinelli
Treasurer	Helen Ramsey
Secretary	Margie Williams

*Board Meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. the last  
Monday of each month at Yosemite Bank  
Community Conference Room.*

### COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Amenities	Linda Miller
Big/Little Sisters	Donna Pike-Baxter
Circles	Sharon Lawin
Cuddle Quilts	Judy Andes & Lissa Metzger
Historian	Donna Pike-Baxter
Hospitality	Footloose Circle
Librarian	Jean Richter
Membership	Mel Peters
Newsletter	Linda Pennington
Parliamentarian	Jullie Vasquez
Quilt Show Chair	Virginia Corriea & Sharon Cox
Webmaster	Sally Walker