



Sierra Mountain Quilters Newsletter

Creative Self-Portraits

with Charlotte Rogers November 6 & 7

Thursday guild presentation \$5 for non-members.

Friday workshop fee \$35 Sign up at our October meeting or at Bear Paw after October 3rd.

How do you see yourself? Let Ms Rogers help you visualize this in a small portrait made with cloth and double sided fusible interfacing. Bring lots of interesting fabric. Consider your interests; flowers, mountains, sewing, etc.

The Yo-Yo's sewing circle introduced us to Ms Rogers at a guild meeting last year where they shared their self-portraits. Ms Rogers guided them through her process of making a face with a pattern and then personalizing it with color, embellishments and a theme representing personal interests. Vivian Aumond-Capone who hosted the group, says "you'll be sorry if you don't sign up." Peggy Cochran, another YoYo said it was "a barrel of fun." Don't miss it!!



The above portrait was created by Aumond-Capone who says "Charlotte has a great eye for design, and is very willing to help, she will work with everyone...bring all sorts of fabrics and ideas to share."

October 3, 2014

Meeting Schedule

Pavilion at the Oakhurst Community Center

Doors open at 5:30

Business Meeting @ 6pm

Refreshments provided by

October birthday ladies!

Program:

Beautiful Batiks presentation by Robyn Green, *Bear Paws* representative for Hoffman Fabrics.
Great door prizes too!

Greeter - Chris Hudson

**Sierra Mountain Quilters Association
General Meeting, September 4, 2014**

President Kathy Millhollon called the meeting to order at 6 pm at the Oakhurst Community Center in Oakhurst, California. She welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the flag salute. Kathy introduced one new member and 4 guests to the meeting. Kathy recognized those with birthdays and anniversaries in September. Kathy also thanked the birthday girls for the refreshments for the meeting. She thanked the greeters Mary Wyly and Patty Spinelli.

Old Business/Reports

- The August minutes had one correction – Kay Atwood should have read Kay Marshall. The correction was made. The minutes were approved.
- The Treasurer's report was accepted/filed for audit
- 1st Vice President Pat Pfankuchen shared upcoming events:
 - ❖ October meeting will be Bear Paw Quilt Store and Kauffman Fabric
 - ❖ November will be Charlotte Rogers-self Portraits.
 - ❖ December will be the Christmas party
- Lin Crow invited everyone to come to ECCO to see what they do at the retreat the week of September 8-11, 2014.

New Business/Announcements

- 2nd Vice President Patty Spinelli reviewed upcoming quilt shows.
- Kathy reminded everyone of the projects that members are working on:
 - ❖ Block Exchange with Susan Campbell
 - ❖ Mystery Quilt with Chris Hudson
 - ❖ Christmas Table Runner with Sharon Lawin
 - ❖ Seasonal Mini Quilt for winter
- Jean Richter held the raffle for the members and visitors present at the meeting. Jean also announced that there were 59 members at the meeting and 4 guests and 1 new member.
- Kathy said Tillie has not been moved from the Fresno Horizon Health Care. She would enjoy visitors and cards.

The Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 followed by Show and Tell and Refreshments.

Program was Aunt Marion – Borders Program

The Borders workshop by Aunt Marion will be at the Methodist Church on September 5, 2014, from 9:00 am to 3 pm.

Submitted by Jullie Vasquez

President's Message**by Kathy Millhollon**

This year has gone by so quickly, it is already time to select a nominating committee and find new board members for 2015. We will form a nominating committee at the general meeting on Oct. 2nd and if you are interested in being on the board, please let the nominating committee know. It is a great way to get to know guild members and help shape the activities for 2015. The elected board members are President, 1st Vice President (Programs), 2nd Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Appointed board members are Membership, Newsletter Editor, Quilt Show Chairperson/s, Parliamentarian and Webmaster. Each board member, whether elected or appointed, has a vote and will constitute the Board of Directors.

There are also other positions which help support our guild and they are equally important. Think about what you are interested in and what you might like to share with other guild members. This year we have a mini seasonal quilt challenge, a table runner challenge, a mystery quilt, a cuddle quilt challenge, and a block exchange. We have had block of the month, secret sewers, fabric exchanges, mystery bag challenges and many other engaging activities. You may want to chair one of these events or come up with something new to share. You can also help by holding other positions in the guild, hospitality, amenities, cuddle quilts, installing officers, working on the quilt show, volunteering to be a greeter are just a few ways to support our guild. I hope everyone finds something they want to do next year. Remember this is your guild and it is up to you to make the Sierra Mountain Quilters Association the very best guild ever!!!!

Treasurer's Report

Submitted by Helen Ramsey

August 31, 2014

(Checking account)

Balance Forward (7/31/14)	\$ 8,568.88
Income	\$ 1,862.00
Expenses	\$ 1,694.11
Bank Balance (8/31/14):	<u>\$ 8,736.77</u>

Quilting Circles**by Sharon Lawin****Sewing Circles, October 2014**

The **YO-YO SOCIETY** members will be planning their retreat at their October meeting.

October 14th will find the **TUESDAY STRIPPERS** meeting at Bev Gulley's home.

THURSDAY THIMBLES will meet on October 22nd at Georgia Harvey's home. Members should bring their lunches and plan to arrive around 9:30 a.m.

Members of **SEW THRILLED** will meet on the 8th and 22nd of October at various member's homes. For further information, contact Linda Pennington.

MATERIAL GIRLS will meet on Tuesday, October 14th at Bear Paw Quilts.

The **FOOTLOOSE GROUP** will meet on Monday October 6th and the 20th from 4-6 at Chris' studio. They are at a point where they can begin piecing together the top for the Community Quilt. Members can also bring their own things to work on, if they'd prefer. There will probably be more discussion on their "basket" for the 2015 quilt show. As always, bring show and tell!

The **BITS & PIECES** ladies will meet October 1st at 11 a.m. at JoAnn Waters' home. The usual agenda is planned and each is asked to bring handwork. Patty S. is bringing sandwiches, Pat B., chips and dip and Penni dessert. Yum!

**SMQA Opportunity Quilt at Road to California
Volunteers needed...**

On Saturday, January 24, 2015 our Opportunity Quilt will be shown at *Road to California*. **Kay Marshall**, [559-683-4917](tel:559-683-4917) (H) or [559-901-2580](tel:559-901-2580) (C), will be in charge of transporting the quilt and getting the volunteers. We will need 8 people to sit with the quilt and sell tickets on Saturday, January 24th. To show the quilt at *Road to California* we have agreed to give the show 20 volunteer hours (10 people each will work 2 hours). These volunteer hours can work on any of the days of the show: Thursday, January 22nd, Friday, January 23rd, Saturday, January 24th, or Sunday, January 25th. If you volunteer for *Road to California*, you get into the show free on that date. Be prepared to sign up in October and November. So get your friends together, get your calendars marked, and be prepared for a fun few days.

Road to California
Thursday-Sunday January 22-25, 2015
Ontario Convention Center
2000 E. Convention Center Way
Ontario, California 91764
www.road2ca.com

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October Birthdays

Linda Miller	Oct 8
Barbara Skowronski	Oct 16
PJ Grant	Oct 20
Betsy Blum	Oct 25
Mary Ziebarth	Oct 25
Sharon Craig	Oct 30
Tamara Underwood	Oct 31

Don't forget to bring birthday snacks
to our October 2nd meeting.
And we wish you all a Happy
Birthday.

Future SMQA Programs

October 2 **Beautiful Batiks** presentation by Robyn Green, Hoffman Fabrics Rep.

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

December 4 Christmas Party - We're thinking big! Plus there will be lots of show and tell (Mystery Quilt reveal, Xmas Table Runners, Winter Mini-Quilt) plus the installation of new officers. Put this on you're already busy December calendar!

Keep the programs coming by signing up for our workshops!

NEW MEMBERS**TALLEY, Karen**

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Please make our new members feel
welcome at our meetings.

SALE SALE SALE

**We will be selling material,
patterns, kits and notions at
our November General
Meeting. Items were
donated by BeBe's son and
profits will be credited to the
Country Store for our 2015
Quilt Show.**

Peggy McKnelly**SMQA Board Meeting**

October 27, 2014 @ 1pm

Yosemite Bank Community
Room

Amenities**Jullie Vasquez****Laurie Madsen****Anneliesse Krader**

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

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Quilt Show 2015**First Board Meeting at the Yosemite Bank Community Room****Wednesday October 15 @ 1 pm**



The Fall Retreat at ECCO was a success. Thank you Lin. Lots of laughs while we sewed and un-sewed as we worked to complete old projects and start new ones. We also want to wish Tara bon voyage as she is returning to Hawaii for an unspecified time.



Marion's quick un-sewing method.



Aunt Marion's Borders Workshop



Fall Blocks

Show & Tell



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DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR NAME
TAG TO THE OCTOBER 3RD MEETING!

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First Vice President -
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Treasurer -
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Kathy Millhollon
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Patty Spinelli
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Jullie Vasquez

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Cuddle Quilts –
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