**Wednesday, August 7**

**President’s Comments**

Hello Quilters!

It’s the Good Ole Summertime! That means it’s time for our annual Summer Potluck Dinner meeting. You always bring such a great assortment of goodies to eat.  Besides the dinner, we’ll have 2 guest speakers AND the famous free table.

We will start Dinner at 6:30 pm and the free table will open after dinner so everyone has a chance to claim some loot. Your donations are always welcome, too!

We also have 1 large basket of goodies to raffle off. Get your tickets from Maureen.

The Nominating Committee of Sue Barrett and Aileen Cooke will present a slate of officers at the August meeting.

Thank you to all who helped make our hosting of the SCCQG meeting a success! We had a beautiful and varied spread of snacks for our guests and sold some more of our fabric stash. A win win for sure!

See you at the AUGUST meeting, Kennalee

 *Kennalee Mattson, President*

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**Programs**

 This month we’re going to provide a special treat for you! Two of our members, Allison Leong and Mariana Davanzo, have agreed to be our featured members at the August meeting.  They are going to share some of their quilts with us and tell us a little bit about their “quilting journey.”  You won’t want to miss this meeting!

And don’t forget it’s our semi-annual Pot Luck dinner where it’s always fun to try new dishes made by our members!

In September we will host Lujean Seagal.  Lujean studied textile design at Long Beach State University in the early 70’s and completed a B.A. in Fine Arts. Her early years were devoted to creative weaving and graphic design but she then migrated towards Quilting. She has a California Teaching Credential in Textiles and Art for Adult Education.  She has been teaching, lecturing and doing workshops for the past 25 years at over 100 different guilds.  While Lujean has visited SMQG in the past, it’s been a while so we’re looking forward to seeing what she is currently working on.

 Visit her website to see some of her work. https://lujeanquilt.com/gallery

 *Aileen Cooke and Pam Overton, Co-Program Chairs*

**Membership**

Hi Members,

Our August  7th meeting will be lots of fun.  Starting with our traditional plenteous pot-luck, moving on to the fabulous freebee “table-boutique” and finishing with a show and tell featuring our own, stellar, quilters Mariana Davanzo  and  Alison Leong.

To add even more excitement we will raffle a “Quilters Basket” donated by a friend of the guild. The basket is chockfull of fabric, book and other goodies. Tickets $5. See you in August,

 *Sally Madigan and Maureen Gardner*

**Hospitality**

Please join us for a potluck in the Fireside Room this month! Bring a dish to share (enough for 4-6 people) and we will supply the plates, napkins, utensils and drinks. The feasting will begin at 6:30, so come a little early to socialize.

See you there!

*Betsy Barker, Sheila Cummins*

**Ways & Means**

Hello, Everyone,

We are taking a break for August and we will see you back in September.

*Perla Rothenberg, Ron and Keiko Tapp*

**Vice President**

. The SCCQG took place on July 13. The topic: Quilt Guild Finances – the Role of the Treasurer and Best Practices. See the Council website for the meeting notes. Many hands make light work.” says Pam O. Congratulations to SMQG members who pitched in to make this a successful event. Thank you to Ron and Keiko for securing our meeting place and the help of some hardworking missionaries. Thank you too to all of you who showed up to set up for the meeting on Friday afternoon, worked the meeting, brought food, sent food and helped clean up on Saturday. Preparations for this meeting took place long before the meeting ever took place including the measuring and labeling of fabrics for sale Thank you to all of you who took part in that. Your participation in any, and for some of you, all of these areas is greatly appreciated by your President and Council Representative. We worked together and everything turned out great. Thank you!

The next meeting of the SCCQG will take place on October 13, 2019 in Temecula

This month instead of introducing a new block, I am asking for your help. ...

Draw String Bags for El Segundo Blue Chapter of EGA

I need at least 100 bags for the El Segundo Blue Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America. Every year they fill the bags with toiletries and donate them to a shelter. This year, they lost the member who used to make the bags. I am asking my SMQG sisters to help me make these bags. Make one or as many bags as you like. It is not a requirement. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Approximate size of the finished drawstring bag is 8-3/4 by 11-1/4 inches. (Large enough to fit a toothbrush.)

You will need:

•1/3 yard of fabric (Cut two 10”X13” pieces of a delightful fabric and sew the bags with a 1/2" seam. See the Melly Sews YouTube Video for complete instructions.)

•1 1/3 yards of ribbon

•Sewing supplies: sewing machine, scissors, pins, measuring tape, iron, safety pin

You can view the process on YouTube: search YouTube for Draw String Bag. You will find a video by Melly Sews, which lasts about 14 minutes.

 Or go to <https://mellysews.com/beginner-sewing-project-learn-to-sew-a-drawstring-bag/>

Pam Overton has cut a huge stack of fabric for anyone who wants to take a one to make a bag. All you have to do is make it. We will have the cut fabric for you at the August meeting. I will put the drawstrings in if you need me to. Thanks again for your help.

 *Olivia Carnahan*

**Philanthropy**

We are officially starting our food collection at the August Meeting.  Along with something for the potluck please bring a can (or more) of fruit to donate this month for the Westside Food Bank.  Each month we will be asking for a different shelf life item to bring to the meetings.  This is instead of our annual November Food Bank donations.  We will be working with the Church making a monthly donation.  We hope this works for everyone.

We’re still collecting for AVIVA and Ronald McDonald House.  Our SOS group is working on a project, which should turn out multiple quilts to donate.  What is your mini group doing?  Looking forward to seeing everyone at the potluck.

*Luann Jaffe and Bobbie Blake*

**Meeting Minutes**

There was no July meeting, so no minutes!

**Birthdays**

Cindi Garacochea 8/2

Annette Levey 8/15

Brenda Gottfried 8/18

Stephanie Wexler 8/25

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| Selected Upcoming Events |
| August 2-3 | Big Bear Lake Quilters Guild Quilt Show10AM The Lodge at Big Bear LakeContact 310-753-7871 for more information |
| August 28-31 | San Diego Quilt Show10 AMSan Diego Convention Centerwww.sandiegoquiltshow.com |
| August 31-Sept 1 | Busy Bear Quilters Guild Quilt Show*Mountain Treasures* XXXI Annual Labor Day Quilt Show 10AM41275 Big Bear Blvd.Big Bear Lake, CA 92315 |

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| **Guild Calendar** |
| **Date** | **Speaker** | **Lecture** |
| **2019** |  |  |
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| August |  | Guild potluck! |
| September | Lujean Seagal | https://lujeanquilt.com/ |
| October | Tiffany Hayes | <http://www.needleinahayesstack.biz/> |

 November Gwen Weedon

 **2020**

 January Pam Hadfield <https://www.mamapquilts.com/>

 February Rob Appell https://robappell.com/

 March Leah Zieber https://zieberquilts.com/

 April TBD

 May Sue Rasmussen <http://suerasmussenquilts.com/>

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