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President's Comments

Hello Quilters!

The holidays are upon us again! Last year I made pillowcases for everyone.

This year . . . ??? Bring your holiday show-and-tell to the potluck. Maybe you'll inspire me!

Upcoming 2020 quilt events – Rob Appell will teach and speak at our guild! Be sure to sign up now, as we will be advertising to other guilds. There will be 2 major quilt shows next year – Road to CA in January and in July the International Quilt Festival is returning to Long Beach!

See you at the December potluck! There will be FREE door prizes - Ask me for a ticket!

Kennalee

Kennalee Mattson, President

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Program

No program this month. December is our month to celebrate the holidays and enjoy an evening of good food and friends at our annual Holiday potluck.

In January, Pam Hadfield will join us to present a trunk show. A variety of quilts will be shown ranging from piecing, appliqué with cotton and wool, mixed techniques, and pictorial quilts. To see her work go to her website - <https://www.mamapquilts.com/>. Pam was the featured quilter at the San Diego Quilt Show recently.

In February, we will host Rob Appell. Many of you have seen his Man Sewing You Tube shows offered through Missouri Star Quilt Company. He's a hoot!

In trying to hone in on a workshop that will interest a wider audience, we have looked at all of the workshops that Rob offers. We have narrowed the workshop down to two choices:

- Color Strata – this workshop uses a jelly roll and background yardage to accomplish the strata



(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gGwGPd11_Lk&index=4&list=PL3KqX-pov7IJ4kai_AzviFnnW8qr4FwLD) and

- Rob's new workshop – Super 60 Set Sampler.



- Who knew you could combine circles and triangles?? It's intriguing! The shapes are created using a new template set, but the beauty of this technique is that you can choose to make one or all of the shapes. For more information on this technique, view the PDF files at the back of the newsletter.

We think both workshops fit in nicely with our goal to explore new techniques in our workshops.

As I write this, I'm watching the Dancing with the Stars Finale. So, in the spirit of online voting for your favorite . . . [click here](#) to vote for Color Strata or Super 60 Set Sampler! We'll announce the results at the December meeting.

We need your support in order to host these workshops. Please contact Aileen Cooke today to sign up.
We hope you will join us!

Aileen and Pam

Pam Overton and Aileen Cooke

Hospitality

It's December and that means a Potluck Dinner Meeting for SMQG! Please bring an appetizer, main dish, salad or dessert (about 8 servings) to the meeting. Please bring whatever serving utensils are needed for your dish and remember to label your serving dishes and utensils so that we can be sure they are returned to you.

SMQG will provide the basics: plates, napkins, cups, forks, tables and chairs. Water and some soft drinks and/or juices will be available, but if you prefer something in particular, please bring it with you. Let's start the December holiday season with friends and good food! We will eat around 7PM, but please come earlier to socialize!

Betsy Barker, Sheila Cummins

It's Retreat Time!

SMQG 2020 QUILTING RETREAT

"SAVE THE DATE...MARCH 27-29, 2020"

Our 2020 Retreat is scheduled for March 27-29, 2020 at the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center in Palos Verdes. It's close to home and allows us the opportunity to opt for an overnight package or a day commuter package. The grounds are lovely, lush, and green with lots of walking paths to wander. We can park near the Lounge meeting room, and moving our sewing machines and supplies will be easy. The 2020 costs includes 5 meals for overnight guests, starting with Friday dinner:

Overnight guests (Friday & Saturday nights) :

Double occupancy - \$315 each person

Single - \$395

Day sewers - \$30 per day plus any meals taken in the dining room: continental breakfast

\$6, breakfast \$11, lunch \$16, dinner \$23

(note that you are not required to pay for meals, but outside catering cannot be brought in - brown bag lunches are OK)

We can check-in to the Lounge sewing room as early as 9:00am on Friday and depart as late as 4:00pm on Sunday. Bedroom check-in is at 4pm on Friday. Bedroom checkout is at 10am on Sunday. The Retreat Center will provide coffee and tea service and snacks, but you can bring your favorite snacks and wine if you so desire. There is a refrigerator available for our use. I will bring bottled water. 3 days of sewing, sewing, sewing...COME JOIN US!!!

I will be collecting deposits at the December Potluck meeting. Let me know if you are interested by contacting Lani Hee (laniheer@yahoo.com or 310-452-0839 and leave message) AND sending (or bringing) your deposit of \$100 (overnight guest) or \$30 (day commuter). Please be aware that your deposit is nonrefundable. If you do find that you must cancel, we will refund your deposit if you can find a replacement.

The Retreat Center website is: [Mary & Joseph Retreat Center](#)

Lani Hee, Retreat Coordinator

Membership

Happy Thanksgiving!

We have 48 "paid up" members; we will be updating the mailing lists after the December Meeting,

In order to continue receiving the newsletter, please pay any outstanding renewals by the December meeting.

Ways & Means

Ways and means are off for the holidays – we will be back at it in January!

Perla Rothenberg, Ron and Keiko Tapp

Vice President

I will be accepting 9-Patch blocks one more time this month. See the SMQG website for instructions. Have a peaceful and wonderful holiday.

Olivia Carnahan

Philanthropy

Let's take a break for our Holiday Annual Pot Luck on December 4th and just enjoy the evening. No donations for December including food for Westside Food Bank just yummy food for dinner. We'll start again in January for quilt donations and will announce the shelf item to bring in the January newsletter for the food bank. Happy Holidays.

Luann Jaffe and Bobbie Blake

Meeting Minutes

SMQG General Meeting Minutes
November 6, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Kennalee Mattson at 7:05pm. Kennalee welcomed a guest, Marilyn, sister of Gwen Weedon, the evening's speaker. Pam Overton moved and Olivia Carnahan seconded motions to approve the October general meeting minutes and Treasurer's report as published in the November 2019 newsletter. Both motions carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Ten membership renewals came in at the meeting for the 2019-2020 year bringing the membership 46 to date. A hard copy of the membership roster was at the membership desk for members to check the accuracy of their contact information.

Vice-President: Olivia Carnahan attended the SCCOG Council Meeting on the topic of social media. The Jan. 11, 2020 with continue

discussion of this topic.

The challenge quilt contest for Road to California has extended it's deadline to November 25. For entry rules go to www.sccog.com.

Newsletter: Laurie Reven thanked Pam Overton

for her support and assistance with the November newsletter. She also thanked Aileen Cooke for her article reviewing a recent workshop. She encouraged members to submit articles that would be of interest to the guild. She also mentioned Quilt Festival will be returning to Long Beach in July 2020.

Hospitality: Betsy Barker thanked members for their refreshment donations. Next month is the holiday potluck.

Philanthropy: Over 50 quilts were donated to Ronald McDonald House and AVIVA. Luann Jaffe thanked the members for the food bank donations.

Ways and Means: Keiko and Ron Tapp conducted the monthly raffle with fabric project cases and jam for prizes.

Website: Emily Watts continues to update the guild website and welcomed suggestions for the website. The site draws 140 visits a month. Facebook account has 230 friends and Instagram 50.

Programs and Workshops: Pam Overton said the guild had a great workshop earlier in the day with the evening speaker Gwen Weedon. She invited members to register for November's workshop with Gwen Weedon on Pam also reminded members the January 2020 meeting will be January 8, second Wednesday as January 1 is New Year's Day. In February 2020 Rob Apell will be the speaker and will present a workshop. Pam will be advertising his work shop to different guilds, so she encouraged guild members who are interested to sign up as soon as details are announced. She also had See's Candy gift certificates for sale.

New Business: Kennalee read two thank you letters from and organization and individual who received donations from the guild. One was from Bruin House. The guild made a donation to the shelter in appreciation for the use of the Mormon Church for an event. Julie Segal of Juan Cabrillo School sent a thank you letter for a quilt given to her by the Sew Wednesday quilt group. She lost all her family quilts in the Malibu fire.

Show and Tell: Members who shared their quilts and projects were: Betsy Barker/Green and Blue

Bargello; Virginia Marshall/Modern Churn Dash; Barbara Marom-Pollack/Landscape and Improv; Barbara Weigold/Kaffe Fasset and Japanese Bunnies; Maureen Gardener/jewels for philanthropy and schlep purse; Jessica Rousson/Halloween quilt and gnomes quilt; Perla Rothenberg/Vice President block with peach batik; Keiko Tapp/Christmas stockings; Kennalee Mattson/philanthropy quilts, blanket and pillowcase.

Pam Overton then introduced the evening speaker, Gwen Weeden. She presented a trunk show, titled "25 Years of Quilting." The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Veronica Gray



Birthdays

Veronica Gray	12/6
Ann Chach	12/7
Diane Fulkerson	12/9
Vicki Bonhoff	12/16
Evelyn Moyer	12/24

Out and About

Here are reports from our members Stephanie Wexler and Maureen Gardner on recent quilting adventures. :

Birmingham Quilt Show

Last August I went with a friend on Craft Tours to England. We attended the Birmingham International Quilt Show. The Show exceeded my expectations in many categories, including size. It was four football fields wide. We were given tickets for two days, when you really needed three. The number of quilts was staggering, as was the quality. It was fascinating to see the variety of countries and styles represented. Saudi Arabia and Russia had little art galleries in the center of it all, each gallery representing one artist. The Saudis had art quilts of people; while

the Russians had mostly modern fabric collages. I felt enriched by the opportunity to see the entire show.

Unlike other Quilt Shows I've been to; there were ample seating areas in which to rest, a good selection of restaurants to eat at, and plenty of bathrooms. The amenities were mostly *within* the showroom. Given the limits of time and energy, I chose to see all the quilts and just *some* of the many vendors. A large number of people were towing small suitcases with the intent of heavy shopping; alas, not I. Well, just a little.

Moving on, we visited Stratford-on-Avon, Bourne-on-the-Water, and Bath. The group was charmed by the scenery and history. The American Museum in Bath is just outside the city center. The Kaffe Fassett Exhibit was in the museum annex. He had challenged himself to make a modern version of twelve antique quilts using his fabric. Seeing the antique quilts was as interesting as the contrast between the old and new. Of course, Kaffe's were more colorful and we have learned many more techniques since the early days of quilting. I hope this exhibit travels to the Western United States. If you ever get to this museum of Americana, there is also an exhibit of about thirty old quilts on a carousel in the main building.

The last stop on the Tour was London. Between sightseeing stops, we were taken to the Liberty of London Department Store. Our group was only interested in fabric. The store has one area with bolts and another with smaller fabric packages, buttons, blouses and novelties. London has an immense variety of things to do. I could have stayed forever. We really enjoyed this tour; it was well planned and delightful.



Stephanie Wexler

Travels with Sue:

I just returned from a visiting Sue Barrett in her new hometown, Heber Springs, AR.

Before Sue left on her adventure, she left an open invitation to visit. As Fall is a good time to visit, not too hot or too cold, we worked out a tour of Missouri and Arkansas. Sue drove to Kansas City, picked me up at the airport and we took off heading for that "Mecca of Quilters" AKA Hamilton, Missouri. Passing through Liberty we stopped at Angela Waters' shop "Quilting is my Therapy" (she wasn't there)

After staying overnight near Hamilton, with the outside temp @ 25 degrees, ice and a bit of snow on the ground we headed to "Missouri Star Land". In "Jennie's Land"; parking is free, you can find (almost) any fabric, thread, or notion in the quilting universe. The assistants in all the fabric shops are helpful and chatty, and obviously enjoying their work. All this, and the day we visited shipping was \$2. This town is definitely a quilter's paradise!

We also visited the newly opened, Missouri Quilt Museum which is located in the former, Hamilton High School. Still under construction, this museum will be affiliated with the National Quilt Museum in Paducah, KY. The Missouri Quilt Museum will create a permanent location for quilts from The Collection of The National Quilt Museum. The quilts in this exhibit will be changed 3 to 4 times per year so visitors will have something new to see each time they visit. For more information here is the link www.globenewswire.com/news-release/2019/05/13/1822653/0/en/Missouri-Quilt-Museum

After a hearty lunch, we loaded our purchases and left town heading southwest to Arkansas. To be continued

Maureen Gardner

Selected Upcoming Events

December 7, 2019	Pine Needles Quilt Guild 26th Annual Holiday Home Tour, Wrightwood, CA Pine Needles Quilt Guild 26th Annual Holiday Home Tour - 4 homes beautifully decorated for the holidays then adorned with handmade quilts. In addition to the four houses, visit the "Refreshment House" where guests enjoy homemade cookies and hot cider and enjoy Christmas carols played on guitar by the homeowner. You can also visit the Holiday Boutique at the Community Center where you'll find great ideas for holiday gifts. Houses are open from 11 to 4 PM. For advance purchases, tickets send a SASE envelope to PO Box 2800, Wrightwood, CA 92397. Advance tickets are \$12 per person. Tickets are also available the day of the home tour for \$15.
January 23-26, 2020	Road to California Ontario Convention Center https://www.road2ca.com/
February 7-8, 2020	Valley Quilters Guild 40th Annual Quilt Show 10:00 am Valley-Wide Recreation Center 901 West Esplanade, San Jacinto, CA 92583 Contact: (951) 204-8271
February 14 -15, 2020	South Bay Quilters Guild Show, Ruby Celebration 10 AM- 4 PM Torrance Cultural Center
March 14-15, 2020	Friendship Square Quilt Guild Quilt Show: "Alive with Color" 3/14: 10AM- 5 PM 3/15 10AM-4PM La Habra Community Center 101 W. La Habra Blvd, La Habra, CA 90631 Friendship Square Quilt Guild in La Habra hosting
March 28-29, 2020	Glendale Quilt Guild Quilt Show 2020 10AM Glendale Civic Auditorium 1401 N. Verdugo Road, Glendale, CA 91208 glendalequiltguild.org

For more information on these and other local events visit the Southern California Council Guilds site at:
<http://www.sccqg.org/>

Guild Calendar 2019-20

Date	Speaker	Lecture	Workshop
January	Pam Hadfield		
February	Rob Appell		
March	Leah Zieber		
April			
May	Sue Rasmussen		

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