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Join us for a Virtual Zoom Meeting on April 7.

President's Corner

Hello Quilters!

I'm looking forward to the day the church tells us we can have in-person meetings again! I hope you are, too. Along that line, I'm wondering if any of our members need help getting an appointment for the vaccine? We have several volunteers to help you. Just give me a call.

So, until that day, we will continue to have our Zoom meetings. If you have a show and tell, email the photo to both Pam@travelingquilters.com and kennaleem@aol.com There will be door prizes again this month. Be sure to stay until the end of the meeting. You must be present to win!!

Oh, and put May 8 on your calendar!! We will be having an outdoor, socially distanced, fabric sale!!! More details to follow.

Continue to keep calm and quilt on! Kennalee

President – Kennalee Mattson

Program

We hope you enjoyed our time with Patricia Belyea last month. Really enjoyed her lecture and I'm seriously considering her weeklong workshop at Empty Spools in 2022!

We have an interesting slate of speakers for you in the coming months. Penni Domikis, Cabin in the Woods is our April speaker.

Penni is the owner and chief designer of Cabin in the Woods Quilters. Cabin Quilters is a quilt pattern design company established in 2003 and located in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

Penni was introduced to quilting by a family friend and combined her love for this hobby as well as photography and graphic design into a thriving pattern design business. She has a reputation for breaking down quilting designs into manageable pieces for quilters of all skill levels. Her company motto is, "Make it simple… but make it with style!"

She loves the creativity of coming up with new designs and delight in all aspects of the patterning process, from the cutting to the stitching, to the print layout for production. She loves meeting quilters from all over the country at classes, workshops and quilt shows and enjoys seeing her designs stitched and recreated by other quilters.

In 2010, she began designing quilts using all of the scraps from the numerous projects she had made over the years. At the beginning of 2011, she published her first book on the subject, All Scrapped Out!: A guide to making a masterpiece from your unruly collection of scraps (©2011). The book was designed to teach quilters how to sit and sew their scraps with no pre-cutting or pre-pressing of scrap fabrics. It was a complete success and led to the publishing of two more scrap quilting books: Still All Scrapped Out! (©2012) and What A Load of Scraps! (©2014). Learn more about Penni and check out her patterns and designs at www.cabinquilters.com.

Her lecture topic is All Scrapped Out! All Scrapped Out! is a demonstration of how to make a masterpiece out of your unruly collection of scraps without pre-cutting or pre-pressing your fabrics. There is no need for pre-cut sizes. Let Penni show you how to step away from the cutting table and ironing board and just begin sewing. There (Continued on page 2)

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Program (Continued)

is no need to purchase special rulers… you will use YOUR rulers. There is no need to cut into your stash

of yardage…you will use YOUR scraps and turn them into something spectacular. Using just a few rules of experience Penni will show you how to make “free” quilts with all those leftovers others throw away.

In May, we welcome Michelle Banton who will share her lecture on Cotton to Consumer with us. http://littlepupdesigns.com/

As we look for speakers for the balance of this year and next year, you have an opportunity to let us know what/who you would like to see at our guild meetings. What techniques intrigue you? Is there a quilting genre you want to know more about? Or a teacher that you follow?

We’re also considering a topic for a “no speaker” meeting one month or perhaps a new segment of each meeting. It’s probably best characterized as . . . “What’s this for?” As I’ve been cleaning out my sewing room (and all other locations where my quilting supplies are squirreled away) and trying to get it a little more organized, I keep running across quilt show purchases . . . notions, tools, rulers, patterns, and more. As I look at some of those tool and rulers, I find I’m asking myself, “Now, what was this for and how do I use it?” Anyone else have the same problem? As you find those items, set them aside to share at a meeting. We’ll give you a few months to collect them and remind you in future newsletters. I’ll bet your “mystery tool” is some else’s “go to tool.”

Remember . . . Guests are welcome to join our virtual meetings from here, there, or anywhere! We now have a link on our website for them to request the link and pay their guest fee just as they would for an “in-person” meeting. We hope you’ll invite your quilting friends to join us for the meeting.

Program Chairs – Aileen Cooke and Pam Overton

Vice President

SMQG CHALLENGE - As we are still waiting for everyone to be vaccinated and waiting for a full re-opening of the state, some of us are keeping safe at home. We are still stitching from our stashes and making do. Please join in on a new stay-safe-at-home challenge. Adopted from the SFQG we would like to have our own “Lone Robin” game. You will create a quilt by completing a stage every month for five (5) months (April through August). Every month we will add a new round. Each round will be dictated by a new compositional element. It could be technique, a theme, or a shape. The reveal will be in September.

On your mark. Traditional quilters might start with a center medallion block. Modern quilters can start with a strip or a section. But we will all follow the same monthly instruction in order.

Get set: You can use any colors you like. There are no dimensions (Although I will say it is a little tough to photograph a king size quilt!) You can put as much or as little detail as you like into your quilt.

Go! For April the first element is something that involves a curve or a circle. If you are using an orphan block, add something to it that involves a curve. It can be appliquéd, pieced, or part of a feature. For example: 1. Add a ball or an umbrella; 2. Shape an eyebrow on a face; 3. Cut your medallion into a circle and add a border; or 4. Piece some scraps and cut those into a curve. If you need help with ideas use Pinterest or Google and search “curved quilt blocks and or quilts.”

This is a good way to use up orphan blocks, scraps of fabric or just use up your regular stash. Please don’t feel intimidated. Anyone can do this and create something interesting and fun while making use of materials you already have on hand. Check out the San Francisco Quilt Guild Lone Robin Gallery on their website https://www.sfquiltersguild.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/PDF-Lone-Robin-2020.pdf

SCCQG Rep News: Meet the Teachers meeting is scheduled for April 10. See their website for more information:www.SCCQG.org

Vice President – Olivia Carnahan

Website

Please email photos of your finished quilts and works-in-progress to Emily (wattsejw@gmail.com) to post them on our website and social media accounts, Facebook and Instagram, for "at-home show & tell."

I continue to update the website for your viewing pleasure. Let me know if there is anything specific, you would like to see on it.

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Webmistress – Emily Watts

Membership

Well, we are up to 61 members, and happy to have you all along for our sewing adventures.

I must admit, the longer days draw me outside, and I’m ready to dig in the dirt and maybe plant a few summer veggies. Would you believe I have a tomato plant from last year that has tomatoes on it now?

I am also going to get to work on a couple of smaller sewing projects, maybe a block of the month. Or, it’s very possible that Penni Domikis’s presentation on the 7th, “All Scrapped Out”, will entice me toward a different project. I certainly have scraps to use, and I bet you do too.

If you have any membership questions, you can find Maureen’s and my phone numbers on the Membership Roster on SMQG’s website.

See you as we Zoom in to SMQG’s first Spring meeting of 2021 on April 7t

Sally Madigan & Maureen Gardner - Membership Co-Chairs

Birthdays - April

Jo Hearn	4/1	Bobbie Blake	4/15
Carol Thomas	4/1	Ron Tapp	4/22

SMQG General Meeting Minutes – March 3, 2021

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SMQG Quilt guild members gathered on Zoom for its March 2021 general meeting. The business meeting was called to order by President Kennalee Mattson at 7:00 pm.

Kennalee welcomed members with a special welcome to 4 guests and 1 new member who joined the guild for the evening meeting,

She welcomed Patricia Hasenauer from the Glendale Quilt Guild who shared the guild's 2021 Opportunity Quilt, "Southwest Dreaming," which measures 75"x90". Tickets can be reserved on the guild website (no direct online sales are allowed by state law). She gave directions to the guild website for additional information. Drawing will be December 8, 2021 at the guild monthly meeting.

Kennalee announced that the board agreed to introduce a "lone robin challenge" next month. Details will be in the April newsletter.

Business Meeting:

Pam Overton moved to approve the February 2021 general meeting minutes and Treasurer's report with a second to the motions by Bobbie Marom-Pollack. Both motions were approved unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Maureen Gardener and Sally Madigan reported that the guild over 60 members as of that date.

Vice President: No Report.

Newsletter: Laurie thanked Betsy Barker for her article in the March newsletter and Pam Overton for her generous technical assistance. She welcomes articles from members.

Philanthropy. Luann will be taking 40-50 quilts to Ronald McDonald House later in March. Quilts can still be dropped off at her house.

Ways and Means and Hospitality: No report.

Website: No report.

Program and Workshops: Future speaker information is in the March newsletter. Pam introduced the evening's speaker, Patricia Belyea from Okan Arts. She is from Washington state. She shared her love of Japanese quilts with a virtual tour of the 2020 Tokyo Quilt Festival as well as an introduction to fabric dyeing in Japan. She also discussed and shared some her quilts.

Show and Tell: Pam organized a slide show of quilts submitted by members. Members who submitted quilts were Maureen Gardener, Allison Leong, Gerri McGuire, Kennalee Mattson, Jeannine Mendoza, Sandy Ray, and Stephanie Wexler.

Door Prize Drawing: Monthly fabric raffle was then held by Pam Overton. Winners were: KathleenYamazaki, Allison Leong, Donna Heiderman, Barbara Weingold, Sandy Abramowitz, Pam Overton, Sheila Cummins, and Jennie Kraft. Winners can pick up their prizes at the Quilt House. Kennalee will contact them with pick-up details.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Veronica Gray

Ways and Means

Save up all your donations – we'll have the best Ways and Means sale ever when we gather in person!

Perla Rothenberg, Ron and Keiko Tapp

Philanthropy

Welcome Spring! We've had a strange year 2020 and still into 2021. We haven't been able to get together as we have in the past but we were able to make a sizeable donation to the Ronald McDonald House of 50 quilts and 15 pillowcases thanks to you. They were delighted with the donation. This was my first big outing and it couldn't have gone more smoothly. Since we weren't able to go inside a young lady came outside with a cart and took the bags with minimal contact.

Hopefully you are still filling your time making more quilts for future donations. This was the first donation we've made since very early 2020. Pillowcases and pantry items along with our beautiful quilts are still welcome.

Luann Jaffe and Bobbie Blake, Philanthropy Co-Chairs

Selected Upcoming Southern California Events

South Bay Quilters Guild is hosting the following speakers in 2021.

April 20 – Latifah Safir	May 18 – Lyric Kinard	

To join as a guest, contact membership@southbayquiltersguild.org and they will provide a link to the meeting.

SMQG Schedule of Events

While we're all staying at home for the time being, your Program chairs are busy working to fill out our calendar for this year and next with interesting speakers.

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Lecture	website
April 7	Penni Domikis	All Scrapped Out	www.cabinquilters.com
May	Michelle Banton	Cotton to Consumer	http://littlepupdesigns.com/
June			
July	Pot Luck		

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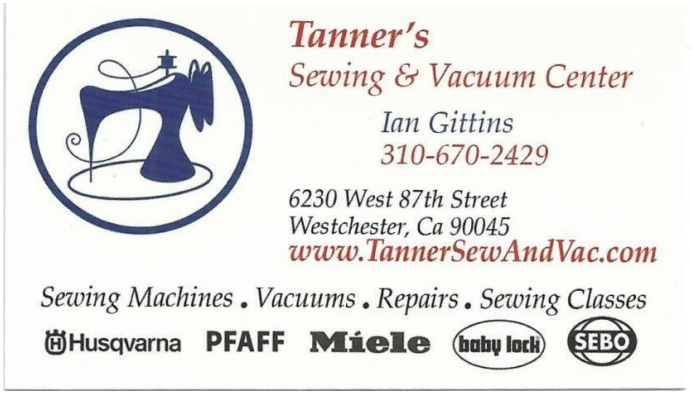

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