



Stitch 'n Times

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President's Message

Jimmy Carter defeated Gerald Ford for the President of the United States.

A new Chevy Monte Carlo cost \$4,600 and got 7.2 miles per gallon but that was okay by today's standards because gasoline only cost 59 cents per gallon.

Cigarettes were 39 cents a pack.

Median household income was \$12,686.

A first class stamp cost 13 cents.

"One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" won the Academy Award for Best Picture.

A new invention, the VHS tape, brought major entertainment into the American living room whenever we wanted it.

Western fashion was predominated by big hair, bell bottoms, and below the knee hemlines.

A wrinkle-free, dacron/polyester, "real" corduroy suit sold for \$70. There were lots of knitted and macramé sweaters out there; looking back on these fashions today, one wonders how we ever survived it.

Disco was the latest dance craze; Gloria Gaynor's "I Will Survive" became the nation's party anthem.

The American television audience was introduced to "Laverne and Shirley," "The Gong Show," "Charlie's Angels," and "Rich Man, Poor Man" (for those of us with more sophisticated tastes.)

The nation celebrated its 200th birthday.

Despite all these changes in the American way of life, the Olfa Cutter was still 3 years from being introduced to the quilting public.



Yes, the year was 1976, and in the small backwater town of Santa Rosa, California, a group of women took a quilting class from Joyce Gross at the Santa Rosa Junior College. Upon completion of the class Joyce encouraged the students to continue meeting, so Dotty Zagar invited the group to her home for the inaugural meeting of what would become the Santa Rosa Quilt Guild. Dotty recalled that 16-20 quilters attended that meeting. This group of quilters continued to meet, first

at a Baptist Church, then at the Farm Bureau, followed by a couple of locations at Coddington Mall, until the group found the wonderful location at the Scottish Rite Masonic Lodge facility shortly before 1990. From less than two dozen our Membership has continued to grow to about 285 today.

Although many are no longer with us, we are forever grateful to Kathy Allen, Jody Berger, Kitty Dobbert, Joyce Gross, Gene Isaacs, June Moes, Rose Norris, Joyce Sharpe, Nancy Shea, Mary Wescott, and Dotty Zagar.

In honor, memory, and gratitude of our "Charter Members," we traditionally celebrate Founders' Day on the third Thursday in September. It is unknown when the Founders' Day celebration was initiated, but in 1990 it was being recognized with salad and cheesecake supplied by Members. We have graduated considerably from salad and cheesecake. It has grown to quite an event, including a full and varied buffet and County Fair quilt prize winners as special guests.

We are all looking forward to our "Ruby Anniversary" on September 15th as we celebrate 40 years since the founding of the Santa Rosa Quilt Guild.

Jim Jensen

2016 Programs

JAN SOULES

October 20 & 21, 2016

Jan Soules has been quilting since 2000. She has never settled on one style, preferring to mix appliqué and pieced blocks using her sense of color and design to create her "treasures." Choosing colors and fabrics are her favorite part of the process and she carefully selects each piece in her so called "scrap" quilts. Her creativity continues to take her in different directions. She has won many awards and had her quilts in AQS shows, PIQF, Road to California and the Hoffman Challenge traveling show.



She completed a course in judging and wearable art sponsored by the West Coast Quilt Judging Academy in 2012. Jan is a member of the Elk Grove and River City Quilt Guilds.

She is scheduled to be artist in residence at Empty Spools Seminar at Asilomar for session one in 2017.

October 20 Program

"Spectacular Borders, from Basics to Beyond"

This lecture includes a discussion of various border treatments, with emphasis on what works and why. She will use her prize winning quilts to demonstrate the different border treatments and explain how you can turn an ordinary quilt top into an extraordinary one!

October 21 Workshop

"Kaleidoscope Quilt"

In this quilt you will make large colorful blocks from strip sets. You will learn how to make a template. There is no matching of seams required so you can be free to create your own unique work of art. Each quilt will be individual and unique treasure.



The pattern can be adapted to any size quilt. You can stick with a color theme or use a variety of colors and patterns. It is your creation so gather your fabrics and have some fun. This one is a great scrap buster!

 Jan Nilsen

September 2016

KAREN COMBS

November 17 & 18, 2016

Karen was with us in 2006, and this time she will be bringing back her very popular "Quilts of Illusion" presentation and "Patchwork Illusions" workshop.



A native of Michigan, Karen Combs began quilting in 1973 while still in high school. She has a degree in library science and has worked at many state, city and school libraries before finding her calling as a professional quilting instructor, writer and designer. She currently lives in Tennessee.

Karen is intrigued with quilts of illusion and has been designing quilts with a 3-D look for several years. Karen is the author of *Optical Illusions for Quilters*, *Combing Through Your Scraps*, *Floral Illusions*, *3 Quilters Celebrate the 4 Seasons*, and *3-D Fun with Pandora's Box*, co-authored with Sharlene Jorgenson of Quilting from the Heartland. Her newest book is *Celtic Pieced Illusions*.

November 17 Program

"Quilts of Illusion"

Explore the world of optical illusions with Karen as she shows you some of the wonderful quilts that she has created. A beautiful and inspiring trunk show.

November 18 Workshop

"Patchwork Illusions"

Visual depth has fascinated artists for centuries, Karen has developed a quick and easy rotary technique that allows you to make quilts with a 3-D look. In the class, you will learn how to create quilts shown in the gallery on her website.



<http://www.karencombs.com>

This is Karen's favorite class because it is so easy to create truly amazing quilts of illusion. Come join the class as this is a great opportunity to practice use of value and color to make a totally awesome quilt!!

 Jan Nilsen

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Library News

The following is a list of the books that came into our possession since our last newsletter. For images of the covers and more detailed descriptions of the items, just click on LIBRARY on our website www.santarosaquiltguild.org. Linda Hooper has written easy-to-understand directions about how to utilize the library site. To locate her instructions, click on the underlined "here" in the second paragraph at the top of the library page. Let me know if you would like guidance with the site and we'll sit down at the Library's laptop computer after a meeting. *A hint: if you are looking for an author, remember to type in the last name first, and if you are searching for a book title, type in the first "important" word leaving the a, an, and the's 'til the end.*

SHAPE BY SHAPE – COLLECTION 2 – FREEMOTION QUILTING by Angela Walters (recommended by Diana Roberts)

DISAPPEARING NINE PATCH – #9 – A Harriet Truman/Loose Threads Mystery by Arlene Sachitano (must read in order – list of the books taped to end of rolling library cart)

BLENDED FABRIC COLLAGE – a CD to read on a computer (NOT a DVD to watch on TV) by our May speaker Lenore Crawford

IMPRESSIONISTIC FABRIC BLENDING WITH 2" SQUARES – a CD to read on a computer (NOT a DVD to watch on TV) by our May speaker Lenore Crawford

TAR BEACH by Faith Ringgold – a prize-winning story written in 1992 illustrated by her painted quilt, which now hangs in the Guggenheim Museum in New York City (donated by Leslie Kruse)

FONS & PORTER PRESENTS QUILTS FROM THE HENRY FORD (a museum in Detroit, Michigan) by Marianne Fons and Liz Porter (a donation)

SIMPLE SEWING FOR BABY by Lotta Jansdotter (a donation)

QUILTING THE GARDEN by Barb Adams, Alma Allen, and Ricki Creamer (a donation)

TWO-COLOR QUILTS by Better Homes and Gardens (a donation)

PATCHWORK SHOWCASE – SIMPLE QUILTS WITH BIG IMPACT by Nancy Mahoney (a donation)

Library News continued →

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101 FUN-TO-QUILT POT HOLDERS by Trice Boerens (a donation)

MAKING A SAMPLER QUILT by Lynne Edwards (a donation)

Be sure to let me know if you find an item that our library needs!

Have you pawed through the ever-growing box of rulers, templates, and stencils that have been donated to our library for members to check out? Many thanks to Carole Behlke for organizing these for us (see the list of items on our blog!).

And don't forget that we have magazine subscriptions to:

FONS AND PORTER'S LOVE OF QUILTING, QUILTERS NEWSLETTER (all of the issues since the very beginning!), MACHINE QUILTING UNLIMITED, AMERICAN QUILTER, QUILTMAKER, MODERN QUILTS UNLIMITED, MODERN QUILTS, QUILTING ARTS MAGAZINE, MODERNE (from Quiltmania)

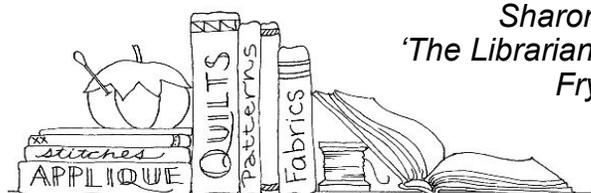
Plus many past issues of:

QUILT LIFE (Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims - Discontinued with the October 2014 issue -darn!), MINIATURE QUILTS, JAPANESE magazines, QUILT-MANIA (European)

Wearing your nametag is a huge help to everyone. This is an excellent way for us to get to know each other.

Check out as many of our more than 3,191 books, DVDs, and CDs, plus magazines, as you wish ~ just remember to return them to the very next meeting, pretty please, as there are so many members in the guild who also wish to use the items.

Our library needs many, many volunteers. You do not need to formally sign-up to help – we'll take whatever time you can spare before or after any meeting. If you do not like the job you are given, don't be shy – let us know what you would rather do. I can never thank everyone enough for their assistance and support with making our library the best in the entire world!



Sharon
'The Librarian'
Fry

Community Quilts

It is time for us to get back into our regular days after a lovely summer break. On Thursday, September 29th there will be a Fifth Thursday Retreat at Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa. We will be there from 9 – 3. Come and join us for all or part of the day. There will be community quilts to work on, or bring your own project. It is a relaxed day of sewing and visiting with friends. The very next week will be the Quilt-a-thon during our regular guild meeting. Many quilts are donated at the end of the year. Also, Sutter and Memorial each need 20 NICU quilts every month or two.

 Pam Beebe, Laura Barrett,
Nancy Stedman & Janet Tonkin

**UFOs are due
September 1st!!**

That gives you all of
August to complete
your UFO goal.



Fran Threewit

COMMUNITY QUILT SIZES

If you are making donation quilts on your own, these are the approximate sizes most needed.

32" x 40" Baby Quilts	For Sutter & Memorial NICUs, Public Health nursing, & teen moms. We provide kits for making the tops, or you may use your own fabrics.
40" x 60"	For Valley of the Moon and other Organizations serving children in need. Please use bright colors for young children or fabrics that will appeal to teenagers.
50" x 65"	For 18 year olds aging out of the Foster Care system and for women residing at the YWCA Safe House.
40" x 60"	Lap quilts for adults. Given to Secret Santa, women being served by Verity, seniors in local convalescent hospitals, & others.
Doll Quilts	For little girls & boys. We collect them throughout the year and donate during the holidays.

Thank you to all who are involved with
this important outreach project!



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Floriani Hands On

2 Day Event • \$199

September 15-18, 2016

Early Bird Price:

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Tis the Season

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2 Day Event • \$99

October 6-9, 2016

Anita Goodesign

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November 4-5, 2016

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Technique Sharing Workshops

At our September 1st meeting, "Miss Sunshine" Jan Westerman will demonstrate how to use the "Go Baby—Die Cutter." Sharon "The Librarian" Fry had one donated to our guild and thought it would be another good thing to loan out to members besides the rulers. Since Jan has used one in the past, she agreed to do a TSW for us about the templates with tips & techniques

This will be very informative for those interested in trying it. AND, you can borrow the guild's cutter if you don't want to buy your own right away.

The TSW will be held shortly after lunch near the stage.

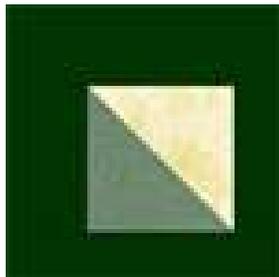
 Linda Gilbert

Block of the Month

September

Signal

Full pattern is on our website!



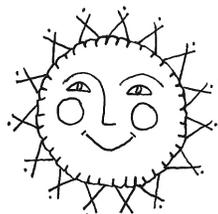
 Diana Roberts

Craft Fair

All are invited to participate in the Craft Fair on November 3rd. Members may request 1-2 tables to display and sell handcrafted items. Forms are available on the "download" page of our website, and must be submitted by October 6th. This event is loads of fun for both sellers and shoppers, and is a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping. Please contact Phyllis Gallaway with any questions.

 Phyllis Gallaway

Sunshine



Knowing that someone cares can really make a person's day brighter. Please contact me by phone or email if you know someone who could use a card from the SRQG.

Happy Sewing,
Jan Westerman
(Ms. Sunshine)

Friendship Blocks

Happy fall everyone! Speaking of fall, we have a new Friendship Block request from Judy Kubilus. She is requesting 6, 8 or 10 inch blocks of Ghosts, Goblins & Things That Go Bump in the Night. (Anything with a Halloween theme and a night background). See the Friendship Block web page for further instructions.

On a sad note, our beloved Colleen van de Kraats is moving and Jan Westerman and I want to spend her FB credits, so we are requesting for her a 12 inch finished block (12 ½ inches unfinished) of anything Sonoma County! We thought this would be a great memory for Colleen of this beautiful place we all live in. See the website for further instructions. This block is due by December 1, 2016.

Linda Gilbert's San Francisco block is still open.

So get those creative juices going and turn the blocks in before the mad rush of the holiday season is upon us! Egad!!! Any questions feel free to e-mail or call me.

 Cheryl Dudley

Nominating Committee

SANTA ROSA QUILT GUILD
2017 NOMINATION TIME

We, the nominating committee, would like to extend an invitation to all our members to become an active participant on the board.

Nominations are open ALL positions.

New and exciting ideas are what make this Guild.

Your choice and your voice are important!

Elected Board Positions

President

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

Program Chair

Program Chair Elect

Parliamentarian

Member-at-Large (4 positions)

If there is a position you are interested in and would like more information, please contact the nominating committee.

Dianne Cheli
Sharon Fry
Chris Nolen
Leslie Kruse

Sandra Bruce Workshop

Color Dance Workshop Friday August 19

What a day—awash in color! After getting directions from Sandra we were set loose with our fabrics to begin making our wonky log cabin squares. As everyone had many fabrics and none of us had the “perfect one” for each square we gleefully shopped at each other’s tables. Lots of sharing and laughter was had by all. Sandra was a very attentive and patient teacher. How refreshing and freeing to have total flexibility and no need to match anything perfectly! Sandra’s description of putting on the striped and wavy border was clear and detailed. I’m not sure we will all do the border that way but this group was great at creating interesting and colorful squares so who knows what kinds of borders will show up. It was a perfectly relaxing and fun day. Some beautiful quilts were started and should appear at Show and Tell soon.

 Jan Nilsen



Debbie Neal Martin with several of her blocks.



Right:
Genelle Voorhees and
one of her blocks.
Far right:
Class attendees busy
making blocks.

Fair Liaison

Santa Rosa Quilt Guild had many winners in the quilting division at the Sonoma County Fair this year. Please bring your award winning quilts to the Founders’ Day luncheon on September 15th for a special Fair Awards show and tell. Congratulations to all who won and thanks to everyone who entered a quilt. Garrett Hall was amazingly beautiful with all the quilts hanging from the rafters and walls.

Carole Behlke	1st, 2nd
Lyra Bobo	4th
Kitty Bownass	2nd, 3rd
Rhonda Denny	1st, 2 – 3rds
Sue Gragg	2nd
Mary Ann Hayre	1st, 3rd, 4th, Best of Division
Carroll Hirsch	4th, 5th
Carol Jarvis	2 - 1sts, 2 - 2nds Best of Division
Carolle LeMonnier	Best Use of Color & Design
Marilyn Lira	1st
Elizabeth Marrs	1st, 2nd
Ruth Maxwell	1st, 2nd
Nancy McDermott	2 – 1sts, Best of Division
Pam McVey	2nd
Georgiann Morrissey	1st, 3rd, 4th
Jeanne Nelson	2nd, 3rd
Elizabeth Park	2 – 2nds, 2 – 3rds, 4th
Jackie Pitts	2nd
Elaine Tucker	1st, 2nd
Ellindale Wells	1st, 2nd
SRQG Opp Quilt	2nd
Bob Miyashiro	Our Best Hand Quilting Award
Aileen Villasenor	Our Youth Special Award
Age 12	

 Pam McVey



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MEETINGS AND MEMBERSHIP

The Santa Rosa Quilt Guild meets the first and third Thursdays of each month (in December only one meeting is held on the first Thursday) at 10:00 a.m. at the Scottish Rite / Masonic Lodge in Santa Rosa, 600 Acacia Lane, between Mission Boulevard and Middle Rincon Road on Highway 12 east of Santa Rosa.

Membership dues are \$35 per year. The calendar year is January to December; new member's dues are prorated. Regular meetings, special programs, use of the extensive library and special discounts from some affiliates are benefits of membership. For More information or to send a check for dues email:

Meeting Etiquette

- ◆ Please avoid chit-chat while someone is speaking to the group.
- ◆ Please peruse the Silent Auction & Boutique before and after the meeting--not during the meeting.
- ◆ Please, do not browse the speaker's table during the meeting.
- ◆ Please set your cell phone to silent mode or turn it off.
- ◆ At Speaker Meetings, please move to the center of the rows and eliminate empty seats, so late-comers will be able to find a seat and not disturb the group.

Thank You Sew Much!

