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President's Message

By Alice Johnson

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS! We will not have an evening meeting in December at Gloria Dei Church. Please call Carrie to reserve your spot at the Golden Egg Lunch on Dec. 8!! See details on page 3.

I hope you all enjoyed a fine Thanksgiving and that you found many things for which to be thankful: my list included good family, fine friends, a cozy home, and the blessings of living in this country! At this time I would like to introduce to you another of our new members for this year: Jennifer Lutes. During our conversation, she shared that her grandmother in Arkansas was a blue-ribbon winner when it came to such detailed creations as a Baltimore quilt! However, Jennifer, actually, is a self-taught quilter, using a book as her guide. Her favorite style is crazy quilting with a free form pattern. Precision is "not my style"! She is a nurse at Palomar Hospital who likes to read, drink wine, and travel - most recently to Maui! Welcome, Jennifer.

Here's to another year of my working on my PHD in Quilting: Projects Half Done... I hope you have all been inspired to get busy and finish all those UFOS - let's have a show of our accomplishments come SPRING!

Happy Holidays!

Our December guild meeting is CANCELLED.

We will meet again in January.

December Meeting Program

By Carrie Harrison-Mortimer

Due to numerous reasons, **the December guild meeting on the 20th has been cancelled.** Please see the "Sew Hungry" article for celebrating the holidays with your quilting friends.

From my heart to yours,



Fat Quarters

By Janis Newlin

There is no Fat Quarters contest for December. I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season with your family and friends.

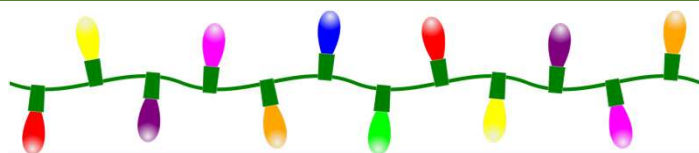
December Birthdays

A very happy birthday to all our members with a birthday this month:

Joy Smith (12/2)
Alice Johnson (12/7)
Charlotte Huff (12/8)



Remember to stop by the White Elephant table to select \$5 worth of items for your birthday gift!



White Elephant

By Karolyn Hart and Louise Anselmo

Merry Christmas to all! We wish you a joyful holiday with your families.

Membership

By Lynn Cass

Hi to all our wonderful guild members! Hope you all had a delicious Thanksgiving and were able to spend time with family and friends. I am sure we have reflected on so many things to be thankful. We had a great November meeting and wanted to share a few things on the agenda that night for those that were not able to attend or just to recall the fun! Another fantastic speaker, our White Elephant Table with so much fabric and such amazing prices, the Christmas fabric at the Fat Quarters table won by Romany, Good Cheer Quilts, Mini Quilts, door prizes, a raffle, and 5 new members! Please take time to meet Vicki Daleo, Gail Mac Namara, Beverly Reuther, Jan Bigelback and Francine Nadey at our next meeting. It is so very nice to feel welcomed ☺ A word of encouragement – you would be surprised at how many people like to quilt too so please share about our guild with friends, family or acquaintances and encourage them to come to our meetings since they might not know about the guild. Now we look forward to the Christmas holiday with quilting, making gifts, shopping, decorating, cooking and baking. My head is spinning but I do love this special season. I thought I would include this very simple candy recipe that makes yummy little gifts:

Lynn's Famous Peanut Clusters

(other types of nuts are good too for those that can't eat peanuts)

12 oz butterscotch morsels

6 oz semi-sweet morsel (1 cup is what I use)

12 oz Spanish peanuts (I get them at Sprouts)

Put morsels in a large bowl and melt in microwave for 2 minutes. Take out and stir well. Pour in peanuts and stir. Drop by spoonfuls on cookie sheet lined with parchment or waxed paper. Refrigerate for 5 minutes. Makes 30-40. ENJOY!

Merry Christmas to all and happy quilting!

I'm Sew, Ho-Ho Hungry!!

By Carrie Harrison-Mortimer



Join us at the 'Sew Hungry' luncheon, Wednesday, December 8th at 11:30am at the Golden Egg Omelet House.

We will be doing an ornament exchange game. Please bring a wrapped ornament (about \$5) if you would like to participate. Otherwise, please just join us for lunch.

I will need an RSVP this time as we may have quite a few of you. Please RSVP to my email harrison.carrie@gmail.com or call me at 760-822-9977. See you there!!

Good Cheer Quilts

In November guild members turned in 3 quilts and 6 pillowcases. Thanks to Joanne Eichler, Suzie Owen, Jill Conger, and Alice Johnson for making those items.

Good Cheer committee members made another 8 quilts for a total of 11 quilts and 6 pillowcases donated to Interfaith for November. There was also a bag full of toiletry items.

You can see all the quilts and pillowcases on my blog -

<http://onewomanshands.blogspot.com/>

It's easy to make a quilt or a pillowcase. We have kits that contain everything for a pillowcase, and everything but the batting for a quilt. There's no time limit to finish the item, whenever you get it done is fine.

We have at least 6 quilt patterns to choose from, some have more seams than others so take a bit longer to piece, but all are simple patterns that a beginner should be fine with. And if you get stuck, just call any one of the committee members listed at the bottom of every pattern.

Good Cheer quilts and pillowcases are a great project to work on when you just want to do some sewing but don't feel like tackling something large or involved. Stop by our table at the guild meeting and pick up a kit. It's a great way to do a little something for those less fortunate, especially as the weather gets colder.

Happy Holidays from your Good Cheer committee - Claire, Sandy, Linda, Sue, & Leslie!

Christmas Bucket List

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- Put Christmas lights up
- Decorate house
- Make wreath or door swag
- Make + decorate sugar cookies
- Other favourite Christmas baking
- Give baking to friends
- Decorate gingerbread house
- Make a tree ornament
- Get tree + decorate
- Look at Christmas lights
- Read Christmas books
- Watch a Christmas movie
- Get a photo with Santa
- Send Christmas cards
- Make a donation
- Write letter to Santa



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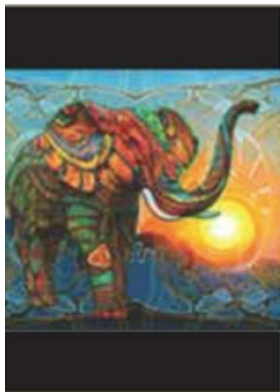


Suzan Fornof (right)
Christmas quilt



Dani Donnachie (above left & left)
Mom, Daughter, Granddaughter.
Three generations tying a quilt.

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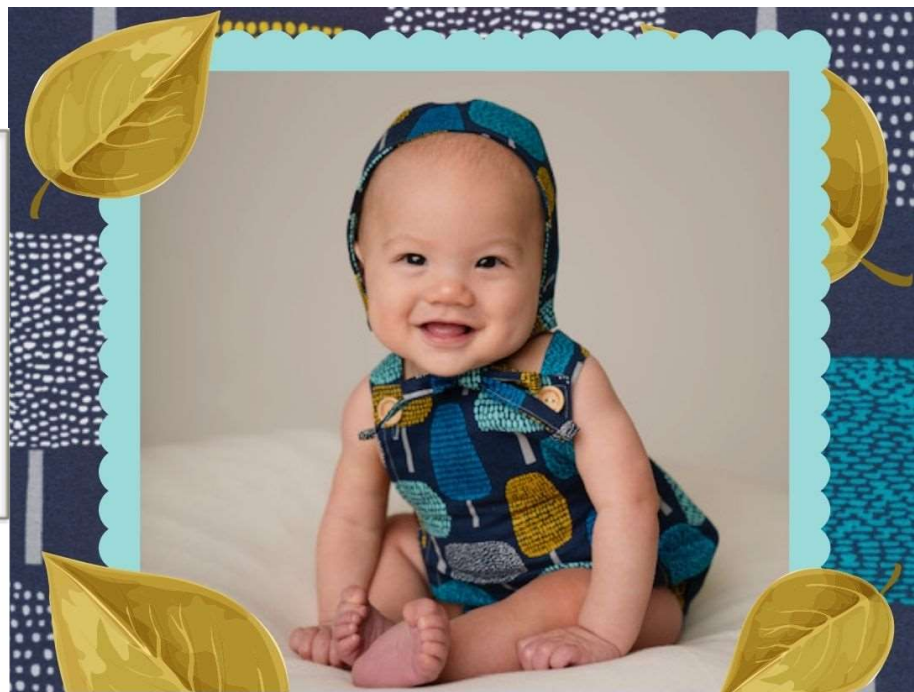
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