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QUOTE OF THE DAY:

Value is the number one thing about quilting, not color.

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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SIGNUP FEBRUARY DEADLINE

After much deliberation by the board, dues were raised to \$30 a year—which prorates to \$2.50 per meeting—pretty cheap entertainment! All membership dues are payable before February 1, after which there will be a \$5 additional charge. Membership needs to have an accurate list, and the directory needs to be printed in a timely fashion. To sweeten the deadline, all members who pay on time will be given a \$10 credit on one workshop this year. Workshops are \$25 each, and three are planned this year. **April** Marcia Stein is presenting Pictures to Quilts; **May**, Diane Leighton is making a Woodpile (Variation on Log Cabin) and in **September**, Karen Combs is showing us how to make a Celtic Illusion Quilt. All of these ladies will also be presenting our General Meeting programs, plus three other interesting speakers: March has Lily Marie Amaru Making Waves; June sees Terry Walden, and August Patricia Beavers is giving us a trunk show of her 55 years of quilting. Our Guild is exceptional in the effort it makes to bring interesting programs and workshops to Wrightwood.



Mel Bunge focuses hard on filling her card (above). Marion Hall shopped for the really outstanding prizes, which were won by, among others, Joy Agnew, Lynn Crawford and Christy Close. But the really big winner was **Eileen Kelly**, shown right. Eileen starts off the quilting new year with 136 fat quarters!!! She reports that the hat box was stuffed to overflowing with fabric of every color. Eileen is planning a pretty quilt called One Block Wonders as her next project.

QUILT-O BRINGS OUT BINGO QUEENS

A full house and plenty of guests showed up to play Quilter's Bingo, with quilter's terms filling the cards.





Kathy Mekemson has been at home sewing with her surgically repaired foot. Two workshops and a Christmas present for her son are above. She used t-shirt and sock fabric in the realistic squirrel from Cathy Van Burgen's class.



Cristy Marxsen put this beauty together with blocks made by her friends with the Friendship Squares exchange.

Joy Agnew cut through 10 layers of fabric, swapped them all around, then paper pieced them together. Awesome!

Alice Smith didn't know what to do with a pile of ugly fabric someone had given her—she figured it out very well.



Another UFO out of the closet and finished by Christy Close. The back had lots of interest too.

Linda Rhoades had fun going under the sea with these colorful appliques.

Joyce Swimmer made this long table runner to go with the season—snowmen..



MORE FUN AT BINGO NIGHT: Charlotte Ketcheside, Laura Green and Marlene DeJongh, Marlene Bowman and Kathy Mekemson play for the big prizes.

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FAIR coming this May 15-23. But quilters need to be concerned with **entry date deadline April 3rd**. All applications and fees are due on or before April 3rd. Then delivery takes place on April 23rd and 24. Mark your calendars now.

Thank yous were received by the Guild from Helping Hands for our generous donation. Lorrie Flanders won our Opportunity Quilt and was very appreciative of its beauty and workmanship. Kudos to everyone whose efforts made such a nice fund raiser.

Disneyland was offering a free day at the park (Give a Day, Get a Day) to the first million who registered as volunteers at approved sites—8 hours on the Lions Project at the Phelan Library was one of the local possibilities for volunteerism.

Pine Needles Quilt Guild name tags featured in a national quilt magazine! Remember when Jake Finch taught a workshop here in March 2008? She took a bunch of name tags home with her. As editor of Mark Lipinski's fun quilting magazine, QUILTER'S HOME, Jake was planning an article on guild name tags. Of the 20 name tags pictured, nine of them were from our guild! Of special interest was the ribbon with our Guild name woven into it, which is unique. Check it out in the Feb./ March edition, page 19.

Rose Burcher is having foot surgery. Remember her with cards and phone calls.

Have you checked our our **web site** lately? It is getting more and more jazzy, with so much information and activity this newsletter is almost irrelevant. Thanks Beth, for an outstanding web site. **www.pnqg.org**

34 ladies signed up for the **Mystery Quilt**. Sealed instructions were delivered in January with directions of how much fabric to buy. We want to see the variety of colors you 34 ladies chose, so bring them to Show and Tell for the February meeting! The next set of directions will be delivered then, or mailed, if need be.

CHARITY QUILTS is the theme of the February meeting. Fabric will be divvied up for various charity quilts, including for the Kancer Kamp kids. **\$20 Gift Certificates** are available for our workshops, and would make nifty Secret Pal gifts. Kathy Mekemson is our new Secret Pal Chairperson.

Historian Joanne Tschantre is closing out the **PNQG History of 2009**. She would appreciate any correspondence, articles or photos you may have, and thanks to all who have contributed.

CHRISTY CLOSE is manning the **FRIENDSHIP CORNER**, with blocks to share.. Make a block for your friends, and get quilting bucks.



JACKIE WEDDLE is collecting items for the next raffle. Drop off items at her home if you like, or bring to her at the general meeting.

February Refreshments: Marlene will be calling to remind you if you signed up. If you didn't sign up, there are plenty of openings this year.

Door Prize: Remember, the guild will reimburse you up to \$30 for the door prize. Have fun shopping for the good of the guild.

Beginner Quilting Class: with all the new quilters coming in this month, Marlene DeJongh announced she has a beginner's class available. Call 868-1673! (I know there's a lot of new quilters because when I gave an extra fat quarter to a visitor to get her a quilt-o card, she tried to repay me with a shiny twenty-five cent piece.)

SOUTH BAY QUILT SHOW— February 20 and 21, 10 am to 4pm, at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd, Torrance, CA. Admission is \$8 and the show features over 200 quilts and garments, Hoffman Challenge Quilts, merchant mall, quilter's café, miniature quilt auction, opportunity quilt and raffle baskets drawings on Sunday at 4. For addition information, call Sue Glass at 310-372-3945 or e-mail qshow@southbayquiltersguild.org

Welcome back to Candy Harrower! Also to visitors and potential members Nancy Anderson, Trenna Anderson, Amber Landa, Betty Latimer and Phyllis Haas.

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