

DISPATCHER

MELINDA BULA BRINGS FASHION AND GARDEN SHOW TO GUILD MTG.

Best Quotes:

“Yes, I can.”

To call yourself a quilter, you have to have 10 unfinished projects in your hand.

Work on something you like, with colors you like.

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Our dynamic speaker gave us a quick sketch of her life and development as an artist. 250 fabric fondlers in the Folsom Quilt Guild watched and encouraged her as she won ever larger prizes in the guild and various quilt shows. One of her latest honors is her bayside boats and sunset featured on the cover of the Road to California Guide. When chided by an onlooker that she couldn't take that scene home with her, Melinda kept on taking photos, and said, "Yes, I can." Then she made her photos into that prize-winning quilt. That's also how she made the sparkling day lilies to the left, capturing forever a summer morning in her back yard first on film, then in fabric.

In spite of a lifelong struggle with dyslexia, Melinda is now working on her second book—she says she can find editors that can spell, but few have the sense of color she does. With her husband's support, she is now a full time artist. She always knew that was her gift, even when she grappled with conceptual art in college, winning a scholarship there with a collage of stained paper towels.

Melinda urged us to do what we love, and not to worry about perfection. She told of holes cut and covered, sewn-in tucks hidden in the back of winning quilts, and even showed us one the judges had overlooked. The quilt was stunning.



Violets with stems reflected in water was Melinda's challenge (above). Do the vases look like glass?





Corrine Baker had fun with this blue and gold nine patch.



Christy Marxsen brought 8 charity quilts and 2 glorious personal quilts, this one from a shop hop she did.



Joanne Tschantra helped each of her granddaughters Erin and Michelle make some gyrating geckos.



A half square triangle from Joanne Tschantra.



Joyce Gwinners loves purses—every color, lots of shapes.



Lori Hovey finished assembling these Gingerbread Men from your friendship blocks. Do you see yours?



Beth Stanton put together these watering cans from another set of friendship blocks. Fun colors!



Alice Smith pulled these blocks from the charity fabric, and donated it to Nancy Fogo for the Kids Cancer Camp.



Rose Burcher has been plenty busy even before retiring, working on this Compass.Beauty.



Kathy Mechenson dazzled us with these maroon stars.



Carol Poisal made her first quilts ever from the charity fabrics. She finished four. Way to go, Carol!



Icky Orr shows off her stripy baby bear and hearts quilt. Love those pastels.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOP: Our September meeting on the 9th features Sharyn Craig, with decades of fine quilts to show us. Sharyn was the very first winner of Professional Quilter Magazine's Teacher of the Year. I found at least 17 books with her name on the title page, including my favorite, Setting Solutions.

There are a couple of cancellations for her workshop on Wed. Sept. 10th at the Methodist Church, and this is a last chance in a lifetime opportunity to learn from this outstanding teacher. Sharyn is retiring in Jan. of 2009. \$20 the guild members, \$30 to non-members.

You are also invited to have dinner with our speaker at the Grizzly Café on Highway 2 at 5 pm before the guild meeting at 6:30.

SEPTEMBER REFRESHMENTS:

Lora Steinmann
Michelle Falb
Joyce Finau
Annie Steinmann
Door Prize: Charlotte Ketchside

OCTOBER REFERESHMENTS

Elisa Gurley
Marilyn Caudron
Sally Dupont
Marion Hall
Door Prize: Elisa Gurley

HOME TOUR

Details are falling into place, with every position having a co-chair to learn the job for next year, EXCEPT over-all CHAIR. Marlene declares the job is not hard. Another meeting was held last week on the 21st, and the houses have been chosen by the library staff, including the Acorn Lodge, which is very historical. Rose Burcher will be the cookie house again this year.

Next meeting at Marlene's home Sept. 18 at 7:00 pm.

CHARITY QUILTS

Nancy Fogo reports that 35 quilts were donated from the last guild meeting, bringing the grand total of quilts ready for the Kids Cancer Camp to 74. She needs just a few more to have enough quilts for every kid. They are expecting 81 to 90, and Nancy will know how many boys and girls this week, if you'd like to make one more for whatever is needed.

KIDS WORKSHOP

Nancy is still hoping to pull one off the 1st or 2nd week of November. Let her know if you'd like to help.

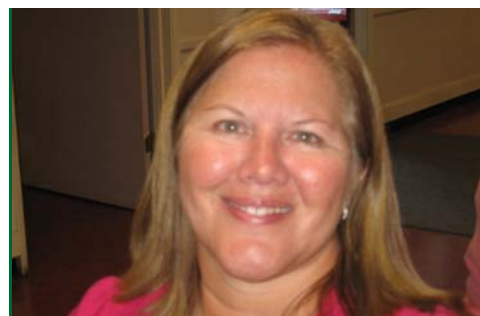
CIVIL WAR REPRODUCTION **BLOCK OF QUARTER** was won by Laura Green and Marilyn Caudron. There were enough blocks brought in to divide the prize.

Cookbook sales made another \$410, sent to us from Linda Hargeson.

PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE will be our program in October. Bring your quilting adventure to be judged by your peers. President Beth is allowing some fudging in length, as long as the perimeter does not go bigger than 1296 inches or smaller than 144 total inches.



New Member Carole Sincock, PO 3377, Wrightwood joined the guild this month.



Shannon Banks is also new to the guild, coming from Yorba Linda to see her mom Sandy Jacobs at the elementary school, and is a seasoned quilter. (714) 692-2890

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September 9, 6:30

Workshop:

September 10, 9:00 am

Board Meeting:

Wrightwood Library
September 16, 6:30

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