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March Speaker- Cathy Van Bruggen



We all enjoy seeing something done with exceptional skill and this month we will see just that. For our March program, Cathy Van Bruggen will treat us to a trunk show of her exceptionally fine quilts. Cathy is known for her graceful designs, her original patterns, and her skilled appliqué' work. Next time you see our Opportunity Quilt, look closely at her center medallion.

Cathy began sewing at a very early age, making clothes by hand while watching her mother create costumes. Later she was hired by Catalina Swimwear as a production manager and sample maker. When she began raising her five children, Cathy wanted to be more available to her family, but still worked creatively designing custom bridal wear. In 1970 she and her husband developed a retail chain for women's clothing. She began quilting in 1995 when she retired. Now she is definitely "unretired"! She developed **Appliqué the Easy Way**, a teaching method with tips and tricks to make appliqué easy even for beginners. Now she distributes her patterns over the internet and through fine quilt shops. (visit her website at www.cathyvb.com) Read our workshop article for the special treat in store for our March class.

Workshop- "Summer"

Our very own Cathy Van Bruggen will be teaching our March workshop. She will teach her original appliqué design, Summer, which is part of a series.

Don't be discouraged if a workshop you are interested in is filled. Put yourself on the waiting list so you can be called if a change occurs. Members will be notified in the order they are on the wait list. No need to pay for the class until you are confirmed a spot.

Our workshop teachers usually do not furnish us a supply list until one or two months prior to the workshop. Announcements will be made as the supply lists are available.

No refunds for classes you have paid for and cannot attend. Simply, notify me and I will give you the name of the next person in line for the class, if no one is in line, you may sell your place to another member.

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New ! New! New!



Members with Birthdays in

March - please bring cookies to the

March 8 meeting!

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President's Message

With March upon us, I'd like to wish you all a Happy St. Patrick's Day!

What a wonderful time I had at Lujean Seagal's workshop. She showed us so many different ways to make our quilts look good with great borders. She also helped us decide what to do with some of our quilts. Great workshop! Great instructor! I encourage you to take our workshops every month. We have wonderful programs and workshops scheduled for this year. Our guest speakers are always interesting and informative, and we can learn so much from them. I am especially looking forward to Cathy Van Bruggen's workshop this month.

I enjoy a challenge and hope that you do too. Speaking of challenges, our Guild Challenge Coordinator Sally Lansing has a challenge again this year. Let's all participate in this year's challenge. Knowing Sally it's a very interesting one. But better hurry as she has only 18 challenge kits left. Grab them quick ladies!

I encourage all of you to please participate in buying and/or selling your share of Opportunity Tickets this year. So much talent, time, effort and wonderful work goes into making our beautiful quilts, so please see our new Opportunity Quilt 2006 Chairperson, Mary Stockard, to pick up your tickets.

One of the best things that I did was join this guild. I have met the most wonderful ladies and formed many great friendships. The best part is we all share the same interests - fabric, fabric and more fabric. Once you get the taste for quilting you are hooked; there is no turning back. **AND** the rest is history!

Being a part of a friendship group is also very enjoyable. Our Friendship Group coordinator this year is Mary Stockard. Please see Mary if you are interested in joining a group. If you belong to a friendship group and want new gals to join your group, please let Mary know who you are so she can help. Also, see Mary if you are interested in forming a new group. I'm sure she will be able to help you. I do encourage you to be part of a group; you will not be sorry you did. The friends you make are wonderful, remarkable and very talented gals with whom you will bond and have as friends for a lifetime. I treasure all of mine.

Our **New Member Luncheon** was a great success thanks to Nancy, Linda and Jean. What a wonderful turnout we had. We welcome all of you with open arms and are very happy to have you with us. Hope you enjoy the guild as much as I do. We all had a wonderful time. I enjoy sharing the beautiful clubhouse with everyone.

Our bus trip to Road to California was a fun one! Again Norma you did an outstanding job organizing our trip. Looking forward to the **Glendale Quilt Show trip, March 17**.

As I begin this year, I value your input, any new ideas you might have, please let me know. I'm always open to new suggestions. I'm looking forward to a fun filled year with all of you.

Quilting Hugs, *Carol Logue*



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Bunney Hutch	
Fabric Pack	Jeri Lopes
Sewing & Vac Center	
Book	Sally McKibben
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1 Yd Fabric	Josie Smith
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\$10 Gift Cert	Ginny Jimerson
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Quilt Cupboard	
Book	Shirley Ellsworth
Book	Margaret Gritton
Tall Mouse	
\$15 Gift Cert	Justine Gentile
Material Possessions	
\$15 Gift Cert	Aggie Venaas
Fabric Pack	Nan Lee
Flying Geese	
\$10 Gift Cert	Judy Mercadante
\$10 Gift Cert	Wynona Welty

After Guild Demo

Featherweight 101

Come find out all about the care and feeding of your featherweight. Helen will cover the basics. If you have a temperamental featherweight, bring it to this obedience class.

March Birthdays



March 1	Dorothy Shaw
March 1	Marie Van Vorst
March 2	Sara Forster
March 3	Denise Howard
March 3	Carol Munn
March 3	Aggie Venaas
March 4	Glaitis Boots
March 4	Evelyn Herndon
March 7	Debbie Billington
March 8	Juanita Giron
March 9	Peggy Schneider
March 10	Ruby Hoffman
March 11	Mickie Mellevoid
March 12	Cathy Van Bruggen
March 14	Angie Jared
March 14	Lori Miller
March 16	Pat Cook
March 19	Linda Dunsworth
March 20	Josie Smith
March 24	Marjorie Densmore
March 24	Evelyn Hunt
March 25	Jody Burtch
March 28	Mary Stockard
March 28	Bea Vieira
March 29	Donna Massey
March 30	Ginny Burke
March 30	Joyce Thurber
March 30	Betty Jean Wenner
March 31	Sadie Alvarez
March 31	Diane (Sally) McKibben

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We are pleased to announce that we will be offering guest instructors at our next two retreats.

Judy Sisneros, May 2006
Billie Lauder, October 2006

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www.TwoWackyWomen for details.

Robin Gallagher (562) 500-3050	Marilyn Pond (562) 972-2720
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Ways & Means

Eloise and I wish to profoundly thank Ginger Fajack for helping us this month. Ginger will help Eloise in March. What a valuable friend!

The lucky winners of the February baskets were: Jo Casey and Jean Griffin. They will enjoy all the marvelous goodies that our guild members donated to the baskets. What a super way to help each other have fun and earn money for the Guild all at the same time! We earned **\$151.00** this month Remember when you donate an item for the themed baskets you get a free ticket. Tickets are \$1.00 for two tickets. There is no limit to the amount of tickets you can buy.

Theme for March: Green for St. Pat and the Irish shamrocks and good luck rainbows.

Let's see how creative we can be.

Eloise & Sharon



Philanthropy

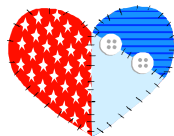
This month was another good month. We got back 10 quilted quilts, 10 tops and 15 pillowcases. You took all the quilt kits to be quilted which is great and also a lot of the kits to sew into quilts.

The door prizes were won by Sally Kuck, a yard of fabric from Moores, Pat Cook, \$10.00 gift certificate from M & L, Bea Vieira, a fat quarter pack from Material Possessions, and Betsy White a Minkee scarf from Bunny Hutch.

I will try to have pillowcase kits next month along with the other kits. You're doing a great job.

Bea Vieira

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Sunshine & Shadows

Sunshine and Shadows is a very important part of this Guild, as we remember those going through some difficult times, as well as those who have some positive happenings in their life. As the Sunshine and Shadows chairperson, I'm asking you to let me know when someone needs a card to cheer them up or share their happy moments. We want to share a new grandchild, graduations, engagements, weddings, etc. with the other guild members, so please call me or email me with any news about a Guild member.

Thanks. Happiness to you, *Linda Gray*

I can be reached at (714) 777-9354 or cnlgray@earthlink.net

Please remember the following Guild members in your thoughts and, if you can, send them a card as they are dealing with difficult health issues and we're wishing them a speedy recovery and big get well wishes: Jennifer Beatty, Jo Casey and Margaret Gritton.

Our condolences to Marie Blash and her family on the loss of her Mother-in-Law, who passed away February 9th. We'll keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

Thank You!



Thank You!

I would like to recognize and thank the following people for helping at Road to California, either as white glovers or selling tickets for our Opportunity Quilt. Each of you did your task with professionalism and grace. The volunteer chairman was very pleased with our guild members who helped with this critical job.

Denise Howard helped set up the show on Wednesday.

Gale Licata, Carol Logue, Josie Smith, Carol Matthews, Joann Schaum, Diane Hoffman, and Mary Jane Lewis all worked the show on Thursday.

Corni Quinlivan and Peggy Schneider worked on Friday, and Nancy Henry worked on Sunday.

Linda Gray, Cathy Van Bruggen and Kathy Osgood helped me sell tickets for the Opportunity Quilt all day Thursday.

Thank you also to Linda Gray for taking the quilt to the North Cities Quilt Guild's meeting and selling tickets. Thanks, *Sally McKibben*

Glendale Quilt Show-Bus Trip

Our coach has been ordered for the trip to the **Glendale Quilt Show**. We will be going on **Friday, March 17, 2006**. We will meet at the church and leave at **8:00 a.m.** for the Burbank Airport Hilton and Convention Center. Return trip will **leave Burbank at 2:30 p.m. sharp**, in hopes of returning to the church by 4:00p.m. (remember traffic dictates the length of the return trip) The cost remains the same at **\$24**. Water will be available both ways and on our return we will have some treats. Anything you do not want to carry into the show may be left safely on the bus.

If for some reason you are unable to join us, please call Norma's cell phone **949-689-8217** between 7:30-8:00 a.m. on the day of the trip. If you have any questions about the trip, call Norma at home 949-673-9505 prior to that day.

** Remember on the day of the trip to park along the far wall of the church parking lot to leave room for regular church parking. Thanks Ladies, *Norma Millett*

Challenge 2006 "A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE"

Here are the rules for the Orange Grove Quilt Guild Challenge 2006

1. You must be a member of the guild (OGQG) to enter.
2. You will bring 3/4 yard of material (or 3 fat quarters) of novelty fabric to exchange for the challenge fabric and some goodies.
3. You will receive 1/2 yard of Hoffman specialty fabric plus a goodie.
4. You will need to add 2-3 buttons from your button box to your finished quilt.
5. Minimum size is 24"square, Maximum size????
6. You may **add a minimum of 2 fabrics** to the challenge fabric.
7. Your quilt must be completed and returned to the challenge director by the Sept 2006 meeting. It will be judged by the membership and prizes awarded.
8. Quilts will hang as a group at the OGQG quilt show in September.

**Remember to sign in each meeting when you have worked on your entry, for special prize drawings.

Any questions ???call me at (714) 776-7805 *Sally Lansing*

**Only 18
kits left !!**

2006 ANNUAL NEW MEMBER'S LUNCHEON REPORT

We had a great turnout for the 2005 New Member's Luncheon held at the clubhouse at Huntington Harbor Estates on February 10, 2006 put on by the guild board members. There were a total of 43 new members and board members who gathered to dine on a delicious lunch.

The clubhouse was decorated with a very festive red and white Valentine's theme.

The wonderful lunch consisted of a White and Wild Rice Chicken Casserole with artichoke hearts, green salad with lots of delicious topping and garlic toast was served. There was also lots of scrumptious desserts that were wonderful.

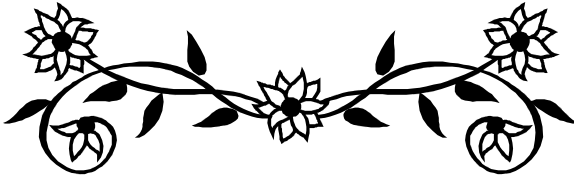
It was such a fun day. Jean Rosa made beautiful Valentine centerpieces which held very pretty miniature rose bushes, for each of the tables. At the conclusion of the luncheon, the following new members won the centerpieces: Phyllis Derigo, Ruth Cox, Peggy Walter, Sally Kuck, Mary Jo Freeman, Cynthia Schutz, Ginny Jimerson, Hilda Bunce, Jean Griffin and Peggy Schneider.

The following members coordinated the

New Member's Luncheon event:

Nancy Post Linda Gray Jean Rosa

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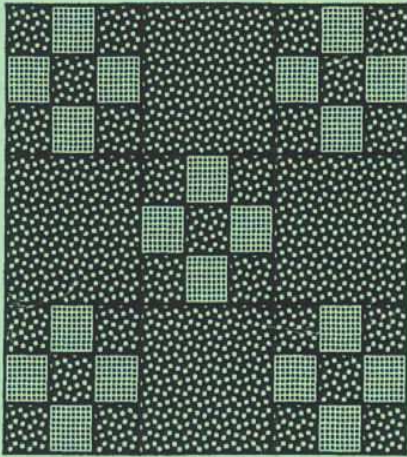
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March Block of the Month

Nine Patch 'O' the Green



Finished Block is 9" x 9"

Fabric: Choose a dark to medium green print
Choose a light green print

Cutting from the dark: Cut 4 squares 3 1/2 inches
Cut one strip 1 1/2" wide and 9" long
Cut two strips 1 1/2" wide and 16" long

Cutting from the light: Cut one strip 1 1/2" wide and 16" long
Cut two strips 1 12" wide and 9" long

1. Sew 16" strips together dark-light-dark.

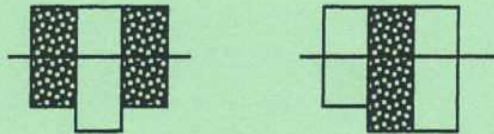


2. Sew 9" strips together light-dark-light



3. Press seams toward center.

4. Sub cut these strips into 1 1/2" sections.



5. Join as shown in the diagram.

6. Join the blocks just made with the plain patches.



QUILT SHOW 2006 REPORT FOR OUR SHOW.

2006 FALL FANTASY OF QUILTS

Friday, September 29 and Saturday, September 30, 2006

The next quilt show meeting will be held on March 31 at 9:30, at the home of Nancy Post.

If you are interested in working on the quilt show, please contact me and I can let you know what help we need and which chairperson to contact. As always, we need all members to be involved in the show, as possible, to make it a success.

Please be sure to work on your beautifully quilts to hang in the show. We want to show off the excellent talent of our guild members!

Also, please work on quilts for the auction. We could also use table runners, wall hangings, baby quilts, placemats and any other quilted items that would be good to put in the auction.

We will have more and complete detailed information next month. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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NOTICE Help! Help! Help!



I am requesting a committee of members to assist me at the beginning of the meeting, and/or during the speaker presentation. Duties include, setting up 2 quilt racks, placing quilts on them, assisting the speaker with patterns she has to sell, holding quilts during the program and packing up when she is done. The more members we have, the more we can rotate the duties, so you aren't working every meeting.

Benefits: you get to meet the speaker personally, handle the quilts and see them up close, and you get first chance at the patterns! I REALLY need the help. Contact Sally McKibben