



# Stitch 'n Times

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## president's message

July was a sad month with the loss of two of our members, Katie Alix and Martha Mattes. They were both vital and well loved by the guild and will be missed.

July was a busy month with the Sonoma County Fair. We had numerous ribbon winners and many workers demonstrating quilting. I have to say the corn dogs were a disappointment this year, but all in all a happy time. The fifth Thursday retreat was a success with many people working together to make community quilts, wheelchair bags for the veterans and boutique items.

July was a profitable month with donations of fabric, quilts and money coming in from all over the Bay Area from people who read about Lavella's Jefferson Award in the SF Chronicle. We sold lots of opportunity quilt tickets and boutique items at various venues thanks to many hard working volunteers.

So the guild is thriving with new people and new ideas. As usual, I'm looking forward to what's to come.

Happy quilting.



Pam McVey

## august programs and workshops

### LECTURE AUGUST 21 , 2008 ~ "SHORT ATTENTION SPAN QUILTING"



Linda Schmidt will present "Short Attention Span Quilting," included with this talk is more laughter, a few tears, a bit of poetry, and many thanks for the quilters who do traditional quilts so that I don't have to. Over 40 real quilts will be shown.

From Linda's website:

*"I am a prolific quilter and garment designer, and have been learning about them, making them, and teaching about them for over 20 years, using almost every technique there is."*

### WORKSHOP AUGUST 22 , 2008 ~ "THREADS AT PLAY"

**Threads at Play** is the workshop for Friday, August 22. In this one-day version of Filament Fantasy, the student will jump right into doing appliqué, reverse appliqué, using decorative threads and decorative stitches, two threads through the same needle, using fused painted webbing and foil, doing cutwork and free motion embroidery on Solvy, and experimenting with various other techniques. This is a fast-paced workshop for the adventurous at heart, more of a process than a product class, and some techniques will be demonstrated only.

**\$10 kit fee in addition to supply list.**

Sign up for this workshop at guild or contact Mary Wood at [quilter\\_mama@yahoo.com](mailto:quilter_mama@yahoo.com). Supply lists are found on line on the guild's webpage.

The workshop will be held at Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Ave., Santa Rosa from 9:00 am to 3 pm.



Denise Raney, Programs and Mary Wood, Workshops

# Don't forget to visit our website for the latest news!

## technique sharing workshops


We have had a great line-up of Technique Sharing Workshops (TSW's) this summer, thanks to all our great member-teachers: Barbara Youngblood, Phyllis Gallaway, Doris Maneke, Linda Morand, Marilyn Swanson and Mitzi Dowling.

Coming up September 4th, Juanita Campbell will teach us to make a SHEER HAWAIIAN WALL-HANGING with no needle-turn appliqué. This method uses organza over the specially cut traditional Hawaiian design so that no raw edges are exposed (you may download a supply list from the TSW page on the SRQG website or pick one up with a pattern from the TSW binder).

On September 18th, after the Founders' Day Luncheon, we can be inspired through CREATIVITY & MIND-MAPPING with Suzanne Havens (Sharon Fry's sister!). Suzanne explains, "Mind-mapping is great for brainstorming, whether you are problem solving for a new quilt, a quilt you've almost given up on, or a problem in everyday life." Bring a notebook or sketchbook, and a pencil!

TSW's are free and take place after most meetings, starting about 30 minutes after the regular meeting ends. Check out the TSW board at the back of the room for more information and to sign up for upcoming workshops. Most information is also on the TSW page on our website.

I'm looking for someone to work with me on TSW's next year. Please let me know if you can help!

 Tera Antaree



## community quilts

I am impressed with how well the community quilts program is doing. So far this year I have delivered 799 quilts. We had a great time at the 5th Thursday retreat. We worked on a lot of quilts and Cora was there with the wheel chair bags and we also worked on those. So far 100 bags have been delivered to the Veterans Home in Yountville. I think the 5th Thursday at the Burbank Center is working well. We had about 25 members come and sew and that was a good sized group. If any others want to join us there will be another 5th Thursday in October. We will also have our quilt-a-thon on October 2nd. If you have any quilt tops or finished quilts please be sure to bring them in so we can have them ready for the quilt-a-thon and retreat day. The hat group has been doing a wonderful job staying up with the need for the baby hats.

**799**  
**QUILTS**

I want to thank them for making the little hats. They are so sweet and look so cute on the little babies. I am getting ready to ship more quilts to the Wounded Warrior program at Camp Pendleton so if you have a quilt for that program please bring it in. With all of us working together we are having a great time and doing a wonderful job for our community. Many thanks to all of you.



Lavella Cassinelli

## Board Meeting

Thursday August 28th at 10:00 am  
Family Room, Scottish Rite Temple

## Meeting Minutes

The minutes of our meetings can be found at the Library table or on our website. Please review them and report any corrections to Pam McVey or Linda Emis..



## Founder's Day Luncheon

Thursday, September 18th

Presentation of awards

County Fair Winners

Guild challenge quilts revealed

Food, decorations and volunteers are needed

Contact Barbara Cortelyou

Don't miss our 32nd Birthday Celebration!

### pointless sisters

The Pointless Sisters art quilt group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Luther Burbank Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Avenue in Santa Rosa. The group shares their work, discusses new trends and art quilt techniques, provides education programs and sponsors challenges. All guild members interested in art quilting are invited to join us at our June 24th meeting. The annual membership fee is \$30.

 Linda Sims

### pixel ladies presentation

The Pointless Art Quilt Group is hosting a Pixel Ladies Trunk Show. The Pixel ladies will discuss how photographic images can be enlarged and transferred on to quilt fabric using archival inks. The presentation will be at 1 p.m. on August 26 at the Luther Burbank Garden Center 2050 Yulupa Avenue in Santa Rosa. There is a \$5 program fee to attend. For information about the Trunk Show contact Linda Sims at 707-578-2269 or

email [dreamgarden2@comcast.net](mailto:dreamgarden2@comcast.net) .

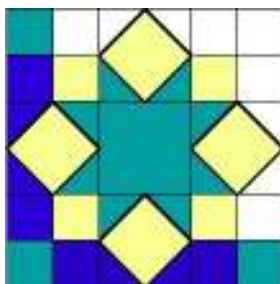
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### block of the month

This year we've gathered our stardust not from the current Perseid Meteor Showers but from scrap fabrics! So far this year we've sewn **Sawtooth**, **Friendship**, **Chained**, **Pinwheel**, **Flower**, and **Sea Stars**. When guild members turn in sewn blocks for the monthly drawing, the winner has a set of self-sashed blocks.

The July B.O.M., **Red, White & Blue 4th of July Scrap Star**, will be drawn at the August 21st meeting.

Next we are sewing a beautiful **Blue & Aqua Rolling Scrap Star** shown here and the drawing will be at the business meeting on September 4th.



Our Block of the Month patterns can be found on our website [www.santarosaquiltguild.org](http://www.santarosaquiltguild.org).

The schedule of remaining due dates for the Block-of-the-Month for 2008:

- August 21st - BOM July Block due
- September 4th - BOM August Block due
- September 18th - GUILD CHALLENGE "Vote 2008" Quilted Items due
- October 2nd - BOM September Block due
- November 6th - BOM October Block due
- December 4th - BOM November Block due
- January 8, 2009 - BOM December Block due

Happy Sewing!



Kathy Hannan

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### 2008 guild challenge

Three times this year we have the opportunity to express our citizen's right to vote at the polls-- February, June and November! Now honor your many freedoms with a free expression in quilting. The Challenge to our Guild this year is to quilt any item, any size, any colors, any way. The only requirement is that you include the words VOTE and 2008.

Bring your quilted item to the Guild Founder's Day Luncheon on September 18th, complete a card and pin a number to your piece, then enjoy the display of our freedom to express ourselves in quilting. Who knows—yours may be voted the choice of the Guild!

For more information contact Kathy Hannan, Joanie Bellinghausen or Carolle LeMonnier.

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### moonlight quilters

Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County is an evening quilt guild meeting on the first and third Wednesdays of each month except July and August at 7:00 pm at the Veteran's Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa.



#### **Coming in November:**

Joe Cunningham ~ "Musical Quilt Show" see his website: [Joe the Quilter](http://www.joethequilter.com) for more information.

## library news

I was recently chatting with one of our newer guild members about the library and was reminded about how much there is to learn about all that goes on at our guild. It can be overwhelming, but if one gives it a chance, it can be a wealth of information. As with any subject in life – don't hesitate to ASK for help when you are with fellow guild members. The person may know just what book you need, or how to baste a quilt, or how to make that delicious dessert you sampled from the buffet table (or may know the person to direct you to). Remember – we all had a first day (or first year, or first decade) at quilt guild!

Here are our newest books – with lots of dots and dashes in my typing. Yea – I passed high school English classes way back when, but this has become my style as I type those quick e-mails. Just fill in the blanks for me so that I can get back to reading those new books and maybe even find time to sew once in a while!

**LOG CABIN QUILTS WITH ATTITUDE – A NEW TWIST ON AN OLD FAVORITE** by Sharon V. Rotz – You are probably wondering if we don't already have enough books in our library about log cabin quilts, but when I saw the cover of this book I just knew we had to have it. I did judge the book by the cover, and I was very favorably rewarded. I am definitely putting an “\*” next to this title on my book list. (By the way – I carry two hard copies of the library book list in my big guild bag, one alphabetized by title, the other author. Also, the lists are on the laptop computer that I set up at the back of the room. Everyone is invited to paw through the lists to help find just what we are searching for.) The cover quilt, titled “Freedom Quilt” is appropriately named as there are no seams to match. It is constructed of scraps, and the colors are rich and exciting. Some of the blocks start out with a triangle, or two half-square triangles, or a star, a rectangle, a flying goose unit, or another shape besides the usual square “chimney.” I think this would make a great group project, or maybe a guild “Friendship Block” quilt. If you can get past the first quilt, then you will also find a “Patio Party” quilt featuring colorful lanterns hanging from woven ric-rack, tote bags, place-mats, a “butterfly” pillow (you will have to check out the book to find out what this butterfly pillow is – page 95) – and all with different color combinations to give you lots of ideas. When you check this book

out, be sure to return it to the next meeting as I am sure there will be a very long reserve list. In fact, a good policy – keep all the books circulating! There is no limit to the number of books you can check out – but please remember to return them at the very next meeting.



**HAND-APPLIQUED QUILTS – Whimsical Designs & Simple Techniques** by Tonye Belinda Phillips – Purchased for our library from the author (and autographed!), hot off the press, at Sisters, by Phyllis Gallaway.

**ONE-PATCH QUILTS – A New Twist on One-Patch Piecing** by Louisa L. Smith and Lisa Harris – Louisa, famous for her two books about Strips 'N Curves, entertained us at guild recently with her beautiful quilts. She has teamed up with her daughter to bring us a very different process from her other books. Once again, lovely quilts, but I warn you: NOT quick to make. This book also was picked up for us by Phyllis Gallaway, and she also had it signed.

**THE ART & EMBROIDERY OF JANE HALL – Reflections of Nature** by Jane Hall – Lynne Atkinson found this while cleaning out her large library. This is not technically a quilting book, but I am going to file it under “Embellishing” as it will give us ideas how to create beautiful fanciful butterflies, flowers, mermaids, fish, and more. Even if you never plan on embroidering, this book is absolutely wonderful to read and study the photographs of the beautiful projects. I would really like to meet the author as she must be a lovely person.

**THE QUILTER'S CATALOG – A Comprehensive Resource Guide** by Meg Cox – Melissa Trunick donated this brand new book to our library. I cannot believe all of the information that is included in just one book, and organized in an easy manner for quick reference. It is a book that could also be read from cover to cover by people new to the quilt world for a very fine education on the topic.

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### friendship blocks

We have a new friendship block to do! The block theme is "Birdhouses", for Marian Fryer. Using your preferred method of appliqué or piecing, create a house for your favorite feathered friend on a 100% cotton, off-white/beige background. The size can be anywhere from 6 ½ to 12 ½ inches square or rectangular, which ever you choose. To sign up for one of these fun blocks, come see me at the meeting for a list of instructions, or email me and let me know you would like to do one and get the instructions off of the Friendship Block page of our website.

We still have a few spaces left to do a "Sonoma County" themed block for Denise Raney and a "Star" block for Kathy Hannan. Also, I am accepting requests for blocks to be done.

I know we have a lot of new members, so I will briefly explain how the Friendship Block program works:

Anyone can make one of the requested blocks without further obligation to the program. Sometimes a certain theme will spark an idea and you want to make one, or you may like to try a new method without obligating yourself to a whole quilt, or perhaps one of your friends has requested a block and you would like to make it for that person. Making a Friendship block is also a fun way to get to know others in the guild.

To request a block to be made for yourself from others, you must first make 3 blocks for other participants. You are then eligible to submit a request for blocks to be made for you. A maximum of 20 blocks can be requested or received. The block recipient must payback into the program the number of blocks received. For example, a member makes 4 blocks for other people, then hands out block directions for themselves, they then owe 16 blocks back into the program. Once the blocks have been paid back, the member must make 3 more blocks before they are eligible to hand out a request for blocks again.

I am always happy to answer any questions you might have, or help you get started. Come see me at the meetings or contact me by email.

Thank you for participating in this program.



Linda Hooper

### *Library News continued*

NEUTRAL ESSENTIALS WITH ALEX ANDERSON – 7 Quilt Projects, 3 Keys to Fabric Confidence, Fat-Quarter Friendly – by Alex Anderson – Requested by Joanie Bellinghausen – Bright, wild and crazy colors are exciting, but Alex shows that beiges, grays, and whites are elegant, calming, and also can be exciting.

SUPER SIMPLE QUILTS WITH ALEX ANDERSON & LIZ ANELOSKI – 3 Quilts (in 3 Sizes), 1 Supply List – The title says it all! Also requested by Joanie Bellinghausen.

JELLY ROLL QUILTS – The Perfect Guide to Making the Most of the Latest Strip Rolls by Pam and Nicky Lintott – I have placed an "\*" on my master book list next to this title, not because it has any especially new or different techniques, but because this is going to be a valuable book on the bookshelf to flip through when one wants to make "something." The seventeen patterns are not new, but old favorites, and definitely not difficult, but look great. I really do not think that we have to start with purchased Jelly Rolls, but can collect strips of fabric from our own scrap boxes.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you think of something we should have in our library.



Sharon 'The Librarian' Fry

### community smart card

Don't forget to use your Community Smart cards at the following merchants: Oliver's Market, Toyota Service Department, Friedman's Home Improvement, and many more. Merchants participating will make a donation in your name to our guild. To see a full list of merchants go to SRQG website blog or ask your local merchant if they participate. Check your card to see if it is expiring soon and email me for a new card. I will be ordering cards in September. Get a Community Smart Card and participate in this fund raiser by contacting me at guild meetings or by email at [dreamgarden2@comcast.net](mailto:dreamgarden2@comcast.net).



Linda Sims

## 2008 executive board

	<b>2008 ELECTED BOARD</b>		
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Block of the Month	Tomi Godwin	Publicity*	Jenine Giblin
	Kathy Hannan	Sunshine	Tera Antaree
	Justine Lott	TSW (Tech. Sharing)	Janet Shore
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Friendship Blocks *	Linda Hooper		
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\* Standing Committee

# Don't Forget!

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- LIBRARY BOOKS • LUNCH • NO PETS • NO PERFUME •

## srqg 2008 calendar

### AUGUST

#### 21 Program Meeting

Linda Schmidt ~"Short Attention Span Quilting"  
Nickel Swaps with Kathy Hannan

#### 22 Workshop

Linda Schmidt ~"Threads At Play"  
Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa  
Avenue, Santa Rosa.

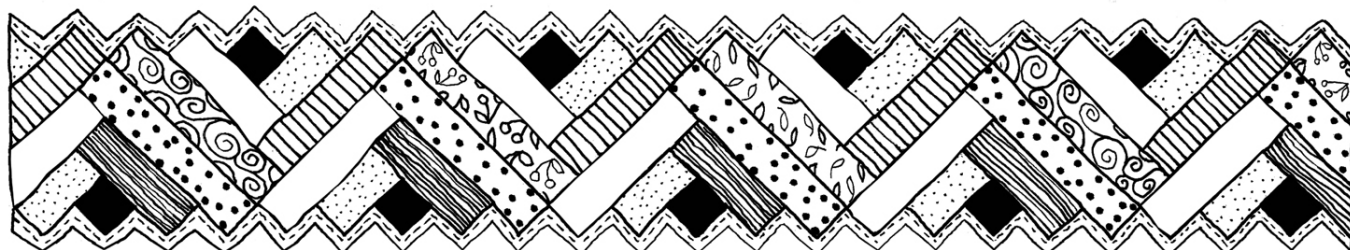
### SEPTEMBER

#### 4 Business Meeting

TSW: Juanita Campbell ~ Sheer Hawaiian Wallhang-  
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#### 18 Founder's Day Luncheon

Honors presented to SRQG award winners  
County Fair Winners presented and honored  
Nickel Swaps with Kathy Hannan  
TSW: Suzanne Havens ~ Mind Mapping





# Quilt Shows and Places To Go

Sept. 1 - Nov. 2:

San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles  
 Charged Sites: Radka Donnell's Art Quilts  
 San Jose, CA

Quilt Auction

Benefitting Sutter Medical Center Foundation  
 Online Auction opens September 1, 2008  
<http://www.suttermedicalcenter.org/quiltauction/>

Sept. 13-14:

"Grapevine Quilt Rally"  
 Grapevine Quilters of Mendocino County  
 Ukiah Valley Conference Center  
 Ukiah, CA  
[holdenp@pacbell.net](mailto:holdenp@pacbell.net)

Sept. 21:

"Wine, Women & Quilts"  
 Justin Siena High School, 4026 Maher St.  
 Napa Valley Quilters  
 Napa, CA  
<http://www.napavalleyquilters.org/>

Sept. 20-21:

"Quilts and Threads Show"  
 Sierra Quilt Guild  
 Sonora, CA  
<http://www.sierraquiltguild.com/quiltshow.html>

Oct. 4-5:

"Falling Leaves Quilt Show"  
 Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild  
 Lake County Fairground  
 Lakeport, CA  
<http://www.llqg.org/quiltshow.htm>

Oct. 4:

Autumn in the Alps Quilt Show  
 Weaverville, CA downtown

<http://www.shasta.com/suesgoodco/quilts/>

Oct. 4-5:

"Fall Quilt Show"  
 Loose Threads Quilt Guild  
 Valley Springs, CA  
<http://www.loosethreadsquiltguild.com/index.html>

Oct. 16-19:

Pacific International Quilt Festival  
 Santa Clara Convention Center  
<http://www.quiltfest.com/activities.asp?id=7>

Oct. 17-19:

"Autumn Splendor"  
 River City Quilt Guild  
 Scottish Rite Masonic Center, Sacramento  
<http://www.rivercityquilters.org/>

Oct. 31, Nov. 1-2:

"Mountain Heirloom Quilt Faire XXXI"  
 Independence Hall Quilters  
 Ironstone Vineyards, Murphys, CA  
 For more information please Google the show, links are not working.

Nov. 1-2:

"Silver Legacy~25th Anniversary Quilt Show"  
 Tokay Stitch 'n' Quilt Guild  
 Lodi, CA  
<http://www.tokaystitchnquilt.org/>



But Wait!  
There's Even More Fun Stuff  
Coming Up in 2009!

Road to California  
January 15-18, 2009  
Ontario Convention Center  
Ontario, CA  
<http://www.road2ca.com/>

Out of Hand and Heart A Quilt Retreat  
April 26-30, 2009  
Cambria Pines Lodge, Cambria, CA  
<http://www.sandyturner.com/retreats.html>

French Art & Textile Tour  
The Riviera and Provence  
May 8—21, 2009  
For more information:  
<http://www.jeannemillstours.com/>

Alegre Retreat: An Art Quilter's Retreat  
May 31 - June 5, 2009  
Katie Pasquini-Masopust & Fran Skiles  
Gateway Canyons Resort  
Gateway, CO  
For More information, please see calendar of  
events at the resort's website—links are not  
working.

Quilting to the Baltic Capitals  
Featuring Linda Ballard  
September 7-19, 2009  
Kathleen's World of Travel  
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