



Sierra Mountain Quilters Newsletter

Next meeting **January 3, 2019**

Oakhurst Community Center Pavilion

Greeters: **Material Girls Circle**

Doors open at 5:30, Meeting begins at 6:00

Program: **Cuddle Quilts Sewing**

January Meeting

Happy New Year!

Hope your holidays were wonderful.

It's time to think of New Year Resolutions. Since I can't stick to losing weight or getting more exercise even once a week, I'd rather call them plans, goals and expectations (PG&E).

This month, January 3, the meeting will be kept very short, so we can get to the program which will be Cuddle Quilts. The goal is 12 stations with cutting, sewing, pressing and quilting. If you can bring a machine, please, contact Betsy Anne. Cutting & pressing stations will be provided. Come sew, visit with friends and share your New Year's PG&E's.

This is a great opportunity to get free motion quilting skills dusted off for Intermediate Quilting with Jenny Lyon in February. The program is "Quilting is a Contact Sport." The workshop is "Fearless Fills & Frills" on February 8. The cost is \$35 to members.

John Egbert will present a trunk show at the March 7 meeting with a workshop on March 8 entitled "Grand Convergence Quilt." Cost is \$35 to members.

We'd like to thank Mel Peters for taking sign-ups and payment for workshops during 2018. The circle, Anything with Fabric, has volunteered to staff the sign-up table.

Laura Fisher

Installation of Officers



Patty Spinelli, president; Betsy Anne Youngholm, 1st vice president, Deb Austin, 2nd vice president and Kay Marshall, treasurer, are sworn in by Diane Martin at the December meeting.



Patty Spinelli, Betsy Anne Youngholm, Deb Austin and Kay Marshall take their oath of office on a stack of fabric at the December meeting.

Sierra Mountain Quilters Association

December 6, 2018

General Meeting Minutes

President Rhonda Lloyd called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and led the flag salute. She expressed appreciation for greeters Virginia Corriea and Sharon Cox and recognized Penni Simily and the Bits and Pieces Circle for the holiday decorations and table set up.

Rhonda announced the proposed new format for circles to take responsibility for hospitality and greeter functions at monthly meetings. Material Girls have volunteered for the January meeting.

Nancy Swanson made a motion to accept the November General Meeting Minutes as published in the newsletter and Wendy Holt seconded the motion. Minutes for November were approved by the membership. There were no questions or corrections to the Treasurer's report as printed in the December newsletter. The Treasurer's report was therefore filed for audit as submitted.

President Rhonda Lloyd announced that there would be no Board Meeting in December. Members were reminded to get their packet of Opportunity Quilt raffle tickets from Laura Ashley-Spencer.

Rhonda also announced that there have been no requests for a Community Quilt. The new 2nd Vice President co-chairs will consider other community projects and suggestions should be submitted in writing to Joanie Madaus or Deb Austin for consideration.

Helen Brown reported for Membership, with one new member present. Door Prize drawings were held.

Betsy Anne Youngholm described the current cuddle quilt distribution with a total of 175 cuddle quilts distributed in 2018. She announced that Cuddle Quilt Sewing will be held as usual at Bear Paw on Tuesday, December 18th at 10:30 a.m.

Betsy Anne also noted that the January meeting program will be Cuddle Quilt Sewing and she will be requesting members to bring their machines to that meeting. The February meeting will have Jenny Lyons as presenter with a workshop to follow on Friday, February 8th.

First Vice President Penni Simily was recognized for her service over the past two years as 1st Vice President of SMQA.

Members who had completed the Row by Row project and the Mystery Quilt from 2018 were invited to reveal their quilts.

For the Quilt Show committee, Betsy Blum requested that members who were going to Road to California next month sign up to sit with the Opportunity Quilt and sell raffle tickets on Friday, January 25, 2019.

Diane Martin performed the installation of the incoming 2019 Board Members who were present:

President Patty Spinelli; First Vice President Betsy Anne Youngholm; Second Vice President Deb Austin; Treasurer Kay Marshall (absent: Secretary Laura Gonzalez)

The business portion of the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

The next SMQA General Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 3rd at 6:00 p.m. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Betsy Anne Youngholm for Laura Gonzalez, Secretary

January Birthdays

Spinelli, Patty	1/4
Wear, Colette	1/5
Pennington, Linda	1/6
Madaus, Joanie	1/7
Mellana, Susan	1/10
Archibald, Dianne	1/13
Smith, Marsha	1/23
Hudson, Chris	1/30
Spears, Bev	1/31

We wish you all a very Happy Birthday!

The birthday ladies are requested to bring snacks to share for our January meeting.



Treasurer's Report

by Kay Marshall

November 2018

(Checking Account)

Balance Forward (11/1/18)	\$ 4,825.92
Deposits	\$ 2,071.00
Expenses	\$ 3,212.88
 Bank Balance (11/30/18)	 \$ 3,684.04
CD:	\$16,903.52
Savings:	\$18,195.05

Amenities

Cards were sent to:

Donna Henning	Thinking of You
Diane Ward	Get Well
Sally Walker	Get Well
Joanie Madaus	Get Well
Chris Hartseveldt	Get Well

Contact **Linda Miller** if you know a member who would appreciate us thinking of them.

January Holidays

Jan 1	New Year's Day
Jan 6	Epiphany
Jan 7	Orthodox Christmas Day
Jan 13	Stephen Foster Memorial Day
Jan 21	Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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Opportunity Quilt Organized by: Carol Vierra
Quilted by: Brandy Rayburn

Quilting Circles

January 2019

by Marian Romero



Anything with Fabric meetings are on the first and third Thursday of the month, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Oakhurst Library Community Room. New Members are always welcome. Contacts:

Rhonda Dewey and Constance Peterson

Bits & Pieces meets at Nancy's, January 2, 11:00 a.m. to plan our 2019 schedule and discuss new ideas and techniques to try for the new year. Bring show and tell, ideas and place mats.

Footloose will meet at the studio on January 7 (Monday) and January 22 (Tuesday). We will set the calendar for the year and discuss ideas for a group project. Bring Show & Tell.

Material Girls will meet on Tuesday January 8 at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Peggy McKnelly. There will be a project with info coming soon. Bring your show and tell.

Sew Crafty Quilters. No meeting this month.

Sew Thrilled will meet Friday January 11 at Marian's home and will decide on location for meeting on the 25 at that time. Any questions call Linda Pennington.

Thursday Thimbles. will not be meeting this month due to those going to the Road to California to help out SMQA.

YoYo's. had a delightful Christmas luncheon at the reopened China Delight, under new management. Part of our annual celebration is scheduling gathering dates in 2019. Our year will start out at my house (Vivian) on January 21. Hopefully, amongst all the chatter, we might even set a quilting goal. We all seemed to have gone astray in 2018. We hope to be back on quilting tract in 2019. Happy New Year to everyone, see you in the New Year! The YOYO's.

CUDDLE CORNER

Good wishes to all as we welcome in the New Year. As in past years, January's SMQA meeting agenda will largely consist of Cuddle



Quilt sewing. A large selection of fabric and plenty of table space will be available. There will be kits to take home with you as well.

My thanks to all the members for their support of this program during the past year. I know Joanie and Deb can look forward to your enthusiasm in 2019 as they take over their responsibilities as Second Vice Presidents.

Betsy Anne

Spring Retreat

The Spring Retreat is just around the corner. A reminder to everyone that has signed up we will be collecting your money at the January SMQA meeting. We are almost filled to capacity. We still have a couple of openings, then we will start a waiting list.



The retreat is March 7th thru 10th. The cost is \$339 for a double room, \$279 for a quad room and \$32 per day for day campers.

Lots of sewing to do and, of course, lots of fun to be had by all. If you have any questions call Georgia Harvey at 877-2674 or Betty Fish at 877-4197.

Georgia and Betty

President's Notes

I hope you all had a nice Christmas.

I am looking forward to serving as your president for the next year. I'm excited for us all to get to know each other and to have a year of fun.

Thank you to Rhonda and her board for a great 2018. I also would like to thank all the board members who stayed on to serve for another year. Thank you to the new members of the board for taking this opportunity to service the SMQA.

We have a few goals for this Year:

- To make everyone feel welcome and know this is your guild
- Your input is very important and as well as your vision for the guild
- Get more people involved in the leadership of the guild.

There will be no show and tell at the January meeting

On a personal note: I will not be at the January meeting as I will be celebrating my 50th wedding anniversary with my family.

See you in February,

Patty Spinelli

Save this Date!

Start filling in that new 2019 calendar with
Fall Retreat at ECCO September 16-19, 2019



Member Opportunity

Looking for a place in SMQA? Newsletter Editor gives you the opportunity to be on the inside of the operations of the guild. This position requires attendance at the monthly board meetings and working closely with Membership and Historian.

Requirements: Basic knowledge of Microsoft Word. Present editor will train you on current newsletter production.

Time: varies from month to month. Average is 6-10 hours/month (that's only about 2 hours per week!).

Interested? Contact Linda Pennington

December Christmas Event





Sierra Mountain Quilters Association 2019 Membership Form

Your membership dues support the many functions of SMQA including: meetings, speakers, workshops, newsletter, website, quilting retreats, circles, Biennial Quilt Show and fellowship.

Membership: *(Please circle one)*

Individual Membership: \$25

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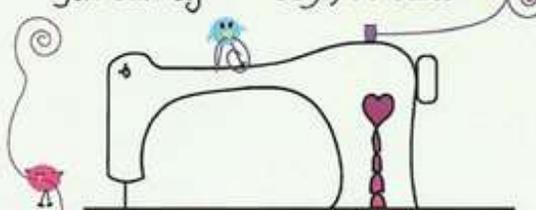
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BADGE AT THE NEXT MEETING!**

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Patty Spinelli
First Vice President	Betsy Anne Youngholm & Laura Fisher
Second Vice President	Deb Austin & Joan Madaus
Treasurer	Kay Marshall
Secretary	Laura Gonzalez

Board Meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at Yosemite Bank Community Conference Room.

Send Newsletter submissions to lpenni@sti.net
Deadline is 20th of each month.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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