

Nov/Dec 2018, Volume 19, Issue 5

Mailing address: P.O. Box 3121, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

Meetings are held at 10:00 a.m., the second Saturday of each month at UCR Palm Desert, 75080 Frank Sinatra Drive at Cook Street

Website:

www.cvquiltguild.org

MISSION STATEMENT: The purpose of the Coachella Valley Quilt Guild is to promote the appreciation of quilting, share and uphold the heritage of a timeless folk art, and to further the education and skill levels of the members of the Guild.

President's Message

Can you believe it is that time of the year already? No matter how far ahead I start, I still have lots to do before the holidays get here. My daughter has placed her order for the things she is hoping I can make as gifts for her friends. I love doing it and they love the gifts.

Our November meeting is a very important meeting. The major change in the by-laws should be of interest to every member. The change of having the officer's terms starting in mid-calendar year will be a big benefit to both incoming and outgoing board members. There are just too many things that happen during the holidays. And having to take on a new position on the Guild's board could prove to be just too much. By having our term years start in mid-year rather than at the start of the calendar year, our hope is that the transition of officers will be much easier for all involved and totally seamless to the general membership. Thank you all in advance for your support.

I am really excited about our November speaker and our Round Robin after the meeting. The Round Robin is always one of my favorite things. For only \$5.00 you get 4 mini-classes. You can't beat that. It is always amazing to me to see the outstanding talent we have in our guild and the willingness of everyone to share their skills. The Round Robin is a perfect example.

This year's Holiday Lunch will be another great event. The location is outstanding and the Board has a few surprises up their sleeves that we think everyone will really enjoy. Thank you in advance for all of you who are busy making items for the boutique and putting together auction baskets. This is our major fund-raising event of the year. What could be better than having a great lunch, purchasing wonderful handmade items at bargain prices, and sharing a wonderful visit with great friends. I hope to see all of you there.

December marks the end of my first "official" year as president of the guild. It has been a wonderful year with lots of changes and some challenges. I cannot thank each of you enough for your personal support and feedback. The board and I are committed to continuing to provide the best programs, opportunities and experiences for each and every one of our members. We are looking forward to a wonderful 2019.

Wishing you all a very safe and happy holiday season and a prosperous New Year.

Karon Patterson
President

**Opportunity Quilt - Vice President
Linda Blake**

Some of you may not be aware that your membership provided you with two packs of tickets. If you haven't gotten yours yet, please stop by the Opportunity Quilt table at the meeting to claim yours.

Programs

PROGRAMS!

An exciting Fall schedule awaits!

November – Catherine Wilson

Paper piecing has been around for a long time, but the “Judy Niemeyer” (Quiltworx) paper piecing technique has been refining the process for over 20 years, and the result is an array of patterns and designs that often feature beautiful, long points and stars. A small number of certified instructors teach the technique all around the world, and we have the rare opportunity to see a Quiltworx trunk show by one of Judy Niemeyer’s top instructors. Catherine Wilson, a quilt designer and certified Judy Niemeyer instructor, started Queenie Quilts in 2010 as a means of providing quilters with world class instruction and custom-built kits to assist them in making their own Judy Niemeyer masterpiece. Visit Cat’s website at www.queeniequilts.com NOVEMBER ROUND ROBIN

November Round Robin

Join fellow guild members for two delightful hours after the Guild Meeting on Saturday, November 10 from 1pm to 3pm watching demonstrations of some easy and fun projects. You will go home with ideas and/or instructions on how to make: a tool holder, coiled basket, fabric box (great thread catcher among other things) and a four-in-one placemat. All of these projects make great gifts and items for the guild's boutique at the 2020 show.

Bring a quick lunch or bite to eat and join us after the guild meeting in November! It only costs \$5. Contact Kathleen Herring for more information.

Holiday Luncheon

Come to the November meeting prepared to make your reservation for the Holiday Luncheon. It is December 8th, 9:30 to 12:30 at the Bellatrix Restaurant at the Classic Club. The cost has been held at \$25 for another year. We will be drawing for the Opportunity Quilt, and taking part in Gift Basket Raffles and silent auctions for some really awesome hand made items.

If you can't make the November meeting, you can download the reservation form from our website.

www.cvquiltguild.org

COMING THIS SEASON!

January: Nancy Lee Chong – Hawaiian Appliqué Lecture and Class

February: Frieda Anderson – Lecture/Trunk Show and Autumn Mums Class

March: Joe Cunningham – Lecture/Trunk Show and Rock the Block Class

April: Robert Tucker – Lecture/Trunk Show

Sign up now! These classes are going to be popular!

Our program schedule is always available on our website: www.cvquiltguild.org

Membership Report Anita Holden

As we approach the end of the year, Directories and Membership Cards are still available. If you haven't picked yours up, please stop by the Membership table in the lobby before the meeting or during the break. If you are new or ordered a replacement name badge and haven't picked it up it is available at the Membership Table.

I have a couple of openings for volunteers for November and January. If you are able to help please sign up for a shift or 2. It's a good way to meet other members too. The sign-up sheet is at the Membership Table.

Special thanks to all the volunteers for September and October: Hazel Anderson, Darlene Estrella, Laura Fiedler, Mary French, Deb Gonzalves, Leslie Herbst, Lucy Jewkes, Jeanne Kinsey, Barbara Lightfoot, Treese Pflum, Patty Reyes, Moree Spurlock.

September meeting attendance was 73. There were 15 Guests. Nora Lagmay won the door prize.

October meeting attendance was 64. There were 10 Guests. Catherine Petitti won the door prize.

Dues are on a calendar year and we are now collecting Dues for 2019 at \$45 and includes 2 books of tickets for the 2019 Opportunity Quilt which will be available at the January 2019 meeting. Please note that dues need to be paid separately and not combined with any other payments. Dues must be paid by the January meeting for your name to be included in the Directory. You can mail your check made out to "CVQG" at:

CVQG Membership
PO Box 312
Rancho Mirage, CA 92270

**Sew What Table
Pene Owens**

This will be the last month that I host the Sew What Table. It has been a great job and fun to see what members and people from the outside have donated. Unfortunately donations are down and the stock of fabrics and quality are low. I will have everything out in November and we will have great/fair prices for all to get something they have to add to their stash.

If you have donations for the start of January's meetings please go to the website and reach out. By then someone will have stepped up and taken on the duties of the Sew What Table.

Thanks to all my helpers and all those who came and shopped in the past months and years. All the proceeds go to help the Guild bring in great Teachers and help keep the auditorium we meet in. Every dollar helps.

Pene Owens
Sew What Table

**New Member Lunch
Annie Houston**

New member lunches will begin again in January. Contact Annie Houston if you are interested or see her at the meeting.

Holiday Lunch Silent Auction

It is that time of the year again. The silent auction is nearing. I hope you are all working on your items to donate. I have at least two and possibly more. Please take your items to Monica's on Monday morning, let me know you have them to arrange pick up or bring them to the guild meeting in November. We have had such nice items donated for the past several years, I am sure this year will be as wonderful. Thanks ahead of time to all those who will donate - it makes our holiday party just that much nicer.

Please put your name on any item you donate, so that we know who provided it.

Janna Calkins JannaSCalkins@gmail.com

P.S. I will be in the desert Tuesday October 23 - looking forward to seeing everyone.
Thanks everyone!!!!

CALLING ALL HOLIDAY BASKETS!

Gather a group, choose a theme and design a basket for our Holiday Luncheon in December. Create a basket you would love to win in our Holiday Basket drawing. Please make sure all the items are new or unused. Sign ups will begin at our September meeting or you can contact Kathleen Herring at kathleen.herring@icloud.com It will be wonderful to see what you come up with this year!

Kathleen Herring

PARLIAMENTARIAN: LINDA CROWE

BYLAWS: Members should have the proposed new Bylaws. Please carefully review them and be ready to vote at the November general meeting. Voting will be by acclamation.

Earlier this year, members approved moving forward with a change in the timing of voting and installation of board members. Most of the Bylaws changes involve this.

In summary:

- we will ask for nominees beginning January, present nominees in March, vote in April, install May, and members begin their terms July 1 (we often do not have a formal meeting in June).
- The VP of Programs was added to Executive Board.
- Payment criteria for guild members making presentations at a meeting were clarified.
- Duties of Social Media Coordinator were clarified as well as Guild records management.

Once the bylaws are accepted by the vote in November, the final version will be included in the next newsletter and in the Guild membership directory.

Guild Committee Chairs:

Block-of-the-Month: Jerrilynn Williams

Facebook: Robert Tucker

Historian: Sharon Rooker

Newsletter: Pat Siegel

Philanthropy: Fran Jones

New Member Welcome: Annie Houston

Sew What Table: Pene Owen & Kim Carlson

Web Site Coordinator: Kathleen Herring

