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Come Up for Air!

**SLO Quilters Invite You
To the SCCQG July Meeting
Saturday, July 14th**

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

American Legion Hall
(behind the Vet's Hall)
1661 Mill St., San Luis Obispo, 93401

AND TO A Welcome Reception

Friday, July 13th, 7 to 9 p.m.

Hosted by **Betty's Fabrics** with refreshments provided by SLO Quilters

at Betty's Fabrics, 1229 Carmel St. in San Luis Obispo
Receive a 10% discount Friday evening!

PLEASE RSVP for **either or both** events to:

LindySullivan@aol.com

so we can be sure we have lots of food for everyone

To take advantage of the group rate at the Holiday Inn, located near the meeting site
at 1800 Monterey St, San Luis Obispo, CA, 93401,
Go to www.hisanluisobispo.com and add TQG as the Group Code

Our local quilt shops are listed at: <http://sloquilters.org/resources/local-shops.html>

July 14, 2012

San Luis Obispo Guild (SLO Quilters), San Luis Obispo

Location: American Legion Hall-Post 66 1661 Mill St, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Topic: Leadership - Hints and Help for board members and committee chairs

Hosted by San Luis Obispo Quilters (SLO Quilters)

Contact Lindy Sullivan, lindysullivan@aol.com for questions about the location and to let her know if your guild will be attending, including number of members

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Greetings Quilters and Friends,

Have you shared your leadership ability with other guild members, or are you one of those that keep information to yourself? If you are the former, thank you!! We need to pass along information to make our guilds run smoothly. The same thing goes for SCCQG. Our next meeting, on the Central Coast, is going to be fantastic. Yes, it will be quite a drive or train ride for some, but consider this, there has been a Representative from there at every meeting for years and years. The last time we had a meeting in that area I drove up on Friday and came home Sunday...bad move...traffic. This time it will be Thursday through Monday. So bring a friend, he/she doesn't have to be a quilter, just friendly and have some fun along our beautiful Central Coast. Our Leadership Meeting is always popular and spirited with our members. And if you have been to one before, please come again as each meeting is different. Between our Vice President, Patti Voyles and our host guilds an absolutely great experience has been planned for your pleasure.

Did you come to the Quilt Show, oops, Meet The Teachers last month? WOW! What a great experience! Congratulations to the event planners, Jean Kuper, Don Beld, Becky Miller and Patti Voyles. Each and every teacher and vendor personally thanked SCCQG for putting on the event. See you there next year as the Board has already booked the same venue for next year's Meet The Teachers event. Please let Jean Kuper know if you would like to be on her committee for the next MTT. Job well done!

Remember, YOU are the Leadership of your guild. Bring forward thinking ideas to our July 14 meeting and share your knowledge with the all of us.

Stay cool and keep the art of quilting alive by sharing your knowledge with others,

Kaaren Nowlin

PROGRAMS

What a fantastic setup for our "Meet The Teachers". Jean Kuper, Don Beld and Becky Miller deserve extra thanks for the work involved in making this happen. Thanks to go to Pam Overton who found the venue out of the many that were considered. Several of our member guilds had volunteered. It is a big undertaking, and I wanted to express thanks to all of you for being willing to take on this meeting.

For July, we have another favorite that continues to help the various leadership positions in our guilds learn more about their jobs and responsibilities. We can learn other ideas for ways to handle the things that come up day to day from each other. We are encouraging everyone – from your officers, your newsletter and webmasters, and even committee chairs to attend. For this one, please let us know which positions are interested in learning and sharing information so we can provide enough tables for the discussions. All data collected will be shared on the website for your future reference. This meeting will take place in San Luis Obispo. San Luis Obispo Guild (SLO Quilters), with the meeting to be held at the American Legion Hall-Post 66 on 1661 Mill St. If you have specific questions about the location, the available hotels or space for opportunity quilts please contact Lindy Sullivan at lindysullivan@aol.com. As a courtesy for the guild who will be preparing things for drink and brunch type snacking, please let her know if your guild will be attending, including number of members who will be attending.

Topic: Leadership in a Variety of Roles? This is a meeting for those who have been chosen to act as president, vice president programs, newsletter editor, and committee chairs in our local guilds.

Objective: Exchange of ideas on how to make it work, work better, change directions. This meeting has been very popular in the past and is a very successful place to exchange ideas and information for new and repeat positions in the guilds. We are all volunteers and making it work is important, especially if there are methods we can learn and pass on. Are there other guild positions that we should include in the discussions?

Send me the info at programs@sccqg.org and I will get back with you so it can be included!

For those who wish to come up a day early, SLO is working on getting us a group discount rate at a local hotel. Check SCCQG.org closer to July for more info. This hotel is next to the meeting hall just off the 101:

Holiday Inn
1800 Monterey St.
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
800-HOLIDAY (465-4329)
(805) 544-8600

Looking forward to our October 13th meeting, we will be taking a look at several of the legal issues that confront all of our guilds. The first are contracts with teachers and speakers and our venues, next the use and requirements for insurance, and last the IRS 503 (c) requirements. Don has published information for us to use in refiling or continuing to file to maintain this status. My home guild recently lost this status and is in the process of refiling. This is important on a number of levels. This meeting will be a little closer to most of us, in the Antelope Valley. Check the website under SCCQG meetings at the bottom of the main page for more details

- Patti Voyles

SCCQG Council Meeting, April 14, 2012

Meeting called to order by Kaaren Nowlin at 10:00. Welcome and Thank You to Becky, Jean and Don for organizing such a wonderful event. The response from teachers, vendors, and guilds has been tremendous. Also thanks to Pam Overton for finding this wonderful venue.

Secretary's Report Colleen Shier moved to approve the minutes. SCCQG Treasurer's Report - Don Beld stated that \$20,000 was moved from checking to savings.

Communications Committee - Working on our website and it is moving along nicely.

Jean Kuper got up to thank all attendees. She discussed the venue, teacher presentations and vendors.

Upcoming meetings:

San Luis Obispo will be July 14th and will be the Leadership meeting. The SLO Representative was introduced and welcomed all people interested in coming to the meeting. It was decided to postpone the start of the meeting on that day to 11:30 due to the distance many would have to travel.

October meeting will be in Antelope Valley and will discuss legal issues.

The dates of several quilt shows were discussed.

Leora Rakin expressed gratitude from all the teachers and guilds for such a well-organized and enjoyable event.

Meeting adjourned at 10:23.

- Denise Cohen

MEMBERSHIP

For those guilds who think they have paid and actually haven't:
Almond Country Quilt Guild
Dogwood Quilters
Hens and Chicks Quilt Fellowship
King River Quilt Guild
Los Angeles Quiltmakers
Pinnacle Quilters of San Benito County
Porterville Quilters
San Diego North Coast Knitters
School House Quilt Guild
Valley Quiltmakers Guild
Young Piecemakers

I hope you all get in your dues ASAP. The amount: \$30.00 plus \$2.75 per member for insurance. If not paid by June 20th, the non-paid guild will be removed from the data bank and website.

- Jan Steffen

Insurance

Some reminders regarding requesting an insurance certificate...

1) All requests must go through the insurance website.

<http://sccqginsurance.homestead.com/index.html>

Please complete all information including a fax number for your contact at the facility. If a fax number is not available, then an e-mail address. That's the fastest way to get the certificate to the person.

2) It's important that you take the time to read the contract and confirm the language that is required for the certificate. We have had all too many "go backs" to correct the language after the certificate is issued. We have instituted an administrative fee that will be charged to the guild if we have to re-issue a certificate to correct the language.

3) Request your certificates well in advance. Once you have your signed contract with the facility, request your certificate. 60 to 90 days from the event is optimum. 30 days or less is not. If there are problems, that leaves us little time to remedy those problems.

4) When the certificate is issued I receive a PDF copy of the certificate. That is forwarded to the guild contact immediately. You should receive that PDF file within a week or so of your request. If you don't, please follow up with me on your request.

5) If your facility requires a "proof of insurance" only, then you DO NOT need to send a copy of the contract.

6) If your facility requires a "proof of insurance with additional insured" we must have a copy (preferably electronic) of your contract before we can submit the request for the certificate. A scan of the contract is preferred but a hard copy will do. See mailing information below. Please let me know if you are sending it via the U.S. Postal System.

7) Some facilities do not provide a formal contract. In that case, please contact me and I will provide a letter format that they can use that will suffice.

8) Please do not request a "proof of insurance with additional insured" certificate unless your facility requires it. At the October meeting we'll talk about the differences between the two types of certificates.

9) When you submit your request for an insurance certificate, you should receive a reply from me within a few days. If you don't, then that may mean that the request did not go through properly. Please check with me. You may need to resubmit the request.

10) Please remember that we are ALL volunteers for our guilds and SCCQG. Please respect the fact that many of us work full time and cannot conduct SCCQG business (particularly on the telephone) during the work day. Phone calls are acceptable but after

normal business hours only.

The majority of the guilds have no problem requesting and receiving receiving insurance certificates, particularly when the requests are made with sufficient time to process them. If you don't submit your request until close in to the event you are risking that it will not be issued in time. While that hasn't happened yet, there have been some close calls.

While we used to receive the certificates back in almost real time (usually 24 hours or less), the insurance agent has changed their process and it now takes 2-3 days to receive the certificate. Add the time delay for you to send your contract and suddenly what seemed like sufficient time now has you pushed up close to the event. Please plan ahead and make this easy for all of us!

To the many proactive guilds that have planned ahead and submitted their requests with ample lead time, thank you!

My contact information is as follows:
Telephone: (310) 701-2706 (after business hours only, please)
E-mail: pamoverton@earthlink.net (while my work e-mail is listed on the websites, this is the best one to use to send the electronic versions of the contracts). Our corporate firewall blocks any PDF/scan attachments from outside.
Mailing address: 672 17th Street, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266.

- Pam Overton



Internet Sites You Might Want To Visit:

www.missingfabric.com ... a great place to go to when you need just a little more of a particular fabric you can't find in local stores. You can also add to their virtual inventory stash.

Barn Quilts - As you are traveling thru the central U.S. this summer you might be interested in traveling the Barn Quilt Trails. Instigated in 2001 by Donna Sue Groves, there are now over 400 barns, businesses and other buildings bedecked with large quilt block designs. Donna Sue along with Suzi Parron have written a book about the trails. More barn paintings are added each year. For some maps and locations check:

www.About.com.quilts . Also on the site are free block patterns and several how to videos.



SCCQG WEBSITE

Soon if not by the time you are reading this, your guild will be able to go online and update the guild information. Teachers and Vendors will be able to do the same. I will be taking a long deserved trip by 5th wheel to Canada and parts unknown for 3 months. Please email Bonnie Millage at queenbon@verizon.net for a log in and password. In the past I did not keep passwords or log ins. We will set up a database in our computers to keep track of passwords in case they are lost or forgotten or not passed on from rep to rep.

- Jan Steffen



Shop Hop ... Always a favorite thing to do in the summer months in Southern California. SCCQG hopes you will continue to support these and other area quilt shops.

VISIONS

Saturday, June 23rd, 2:00 p.m.
\$10 includes demo and admission to *Secrets & Stories*

Join Karen Cunagin when she demonstrates her "10 Best Ideas" for quilting, sewing, and the storage of quilts. Karen has a wealth of tips to share that she has gathered during her career as a professional quilter and quilting teacher. She has discovered new ways of using old products and has invented some handy solutions herself for using fabric and thread.

"Change Your Mind" by Karen Cunagin in *Secrets & Stories*

Print and clip this article from the Visions website and bring it with your name on the back for a chance to win a selection of unique, hand-dyed fabrics, a \$45 value.

Quilter's Children: well-educated young people who know better than to jump on the bed or use mom's scissors to cut construction paper.

Letter to SCCQG

I just wanted to send you a quick email to say thank you for your webpage (<http://www.sccqg.org/links>). My name is Michele, and I volunteer at a library where we host weekend activities for middle school aged children. Every year in June, we have a crafts week. We usually end up doing the same few projects year after year, so I thought doing some research would give me some new ideas. Your page had some great quilting resources that we will be able to share with the kids. Just wanted to say thanks for all the help! :-)

One of the girls in my group, Emily, found a great quilting resource during computer time that I thought I'd share with you, <http://www.personalcreations.com/blog/how-to-make-quilts> . Could you add this to your list of links? She's a little shy around the other kids, so I thought showing them all your page with her link on it would help her stand out a little more. Plus, I thought it would make a great addition for others looking for information.

If you have any ideas for our group, I'd love to hear them. Thanks again, and hope you have a great Memorial Day weekend!

Take care,
Ms. Michele Lannon

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Machine Quilting - Put your foot down and follow the curves of your fancy.

Rotary Cutter: a miracle invention that cures hand cramps and creates a 26 hour day.

San Diego Museum of Art: Summer Salon Series

The Quilt Conversation... During eight weeks over the summer, artist Andrew Printer, with Ann Olsen, will organize two groups of quilters to work at the Museum on Friday evenings and construct quilts that recall the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt. One group of quilters will consist of those that actually contributed to the original AIDS Quilt, with the other consisting of quilters too young to recall that important work. Each group will be audio recorded over the course of the summer, and their statements will eventually form the basis of a script, to be read at the last evening of the Summer Salon Series 2012. In addition, the completed quilts will be formally presented and hung in the rotunda of the Museum during the final evening. This work will take place in the Upper Rotunda.

An e-mail addendum:

I am participating with artist Andrew Printer whose project was accepted for the San Diego Museum of Art's Summer Salon Series. The Salon Series was developed by SDMA to develop a dialogue between contemporary art and a featured work from the museum's collection. You can check the SDMA website for more information but I have attached a copy of the synopsis from their website.

For Andrew's project two teams will each create a quilt that reflects upon the 1980's. His team will be creating a piece that reflects upon the AIDS Quilt. I am in charge of the team that will be creating a piece that reflects upon history and events of the 1980's. Both pieces will be created during seven consecutive Friday nights of the Salon Series beginning June 15th. Both quilts will involve collaboration between the teams and the public to make the piece and talk about their experiences and memories of the 1980's. The quilts will be completed by the teams and hung in the museum lobby during the month of August. Andrew will record the discussion between the

public and the team participants during the seven Friday evenings. These recordings will become the basis for a dramatic performance that will be presented on August 31st.

For my team, 6 quilter/artists will each create a 24" wide by 36" long panel featuring a theme from the 1980's. The 6 panels will be bordered with 6" square blocks that will be made by the public and volunteers during the 7 consecutive Friday nights. Each panel will have to conform to the chosen 1980's color palette plus black and white, but may reflect upon any event, person, or theme of the 1980's. The materials for the project will be provided. *In addition I am recruiting participants to help make the 6" blocks and interact with the public on the Friday evenings.*

These are the 4 confirmed panel themes:
Karen Cunagin: Ronald Reagan theme
Nelda McComb and Sandy Wasson: Mount Saint Helens theme
Ann Olsen: Fall of the Berlin Wall theme
Sheila Rideout: Feminism in the 1980's theme

I also have about 16 more people who have agreed to participate on selected Friday evenings.

Each panel participant and those who volunteer for at least two evenings for 3 hours will receive a SDMA membership. The 24 x 36" panel artists will be recognized in the Museum as participating artists.

Two more 24 X 36" panels are needed for the project. More volunteers to help with the Friday evenings are also needed.

I am a full time art student and mixed-media artist. I am a past president of Quilt Visions and have served on the Visions Art Museum Board since 2007 and the Visions exhibition committee from 2007-2009.

For more information or to sign up to participate please call:

Ann Olsen
760 519-1833

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Please remember

As part of your guild commitment to the Council:
Newsletters are to be sent to:
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Eleanor Burns To Be Honored

The Marie Webster House – The Quilter's Hall of Fame is inducting Eleanor Burns on July 19-21, 2012 during their annual quilt celebration. Eleanor has written 107 quilt books and hosted her own quilt show since she began her Quilt-in-a-Day series in 1978. Eleanor, her sisters and staff have taught classes and been speakers for many southern California guilds. Congratulations Eleanor for the years of achievement.