

THE BEAR FACTS

BUSY BEARS QUILT GUILD - July 2016

CALENDAR - 2016



Hope everyone is enjoying there summer. Mine is going great. Have been busy making stuff to sell in our quilt show boutique and finishing up a couple more of those UFO's so that I have quilts to enter. The quilt show will be here before we know it.

EDITORS EPISTLE

Karen Cumberland



PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Greetings Fellow Quilters,

Our charter members knew what they were doing when they chose *Busy Bears* as the name for our guild. I'm feeling like a *Busy Bear* right now...the quilt show is nine weeks away, and I must decide what projects are going to take priority...and get them finished.

Please plan on turning in your Quilt Show Entry Forms at our July 18th meeting. You can print your forms from this newsletter, or off our *Busy Bears* website. A photo of your quilt... finished or not, is required.

Forms may also be mailed to *Busy Bear Quilt Guild*, P.O. Box 7015, Big Bear Lake, *CA* 92315. August 1st is the deadline. Keep in mind that we welcome quilts at all skill levels. So, please do not hold back quilts because you are a novice...we award a ribbon for best novice.

Our Nominating Committee, headed up by Jeanne Arnieri, is busy talking with members, wanting to match your interests with the open positions for 2017.

I started with helping the Hospitality Chair, then co-chaired the Challenge Quilt, did the UFO Challenge, and co-chaired Membership and have done the Lay-Out for the quilt show the last two years. Becoming President was a surprise to me...who has been president of a quilt guild before??? The point is, most of us come in with no prior experience...we learn on the job. Usually there is someone to mentor you as you go along...many of the positions take very little of your actual time. Do consider stepping forward and keeping our almost thirty year old Busy Bears Quilt Guild Fresh & Interesting. Thanks!

Keep Smiling, Jeannie Mazzacane

Dinner before the Meeting



Dinner this month is going to be at Maggios at 4:00. They have a nice variety on their menu. Salads, Pizza and Pasta dishes "Oh My" and wine too! Reservation is not needed so there is no reason to RSVP me with your attendance. Join other members and get acquainted with new friends before heading to our general meeting.

See ya there, Belinda Evans

BUSY BEARS QUILT GUILD MINUTES - June 2016

Busy Bears Quilt Guild Meeting June 29,2016

Our President Jeannie Mazzacane called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Madeline Frey led the pledge of Allegiance.

Sue Merrit brought a guest, Barbara Snyder and also a new member..

Beverly Bennett: Sunshine and Shadows Wished Mary Baughman a Happy Birthday and we (Very Beautifully) Sang Happy Birthday...

Jeannie Mazzacane Encourages members to Text Janet Schultz to speed up her recovery.

An Amendment to the May 16, 2016 minutes (August 30th) is the correct date for the Judging. Jeanne Arnieri moved the motion and Madeline Frey Second the motion.

Laurie Nahay .. Encourages more volunteers for the Opportunity Quilt at the Chili Cook Off. Please contact Laurie for times.

Cheri Smith: Comfort Quilts next Batch will be due in October.

Librarian: Lori Felber encourages Guild Members to check out the books in Library.

Jeanne Arnieri: Please fill out the entry forms for the Qult Show August 1st is due date.. you need a color picture of each Quilt... your Quilt need not be complete we just need to identify each Quilt with the owner.. All Quilts need a sleeve for hanging including the Ladies of the Lake Faces.. Bring all Quilts for Quilt Show to Jeanne Arnieri's Home .. Easy location to get to..

Volunteers, the sign up sheets are available for Quilt show volunteers..

Please make yourselves available to help at Quilt Show .. we all have a lot of fun AND we are a TEAM.. so come play along with us..

Picnic: Laurie Nahay encourages all to come along on a picnic .. gifts and games plus lots of laughs .. don't forget to bring a Mug Rug wrapped in a fat quarter ... yes bring a pot luck casserole.. Your favorite dish..

Retreat: For the Retreat we have 14 registered.

Jeanne Arnieri: Order T-Shirts .. Sizes S to XL \$10.00 .. for XXL \$12.00

This years Judge is Linda Rasmussen.. for August 30th at the Church.

Jacque Holmes: Encourages everyone to work on items for the Boutique at the Quilt Show. We Will take Credit Cards and Cash also Checks .. the three C's .. !! All prices will be in even numbers..

Mary Price: Needs Items for emergency Baskets for the Quilt Show.. Money Donations are welcome ..

Break 6:55 pm..

Jan Chapman was a Guest Speaker on making half-square Triangles and also had a Trunk show.

Show and Tell ..

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Madeline Frey: Recording Secretary





Busy Bears Quilt Guild TREASURERS REPORT 2016

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Balance	5/31/2016	\$	6,332.33
Income		\$	828.25
Retreat fu	ınds	\$	1,320.75
Expenses	3	\$ -	83.99
Balance	6/30/2016	\$	8,397.34

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Bargain Table	\$ 10.25
Birthday Exchange	\$ 47.00
Membership 2016	\$ 25.00
Opp Quilt Tickets 2016	\$ 352.00
Vendor Booths	\$ 300.00
Vendor Lunches	\$ 42.00
Vendor Tables	\$ 52.00

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EXPENSES

Education - Meals	(\$	8.99)
Education - Speaker Fee	(\$	25.00)
Rent	(\$	50.00)
	(\$	83.99)

Carol Henderson - Treasurer



Jeanne Mazzacane will be having her left hip replaced on July 22nd. Lets keep Jeanne in our thoughts for a quick recovery.

Janet Schultz has been moved to Brookside Healthcare Center, in Redlands. If you would like to contact her you can use her cell phone or write her at: Brookside Healthcare Center, 105 Terracina Blvd., Redlands 92373. I will also be passing around a greeting card for everyone to sign at the July Meeting.

If you have news you would like to share, use my email address, it is now in working order. colormebev@gmail.com

Beverly Bennett



CHALLENGE QUILT

Well, we have about 1 1/2 months until our great reveal!!! I really can't wait to see all of the "WILD" quilts from our talented ladies!!! I will remind you again but for now, remember to bring your quilt in a brown paper bag to the Mary Johnson Center on the day of the general meeting, August 15th, between 12:00 and 3:00 in the afternoon. There should be a label on the back but remember to cover your name. We will get them all set up and ready for the voting process to begin before the meeting starts! Yippee, I look forward to this meeting in August. So, in the meantime, get your WILD challenge quilt completed. Thank you and Happy July!!

Wendy Green



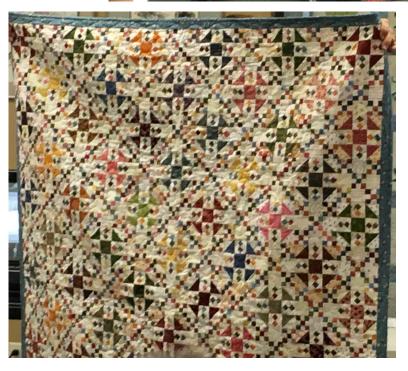
June's Program - Jan Chapman Half Square Triangles and Trunk Show











SHOW AND TELL





Shirley Hartwick

Mary Price

Sue Merritt



Carol Howerton



Lori Felber



Sue Hart







Sue Bost



Jacque Holmes

"FINALLY FINISHED" 2016 UFO CHALLENGE

This year we are having a UFO challenge again. This is to give you a little motivation to get some of those UFO's FINALLY FINISHED!

There is a \$10 entry fee to play the game. All the entry fees will go into a jackpot and at the end, August of 2016, one lucky quilter will win the jackpot!

The game is a bit different this year. You need to do a little homework before you enter the challenge. You need to look through your UFO's and make a list of the UFO's you hope to complete, up to ten projects can be listed. I will have forms if you would like or a list from you will suffice. You need to list a basic description of each UFO project, basic size and color/pattern. Then when you complete a quilt and bring it to show, I will check it off of your list and give you an entry ticket.

They do not need to be done in any specific order and you do not need to complete them all. The minimum size to qualify is a crib/wall hanging size of 42" X 42".

Mom and Dad guilts do not qualify.

Doves quilts do not qualify.

Table runners do not qualify.

Each completed quilt earns an entry ticket and you can earn up to five entries. In August 2016 one ticket will be drawn and that quilter will win the jackpot. SO the more quilts you finish the more chances you'll have in the pot!

So look through your UFO's, make a list and let's get some quilts FINALLY FINISHED this year!

Carol Henderson

Quilt Show Baskets

Hi Everyone! I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe 4th of July! I just want to remind everyone that we still need Fat Quarters for the Fat Quarter Basket (the bargain table always has good stuff to make fat quarters up) and we still need items for the Emergency Preparedness Basket. I have gotten money donations but I haven't bought anything yet so it's wide open for any items you would like to contribute. Some things to think about could be medical supplies like bandaids, antibiotic cream, burn cream, gauze, tape, ace bandage, peroxide, aspirin, flashlight, batteries, lantern, freeze dried food. If you would rather donate money verses items there will be a envelope going around at the July meeting. We are also still in need of items to put with the Retreat Basket at Inspirations. Things like snacks or a craft or a kit of some kind. Maybe a gift certificate from somewhere crafty or a restaurant. Maybe a bottle of wine. Chocolate. Just think of what you might like if you were to win the basket. Also if you have an idea for a basket let me know and we'll see if we can make it happen. The Garden basket and the Sewing basket are coming along but donations for both are still needed. Please let me know if you have any questions on any of the baskets.

Happy Quilting, Mary Price, 909-584-0050 or 562-413-7869

Busy Bear Quilt Guild's 3rd Annual Picnic!

Our picnic this year will be held on July 19 at 11:00 am at Sugarloaf Park under the roof in case we get rain! This will be on our regular workshop Tuesday, but we won't be working! We will be making friends and having fun! We will be playing games and eating!

We will be playing a game that involves bringing a homemade mug rug! It's simply an oversized coaster. Minimum size should be 6"x8" but no bigger than 8"x10". It can be made by any quilt style (applique, pieced or embroidered). It should have a heat resistant batting inside. Just have fun with it!

This will be a potluck! Put this on your calendars!

Laurie Nahay

M E M B E R S H I P Total Paid Members - 64

New Member:

Barbara Snyder PO Box 3094 42877 Willow Ave Big Bear Lake, CA 92315 (7/15) *April C/951-809-8494 barbsathome2@aol.com





Laurie Nahay



JUNE BIRTHDAY EXCHANGE

Mary Baughman - Kitchen towels
Belinda Evans - Ironing kit
Carol Howerton - Thread
Jeannie Mazzacane - Book
Jan Chapman - Machine embroidery disk
Mary Price - Gloves & flying geese/triangle ruler
Sue Merritt - Birthday Blitz

WINNERS

Jan Chapman - Kitchen towel

Beverly Bennett - Kitchen towel

Lorna Hatfield - Ironing kit

Carol Henderson - Thread

Carolyn McGuire - Book

Shirley Hartwick - Machine Embroidery disk

Mary Baughman - Glove & flying geese/triangle ruler

Lori Felber - Birthday Blitz

Refreshments

Sue Bost - cream puffs & mini eclairs

Belinda Evans - cinnamon bread

Mary Baughman - chocolate/coconut/rhubarb cake &

fruit salad

Sue Merritt - popcorn

Jeannie Mazzacane - cookies

Birthday Exchange and Refreshments

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

NAME	BIRTHDAY	BE/R
Elaine Hudson	7/1	Oct
Loretta Castellucci	o 7/6	July
Madeline Frey	7/13	July
Barbara Snyder	7/15	April
Lillian Hart	7/22	July
Wendy Stephens	7/26	July
Jacque Holmes	11/14	July
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If you are listed for this month BE/R, this is your month to bring a GIFT for the Birthday Exchange Table & FOOD for Refreshments & don't <u>forget to</u> sign each list.

If you missed your assigned month, pick another month to bring a



JULY SEWcial

We will not have a SEWcial get together in July because many of our guild members will be away at retreat. See you next time!

FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

CUT-UPS

We cancelled July's meeting. Next meeting is at Bonnies on August 3rd.

Fran Martin



STITCHY FINGERS

We have a great group of ladies. Last month we enjoyed each other's company at Jacque's house on the 3rd; and had a fun evening barbeque with the hubbies at Sue Merritt's on the 17th. We got together at Sue Bost's on the 1st of this month.

It seems that we are all busy for the rest of this month, so we won't be getting together until August 5th at Sue Merritt's.

Jill Gilham



Philanthropy

Remember to bring your food items for the church pantry, box tops and soda can tabs.

Comfort Quilts

Our Doves quilts are way down in numbers. We have new kits at our table.

Mom & Dads is taking a summer break. Their next class starts in August, ending in October. So you have lots of time to make quilts after our show in August.



Colleen Olson

Sheri Smith



The Best Thing Quilting Has Done For Me

By Lys Axelson, Big Bear City, California

It was unexpected. I joined my local guild, Busy Bears Quilt Guild, and found myself surrounded by a group of kind-hearted happy women of all ages. This surprise came at a good time in my life. My Mother¹s health was failing and it really helped to have a place to go and listen to the ladies chatter about their quilt making, their families and events in their lives. They probably will never know just how much they helped me through a very difficult time. I thank them for this new friendship.

I have created art as long as I can remember working in many mediums including fabric. Quilting itself has allowed me to express myself by combining a vast array of techniques and textures without boundaries or rules. My inspiration is drawn from the natural world with all it has to offer including color, patterns, its wonder and the peace it brings to me. Within the natural world there are many species that are in decline. It is my hope that through my art I can bring awareness to these unique creatures in order that they may thrive. Quilting has allowed me to begin to do this in a way that arouses the viewer¹s curiosity and sensitivity.

The lovely ladies from BBQG have been supportive and positive. Along with their unconditional friendship I feel that I have grown as a person. I have given back to our small community by creating philanthropic quilts and pillowcases, something I would not have done had I not joined the guild.

In addition to gaining new friends, I feel that quilting has made me a bit better person while I endeavor to share with others the beauty and excitement of the natural world.

Courtesy of Jacque Holmes - Taken from the Quilter's Newsletter Web page

Busy Bears Quilting Guild July Program Update

WHATCHAMACALLITS??!!

As our guild year continues, we continue to make memories and share inspirations and techniques for creating memorable quilts. At our July evening meeting, we'll visit learning stations and see demonstrations about fun dimensional quilt embellishments. These whimsical 3-D items might be just the thing to give your quilt that special finishing touch!

We will also begin taking sign-ups for Lys Axelson's Introduction to Paper-Piecing workshop scheduled for September 20. As always, our workshop fee is \$20 and includes lunch. Hope you'll be able to attend!

We will not have a Tuesday workshop in July because we will be enjoying our annual picnic. Look for
 the picnic article elsewhere in this newsletter for additional information.

Our calendar for 2016 is available at our website http://www.busybearsquiltguild.com Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about our upcoming activities.

Your 2016 Program Chair -Jeanne Arnieri 909-806-0436 jeannearnieri@yahoo.com



Looking ahead:

At our August meeting we will enjoy the big reveal and vote for our favorites at our 2017 Challenge Quilt competition, WILD!



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Thank you to all the dedicated Busy Bears members who responded to our volunteer survey last month! We are still in need of volunteers who will support our activities in 2017. Blank survey forms will be available again at our July meeting -- if you are able to help out next year, please fill out a form or get in touch with one of us.

We will keep you informed in the coming months about our plans for 2017. 2017 Nominating Committee -

Jeanne Arnieri



Carol Henderson



Sue Hart



Boutiqué

Hope you are working on something to sell at our Boutique. If everyone can make at least 2 or 3 items...... we can have a beautiful presentation. We can always use Christmas ornaments and gifts, quilt related items, garden, kitchen and personal items such as jewelry, aprons, etc and always baby items.

Price your items to include the 15% that we will return to the guild. We will be adding the sales tax at each sale. Please do not bring your items Friday night BEFORE 5 pm, because we will not have the tables, etc set up until then. The entry form will be in this and the August issues.

Any questions, be sure to contact us.



Dawn Clark-Dorris

and

Jacqué J Holmes



BUSY BEAR QUILT GUILD BOUTIQUE GUIDELINES

If you are entering crafts or hand-made items at the Busy Bear Quilt Show, there are a few guidelines to follow:

GENERAL

- 1. All items must be hand-crafted by guild members
- 2. If you are selling items in the boutique, it would be great if you would sign up to work a shift or two in the boutique area during the show
- 3. All items must be listed on the Busy Bears 2016 Boutique Form. It will be printed in the June, July and August newsletters. It will also be available to download from the Busy Bears website: www.busybearsquiltguild.com. This completed form must be submitted with your boutique items.

PREPARING THE BOUTIQUE FORM

- 1. List the items by number. Enter description, quantity and price
- 2. Enter multiples of the same item and price using one item number. Example: 5 birdhouses at \$40.00 each would be listed as Item #1, description-birdhouses, quantity 5 and price \$40 each.
- 3. Keep a copy of your boutique form for your personal use, as the original form will not be returned.

SUBMITTING ITEMS

- 1. Attach a removable string tag to each item. Make sure the tags are securely attached to each item. If necessary use a safety pin, tape or a sticky dot. Make sure each tag has Item #, your initials and price on one side.
- 2. Tags will be available at the July and August BBQG meetings.

Bring all items to the show site on the Friday before the show between 4:30 pm-6:00 pm. Please make sure your BBQG Boutique Form is complete. Please ensure all items are tagged properly, as it will make the check-in process go much faster. After all items have been checked in, the display process will take place.

PICKING UP ITEMS

Unsold items may be picked up Sunday after 4:30 pm. This process takes time as unsold items are inventoried and recorded on your boutique form, please be patient.

Thank you for your participation and membership in the Busy Bears Quilt Guild Show and Boutique.

BUSY BEARS 2016 BOUTIQUE FORM

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EXAMPLE	ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	Quantity	PRICE EACH	1				
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	#2	Doll - with short description	1	30.00					
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QUILT SHOW 2016

Here we are in July already, and our 2016 quilt show will be here before we know it! Mountain Treasures XXVIII will be held on Saturday Sept. 3 from 10am – 5pm, and on Sunday Sept. 4 from 10am – 4pm. Admission this year has been increased to \$8, and children under 12 are free.

• We will take a quick count of raised hands at the July evening meeting to get an idea about how many quilts to expect for the show, and also about how many members are planning to sell boutique items this year. Is your quilt almost finished?

We will also continue to take sign-ups at the July meeting for your volunteer time slots for show preparation and operalition. Note that all members are expected to work at least one shift during show weekend! We need help on Friday evening with set-up, as well as on Saturday and Sunday in various capacities of show operation, and last but not least on Sunday afternoon when we take down the show and clean up. We will also begin taking food sign-ups for our Friday evening potluck dinner. Bring your calendar and come ready to support our guild!

Elsewhere in this newsletter you will find the forms for entering quilts in the show, and for selling items in the boutique. Please note that **paperwork** for showing your quilt must be submitted by Monday **August 1**, even if your quilt isn't quite done. The actual completed **quilts** will be accepted until Sunday **August 28**. There will be no exceptions to these deadline dates, so plan accordingly! You can bring your finished quilt to the August evening meeting, or drop it off at Jeanne Arnieri's red house between August 1 and August 28. Check your member directory for her address and contact info, so you can let her know ahead of time that you are planning to come by with a quilt.

Thanks to all the members who have already committed to making our quilt show a success! We will look forward the rest of you signing up at our July meeting and being responsible for your 2016 show commitment. Our annual show is a guild-wide activity and every member is expected to do their part every year to share the work. Thank you!

Jeanne Arneri, Quilt Show Chairperson 909-806-0436





LAST CALL!!

If you still need a purple tee shirt, be sure to sign the clipboard and pay for it at the July evening meeting, or contact Jeanne Arnieri before July 18. Our official guild tee-shirts are to be worn while you work at the quilt show as well as at other guild

events. As in past years, the price is \$10 for sizes S - XL, and \$12 for XXL. They are Hanes 50/50 heavyweight tees, and they don't shrink much at all. Please bring exact change or plan to write a check when you place your shirt order.

Photos Needed!!!

In order to have your photo on your quilt show label (this is a printed label attached to the front of your quilt for display) we need a recent photo, one that Karen Cumberland has taken. If we don't have a current one, your photo will be the size of the one in the Directory, and that's far too small. Please speak to Karen and see if you need a new photo taken. Thank you. **Bonnie Snell**

2016 Quilt Show Entry Form

~Attach Color Photo Here~

~Do you wish to have your quilt judged? Yes No
~All quilts must have a 4" Sleeve ~ (any quilt wider than 69"will need a
split in the sleeve)
Label Place label on the right hand corner of the backside of your quilt
~ If your quilt is to be sold, the "Quilt For Sale Form" must be attached ~
Short Story about your quilt: Inspiration, Pattern, Kit, Original Design?
(This info will go on your Quilter's Labelas space allows)
~ Please Print Neatly& use the backside of this sheet, if needed ~

Waiver for the 2016 Mountain Treasures XXVIII Quilt Show

I understand that our BBQG will take every precaution to safeguard my quilt entry while in the guild's possession and at the show. I agree that BBQG will not be held liable for damage or loss. I agree to allow photographs of my quilt and that these photographs may be used for promotional purposes.

Signature	Date
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All Entry Forms must be received by Aug. 1st. You may submit them at our June or July meetings...or mail to: Busy Bear Quilt Guild, P.O. Box 7015. Big Bear Lake, CA 92315 Quilts may be dropped off at our Guild Meetings or delivered no later than Aug. 28th to: Jeanne Arnieri. She lives on the NE corner of Fox Farm Road @ 177 Crystal Lake Road.



AN INVITATION TO SHOP FOR FABRIC

at Canyon Quilters' July Fundraiser

There will be over 150 baskets and wrapped bolts of fabric sorted into colors and themes to win.

You could win a basket of 4 yards of beautiful fabric for as little as

\$1.00!

Tickets will cost one for \$1, six for \$5, and 25 for \$20!

Monday, July 18 doors open at 6:30 pm

Mark your calendar!

\$5 admission to have access to the fabric deals of the year!

The Shrine Center in Kearny Mesa
5540 Kearny Mesa Road,
at the 163 Clairemont Mesa Road intersection,
just north of The Hampton Inn

QUESTIONS: email programs@canyonquilters.com







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