



Sierra Mountain Quilters Newsletter

July 8th, 2021, MEETING IS IN PERSON
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; Meeting begins at 6:00 p.m.
ICE CREAM SOCIAL in the Pavilion



July 8th Meeting

Hello ladies! We are super excited to finally be able to meet again in person!!! July 8th (remember it's the second Thursday) will be our Ice Cream Social! We will be serving individual Sundae Cups (the kind with the wooden spoons). This will be a night to catch up in person with other members, get signed up for Workshops, present your Show and Tell, and just enjoy each other's company.

The meeting will be held in the Pavilion at the Oakhurst Community Center. Members are required to wear masks in order to participate.

Looking forward to seeing you all!!!

Laura & Helen
 Co-First Vice Presidents

Programs for the remainder of 2021:

August 5th	Ice Dyeing with Janet Morita
September 9th	Strip Poker
October 7th	Rachel Clark Trunk Show and Seminole Style Piecing workshop
November 4th	John Egbert Convergence Quilt Trunk Show and Workshop.

(Because we had to cancel the Rachael Clark and John Egbert classes, those who had previously paid will have priority for sign up.)

December 2nd	Annual Christmas Party (more details to come)
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Current Health Guidance

Fully vaccinated people may go unmasked in most settings. People who are not fully vaccinated must wear masks in all indoor public settings.

In order to protect ourselves and others, we are requiring masks to be worn for the July 8th meeting.

**Sierra Mountain Quilters Association
General Membership Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Penni Simily. There were 25 members present on Zoom. Penni welcomed the members.

Laura Gonzalez made a motion, seconded by Rhonda Lloyd, to accept the May 6, 2021, minutes as printed in the Newsletter. The motion carried.

The April Treasurer's Report was accepted as published in the June newsletter and filed for audit.

Laura Gonzalez and Helen Brown, First Vice Presidents, announced that they have workshops scheduled for October (John Egbert), November (Rachel Clark) and December (Christmas party). They have spoken with Patsy Carpenter about doing a paper piecing workshop, and they are looking for teachers for other things. Penni Simily suggested ice dying; and Laura said she would pursue that. Helen noted that signups for John Egbert's class will be offered to those who previously signed up before it is opened to the membership. Discussion was held relative to the July meeting and status of being able to use the Oakhurst Community Center and their rate increase. Wendy Holt noted that we will need to do our own setup.

Patty Cramer and Maria Ciccarelli, Second Vice Presidents, promoted the positivity challenge – a 16-inch block or smaller depicting something positive from 2020, and due in August – information will be on the website. They are looking at the possibility of a shop hop trip later in the year.

Penni Simily for Teri De La Torre, Membership, reported there are two paid renewals. The fall retreat is scheduled for September 13-16, 2021, at ECCO, and Teri will start taking deposits in July.

Sally Walker/Webmaster and Mystery Quilt – no new information. Betsy Anne Youngholm, Newsletter, reminded members of the deadline of the 20th of each month to send her information for the newsletter; and she apologized for the misspelling of Bev Gulley's name in the last newsletter. Patty Cramer provided an update on the distribution of charity items; over 300 items have been distributed. Kits for items are available at Bear Paw Quilts, and there is a donated kit with pattern and fabric for a charity quilt for Mountain Crisis.

New Business: none

Laura Gonzales led a trivia game. Susan Campbell asked that the answers be printed in the newsletter. Show and Tell was held. Janet Morita announced an online show by Gallery Row Quilts (formerly Timberline) from June 18 to August 15.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m. The next meeting will be on July 8, 2021.

Respectfully submitted by Margie Williams, Secretary

SMQA GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

July 8, 2021

Call to order

Welcome

Secretary's report. Minutes from June 3rd
general meeting as published in the July
newsletter

Treasurer's Report as published in the July
newsletter

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Show and Tell



PENNI'S POST

July 2021

Hello fellow quilters. I hope you are doing well. We are starting to reopen. You will need to decide if you want to come in person or use Zoom for our meetings. If you are uncomfortable attending the meeting in person, we will still offer Zoom attendance as an option.

It is time for a Nominating Committee. I am asking the leaders of all small groups to canvass for anyone interested in a position and let me know. Next month we will have a Nominating Committee and it would be easier if they have some prospects. We have a lot of openings. This is your quilt guild, and we need to have members step up. So many of our local community groups are falling by the wayside because no one wants to volunteer. Let's keep our guild active.

Let's keep working on cuddle quilts, belly bands and bibs. And remember the Positivity Challenge.

Love to all, Penni

TREASURER'S REPORT

Wendy Holt
May 2021

Checking Account

(Balance 4/30/2021)	\$6,045.07
Deposits in May	\$ 924.00
Expenses in May	\$ 199.90

Balance (5/31/2021)	\$6,769.17
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Savings:	\$ 26,357.32
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CUDDLE CORNER

Hey all you Cuddlers,

We are doing a great job, despite the challenges on distribution. We have over three hundred items distributed, including about 88 quilts. Great Job everyone.

We have a situation we'd like your input on. Normally, when you turn in a cuddle quilt, it's completed and a label on it. We don't mind adding a label from time to time and have some at Bear Paw, if you need one.

Because we don't currently have any vehicle for getting tops quilted, we are reaching out to all of you for ideas when we get unquilted tops. We found a large group of unquilted tops when we were first starting in the storage unit. We quilted a number of them (about 15) which were all large (double bed size). We are trying to find a feasible solution to getting these tops quilted.

We are hoping we can get together soon and work on kits. Nancy Mason has been a real trooper coming and helping; it is so appreciated!! Please email either Maria or Patty your ideas. TEAMWORK makes the DREAM WORK.

Thank you very much for all that you do.

Maria and Patty

Cuddle Quilts at Hinds Hospice



Cuddle Quilt delivery to Terry's Place



AMENITIES

Linda Miller

Penni Simily

Thinking of You

If you know of a member who would appreciate receiving a card, please let Linda know.

FALL RETREAT IS A GO!

The 2021 Fall Retreat is scheduled for Monday through Thursday, September 13 to 16, 2021.

The cost is \$32.00 per day, which includes lunch. ECCO is requiring a minimum of 15 people and a maximum of 25. As of now, masks are not required if vaccinated, but we will keep an eye on public health guidance as we get closer to September.

I will start collecting money at the July guild meeting, and full payment is due by the end of August. You can also mail payment to SMQA at PO Box 1359, Oakhurst, CA 93644. If you are sending a check, please indicate which days of the retreat you plan to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 831-728-2027 or email dltcteri@aol.com

Teri De La Torre

Circle News

Bits & Pieces will take a day field trip to Mel's cabin. All aboard!

Sew Thrilled will meet twice in July.

Anything With Fabric will be meeting at the Library Community Room every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. starting in July. Send any questions to Rhonda Dewey at rhondakdewey@gmail.com or call 559 760 3401.

Sew Crafty will begin meeting starting in July, the exact date to be determined.

July Birthdays

Tricia Lacey	July 7
Virginia Waters	July 11
Beverly Williams	July 16
Barbara Graas	July 19
Sue Collins	July 20
Lisa Kernaghan	July 22
Nancy Swanson	July 26
Judy Andes	July 29
Bev Gulley	July 29

We wish you all a very Happy Birthday!



JULY HOLIDAYS

July 4	Independence Day
July 8	Ice Cream Sundae Day
July 15	Give Something Away Day
July 20	Nap Day
July 30	Share a Hug Day

The birthstone for July is the ruby. The ruby is said to be a high energy stone said to bestow good health and a greater sense of generosity to the wearer. Rubies are believed to protect family and bring prosperity.

The flowers for the month of July are the water lily and the larkspur. The water lily represents beauty and creation; the larkspur represents happiness.



**Road To California
January 19-22, 2022**

There is a change to the show dates! 2022 will start on **Wednesday**; we will no longer have a Sunday day of the show. Full Show Preview Night will now be **Tuesday Night**. Classes available for viewing July 1st. Registration begins August 14, 2021.

Second Vice President Report

We are moving along with our positivity challenge. We look forward to all of the creative designs.

We are thinking about doing a shop hop in the fall and need your input on whether or not you'd like to do that and what your ideas are.

We've been approached about the sewing program that was previously discussed for kids. We are thinking of ways to make this happen, but need your ideas, whether you'd volunteer and how do you think we could pull it off? We have received an outline of some of the ideas but would like to hear from everyone. Feel free to call or email Maria or Patty with your ideas. We have limited funds for these things, so we need to have a plan and a direction to achieve that goal.

Happy Creating!! Maria and Patty

**2021 Mystery Quilt
Congratulations to those of you who
completed your tops. Here's Sally's:**



Hope to see them all at the December Meeting

**APOLOGY TO OPPORTUNITY QUILT
WINNER BEV GULLEY FOR ALLOWING
HER NAME TO BE MISPELLED IN THE
JUNE NEWSLETTER**



**For Those of Us Who Basically Got None of
Them, We Can Study for Next Time**

Quilting Acronyms

BOM	Block of the Month
FART	Fabric Accumulation Road Trip
FQ	Fat Quarter
HST	Half Square Triangle
LQS	Local Quilt Shop
OOAK	One of a kind
OOP	Out of Print
PHD	Project Half Done
PIGS	Projects in Grocery Bags
QAYG	Quilt As You Go
PP	Paper Piecing
QST	Quarter Square Triangle
SABLE	Stash Accumulation Beyond Life Expectancy
STASH	Special Treasures All Secretly Hidden
UFO	Unfinished Object
WIP	Work in Progress
WOMBAT	Waste of Money, Batting and Time
DSM	Domestic Sewing Machine
BSK	Basic Sewing Kit
LAQ	Long Arm Quilting
FMQ	Free Motion Quilting
AOD	All Over Design
B2B	Border to Border
CB	Center Back
CF	Center Front
BOB	Beginner Only Block
CQ	Crazy Quilt
DJ	Dear Jane
DWR	Double Wedding Ring
E2E	Edge to Edge

EPP	English Paper Piecing
EQ	Electric Quilt
FG	Flying Geese
FL	Fold Line
FPP	Foundation Paper Piecing
FW	Fusible Web
FW	Feather Weight
GL	Grain Line
HP	Hand Pieced
HQ	Hand Quilted
ITH	In The Hoop
LOF	Length of Fabric
MQ	Machine Quilted
NQD	National Quilting Day
OBW	One Block Wonder
OP	On Point
PFD	Prepared For Dyeing
PIP	Projects In Process
SS	Strip Sets
QAL	Quilt Along
QC	Quarter Circle
RBR	Row By Row
RR	Round Robin
RST	Right Sides Together
SID	Stitch In the Ditch
SNW	Stack 'n Whack
SOG	Straight of Grain
SPI	Stitches Per Inch
SQST	Split Quarter Square Triangle
TAW	Trip Around the World
TBQ	To Be Quilted
TOT	Tone on Tone
WOW	White On White
WST	Wrong Sides Together
YBR	Yellow Brick Road
SQUID	Sewing a Quilt Until I Die
IWIWMI	I Wish It Would Make Itself
TOAD	Trashed Objects

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**REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME
BADGE AT THE NEXT MEETING!**

BOARD MEMBERS

President	Penni Simily
First Vice Presidents	Helen Brown and Laura Gonzalez
Second Vice Presidents	Patty Cramer and Maria Ciccarelli
Treasurer	Wendy Holt
Secretary	Margie Williams

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
betsy@youngholm.com
Deadline is 20th of each month.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Amenities	Linda Miller
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