

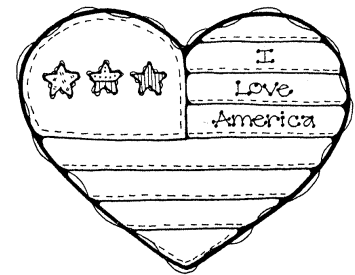
STITCHES IN THE SAND



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MEETING DATE: Thursday, July 14, 2005
HAPPY (HALF) HOUR: 6:30 - 7:00 P.M.
BUSINESS: 7:00 - 9:30 P.M.
PLACE: Marco Forster Middle School

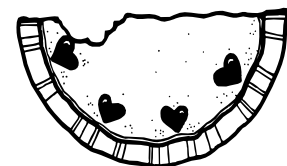


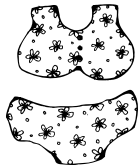
Cindy Blackberg "Quilt History and Trunk Show"

Cindy Blackberg is a renowned teacher of traditional patchwork quilts. Her fine workmanship and use of fabric have earned her many awards and her quilts have hung in major exhibits in Florida, across the United States, and overseas. Cindy lives in Sorrento, Florida with her husband Bob. She began quilt making in 1974 when her two sons were young, and in 1977 she began to teach quilting. In the last 25 years Cindy's teaching skills have earned her a loyal following.

In 1993 Cindy won the International Quilt Festival's "Jewel Pearce Patterson Award" for teaching excellence. In 1995 she was nominated for Professional Quilter's "Teacher of the Year." Her work is based on traditional American patchwork blocks. She uses many fabrics to create unique scrap quilts. Her love of quilt history has led to her own pattern line, Vintage Collections. She has two books: *Vintage One Patch Scrap Quilts* and *Tiny Stitches*, featuring fine hand quilting. Cindy teaches fine hand piecing skills. For more information on Cindy's work, see her website at www.cindyblackberg.com.

A PEEK AT FUTURE PROGRAMS
August Nancy Kirk
September Andrea Perejda
October President's quilt





President's Message With Love



Summer – ah! Summer – is here. The time of year we all love; relaxing at the pool or beach, vacations, kids home from school, out-of-town visitors, picnics and warm temperatures beckoning us outside for parties, gardening, and just fun in general. Sometimes there is not much time left for quilting. While you may not be able to quilt, please don't forget all your quilting friends and the chance to see all of them at guild meetings.

The June meeting's attendance was less than we needed to have a quorum to vote on a budget increase. I'm sure many of you were involved with graduations, end-of-the-year school parties, etc. July and August are also months where outside activities whittle away at our time. The vote for the budget increase is very important, and I urge you to make every attempt to attend the July meeting so that we can approve the increase. We really do not want to have this vote stretched until August. **THE QUORUM OF 40% OF THE MEMBERSHIP MAKES IT NECESSARY FOR US TO HAVE 220 MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE (we were 7 members short of that number at the June meeting).** Usually we have no problem in having that many members in attendance. In fact, some months we worry that 250-300 chairs will not seat everyone!!

**PLEASE MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR THE DATE OF JULY 14TH
OUR NEXT VERY IMPORTANT MEETING.**

Again, I realize everyone's time is limited and it may be difficult for you to attend the entire meeting. If right at the start of the meeting, the membership total meets our quorum, we could conduct the vote first on the agenda. If you cannot stay for the entire meeting, I would be sorry to see you leave, but be assured that your attendance for just that short time would be **most appreciated**.

See you on the 14th and Happy Quilting, Pat



P.S. On a personal note, I would like to express my thanks to all those who have inquired as to my mother's health. There were some rough times when we didn't think she would pull through, but the family has always said that she has nine lives (I think she has 4 or 5 left). She has returned to her assisted living residence, and while she still has a nurse and physical therapist visiting, she is doing very well. Her May 28th birthday with 88 candles on her cake was celebrated with the family. Gerry warned me to keep it away from the smoke alarm and it was good advice!! Thank you again for your concern.

Budget Increase

Unfortunately, we did not have the quorum at the June meeting needed to approve the budget increase. Hopefully, we will have a quorum at the July meeting to ask the membership to approve a budget increase for two committees. We may not need to spend the extra money but want to have a cushion in the event something unforeseen arises.

First, as we are in the process of having our web site maintained by a professional webmaster, we are asking for the membership's approval to increase the internet budget by \$1000.00.

The second increase is for Facilities. Even though we have had almost all of our meetings at Marco Forster this year instead of having to use the Community Center and pay a higher price as we did last year, budget cuts within the school district have made custodial fees higher than we expected. We are asking for a budget increase of \$1500 from \$6500 to \$8000.00

The board has approved this budget increase, and now the membership must approve it to make it effective. **We must have 40% of the membership at the meeting to have a voting quorum. Please make every attempt to attend the July meeting.** Please remember to check in at the Membership table when entering the room.

Nancy McBride, Treasurer

A President's Quilt for Pat Pat's Early California Village

It's time to thank our wonderful President Pat Pardoen for her work and achievements of 2004-2005 by creating a wonderful quilt for her. Blocks are made and assembled by ALL members of the guild and hand quilted for her. The quilt includes everyone from beginner to master quilters and is hand quilted for her by the guild.

Pat has chosen "An Early California Village" for her theme. The red-tiled roofs and warm stucco tones of many of our San Clemente and San Juan neighborhoods will be reflected in the quilt the guild will create for her.

Block ideas: Stucco houses (warm beige tones) with red roofs (I have brown tile fabric if you would like--- please call me to let me know); flowers; walls; arches; wrought-iron gates; terra cotta pots; churches; shops; mission bells; basket blocks; palm trees; trees and gardens; Mexican tiles; flowers, flowers, flowers. If you need more inspiration, walk around old San Clemente and let the town inspire you.

Size: 5 1/2" unfinished- 5" finished. If you are appliquéing, please make your block larger. **DO NOT TRIM YOUR BLOCK.** I will trim all the blocks myself.

Color: Background should be sky-blue or light blue. Use warm beige, red, rich greens, beautiful blues, and other rich traditional colors. You may use brights but do not make a bright block.

NO-NOS: No animals or bugs. But you may make a bird. No 30s or Aunt Grace fabrics
Please feel free to embellish your block, but if you are going to add a doo-dad that might break, put it in a baggie and pin it to your block.

PLEASE SIGN YOUR BLOCK WITH FIRST AND LAST NAME. Avoid signing into the margins. We will have pens at the table if you don't have one. You can embroider your signature.

SIGNATURE BLOCKS: Blocks and permanent pens will be provided at the table at the meeting.

Please come by the President's Quilt table at the Guild meeting for ideas, patterns, and sample blocks. We will also need volunteers to work on the quilt.

All blocks will be due at the July meeting on July 14th.

If you have any questions, call **Elaine Pappas-Puckett** .



ASSEMBLING THE PRESIDENT'S QUILT

Now that all the blocks for Pat's quilt are completed (or will be by July 14), it's time to put the blocks together into a quilt that she will treasure. Just as the blocks are created by the guild, the blocks are pieced, the appliqué is completed, and the quilt is basted by all members of the guild. The dates for piecing, appliqué, and basting are listed below. I STRONGLY urge you to sign up for any or all of these dates. The guild benefits from your talents, but you benefit from the people you meet and get to know.

Piecing the quilt	Wednesday	July 20	9:00-5:00	Leah's
Applique the quilt	Saturday	July 23	9:00-5:00	Leah's
Baste the quilt	Saturday	July 30	10:00-????	Karen Kowalchuk's home

Please call **Elaine Pappas-Puckett** or come by the table at the guild meeting to sign up to help with the quilt. If you have any questions, please call me.

QUILT! QUILT! QUILT!

Yes, it's time to quilt on the President's quilt. Several guild members have volunteered to host quilting bees in their homes so that the incredible quilt we have created can be hand-quilted for Pat. Each president treasures each stitch in the quilt, whether the needle was held by an expert or a beginner taking her first stitches by hand. We want YOU in the President's Quilt. Please sign up at the Guild meeting or call **Elaine Pappas-Puckett** to quilt at the times and dates listed below.

Sheryl Smith-Bailey San Juan Capistrano

Monday, August 1	10:00-3:00
Tuesday, August 2	7:00-10:00
Wednesday, August 3	10-3:00 & 7:00-10:00
Thursday, August 4	10:00-3:00
Friday, August 5	10:00-5:00
Saturday, August 6	10:00-3:00

Maggie Ezell San Clemente

Monday, August 22	10:00-5:00
Wednesday, August 24	10:00-3:00 & 6:00-9:00
Thursday, August 25	2:00-6:00
Friday, August 26	10:00-5:00
Saturday, August 27	10:00-2:00

Tanya Goffman Mission Viejo

Thursday, August 11	2:00-6:00
Thursday, August 11	2:00-6:00
Monday, August 8	2:00-6:00
Tuesday, August 9	2:00-6:00
Thursday, August 11	2:00-6:00
Saturday, August 13	11:00-2:00

Barbara Trulis San Juan Capistrano

Monday, August 29	10:00-2:00
Tuesday, August 30	6:30-9:30
Wednesday, August 31	10:00-2:00
Thursday, September 1	10:00-2:00
Friday, September 2	10:00-2:00

Debra Kulick Laguna Niguel

Monday, August 15	12:00-4:00
Tuesday, August 16	10:00-4:00
Wednesday, August 17	10:00-4:00
Thursday, August 18	10:00-4:00 & 6:00-8:00
Friday, August 19	2:00-4:00

**We look forward to
seeing you at a
quilting bee!**

Monthly Mini

How better to celebrate Flag Day, June 14th, and upcoming July 4th, than with “Old Glory” herself. Patriotism abounds in this month’s “mini” with the words to “God Bless America” hand embroidered onto the flag. Pat Pardoen was inspired to make this after having seen something similar a year ago.

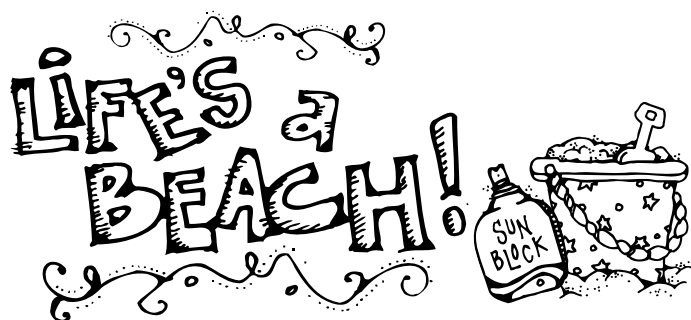
Pat loves the handwork and has made several “mini” quilts over the years. Her love of embroidery started many years ago when her friend Helen had a business making large “rag” dolls. They were nothing like rag dolls with their beautifully coordinated outfits. The faces were hand embroidered by Pat. The dolls were sold throughout the country and were even showcased in several magazines. When she started making quilts, she enjoyed the beautiful way embroidery and pieced quilts went together. That was her signature, of sorts.

Pat loves Beach Cities Quilters Guild and is currently serving as its president. As she states, “I was extremely apprehensive when I took on this responsibility. But with the wonderful board members for support and members pitching in, it has been lots of fun.”

In the past Pat has chaired Facilities and Membership, each for two years, has been Welcoming Chair, Historian and Vice-President of Programs. She has contributed several quilts to Holiday Auctions and Quilt Show Auctions.

She lives in San Clemente in a 1929 historical Spanish house with her retired husband, Gerry. Their two children are teachers and live close by. They have one grandchild.

Congratulations to Bettie Blauser the lucky winner!



JULY

Birthdays

Flower: Larkspur

Birthstone: Ruby

Jackie D. Lisi	1
Kiana Henry	2
Ann Felch	3
Donna Wester	3
Irmagard Terbrack	5
Jan Bogikes	6
Jeanine McCleerey	6
Janet Cowart	7
Jane Acomb	8
Mary Gruber	8
Rebeca Ketcham	8
Carolyn Fisch	9
Chris Kramer	13
Susan Lefner	13
Carolyn Winfield	13
Judith Mittelman	14
Jeanne Stone	14
Julia Montoya	15
Dede Sess	15
Barbara White	15
Rachel Maus	16
Pat Goda	18
Maria Arce	20
Lisa Bellamy	21
Sharon Pembrook	21
Monica Shafer	21
Judi Hasselkus	23
Wendy Kretschmann	23
Jean Christopher	24
Sandi Sovronec	24
Lynn Conboy	25
Mary Ann Skinner	26
Barbara Weight-Russell	26
Janet Crosson	27
Diana Imhoof	27
Nancy Pestal	27
Kathleen Walker	27
Wendy McCalley	28
Jennifer Morgan	28
Georgia Morton	28
Michelle Lincoln	29
Janet Madden	29
Bobbi Tannin	29
Lorna Cordrey	30
Jenny Jensen-Howard	30
Janice Elliott	31

SHOW & TELL

JUNE DOOR PRIZES

TALL MOUSE

Odete Osantowski Fabric Pack
Brenda Sirignano Gift Certificate

MATERIAL POSSESSIONS

Betty Prottas Gift Certificate
LeAnn Goettel Gift Certificate
Diane Imhoof Spring Fat Quarters
Lorna Barrowman Spring Fat Quarters

MOORE'S

Sandi Sovronec Building Blocks Kit
Betty Korleski Fat Quarters

LEAH'S

Marilyn McNamara Fat Quarters
Kris Kouzelos Fat Quarters
Donna Wagner Pattern

WOERTH STITCHING

Zeta Lucido Gift Certificate
Bobbi Tannin Gift Certificate
Nancy Ota Gift Certificate
Barbara Roybal Gift Certificate
Pat McNeil Gift Certificate

Helen Brassaw untitled – galaxy pattern
Nancy Gasparotti “The Alta Vista Quilt”
Stacy Benda “Wine Memories of Love”
Ruth Nahas “Color Explosion”
Pat Pardoen “Merbaby for Hayes”
“Bunnies for Adison”
Cindy Lebus untitled – buttermilk basin
pattern
untitled – Jan Patek BOM kit
Donna Wester untitled – baby quilt for hik-
ing partner
Cecile Rogers untitled – shaded nine patch
pattern
Holly Betz “Stars In Their Eyes”
Sushila “Star Brite”
LeAnn Goettel “Glow of Friendship”
Jan Hirth
Nafsi Martin
LeAnn Goettel “Here’s Looking At....Nicole
Jan Hirth Nelson”
Barbara McPherson “Flip Flops”
Sally Gard untitled – All Jazzed Up pat-
tern
Nancy Ota “Birthday Rooster”

“are we
there yet???”



Sunshine and Shadow

A “get well” card has been sent to Julie Mclean who had emergency surgery. It would cheer her up to hear from her quilting friends during her recuperation.



Fantastic Workshops



July 15th Friday Cindy Blackberg presents “Prickly Stars”

Having trouble piecing those tricky triangle squares? Love Feathered Stars but thought they were too hard to piece? This variation of the Feathered Star will “tickle” you. It is actually easy to piece with the help of Cindy’s new triangle square stamps. You can see Cindy’s quilts at www.cindyblackberg.com This workshop will be held at **Material Possessions from 10:00 – 4:00 PM**. We will do a Friendship Salad for lunch. Please bring your ready-to-serve salad item in a disposable container.

August 12th Friday Nancy Kirk presents “Crazy Quilting with Nancy”

This workshop is **fun** for beginners as well as more advanced quilters. Nancy’s approach to hand piecing a crazy quilt block allows for tremendous creativity and freedom to improvise. The workshop will cover basic piecing with demos of 2-3 embellishment stitches and introduction to other embellishment techniques. Nancy’s website: www.kirkcollection.com. This workshop will be held at **Leah’s from 10:00 – 4:00 PM**.

Coming in September: Andrea Perjda – “Circle of Illusion” workshop.

To sign up for our wonderful workshops, please contact **Jane Acomb, Lorna Barrowman or Paula Omidyar**. Remember, Gift Certificates are available to give to your secret sister or your favorite friends!!

Friendship Circles

Our May 21st luncheon was a success. Our group was small, but we accomplished a lot and a new group was formed. I think they should get the award for being the quickest to organize their meeting day, time, place and their group name – it was all decided before they even left our luncheon. “**The Material Girls**” is our newest Friendship Group, and based on what Soley and I saw at our meeting, we know they are going to have fun.

Also I want to thank my daughter Megan for getting up early on a weekend and driving down to help clean, cook and set up for our lunch.

Friendship groups are a great way to:

- ~ make new friends
- ~ sew – finish those UFOs!
- ~ attend a quilt show
- ~ get inspired
- ~ shop
- ~ laugh and chat
- ~ share ideas and techniques
- ~ take a road trip to an out of town quilt shop

If you’re interested in joining a Friendship Circle, stop by our table at the Guild meeting or give us a call.

Lynn Blackburn

Nickel Club

The Nickel Club is gearing up for next year. Stop by the table and pick up an interest/suggestion sheet for next year’s fabric swap. We look forward to your input. This month’s fabrics for exchange are 1800 and/or Brites. For those of you new to BCQG, the Nickel Club is a monthly exchange of 5” squares of pre-washed, quilt-shop quality fabric. We exchange 15 pairs (30 total squares). It is optional and you can join anytime. For more information and a complete list of exchange guidelines, you can contact **Delane Turner** at 496-2155 or **Veronica Dibble** at 586-3752. Look for the Nickel Club sign at the meeting to drop off and pick up your exchanges.

July: 1800 and/or Brites

Aug: Batiks and/or Black & Whites

Sept: 1800 and/or Jewel Tones

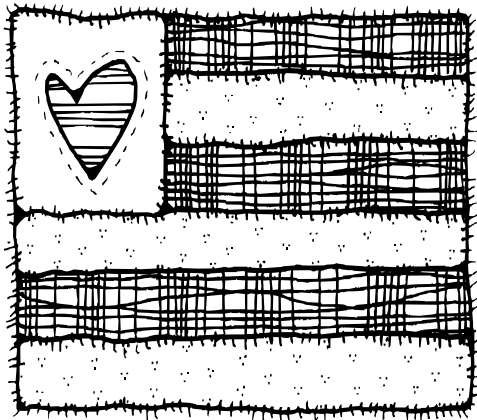
Spring Event

The Spring Event challenge had a record-breaking 71 challenge entries this year! It was a lovely display of our guild members' creativity! Challenge photo books, calendars, etc., will be for sale for ALL guild members at the next guild meeting. Jhone and Bob Hardesty have made these available as a non-profit service to the guild. We sincerely appreciate the many hours that Bob Hardesty has spent to make these remembrances available to our guild members. Please contact Jhone if you have any questions.

We are pleased to report that the Spring Event was approximately \$1,000.00 under budget! Special thanks from Patti to Marilyn and her husband, John, for their expertise in choosing 24 Carrots for our caterer. John was invaluable as our financial advisor with his ever present spreadsheet!

Thank you once again to all of the volunteers who helped to make the tea and tour a "Bright and Beautiful" event!

**Patti Nylander
Marilyn McNamara**



Secret Sisters

I hope everyone is having a great summer! Thanks for all your help with secret sister gifts. I appreciate it very much!

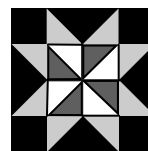
Sandi Sovronec

Block Party

June was a great tribute of blue to fathers everywhere. It was wonderful to see the many shades of blue and turquoise we had in our stashes. Congratulations to June's lucky winners: Shirl Benda and Ruth Nahas.

July's stars are dedicated to saluting our independence and the many brave men and women serving in our armed forces. So add all those bright reds and blues to your favorite whites and join us in honoring our country's independence in this dimensional block. Now that you have seen how easy these blocks are to make, we hope to see some of yours on the Block Party display in July!

The more turned in, the more to win!



**Sandy Corbin
Linda Campos
Christina Ehregruber**

Membership



June Attendance:
Members: 213
Guests: 5
Speaker: 1
Total: 219

There are currently 550 Active members and 13 Newsletter members.

Welcome to the new and returning members who have joined since the May meeting. They are: Sandy Hoyal and Janet Madden

All members are reminded to check in at the Membership table before the meetings. This gives us an accurate count for attendance and helps us plan the appropriate number of chairs for the meetings.

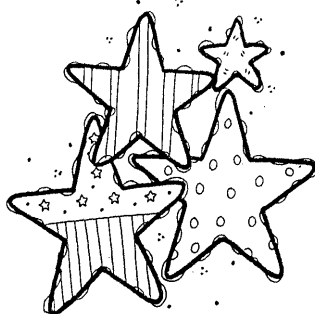
Please remember to wear your name badge at all meetings. It's a great way for new and existing members to get acquainted! (A fine of \$0.25 is payable if it is not worn.) New members are expected to have a badge made within three months of joining the Guild.

2004-2005 membership cards and directories are ready and will continue to be distributed at meetings. Please have a friend get yours if you are unable to attend.

Thanks to LaVerne Armour and Kris Smith for their help at the Membership table.

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Thanks!
Janet Cowart



Philanthropy

We have added the Navy Hospital at Camp Pendleton to our list of hospitals and care facilities that we serve with our wonderful quilts, pillows and cancer caps. This Navy Hospital already receives many quilts for the various departments, however, our Guild is the first to make quilts specifically for wounded Marines recovering from combat duty.

Seventeen quilts suitable in size, design and color were presented to them this month. Indeed, many of them were in wonderful patriotic colors of red, white and blue and full of festive stars! The response from Camp Pendleton was overwhelmingly positive, and, of course, that pleases us very much! A special thank you to all the ladies that made these unique quilts. We can't thank these Marines enough for their bravery, courage and devotion to keep our country free and safe. We invite everyone in our Guild to join us in Philanthropy workshops if you can. We meet on the 4th Friday of each month at Leah's from 9:00 AM to Noon. If you are unable to participate in the workshops, we invite you to stop by our table at our monthly meetings for fabric and patterns.

Many quilts, caps and pillows were delivered to other facilities, as well, this past month.

Thank you again to all of you who take part in Philanthropy.

Kathy Stolhand
Joyce Pinderski



Little bits of fabric sewn into a quilt
Form a warm and loving blanket
from which memories are built.
And when you seek peace and comfort
in the quiet of the night.
It will keep you warm and snug
until the morning's light.

Author Unknown



Places to Go, Quilts to See . . .

July 16

SCCQG Meeting hosted by SLO Quilters Inc. and Bear Valley Quilters Topic: Meet the Teachers

August 6-7

TLC Quilters Guild presents their quilt show "Quilt Around the Clock." to be held at "Tennant's Recollections," a museum in West Covina with a 50s theme. Besides the usual quilt display, vendors, demos, opportunity quilt, gift baskets, country store, etc., there will also be classic 50s cars in the parking lot. The hours will be Saturday 10am - 5pm and Sunday 10am - 4pm. The opportunity drawing will take place at 4pm Sunday. For more info, go to <http://www.geocities.com/tlcquilters/>.

August 18-21

The Traveling Quilters Temecula Quilt-Away Retreat in the wine country. Join us for 2 nights/3 days or 3 nights/4 days of non-stop quilting. For information, contact pamoverton@earthlink.net

August 20-21

Santa Monica Quilt Guild presents Quilting by the Sea – 2005 at West Los Angeles College, 9000 Overland Avenue, Culver City. For information contact: Madeline Ehrlich pmsa@aol.com or visit the guild website at www.santamonicaquiltguild.org.

September 9-10

2005 Quilting in the Valley, Wrapped in Love, Sept. 9, Fri., 12-9 pm, Sept. 10, Sat., 9-5 pm at Airtel Plaza Hotel, 7277 Valjean, Van Nuys, 1-800-2-AIRTEL. Over 100 quilts, merchant mall, small quilt auction, Fri. night event, make a quilt for Project Linus, fashion show, doll display. For info, call Barbara Thornton, 818-576-0023 or email at gs2@sfvqa.org

Sept. 10-11

"FLYING NORTH ...TOGETHER" Quilt Show, Sat, 9:30-4:30, and Sun, 10:00-3:30, at the Orange County Fair and Exposition Center, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA. Admission: \$5 pre-sale, \$7 at the door, good for both days! 2005 Hoffman Challenge and "Unravelled II," an Art Quilt Exhibit, Live and Silent Auction Saturday, Large Vendor Mall, Quilt Appraisals, Door Prizes, free parking, Contact Information: www.flyinggeese.net

September 17

SCCQG Board Meeting, 10:00am at Kelly Gallagher-Abbott's studio in Tustin. All are welcome, but please contact Jean Kuper, President, to RSVP.

Sept. 17

The South Bay Quilt Guild Luncheon and Fashion Show at the Ayres Hotel. Guest speaker and featured artist: Rachel Clark. \$34 per person. For information and reservations, contact: webmom@southbayquiltersguild.org and indicate "2005 Fashion Show" in the subject line.

Sept. 17-18

Quilters Etc Guild of Lompoc present "Come To Our....GARDEN PARTY" Quilt Show. Veterans Memorial Building, 100 E. Locust, Lompoc. E-mail SharonLWyche@cs.com

