Keeping Track

President’s Message

It’s back to school time, and time for fall. I think most school programs went back to school in the middle of August. Even though schools seem to start then across the country, it seems too early to me. When I was in school it was always around Labor Day, and we got out around Memorial Day. The school year appears to be much longer now. I do miss the back to school sewing, planning that ‘perfect’ outfit for the first day of school, for picture day, and all of the other activities that come with it.

Thank you to everyone who stepped up and offered to help Denise with programs for next year. I’m sure that if anyone has a skill that they would like to share she would be glad to accept your help. I’m sure it is going to be a great year.

At the September meeting we discussed the fair challenge for next year. That is a rectangular bag with smocking on it. My understanding is in order for these to be displayed, there needs to be at least 6 items in this category. It’s never too early to begin thinking and planning what you are going to do, for this category or any of the others. Let’s have the Cable Car Cablers make a big showing this year.

I hope to see everyone at the September meeting.

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Calendar

September 26th, 2017
Meeting

October 12th - 15th, 2017
SAGA Retreat 2017
Catch the Stitching Spirit
St. Louis, MO

October 24th, 2017
Meeting

November 14, 2017
Meeting – one week early
due to the Thanksgiving holiday

December 2017
Holiday Tea
Details to be announced
Officers for 2017-2018

The elected officers for the Cable Car Cablers for 2017-2018 are:

President: Maggie Harden
Vice President: Denise Kelly and Ingrid Chan
Treasurer & Membership: Cindy Cohan
Secretary: Lucie Mates

And our Committee chairs:
Hospitality: Catherine Ljungquist
Librarian: Irene Thomas
Newsletter Editor: Reba Siero
Wee Care: Irene Davidson-Thomas and Gladys Rutti

Birthdays!

Happy Birthday to

Vickie and Gladys on October 8th, Reba on October 11th and Margaret on October 28th.

Happy Birthday, Ladies!

If you would like to receive birthday greetings, please let Reba know the month and day of your birthday.

Refreshments for our Meetings

September – Lois  October – Margaret  November – Vicki  December - Holiday Party

Catherine
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Programs

I'm excited to fill the role of VP-program coordinator. The support of fellow members is greatly appreciated and we hope to bring you an exciting year of program options.

It's been fun this past year to learn new techniques with our own membership leading us. Thank you to those who have volunteered. We doodled with Sue in October and November. We learned a cool stitch with Ingrid in January. We worked on our fair entries. In July and August, we made a Soutache Scissor Fob, under the generous guidance of Sue. We are looking forward to continuing smaller project work at our monthly meetings, so please continue to put yourself out there, as we all learn from these experiences. We are also hoping to plan a weekend workshop with a visiting teacher as well.

We will be looking to confirm a teacher to conduct a workshop weekend and there will be more information provided on this as plans come together. All suggestions for possible teachers will be discussed at our monthly meetings.

Happy stitching,

Reba’s completed Scissor Fob

Denise

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Wee Care

In closing my year as Wee Care coordinator I’d first like to thank those that generously contributed their time to creating such lovely items. A shout out goes to Maggie. She made so many clever things with the knit fabric from our stash.

Also a shout out to the new group of ladies I met (Yarns for Help) that provide us with so many crocheted caps and blankets. They are a small group that meets once a month in their apartment complex rec room. Only two knew how to crochet and they have taught the others. I look forward to sharing with them the art of smocking should they ask.

Wee Care Items The annual SAGA service report was turned in July:

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Total of 203 items !!

As discussed at the August meeting, moving forward we need to consider branching out to other organizations that need our support. I feel that a very limited amount of bereavement layettes need to go to Stanford each year. They are receiving other gowns from another group.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill

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San Mateo County Fair

CCC Smocked Tote Bag Challenge

At the August 22\textsuperscript{nd} CCC meeting, members decided to have a Smocked Tote Bag Challenge for the 2018 San Mateo County Fair (SMCF) with the following requirements:

1. Minimum of 5 rows of smocking on the outside of a rectangular shaped tote bag.
2. Bag Height between 12” to 16”
3. Bag Width between 8” to 16”
4. Bag Depth between 0” to 10”
5. One or more pockets sewn on the inside or the outside of the tote bag.

We will show off our Smocked Tote Bags at the April 2018 CCC meeting. I’ll submit our CCC challenge to Julie Curry for publishing in the 2018 San Mateo County Fair, Entry Creative Home Arts, Smocking Division. Detail of how to enter your Smocked Tote Bag will be on the SMCF website: https://www.sanmateocountyfair.com/ next year.

Happy Smocking!

\textbf{Ingrid}

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Lucie’s KAHLUA CAKE

Preheat oven to 325 degrees

1 box chocolate cake mix
1 lb. sour cream (16 oz.)
1 box (3 ¾) instant vanilla pudding
¼ cup melted butter
½ c. Kahlua
1 c. chocolate chips
2 eggs
powdered sugar

Mix all ingredients in bowl by hand. Don’t over mix.

Grease and flour bundt pan very well.
Spoon batter into pan. Bake about 55 minutes. Cake should be slightly undercooked (Toothpick test doesn’t work too well because of chocolate chips)

Cool in pan for 20 minutes. Invert onto serving plate.
When cool sprinkle with powdered sugar.
Open House

Noon to 3pm
Bldg. 3, Rooms 255 & 253

Take a stroll through the classrooms and halls of the Cañada College Fashion Department, and learn more about the amazing work that goes on here:

- View intricate student garments.
- Meet program instructors and students.
- Learn about course offerings and certificate programs.
- Check out the specialized equipment and modern classroom facilities available in all Fashion Department courses.

Special Guest

12:00 to 3:00 pm, Bldg. 3, Rm 255

Sandra Betzina is a Vogue pattern designer and she is the “power” behind Power Sewing book series. She has lectured and taught throughout the country. Sandra has hosted her own sewing shows on HGTV and now has a regular online sewing show called Power Sewing TV.

Designer Sale and Showcase

10am to 4pm, Main quad area
Stylist Show in the quad Amphitheater,
11:00am

Unique hand-crafted jewelry. Artisan dyed, woven, painted, and felted textiles. Antique, vintage, and re-purposed fashions. Local, independent designers and artisans. Find them all at our annual designer sale.
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Diablo Valley Quilters 2017 Quilt Show
September 16 & 17, 2017
10 am to 5 pm, Sat; 10 am to 4 pm, Sun
Tice Valley Community Gym
2055 Tice Valley Blvd
Walnut Creek, CA
Contact Reba for more information!

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Meeting Location
The Cable Car Cablers meet the 4th Tuesday of the month, except for November and December. Meetings start at 7 p.m.

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The purpose of the Smocking Arts Guild of America is to preserve and foster the art of smocking and related needlework for future generations through education, communication and quality workmanship.

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