President’s Message

Happy Summer!! I’m just finishing 3 weeks off, then I will work three weeks of summer school, then four weeks off. I wish I had the entire summer off. I hope that everyone is getting time to work on the projects of their choice. Once again, I’m attempting some sewing for me, with mixed results. All the alterations that are required are challenging. So far I have successfully completed one shirt and a dress. The worst mistake was when my fabric got caught up in my serger blade and totally destroyed some fabric I brought back from our trip to Zurich last fall.

We need nominations for officers at this meeting. Elections take place in August, with the new officers taking over in September. If you are interested in taking an office please let me know.

Hope to see everyone at the upcoming meetings.

Happy Smocking,

Maggie
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Birthdays!

Happy Birthday to
Sue Kocienski on July 15th.

Happy Birthday, Sue!

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

Programs

In July we will be making a ribbon flower with a demonstration by Ingrid. Students will bring their supplies.

Wired Ribbon Flower Demonstration and materials info:

Join us at our July CCC Meeting and follow along to learn how to make a wired ribbon flower. Students supplies the following: 1.5 yards of 1.5 inch wide wired variegated or solid ribbon, matching thread, needle, small 6 inch ruler or larger, and scissors that can cut the wired ribbon. I'll bring some canvas to share. If needed, bring light, magnifier, extension cord, pen and paper to take notes.

August is election month for CCC officers and we have also slotted in to demonstrate the Drizzle Stitch or perhaps we’ll make Wee Care bonnet kits that SAGA has requested for the Dallas Convention. We can talk about it at the July meeting.

Instructions are included on page 6 of this newsletter.

Nothing is planned for September. Ingrid will be going to the SAGA convention and will talk about what she learned.

Denise and Ingrid

Refreshments for our Meetings

2019

July 23: Gladys  August 27: Reba  September 24: Cynthia
October 22: Ingrid  November 26: Maggie  December: Holiday Party

Thank you in advance.

Catherine
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The Cable Car Cabler’s volunteers demonstrated smocking on Sunday, June 9, 2019. Thank you to Lucie, Vickie, Maggie, Reba, Gladys, and Ingrid for showing the fair visitors what smocking is. We pleated four bonnets, talked to visitors on how the pleater works and how to smock. We also displayed our smocked and embroidered sewn garments.

Sue Kocienski, Lucie Mates, Christie Bilikam, Reba Siero, Denise Kelly, Maggie Harden, and Ingrid Chan entered smocked items into the Smocking Division. CCC members had 9 Smocked Items in Class 1, Smocked Item, and 9 Smocked Wee Care Items in Class 2, Wee Care Gown. A record year for the number of beautiful smocked items displayed in two lighted display cases, so visitors can view our smocked entries from for sides. Thank you to all who entered this year.
SMCF Division 333 - Smocking Awards
Class 1 - Smocked Item
1st and Best of Show – Ingrid Chan’s smocked “Summer’s Sunday Dress” with Lady Bugs dress designed by Kathy Awender
2nd – Maggie Harden’s Lavender Smocked Beaded Girl’s Dress
3rd – Ingrid’s Smocked Wreath Ornament
H – Denise Kelly’s Smocked Tote Bag
H – Reba Siero’s Smocked Silk Ornament
Class 2 - Smocked Wee Care Gown
1st – Ingrid’s Green Wee Care Gown
2nd – Ingrid’s Pink Wee Care Gown
3rd – Reba’s Very Tiny Wee Care Gown
H – Maggie’s Wee Care Gown with Butterflies

Sue’s embroidered entries:
SMCF entries pictures at our June 25, 2019 CCC meeting.

Hope to see more San Mateo County Fair entries next year!

Happy Smocking!

Ingrid

Wee Care Bonnet Kits for Convention

Materials:
Imperial batiste in white or ivory (rice). Light pastels may also be used
Floss to co-ordinate with fabric. 3 yards of floss should be plenty
Ribbon- 20 inches of 1/8 inch wide and 24 inches of ¼ inch wide
Needle size 8 crewel or 7 darner
Small safety pin

Directions:
Cut or tear a strip of Imperial batiste 5 ¼ inch wide. Cut or tear this piece into 18 inch pieces (remove selvedges). You will have a 5 1/4 x 18 inch piece.
Serge front edge (along 18 inch length) with a 3-thread rolled hem. This can be a color to match fabric or a color to match smocking floss. Or attach a narrow lace edging to front edge.
Serge the other three sides with a 3 thread narrow edge.* Fold up the back edge(along 18 inch length) ¼ inch and stitch along the serged edge to form a casing.
Pleat six half rows with first row one half space from front edge.
Place in small baggie.

*If you do not have a serger, attach lace to one long edge of piece. Fold in the two short sides ¼ inch twice and stitch to form a narrow hem.
Fold back edge up ¼ inch twice and stitch along folded edge to form casing.
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Meeting Location
The Cable Car Cablers meet the 4th Tuesday of the month, except for December this year. Meetings start at 7 p.m.

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