



Bits & Pieces

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Guild received two lovely letters from Guild members recently. One from Barbara Dunsmoor and one from Margreth Barrett, both expressing their gratitude for our Guild's support of an award in Art in the Redwoods. We are fortunate to have so many talented people in our Guild.

As you are aware, we had an Executive Board meeting before our last Guild meeting. The Board approved to present to our membership a proposed change in our by-laws.

This proposal was also approved by Sus of Gualala Arts, as we operate under their "umbrella."

Current wording:

Article III - Membership

Section A. Membership shall consist of anyone who is interested in quilts upon payment of annual dues. No discrimination shall be made with regard to race, color, creed, gender, or national origin.

Proposed change:

Membership shall consist of ALL who are interested in quilting upon payment of annual dues.

We will be voting on this proposal at our next meeting. We are also in the process of updating our job descriptions, to reflect what is actually being done.

This year the Dolphin Gallery will take small items we did not sell at Festival of the Trees with a 65/35 split and sell them for us. Think about donating small items, ornaments, placemats, table runners and pot holders.

Happy sewing!

Cheryl Faconti

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Mark your Calendars

October 11 & 12 – Festival of Trees Workshop

October 13 – Guild meeting

November 17 – Guild meeting

November 24 & 25 – Festival of Trees Sale

December – No meeting. Happy Holidays!

January 19, 2018 – Comfort Quilt/QOV Workshop

February 5-8, 2018 – PPQG Retreat

October 2018 – Challenge Quilt Show

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2018 Quilt Challenge

“Journeys”

Confirmation of dates for the 2018 Quilt Show!

Dates are as follows:

Wednesday, October 3, 2018 – Take In Quilts

Thursday, October 4, 2018 – Hang Quilt Show

Friday, Oct. 5, 2018 – Challenge Show Opening

The show will run from Friday, October 5, 2018

through Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Thursday, November 15, 2018 – Take down

show/Pick up Quilts

The theme of the show is “Journeys”. This can include travel, a life experience, an accomplishment..... Your interpretation can be represented in a traditional quilt, a modern quilt, an art quilt. Have fun!!!! Use your imagination!!!!

There is a fabric requirement – a beautiful blue on blue print. The use of at least 5 square inches on the quilt top/front is required. The 5 inch square may be used as a single piece or you may cut it into as many pieces as you would like. The piece(s) may be pieced/sewn into your quilt, appliqued or fused on and/or used as embellishment. Five inch squares are available at guild meetings or from Carole Garcia. Additional fabric by the yard is available at The Loft.

~Cheryl Harris, Carole Garcia and Barbara Dunsmoor

2017 Programs

In September we had 12 people for our “Rings” workshop taught by Phyllis McCalla. Those of us who had some trepidation about working with curves learned that they weren’t something that needed to be feared but were quite manageable. Phyllis took us through the steps of accurate cutting and fitting together curves for successful stitching.



Gail Spencer, Jan Saufferer, Cheryl Faconti, Francie Angwin

The wide variety of fabrics our members chose to work with and the arrangement of our blocks results in quilts that look vastly different, though made with the same block. We look forward to seeing some finished quilts at show and tell during our meetings in coming months.

October 11 & 12 will be a workshop similar to the Comfort Quilt workshop. See note from Cheryl Harris.

October 13 Guild meeting will be Ariana Strozzi of Casari Ranch, just south of Point Arena. She will be talking about using wool in quilts.

November 17 Guild meeting will be our final speaker for the year, Sherry Werum. Her specialty is quilts inspired by the work of Frank Lloyd Wright and Art Deco motifs.

Marcia and I have been working hard on setting up classes and speakers for 2018. We used the results of our survey to address the interests expressed by our membership. We’ll have more on that in our next newsletter, but be prepared for some free motion quilting, paper piecing and art quilts. Keep on quilting!

~Francie Angwin and Marcia Luchini

October Workshop

Please join us at GAC on Wednesday, Oct 11 or Thursday Oct. 12 or come both days!! We will be working on projects to sell at our booth at the Festival of Trees event in November. Come any time (10am – 3:30pm), bring your machine, accessories, & sack lunch. Enjoy visiting with friends, get new ideas! Coffee, tea & light refreshments will be provided.

For FOT we will need more potholders, stuffed animals, ornaments, fabric bowls, coasters or you are welcome to work on finishing your own current project! There will also be a few easy projects available ready to cut & assemble. Additionally, some of us will be making ‘Fidget’ (sensory/tactile) quilts. If you have already made one, please bring it along to show others. Don’t know about them & want to know more? Join PPQG’s ‘My Grove’ social media site & view “Fidget Quilts with Rob” posted on Sept 2. These quilts are designed for people with memory problems, dementia, stroke patients or others who need to keep their minds & hands busy. They can also be adapted for young children.

If interested, bring along a mix of fun fabrics, to be cut into 5” x 7” squares (or larger): bright colors, fabric with pile or interesting texture, as well as a selection of notions---zippers, buttons, cording, Velcro, large snaps, rickrack, bias tape, ribbon, elastic, etc. For ideas, just Google “fidget quilts” or take a look at those posted on Pinterest or Etsy. If you would like to view the fidget video without signing up for MyGrove, contact me & I will be happy to send you a link.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Cheryl Harris, FOT chairman

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RETREAT 2018

Our retreat for next year will be February 5th through February 8th (three nights). We will again be at our nice little place in Healdsburg, the Dry Creek Inn Best Western. They have such a nice workspace for us with good light, space, good tables, and side doors we can open or close as the weather permits. The guest rooms were upgraded last year and are very nice. The regular rooms have two queen beds, the “deluxe” rooms have one king size bed and a Jacuzzi. In the past both rooms have worked well for sharing with a roommate. That cuts the room rate in half! Breakfast is included with the room rate, including hot things like eggs, pancakes, and waffles.

The fee for the retreat is \$170.00, which should be (a check made payable to PPQG) given to Pam Todd. A partial payment (\$50.00) will be accepted now, if the balance is paid before retreat. This fee pays for our workspace, two lunches, and two dinners. One night we are on our own for dinner. Some people go out to eat, and there are a lot of restaurants to choose from in Healdsburg from pizza and fast food to fine dining.

When you've given your check to Pam, you should call Dry Creek Inn to reserve your room. Be sure to tell them you are with our quilt guild to get the reduced room rates. Their phone number is 707-433-0300. The price for the standard room is \$89.00 per night; the larger room rate is \$129.00 per night. This is up to you to do on your own.

If you have any questions at all about the retreat, please call or email me and I will talk you into going! I'm at 707-785-1976 or janlc56@mac.com. We always have so much fun, and the company is the best! It's such a treat for me—I've gone every year that I was able, and can't imagine missing it.

~Jan Carter

Thank You

“I want to take a moment to extend my most sincere thanks to the Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild for sponsoring the quilt entries in the 2017 Art in the Redwoods.



You have no idea how happy I was when I heard that my quilt had won a 2nd Place ribbon. It was such a surprise. This year was the first time I

have entered anything in Art in the Redwoods or any judged show. I was both humbled and honored to have won.

I enjoy being a member of the Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild. You are all very special and I thank you all for your friendship, encouragement and comradery.”

Sincerely, Sandy Hughes

Presidents Quilt Blocks

I am requesting quilt blocks from all my friends in the guild. For those who don't know, a president's quilt is made when members make a block of the President's choosing, and put their name on it. Then the president puts the blocks together in a quilt. It's really a lovely memento. I have a president's quilt from my first time as guild president (about five years ago) and I truly love it. I put it over my lap in the evenings on the sofa and enjoy seeing the different blocks with my friends' names on them. I would dearly love to have another quilt to remember this term as president. There are a lot of guild members who were not here five years ago. Here is how it works. (Extremely simple.) I have made up “kits” containing a piece of my chosen fabric and instructions. The fabric piece measures 6” by 10”. I would like you to add another piece of fabric, 6” wide, to one end of the fabric, which will make it a longer strip. Please don't make your fabric piece any longer than 10”. If you want to add a piece (or pieces) to both ends, that is fine, as long as they don't total more than 10 inches. Now the important part. Please sew or write (with permanent marker) your name somewhere in the center of your fabric. Don't put it near the edge where it might get cut off or hidden in a seam. Marva has some of these kits at her store for you to pick up. Finished blocks can be left for me at the Dolphin in the PPQG mail box. If you live out of town and would like me to mail you the materials, just let me know your address and I'll pop it in the mail. Thank you all so much!

~Jan Carter

September Guild Meeting



Kendra Stillman
"Stars" Kendra's 3rd quilt



Dee Goodrich
Quilt of Valor



Carole Garcia
Comfort Quilt



Janice Batchelder
I-Spy Quilt

Show and Tell



Wendy Hodum
Jacket from Kalynn's class



Jan Carter
I-Spy Quilt for new baby in the family



Pat Connell
I-Spy Quilt



Pat Connell
Quilt for "Quilts for Kids"