



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

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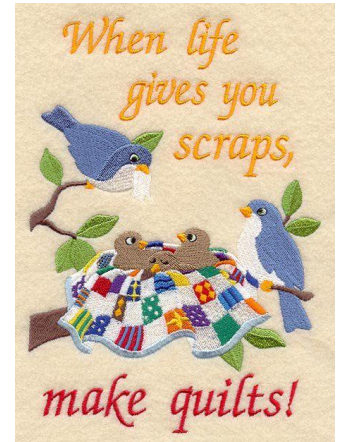
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*Newsletter Editor: Barbara Fast*

## Editor's Note:

May is when we really experience Spring...when the flowers are blooming, and the birds are nesting. For PPQG, it is also a time when our annual challenge entries are finished, and we can begin to think about other projects. So now is the time to gather our "scraps," or even some brand-new fabric, and start another quilt.

*Barbara Fast, Editor*



## President's Message:

The Memorial Day Holiday weekend is upon us. School is almost over. Summer is knocking at our doors. Our final HAM (Happy Active Member) message this month is "#12. HAVE FUN!! If you find being a member of the guild is not fun, take time to evaluate why. Did you over commit? Are your ideas not taken seriously? Talk to someone you trust in the guild to help you sort it out. Maybe you need a break or maybe you need a challenge." I sincerely hope that the guild is meeting your expectations. If, for some reason, you are dissatisfied, please talk to me or someone else, so that we can address your issue or feelings. Each one of you is a valued part of our quilting community.

Our 2024 Challenge is open and hanging at the Gualala Arts Center. We had a lovely reception with an extraordinary array of appetizers for our attendees. It was wonderful to see how our members interpreted the challenge of 24 squares. Thanks to all who took part with entries or helping with the opening. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. It will be up until June 9. If you haven't seen it yet, do try to come by.

I hope to see you at our next meeting, our Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor Workshop on June 21. Take care and Keep on Quilting!!

*President, Francie Angwin*

## Fundraising Fun 2024

May was a busy month with the PPQG Challenge Quilt Exhibit opening. That being said, our fundraising turn-in was rather sparse for May. We had only two members, Dee and Francie, turn in some items. Francie won our raffle for The Loft gift certificate. Congratulations Francie! Art in the Redwoods is the weekend of August 16-18; and it will be here before we know it. With next month being our Comfort Quilt Workshop, I want to encourage many of you to come to our next Thursday Sew-In on June 13th to work on items to sell at our AIR booth. We are still in need of potholder sets and children's quilts (such as I-Spy quilts). We will have Insul-Bright and batting available to make potholder sets. Bring any leftover blocks or scraps you have, or pull from the fanny basket to make your potholders and help us increase our inventory. If potholders aren't your thing, feel free to bring something else to work on to donate to our sale. Thanks for your support!

*Kim Madson, Fundraising Chairman*

## Mark Your Calendars Program 2024

**June 10:** Pick-up Challenge entries at GAC, 10-2PM

**June 13:** Second Thursday Sew-in at GAC, 11-3 PM

While Janice is recovering, she has asked me to take point on this gathering. You are invited to join others to work on whatever you want. You are not required to make items for the sales. Our goal is to provide a time for us to meet, sew, get input on projects, etc. Please let me know if you plan to come so I can let Scott know how many tables to set up. My number is (707) 884-1131. If you decide to come at the last minute, you are still welcome!

*Francie Angwin*

**June 21:** Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor workshop at GAC, 10AM; business meeting, 1 PM

**July 21:** Annual Picnic at GAC; details to follow

**September 17- 19:** Free-motion workshop with Pam Nelson



**September 20:** PPQG meeting at GAC; social hour, 12:30; business meeting, 1:00 PM  
Presentation by Pam Nelson to follow

*Sylvia Evans, Program Chairman*

## Membership

Following knee surgery, Janice Batchelder is in extended recovery at a rehab facility in Santa Rosa. Cards can be sent to her home, PO Box 1527, Gualala, CA 95445.

We are sad to report that Bonnie Toy's husband, Art, passed away on May 6th. You may send a card to Bonnie Toy, PO Box 69, Plymouth, CA 95669.

*Gail Spencer, Membership Chairman*

## Featured Member

Dee Goodrich was born in Mexico City where she also spent her early childhood. At an early age she learned how to sew, knit and crochet, primarily from her grandmother. She remembers using her grandmother's treadle sewing machine to make doll clothes. Since her father was a US citizen, the family, including her grandmother, decided to move to Southern California when Dee was six. When Dee graduated from high school the family moved back to Mexico where Dee worked as a bilingual translator. However, she missed California, so she moved back in 1970. Shortly thereafter she met John, her husband. They have now been married for 52 years.



Dee was a stay-at-home Mom when her son and daughter were little, but she later went back to work as an HR administrator at Disonics in San Jose. Dee and John became avid scuba and free divers and they were fortunate to dive at many beautiful places in the world, the most interesting of which was the Galapagos Islands. They also enjoyed diving for abalones along the Northern California Coast, so when they retired in 2001 they moved to Fort Bragg. Dee joined the Ocean Wave Quilters, and also PPQG. She began quilting almost full time when she wasn't diving. She said, "I found that I loved handwork the most, piecing, applique and hand-quilting."

When she gave a trunk show at the April PPQG meeting, we enjoyed seeing many of Dee's quilts, most of which were hand-pieced and hand-sewn.. She has made so many quilts that I asked her if she sells any of them. Her response was "I very seldom sell my quilts. I keep the ones I love and give the rest away to family, friends and to the guilds." PPQG has been very fortunate to receive many of her quilts to give away as Comfort Quilts or Quilts of Valor.

*Barbara Fast, Editor*

## Comfort Quilt News

This month we gave away one comfort quilt to a grieving community member.

Our Comfort Quilt /Quilt of Valor workshop will be on June 21, at 10am. A Light Lunch will be served. We counted those who were at the May meeting and raised hands to say they were attending the workshop. If you weren't at the May meeting and are coming to the June workshop, please email Kathy Mayda to let her know you will be there. Bring what you need to sew if you have a comfort quilt or quilt of valor to work on or help someone else pin or cut out a new one.

*Marcia Luchini, Comfort Quilt Chairman*

## 2024 Challenge

The Challenge show is on exhibit. This is a reminder that we will need you to come collect your entries on June 10, between 11 am and 2 pm. If you are not able to come then, please delegate someone else to pick up your quilt or contact me at (707) 884-1131.

*Francie Angwin*

## 2025 Challenge

Inspiration is "Our Local Quilt Shop"

Challenge dates to be announced. May, 2025 has been requested.

Further details to follow.

*Sandy Hughes and Francie Angwin, 2025 Challenge Chairmen*

## Library Report

LIBRARY ADDITIONS LAST MONTH:

Jeanine Malaney's, Painting with Fabric

Maxine Rosenthal's, One-Block Wonders - Cubed

Maxine Rosenthal's, One Block Wonders – Panel

Maxine Rosenthal's, One-Block wonders — Of the World

SAQA, Stitching California — Fiber artists interpret the State's people, life, and land — catalog

SAQA, WILD Fabrications — catalog of show

SAQA, H2-Oh! — catalog of show

SAQA, Shifting Tides convergence in cloth — Art quilts from Seven SAQA Pacific Regions — catalog

SAQA, Evanescence — Judith Content solo exhibition @ San Jose Quilts and Textiles — catalog

MORE TO COME NEXT MONTH

*Iis Lorenz-Fife, Librarian*



June birthdays: June 3, Ellen Soule; June 4, Bonnie Coffey-Smith; June 7, Leslie Juricek; June 9, Paula Osborne; June 10, Trudy Armer; June 10, Barbara Fast; June 13, Karen Stultz-Miller; June 26, ML Haynes; June 27, Gail Spencer; June 30, Jeri Taylor

### May Show and Tell



Jan Carter – Family quilt



Jan Carter – Baseball quilt for her husband