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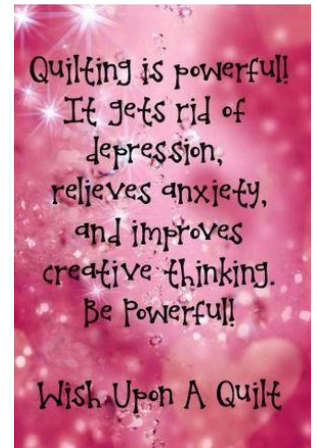
June, 2024

Newsletter Editor: Barbara Fast

Editor's Note:

June is a popular month for birthdays. Ten members of PPQG have birthdays in June and I am one of them, so I decided to tell you a little bit about me. You can find a quick synopsis of my life in Featured Member.

Barbara Fast, Editor



President's Message:

Happy Summer Everyone!! The days are longer and the sun, for the most part, is shining. It has been warm up here on the Gualala Ridge and my sunflowers are loving it. It was great to see so many show up for our Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor workshop this month. Lots of progress was made and good conversations were had. Thanks go to Jan Carter for sharing her way of putting a facing on a small quilt and a new way to do sashing, that may save some time. She shared the step-by-step process and had handouts for us. I look forward to trying it out. Thanks also go to Kathy Mayda who arranged our lunch and the others who contributed. Our summer picnic is coming up next month and AIR is in August. Jan and Kim will have more details in their reports. I hope we will have good participation at both events. Just a reminder that we don't have a business meeting at the picnic and we do not meet in August. Our next meeting will be in September, and Sylvia and Kalynn have a wonderful free-motion quilting class lined up. Meanwhile, enjoy the weather, and Keep on Quilting!

President, Francie Angwin

Fundraising Fun 2024

For our June meeting, Sandy Hughes was kind enough to bring in her adorable Funky Friends so I could take pictures to give to GAC to promote PPQG at the Arts in the Redwoods Festival. They were quite the hit at our meeting! For our Turn-In, I received 4 beautiful quilts, several sets of lovely potholders, a bunch more microwave bowls and tortilla warmers, along with some new items – seatbelt covers (Marcia L.) and crossbody water bottle holders (Sandy H.) Thank you to everyone who donated this month! Sandy Hughes won this month's raffle for the Loft gift certificate. Congratulations Sandy!



We are in pretty good shape for the AIR Festival; however, we could still use more potholders and quilts of all sizes. We will have a Turn-In at our July picnic and one more in August just before the AIR Festival which is Aug. 16-18. I will also need volunteers to work at our booth (2 hour shifts) on that Saturday and Sunday. More details on the August Turn-In and AIR volunteer sign-ups will be sent in an email after our picnic.

Kim Madson, Fundraising Chairman

Mark Your Calendars Program 2024

July 11: Second Thursday Sew-in

We will meet upstairs in the classroom on July 11, from 11am to 3pm. It is not only a time to work on items for our sales, but it's a great time to get input on a project you are working on. Come for all or just some of the time. Please let me know if you're planning to attend, so I can let Scott know how many tables to set up. My number is (707) 884-1131.

Francie Angwin

July 19: PPQG Summer Picnic

Our annual guild summer picnic will be Thursday, July 18, at GAC in the picnic area. This is NOT our normal meeting day, but the day before. We will meet at high noon. The guild will provide salad greens and dressings, Frenchbread, 2Fish cookies, and water to drink. Please bring a salad topping to share, like maybe some cherry tomatoes (or cut-up tomatoes), olives, black beans, shredded cheese, or a protein, whatever kinds of things that you like to put on your salads. We will set up our very own salad bar! Bring your own plate and utensils and drinking glass. You may, of course, bring something other than water for yourself to drink if you wish. We will be playing QUILTO, so bring some buttons or pennies, and three fat quarters to play this game. See you on July 18

Jan Carter, Picnic Chairman

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

Please make welcome our newest member:

Annie Bedichek
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Gail Spencer, Membership Chairman

Featured Member

My parents were educators. I had two brothers, one older, one younger. I enjoyed being the middle child. From elementary school through college I lived in San Diego. Like so many women in the 1950s, I married young during my last semester at San Diego State University. We were blessed to have three sons. I taught English in high school for one year, but I really wanted to be a doctor, so I had to go back and take pre-med courses. I applied to and was accepted by the University of California at Irvine where they admitted 10 % women, no more, no less. I originally thought that I wanted to be a primary care doctor, but I liked the active specialties. When I chose a surgical internship the Dean of Students told me, "You may finish a surgical residency, but no one will send patients to you because you are a woman."



After finishing the requirements to be a General Surgeon, I went on to take a fellowship in Pediatric Surgery at the Children's Hospital in Denver, Colorado. That's where I met Norm, my husband for now 45 years. Since we both had three children when we were married, I did not have bridesmaids; I had five groomsmen, one of whom was my youngest son who was the Best Man. Norm's daughter was my Maid of Honor. We lived in Orange County for 15 years until an opportunity arose to move back to Colorado, Norm's home state. After 30 years as a Pediatric Surgeon, I retired in 2007 and we moved to Point Arena.

I had taken some basket and gourd workshops before retiring so I welcomed the opportunity to dabble in art. When a cute little building in Point Arena became available, Norm and I founded the Coast Highway Art Collective. I no longer manage CHAC, but I am pleased by its ongoing success.

My mother was an excellent seamstress, so she taught me how to sew. I made many of my own clothes, including formal gowns. When my son who is the Manager of the Child Life program at UCSF Children's Hospital asked me if I knew of any group who would be willing to make gift bags for patients, we approached PPQG. I became a member and, even though I didn't count, I know that we made hundreds of bags. When Judy Riddle retired as Editor of the PPQG newsletter, I agreed to take over. I am challenged to produce the newsletter each month, but it is interesting. If you have any suggestions for how it could be improved, please let me know.

Barbara Fast, Editor

Comfort Quilt News

We had a great turnout for our comfort quilt/quilt of valor workshop on June 21. Thank you Kathy Mayda and Kim Madson for the a delicious lunch. Several lovely comfort quilts were turned in from Monica Zarkowski, Sandy Hughes, Jan Carter, Gail Spencer and Katherine Weiss. We delivered two quilts this month to community members. Stay tuned for the Caroline Ogg challenge coming soon!

2024 Challenge

Our 2024 Challenge, "Twenty-four Squares in 2024" has drawn to a close. Sandy Hughes and I were gratified by the participation of our Guild. The winner of the Viewer's Choice award is Margreth Barrett for her entry, "Sea Ranch Sunset." Congratulations to Margreth for her beautiful wall hanging. Her prize is a \$50 gift certificate to the Loft.

Francie Angwin and Sandy Hughes, 2024 Challenge Chairmen



AIR Quilt

As most of you know, but some new members may not, each year we make a quilt and donate it to Gualala Arts. It is known as the AIR Quilt. They raffle the quilt off, and proceeds are used to fund a scholarship for a local high school senior. The scholarship is paid out in two installments over two of the first four terms of enrollment. The student must submit proof of enrollment in an art-related class to receive the payment. This year's winner is Sidney Michelle Regelbrugge. She is this year's class valedictorian at Point Arena High School. Sidney is a talented musician and athlete, and she is the current Junior Poet Laureate of Mendocino County who has a published book of poetry. She will be attending Harvard University this fall where she plans to major in psychology with a minor in creative writing. Sidney also plans to participate in music groups. Having known this young woman, literally since before she was born, I think that she is an amazing person.

Francie Angwin

Library Report

MORE LIBRARY ADDITIONS and thanks to the donors

| Author: | Title: |
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| Nancy Crow | Crossroads: Constructions, Markings, and Structures |
| Carolyn A Dahl | Natural Impressions — taking an artistic path through nature |
| Cecelia Dailey | The Batik Art of Mary Edna Fraser |
| Deborah O'Hare | Small Art Quilts — Explorations in Paint & Stitch. The Textile Artist |
| D'Arcy-Jean Milne | Fabric Leftovers — simple, adaptable ways to use up scraps |
| Lesley Riley | The Ultimate Guide to Transfer Artist Paper — explore 15 new projects for Crafters, Quilters, Mixed Media and Fine Artists |
| SAQA Martha Sielman | Art Quilts International — Abstract & Geometric |
| SAQA | Exploring Art Quilts - with Studio Art Quilt Associates, Inc. — Volume 1 New Directions |
| Ann Small | Layered Cloth — the art of Fabric Manipulation — The Textile Artist |
| Rosie Lee Tompkins | Rosie Lee Tompkins — A Retrospective |

lis Lorenz-Fife, Librarian

T-Shirt Shop

The T-Shirt Shop is now open!. Short and long-sleeved t-shirts are available as well as youth sizes. Sorry, no “onesies.”

Cheryl Faconti, T-Shirt Chairman



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

June Show and Tell



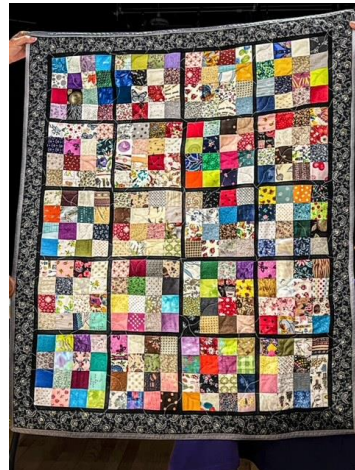
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Gail Spencer



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Monica Zarkowski