



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

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We've Lost a Wonderful Friend



Carol Tackett, shown here with one of her entries in the 2007 "Flights of Fantasy" Challenge Show, passed away in the first minutes of Saturday, January 26, 2013. An avid quilter, dyer, fabric artist and long time PPQG member, she served the guild and community in many capacities before moving to Austin, Texas this past year.

Her dear friend, Marilyn Limbaugh reports, "Carol's passing was a shock to us all. It happened so fast. Before Christmas she was in a great deal of pain. She does not react well to medication and they were not helping so she was taken to the hospital. After much testing, colon cancer was discovered and then three weeks ago liver cancer.

Carol's family very much appreciate all the cards, love and kind thoughts so many of you have sent. "

Please Renew Your Membership!

If you have not yet renewed your guild membership for 2013, please send a \$40 (or more, for Angel Gift) check payable to PPQG to Gail Spencer, PO Box 1489, Gualala, Ca 95445. Members living out-of-state are eligible for the "non-resident" membership of \$25 per calendar year.

Thank you. ~Gail Spencer

President's Message: Happy Valentines to all.

By now you have heard that Carol Tackett passed away. We are all so heart-broken for her family and friends near and far. She was a big part of our guild and really participated in many ways. She wore lots of hats in her time here on the coast and made her presence felt in many ways.

As your out-going president I am appealing to those of you who do not really take an active part to help make this a going, viable guild. It is not easy to keep tapping the same members to take on the committee heads or officer positions. So think about your part and if you can step up and volunteer. There are many of us to help you, back you up, and be there to lend a hand, so if one of the election committee calls, please, consider volunteering. You will be surprised at how really easily many hands get the jobs done.

Thanks,

~Polly Dakin



Busy quilters at the January Comfort/Quilt of Valor Workshop.



Holiday luncheon at St. Orres was rated "fantastic"!

Photos by Laura Hamilton

Treasurer's Report

Balance at beginning of Month.....	\$9,285
Plus: Monthly deposits per Income	
Prepaid Angel donations.....	\$75.00
Prepaid retreat deposit.....	\$300.00
Prepaid 2013 dues.....	\$305.00
Fund-raising.....	\$2,518.32
Workshop fees.....	\$1,385.00
Total Income	\$3,189.32
Minus: Monthly checks from Expense	
Cousteus Caterin Deposit.....	\$144.00
Retreat Refund.....	\$150.00
Oui Catering Deposit.....	\$500.00
Total expenses.....	\$794.00
Balance at month end.....	..\$11,689.53

Festival of Trees

The Guild team is already at work coming up with new ideas for November. Do you have any T shirts you no longer wear that are in decent condition? An idea was shared at the January meeting to turn these old shirts into grocery bags or totes.

Recycle - Reuse - Repurpose. If you have any you'd like to part with, please bring them to the next Guild meeting, or you can leave them at the Dolphin in the Guild box and they will be turned into bags to sell! If you want to make one for yourself, just cut the neckline and sleeves off, turn the shirt inside out, stitch the bottom closed, turn it back out again and you have a tote!

News from The Loft

First, thanks to everyone who visited us on "Visit Your Local Quilt Shop" Day, Jan 24th. It was a great success - looking forward to next year's event..

For those 49er and Giants fans out there - The Loft has received fleece for throws and /or scarves - oh so simple to make and SUPER cuddly.

"Happiness Is..." fabric arrives at the end of this month. Also, Richard Scarey's soft books for children panels will be with the Peanuts fabric.

Valentine fabric, stickers, card making supplies and lacing cards (of years gone by), are available for your favorite Valentine.

I'm sure most of you know we now stock some of the Sea Ranch Wool - What fun to knit into a sweater or scarf!!

Happy Sewing and Knitting,

~Marva

Thanks for the Goodies!

Thank you Kalynn Oleson and Kathryn Weiss for bringing cookies to the January meeting. The treats were enjoyed by all attending the workshop.

Sincerely,
Susan Miller, Hospitality Committee

News from Neighboring Guilds

Delta Quilters Guild's 2013 show, "A Splash of Fabric and Art", will feature "Quilts and More" author Merrill-Lee West, May 18 & 19, 2013 at the Brentwood Community Center, 35 Oak Street, Brentwood, CA. Saturday 10am-5pm and Sunday 10am-4pm. Tickets are \$7 for 1 day only and \$10 for a 2 day pass. The show will have over 200 exhibits, food, demonstrations, Door Prizes, Raffle items and new and returning vendors. Any further questions please email Barbara Sharry (Guild Newsletter Editor) bsharry@comcast.net

Amador Valley Quilters presents "Quilts from the Heart," their biannual show, on April 20 and 21, 2013, at the Alameda County Fairgrounds, Young California Building, in Pleasanton. Featured artist is Alex Anderson and there will also be a special exhibit of Quilts of Valor. Show hours are Saturday from 10 am-5 pm and Sunday from 10 am-4 pm. Admission is \$10 and free for children under 12. Parking is also free if you mention Quilt Show to the parking attendant.

There will be more than 400 quilts, vendors galore, door prizes and raffle baskets, demonstrations, and activities for visitors, and a wonderful opportunity quilt "Ruby's Fruit Baskets Redux." If you would like to see the opportunity quilt or learn more about the show, visit our website at <http://www.amadorvalleyquilters.org/show>." Contact Susan Del Bocco: sewfun57@comcast.net

Mirka Knaster reports: The fiber arts show at Petaluma Arts Center is fabulous, such a high level of originality and mastery of technique. I highly recommend a visit if you're down there. I stopped by on Saturday en route to the Bay Area and was duly impressed. All four artists were there demonstrating and explaining what they do. They will do that again, so check out the schedule online. Easy exit off Washington, up to Lakeville, left to RR depot building. <http://petalumaartscenter.org/2012/4-weavers/>

Also, the Pointless Sisters art quilt show will up till March 3 at the Occidental Center for the Arts: <http://www.occidentalcenterforthearts.org/pointless-sisters-quilts-gallery-exhibit/>