

Bits & Pieces

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Twas the night before Christmas,
 And the quilts were not made.
 The Threads were all tangled, the cookies delayed.
 The stockings weren't hung, the pantry was bare.
 The poor weary Quilter, was tearing out her hair.
 Stacks of fat quarters, tipped over in streams.
 Visions of Long Cabins, had turned into dreams.
 When what to her wondering eyes should appear,
 But a bus full of quilters with all of their gear.
 They went straight to work with just a few mutters,
 Sorting and stitching and brandishing cutters.
 The patterns emerged from all of the clutter,
 Like magic the fabrics arranged in a flutter.
 Long Cabins, Lone Star, Flying Geese and Bear Tracks
 Each Quilt was a beauty--even the backs.
 Her house how it twinkled, her quilts how they
 glowed.
 The cookies were baking, the stockings were sewed.
 Their work was all done, so they folded their frames,
 And packed up their needles, without giving their
 names.
 They boarded the bus, and checked the next address.
 More quilts to be made, another quilter in distress.
 She heard one voice echo, as they drove out of sight,
 Happy quilting to all and to all a good night!
 (Author unknown)*

~Cheryl Faconti

FESTIVAL OF TREES

Well, FOT 2018 has come and gone. We want to express our thanks to all of you who helped and made items for the sale. Katherine Gyorfi, Barbara Dunsmoor, Marcia Luchini, Charlotte Teft and her husband, Ray (who both came all the way from Laytonville!), Joe Pearce (Francie's husband), helped with set up. The bulk of the work was done in about 2 ½ hours. Marcia stayed to help us finish pricing and fine tune everything.

All of those who signed up to work arrived promptly. We'd like to thank Marci Johnston, Gail Spencer, Cheryl Faconti, Barbara Dunsmoor, Judy Riddle, and Linda Warnock who volunteered on Friday. Della Zita, Monica Zarkowski, Cheryl Faconti, Iris Lorenz-Fife, and Marcia Luchini volunteered on Saturday. The crowd ebbed and flowed during the two days. The pouring rain on Friday brought a good number of folks looking to get out of the rain. Saturday was a bit slower, but after noon, sales were pretty steady.

Approximately \$3600 was turned into the GAC office. The Art Center will back out the sales tax and their share. We hope to have a definite number for you by the December newsletter. We will also include our best estimate of pre-sale income.

We will do an inventory and review our sales slips so we can leave the AIR chairs a list of what is left, and what items appeared to sell most.

Once again, a huge thank you to all who made aprons, potholders, trivets, stuffed toys, bowls, table runners, coasters, wall hangings, and, of course, quilts. So many people remarked that they always look forward to our booth and our many beautiful items.

If anyone would like to retrieve their unsold items, please let us know.

Thank you all for your support of this important fundraiser for PPQG. *~Francie Angwin and Sandy Hughes*



BEFORE FOT SALES



AFTER FOT SALES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- December 10** – Holiday Luncheon—Gualala Hotel
Arrive at 11:30
- January 18** -- 10 AM - 4 PM – Comfort Quilt workshop
- February 15** – 12:30-1:00 Social time; 1:00 Lecture on
Landscape Quilts by Caroline Ogg
- March 14 & 15** – Fabric dying workshop with Jenny
Henderson

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

December 10, 2018 at the Gualala Hotel. Arrive by 11:30. Cost will be about \$30 per person. Bring two coordinating fat quarters wrapped with Christmas wrap. RSVP to Judy Riddle by Wednesday, December 5

judy.ann.riddle@gmail.com or 707-882-2774

RETREAT 2019

The dates are February 4-7, 2019. Arrive on Monday and leave on Thursday. If you would like to attend, send a check to Pam Todd (PO Box 867, Gualala) for \$170.00 made out to PPQG. Then go to DryCreekInn.com (707-938-9200) to make your reservation for three nights. Be sure to tell them you are part of the quilt retreat to get the special rate. Here are the hotel rates:

Two queen beds are \$99.00 plus tax per night

One King room is \$139.00 plus tax per night

The \$170.00 pays for our work room, two catered lunches and two catered dinners. One night we are on our own for dinner. Many people get together in groups and go to one of the many wonderful restaurants in Healdsburg.

Call me or email me if you have any questions.

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FABRIC BAGS FOR

UCSF BENIOFF CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Several months ago I encouraged guild members to make more fabric bags for a project at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital. They were using them for welcoming packets when children were admitted to the hospital. I have now learned that they are no longer using the bags for that purpose. They still use bags occasionally, but not in large volumes like before. I want to thank all of you who contributed more than 1,000 bags over the last few years. If any of you have already finished bags, I will see that they get to the hospital; however, it is no longer a priority to make new ones. PPQG is known for the philanthropic efforts of its members. I admire all of you who make Comfort Quilts and Quilts of Valor. Keep doing good work for your community.

~Barbara Fast

MEMBERSHIP

Membership renewal is due on or before January 1, 2019. Please mail a check payable to PPQG in the amount of \$40 (plus Angel Gift, if desired) to me: Gail Spencer, PO Box 1489, Gualala, CA 95445. Your support is appreciated. I will also accept checks or cash in person, at the Guild luncheon on December 10.

~Gail Spencer

2018/19 PROGRAMS

February 15, Our very own **Caroline Ogg** will talk to us about making Landscape Quilts and show some of her work.

March 14 & 15, **Jenny Henderson** will present a workshop on dying cloth, and wearable garments, with natural materials, and ice dying.

- **December** – No meeting. Happy Holidays!!
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~ Marcia Luchini and Francie Angwin

NOVEMBER LECTURE



"Featherweights on Parade" with Ted and Rita Maddock



Our guild had 19 Featherweight machines displayed.

Some stayed for the Featherweight maintenance workshop



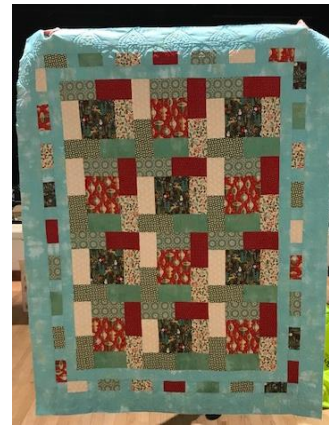
....and some had husband supervision



NOVEMBER SHOW AND TELL



Melissa Finley showed coasters she made for FOT



Holiday quilt made by Marcia Luchini

Sandy Lockhart showed a baby quilt she made for FOT



Second Holiday quilt made by Marcia Luchini in a different colorway for FOT



Quilt of Valor made from squares provided by attendees at the 2017 Retreat



PPQG tree for FOT adorned with ornaments made by guild members and decorated by Iris Lorenz-Fife and Melissa Finley