



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

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June 2012

Art in the Redwoods Quilt

The 2012 Art in the Redwoods Quilt is finished and currently hanging at the Gualala Art Center. The 2012 committee included Judy Riddle, Marva Jacobs and Marilyn Limbaugh. The completed quilt was then machine quilted by Sharon Malachowski. The grapes and leaves idea was the brainstorm of Judy's husband, Larry. Judy then created a design and presented it to the committee. Most fabrics were chosen in consultation with Marva and purchased through the Loft. Marva and Marilyn were tasked with deciphering the design and sewing together the bazillion four-inch squares in the background. Judy then prepared the different sized leaves, using two different fabrics, and the grape clusters, from three different sized circles and three different fabrics. The grapes and leaves were applied to the quilt using a turned-edge appliqué technique. Sharon Malachowski machine quilted a grape cluster and leaf motif in the outer area of the quilt, quilted stippling and peacock feathers in the center area, and, finally quilted veins in the leaves. The design was then finished off with accent tendrils embroidered in each corner grape cluster, and in the center design. The Art in the Redwoods Quilt Raffle will be held on Sunday, August 19, 2012; at 2:00 p.m. Winner need not be present to win. Proceeds will go to Gualala Arts for art scholarships. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Gualala Arts Center and the Dolphin Gallery. Tickets are \$2 each, three for \$5, and seven for \$10 or fifteen for \$20.

Comfort Quilt / Quilts of Valor Workshop

Join the fun and make a Comfort Quilt to be given to a member of the community who needs a little special care and attention or a Quilt of Valor to honor a wounded veteran. If you don't want to make a whole quilt yourself, come and help someone else. Cut, press, sew and visit. June 15th. Lunch is provided.



Korbel Cellars Outing in July

In lieu of a meeting in July we will be having a garden tour of Korbel Cellars on Wednesday, July 25. We will meet at Korbel (13250 River Road, Guerneville) between 11am and 11:30am for lunch. The winery has a gourmet deli with sandwiches, desserts and specialty coffees. For those who may be more budget conscious, you may want to pack your own picnic. Our garden tour is scheduled to begin at 1 pm, giving us plenty of time for a leisurely lunch. Please contact Renata Lopez (rntlopez1@gmail.com) or Cheryl Faconti (cher1053@yahoo.com or 785-2403) if you are planning to attend. Let us know if you are willing to drive and carry passengers so we can arrange carpools. Hope to see you there.

President's Message

I hope all of you quilter's are enjoying the beautiful blossoms this year, I think that it is a bumper crop for the rhodies. The guild enjoyed two days of class with Alison Schwabe; the sewing machines were just whirling away as soon as she finished her introduction and instructions. You could sure tell that she was from "down under," and you had to listen carefully to get around the accent, but a really delightful instructor. Our guild will have a comfort quilt workshop next month, with the luncheon provided, and I will pickup batting at Marva's this week and get it to Joyce to distribute. Carol Tackett is planning a demo on our Accuquilt Cutting Machine.

Marilyn Limbaugh is planning our trip to the Vet's Hospital in Palo Alto for the beginning of June with about 30 quilts! The most ever, and a beautiful assortment of work and generous giving by our guild members. Many, Many thanks.

I will not be at the Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor workshop, hope to see you all at our outing in July.

~Polly Dakin

Guild Retreat 2013

Time to start thinking about next year's guild retreat. The Healdsburg retreat is scheduled for three nights; Monday thru Wednesday and packing up to leave Thursday morning . So



far most people have expressed an interest in the first week in February. Feb. 2-6.

Please email me (Dblum@mcn.org or call 707-785-3625. This is not a reservation; but I must have a list of interested people to make sure we have enough people to get a reservation for the hotel. If you are planning events for 2013...Save these dates.

This is a great event with many of our members returning every year. If you have not attended a guild retreat before, you are missing a fun get-a-away.

The cost is very reasonable, with lots of time to quilt, play, and enjoy the beautiful town of Healdsburg.

~Donna Blum

Member News

Please welcome back former PPQG member, Leanne Liston who rejoined in late April.

Continuing Education

A Beginning Quilting class is scheduled for February 2013. Dates and times are as follows: Thursdays February, 7th, February 14th, February 21st, and February 28th from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. The four-day class will cover the basics of quiltmaking, and will be taught by Kalynn Oleson and Jan Carter. It is designed for anyone with a working knowledge of a sewing machine. Registration is through GAC. More information will be forthcoming.

Also, please let Kalynn Oleson or Jan Carter know if you have any ideas for a topic you (or a group) would like to see taught as a class. They are open to suggestions.

Treasurer's Report

Balance at beginning of April.... \$11,086.87

Plus: Monthly deposits per Income

Library Sales.....\$15.00

Total Income\$15.00

Minus: Monthly checks from Expense

GAC rent.....\$206.00

The Loft labels \$41.09

S. Malachowski AIR quilt.....\$251.00

Trinks cakes\$65.00

Marion Coleman lecture & mileage....\$536.11

Total expenses..... \$1099.20

Balance at month end..... \$10,002.67

Notes from The Loft

Embellishments!! WOW!! The Loft has everything for the fabric artist, scrapbooker, card maker or painter.

Many of you know about Angelina Fibers (melt - then sew, glue or fuse them to item), New to the Loft are sun blockers, bleaches, dyes and paints. Hot fix rhinestones add that pizazz to pants, jackets, and quilts? - no more prongs for this gal. Silk screen fabric and kits are here as well.

We also have the latest books on these techniques from Jacquard and Martingale.

Don't be shy - ask for assistance or tell the staff if you are looking for something in particular - we are here to serve you and this community.

Thank you for shopping locally.

~Marva Jacobs