



Bits & Pieces

Newsletter Editor: Judy Riddle

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First, I wish to thank Annie Beckett for her generous donation to our Guild. She had a "reduce her stash before moving sale" and donated 20% of her fabric business to us.

I have just returned from a three week vacation and am so happy to be home. While I love traveling, there is something to be said for home and routine. While I was traveling, I followed the news of the devastating wildfires in Sonoma County. My pet sitter sent me a text telling me of the dense smoke in our area, but that all was well. I called my 90 year old mother, who lives in the eastern part of Sonoma. I told her to pack a bag and get ready to evacuate. That evening she was evacuated to my sister's home for a week, and I was able to visit her in her home on my way back. Thankfully all was safe and sound. Not so for some of my friends who lived in Santa Rosa. I am saddened for their losses, but know that the "greater Sonoma County" will lend a hand. I will be working on "comfort quilts" in the near future, and I know our Guild and the wonderful quilters who belong will be doing their best to help. I hope all of you and your loved ones are safe, and as fortunate as I am.

~Cheryl Faconti

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Mark your Calendars

November 17 – Guild meeting

November 24 & 25 – Festival of Trees Sale

December – No meeting. Happy Holidays!

January 19, 2018 – Comfort Quilt/QOV Workshop

February 5-8, 2018 – PPQG Retreat

February 16, 2018 – Guild Meeting—Lecture by Lisa McKessik titled "Tool Time"

October 2018 – Challenge Quilt Show

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Festival of Trees

Festival of Trees at Gualala Arts (FOT) is "right around the corner".

Friday, November 24, 10am – 6pm and Saturday, November 25, 10am – 4pm

Volunteers are needed: for setup on Tuesday November 21, and/or to help out on Friday or Saturday during the event. Please let us know how you would like to participate. We are also seeking more donations to sell at our booth. Especially needed are colorful children's toys, hostess gifts and, of course, QUILTS!! **Deadline to drop off your donation is Friday, November 17**, but if you can drop off sooner, it would help us with planning and pricing in advance. Please let us know what you can do:

Contact Cheryl Harris (707-294-6423)

cheryleharris@sbcglobal.net or

Paula Osborne (707-322-3653)

etude@mcn.org

2018 Quilt Challenge

“Journeys”

Dates are as follows:

Wednesday, October 3, 2018 – Take In Quilts
Thursday, October 4, 2018 – Hang Quilt Show
Friday, Oct. 5, 2018 – Challenge Show Opening
The show will run from Friday, October 5, 2018 through Wednesday, November 14, 2018
Thursday, November 15, 2018 – Take down show/Pick up Quilts

The theme of the show is “**Journeys**”. This can include travel, a life experience, an accomplishment..... Your interpretation can be represented in a traditional quilt, a modern quilt, an art quilt. Have fun!!!! Use your imagination!!!!

There is a fabric requirement – a beautiful blue on blue print. The use of at least 5 square inches on the quilt top/front is required. The 5 inch square may be used as a single piece or you may cut it into as many pieces as you would like. The piece(s) may be pieced/sewn into your quilt, appliqued or fused on and/or used as embellishment. Five inch squares are available at guild meetings or from Carole Garcia. Additional fabric by the yard is available at The Loft.

~Cheryl Harris, Carole Garcia and Barbara Dunsmoor

Deadline: Ornaments for the FOT Tree Raffle

We have recently been informed that Gualala Arts Center is ready and waiting for our decorated tree for the Festival of Trees (FOT) Raffle. They want to have it on display during the weeks leading up to FOT. We previously thought having ornaments by the November 17 guild meeting was going to allow for timely decorating of the tree. We are now planning to decorate the tree on November 7. Please have all blue/silver/white **ornaments to us by November 6** at the latest, if at all possible. You can leave ornaments in the guild box at the Dolphin, or give them to Carole Garcia. To those who have already completed and turned in ornaments, a huge THANK YOU! Any unused ornaments will be sold at FOT unless you specify otherwise.

~Carole Garcia

Guild Annual Post-Holiday Luncheon

Update on this event:

St. Orres is on the short list, while we are monitoring progress on the activities by the new owners of the Sandbar restaurant. We will keep you posted.

~Renata Lopez

THANK YOU to everyone for sending items for the Newsletter. It made my job sooooo much easier! ~Judy

RETREAT 2018

Our retreat for next year will be February 5 through February 8 (three nights). We will again be at the Dry Creek Inn Best Western in Healdsburg.

The fee for the retreat is \$170.00, which should be (a check made payable to PPQG) given to Pam Todd. A partial payment (\$50.00) will be accepted now, if the balance is paid before retreat. This fee pays for our workspace, two lunches, and two dinners. One night we are on our own for dinner.

When you've given your check to Pam, you should call Dry Creek Inn to reserve your room. Be sure to tell them you are with our quilt guild to get the reduced room rates. Their phone number is 707-433-0300. The price for the standard room is \$89.00 per night; the larger room rate is \$129.00 per night. This is up to you to do on your own.

If you have any questions at all about the retreat, please call or email me at 707-785-1976 or janlc56@mac.com.

~Jan Carter

2017 Programs

November 17: Guild meeting featuring Sherry Werum presenting her lecture: *Frank Lloyd Wright & Art Nouveau, Reflections in Quilts*



Sherry Werum has lived in Woodland, California, with her husband, Mark, since 1972. They have three grown daughters and 8 grandchildren. It may not sound very interesting to live in the same small town for all those years, but Sherry and Mark love to travel. When they return home after a trip, together they capture the history and depth of the country they visited in a quilt. Mark does the drafting and Sherry does the piecing and quilting. She loves the challenge of discovering new methods and techniques needed to complete these original design quilts.

Sherry made her first quilt in 1973 and has won Best of Show and first place awards locally, at Pacific International Quilt Festival, Sacramento, and at the California State Fair.

Sherry has been teaching quilting classes and lecturing since 2006, but has been sewing professionally for 35 years.



December: No meeting. Happy Holidays!

2018 Programs

January 19: Comfort Quilt/ Quilt of Valor Workshop
February 16: "Tool Time" lecture by Lisa McKessik

~Marcia Luchini & Francie Angwin

Treasurer's Report

Income.....	\$ 1,120.00
Expenses.....	\$ 2,167.89
Available Balance.....	\$11,271.51

Membership

Although membership renewal isn't due until **January 1, 2018**, those of you who want to get this taken care of before the holidays can mail a check made payable to PPQG, for \$40, plus Angel Gift, if desired, to me, Gail Spencer, PO Box 1489, Gualala, CA, 95445. Or, save a stamp, and bring your checkbook to the **November 17, 2017** guild meeting. Note: Members who live out of state can pay just \$25 dues, annually, plus Angel Gift, if desired. Thanks.
~Gail Spencer

Library Report

This summer we received a couple of large donations to the library. They will swell our shelves by approximately 30 books and provide some for sale at our Fall meetings. Topping the list is a huge volume of over 5500 patchwork blocks, many of which have multiple names – did you know that Texas Star was also Lone Star, Star of Virginia, and Peaceful Hours?

Our next step is to make a list of desirable books to add to the library and for this we need your help.

Send us authors and titles of specific books, names of quilt teachers you admire, or general suggestions, and we will add them to our master purchase list. And buy the books we offer for sale—that's where we get our best book-buying money.

Finally, it's your library, keep using it!

Email suggestions to irisilk@wildblue.net

Thanks

~Iris Lorenz Fife

Congratulations!

Dee Goodrich received a ribbon at PIQF for Best Hand Workmanship in the Modern category on her quilt entitled "DaVinci". A photo was not available at this time, but will hopefully be available in the next Newsletter.

Anyone else receive a ribbon at PIQF? Please submit a picture and information for the next newsletter.

~Judy Riddle

October Guild Meeting



Guest Lecturer,
Ariana Strozzi of
Casari Ranch

“Wool in Quilts”



Jan Carter,
English
paper piecing
(future class
offering)



Sylvia Edwards (right), pot holders for FOT

October Show and Tell



Jan Carter, Baby Quilt for family member



Sylvia
Edwards,
Tree skirt
for FOT



Jan Carter, Shoelaces from fabric

Sylvia
Edwards,
Tree Quilt
for FOT





Sylvia Edwards, Wildlife quilt made from "Dan Morris" squares



Iris Lorenz Fife, Comfort Quilt



Carole Garcia, quilt made with grandson for FOT



Marcia Luchini, Tori Gate

This quilt was made with hand stamped indigo cotton and yukata cotton from Japan. I bought the fabric on one of my trips. The title is Tori Gate. I designed it after the Torey Gates (which are welcoming gates) in Japan and parts of Asia. At one time I lived in Okinawa Japan, and named my daughter Tori after the Torey gates.



Iris Lorenz Fife (center), wall hangings for FOT

Correction to the September Newsletter:

The two quilts shown by Pat Connell were done for the FOT sale and handed to Cheryl, however, should the quilts not sell, Pat has requested the quilts be returned to her so they can be given to the Quilts for Kids program.