

Bits & Pieces

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: JUDY RIDDLE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Recently on TV I saw an advertisement for a product called "No Sew." It consisted of some sort of powder you sprinkle on one fabric and, after placing the other fabric on top, you pound them together with a strange hammer gadget. Yes, pound. This was one of those Saturday or Sunday evening commercials which must cost way less than the prime time or morning news one. Actually those weekend commercials are much more entertaining than the "Ask your doctor about..." ones for pharmaceuticals with unpronounceable names. But if I had a cat I sure would get a Flippity Fish. Anyway, the No Sew gadget made me realize just how lucky I am to be able to sew, and how that skill had served me so well throughout my life. At this time I can pretty much use my skills for fun projects like quilts. But I've spent plenty of time making kids' clothes, Halloween costumes, etc. I pretty much made all my clothes for a number of years. Remember Stretch and Sew? Not to mention a lot of mending which has prolonged the lives of clothes, household items, etc.

I've known people who have had to find a tailor to do a simple shortening job on a pair of pants because they never learned how to sew, No way would my Scottish blood allow that, when I can fire up my machine and get it done in no time.

So, I think we should all give a collective and heartfelt THANK YOU to all those who took the time and had the patience to teach us to use a sewing machine: Mothers, grandmothers, sisters, aunts, and especially home economics teachers.

Finally, and on another subject, we all owe a special round of applause to Judy Riddle and all her intrepid Art in the Redwoods helpers. This year presented unanticipated challenges and difficulties, but everyone involved came through, and very well. The sale was a great success (more details to follow) and our wares were well-received.

~Janice Batchelder, Guild President

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- August 31** -- Fundraiser Fun Turn In – Aprons, Pillowcases, bowls, Star ornaments
- September 8-9**—Rescheduled Paper Piecing workshop with Jeanette Walton.
- September 10** –Guild meeting: 12:30 Social time, mtg starts at 1:00:Trunk Show by Jeanette Walton
- September 24** – **Turn in Registration form for Quilt Challenge—"Flying Free"**
- September 29** – (1) Turn in your Quilt Challenge Artwork (2) Fundraiser Fun Turn In -- quilts
- October 1 thru November 7** – Quilt Challenge Show
- October 1** -- Members Preview of Quilt Challenge Show
- October 2** – Public Reception of Quilt Challenge Show
- October 13 & 14** – Dyeing Workshop with Jenne Henderson
- October 15** -- In-person **Guild meeting**: 12:30 Social time, mtg starts at 1:00. Lecture by Jenne H
- October 31**-- Fundraiser Fun Turn In – tree ornament, Any item of your choice
- November 8** –Pick-up your Artwork from Quilt Challenge
- November 19** -- In-person **Guild meeting**: 12:30 Social time, mtg starts at 1:00. Lecture by Laura Fogg
- November 19** – **Last call for Fundraiser Fun Turn In** Any item of your choice earns tickets
- November 23** – **Dec 31**–Winter Wonderland
- December 8** – Holiday Luncheon

2022

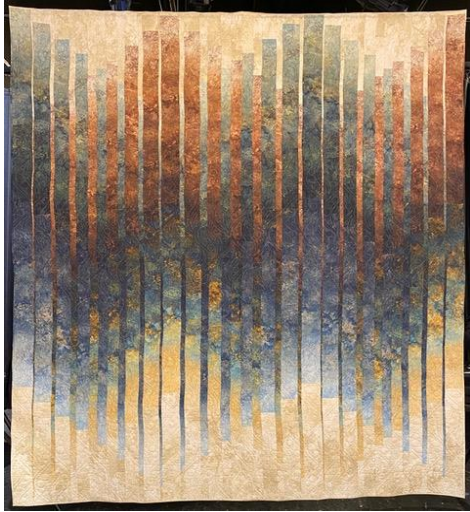
- February 7-10** – Guild Retreat in Healdsburg
- May** – Quilt Challenge

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our new member Dianne Shaw. Some of us met her at the guild picnic in July. Dianne planned to join on that day, and has now made it official.

~Gail Spencer, Membership Chair

ART IN THE REDWOODS 2021



2021 AIR Raffle Quilt
Winner was Pat Bywater

Pat was celebrating his birthday at Lake Erie State Park between Buffalo and Erie, Pa. when he received the call he had the winning ticket.



Pat sent a picture of him with his daughter, Maya and a thank you, along with this message: "We love your community and the art it inspires." He apparently has family in the area and purchased tickets when visiting the photography exhibit in July.

Raffle ticket sales at AIR were busy. We received several raving compliments on the quilt. One fellow was so in awe of the design he had to come close to look at the detail. We sold \$960 worth of tickets at the sale, and that doesn't count tickets sold prior to AIR. In past years the quilt winner was someone who purchased their ticket the last hour of the sale, as you can see from the statement above, this year's winner purchased his ticket in July. This could be an incentive to finish the raffle quilt and hang it in the spring or summer. No pressure!!

2022 Raffle Quilt Committee is Jan Carter, Barbara Dunsmoor and Cheryl Faconti.

ART IN THE REDWOODS FUNDRAISING SALE

There were several last-minute changes in plans for the fundraiser booth this year: notice that tickets had to be pre-purchased at the Dolphin, no tickets would be sold at the event; limit to the number of people allowed into AIR each day, due to COVID; all special events were outside; masks were mandatory everywhere; social distancing; COVID restrictions on food and drinks. We had to reduce the number of volunteers in our booth, but the sale went on. Even with all the changes and restrictions, our sales totaled \$3,355. This number will be reduced once the 10% fee is deducted along with state tax and credit card fees. However, this is an all-time high in sales, making it a pretty good sale. Activity was a little slow on Saturday afternoon, but Sunday was quite busy. A complete reverse from prior years.



I have to add I believe one reason our sale was so lucrative was due to the wonderful products we had available. The contributions and participation from all of you was a definite plus. Our highest sales continued to be stuffed animals and microwave bowls. However, pot holders, placemats with napkins, table runners and quilts sold well. Overall we sold 28% of our inventory. This still gives us

plenty of items to sell at Winter Wonderland. However, please continue to turn in your creative works and incorporate some Christmas. Thank you to all of you creative quilters. Thank you, also, to those who helped with set up, take down and sales during AIR: Sandy Hughes, Cheryl Faconti, Janice Batchelder, Della Zita, Sylvia Evans, her husband, and her two friends, Cindy and Dianne; Marcia Luchini, Francie Angwin, and a big thank you to Darla Buechner for filling out the sales tickets and reconciling the monies.

Art in the Redwoods, Quilt Category Winners in the art show:



"New Beginnings:
Forest Sunrise"
By Della Zita
First Place

"Channeling King Midas"
By Barbara Dunsmoor
Second Place



"20-20 Hindsight"
By Pam Todd
Third Place

Congratulations Ladies!! Well done!!
Judy Riddle, Art in the Redwoods Chair

PROGRAM 2021

NOTE: Major changes will be happening.

During the GAC staff meeting on August 24, Sus made the decision to postpone workshops and interest group meetings until further notice. PPQG was notified on that day. Jeanette Walton was contacted. PPQG leadership is working with Sus to develop an alternate plan. Further details will follow in an email. Those who enrolled and purchased the patterns and supplies, please hold on to them. This decision could change Program plans for the rest of 2021. Please watch email for updates.

Sept 8 & 9: Jeanette Walton WORKSHOP is being re-planned. Watch your email for notice of changes.

September 10: Guild meeting and Trunk show by Jeanette Walton, entitled "Inspiration"
Again, our leadership is working on an alternate plan. Watch your email for further developments.

October 13 & 14: Dyeing workshop with Jenne Henderson.

October 15: In-person Guild meeting – Lecture by Jenne Henderson

November 19: In-person Guild meeting – Lecture by Laura Fogg

"Program" Committee members are needed. We are looking for four or more members to come forward and work together to develop a program of workshops and lecturers for 2022 and beyond. Ideally, the functions of this committee could be split so that one person is responsible for lodging and transportation, one for meals and workshop/lecture set up, one for completion and submission of contracts and documents to GAC, one for publicity, and the entire committee will search and consult to make final selections. This is a "hefty" job for one or two people. However, several members on the committee can make the task more manageable. With no committee, we will have no programs. Please contact President, Janice Batchelder if you are willing to help.

2021 PPQG Challenge Show October 1– November 7 Theme: Flying Free



Exhibit Location Burnett Gallery & Jacob Foyer
Exhibit Date Range 10/01/2021 – 11/07/2021

Submit Registration Form 09/24/2021
Take-In & Hang Exhibit 9/29 – 9/30/2021
Members Preview 10/01/2021
Public Reception 10/02/2021
Take Down Exhibit 11/08/2021
& Pick-up Your Entry

I believe we have had enough rules and restrictions over the last many months so I am encouraging you to use your own imagination and do one or all of the following:

- Simply enter the quilt you made for the 2020 “A Star is Born” as your 2021 entry, and/or
- Add some silver to your 2020 “A Star is Born” to celebrate our 25th Anniversary, and/or
- Make a quilt of your own design choice adding silver to celebrate our 25th Anniversary
- Enter the quilt you made for the 2020 “A Star is Born” together with any other quilt design of your choice without silver
- Enter a quilt design of your own choice as your only entry keeping in mind that **it cannot be more than 2 years old or ever shown in a GAC Art Exhibit.**

In summary, you can enter last year’s quilt as your only entry or make one for 2021 or do both. The silver is a suggestion and not a requirement.

Please note: As of this date, due to COVID-19 regulations from state and county – No food or drink will be consumed during opening receptions. “Members Reception” will take place during the first Friday, October 1, of the exhibit from 4-7 PM and will allow Gualala Arts members a chance to preview our exhibit. **The second reception on Saturday, October 2, will be open to the public.** For group exhibits such as ours, GAC is encouraging artists to take turns acting as docent so that we may interact with our potential patrons while reducing the number of artists in the gallery at one time. I will update you as I receive more information from the Gualala Arts Center staff.

~Sandy Hughes, Challenge Chair

FUNDRAISING FUN



Bags and Bowls received for July turn-in

AUGUST 31 Turn in12:00-12:30

1 apron, OR 2 “fun” pillowcases, OR 2 microwave bowls, any Scandinavian folded star ornaments you’ve made

Gualala, parking lot between the Hotel and Gualala Market – Find Judy Riddle

It would be helpful if you would contact Judy to let her know you’re coming.

Each month—guild members will be challenged to make a particular item to be sold at the fundraiser sales (Art in the Redwoods & Winter Wonderland). Anyone who completes the specified item in that month, will deliver it to Judy Riddle, Sylvia Evans, Sandy Hughes or Janice Batchelder by the end of that month. A ticket with their name on it will be placed “in the basket”. Each month will be a different challenge.

Each item you finish will go into the fundraiser sales booth. You are encouraged to make more than one, if possible, and a ticket will be put in the basket for each of the specified items you make in that month, i.e. if the challenge in January is to make a potholder and you make 10 potholders in January, you get 10 tickets. You only get a ticket for the specific item you are asked to make in that month, finish the project by the end of that specific month and turn it in to one of the four designated members.

Your reward? At the PPQG Holiday lunch in December 2021, a name will be drawn from all those tickets people have earned all year. The winner will receive a completed “custom” quilted quilt. Winner does not need to be present at the lunch to win.

Fundraising Fun Projects Schedule for 2021:

(Unless notified otherwise, turn in will be the last day of the month—See MARK YOUR CALENDAR)

August – 1 apron, OR 2 “fun” pillowcases,
OR 2 microwave bowls, any Scandinavian folded star ornaments

Sept –1 quilt—crib size or larger, any theme (5 tickets)

October – Christmas tree ornament
OR any item of your choice

November – Any of the above

BONUS ticket for 1 quilt AND/OR 2 microwave bowls

HOLIDAY LUNCH 2021

We invite you to another fun-filled PPQG Holiday Lunch
Wednesday, December 8, 2021
11:30 AM
Gualala Art Center

We, again, will have lunch prepared by Tanya Radtkey from Black Oak Catering. Unless things change, we will have a sit-down lunch in the foyer of GAC. The menu will be Vegetable Keisha, Green Salad, Dinner Roll and Chocolate Cake. We are preparing a gift for everyone and planning a different game. You may or may not need to bring fat quarters. More details to follow!

The Guild will cover the cost of your lunch.

However donations will be welcomed.

Be sure to "Mark your Calendar"

RSVP to judy.ann.riddle@gmail.com

~ Judy Riddle and Sylvia Evans



QUILT CHALLENGE 2022

Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild Challenge for 2022--
Theme is "Fresh Beginnings: Healing our Earth"
Inspiration may come from anywhere and anything
effecting the delicate balance of our culture and
environment.

May healing begin one quilt at a time.

2022 Challenge Rules

- 1) Make a quilt of your own design and/or pattern/color choice
- 2) Natural Fibers are recommended but not required
- 3) Repurposing/upcycling items that are no longer wanted or needed into a quilt giving those materials new life is encouraged
- 4) No maximum or minimum sizes
- 5) Piecing techniques are the designers' choice

Turn in Entry form: April 29, 2022

Deliver Artwork: May 11, 2022

Opening Reception: May 13, 2022

~Della Zita, Sylvia Evans

2022 Quilt Challenge Committee

SHOW AND TELL

Proof that I-spy quilts are well worth making!

Joyce Gaudet is sharing a very special story with us. These are pictures of her twin grand-children with their I-spy quilt. Mom is having trouble changing their diapers because they want to turn over and look at the I-spy blocks. The last picture shows them when they're older still identifying I-spy blocks on the quilt. Aren't they adorable!!

(The parents granted us permission to publish these pictures)

