



# Bits & Pieces

Newsletter Editor: Judy Riddle

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We had a great meeting October 21! Our speaker, Anelie Belden, gave a fun and informative presentation on lots of sewing gadgets; some familiar and some not. She also shared some great tips and hacks she has learned over time. More proof that we can never know too much about our hobby! Here are a few: Use a covered TV tray next to your sewing table for a nearby and handy auxiliary ironing area; put first aid tape on the back of your ruler to help prevent slipping; how to make your own starch, etc. I really liked the pluses and minuses she shared about many of her gadgets and notions. Yes, I think we all learned quite a bit. A bonus was that Anelie specializes in Dresden plate quilts, and brought a number of



beauties to share with us and inspire us. Many thanks to Sylvia Evans and Kalynn Oleson, our program committee, for arranging a fun and informative afternoon.

Next month watch for a great workshop, "Ocean Art Quilt" presented by Gwen Weedon. How appropriate for where we live! The workshop will be Thursday, November 17. Then on the 18<sup>th</sup>, Gwen will present a trunk show, "25 Years of Quilting" as part of our meeting. Sounds good! See elsewhere in this newsletter for details.

And don't forget to mark your calendars for our holiday luncheon on December 1. It will be a very special, festive lunch catered by Franny's

Cup and Saucer" followed by a fun game of Left, Right and Center. We all know what a creative and talented chef Franny is!

Get out those Christmas Sweaters!

~Janice Batchelder, Guild President

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## Mark your Calendars

**NOTE: Guild meetings have a social time from 12:15 until 1:00; Guild business meeting at 1:00 until about 2:00; Lecturer presentation about 2:00 until 3:00**

**November 17 –Workshop by Gwen Weedon**

**November 18 – Guild mtg & Lecture and trunk show by Gwen Weedon**

**November 25 & 26 – Winter Wonderland Sale**

**December 1 – Holiday Lunch**

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**January 20 – Comfort Quilt/GOV Workshop**

**February 17 – Guild mts & Lecture by Karen Bolan**

**April 28 – Challenge entry deadline**

**May 10 & 11 – Challenge Take-In & Hanging**

**June 5 –Challenge Take Down & pick-up**

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## Festival of Trees

Our next fundraiser event will be right after Thanksgiving, November 26 & 27, 10AM until 4PM each day. I ask you all to make one more push to make things for the sale in November. We have plenty of microwave bowls! Sales at Art in the Redwoods are quite different from sales at Festival of Trees. We sell more "gift" items at FOT. Although we have 28 quilts, many are for children. We need more generic type quilts, maybe a few Christmas quilts. We could use more potholders, placemat sets, or any specialty items you think might sell. Any tree ornaments? We do not need more coaster sets, or table runners, or bags. I would encourage you to concentrate your time on nice quilts. Last day to turn in items is November 18, guild meeting.

Thank you, everyone for helping with fundraising. See you at the sale!

~Judy Riddle, Fundraising Chair

# HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

## December 1, 2022

**We invite you to join us for some festive, fun! Great Lunch! Unlimited Entertainment!**

**Location:** Gualala Community Center  
(NOT Gualala Arts Center)

**Time:** Arrive by **11:30 AM** for a group photo  
Lunch will be served at **12:00 noon**

**Luncheon Price** \$35 for PPQG members

--Make your checks payable to: Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild and give payment to Sylvia Evans.

(Also, please consider giving a separate cash tip to our caterer at the event).

**RSVP deadline:** Please contact Sylvia Evans no later than **November 12**. Our caterer needs our headcount early!

**Payment Due:** by Nov 18 guild mtg

We are thrilled that our caterer will be **Franny** of "Franny's Cup & Saucer". She has put together a delicious menu for our luncheon!

**Salad:** Blood Orange, Burrata & Pistachio Salad with Sumac

**Main Course:** Gnocchi Gratin with Pumpkin, Sage & Gorgonzola

**Dessert:** Pear, Pomegranate & Cranberry Pavlova with Saffron Crème Anglaise

After lunch, we will be playing a lively game of **"Left, Right, Center" with MONEY**, each participant needs to bring **three \$1 bills**. No need for fat quarters this time.

Looking forward to seeing you December 1!  
~Sylvia Evans & Judy Riddle  
Holiday Lunch Committee

# Fundraiser Fun

## 2022 Fundraiser Turn in

Items turned in at the October guild meeting were: pot holders from Gail Spencer, microwave bowls from Monica Zarkowski, tree ornaments from Kathy Mayda, and a quilt from Janice Batchelder. Thank you, Marcia, for coordinating the turn-in and ticket drawing in Judy's absence.

The winning ticket recipient for the \$20 gift certificate at the Loft was Monica Zarkowski. A most sincere thank you again to Maryse at The Loft for donating these gift certificates!

**The LAST turn-in will be at the guild meeting at GAC on November 18.** Any item of your choice will earn a ticket for the drawing. Give your items to Judy Riddle before the business meeting begins.

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## Program 2022



**November 17** – Workshop by Gwen Weeden "Ocean Art Quilt". **Enrollment deadline is November 10** at GAC where you will receive the supply list.

Gwen Weeden is an enthusiastic teacher with superb leadership and

communication skills. Guides' each student with individual attention by directing them into learning a new technique to add to their creative designs. Brings new excitement and joy through color and design in the classroom, along with 25 years of experience of practical direction and execution to complete a quilt top in class.

**November 18** – Guild meeting followed by a lecture/trunk Show by Gwen Weeden entitled "25 Years of Quilting"

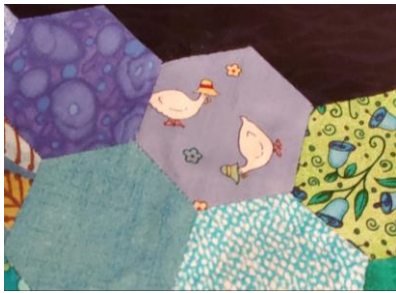
**January 20** – Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor Workshop. 10AM until 4PM. Gualala Art Center. Lunch provided by the Hospitality Committee.

**February 17** -- Guild mtg & guest Lecturer Karen Bolan from Santa Rosa. She will share her presentation "Collaboration is Fun". We will learn tips for successfully designing, managing, and participating in collaborative quilting projects. Karen will include a gallery of over 25 stunning collaborative quilts!

~Sylvia Evans & Kalyann Oleson  
Program Committee

# 2023 Quilt Challenge

## "DON'T BE A GOOSE"



Teaser... showing you a quilt in preparation by a guild member.

The 2023 Quilt Challenge theme will be "Don't Be a Goose!" Any size quilt will be accepted, as long as it contains a goose of some sort. A pieced goose, appliquéd goose, goose print fabric, flying geese blocks, etc.

Deadline to submit entry form is April 28, 2023

Deliver your completed entry on May 10, 2023

Hanging the exhibit will be May 11, 2023

Take Down and Pick up your entry on June 5, 2023.

~Jan Carter, Melissa Finley  
2023 Quilt Challenge Committee

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## Membership

It's getting close to that time of year again. Guild membership renewals are due by January 1, 2023. I am accepting membership payment for 2023. Make your check payable to PPQG in the amount of \$40 (or more if you choose to include funds as an Angel Gift). Out of state members pay \$25 per year. Mail your check to: Gail Spencer, PO Box 1489, Gualala, CA 95445. I will also be happy to accept cash or checks in person at the November 18 guild meeting or the December 1 Holiday luncheon. Thank you for supporting us.

Also, Ladies, please make welcome new member **Andrea Polk from Manchester**

~Gail Spencer, Membership Chair

PPQG is pleased to welcome Andrea Polk as a new member. Andrea is an accomplished artist who specializes in colorful photography. She reports that she learned to sew from her mother, and she made most of her own clothes for many years. She has made over sixty quilts, mostly baby quilts and wedding gifts. She enjoys the complexity of a quilt, the measuring and development of the design, and the intricacy of the quilting motif. She does not do complicated quilting; she mostly uses "stitch in the ditch" technique, but she would like to learn more.

Andrea is fascinated by the history of quilting as a community activity. Her Great Grandmother and Great Aunts created quilt tops out of used clothing.

She has inherited some of those treasures which represent her family's history. She also appreciates the sophisticated geometry and vibrancy of Amish quilts, so she typically includes some black fabric in her designs. (see photo)



Andrea says that she is excited about joining a group of experienced quilters and fabric artists. "After all these years I can finally learn some of the basics that I might have acquired years ago." She also looks forward

to making new friends in the community, and to give back to the community as well. Please make Andrea feel welcome. Note pronunciation of her name: An-dre-a

(Member testimonial submitted via Barbara Fast)

## Comfort Quilt News

We must thank all those who continue to make comfort quilts, not just in January and June, but all year long. Thank you, Della, Marilyn and Janice, for all your beautiful work. We appreciate you.

Last month we gave out only one quilt to a sweet lady who fell and had a month of rehabilitation. She is coming home soon but is very thankful for her comfort quilt to cheer her on.

Ladies, we are thankful that so far we haven't had any tragic fires this year, but we are prepared.

~Marcie Luchini, Comfort Quilt Chair

I NEVER MAKE THE  
SAME SEWING MISTAKE  
TWICE-----

I MAKE IT A WHOLE  
BUNCH OF TIMES JUST  
TO BE SURE-----

# October Show and Tell



Applique quilt made by Jeri Taylor



Comfort quilt made by Janice Batchelder

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Unicorn-themed quilt made by Gail Spencer for her grand-daughter



**HAVE FUN ..... BE SAFE**