



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT

# Bits & Pieces

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

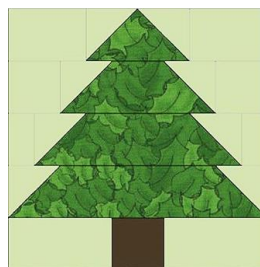
*It was exceptionally "fun" to see everyone in their hats at the September Guild meeting. Thank you to everyone for humoring me. I think we all enjoyed it, especially the "pot head" and the "mad hatter". Our plan for the October Guild meeting is to encourage everyone to wear orange, purple or black. Can't you just imagine how entertaining hat will be to see everyone dressed in Halloween colors?*

*I also have to share how much I enjoyed Cara Gulati's class. Originally, I did not intend to take this workshop. However, I am glad I did. What I learned in class was completely unexpected. It shows that taking classes is "like a box of chocolates...you never know what you're gonna get". I discovered a new way technique and an awareness of how something that looks complicated is essentially quite simple when you break it down. Cara also had some amazing quilts to show us at the Guild meeting I got an eye opening perspective on size and how quilting with different colored thread on the same fabric creates a dissimilar look.*

*As we hear about the workshops scheduled to next year, keep an open mind. I encourage you to ask questions of the Program Committee to see if that workshop might be something that could broaden your skill set and/or your perspective on quilting.*

*I will be spending October with my daughter in Texas and we are going to the Houston Quilt*

*Festival in November! I am so excited that I can hardly stand it! See you in November*  
~Judy Riddle



FESTIVAL  
OF TREES  
2014

Joyce Gaudet showed many new cute items that have been made for the 2014 Festival of Trees. Some new volunteers have come forward for this committee and are Francie Angwin, Julie Verran, and Judy Riddle. Thank you for the help ladies as it is much needed. Please keep on sewing as there is still some time left!

**Sharon Moreland for the FOT Committee, Joyce Gaudet and Sylvia Edwards, Chairs**

## PROGRAM CALENDAR: 2014

### October 10: NOTE DATE CHANGE

The October Guild meeting is a week earlier so that it does not conflict with the Pacific International Quilt Fest in Santa Clara, CA. Our guest speaker will be Marie Strait, Board Chair for the San Jose Quilt and Textile Museum. She will be bringing several quilts from the museum.

**November 21:** Guest Lecturer will be Jan Soules presenting a lecture on "Spectacular Borders: from basics to beyond". Jan has been quilting since 2000. She has never settled on one style of quilting preferring to mix appliqué and pieced blocks, her sense of design and color sense for creating her works. She is a member of the Elk

Grove and River City quilt guilds. Her accomplishments include five Best of Show awards and six Best Use of Color awards at local guilds, along with numerous first place and judge's choice awards. She was the featured artist at the 2011 River City Quilters Guild annual show.  
~Kalynn Oleson [ksue57@mcn.org](mailto:ksue57@mcn.org)

## RETREAT 2015 FEBRUARY

### 2ND TO THE 5TH

Donna Blum reported that it is time to send in your 100.00 deposit to hold your spot for the retreat. Make out the checks to PPQG with "retreat" on the item line and mail to Kalynn Oleson.

Unfortunately we have lost our usual caterer and the committee is still working on the replacement. We are pretty sure the price will still be close to the \$150.00 that it was in the past.

We are very lucky that they will give us the same room rate as last year. Rates are \$66.00 per night for the Vintage rooms (two queen beds) and \$118.10 per night for the deluxe Tuscan rooms (one king bed). Check with your roommate, and make sure that Dry Creek Inn knows that you are with Pacific Piecemakers, as they have a special block of rooms at this rate. Their main number is 707-433-0300 or 800-222-5784. We will be there for three nights, arriving on February 2nd, and departing on February 5th.

If you have not signed up with me, do so right now! The best way to do that is by email. [JANLC56@mac.com](mailto:JANLC56@mac.com) Or, you can call me at 650-279-6146 (cell), but if you call, there is always the chance that I might forget it! Best to have it in writing. :-)

Retreat 2015

Be there or be square.

- Jan Carter

## CHALLENGE SHOW 2015

### "ABOVE AND BEYOND"

It isn't too soon to be thinking about the next guild Challenge Show. The theme,

chosen by the Challenge Committee, is "Above and Beyond." You may interpret that in any way you choose. We are asking you to consider going above and beyond what you have done previously. Perhaps you consider yourself a traditional quilter and would like to try an abstract design. Or you may be someone who likes working with subtle colors and would like to try to use a bright, bold color scheme to express your quilt's theme. You might even want to try your hand at some form of applique. Or if you've never entered a quilt in the challenge before, this might be the year you go "above and beyond."

The show will take place in April 2015. We have the entire building for the second year. There are no size requirements and you may turn in as many quilts as you would like. Last year, we had nearly 90 quilts—the most in history. This year, we'd like to match or even exceed that number. The Challenge Committee this year consists of Barbara Dunsmoor, Paula Osborne, Charis Webb and Laura Hamilton. We are all available, if you have any questions. We do need a small committee to take charge of the food the night of the opening. Last year's committee did a fabulous job. Hint, Hint. Time to stir up those creative juices, clear the design wall, rev up the old sewing machine and buy Marva out of fabric! This could be our best show yet.

*Barbara Dunsmoor*

## QUILT HAPPENINGS

Mirka Knaster's T'ung Jen— Fellowship/Heaven Over Fire (Hexagram 13 of I Ching) was juried into the international 2014 quilt & Fiber Arts Festival, La Connoer Quilt & Textile Museum, La Conner WA, October 3-5. Her new series, "A Touch of Japanese Blue," is part of the current show "Wa no Kokoro, The Spirit of Japan: at the Spindrift Gallery(Cypress Village), Gualala, CA, 1(13 Sept. -3 Oct). Check out her latest blog post on celebrated 20<sup>th</sup> century artists

(Matisse, Picasso, Chagall, Dali, Miro and others) who also worked in textile design:

<http://exploringtheheartofit.weebly.com>

Mirka Knaster

PIQF is next month, from October 16<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>. Nit Lemley and I will be going this year and will be attending a couple of workshops. The link below is to the PIQF website.

<http://www.quiltfest.com/activities.asp?id=7>

~Dee Goodrich



CATS AT PLAY 1



HORSING AROUND 1

Judy Riddle

Had two quilts accepted in the **PIQF** “Wearable Art” category. Aren’t they fun?

## WORKSHOP

HELD AT SEW & SEW



Saturday Oct. 11 2014

Duration: 1 Day

From 10am to 4pm

Cost: \$75.00

Fabric Painting with Stencils

No experience needed!

Stenciling has been around for centuries, but until now not many of the designs available were suitable for fabric painting. I aim to change that in this empowering workshop as I lead students through my basic stenciling techniques and quickly move on to the more advanced shading and composition options available with the Textile Design Stencils. This process is wonderful for use on home décor, wearable art, quilting, accessories and other fiber art projects just to name a few. Stencil design blanks will also be available for those who would like to cut their own designs. Since we are approaching the holidays, I will have many ideas for small gift type items for everyone to paint.

The real beauty of the stenciling process is that even those who think that they can’t draw or paint are able to create stunning work that can later be framed or stitched. I encourage workshop participants to create “upcycled” projects from discarded garment or other items if they are so inclined

## TREASURER’S REPORT

Beginning Balance (July).....\$8,807.71  
Deposits.....00  
Expenses..... \$ 388.21  
Ending Balance (July)..... \$8,419.20

NOTE: Expenses were accrued for the AIR 2015 quilt.

Kalynn Oleson



OUR MAD HATTER, MARGIE BINKER1



Joyce Gaudet & Laura Hamilton 1

Joyce Gaudet and Laura Hamilton were given certificates for participating in the 150 year Anniversary of California State Parks quilt for Fort Ross.

Robin Wellman State Park Interpreter for Fort Ross presented them at Joyce's home along with pins commemorating the 150 years.



OUR POTHEAD, SANDY HUGHES 1

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### HOSPITALITY

Sign- ups for cookies at both the October and November meetings are needed. Please sign up!!!!  
Thank you Margie Binker and Sandy Hughes for providing the treats for this meeting.

**Attention please!**

WE WOULD LIKE TO  
HAVE A LITTLE FUN AT  
THE NEXT QUILT

GUILD MEETING... WEAR

**HALLOWEEN COLORS!**

WHAT FUN!

## BAG O' STUFF

Hope you're working on your "Bag of Stuff" project so you can bring it to the November Guild meeting.....which will be here sooner than you think

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## LIBRARY UPDATE

Jan Carter said that we have had a large donation of books. Many of these will go into the library, and quite a few books will be available for sale at the October or November meetings. Another book being added to the library is Chris Smith's new book, "Reap as you sew".

## QUILT HUMOR

"I will not buy any more fabric until I use my fabric stash at home," I said.

Then I laughed and laughed.



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## AIR QUILT 2015

OUR AIR QUILT FOR NEXT YEAR IS COMING RIGHT ALONG AND WILL RESUME IN JANUARY.



QUILTERS are: Joyce Gaudet, Judy Riddle, Renata Lopez, Dee Goodrich and Laura Hamilton

JUST FOR FUN!

**REMEMBER TO  
DRESS in Halloween  
colors for our October  
meeting**