



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

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NEWSLETTER EDITORS: JUDY RIDDLE AND
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We recently had a visit from our eight-year-old granddaughter Aurora, who came to attend Art Camp at GAC. This is her third year at the camp, and she loves it.

As you can imagine, I am very interested in teaching Aurora how to sew/quilt. In previous years, I have taught her how to hand sew; she loved cutting (fussy cutting) pieces of print fabric, then sewing them onto another piece of fabric. Last year I gave her 40 5-inch squares and had her arrange them on my design wall. I then sewed them together for her. She helped me pin the quilt sandwich, and instructed me in what design to use for the quilting. She was very proud of her doll quilt.

This year I found a book at Marva's (The Loft), called *Sewing Machine Fun for Kids* by Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith. It is a great book for guiding a young quilter/sewer. It had puzzles that helped Aurora learn the names of different parts of the sewing machine. That made it more fun for her. It also had sample projects, and she chose to make a hair scrunchie. After that she



decided she wanted to sew a pillowcase, even though that wasn't one of the projects in the book. And I have to say, she did a pretty good job.

I'm so happy to see this new generation interested in sewing and quilting. It warms my heart!
~Jan Carter

JULY OUTING

We did it!

Our summer event was held on July 28 and enjoyed by 19 of our members.

PPQG inaugurated the beautiful grounds of the newly improved picnic area at Gualala Arts Center. What a beautiful place. The weather was good, no wind to rustle the leaves of the trees, there was some sun, jackets or sweaters didn't come out until near the end of the event, but that didn't discourage anyone.



Our hospitality committee led by Sandy Hughes, with help from a couple of angels, Polly Dakin and Cheryl Faconti, brought forth the basics: three different lettuces--some hand torn no less, delicious bread, butter and ice were all set out. As quilters arrived, their salad toppings were added to the table.

These toppings we're unbelievable, anything you could imagine was there, "eye candy" all of it. Dressings were added and a delicious lunch was loved by all.

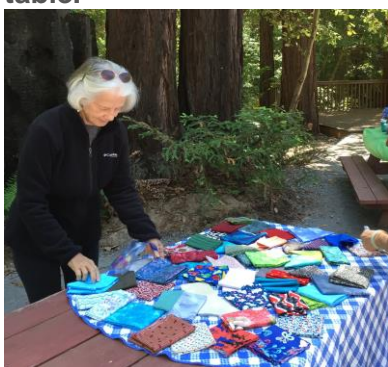
Lunch was topped off with everyone making their own ice cream sundae, complete with yummys and whipped cream.

The sounds of laughter, jesting, and good spirits made this event even more special.



Renata Lopez, Kalyann Oleson, Polly Dakin, Carole Garcia, Barbara Dunsmoor, Cheryl Faconti, Monica Zarkowski

Finally, it was time for QUILTO. Fat quarters, more “eye candy”, was arranged on a separate table.



Sylvia Edwards

Our first caller was Barbara Dunsmoor, who first summarized the rules then got the game going. Our second caller Gail Spencer, gave Barbara a break and led the gamers to the bitter end. I saw one gal using eight cards, how did she ever keep track?



Kelly Jensen, QUILTO Champion

It was a lovely afternoon, with special people, special fun, and enjoyed by all. Perhaps we should do it again.

~Renata Lopez

FUND RAISING:

ART IN THE REDWOODS



Judy Riddle, Francie Angwin, Don Hamilton
Art in the Redwoods was August 13 and 14.

Thank you to all who prepared and donated items for our booth sale. We received several compliments on the items and the display, as well as the Raffle Quilt. Thank you to those who volunteered their time to help in the booth and to clean up at the end of each day: Laura and Don Hamilton, Molly Buckley, Janice Batchelder, Renata Lopez, Cheryl Faconti, Monica Zarkowski, Kelly Jensen, Kendra Stillman, Pat Connell, Marcia Luchini, Chris Smith, Mary Banach, Trudy Armer, Mary Eberhard, and Francie Angwin. Thank you, also to Francie Angwin and her husband, Joe, for the use of their display racks, additional display props as well as their time and effort with set-up and take-down each day.



Sales summary for primary items: sold 36 of 81 Hot/Cold bowls; sold 37 of 71 potholders; sold 18 of 37 quilts; sold 11 of 35 tote bags. Sales tickets totaled \$2,291. GAC will deduct sales tax and their 10%, then distribute a check to our Treasurer of our profit.

ART IN THE REDWOODS

RAFFLE QUILT

The quilt raffle winner was **Dennis and Nancy Marks** of Carmichael, California. Sus did talk to them, but at the time of this printing, it is unknown when the lucky couple will be picking up the quilt. It's reported they were very excited to have won.

FESTIVAL OF TREES

Items not sold at AIR will be available for sale at FOT. Sales are usually higher at FOT. As such, we would like to ask that you continue to prepare and donate items for the sale. In particular, our request is for more small to medium quilts, potholders, tote bags. I would also request a few Christmas items, i.e. ornaments. We don't get many requests for Christmas items, but we do need something holiday for the booth. Since I will be out of town most of Sept, Oct and Nov, please contact Francie Angwin if you have items to pick up or to donate at the Guild meetings. I will also be sending an email in early November requesting volunteers for the sales booth during FOT. The FOT sale is scheduled for Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving.

~Judy Riddle

TREASURER'S REPORT

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| Beginning Balance..... | \$8,123.15 |
| Income..... | 60.00 |
| Expenses..... | 513.55 |
| Balance..... | \$7,669.60 |

~Kalynn Oleson

HELP WANTED

Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild is looking for passionate volunteers for the following offices and committees: Secretary, Newsletter, Fund Raising, AIR Quilt. Start date is effective immediately, but no later than March 1, 2017. No experience necessary. Some committees may have more than one opening. Orientation and training available as soon as you are willing. Work hours are at your convenience and as long as you desire but must be compliant with indicated deadlines. Compensation is dependent on your enthusiasm. Contact Judy Riddle, current member of each position, and/or Jan Carter, current PPQG President.

~ Judy Riddle

NEWS FROM THE LOFT

The "Row by Row" experience is about to go into hibernation. You have until September 6th to collect the kits or free patterns. Sept 7 - Oct 31 are considered "hibernation" months when you are supposed to be making your "quilt". Oct 31 is the last day to submit your quilt for a prize. You qualify to be a winner by making a quilt (quilted, bound and labelled). Each shop will have only one winner. At The Loft, there are 25 fat quarters waiting, plus, if you use our block in your quilt we will let you pick out an additional 10 fat quarters and you get a lovely handmade tote. The Loft still does not have a winner...soooo.

If you are going to be traveling during the "hibernation" months and visiting quilt shops, you can have the shop mail you a kit after November 1, since the game is over then. This rule does not apply to the License Plates.

Many out-of-town customers have had fun coming in to purchase our "row" and "license plate". They saw or heard about it on line or through Facebook. More than 3200 quilt shops worldwide are participating. If you are not familiar with this event just google Row x Row.

ALSO – The Loft is having an 'END OF SUMMER SALE' at least through September. Selected Yarn and Fabric is 50% off!! Lots of great buys. Time to get those holiday projects going and save some money as well.

Want to learn how to make "Key Fobs" and "Pea Pods" (a way to manipulate a zipper into a circle – clever trick)?

Key Fobs – Saturdays, 10:00 am till noon

Pea Pods – Sunday, Sept 4, Noon till 2:00 pm

We are taking sign-ups now for these workshops at the Loft.

~Marva Jacobs

PROGRAM CALENDAR:

2016

Balance of 2016 Programs

September 14 & 15 – Sue Rasmussen

-Free Motion Sewing with your machine

GAC is now ready to take your signups for Sue Rasmussen's class!

Please go to the PPQG website for materials list.

Sue Rasmussen has been a quilt instructor for over 25 years. If you already do free motion, this class could be a "tune up" and maybe another person's view or just showing you another technique, may make your Free Motion sewing

even better. Please visit her website:
<http://www.suerasmussenquilts.com/index.html>

September 16 - Guild Meeting

October 7 - Guild Meeting

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE - We do this every year to accommodate a conflict with Pacific International Quilt Festival (PIQF) in Santa Clara. The SAQA (Studio Art Quilts Associates) Trunk Show - SAQA representative, Sonja Campbell and friends will have a large selection of small quilts to show. We will break out into groups. Each group will have a selection of art quilts and the groups will be the jurors for a show. Jurying each piece and giving reasons as to why this one quilt should be in the show. The SAQA representatives will guide you through this process. Perhaps hearing this discussion, the SAQA representatives will give you a better idea of just exactly what judges are expecting in quilt show entries. Maybe the knowledge you gain in this exercise will help you improve your approach to your quilting and quilting designs.

November 18 - Guild Meeting

Lecturer is our Guild member, Chris Smith

December - No meeting

~Kalyann Oleson

FYI — BAY QUILTS OPENS!!

Bay Quilts

5327 Jacuzzi Street, Suite 3-C, Richmond,
California 94804. 510-558-0218

Mon - Fri: 11am-7pm Sat: 10am-6pm Sun:
Noon-5pm

Our Shop opens **September 1, 2016**. We are off Central Avenue between I-80 and I-580 in a 1940's warehouse surrounded by three parking lots within the complex which includes an Italian Bakery/Cafe on site

Our Fabrics We offer a full range of fabrics including cotton, linen, canvas, silk, organic, bamboo, polyester, and wool, in solids and prints. Our area of expertise is quilting but fabrics have been purchased for use in clothing and interiors. We also have hand-dyed silks from **By-Hand**, hand-dyed wools and ribbons from **Vicki Day Designs**, painted fabric from **Skydyes**, hand-dyed cotton gradations from **The Dye Smith**, hand-dyed velvet from **Karen Brock Studios**, and Ikats from **Azure Textiles**. We have Kimono Fabrics from **Kasuri Dyeworks** as well as other Japanese fabrics including packs of **vintage**

kimono fabric. Our focus is contemporary and texture, unique and organic!

Our Dolls We have Cloth Dolls on display and for sale. We carry a wide range of specialty yarns, tools and accessories for the doll maker. Look for Gallery Exhibits and Workshops starting soon!

Our Buttons We have over 400 different buttons of all sizes, shapes and textures for that perfect ending to any project, be it quilt, doll, clothing or accessory.

Our Gallery We offer 75 linear feet of exhibit space. Exhibits are a month long. **Gallery receptions are the first Sunday every month from 1pm to 4pm**. Our lineup of artists and their openings is:

September 4, 2016 "**A Tribute to Deanna Davis**"

October 2, 2016 "**Cold Feet**" various artists, curated by Angie Woolman

November 4, 2016 "**Modern/Minimal: Quilts by Cathy Miranker**"

December 2, 2016 "**Christmas at The Bay**" by Bay Quilts

Our Consignments We have for sale a huge wall of quilts from baby to king size to art quilts, cloth dolls and unique gift items from quilters/artists in the Bay area and beyond.

Our Workshops start January 2017. Look for Local and National Teachers with specialties in techniques, designs, and pattern development in quilting, clothing and accessories.

ANGIE WOOLMAN Quilt Arts has moved to our shop. She has a unique talent offering original quilting designs developed specifically for your quilt on her long arm machine. She works by appointment and her phone is **510-691-7899**, email: [<angiewoolman@gmail.com>](mailto:angiewoolman@gmail.com)

