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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to start off my message with a personal SHOUT OUT to Cheryl Harris and Paula Osborne for the fabulous job they did organizing and displaying our Festival of the Trees booth. They rolled with the punches when Gualala Arts staff wanted "additions" to the work. I spoke with quite a few of the vendors and the general feeling was FOT was not as successful for most, as in past years. We will see how we did, but if sales were lacking, it was not for lack of effort or organization. Many of the smaller items, ornaments & potholders, will be going to the Dolphin with 65% of the sale price going to us. Stop in the Dolphin later this week and check it out! Also thank you to all the volunteers who worked the booth and members who did their holiday shopping with us! As I was leaving Gualala Arts on Saturday, I ran into a friend, Laura Yale, who had won the raffle where one of the 3 prizes was the Guild's tree. Her name was drawn first, so she chose our tree as her prize. She was over the moon about winning it. Her comment to me was, "It's so elegant. I love it."

Again, thank you to all of our volunteers. Without you, the Guild could not function.

Wishing you all a happy holiday season and a healthy & happy New Year.

~Cheryl Faconti

FESTIVAL OF TREES

2017

Festival of Trees Sales Booth



Paula Osborne and Cheryl Harris

Thank you to all of those who contributed your beautiful handmade items for sale at FOT this year. The display looked stunning and attracted much attention.

Many thanks to those of you who cashiered and acted as "Sales Associates" plus a hearty thanks to all of those who helped set up, take down and pack up afterward: Francie Angwin, Jan Carter, Polly Dakin, Barbara Dunsmoor, Cheryl Faconti, Carole Garcia, Wendy Hodam, Lori Holmes, Iris Lorenz-Fife, Marcia Luchini, Kalynn Oleson, Pam Todd, Monica Zarkowski.

And - Thanks ever so much to those wonderful husbands who did the 'power' work: Jess Garcia, Tom Osborne, and Elmer Harris.



Cheryl Harris, Barbara Dunsmoor, Kalynn Oleson, Paula Osborne

Friday morning started out well with customers lined up first thing in the morning, giving Barbara, Kalynn and Paula quite a run. Visitors through the remainder of the day Friday & Saturday came through at a light to moderate pace, many commenting on the wonderful selection that we offered. We sold the two large Christmas quilts and most other holiday items. A few smaller quilts sold as well. The hot/cold bowls for microwave were the top seller once again. And the delightful stuffed animals and dolls made by Sylvia Keller were a big hit. We believe the effort was a success but won't know our actual income for a few weeks.



A few of the items remaining are being offered at the Dolphin over the next few weeks providing the opportunity to bring in a bit more revenue for PPQG & GAC: ornaments, potholders, luggage fobs, jester gift bags and a couple of holiday wall hangings. If you were unable to make it to the Festival of Trees, do stop by the Dolphin Gallery and check out these delightful items.

Thank you everyone!

--Cheryl Harris & Paula Osborne

FESTIVAL OF TREES PPQG Raffle Tree



Recipient with the Winning Ticket: Laura Yale



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

January 19, 2018 – Comfort Quilt/QOV
Workshop

February 5-8, 2018 – PPQG Retreat

February 16, 2018 – Lecture by Lisa McKissick
“Tooltime”

March 14, 15, 2018 -- Workshops by Barbara
Dunsmoor and Jan Carter

March 16, 2018 – Lecture by Sandy Hughes
“Going to Houston International Quilt Show”

October 1, 2018 – Quilt Challenge



MEMBERSHIP

Please renew your membership for 2018, if you have not already paid. Mail a check made payable to PPQG, in the amount of \$40 (or \$25, if you reside full time out of state), plus Angel Gift, if you so desire... to me, Gail Spencer, P.O. Box 1489, Gualala, CA 95445. Do it now, as they are due on January 1st. Thanks to those who have already renewed. Thanks also to those generous "Angels". ..

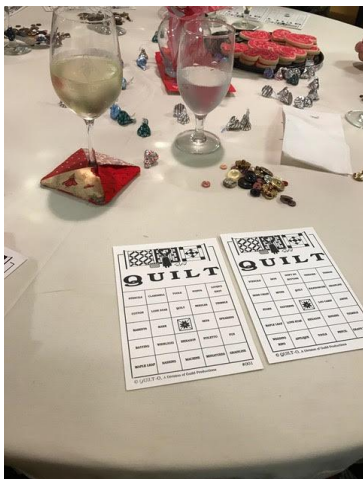
~Gail Spencer

RETREAT 2018

Currently sixteen people are signed up for our retreat next February. That means there is still room for YOU! If you have never been on a retreat, this may be the year for you to try it out. We have a lot of fun, and get a lot of sewing done. It is such a luxury to be able to sew all day and not have to worry about cooking or cleaning! To me one of the best features of our retreat is seeing everyone's projects. I usually come home with about 25 new projects in my head that I want to make!

The retreat dates are February 5-8. The cost is \$170.00 which goes to the guild and pays for our sewing room and meals. Make your check payable to PPQG and mail it to Pam Todd at P.O. Box 867, Gualala, CA 95445. You make your own hotel reservation by calling Dry Creek Inn Best Western at 800-222-5784. Be sure to tell them you are part of the quilt retreat so you get our special rate. And make sure your reservation is for three nights. A room with two queen beds is offered to us at \$89.00 per night. With two people in a room, that is \$44.50 per night, which is a great deal! A larger room with one king bed, a fireplace, and a Jacuzzi tub is \$129.00 per night. This room is also "shareable".

We have a nice big sewing room, which has good lighting. Each person has her own work table. We also have extra tables for cutting out and/or sandwiching quilts. (I just bought some table leg extenders so we can make the cutting table higher—more ergonomic.) We generally sew all day, with a break for lunch. Lunch is provided and usually consists of sandwiches and salads, and cookies/bars. Coffee and tea are always available. Some people like to take walks, some people like to visit nearby quilt shops and/or antique shops and/or just plain shopping.



Every evening we have a happy hour, where we all bring and share wine, drinks, snacks, hors d'oeuvres. Two nights we have dinner catered at the hotel, and one night we are on our own for dinner. Some people like to get together and

go out to one of the many excellent restaurants in Healdsburg.

If you have any questions at all, please call me at 707-785-1976 or email me at JANLC56@mac.com. I'd be happy to talk to you about the retreat.

~Jan Carter

2018 PROGRAMS

(Abbreviated---more details forthcoming)

- **January 19** –Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor workshop
- **February 16** – Guild Meeting. Lecture by Lisa McKissick, "Tooltime"
- **March 14, 15** – Workshops by Barbara Duns Moor – "Painting on Fabric & Overstitching" and Jan Carter –"English Paper Piecing"
- **March 16** – Guild Meeting. Lecture by Sandy Hughes, "Going to the Houston International Quilt Show"
- **April 18, 19** – Workshop by Jenny Lyon (limit 20), "Introduction to Fearless Free Motion and Start with a Square"
- **April 20** – Guild Meeting. Lecture by Jenny Lyon
- **May 16, 17** – Workshop by Diane Miller, "Down Under Wannabes (Paper Piecing Plus)"
- **May 18** – Guild Meeting. Trunk Show by Diane Miller
- **June 15** – Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor workshop
- **July** – Guild Picnic
- **August** – No meeting
- **September 18-20** – Workshop with Lynn Koolish, "Fabric Dyeing and Improvisational Quilts"
- **September 21** – Guild Meeting. Lecture by Lynn Koolish "Alternate Surfaces to Paint, Stitch, and Embellish"
- **October 18** – Festival of Trees Workshop
- **October 19** – Guild Meeting. Lecture by Lisa Norton and Lora Smak, "How a Quilter is Pieced"
- **November 16** – Guild Meeting. Lecture: Featherweights on Parade
- **December** – No meeting. Happy Holidays!!
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~ Marcia Luchini and Francie Angwin

LIBRARY

Readers and quilting friends:

Our library has some duplicate or inappropriate books that we would like to offer you at a special price. PPQG library sales work this way:

1. The first person to offer the listed price, which is figured to be competitive with Amazon, gets the book.
2. Or you can make an offer, and the highest offer will get the book.

Email your offers (or questions) to me at irisilk@wildblue.net Now, here are the books:

- For just \$1: French Hand Sewing by Machine by Martha Pullen
- For \$2: Watercolor Quilts by Pat Maixner, Margaret & Donna Ingram Slooser
- For \$5: Spray & Stitch: over 30 projects combining cross stitch with easy spray paint techniques by Sally Harman
- For \$6: Country Ribbon Crafts by Cookie Lyday
- For \$10: 505 Quilt Blocks: +36 beautiful projects to make by Better Homes & Gardens
- For \$12: 501 Quilt Blocks: a treasury of patterns for patchwork and applique by Better Homes and Gardens
- For \$15: Sew Vintage: new creations from found fabrics by Jennie Archer Atwood

Thank You.

—Iris Lorenz-Fife

November Show & Tell



Baby Quilt made by Janice Batchelder



One of two Table runners by Cheryl Faconti



Pillow made by Barbara Fast from Jennifer Sampou's workshop

NOVEMBER GUILD MTG

Guest Lecturer:
Sherry Werum



Comfort Quilt (featuring Butterflies) made by Mary Hunter



Quilt made by Paula Osborne for Festival of Trees using fabrics from previous projects.



1000 pyramids quilt pieced and hand quilted by Joyce Gaudet for her daughter.



Ellen Soule with her new book. Illustrations are done by her grand-daughter.



Quilt made from Margie Binker's class by Iris Lorenz-Fife



I-spy quilt made by Monica Zarkowski for a grandchild



I-spy quilt made by Marcia Luchini for Festival of Trees



Row-by-Row quilt made by Sally Ramsay



*Wishing
you all a
safe and
Happy
Holiday!*

