



Bits & Pieces

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: JUDY RIDDLE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What project are you working on today? I just finished my Challenge Quilt top and gathered everything for my next project – a Comfort Quilt.

While planning the Comfort Quilt, I thought about making a list of the quilt projects I would like to get completed this year but that only served to overwhelm me to the point of nearly slipping into a quilting coma.

Instead, I switched to day-dreaming about what the guild itself means to me. When I think of our guild, my thoughts take me to what we achieve each year through all of the wonderful opportunities our guild offers to our members. We learn, we laugh, we cry, we share our quilting stories and sometimes our life stories, we make new friends and enjoy old friends, we provide comfort to those in need through our contributions to our community and to our veterans – I believe we have another great year ahead whether we take the time to list our projects or just dive in with needle and thread flying.

If you haven't already, take a look at what is coming up in classes, workshops and lectures, I think you may be missing some really amazing opportunities. Speaking of lectures, I want to thank our own Kalynn Oleson for stepping in to give the lecture at our February meeting. Our planned speaker had an accident that prevented her from traveling and Kalynn did a great job stepping up and showing us the techniques used to make textile vessels – "Vessels as Art." Thank you Kalynn!

Don't forget to "spring forward" March 8!



~Sandy Hughes

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2020

- March 15** -- Fundraising Workshop 12:00-4:00
GAC Upstairs
- March 16** -- Continuing Education-Sleeves
10:00-2:00 GAC Upstairs
- March 18 & 19** – *Workshop* by Barbara Dunsmoor
- March 20** -- *Guild Mtg:* 12:30-1:00 Social time;
1:00 meeting then Lecture
- April 17** -- *Guild Mtg:* 12:30-1:00 Social time;
1:00 meeting then Lecture
- April 17** – Turn in Quilt Challenge entry form
- April 29** – Turn in Quilt Challenge artwork
- May 1** – Quilt Challenge Opening Reception
- May 15** – *Workshop:* Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor
10:00–4:00 with lunch; *Guild Mtg* at 1:00
- June 1** – Pick up Quilt Challenge Artwork
- June 15 – 18** – Two 2-day workshops with
Sue Benner
- June 19** -- *Guild Mtg:* 12:30-1:00 Social time;
1:00 meeting then Lecture
- September 16 & 17** -- Paper-piecing workshop
with Jeanette Walton
- September 18** -- *Guild Mtg:* 12:30-1:00 Social time;
1:00 meeting then Lecture
- October 14 & 15** – *Workshop* with Jennie Henderson
- October 16** -- *Guild Mtg:* 12:30-1:00 Social time;
1:00 meeting then Lecture
- November 20** – *Guild Mtg:* 12:30-1:00 Social time;
1:00 meeting then Lecture
- December 2** – Holiday Luncheon at GAC

WHO AM I?

Winner of the "Who Am I" clues at the FEBRUARY meeting was Francie Angwin with the correct guess of Iris Lorenz-Fife

Here are the clues for the MARCH guild meeting:

1. I made my first potholder to sell in a bizzare when I was 12. The design was a worm.
2. My black quilt with mushroom growing on a hill hung in my high school library.
3. I made all of my children's clothes.
4. I have two children and now 3 grandchildren.

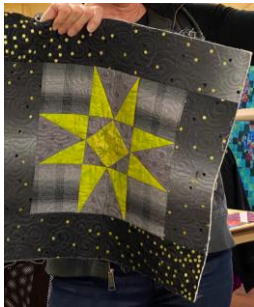
Be sure to remember these clues so that you will be able to submit your guess at the March Guild meeting for an opportunity to win Sandy's gift bag.

QUILT RETREAT 2020



Seated/kneeling: Jan Carter, Sylvia Evans, Joyce Gaudet, Gail Spencer, Margreth Barrett, Bonnie Handley, Cindy Haener.
 Back/standing, l to r: Francie Angwin, Kalynn Oleson, Carole Garcia, Dee Goodrich, Pam Todd, Lola DeLongoria, Cheryl Faconti, Sally Herbert, Trudy Armer, Sylvia Edwards/Leslie Juricek, Janice Batchelder, Dasha Drab, Sandy Lockhart, Charlotte Tefft.

We had a great time at Retreat this year. Good weather, good friends, good food and wine, good sewing. What more could one want!?! Many projects were worked on and some were even finished! Here are some photos.



These are six of the Disappearing Nine-Patch blocks made at retreat for our 2020 Quilt of Valor.



Dee Goodrich and Jan Carter worked on this year's Art in the Redwoods quilt.

Maybe you'd like to join us next year at the retreat, if you haven't before. It's a lot of fun, and we really get a lot of sewing done when we don't have to cook or do dishes or make beds!
 ~Jan Carter

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Learn different ways to make and attach hanging sleeves to your quilts. Judy Riddle and Sandy Hughes will present a demonstration/class on **Monday, March 16 from 10:00am to 2:00pm**. Demonstration, followed by hands-on. Bring your quilt, fabric for a sleeve and your sewing machine.
 ~Judy Riddle & Sandy Hughes

MEMBERSHIP

We are in the final phases of 2020 membership renewal. If you have changed your email, or other contact info in the past year, and have not yet notified us, please do so, now. Bonnie Toy and I will be working on updating the roster, very soon. Those of you who have said "I will be mailing a check", please take care of it. We really DO appreciate everyone's support. If all goes well, we will have 85 current members.
 Thanks.

~Gail Spencer

FUNDRAISING:

ART IN THE REDWOODS AND FESTIVAL OF TREES 2020

Sylvia Evans and I have arranged for a fund-raising workshop, upstairs at Gualala Arts, on **Sunday, March 15 from noon to 4:00**. We will have microwave bowl supplies, but feel free to bring your own fabrics. We use 10 inch squares. However, we are toying with the idea of making some larger ones. There will be a **few** other projects to help make. Items needed are quilts, especially I-Spy and children's (baby) quilts, potholders, table runners, and jar openers. Bring your sewing machine and supplies you will need for your project.
 Hope to see many of you there!

~Cheryl Faconti

2020 QUILT CHALLENGE

“A Star is Born!”



Mark your calendar for the 2020 Challenge?
It is just a few months away!

Turn in Entry Form: **April 17, 2020**
 Deliver Artwork: **April 29, 2020**
 Opening Reception: **May 1, 2020**
 Pick-Up Artwork: **June 1, 2020**

Rules:

There is no size, fabric, color, or design limitations for an exhibit, but, each completed exhibit must have at least one “pieced” star of any size or design on the front of the quilt.

- 1) A minimum of one “pieced” star must be included in the quilt design – the star can be any star design as long as it is pieced and on the front of the quilt.
- 2) No maximum or minimum sizes for either the quilt or the “pieced” star.
- 3) The quilt design does not have to be limited to one star. There can be any number of “pieced” stars making up the quilt design.
- 4) There are no limitations as to how you piece a star as long as it is pieced.
- 5) Fabrics are of the designer’s choice.
- 6) Piecing techniques are of the designers choice which means:
 - a. “Pieced” stars can be sewn into the quilt as part of a block or full quilt design, appliqued, glued, fused or otherwise applied to the quilt as long as the star is pieced.

Challenge Committee: Sandy Hughes, Francie Angwin

2020 PROGRAM

March 18 & 19: Wed: 10 am - 4 pm, Thur: 9:30 am - 4 pm. \$30 for GA members, \$40 non-members.

Sign up Now.



Barbara Dunsmoor will present a workshop entitled “In the Style of Ursula Kern.” Ursula is an internationally known artist from Switzerland. She is largely retired. This class will condense her style of creating quilt tops into two days and give you a new way of looking at “log cabins.”

March 20: Guild meeting and lecture by Colleen Granger entitled

“Quilting is Cheaper than Therapy”

April 17: Guild meeting and Lecture by Christine Barnes and Heide Emmett entitled “Kaffe Fassett Extravaganza”

May 15: Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor workshop

June 15 – 18: Sue Benner will teach 2 two-day classes: 1) “Fusing the Grid” and 2) “Cut and Collage.”

June 19: Guild meeting and Lecture by Sue Benner

July: Picnic

August: No meeting

Sept 16 & 17: Wed 10AM – 4 PM, Thurs 9:30AM – 4 PM. Two projects \$85 for GAC members, \$95 for non-member. Additional cost of \$39 for both patterns (payable to Judy Riddle—cash only)

Paper piecing workshop (Judy Neimeyer designs) with Jeanette Walton. See GAC website for details and supply list. **You can sign up now!**



Waterwheel
(Sept 17)



Broken Daisy
Placemats
(Sept 16)



Sept 18: Guild meeting and Trunk show by Jeanette Walton, entitled “Inspiration”

October 14 & 15: Jennie Henderson will reprise her “No-Mess Dyeing Class” with some new ideas and techniques.

October 16: Guild meeting and Lecture by Jennie Henderson

November 20: Guild meeting followed by Lecture



PPQG is also looking for more assistants.....

Although guild membership does not "require" anything from its members, helping out will lighten the load on others.

When was the last time

- YOU signed up to bring refreshments?
- Do you help Hospitality set up and/or clean up, or do you just "leave the building"?
- Do you help bring down all the Fanny Basket fabric and pack it back upstairs or do you let others take care of it?
- Do you sign up to work a shift at the fundraising sales, Art in the Redwoods and Festival of Trees?
- Do you make items to be sold at AIR & FOT?
- Do you make a Comfort Quilt or a Quilt of Valor each year?

Think about it!

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON 2020

Mark your calendars. 2020 Holiday luncheon is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 2** at Gualala Art Center Auditorium. Arrive by 11:30 for a picture followed by lunch and entertainment. More information forthcoming, i.e. menu, cost.

~Judy Riddle & Sylvia Evans

PRESIDENT'S QUILT

It's not too late to make a square for my President's Quilt. I have requested an 8 & 1/2 inch square in any log cabin pattern. In case you didn't know, my favorite color is purple! Thanks to those who have already made one.

~Cheryl Faconti

FEBRUARY GUILD MEETING



Due to a wrist injury, Guest Lecturer Sue Arnold, was unable to come. Kalynn Oleson filled in by talking about her technique for 3-D fabric art using dissolvable fusing.

FEBRUARY SHOW AND TELL



Scrappy Quilt by Caroline Ogg



Comfort Quilt #1 by Janice Batchelder



Comfort Quilt #2 by Janice Batchelder



Comfort Quilt by Cheryl Faconti



"Eclectic Garden" by Jan Saufferer



Finished UFO #2 by Monica Zarkowski



I-Spy by Pam Todd



Finished UFO #3 by Monica Zarkowski



Finished UFO #1 by Monica Zarkowski



As I get older
I'M ALWAYS
 walking into things.
QUILT SHOPS
AND
FABRIC STORES
MOSTLY






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