



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

# Bits & Pieces

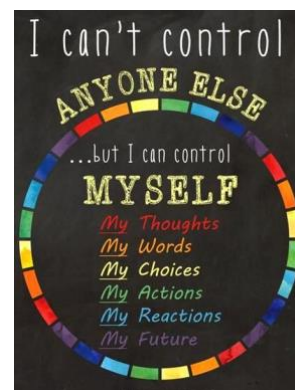
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*Newsletter Editor: Barbara Fast*

**Editor's Note:** June has been a crazy month for me. I returned from a trip to Colorado just in time to finish the May newsletter. Then, only a few days later, my husband had a dizzy episode while driving our little convertible kit car. He had the good sense to pull over and wait for help. However, because of a history of a previous stroke, he ended up in the hospital for four days while they did another stroke work up. Turns out he had vertigo, not another stroke. A few days after he arrived home our adult children came for a visit to celebrate my 85<sup>th</sup> birthday and also Fathers' Day. It was good to have them here. We finished several projects, but while we were cleaning the shop I tripped and fell. There were no serious injuries, but I am reminded of the danger of falls for us older folks with poor balance.

*Barbara Fast, Editor*



**President's Message:** Hello All, How to be a HAM (Happy Active Member), Installment Number 3. **"Get involved in guild activities and/or leadership.** Be familiar with the bylaws and responsibilities of committees. Volunteer where you can to help keep the guild viable. Sharing your gifts, whatever they may be, makes the guild stronger and more fun." We have had a good turnout of folks to take on various tasks, but we still need a vice president, or a pair to share the office. The rest of our needs have pretty much been taken care of.

Activities that are coming up are our July 21 picnic, and the AIR booth. The picnic is casual and a lot of fun. Jan Carter will be getting details out to us all in the newsletter. In August, we have no meeting, but we do have a booth at Art in the Redwoods. Kim Madson will be asking for volunteers to help man the sale. It is fun to work the booth and meet both locals and out-of-towners. You will also have plenty of time to see the show and stroll among the other venders.

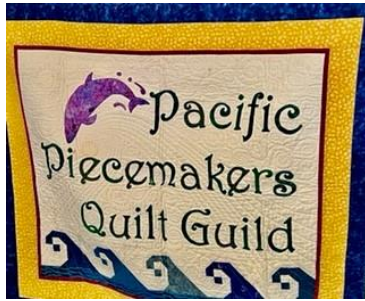
Our Second Thursday Sew-In saw five members participating in June. Doll blankets, large bowls, 2024 AIR Quilt blocks, and Double Wedding Ring components were all on the tables. In the future, feel free to drop in and just chat if you'd like. It's always interesting to see what other folks are working on. This month we had our Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor workshop. Twelve members came to sew, and four more for our meeting. Getting together and catching up is just as important as sewing. Hospitality provided a lovely array of sandwiches from Anchor Bay Store. It was good to see some members who have been absent for a few meetings. I, also, want to send out best wishes for healing to several folks who are experiencing illness, either themselves or among family.

The beginning quilting classes that have been happening at the library in Point Arena are coming to an end. There was some discussion about the Guild providing some quilting classes. Put on your thinking cap and mull over how you may be able to reach out to the community, especially our younger crowd, and provide an opportunity to learn. We will be revisiting this topic in the future.

Meanwhile, take care and keep on quilting!!

*Francie Angwin, President PPQG*

## History of Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild



When you attend a PPQG meeting you see the banner that was created many years ago when the guild first started. Have you ever wondered whose names are on the back?

Gayle Stewart	Bev Sloan	Jane Shields	Sue Lease
Virginia Tautman	Lucille Bacon	Barb McNulty	Kathryn Stanfield
Anita Kaplan	Marge Tar	Janet Sears	Kathy Horn
Linda Cotton	Dot Porter	Judith Leeper	Laura ?
Janet Hubbard	Mary Sules (sp?)	Eunice Becket	Norma Perryman
Jo Dillon	Doris Buck	Betty Tresidder	Judy Bligh
Leanne Liston	Joyce Gaudet	Mary Austin	Theresa Kohlmeister
Dorothy Moore	Elaine Anderson	Dena Kye	Nettie Eldred
Karel Metcalf	Pat Ditzler	Zoe Smith	Lenore Sallom
Paula Osborne	Janet Snook	Diane Cunningham	Pamela Wilson
Claire McPherson	Edith Carman	Elizabeth Jacobs	

If I have misspelled any of these names, I apologize. I wrote the names down hurriedly and now I have trouble reading my own writing.

*Barbara Fast, Editor*

## Fun Fundraising Fun 2023

Cheryl Faconti handled the fundraiser turn-ins while I was gone (thanks Cheryl!) She gave me a big box of beautiful items she collected at the last two meetings, so thank you to all who've contributed to our fundraising efforts! Cheryl and I will be getting the inventory ready for the Art in the Redwoods sale soon. Please be on the lookout for an email from me asking for volunteers to help at our booth. We'll need help setting up our area on Friday, Aug. 18, and during the fair on Saturday and Sunday. If you can spare a couple of hours that weekend, it would be greatly appreciated! More details to come...

June's winner for the Loft certificate was Katherine Gyorf. Congratulations Katherine! Since next month will be the last time to collect items for the Art in the Redwoods Fair, I've added "any item of your choice" to our July fundraising items. The next turn-in will be at our picnic on July 21. . If you have items to donate for the sale, but can't make it in July, please email me and I can arrange to pick them up from you.

July - set of 4 coasters wrapped together with twine or ribbon, or any item of your choice

August - to be announced after we evaluate our need.

September - 1 quilt, crib size or larger (earns 5 tickets). Christmas quilts needed!

October - small Christmas tree ornament or any item or your choice

November - any item of your choice.

Let me know if you have any ideas for "new" items or other suggestions.

*~Kim Madson, Fundraising Chairman*

## Mark Your Calendars Program 2023

*Program Committee: Sylvia Evans/Kalynn Olson*

### **July 13 – Drop in and Sew, 11-4 at GAC. COME SEW WITH US!**

It's summertime and the sewing is easy; and FUN when you attend our monthly sew-in Thursday July 13, 11 - 4, upstairs at Gualala Arts. Here are some ideas for things to do that day: work on bowls, tortilla warmers, and other items to sell at Art in the Redwoods; work on the comfort quilt or quilt of valor you started at our June 16 workshop; make your block(s) for the 2024 AIR quilt; work on your double wedding rings; finish up that UFO that's been lurking on the shelf (You know it's there). You name it! Most importantly, use the day to socialize, gab, laugh, and solve the world's problems with other Guild members.

It's nice to have a rough idea of how many will be attending so we can set up enough work spaces. So, if you can, please send me a heads-up that you will be there.

See you then, Janice ([janicebatch1@gmail.com](mailto:janicebatch1@gmail.com))

*Janice Batchelder, Past President*

### **July 21 – Annual Picnic in the Grove at GAC, July 21, 2023**

Our annual guild summer picnic will be July 21 (our normal meeting day). We will meet at high noon. The guild will provide salad greens and salad dressing, 2Fish French bread, 2Fish cookies, and water to drink. Please bring a salad topping to share, like maybe some cherry tomatoes (or cut-up tomatoes), olives, black beans, shredded cheese, whatever kinds of things that you like to put on your salads. We will set up our very own salad bar! Bring your own plate and utensils and drinking glass. You may, of course, bring something other than water for yourself to drink if you wish. We will be playing QUILTO, so bring some buttons or pennies, and three fat quarters to play this game.

See you on July 21!

*Jan Carter, Picnic Planner*

**December 15** –The Holiday Luncheon will again be held at the Gualala Arts Center and catered by Franny.

## 2023 AIR Quilt

The beautiful AIR quilt is finished and it is now hanging in the foyer at the Gualala Arts Center. Raffle tickets are on sale. The winner of the raffle will be chosen at Art in the Redwoods. Proceeds from the sale of the quilt go to the PPQG scholarship fund.

*Sandy Hughes/Marcia Luchini/Della Zita 2023 AIR Quilt Committee*

## 2024 AIR Quilt

Hi Everyone,

Attached is the plan for the 2024 Art in the Redwoods Raffle Quilt (AIR - Quilt). Kits with patterns and fabric are available at The Loft. To be clear, there is no charge to members for these kits. PPQG has paid for the fabric - we just need you to make a block - or two!

Link to plan: [2024 AIR Quilt FAQs](#)

Thank you, Maryse, for allowing The Loft to be our home base on this project! I look forward to seeing all of the beautiful blocks! Thanks — Jeri Kennedy

*Jeri Kennedy, 2024 AIR Quilt Chairman*

## 2024 Challenge

The theme for next year's challenge will be "Twenty-four Squares in '24." 24 squares of any size are to be included in a quilting. Plan ahead!

*2024 Quilt Guild Challenge Committee: Jeri Kennedy*

## Membership

**Featured Member:** Our Featured Member this month is Gail Spencer. Gail is one of the hardest working members of the guild. Along with Bonnie Toy, Gail is responsible for keeping the PPQG Listserve and Membership List up to date. She also has to remind members to pay their annual dues and she meets and introduces guests or new members at meetings. Can you imagine trying to keep 60 plus women organized? Thank Gail when you see her.

Gail has been a member of the guild since 2005. At that time she was working with Lola DeLongoria and Laura Hamilton at the trans-pacific cable station in Point Arena. Laura invited Gail to attend a comfort quilt workshop with her. Gail said, "I don't even know how to sew. How could I make a quilt?" She attended the workshop anyway and was so impressed by the many aspects of quilt-making that she observed that she joined the guild. It didn't take long before it was noticed that Gail enjoyed meeting new members and making them feel welcome. She was asked, therefore, to consider taking over the job of Membership Chairman which became official in 2006. Gail has held many other positions in guild leadership but she continues as Membership Chairman because she enjoys taking care of people.

When asked what she likes best about quilting Gail said, "I just love fabric. I would enjoy collecting fabric even if I didn't make any quilts." Since she began, Gail has made over 50 quilts. She has machine quilted all of the quilts except two. She particularly likes making a quilt as a gift for someone special.

*Barbara Fast, Editor*



## Workshops

Jeri Kennedy led another workshop on the Double Wedding Ring Quilt. “We began this adventure in complex piecing last year and have managed this project with a lot of zone sewing and three group sessions.



Mary Hunter



Double Wedding Ring Group  
Kathy Mayda, Janice Batchelder,  
Sylvia Evans, Jeri Kennedy, Cindy Haener

## Quilts of Valor Update

Sandy Lockhart has reported that she will deliver Quilts of Valor to Palo Alto in late August. Any new QOV should be given to her before then. -

*Sandy Lockhart, Quilts of Valor Chairman*



**July birthdays:** Melissa Finley, July 1; Renata Lopez, July 22; Jeri Kennedy, July, 23

## June Show and Tell



Sandy Lockhart/Kathy Mayda  
Quilt of Valor



Mary Banach  
Comfort Quilt



Katherine Gyorfi  
Comfort Quilt



Janice Batchelder  
Fundraiser Quilt



Marcia Luchini  
Comfort Quilt



Katherine Gyorfi  
Comfort Quilt

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 Officers and Committees: President – Francis Angwin  
 First Past President – Janice Batchelder  
 Comfort Quilt & Fanny Basket – Marcia Luchini/Della Zita  
 Quilts of Valor – Sandy Lockhart  
 Hospitality Kathy Mayda/Kim Madson/Monica Zarkowsky  
 Library – Iris Lorenz-Fife  
 Listserve – Bonnie Toy/Gail Spencer  
 GAC Scholarship – Sandy Hughes/ Francis Angwin  
 2023 AIR Quilt – Sandy Hughes/Marcia Luchini /Della Zita  
 2024 AIR Quilt – Jeri Kennedy

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 Festival of the Trees – Cheryl Faconti  
 July Picnic – Jan Carter  
 Retreat – Jan Carter  
 PPQG Photographer - Andrea Polk  
 Website – Lynn Bailey  
 Art in the Redwoods – Kim Madson/Cheryl Faconti  
 Newsletter – Barbara Fast  
 Challenge 2023 – Jan Carter/Melissa Finley  
 Challenge 2024 – Jeri Kennedy