## Pacific Piecemaker's Quilt Guild Gualala Arts Building April 20, 2012

Meeting called to order at 1.00 p.m. by President Polly Dakin. 36 members were present

No guests or visitors

Polly made a special announcement that PPQG has been nominated by the Gualala Art Center to receive the Volunteer of the Year award. The award will be presented at the Top Hat Dinner Scheduled for August 16, 2012.

Minutes of the March 16, 2012 meeting: Motion was made by Joyce Gaudet to approve the March minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Laura Hamilton. Membership voted to approve the minutes.

**Treasurer** Report: Kalynn Oleson: Beginning balance was \$11,472.78. January income was \$1884.50. Expenses were \$2270.41. Ending balance is \$11,086.87

**Program Committee:** Kalynn Oleson: There are 4 spaces left in the May 16 & 17 Workshop by Allison Schwabe, "Hot Quilts from Cold Scraps". Please look at the Workshop descriptions on the GAC website and, if possible, sign up for this and/or other scheduled workshops.

Kalynn also announced that Fort Bragg will be having their Quilt Show during Memorial weekend, May 25, 26 and 27. Theme this year is "Spring on the Coast" with featured artist Judy Castleton. This is not a juried show and a perfect opportunity to enter your quilts. Go to http://www.soroptimistfortbraggca.org for more information. NOTE: Entry forms and fees must be received before April 30, 2012.

Continuing Education Committee: No report

Membership: Gail Spencer was unable to attend the meeting. However, Polly announced that the updated Guild Roster is now available on line.

**Publicity:** No one has volunteered for this position. If you are willing to serve or you know someone, please email Polly Dakin.

Newsletter: Reminder that the deadline to submit items for the next newsletter is April 25. Send an email to Anna Hines (anna@aghines.com) with your items.

Website: Bonnie Toy: no report

**Library:** Mirka Knaster: An email was previously sent indicating books available for sale. Other books were on the side table with the price indicated in the inside cover. Please make payments to Kalynn.

Hospitality: Thank you to those who brought cookies today. As a special treat, two cakes were cut and served between the business meeting and the guest speaker presentation to honor Diane Cunningham and Karen Shanower. Both ladies will be moving to Washington, joining former PPQG members Bev Sloane, Elizabeth Langdon, Janet Sears, and Pam Wilson.

Diane Cunningham is one of the original 25 guild members. She served as co-chair for comfort quilts and was always there with a helping hand and personal generosity to the Guild and to our Community. She will be missed

Karen Shanower has been a member for only a few years, but has stepped up to serve as secretary and as Chair of our "I Love Chocolate" Challenge, 3 years ago. She will be missed for her willingness to help make the guild a success and for her excellent craftsmanship.

Farewell and good luck to both of you in your new homes.

Festival of Trees: Joyce Gaudet: Joyce has received the patterns she ordered of things to make and sell at Festival of Trees. Patterns should be available at the May meeting for people who would like to start making these items. The question was asked "What things sell best?" Recommended items are aprons, children things, i.e. quilt (particularly cheater quilts), toys.

**Special Events:** Renata Lopez was unable to attend the meeting. Polly presented an inquiry for Renata to see if there would be interest in a luncheon followed by a tour of the Korbel Winery as the July activity. Member response was very positive. Polly will report the affirmative to Renata so that she can finalize a date. It was suggested the tour be scheduled sometime other than a Friday.

Challenge 2012: Jan Carter (announced as "scissorhead") (Those who were unable to attend the meeting, should look at pictures of the meeting to understand this title) Jan expressed a huge "Thank You" to everyone for a wonderful show. Great turnout, excellent quilts! The show will be up until the end of the month if you haven't seen it yet.

**Challenge 2013:** Jan Carter and Kalynn Oleson will be chairing this event in 2013. The 2013 Challenge is titled "Celebrate". No size requirement, no fabric requirement.

Comfort Quilts and Quilts of Valor: Polly Dakin: A Thank You card for a Comfort Quilt was circulated. Polly and Marilyn are planning to deliver the Quilts of Valor sometime in May.

2012 AIR Quilt: Polly announced the 2012 AIR (Art in the Redwoods) quilt is finished, commenting a beautiful job was done by Judy Riddle, Marva Jacobs, Marilyn Limbaugh and Sharon Malachowski. The completed quilt is now on display at the Gualala Art Center and raffle tickets are available for sale.

2013 AIR Quilt: Lola DeLongoria: A pattern has been chosen. Now they need to select and buy fabric.

Name Tag drawing was won by Kalynn Oleson

New Business: None presented

Show and Tell: Karen Shanower started off with a personal story of a quilt top started by her mother, worked on by Karen, and, deciding she would never finish this UFO and since she was moving decided to donate this unfinished top and the extra fabric to anyone who wanted it. Lola DeLongoria was the happy recipient; Polly showed a hand quilted comfort quilt that was donated by someone unknown; Kalynn Oleson showed a Quilt of Valor she made and two comfort quilts made by Carol Tacket, who was unable to attend the meeting; Cheryl Faconti showed a quilt she was making for her son using leftover strips, however, her son decided there was "too much purple" in it so Cheryl showed version two quilt for her son made with brown and beige fabric; Janice Batchelder showed a comfort quilt she made and a comfort quilt and Quilt of Valor made by Jerry Taylor, who was unable to attend the meeting; Barbara Dunsmoor showed a Quilt of Valor she made and mentioned a comfort quilt she made and gave to Polly earlier (Polly noted she had already given the comfort quilt to someone); Colleen Jackman showed a Quilt of Valor she made; Polly showed a Quilt of Valor made by Mary Hunter, noting this was the first quilt Mary had machine quilted; Judy Riddle showed a Quilt of Valor she made and three more baby quilts for the Fort Bragg hospital made from fabric donated by Barbara Fast.

Guest Lecturer: Kalynn Oleson introduced guest lecturer, Marion Coleman, who presented an engaging trunk show of her story quilts. Marion titled her presentation "What a Story".

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.
Minutes submitted by Judy Riddle, PPQG Secretary