



PACIFIC PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

# Bits & Pieces

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*Newsletter Editor: Barbara Fast*

## Editor's Note:

This will be the last edition of the PPQG Newsletter that I will edit. Judy Riddle will take over in June. Since she was the Editor for many years, this should be a smooth transition. Being the Editor has forced me to learn several computer tricks for which I am grateful. It's been fun! I especially want to thank Andrea Polk who has taken great photos for inclusion in the newsletter. My husband and I are transitioning to a condo in Alameda where my son lives. It is good to be closer to family. However, I hope to participate as a member of PPQG when I can.

*Barbara Fast, Editor*



Courtesy of Gail Spencer

## President's Message: May, 2025

Dear Fellow Quilters,

We are half-way through 2025 already! Our quilt show challenge opening was a success. Thank you to Francie and Sandy for all the hard work putting together a beautiful and fun event. All of the quilt entries this year were stunning. If you haven't been to the Art Center yet to see them, you have until June 8th. It's not too early to get started on quilts for next year's challenge which will be "Spring in Bloom" using floral or botanical fabric from The Loft.

We need your help recruiting members. It costs you nothing to bring a friend or invite someone to a meeting. We need others to see all of the wonderful things we do.

Fundraising needs more people to turn in items. If you haven't contributed anything for a while, now is the time.

We will be participating in the Point Arena parade in July. Judy will have more details at the June meeting. It should be fun. Come join us!

Your participation is the key to making our guild thrive.

*Kathy Mayda, Francie Angwin, Co-Presidents*

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## Fundraising Fun



Welcome to May and a great 2025 Quilt Challenge event. Now we need to focus on preparations for Art in the Redwoods. Thank you for all your donations. The stuffed animals were fantastic with an Otter and Baby from Judy Riddle, and Diggles the Dragon from Sandy Hughes. We received 6 quilts this month. Marilyn Adelson made two and Francie Angwin made 1 I-Spy quilts. Janice Batchelder gave us two baby quilts; "Summer in the Park" was from Sandy Hughes. Chris Smith made 2 potholders and a wonderfully embroidered apron. Cheryl has reviewed the inventory with me. As always, potholder sets



(remember to sandwich a piece of Insul-bright between 2 pieces of batting for each potholder), and wine coasters are in demand. Of course, stuffed animals always sell out. We also need large aprons, microwave bowls, tortilla warmers, as well as seatbelt covers.

Happy quilting!!

*Mary Banach, Fundraising Chairperson*

## Program 2025

**Sew-in:** Second Thursday, June 12

Let's get together and sew upstairs at Gualala Arts, 11-3. It's a great opportunity to work on our Art in the Redwoods merchandise, or your own project. Bring your sewing machine and any supplies you might need.

Please let Kim Madson know if you will attend so she can tell Scott at GAC how many work tables to set up.

Bring a lunch or snack if you wish. GAC closes at 4:00 so we need to start cleaning up about 3:00.

See you then!

*Janice Batchelder*

**June 20:** "Quilt of Valor" workshop Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 10-3, GAC. Business meeting 1 PM.

**July 6:** Point Arena parade. PPQG will participate (Judy Riddle organizing)

**July 11:** Picnic at Gualala Art Center picnic area: 12:00

No program in August (due to Art in the Redwoods).

**September 16-17:** Our own Margreth Barrett will be teaching us her landscape techniques in a two day workshop this September 16th-17th. You may have seen her latest award-winning entry in our PPQG Challenge currently on exhibit at Gualala Arts.

**October:** Lorraine Woodruff-Long guided a group of PPQG quilters through our Gualala Community Center Pay'n'Take clothing shop the Saturday following her most recent May Workshop and Trunk Show. She shared her strategies for selecting shirts to coordinate in preparation for her "Seven Shirts makes a Quilt" workshop coming this October. Stay tuned for more details...

*Sylvia Evans, Program Chairman*

## Quilt of Valor Workshop

Come one, Come all. Join your fellow quilters at the next Comfort Quilt/Quilt of Valor Workshop! June 20. Come early - we can start setting up, beginning around 9:30. It will be fun!! A sandwich buffet with coffee, tea, water available. Imagine making your own sandwich with a choice of what goes into it. Let Sandy H or Kim M know your special desires. The workshop? Bring your own project and take this opportunity to finish your project in the company of the most fantastic fellow quilters. OR, join three pals and work on a Quilt of Valor quilt. At the moment we have three kits ready to go. Easy, Easy. We just need YOU. No pressure here. Are you coming for sure? Let Sandy Hughes or Kim know. It will help to know how many chairs to set out, not to mention how many loaves of bread we'll need.  
*Sandy Lockhart, Quilt of Valor Chair*

## PPQG Picnic

PPQG picnic is July 11, 12:00  
Greens, cookies, bread and ice water provided. Please bring a topping and maybe a couple of people could bring a dressing. Bring your own dinnerware - plate, fork, knife, and spoon.  
*Jan Carter, July Picnic Chair*

## May Comfort Quilt News

The comfort quilts we made at the January Comfort Quilt Workshop are all quilted, bound, and ready for their new home. Thanks to everyone who addended the January workshop! Special recognition is also given to Judy Riddle, Marilyn Alderson, Kim Madson, Sandy Hughes, Jeri Kennedy, and me, for our efforts in completing the tasks. We didn't give out any quilts this month. Thanks Janice Batchelder who turned in another happy comfort quilt this month.  
*Marcia Luchini, Comfort Quilt Chairman*

## Membership

Charlene Younker, a member who lives in Clearlake, sells fabric from home. She is currently having a sale, and she encourages members to contact her if interested. Her phone number is (707) 937-0431. Her web site is [rainbow@mcn.org](mailto:rainbow@mcn.org).  
*Gail Spencer, Membership Chairman*

## Challenge 2026

Jeri Kennedy would like to remind you to start looking at The Loft for floral or botanical fabric to be featured in the 2026 "Spring in Bloom" Challenge entries.

## Challenge 2025

Quilters, What a fun evening!!!!

Francie and I would like to send a huge thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Challenge Show. Our opening reception was full of camaraderie, good old-fashioned fun, and lots of good food, too! Thank you to everyone who brought food and to our kitchen/server helpers, Kim Madson, Andrea Polk & Mary Banach. There was so much variety and so many contributors that I am afraid I will miss someone if I try to list each name. Please know that we appreciate all of you and your contributions!

**VIEWERS' CHOICE:** The ballots have been counted! The result was very close. In fact, we had to count the ballots twice! The Viewer's Choice Ribbon and gift certificate go to Margreth Barrett for her beautiful landscape quilt, with Marcia Luchini's amazing Jennifer Sampou design quilt coming in a close second.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Marcia Luchini  
Viewer's Choice 2<sup>nd</sup>. Place



Margreth Barrett  
Viewer's Choice 1<sup>st</sup>. Place

Each of the quilts hanging in this year's show represents the amazing creative talents of our little coastal quilt guild. I am very proud to be a member. GREAT WORK EVERYONE!  
Sandy H./Francie A. 2025 Challenge Chairmen

## AIR Quilt 2025



"Quilting Bee" sewing on the binding by hand.



AIR Quilt 2025

## May Show and Tell



Members of Mosaic workshop



Lorraine Woodruff-Long mosaics



Francis Angwin quilt from men's shirts



Sylvia Evans & Bonnie Coffee-Smith



Sandy Hughes Comfort Quilt



Quilts from Comfort Quilt Workshop



Sussane Scholz  
Quilted jacket back



Susanne Scholz  
Easter egg wall-hanging



Janice Batchelder Comfort Quilt



June birthdays: June 4, Bonnie Coffey-Smith; June 7, Leslie Juricek; June 9, Paula Osborne June 10, Trudy Armer; June 10, Barbara Fast; June 27, Gail Spencer

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#### 2025-2026 Officers and Committee Chairmen

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