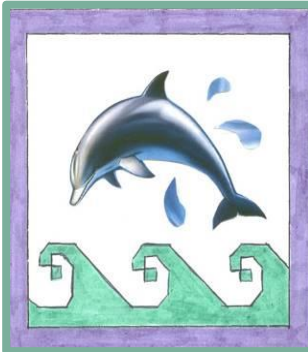




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Presidents Message

Greetings!

As many of you may know my husband, Joe, has had some serious medical issues in the past five weeks, which have prevented me from participating in Guild activities. In addition, my Co-President Kathy Mayda has been dealing with a bum knee. I mention this because I want to thank Judy Riddle, Jan Carter and Bonnie Coffey-Smith for stepping up and taking charge. Between them they have constructed the agenda, and presided over our last two meetings. We are lucky to have these wonderful members who have filled in for Kathy and myself. In addition, I would like to thank Sylvia Evans for planning some great workshops for us. I'm looking forward to those she has planned for next year. As we move into fall, and soon into the holiday season, I hope that you all will support Mary Banach, Kim Madson, and Cheryl Faconti as they head up our sale at Festival of Trees. It is this and AIR sales that allow us to have our workshops each year. I, also, hope to see you at our Holiday Luncheon. It is always heartwarming to gather together, share a meal, and have a lot of fun.

Meanwhile, take a moment to look around and be grateful for the beautiful place and community that we live in. I, for one, am overwhelmed by the support that I have experienced as I find myself facing new challenges in life. I truly appreciate all of the good wishes and offers of help from friends and family. We never know what life has in store for us.

Take care. Keep on Quilting!!

Co-President, Francie Angwin

Library The book sale!

Thanks to everyone who attended the October 17 Guild meeting and enthusiastically supported our book sale. We made \$138 to go to the purchase of new titles for our library. Special thanks to those of you who donated books or worked on Wednesday and Thursday to get the book sale ready. There were a LOT of books and I couldn't have done it without you. And a special thank you to Judy Riddle for her enthusiasm



and support, her getting the word out, and for taking the left overs for a future Point Arena library book sale. I'm hoping to have a first selection of new books by the November 21 meeting, now that there's money to spend. If you have any suggestions, let me know what they are! With many thanks —

Iris Lorenz-Fife — your PPQG Librarian

“That Old Quilt”

November 21 – Guild Meeting Program

Ever wonder how old that quilt your great aunt passed down really is? Wonder if the pattern has a name or is an original design and who might have made it? Some of the fabulous history books in October's Library Sale inspired this November program!

Jeri Kennedy will bring a few quilts from the late 1800's and 1930's and lead a discussion on how you might begin to uncover the history of that “old quilt” in your collection. If you have a quilt that you'd like to talk about... bring it! This will be a fun and interactive meeting as we dive into our family's history through the quilts they've passed on.

Holiday Lunch

Miramar Mexican Grill
39080 Shoreline HWY 1, Gualala
Thursday, December 4

Arrive by 11:30 for a group picture

Cost is \$30 per plate

Sign-up, menu selection and payment by cash or check (payable to Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild) is **due by Friday, November 21.**

In order to provide a headcount and menu selection to the restaurant, we will be circulating a **final** signup sheet and collecting payment at the November Guild meeting.

Contact Sandy sandyh52@icloud.com or Judy judy.ann.riddle@gmail.com with any questions.

Sandy Hughes, Luncheon Chair

Veteran Honor Quilt

We started with SEVEN; an additional SIX were received in September; TWO more were received in October. We only need 35 more to reach our goal of 50!

Judy has two to be quilted and a promise of 2 more from outside the Guild.

We will have Comfort Quilt/Veteran Honor Quilt workshops in January and June of 2026. Please join us at that time to make more quilts. Judy is preparing more quilt kits for the January workshop. When you are planning your quilting projects for 2026, please consider making a Veteran Honor Quilt to help us reach our goal.

Sandy Lockhart, VHQ Chair

2026 Retreat

Our retreat is being planned for **February 2-5, 2026.** We'll meet in Rohnert Park again, at the Oxford Suites Hotel. Hotel rooms are available for the same price as last year, \$130.00, and are easily shared by two people. The retreat fee will be determined when I get the catering needs planned. I think we will be eating fewer meals at the hotel this year so we'll probably be on our own for lunches. We always have a lot of fun at retreat, so please join us. No beds to make, or meals to prepare. Just plenty of time for sewing, and catching up with friends.

If you have any questions at all about the retreat, just call me at 707-785-1976 or email me at ianlc56@mac.com

Jan Carter, Retreat Chair

2025 Program

November 21: Presentation and Discussion, directed by Jeri Kennedy – “That Old Quilt” (see description on page 1)

January 16 - Comfort Quilt, Veteran Honor Quilt Workshop

February 20 - Lecture by Helen Banach, “Underground Railroad Quilts”

Mar 19 – Finish it up Workshop – directed by Jeri Kennedy

We will host a “HOW TO FINISH YOUR QUILT” workshop. We will review the construction of the hanging sleeve and “How to Bind” and label your quilt.

We need volunteers to:

- 1) Demonstrate how to bind a quilt and lend a hand to those in need.
- 2) Demonstrate how to measure and make a hanging sleeve.
- 3) Demonstrate how to create a great label

Note: you need not have your quilt complete to take advantage of this workshop. Come with a small quilt sandwich (a 24X24” top, batting and backing basted together) and make your own SAMPLE to take home. Your instructors will have handouts as well.

March 20 - Lecture presentation by Sylvia Evans, “Barn Quilts of Northern California”

April 16 - Solar Dye Workshop by C. Younker

April 17 – Lecture by Charlene Younker

May 13&14 - Celtic Knot Workshop by L. McCann

May 15 – Lecture by Leonna McCann

June 19 – Comfort Quilt & Veteran Honor Quilt Workshop

July - Picnic

August – Art in the Redwoods Sale

September 16&17- Cranes over Hiroshima Workshop by Dana Jones

September 18 - Lecture by Dana Jones

October - TBD

November – TBD

Sylvia Evans, Program Chair

Quilt Challenge 2026

"Spring in Bloom"

Hello Quilters!

I'm sure you're all working feverishly on your entries (please note the plural....Not entry entries). We had some questions about the rules for this year's show. The purpose of the rules is to support our local quilt shop AND get as many beautiful quilts as possible on display at the show. With that in mind, the rules are deliberately loose to entice your creative spirit and desire to show as many quilts as you like.

Here are some questions that came up at the October meeting:

Question: Do I have to buy all my fabric from The Loft?

Answer: No. We hope that you do, but you need only to purchase ½ yd of floral themed or "botanical" fabric from The Loft. The fabric must be present on the front of your quilt.

Question: If I make more than one quilt, does each quilt have to have the same challenge fabric purchased from The Loft.

Answer: No. You need only to purchase ½ yd of floral themed or "botanical" fabric from The Loft. You may choose to use this same fabric in all the quilts that you enter, or you can choose different challenge themed fabrics. As long as you have a purchased the minimum 1/2yd from The Loft.

Question: Do I get a raffle ticket for each quilt I enter?

Answer: No. 1 raffle ticket for each participant will be entered into the drawing for the fabulous prizes! Please contact me if you are unsettled about anything. jconardk@sbcglobal.net

Entry forms are available on line and at GAC.

Dates to remember:

April 28, 2026 -- Registration form due

May 6, 2026 -- 11:00 – 1:00 --Drop off Artwork

May 8, 2026, 4:00-6:00 PM--Opening Reception

June 8, 2026, Noon – 2:00 --Pickup Artwork

Jeri Kennedy, Challenge Chair

Comfort Quilts

Thankfully, we did not have a reason to give away any comfort quilts this month. Please continue to think of us especially if you would like to make a guy quilt! I will be traveling until November 21. If you need a comfort quilt in my absence, please call Cheryl Faconti. Marcia Luchini, Comfort Quilt Chair

Membership

I am now accepting dues for next year. Thank you to those who have renewed their membership for 2026. Please mail a check **made payable to PPQG** for \$40, plus Angel Gift if desired, to me: Gail Spencer, PO BOX 1489, Gualala, CA 95445. I will also accept dues (cash or check) at the November 21 guild meeting or at the December 4th Holiday Luncheon. Thank you.

Gail Spencer, Membership Chair

October Show and Tell



Sylvia Evans with a sampling of her project from the September workshop by Lorainne Woodruff-Long



Charlene Younker showing her Sun Dye project.

NOTE: Workshop scheduled for April 2026



Quilt made by Jeri Kennedy. Applique and hand-quilted. Submitted for entry in Road to California



TWO Veteran
Honor Quilts
made by Marilyn
Alderson, quilted
by Judy Riddle

