

Sew Much News

February Program

You won't want to miss the February meeting. There will be something for everyone. Pati Fried is our presenter. She studied Graphic Design in college and worked several years in corporate marketing field before she found quilting. She loves free improvisational piecing as well as traditional quilting. She combines all techniques in her modern and traditional pieces. We will be treated to a slide and trunk show. See you there.



Sue D.

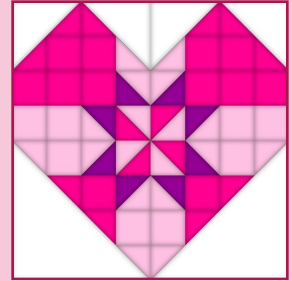
TGL Update for February

TGL for 2017 - March 11, 10:30 am to 2 pm.

ALL baskets and donations need to be turned in by the February meeting. The committee needs time to assemble and label all the items. Thank you for your generosity. For February we would love to get fat quarters and any bags/totes that you may be willing to give away.

I will have a firm count of our members who will be attending and working the luncheon, Any available luncheon seats will be awarded in a drawing at the February meeting. I will also have chicken block patterns for anyone who still needs one.

Call me if you have questions.
Metha S.



General Meeting

February 7, 2017
Petaluma Community
Center, 320 N. McDowell
Blvd., Petaluma

Board Meeting

February 27, 2017
St. John's Episcopal
Church, 40 Fifth St.,
Petaluma, 6:30 pm

Don't Forget!

Ditty Bags & TGL
Donations
Fat Quarter Frenzy -
Stripes
Block of the Month
Friendship Blocks
Military Blocks
COTS Quilts
Library Books
\$ for Monthly Mini
Show and Tell
Nametag

Minutes of the January 3, 2017 PQG General Meeting

Jo H. kicked off the evening with a story about a quilter's visit from Santa.

Call to Order: Co-President Jayne M. called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Approval of Minutes

M/s/c Sue D./Jo H./All to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2016 general meeting as printed in the newsletter.

M/s/c Barbara S./Becky C./All to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2016 general meeting as printed in the newsletter.

Next Board Meeting –

Monday, January 30, 2017 @ St. John's Episcopal Church, in the church library.

New Members and Guests -

Shelley L. became a new member. Welcome!

Treasurer's Report - Ruth

M. reported the balance in the PQG treasury. December's silent auction raised funds in excess of \$800 for the guild.

Tri-Guild Luncheon 2017 –

The Tri-Guild Luncheon will

be held on Saturday, March 11 at the Petaluma Community Center. Chair Metha S. distributed lists to verify committee members. Ditty bags will be placed at each table setting for guests to take home; members are asked to contribute another fifteen-twenty of them to ensure that there is one ditty bag for each of 150 guests. Groupings of chicken blocks sewn by PQG members will be raffled. The names of those who submit a chicken block will be added to the drawing. Baskets should be brought no later than the February general meeting. Barbara C., table hostess coordinator, asked for additional members to volunteer to act as table hostesses. Hostesses will provide utensils for eight, a large tray and a couple pitchers from home to use at their tables. Metha is checking out cookies but hostesses may also be asked to provide homemade cookies for their tables as well.

Opportunity Quilt – Sara Z. reported that raffle tickets are now available to sell for the Midnight Garden quilt [black

and white unveiled in December]. This is a major 2017 fundraiser so members



were given a number of ideas for selling raffle tickets [tips, gifts, treats] and lots of encouragement to be creative with them. Packets of tickets are available at the registration desk. Remember to add your first name and last initial to the back of each stub. The drawing will take place at the October 3, 2017 general meeting.

Business – Debbie L.

reported that over 25 members will attend the upcoming retreat on February 17, 18 and 19. The quilt top prepared as a thank you to someone at the retreat center is ready for quilting and binding. Brenda B. and Tanya C. volunteered to handle the tasks.

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Committee Reports

Block of the Month – Helga B. showed blocks.

Fat Quarter Frenzy – Ellie O, winner of the January Fat Quarter Frenzy, selected stripes for the February meeting.

Friendship Appliqué – Barbara C. thanked those who appliquéd dancing chicken blocks for her and noted that several patterns are now available.

Friendship Pieced – Shannon W. reported on the availability of completed blocks for Brenda B., Garnet W., Nancy D., Sue S., Laura L. and Jayne M.

Library – Kitty T. reminded members that the library is open for business at meetings.

Military Quilts – Jayne M. reported that two blocks are in progress and new patterns will be introduced once they are completed. All fabrics are being provided for the blocks.

Quilts for Cots – Ellie O. reported that adult quilts measuring 48" x 78" are needed. Gender neutral packets are available.

Program – Sue D. introduced in turn, Cathy S., Sheri G., Debbie L., Brenda B., Donna R., Amanda C.,



Precision piecing by Sally A.

Ruth M., Jayne M. and

Nancy D. Each member showed quilts from their personal collections and told interesting stories about them. Members were treated to a wide variety of quilts and asked to repeat this style program in the future to allow other members to share too.

Drawings for Prizes:

Door & Name Tag, Jean P.; Monthly Mini (1), Sheri G. and Monthly Mini (2) JoAnne W. ; Block of the Month, Nancy L. and Fat Quarter Frenzy, Ellie O.

Show & Tell – Jayne M., Sue R., Helga B., Brenda B., and Ruth M. participated.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy B., PQG Secretary

Retreat!

We still have room at the retreat, if anybody would like to come: February 17,18,19. For more information, go to our website or you can email Debby L. and ask any questions.

Full time: \$249

Breakfast: \$12 Lunch: \$14 Dinner: \$18

Lodging: \$82 per night

Day Use: \$17 (You must pay this if you are NOT spending the night)



Thank you, Debby

PQG Retreat
February 17,18,19,



Walker Creek Ranch



Bay Quilts Gallery
February 3 - March 1

"Thirty years
 a Machine Quilter"
 Shirley Greenhoe
 Reception: Saturday,
 Feb 4th from 1-4pm.



Sonoma Quilt Show

March 25 & 26

Featured Artist:

Sandra Bruce

Vintage House

264 1st Street East,
 Sonoma, CA.



Presidents' Letter

Hello Ladies,

Wow, what a wet start of our year, and Sonoma County is officially out of the drought for now. We have great things happening in our guild, and it's an exciting time. Metha has been working hard on the Tri-Guild Luncheon, and all her worker "hens" have really stepped up in lending a hand. The baskets are put together, and decorations are being made along with the little "ditty" bags that have come out so cute. Thank you to all who made them. Our "Midnight Garden" quilt has made it's *début*, and ticket sales have begun. Sara gave a wonderful talk on selling tickets even using them as a thank you to all you happen upon or to include one in a birthday or celebration card. All in all there are many ways to sell your opportunity tickets. Sue has had some great ideas for programs and at our last meeting, it was very impressive to see the talents in our guild; thank you to all who participated. Our "winter" retreat is right around the corner, and Debby is currently taking signups and payments. This is a fun gathering of fellow quilters with lots of good company and even a few laughs. As we look ahead at the upcoming events it warms our hearts to see all the great things our guild is up to and with that, from our hearts to yours,

Happy St. Valentine's Day!
Garnet and Jayne



A Request from our Librarian

Work is being done to update the PQG Library catalog. If you have PQG books at home, please return them at the next meeting. You can always check them out again if you like.

Kitty



A mini log cabin bunny quilt by Amanda C.



Ruth M. shared quilts that made her think!



Donna R. shared a quilt made from her grandmother's blocks.

PQG's Got Talent!

PQG was treated to a wonderful showing and sharing of quilts by our very own members at the January meeting. It was undeniable: PQG's got talent!



A fussy-cut masterpiece by Debby L.



Sun Bonnet Sue and Sam by Jayne M.



Sharon G.'s pumpkin quilt from "Country Quilts for Friends."



Brenda B. celebrates the achievements of her piano students by making quilts with them.



Oh my stars! That is cosmic, Cathy S.!

Round/Strip Robins

We had a discussion at our last meeting and I think that it's great if we go forward with it. I am willing to set up the lists and pass these out each month. Please read below.

For one of our fundraisers we would like to make some Round Robin and Row/Strip Robin quilts. If you are interested in making one of these fabulous starter squares/row quilts, here is the criteria of what we are asking for.

For the Round Robin, make some kind of square that is at least 12" square. It could be a panel that you add a border around or it can be a pieced square.

For the Strips Robin, we would like them to be at least 5" X 18". Once again this can be a small panel that you add fabric to. It can be wider than 5" but must be 18" long. You can provide extra fabric to go with them for the next person to use.



We would like to have these at the February meeting. We will then write your name down at the top of the sheet and each person who takes one will also have their name written down for each quilt they add to. At this point we are still working on how we will distribute these when they are done. A few options are:

1. A live auction for each quilt.
2. We buy tickets and you put tickets in the basket for the one that you would like to win. If you worked on the quilt you get so many free tickets. (TBD)

Each month we will look at each one and see who would like to take it and then when we feel that it is finished, we will then need someone to quilt and bind them which will count as part of working on that quilt.

Debby L.



Happy February Birthday to You!

Victoria P. - 1st

Cathy S. - 3rd

Bobbie L. - 5th

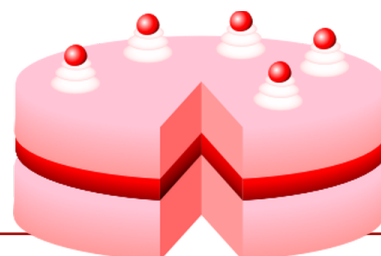
Marilyn G. - 11th

Melissa R. - 17th

Isabella B. - 25th

Marilyn F. - 25th

Christina T. - 29th





Meissner Magazine

Spring 2017

Cutting Edge Retreat with Hope Yoder

February 21-22 • Santa Rosa • \$129
February 24-25 • Sacramento • \$129

Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival

March 16-18 • Sacramento • Cal Expo

Anita Goodesign Embroidery Party

May 4-5 OR 6-7 • Sacramento • \$99

Coming soon to MeissnerSewing.com:

Quilter's Retreat with Alex Anderson

June 2017 • Registration begins in March!

Floriani Hands On Embroidery Extravaganza

June 2017 • Registration begins in March!



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(916) 920-2121

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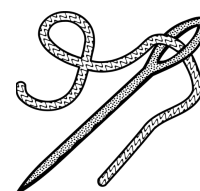
5327 Jacuzzi Street, Richmond CA (510) 558 - 0218
Mon - Fri 11am - 6pm; Sat 10am - 5pm; Sun 12pm - 5pm

HAND QUILTING QUILT FRAME

1. 10 feet long, 3 feet wide
2. rolling mechanism
3. accommodates several quilters at once

Currently owned by Petaluma United Methodist Church quilt group and being offered at no charge.

Contact: Sue R.



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Full page: \$50 each time

Newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month.

Committee Chairs

Block of the Month:

Melissa R., Helga Marie B.

Castoff:

Susan H., JoAnne W., Sally A.

Fat Quarter Frenzy:

Carolyn J.

Friendship Applique:

Barbara C.

Friendship Pieced:

Shannon W. S.

Half Square Triangle Block:

Melissa R.

Hospitality:

Laura L.

Library:

Kitty T.

Military Quilts:

Jayne M., Pati M.



Committee Chairs

Monthly Mini:

Brenda B.

MotherHen:

Carol H.

Newsletter:

Marilyn F.

Newsletter Mailing:

Laura L.

Opportunity Quilt: Open

Quilts for Cots:

Ellie O.

Retreats:

Debby L.

Show & Tell:

Becky L.

Sunshine:

Debby L.

Tri Guild Luncheon:

Metha S.

Webmaster:

Shannon W. S.

Thank You, Affiliates!

Bay Quilts

5327 Jacuzzi St. Suite 3-C
Richmond CA 94804
510-558-0218
sfbayquilts.com

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Secretary: Kathy B.

Treasurers: Ruth M.

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open, please
consider
volunteering!