# SEW MUCH NEWS

### **Guild Meetings**

General meeting: Nov. 3rd, Petaluma Community Center

Board Meeting: Nov. 5th, St. John's Episcopal Church 40 Fifth St., Petaluma

# November Speaker Arlene Arnold

Come and listen to our speaker Arlene share her wealth of information on antique quilts. She not only knows about the quilts, she also will be bringing authentic civil war quilts. Her lecture is called "Stitches of Glory 1830-1890". She will be sharing about 50 antique quilts.

Hope to see you Tuesday,

Laura L. and Sue D. Co-Vice-Presidents of Programs

# Pointless Sisters at San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles

The Pointless Sisters Art Quilt Group of Sonoma County announces an exhibit at the San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles from November 6, 2015 – January 3, 2016, entitled The Russian River Watershed in Fabric. The opening reception is Sunday, November 8, 2015 from 2-4 pm. The exhibit consists of new quilts created for this venue reflecting the diversity of the watershed - from the headwaters to the mouth of the river and highlighting the agriculture, wildlife and natural resources of the area. Included in the exhibit is a seminal, multi-paneled quilt, Along the Russian River, designed by Linda Morand using Google Earth and executed by 20 members of the Pointless Sisters, each using their own style and techniques. This quilt has been widely exhibited in Sonoma County as well as at the Pacific International Quilt Festival in 2012. The exhibit is juried by Joy Stocksdale, a guiding member of the Surface Design Association, and is curated by Linda Morand, Judy Mathieson, Ellindale Wells and Carroll Hirsch, all members of the Pointless Sisters.

Also on exhibit at the Museum are EARTH STORIES: 25th Anniversary Exhibition from Studio Art Quilt Associates and Quilted Conversations featuring Lura Schwarz Smith and Kerby C. Smith.

The San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles is located at 520 S. First Street, San Jose; phone 408-971-0323. It is open Wednesday - Friday from 125 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 11 am5 pm. On the first Friday of the month the museum is open from 12-9 pm. General admission is \$8.00; seniors and students \$6.50, children under 12 free. www.sjquiltmuseum.org



#### **Quilts for COTS**

**GREAT NEWS-- Thrivent** Financial has given us a grant for \$500.00! This money helps cover the cost of batting and related quilting supplies for our community service projects. THANK YOU. We are working through the request list from COTS by delivering 10 quilts and pillowcases in the past week. Thank you for the quilt tops that help us meet the requests. We are answering the call for quilts for children in the Middletown school district, who have been affected by the fires in that area. As per the request received by Broadway Quilts, 400 children's quilts will be gathered for all students in grades K-2 (ages 5-8). Since we have a large inventory of children's guilts, we will share several for this request.

Sizes for needed quilt tops are: 48x68- Voices (18-24 year olds), 48x78 - COTS adults (many are veterans). Pillowcases are also needed to accompany (they don't have to match) the quilts for these two groups. Thank you for supporting this project and the homeless in our community.

Ellie O. - chairperson

# November Birthday Greetings to:

Barbara C. - 2nd Sandy C. - 9th Jo H. - 17th Sharon J. - 23rd Katy G. - 26th Kerstin S. - 30th

## A Message from our Presidents



Thankful Greetings,

November is the thankful month and we have many thanks to give. First of all to Sharon who has done an outstanding job with our Great Petaluma Quilt Show. Thanks to the committee chairs who have all gone above and beyond helping with the show. We can't list all the names for fear of leaving someone off, but thanks to all none the less. We thank each of you for making our Quilt Show the success we hoped for and exceeding our expectations. We are proud of our guild and how well everyone worked together to display over 175 quilts, set up an impressive boutique, give informative talks and demonstrations, put together desired and sought after raffle prizes and provide tasty treats. Our Opportunity Quilt made it's début and ticket sales have begun. The beautiful hand work by the Red Work Rovers will make this a keepsake quilt everyone will want to win. Last but not least, thanks to the volunteers that helped the days leading up to the show and the day of the show and thus made the event possible. Thank you to the husbands, family and friends who said yes and helped too.

As we enjoy the changing weather, we are going to change things up at the meetings. As a trial, our November meeting will have our guest speaker first, then break, followed by the business at the end. Our December meeting will be our Holiday party with food, games and fun. In 2016 Laura has planned more guest speakers but also some meetings with a twist.

We have read the surveys from last year and are listening, but again remember we can't please all of the people all the time, but we can please some of the people some of the time. We want to grow and evolve and to do that sometimes things are done a little differently, but the goal is to enjoy.

As we close we wanted to wish you and your loved ones a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank you for your support,

Lolli and Jayne

### Minutes of the PQG Board Meeting, October, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 by co-presidents Lolli G. and Jayne M.

The minutes of the September Board meeting were approved by the Board with no corrections necessary.

**Treasurer's Report:** Gloria asked that all cash turned in to her be properly labeled with the name of the person who gave the cash as well as what it was for. She will make a report for each of the committee members who turn in monies to make sure it is accurately accounted for.

Gloria would like all checks to be given to her as soon as possible so that she can keep track of the budget. Ruth said that checks for the retreat are often kept until the retreat is over, but will be given in right away from now on.

**Programs:** Laura reported that she has six speakers lined up including talks by members Lisa and Barbara. There will be at least 2 sew-ins during the year. It was suggested that one of those evenings be spent making quiltlets to replace the ones that are missing.

October's speaker, Sonya Lee Barrington, received mixed reports, including the fact that she spoke too long. It was suggested that in the future speakers be reminded that there is a schedule that needs to be adhered to. They will be reminded when their time is short by a member holding up a card.

There was a long discussion about whether or not to have the speaker before or after the business meeting. Pros: If the speaker goes first she will be able to sell her products during the break and she will not have to sit through the entire business meeting. If she needs to leave early she can do so at the break. Cons: Many members come only for the speaker and they will leave before the business meeting. That would make it difficult to get volunteers for committees and to pass propositions that require majority votes. It was decided that important votes be handled at the beginning of the meeting and that the speakers will be scheduled afterwards.

#### **COMMITTEES**:

**Quilt Show:** Ruth reported that there are 169 quilts entered in the show. Two are from quilters age 16 or under.

Gloria suggested that tickets for refreshments be sold at the ticket table so that those working in the refreshments booth will not have to handle money. The group agreed.

Ruth said that transactions with the square will go directly to our e-mail account, and that we will be able to track the type of transaction (Boutique, auction, food, other) and the amount of sales tax.

**Acting Secretary:** Kitty T. will take over as permanent secretary. The State of California requires that a secretary be named for legal purposes.

Hospitality: Anna will take over as hospitality person, but she would like some help.

**Opportunity Quilt**: The Redwork Rovers have created the 2015-2016 Opportunity Quilt. The committee will organize ticket sales. Opportunity Quilt 2016-2017 committee needs to be organized. A quilt that all members can work on is desirable so that everyone can participate. Relating to ticket sales, people who do not sell their tickets must turn them back in. The Op Qt committee needs to keep track of who takes out tickets and who turns them back in.

**Challenge Quilt**: The 2016 Challenge Quilt needs to be organized at the November meeting so that the quilts can be presented to the group at the June Ice Cream Social.

**Audit of Books:** Gloria reported that the audit has not yet been conducted but that she is in contact with Connie B. who will do the audit.

**Other**: Lolli and Jayne mentioned that only affiliates can announce fabric sales in our newsletter. (cont'd. on p.4)

#### (Board minutes cont'd. From p.3)

This comment came in response to an e-mail that was mistakenly forwarded from two different people who are having "stash" sales this weekend.

**Member Survey:** Gloria brought up the importance of following through on the preferences members expressed through our surveys last year. It can be brought up at a meeting that a particular activity, speaker, workshop, etc. has been scheduled in response to that survey. All members agreed that that is an excellent suggestion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara C., filling in for Kitty T.

#### **Minutes of the October General Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Jayne M. at 7:05 pm. Minutes of the Sept. meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

**Membership:** Co- Vice President Marge B. welcomed two guests. Jayne M. reminded members that fees of \$40 were due today and that membership cards could be picked up on the back table. Door prizes were won by Susan S.B. and (????????)

**Secretary and Hospitality:** The guild is still in need of a Secretary and a Hospitality chair, preferably 2 people for each position to share duties and back each other up in case of absence. The goal is to have volunteers serve a two year term, where they mentor their successor the second year. Please contact Jayne M. or Lolli G. if you can serve the guild and fulfill these needs.

**Quiltlets:** Seven quiltlets have been made and turned in. All are encouraged to make one as a representation of our guild to the public. Instructions for the 8 1/2 inch quilts are on the website.

**Retreat:** Debby L. reported that the retreat was amazing fun and well attended with 27 members present for lunch on Sat. Sally A., Marina W. and Debby L. each won sets of plaid pinwheel blocks. The next retreat will be held on Feb 27-29, 2016 at Walker Creek Ranch, and a volunteer is being sought to teach a mini class then. See Debby L., if you can help out.

**President's Quilt:** Debby L. presented Becky L. with an autograph quilt made by the membership as a thank you for her years of service as president.

Quilt Show and Boutique: Sharon J. announced that the Oct 24 show at the community center will feature well over 100 quilts. She thanked Metha S., Susan H. and JoAnne W. for the use of their quilts for the display case to advertise the event. Free spirit donated a 25 piece fat quarter bundle that will be used as a raffle item. The boutique is stocked with many wonderful donations and credit cards will be accepted. Sue D. is volunteer co-ordinator and able bodied volunteers are needed for setup at 7 am on Sat, since we cannot setup earlier due to bingo using the room. White glove and armband monitors are also needed. Volunteers will receive free entry to the show. Refreshments will be sold for \$1 each and donations of pre-wrapped cookies, apples and trail mix are needed. Ruth M. explained the use of "Square" technology to minimize bookkeeping, calculate taxes and keep running totals of money taken in. No entries have been received in the under 16 category, for which participation is still encouraged. Items do not have to be quilts but anything sewn will be accepted.

Monthly Mini: this month's donation of a beautiful pumpkin table runner was made by Sharon G.

and won by Alana G.

Block of the Month: Brenda B. shared the photo album she is keeping of past winners and their

sets of blocks. This month's block is a log cabin variation and Tanya C. won the blocks from last month. (Cont'd. on p.5)

(Gen. Mtg. Minutes cont'd. from p.4.)

**Friendship Pieced:** two new sets of blocks are available from Sally A. and Joann T.

**Friendship Appliqué:** a final call was made for boutique blocks and 4 new blocks are available from Metha S., Melissa H., Jayne M. And Nancy L.

**Military quilts:** Melissa H. expects military quilts to be back in full swing next month and says to look for a possible workday soon.

**COTS**: Ellie O. announced that 11 more quilts and pillowcases were delivered to the needy and passed on heart felt thanks from some of the recipients.

**Fat Quarter Frenzy:** a nice turnout for the Green fat quarters was won by Brenda B., who named HEARTS as next month's category.

**Board meeting:** Jayne M. invited everyone to attend this month's board meeting on Thursday Oct. 8 th at 7 pm at St Johns Church.

**Treasurers Report:** Gloria K. announced that the beginning checking account balance for the month was \$3628.32, and after receiving \$2640.97 in income and seeing \$882.80 go out in expenses, the new balance is \$5386.49. She asked all those in need of reimbursement to submit their forms and receipts.

**Program**: our speaker, Sonia Lee Barrington, shared her experiences, techniques, quilts, purses and wall art with special emphasis on wool work and silk from her 40+ years in the business. **Mini Group:** JoAnne W. is taking names to start a new mini group.

**PIQF:** Sara Z. announced that she would be manning the embroidery booth at the exhibit and warned of bad traffic due to football game.

Opportunity Quilt: Kat H. was the winner of our

"Global Warming" opportunity quilt. Members of the Red Rovers mini group revealed our next

opportunity quilt, a gorgeous red and white quilt with fabulous embroidery and a precision pieced delectable mountain border that had everyone saying, "WOW!" Tickets will go on sale at our quilt show and ticket packets will be given to members to sell.

After a number of lovely show and tell quilts, Jayne read a list of Sept. and Oct. birthdays and extended best wishes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn F., acting secretary

#### Retreat Feb. 26,27 &28, 2015

Our retreat is at Walker Creek Ranch 14 miles out of Petaluma. We sew in a large well lit room on many long tables and we stay overnight in semi private rooms. What that means is there are 2 - 3 twin beds in a room which hold 19 overnight. They cook all our food, and do the dishes too!

We start our weekend at 3 PM set up with Dinner at 6
 on Friday and leave at 3 Sunday after having lunch at 12.
 In-between we have Breakfast Saturday at 8 AM, Lunch at 1.
 12, Dinner at 6 and Breakfast at 8 on Sunday.

When we are not eating we are busy at our machines I creating some wonderful quilts, or other creative pieces. I We love to sew, talk, learn, and sew some more.

If any of this looks interesting to you the cost of this is the following:

Full time \$242

Breakfast \$11 Lunch \$13 Dinner \$17

| Lodging \$80 per night

I Day Use \$16 (You must pay this if you are NOT spending the night)

I am interested in finding someone who would love to do a mini workshop on Sat afternoon. If you would like to practice teaching or show us a project please let Debby L. know.

Upon signing up, a deposit of \$50 for full time time goers is needed and for part time a 50% of cost is requested.

Thank you, Debby L.



# From the Desk of the Treasurer

Just a little reminder, if you are collecting money you must complete a Deposit Slip. I must have something to balance back to, and write my correction on.

If there are checks involved, please call me if our meeting has past. Checks need to be deposited as soon as possible.

Thank you, Gloria K.

### **Don't Forget**

Fat Quarter Frenzy
(Hearts)
Block of the Month
Friendship Blocks
Military Blocks
COTS Quilts
Library Books
Money for Monthly
Mini
Snack to Share
Show and Tell
Nametag

#### Hello From your Mother Hens!

We are your welcoming quilting buddies at each meeting by the sign-in table. Feel free to ask us questions about the guild. If you are not familiar with how things work in our meeting room ask for a tour. There will also be a sign-up sheet for a new Mini Group.

Thank you, Sue R., Elaine R. & JoAnne W.



#### Committee Chairs

#### **Block of the Month:**

Brenda B

#### Castoff:

Susan H. JoAnne W. Sally A.

#### **Fat Quarter Frenzy:**

Tanya C.

#### Friendship Applique:

Shannon W.S.

#### **Friendship Pieced:**

Marilyn G. Fran Z.

#### Historian:

Open

#### Hospitality:

Pati M.

#### Library:

Cyndee M.

#### **Military Quilts:**

Melissa H.

#### **Monthly Mini:**

Metha S.

#### Committee Chairs

#### MotherHen:

Sue R. Elaine R. JoAnne W.

#### Newsletter:

Marilyn F.

#### **Newsletter Mailing:**

Bonnie B.

#### **Opportunity Quilt:**

Open

#### **Quilts for Cots:**

Ellie O.

#### Show & Tell:

Becky L.

#### Sunshine:

Laura L.

Ways & Means: open

#### Webmaster:

Shannon W.S.

#### **Check It Out**

You can find more guild info, pictures, forms, documents and newsletter archives at our guild website:

www.petalumaquiltguild.org

# Thank You, Affiliates!

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Jayne M.

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Barbara C.

Co-VP Program: Laura L.

Sue D.

Co-Secretary: open

Co-Treasurers: Gloria K.

Ruth M.

Parliamentarian: Connie B.

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