

Sew Much News

August Program: Tracy Brookshier

We are excited to welcome Tracey Brookshier back to our guild Tuesday, August 1st. Tracey has been featured in quilt books and magazines, is a pattern designer, organizes challenges with quilters world wide, and is a world traveler. She will share her lecture and trunk show called A Love Affair of Japan. You won't want to miss this wonderful evening. See you then!

Sue D., Programs



General Meeting

August 1, 2017, 7pm
Petaluma Community Center,
320 N. McDowell Blvd., Petaluma

Board Meeting

August 28, 2017, 6:30 pm
St. John's Episcopal Church,
40 Fifth St., Petaluma

Don't Forget!

Opportunity Quilt
Ticket Stubs & Money
Fat Quarter and Strip
Frenzy: large scale
florals
Block of the Month
Friendship Blocks
Military Blocks
COTS Quilts
Library Books
\$ for Monthly Mini
Show and Tell
Nametag
Snack to Share



Monthly Mini

Our Monthly Mini chair is looking for a new set of Quilters to sign up to make a small quilt or other item for raffle at our regular monthly meetings. Monies raised go into the general fund and help pay for the increased costs of renting our meeting space. If you can help out in this area, please see Brenda B. to sign up for the month you would like!



Minutes July 11, 2017 PQG General Meeting

Call to Order: Co-President Jayne M. called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes

M/s/c Laura L./Kathy M./All to approve June 6, 2017 meeting minutes as printed in the newsletter.

Next Board Meeting –

Monday, July 24 at 6:30 PM,
St. John's Episcopal Church

Special Guests



Helga B.'s 7 year old son E.J., a first grader, showed off the "Blue Ribbon" quilt he entered into the Sonoma Marin Fair.

Barbara F., Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County, invited PQG members to the Lynn Wilder trunk show on July 19 from 7-9 PM. A

workshop, 'Lil Orphan Blocks', is scheduled with Ms. Wilder from 10-4 PM. Both will be held at the Santa Rosa Veterans' Building. Please contact Barbara for further information or to sign up for the workshop. She is listed in their guild newsletter, Patchwords.

Vote for Officers

There was a quorum of members at the meeting for voting purposes. Co-President Jayne M. has served her term and will be leaving the Board. Thank you for your service, Jayne! The remaining board members were invited to come to the front of the room. There were no new nominations from the floor.

M/s/c Connie B. /Debby L.

to vote an open slate as follows: Garnet W., President; Gloria K., Vice President Membership; Sue D., Vice President Programs; Ruth M., Treasurer and Kathy B., Secretary.

By a show of hands, a majority of the quorum again voted these women to the Board for the 2017/2018

fiscal year. Congratulations to all!

Welcome and Intro New Members & Guests - Five guests attended.

Program

Sue D. introduced guest speaker, Melinda Bula, who gave a fun, funny and informative presentation. She emphasized the power of color and shared how she has improved her creativity by its use over time. Take time with your fabric choices; laid out on a pure white surface they will reveal their true interaction. Before you



sew it, 'feel it' emotionally and don't forget to trust your

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intuition! The quilts people love most are the ones where colors have been carefully worked out. Melinda's examples of floral quilts - by video to the



perfectly chosen tune 'The Very Thought of You' and, as displayed from her personal collection, left no doubt of the thought she puts into each of her quilts. Be sure to visit her Website

www.melindabula.com and BlogSpot <https://melindabula.blogspot.com/>
Thank you Melinda!

Break - Becky L. surprised Kitty T. with a birthday cake.

Treasurer's Report: Ruth M. gave the report. Jayne M. read a thank you letter from Kat N., winner of the Award of Excellence at the Sonoma

Marin Fair. The award was sponsored by PQG.

Business

Committee for By-Laws Review/Revision – Discussion deferred

Committee Chairs – Discussion deferred.

Committee Reports

Fat Quarter and Strip Frenzy – July's winner, Elizabeth W., chose large scale floral fabrics for August.

Library – Kitty T. invited members to check out a new donation of books and to email her with suggestions for the purchase of a few new books. Debby L. won the evening's book give away.

Opportunity Quilt - Midnight Garden – Kitty T. reported on proceeds from the Art and Garden event in Petaluma the previous weekend. Both raffle tickets and small items sold well. Opportunities for showing the quilt are winding down.

Quilt Along-Helga B. reminded members that the mystery quilt speaker will come in November and that all blocks are now available

so members can finish their own quilts before that time.

Prize Winners

Monthly Mini, Jayne M.; *Fat Quarter/Strip Frenzy*, Elizabeth W.; *Door & Name Tag*, Connie B.; *Attendance*, Connie B.; *Hospitality*, Alexine S.

Show and Tell

Mary R., Nancy D., Debby L., Helga B., Elizabeth W., Ellie O., Brenda B. and Jayne M. contributed to Show and Tell to conclude a great meeting! See you in August.



Meeting Adjourned: 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Kathy B., PQG Secretary

Presidents' Letter

Greetings Ladies,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the privilege of being your president for the last 2 years. Little did I know 3 years ago when I came to my first meeting and joined the guild that I would soon become president. I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure. With the help of all of you I have grown in ways that can't be measured. I have appreciated your patience and gentle help. I remember my first meeting and trying to get through the approval of the minutes, you all laughed with me and not at me. I'm very proud of the many endeavors that have fallen under my term. We had a wonderful quilt show that will be hard to top, but I'm sure it can be duplicated. Two beautiful Opportunity quilts and a third one in the wings. Our hosting of the Tri-guild luncheon again will be hard to top, but I'm sure it also can be duplicated. My heart is so full of pride in the community outreach that our guild participates in, and our generous members always get the job done. I'm also proud of the new outreach programs that members are introducing, and they are taken on with great enthusiasm. Our guild continues to grow and evolve, and I ask that you give the new board the same support you have given me. Thank you from the whole of my heart for all you do and all you have done. For the last time I will sign off as your president. Jayne



QUILTS FOR COTS

Thanks to all of you, we have been busy transforming your beautiful quilt tops into completed quilts. Last month we delivered a total of 12 quilts to the Voices project, and to adults at the homeless center. Pillowcases accompany each quilt. New fabric packets were available at the July meeting -- thanks to Barbara, Sherri, and Kitty for their help. The running total of quilts made since 1993 is **3,268!**

Thank You. Ellie O. - coordinator, Quilts for COTS

Library News



Did you know that the PQG Library has over 500 books? They are all listed on our website under "Library" alphabetically by Author, Title, or Category. Check it out and then check out a book at a meeting. Since the metal cabinet can no longer be wheeled into our meeting room, I try to bring out a different selection each month and spread them out on the table for you. If you would like a certain book or category, please let me know ahead by e-mail, or just meet me before the meeting while I am getting books out and we'll search. The cabinet is stored very close to the door where the books are put out.

The proceeds of the sale of outdated and duplicate books, has provided us with cash for several NEW books. If you know a Title or Author or Category that you would like to see added to our library, please let me know (in writing, please).
Happy Quilting! - Kitty T.

From the Editor

My stint as newsletter editor is coming to a close and I hope you have enjoyed reading the newsletter each month. I think creating the newsletter is a lot like making a friendship quilt; you have to take a number of different size blocks (of text) from different people and make them all fit together, hopefully with a bit of style and a splash of color! With the sophistication and ease of use of current word-processing software, this job is much easier than it ever was! I have gotten a lot of the same satisfaction from creating the newsletter as I have from making a quilt. I hope someone will be inspired to step up and take on this job. It is a great way to make a contribution to the success of our guild, and you still get to sit back and enjoy all the meetings! If you think this is something that you would like to do, please let Garnet know. If you have any questions about the job, see me and I will be happy to fill you in with what I know! Think it over, and consider volunteering! I am sure you will enjoy it as much as I have!

Marilyn F., Newsletter Editor

**Mark Your
Calendars!**
Bay Quilts Gallery
Aug. 5 - 30

"For the Love of
Animals"

By Nancy Brown

Reception:

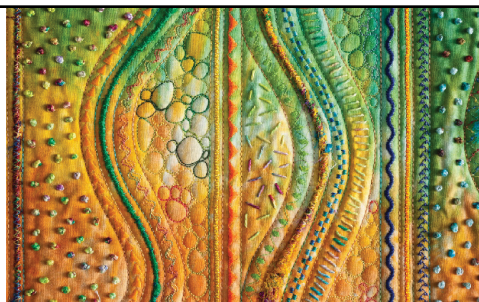
Sunday, Aug. 6,
1-4pm

Richmond





Celebrity guest: Carol Ann Waugh



How Did I Get from Here to There?

Lecture with Carol Ann Waugh

Sacramento • Sept. 20 • 4-5PM

From a career in business consulting to studio fiber artist and art gallery owner, Carol will share her journey & the lessons learned moving from a left to right brain life.

Stupendous Stitching

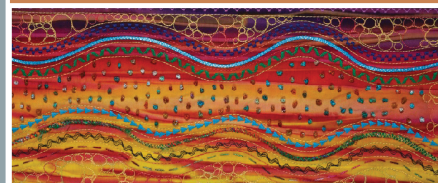
A Hands-On Event

Sacramento • Sept. 21

Sacramento • Sept. 22

Santa Rosa • Sept. 23

Combine couching, hand embroidery & decorative machine stitching to create textures and colors on batik cotton fabric.



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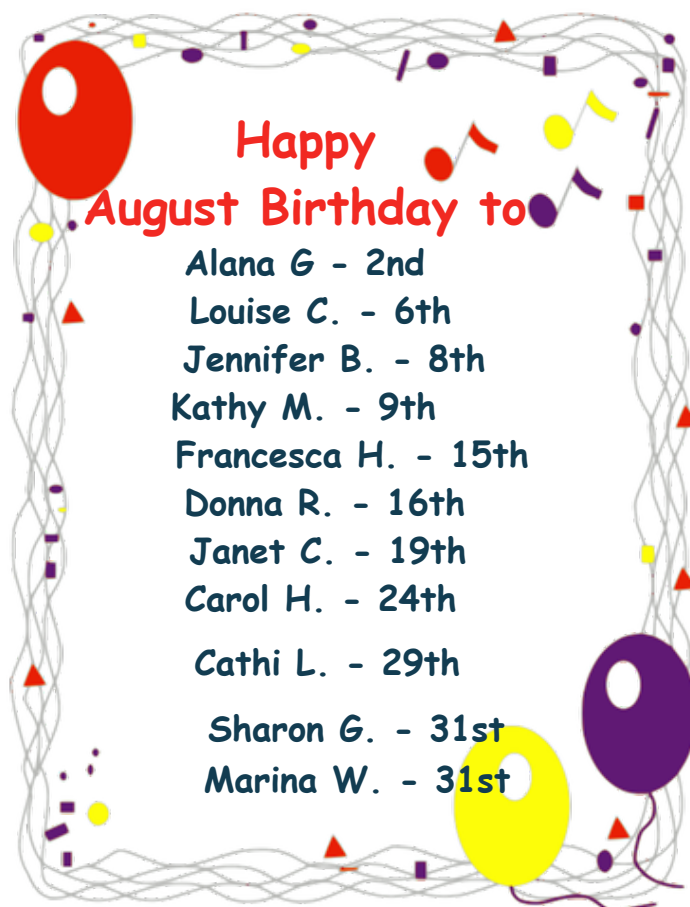
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Newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month.



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: Donna R.

Newsletter: Marilyn F.

Newsletter Mailing: Laura L.

Opportunity Quilt: Kitty T.

Quilts for Cots: Ellie O.

Retreats: Debby L.

Show & Tell: Open

Sunshine: Debby L.

Tri Guild Luncheon: Metha S.

Webmaster:

Shannon W.S.



Thank You, Affiliates!

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VP Program: Sue D.

Secretary: Kathy B.

Treasurers: Ruth M.

Parliamentarian: open, please consider volunteering!

