



Sew Much News

PROGRAM CALENDAR

All Meetings Subject to Shelter-In-Place Guidelines:

June 2: Ice Cream Social and “Summer” Quilt Challenge -
Winners of the challenge will receive cash prizes - See p. 5 for
more info.

July 7 - Speaker - Material Girls - Lisa Norton and Lora Zmak

August 4 Speaker - Katie Willey - The Little Trunk Show

September 1 - Speaker - Nancy Brown - My Animal Quilts

September 19 - Tri-Guild Luncheon

October 6 - Speaker - Martha Wolfe - Quilt Artist Trunk Show

November 3 - Speaker - Meri Art Quilts - Lecture/Trunk Show

December 1 - Holiday Party

Shannon and Metha



General Meeting

June Meeting
TBD

Board Meeting

Board Meeting
May 26, 2020, via
Zoom

Tri-Guild Luncheon:

New Date:
September 19th

Take the extra time to
work on the All-Guild
Blocks!!! Or come up
with a “Summer” quilt for
our Challenge.

**Stay home,
stay safe and
keep on
QUILTING!!!!**

MEETING INFORMATION

Meeting Happenings

Monthly Mini: Buy a ticket (\$1) or six (\$5) to win a monthly mini quilt or project! Funds help pay for our meeting room at Petaluma Community Center. You are encouraged to make and donate one for an upcoming month!

Friendship Pieced and Applique: Earn points by making a block provided by another guild member. Submit your own blocks for others to make for you.

Library: Borrow quilt books from our library. Different books are available at each meeting.

Castoff table: Find something that speaks to you from our castoff table. Use it in a future project!

Get Involved!

Join a Committee: We have several committees and offices that periodically need filled. Consider volunteering for one when available.

Retreat: Attend a Retreat and enjoy the fun and camaraderie of other guild members while working on your project.

COTS: Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at Valley Orchard Senior Home from 10:00 - 4:00. Help make quilt tops for adults or children in our shelters. You can also pick up a packet of fabric at the meeting and work on a quilt top at home.

Military Quilts - Choose one of the blocks available and contribute to a quilt made for our homeless veterans.

Days for Girls: Meets at the public library. There is no specific schedule. This group sews washable sanitary pads and bags to hold them for girls in third world countries.



Retreats

Twice-A-Year quilting retreats are usually held in Sept and Feb at Walker Creek Ranch and, occasionally, at the Lucchesi location. Specific information will be listed in this newsletter as retreat dates approach. Currently, retreats are TBD. Stay tuned!

APRIL 27, 2020 BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Sue D at 6:36pm via Zoom. Sue & Marilyn F, Co-Presidents, Amanda, Secretary, Metha & Shannon, V.P. Programs, Jean, Newsletter and Elisabeth, Treasurer were present. Absent: Ellie, COTS Liaison, Laura L, Membership.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the last Board Meeting were unanimously approved as printed in the latest newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: No report given.

Membership Report: No report given.

Program's Report: Shannon has cancelled the May speaker due to the Quarantine. June's meeting will be an ice cream social, Summer Challenge reveal and possibly a show by the Red Rovers. Shannon will

talk to Sally about that. The June meeting may present challenges depending on the Governor's directives. We may need to seat people 6 ft apart or display the Challenge quilts online or in a display case. Possibility of holding the meeting outside as well. The decision to hold the meeting will have to wait until we have more information.

COTS: No report given.

Tri-Guild Luncheon: New date is Sept 19th. Petaluma Pete is still able to host for us. We will just carry the plans forward as far as food and the setup.

Business:

Nominating Committee: Sue and Marilyn will call people to see who is interested in taking over President, and the newsletter position. Jean has offered to do

membership. Treasurer, Secretary and VP of Programs will remain in place.

Petaluma Quilt Show: if we stick to schedule, it would be in Oct 2021

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 26, 2020.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda C,

PQG Secretary



PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Greetings Petaluma Quilters!

We hope you are doing well and have all you need in our ongoing shut-down. We look forward to the time when we can hold meetings again and get all our activities fired up, but we are still in the dark as to when that will be. Your executive board has been discussing precautions we may need to take, options that will ensure the safety of our membership when things open up and we can meet again.

In the meantime, we are trying to move forward with guild business and have been contacting members in hopes of filling our board and committee chair positions for the upcoming fiscal year that starts in September. Sue and Marilyn will be stepping down as presidents and Jean will be handing over newsletter editor duties to someone new. If you feel a calling to serve our community or perhaps share duties with a partner for any guild position, please contact either Sue or Marilyn, or email the guild at: petalumaquiltguild@yahoo.com

We are hoping that all this time at home has inspired you to create an entry for our guild's "Summer" quilt challenge, a piece that represents whatever summer might mean for you. We have cash prizes lined up to be awarded and the competition will take place, whether in June, as originally planned, or some other meeting date in the future. Creating something can be a calming and absorbing activity during trying times, taking our minds off other anxieties and stress. We also encourage you to reach out to fellow guild members. Pick up the phone and check in with someone from guild to share a story or a laugh! Let's make the effort to keep in touch!

Until we can meet again,
Sue and Marilyn



THIS 'N THAT

QUILTS FOR COTS

Quilters for COTS have been at home creating quilt tops and pillowcases from their stashes. Many are also making masks for COTS and other community organizations that need them. We will once again take part in the Voices project, with a donation of 10 quilts and pillowcases, which will be part of a basket of necessities for those 18-24 who are aging out of Foster care. In December, we will donate an additional 10 quilts and pillowcases. THANKS to Guild members who help make this community outreach possible. Aren't we lucky to have hobbies, and a stash to keep us creating. Ellie

MILITARY QUILTS

Help make a quilt for our veterans! Piece a 12" block of red, white and blue fabric for a sampler quilt! Or contact Jayne for a fabric packet she has ready for sewing. Your participation is appreciated!!! Contact Jayne

PQG Book Sale

A general spring cleaning of the guild's library cabinet is underway. To make room for new donations and newer books, a book sale will be held at the next meeting that we can all attend. Come as early as 6:30 to make your selections, \$1 per book. Proceeds will be used to purchase new books to keep your library fresh and up to date! See you in June in the hopes that it will be safe for all of us by then. And if not, we will hold the sale at a future date.

Kathy B, PQG Librarian

"Summer" Quilt Challenge

The next quilt challenge is due at our June meeting (or, alternatively, one of our summer meetings), and the theme is, appropriately, "Summer."

Winners of the challenge will receive CASH prizes! So, if you haven't started on your "summer" quilt yet, you still have time!

This can be any quilted item, in any size. It just needs to have the theme of summer - that could be summer colors, summer fruits, summer activities, Independence Day, anything that says "summer" to you (well, and to everyone else). We will vote for our favorites at the meeting, and the winners will be announced. We can't wait to see the "summer" quilts at our next meeting.

Prizes are as follows:

1st Place = \$50;

2nd Place = \$30

3rd Place = \$20

HELP ORGANIZATIONS BY MAKING MASKS

"Days for Girls has been in contact with leaders of Native American tribes that have been hard hit by the Covid virus. We are mobilizing to provide masks to help this under served community. I am sewing up a storm to send masks to Arizona to help the Navajo nation. If you would like to contribute masks to this project, contact me directly. Amanda C "



The Petaluma Masketeers

When the coronavirus pandemic first began ramping up in the United States, the shortage of and need for personal protective equipment rapidly became apparent. Quilters and seamstresses nationwide stepped up to the task of sewing masks at home for use by essential workers. Inquiries and requests began rolling in to the guild's email account, some from as far away as Oregon, Texas and Cameroon!

So when KC Greaney, a Petaluma resident, started a local group providing for local needs and reached out to the guild seeking sewists, this seemed like a request worthy of forwarding on to our membership. A number of PQG members donated supplies or joined the sewing task force, that eventually decided to call themselves the Petaluma Masketeers. This small group of just over 20 members has provided over 2000 masks to local organizations, including COTS, Petaluma People Services Center, Petaluma Health Center, PEP Housing, Heartline Hospice, Petaluma Health Care District, Creekside Memory Board and Care, Sonoma Family Meal and Sebastopol Meals on Wheels.

The group expects to have ongoing requests from COTS, Food for All and Petaluma Health Care, totaling over 225 adult and 70 kid masks per week. If you would like to join in the efforts, contact KC for further info:

Quilting Resources at Sonoma County Library

Are you stuck at home and bored with nothing to do? Or perhaps you would like a distraction from all the chores you would really rather NOT do? Then check out the online resources at the Sonoma County Library. I was pleased to find quite a number of quilting magazines available to check out with a library card, for downloading to your computer, tablet or phone. Then you can read the issue right on your device. Quilting titles available include *Love Patchwork and Quilting*, *Quilting Arts*, *American Patchwork and Quilting*, *Modern Patchwork and Love of Quilting*. Many other periodicals on a vast variety of subjects are available as well!

Don't have a library card or your current one has expired? No problem! The library can issue you a temporary eCard online, which allows you to borrow and use electronic resources. The eCard will automatically expire after 120 days, and once the library is open again you can visit any branch and convert your eCard to a permanent library card. How wonderful to have this resource available while sheltering in place!

Keeping Connected

Checked in with a couple of our members to see what they have been up to during our Shelter-In-Place days:

Metha S: Greetings all! Life is looking much like retirement...walk, sew, nap, repeat. I have completed two t-shirt quilts and two baby quilts. Made several dozen masks for family and friends and give a big thanks to Jenn B for procuring elastic and surgical filters. I am thankful that my son lives with me, so I am not so isolated. AND, he does most of the shopping. Stay safe. Metha

Jean P: Hi to my fellow quilters! I have been working on my "Summer" entry for our challenge in June. It has taken me three months to quilt it. Needless to say, I got a little carried away. Making masks for family members has also kept me busy. Finally, I enrolled in Karlee Porter's Graffiti Quilting online class, which will go thru June. Karlee is one of my favorite quilters and has won major awards at many quilt shows and has taught all over the world. One of the gifts she sent enrollees was her book of the same name, "Graffiti Quilting." Since I already have the book, I decided to donate the extra copy to our library. This is a totally unique method of quilting and may not be for everyone, but I loved it and hope someone will give it a try! Or at least enjoy looking at the book! Stay healthy and Quilt On!!! Jean

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Newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS



Marja T - 6/7

June P - 6/21

Committee Chairs

Castoff:
OPEN

Community Outreach
OPEN

Friendship Pieced & Applique:
Marja Tarr - Coordinator

Hospitality:
Barbara C

Library:
Kathy B

Military Quilts:
Jayne M

Monthly Mini:
Sharon G

Mother Hen:
Garnet W

Opportunity Quilts:
2020 - Margaret's Baskets
Gale V

Help Wanted!
Some committee chair
positions are open.
Please consider
volunteering.
Thank You!

Committee Chairs

Newsletter:
Jean P

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