

# Sew Much News

# February Meetings Canceled

Unfortunately, due to COVID, the February Board and General Meetings were canceled. However, the cancellation of the February meeting came with one good thing...more time to work on your "Making a Grand Entrance" quilt challenge!

As soon as it is safe for the board to meet again, we will be working on ideas for meetings, either in person or via Zoom. Stay tuned!

~ Shannon



# **General Meeting**

TBE

Veteran's Memorial Hall South Petaluma Blvd Petaluma, CA 94952

# **Board Meeting**

TBD

Debby's Clubhouse Rohnert Park, CA

# Don't Forget for Next In-Person Mtg

Block of the Month
Military Blocks
COTS Quilts
\$ for Monthly Mini
Show and Tell
Nametag
Fat Quarter Frenzy:
Orange



# President's Letter

#### Hello fellow Members:

I am so sorry that we had to cancel our February Meeting. We really thought it was the best thing to do. Covid has finally hit our home. My hubby had a mild cold. A friend had given me some tests, so we said why not and YUP COVID. No fever, no aches or pains just a runny nose and dry cough, so be aware. I am fine with no symptoms or positive testing, but it sure put a damper on our 45th wedding anniversary. We managed to have a great day with a trip out to Bodega to buy some live crab and a beautiful day enjoying our Sonoma Coast.

On another thought, I have been so interested in history my whole life. Lately, I am so interested in watching a documentary and hearing about it. Maybe me getting older or, having this many years of marriage, then celebrating my mother-in-law's 100th birthday this past week (She escaped Halle East Germany under Hitler and went into Shanghai for 9 years then to America in 1947). Plus, two days later I got a recording from my Aunt when she interviewed my German Mennonite grandparents in 1969 in Valdez, Alaska, about their lives and escape from Russia in 1929 to Harbin, Manchuria. My Mom was born there. These all make me so appreciate of what we have and where we are. (I love my family history!)

I think of how easy we all have it now. What changes have happened in the past 50 years, 25, 10 or even this past 2 years?

I personally feel that maybe we started appreciating things and people more again and slowed our lives down. Coming back to the meetings in September and seeing you all brought such joy to me. Last month we had a few new sewers coming. It made me think of when I starting to come to the guild in early 2000 and how everything everyone did was so overwhelming (not saying I am not

still overwhelmed by things people do) but, I now feel I can take a quilt apart and understand how it was put together and appreciate what the maker was doing. I guess I am saying...if you have history write it down. If you made a quilt and it has a

story write it down, If you have a story share it.

Remember..... "THESE ARE THE GOOD OLD DAYS"

~ Debby



# Minutes of the January 4, 2022, PQG General Meeting

Called to order at 7:05 PM called to order by President Debby.

#### **Business:**

# **Approval of minutes:**

The minutes from the August meeting were approved as written.

#### **Announcements:**

Board meetings are every third Tuesday of the month.

### **Monthly Mini Prize:**

Congratulations to Sharon for winning the Monthly Mini provided by Garnet.

# **Fat Quarter Frenzy:**

Thank you Becky L for chairing the fat quarter frenzy. Natalie won this month and next month's color will be orange.

Attendance: There were 19 members in attendance. We had the pleasure of having Nancy L and Janice C sitting in as guests. Thank you for joining us ladies!

# **Featherweight Raffle**

Prize: There is a featherweight sewing machine up for raffle. Tickets can be purchased through March as that is when the drawing will be held.

**Program**: Next program is TBA.

Quilt Challenge: Please be ready with your "A Grand Entrance" themed item. Anything quilted!

Tri-Guild: Sue spoke about the details of Tri-Guild. With the new COVID strain members did not feel comfortable keeping the Tri-Guild in March. A majority of members felt it best to wait a few more months to be safe. Sue will meet with other guild participants to discuss a date change.

Show and Tell: This months show and tell

was our program: Friendship Pieced Trunk Show of Quilts. Many members brought their quilts to share from over the years.

Next Meeting: February 1st (canceled due to COVID),

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM. Respectfully Submitted, Natalie G., PQG Secretary



# **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

# Tri-guild Luncheon

Guess what everyone - the Tri-Guild Luncheon has been postponed again! Hopefully, this is the last time. It will now be held on May 14, 2022. Depending on how the COVID virus continues, it may be a "no lunch" luncheon. That way, everyone can keep their mask on. The other guilds agree with what we are doing. We are very hopeful everything will work out, and we will finally get together with everyone.

~ Sue D Luncheon Chair

#### COTS

See General Meeting Minutes. Nothing new to report.

~ Ellie O COTS Chair



# Monthly Mini Update

Thank you so much to our members for participating in the Monthly Mini drawings that we have had recently. We have raised some extra cash for our Guild's general fund. We also would like to thank the members who have kindly agreed to either donate or make an item for the Monthly Mini. We are pleased that we have sign-ups through the month of August 2022. We have a beautiful Valentine's Day table runner that was donated but since we are not meeting in person for the month of February, it will have to wait until another time. We do have a lovely table topper for March, so let's hope we will be able to meet in person by then.

Sally and JoAnne Monthly Mini

# MORE COMMITTEE UPDATES

#### Sewcial

Unfortunately, our Roving Reporter Jean was unable to attend. However, Denise added this blurb from memory. She is sorry if she missed you, but wanted you to know that you are always appreciated when you attend. Some of the attendees were: Jayne, Frances, Cathy, and Kathy. Jayne and Kathy worked on military blocks. Frances worked on a quilt for her grandson. Cathy said her daughter came across an old feather-weight at a flea market while we were meeting, and we were all waiting to see if she bought it, and what condition it was in. Denise experimented with a potential BOM. As always, it was great fun to get together to chat and quilt.

~ Denise Sewcial Coordinator

# Special Request from Membership



We are in need of a few small gifts for Attendance and Name Tag prizes. If you have something that you can donate, it will be much appreciated. I will have a box at the sign-in table for your donations. When considering things, PLEASE MAKE SURE it is something you would like to win - no cleaning out your notions or scrap drawer to get rid of something. Used patterns are OK as long as they are intact with all directions and pieces are included. Please, no fabric with sections cut out - a fat quarter should all be there! Thank you for your generosity!!!

~ Jean and Sharon Membership

# MILITARY BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Early 2022 Military Block

12 inch Friendship Star

Red for corners (2) 4-7/8" x 4-7/8" squares

White for background (4)  $4-7/8'' \times 4-7/8''$  squares

#### For the 12" x 12" Friendship Star Quilt Block

- 1. Draw a diagonal line, from one corner to the opposite corner, on the reverse side of all light neutral squares.
- 2. Use the quick pieced half-square triangle method to sew a light square to each blue print square of the same size. When complete, each of the four half-square triangle units should measure 4-1/2" x 4-1/2" for a 12" (finished size) quilt block. Set aside.
- 3. Make four more half square triangle units by pairing the remaining 4-7/8" x 4-7/8" light squares with the multicolored squares (for the block's corner triangles) of the same size.
- 4. Arrange the half square triangle units and the 4-1/2" x 4-1/2" blue print square into three rows. Units made with the blue fabric form the stars, and the multicolor print triangle units are used in block corners. Check to make sure the angles of all patches match the diagram.
- 5. Sew the units in each row together. Press seam allowances in the top and bottom rows towards the outer units. Press seam allowances in the center row towards the solid square Sew rows together, carefully matching patch edges and seam intersections.
- 6. Press. The quilt block should measure 12-1/2" x 12-1/2".

Thank you for making this block for a military veterans guilt. Any questions ask Jayne.

# **BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

We will draw for the block prepared for the February meeting. This is a chance for you to make additional blocks, or even your first block! The block is Duck Tracks. Use a colorful background and solids for the star. Make it a 12 1/2" unfinished size. The winner will also get a bookbinder titled Beyond Borders. Here is the author's link to her tutorial for making this block:

https://www.generations-quilt-patterns.com/duck-tracks-quilt-block.html



I do have a new block planned for next time we meet.

~ Denise
Block of the Month

#### A Good Read!

Denise suggests: A great novel about a quilt is <u>The Hope Chest</u> by Carolyn Brown. I loved it. It's also on Audible with a great narrator!!

# Update: Featherweight Raffle

The raffle for the 1937 featherweight machine has been **continue to the April meeting**. You can still buy tickets!!! Tickets are \$5 each or six for \$20. Featherweight machines are particularly prized by sewists. The machine has been recently oiled and is ready to sew. Accessories include additional feet, additional bobbins, and the carrying case. Tickets are available at the Monthly Mini table.



# PHOTO GALLERY: PQG JANUARY PROGRAM





# PHOTO GALLERY: PQG JANUARY PROGRAM, cont.





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# February Birthdays



Bobbie L. - 2/5 Marilyn G. - 2/11 Nora T. - 2/17 Marilyn F. - 2/25

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Newsletter deadline is the 15th of the month.

# Thank You, Affiliates!

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#### **Broadway Quilts**

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## **Quilted Angel**

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# **Committee Chairs**

**Block of the Month:** 

Denise R

Castoff:

Open

**Fat Quarter Frenzy:** 

Becky L

Friendship Pieced & Applique:

Marja T

Hospitality:

Barbara C

Library:

Kathy B

**Military Quilts:** 

Jayne M

**Monthly Mini:** 

Sally A

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