

NEWSLETTER

Next meeting October 7

6 pm Start Time!!

Our Guild Build meeting will focus on making items that the Guild will sell at our upcoming craft fairs in November. Activities will include stuffing cell phone stands, making scissors cases and decorating kitchen towels with appliqué or embroidery. The cell phone stands will be pre-sewn, scissors case patterns pre-cut and the appliqué pieces turned and pressed. This has been done ahead of time in hopes that they can be completed at the meeting, but members can take them home, finish and return at the November meeting as well. We will mostly be utilizing hand sewing and fusing, but there will also be a few sewing machine stations set up too. You may want to bring portable, personal lighting, a case with a few different size needles as well as a few pins and a thimble if you use one, but otherwise all materials will be provided for you. We also hope that this will be a chance to meet and chat with other members and maybe even learn a thing or two also! Please come, have fun creating with other members and help the Guild out at the same time!

Don't Forget..

- Money for Monthly Mini
- Show & Tell
- Block of the Month
- Raffle basket donations
- Craft Fair items
- Handsewing supplies
- Light for close work
- Food to share





President's Message

Hello Quilters and Crafters,

It is time to harvest our talent! Our October meeting will be a "Guild Build" wherein we get ready for our big fundraising craft fairs – read on for more info about the meeting.

Congrats to our Outreach Committee and the very attractive show now hanging at the Mail Depot in downtown Petaluma. The opening was beautiful and the show remains up for some time, tell your friends!

Don't forget to sign up for the "Sew, Sleep, Repeat" retreat on Saturday and Sunday, November 15 & 16 – this fabulous event gives you 20 hours of uninterrupted sewing/crafting time. It is a gift you can give yourself! Also, lots of cool kids will be there – don't miss out.

Speaking of signing up – make sure you are taking at least one shift at the holiday craft fairs where we'll be showing our wares. Many hands make light work and you get to go see what is happening in the maker world.

Happy Equinox and Fall!

Melissa

Guild Meeting Minutes September 2nd

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm by President, Melissa H. Minutes of past meeting approved unanimously

Retreat – Deb L says that anyone is welcome to sign up for the retreat whether they are a Guild member or not. The \$60 fee covers lunch both days. You will be able to leave your workstation set up overnight. Please help with the raffle baskets. So far, we have 20 members signed up. Email the Guild email or Deb L directly.

Craft Fairs – Kim said she has applied for 3 craft fairs but so far we have only been accepted at the Grand Bazaar. We have a big space so she is looking for more donations. She has kits available at the break. Please return ASAP and be sure and sign up to help run the booths.

Stocking Challenge – the reveal is next month. The prize is a Quilted Angel gift certificate. Kim has a template available if you'd like to copy it during the break. **Guild Build (Oct Mtg)** – please bring scissors, pinking shears, needle thread. We could use ironing boards and irons but not too many.

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Mail Depot Show – Jane H will be hanging quilts on Sept 10th. She cannot hang anything bigger than 35" sq. We will have a wall highlighting our work for COTS, Veterans and the Voices project. Shout out to Sharon J for a great poster advertising the event!

COTS Update – Erin gave an informational talk about the COTS program and all the wonderful work they do in our community.

Opportunity Quilt Drawing – the winner, Catherine D, was not present in the room.

Dues – be sure and pay your dues. If you feel like making an additional donation, that would be appreciated.

Military Quilts – Jayne has several quilts that need binding. If everyone in the Guild, made one quilt a year for this project, she would reach her goal.

Block of the Month - Fran has an adorable pumpkin block.

Round Robin Reveal - 5 people showed the results of all their hard work.

Monthly Mini - Karen won

Program – a fantastic trunk show from our own member, Kirsten! Thanks for all the inspirational quilts!

The meeting concluded before 8 pm after Show and Tell Your Roving Reporter signing off!



Monthly Mini

Congratulations to Karen K who won Sally A's table runner and two charm packs.

Our October monthly mini will be donated by Debby L. Thank you, Debby for your contribution.

We also thank the members who supported our raffle by buying tickets or gave a monetary donation. Each donation helps to pay and our rent. You are appreciated.

Military News

Fall Greetings. As the days become cooler we bring our quilts out to keep us warm and cozy, we ask that you think of those who don't have much to call their own. You can help warm someone in need as you warm your heart while making a quilt top for the homeless veterans or COTS. We are going to start partnering with COTS to provide veteran quilts to their program along with continuing to support Nation's Finest here in Sonoma County. The need is growing. The veterans appreciate the kindness that comes from our membership. In addition to providing them with a quilt that keeps them warm it also shows that someone cares. We ask that you come by our table at the meeting and check out the different ways you can help out. Full kits have been made with precut pieces, finished blocks that need to be sewn together, simple 4 patch quilt blocks for either a half or whole quilt and this month 2 simple BOM (block of the month) The first one is a simple 4 patch and there are squares for 3 blocks in each baggie. Second is 6.5 inch pieces of various lengths to be sewn in a column. Check out the picture of the samples. If you would like to make a quilt top or pillowcase with different colors than red, white and blue you can check out Ellie's table and see what she has to offer. Again it takes a village and all of your help is so appreciated. - Jayne and Nancy





Sew, Sleep, Repeat Retreat News

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November 15 and 16 - 9 AM to 7 PM

The Retreat committee met and we have finalized information about this fabulous event that we're going to be having. It'll be for two days, and the cost for two days is **\$60 per person for both days**. This will include a lunch both days. We are going to be meeting in our old meeting room at the Community Center in Petaluma.

You will be able to bring your projects, and sewing machines and leave them at your table until Sunday when you go home. We will have cutting tables available with risers, but we will be asking for ironing boards, and irons to share. We also need volunteers to help with setup, monitor food, etc but we will have sign up sheets closer to the date. Most shifts will only be one or two hours at the most. If we have space, we will be extending the invitation to the Moonlighters Guild also.

We need all members (whether you're participating in the Retreat or not) in gathering items for our Raffle Containers. I say containers because they do not have to be baskets. If you Google ideas for gift baskets, they suggest using all kinds of things like jars, ice chest, bowls, on a plate, a nice bag, a wood box or flowerpot, etc. Use your imagination! Be creative with your donations! Remember this will be close to Christmas so we can make gift boxes and not just sewing.

Some of the ideas that we would like for the raffle to contain; Gift card, include the receipt, spices, garden items, children items like books or games, baby items, family games, animals/pets, holiday items, movies, spa items, coffee/tea/chocolate, romantic date night, and of course, fabric baskets!

You can start bringing any of the items that are non-perishable to the August meeting. Please give them to Debby. We will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting if you would like to come. Full payment will be due by the September meeting.

Thank you very much, The Sew Sleep Repeat Retreat Committee



Raffle Baskets
Galore!!

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Come join us for a fun, two day retreat at Lucchesi Community Center, 320 N McDowell Blvd, Petaluma



SAT/SUN NOV 15 & 16



9 am - 7 pm

Lunch Provided Raffle baskets

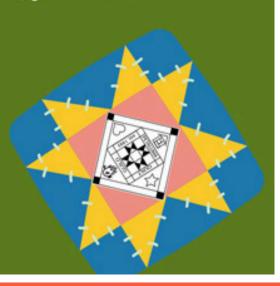
\$60/two days

You can leave your work setup overnight

Sign up & more info: petalumaquiltguild@yahoo.com









Mail Depot Showing

The Petaluma Quilt Guild Mini Quilt Show at the Mail Depot opened on September 13th with a lovely reception. Yummy cookies, and lemonade and lots of interested people. It was so lovely to see the support of so many Quilt Guild members at the show. It is fun to see these lovely Quilts gathered in one place. if you get a chance, stop by the Depot. The show will be up until October 8.







Hanging the quilts was an exciting challenge but thanks to our hero, Rob C, all the quilts were hung with great skill!



Our Hero Rob C!!!!

COTS Update

There are several new clients at the homeless shelter, and they signed up for quilts. We delivered 18 quilts and pillowcases on Sept. 15! One lady received her quilt, and she came out to the car to say thank you for her beautiful quilt. So, thanks to all of you for your creative and beautiful work. It means so much to those who have no home. Pillowcases kits will be available at the Oct. meeting. Flie



Moonlight Quilters Event

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 11, 2025 from 10 am to 3 pm Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County is having its Fabric, Quilt and Craft Boutique at the Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building Auditorium located at 1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95404. Event Highlights:

- Fabric \$5 per lb (tax included)
- Notions
- Mini Quilt Show with Quilts for Sale
- Handmade Crafts
- Raffle Baskets
- Bake Sale
- FREE entry and parking

Upcoming Craft Fairs

We have been accepted at THREE craft fairs this fall!! The new Grand Bazaar Fair (Nov 8 and 9) at the Fairgrounds, Elks Fair (Nov 15) and Rohnert Park Holiday Arts and Crafts Faire (Nov 28 and 29). We still have open spots for volunteers to work the booths – please contact Kim A. if you are interested in helping.

Remember:

- 1. You do not have to make 10 or 12 items you certainly can, if you want to and we appreciate it but please prioritize creativity and art over quantity.
- 2. Good things to make luggage tags, eyeglass cases, small toys, anything with a chicken, casserole dish hot pads, elastic pen caddies for notebooks, gift tags, gift toppers, gift card holders. We will try to help with Christmas fabric, batting, patterns, templates, ricrac and trim. We're planning to bring lots of good stuff to the October Guild Build!

A reminder from your newsletter editor; we can only be in these craft fairs if the members step up and help! Please sign up for a shift!



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PETALUMA QUILT GUILD BLOCK of the MONTH

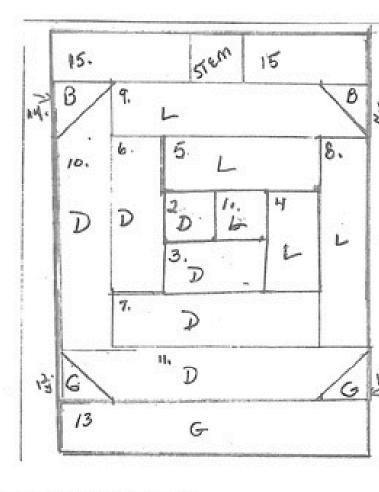
September 2025

Log Cabin Pumpkin Block

You will need pumpkin colored fabric. You can go with orange, yellow, brown and green. Keep half the logs light and half dark/medium value.

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- 8. Light 2" X 6-1/2" } Same. 9. Light 2" X 8" } faller
- 10: Dark 2" X 8") 5 miles.
 11. Dark 2" X 9-1/2") police
- 12. 2 Green 2-1/2" squares
- 13. Green 2" X 9-1/2"
- 14. 2 Blue sky 2-1/2 squares
- 15. 2 Blue sky 2" X 4-1/2"
- 16. Green or brown 2" square for stem



If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Fran (415) 472-1313. Leave a message, name and phone number and I will return your call.

* Be sure and attack the triangles before swing the any questions, please call 415-472-1313 From Strips

Petaluma Quilt Guild

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- Melissa H President
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