

# Peninsula Quilters Gazette

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## **President's Message**

As we move into the holidays and think about all the lovely things we want to make for our friends, family and the strangers who need our love and support, I am reminded of some of the deeper feelings that bring us all together. Our Guild is full of women with hearts of gold who spend their time making all manner of beautiful, warm, comforting things (mostly quilts?). We come together to share our talents and gifts of creativity with each other and the world, but we also come together to share our lives. We give each other so much more than just quilting advice and encouragement. We share the smiles of recognition as we listen to each other's stories and hold each other's hands and hearts when life's inevitable sorrows make themselves at home in our living rooms.

Making a quilt saves us on many days, but the deepest relief comes from the love we see in each other's eyes as we laugh, struggle, cry and celebrate the unfolding of our precious lives. I am very grateful for all of you, my quilting friends, and wish for your holidays to be filled with lovely warm quilts and equally warm hearts.

Jena Walter, President

## **Outreach Scorecard**



	November 2019	Year to date
Infant/Baby Quilts	22	263
Shelter Quilts	10	81

Julie Curry, Outreach Coordinator

#### **November Outreach Quilt Donors**

PQ Calendar				
Dec 18	Wed	7:00pm	General Meeting and Holiday Party	
Jan. 15	Wed	9:30am	General Meeting and Board Meeting	
Jan. 16	Thu	9:00am	Workshop: Sara Guyol	

Happy Scrap Bee, Grace Hardy, Barb Conklin, Neva Hernandez, Linda McAllister, Anne Merics, Frances Monroe, Sandi Adger, Andy Wolff, Ruth Gilroy, Rita Leung

There will not be a Board Meeting in December.



Shannon Gilman Orr – November Speaker

**Future PQ Program** Jan. 15, 2020 Little Quilts, No Big Deal Kellie Willey Littlequiltcreations.com



# ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Wednesday, December 18, 2019 Hosted by Seams to Bee

San Mateo Garden Center Arrival times: Table Decorators 6 p.m.; Holiday Quilt hanging 6-6:30 p.m.; P.Q. Meeting 7 p.m.

You're invited to celebrate the Holidays with friends, beautiful Holiday guilts, festive decorated tables, door prizes, gift exchange and delicious food.

**Table Decorations**: If you would like to host and decorate a table, please contact Ruth Gilrov (rwcgilroy@gmail.com). Your table will host eight people. Provide for your table a festive centerpiece, place settings to include plates (china or paper), silverware, napkins, cups.

Food: Each quest is asked to bring a single plate with eight servings (or more) of your favorite festive finger food. If your last name begins with A through J please bring a sweet dish. If your last name begins with K through Z please bring a savory dish. When you arrive, seat yourself at any of the beautifully decorated tables hosted by the decorator.

#### \*\* Table decorators do not need to bring food\*\*

The guild will provide each table with flavored sparkling cider and water. Coffee and tea will also be provided.

Door Prizes: There will be three chances to win: 1) the best festive Holiday apparel, 2) impress us with your funniest Holiday hat or accessory, 3) best Holiday table decorations. Winners will be decided by your friends' ballots.

<u>Holiday Quilts</u>: Deck our walls with your Holiday quilts. Please bring to the party (bring in beginning at 6 p.m.) and hang for our show & tell.

**Gift Exchange**: If you would like to participate in the Holiday gift exchange please bring a beautifully wrapped, new gift (valued up to \$20).

-- Contact Ruth Gilroy and Grace Hardy

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## January Meeting: Little Quilts, No Big Deal - Kellie Willey





Littlequiltcreations.com

Kellie's quilting journey began in 2008 when she met her future mother-in-law Sally, a quilter. Shortly after the wedding Sally gave Kellie a vintage Kenmore sewing machine, a rotary cutter, a cutting mat, a ruler and invited her to share her stash and her friend's stash. Kellie took a beginner quilting class and was hooked. At first she worked on lap-sized quilts until Sally's sister taught her how to foundation piece and make a small quilt. This started her obsession with making tiny quilts. Kellie's lecture includes useful tips and techniques on how to create a miniature quilt including drafting your own pattern, fabric selection, accurate cutting and piecing, free-motion quilting tips and useful tools to make the job easier. Some of her favorite patterns are Double Wedding Ring, Log Cabin and Crazy Quilts.

Contact Terry Caselton if you have any questions or comments.

# Alice's Love Event Thursday, April 30, 2020

See the August 2019 PQ newsletter for event background.

We are repeating our trip to Sonoma (Broadway Quilts) and Petaluma (Quilted Angel). Transportation and lunch are provided. **NOTE:** Since the transportation is by bus, attendees must be able to step up three or four steps into the bus and be able to walk two to three city blocks.

Quilts are due by **Wednesday**, **April 15**, **2020** (PQ meeting) but can be turned in sooner. The quilts are going to PQ's existing charities – San Mateo County Health Foundation (small quilts) and Life Moves (shelter quilts).

To sign up, fill out the sign up form (on the PQ website) and return it to Margaret. You may sign up before your "price" is paid. Let Margaret know when you have completed your "price" so she can mark you as paid.

For the 2020 event we would like to have completed guilts. The "price" is:

- 1. 2 completed (pieced, quilted, bound) small quilts (30" to 45" per side) OR
- 2. 1 completed (pieced, quilted, bound) twin size or larger quilt OR
- 3. 1 pieced twin size or larger quilt top WITH enough extra fabric for binding OR
- 4. For those who like to quilt -- 2 twin size or larger quilts quilted (if you choose this option the WannaBees will ensure you get the quilt tops to quilt or you can coordinate with a friend who is making a pieced twin top). This option might be attractive to those who have access to a long-arm machine. OR
- 5. For those who like to do hand binding -- make and stitch binding on 1 quilted twin size quilt. We prefer that the binding is machine sewn on the front and then hand stitched onto the back. If you choose this option the WannaBees will ensure you get the quilted quilt to put the binding on or you can coordinate with a friend or friends that are doing option 3 or 4.

Contact Margaret Conti if you have any questions.

# **Peninsula Quilters Guild General Meeting Minutes**

#### November 21, 2019

The general meeting was called to order by president Jena Walter at 9:30 a.m.; one returning member was acknowledged. The minutes from the October meeting were approved as published.

**Treasurer's report (Leslie Lohmeier):** An audit was conducted at last month's retreat. The audit committee recommended that we review our current use of PayPal. This will be discussed at the January board meeting. Leslie provided our account balances for November.

**Introduction of new board members:** Jena asked the board members to stand and be recognized. Jena called out WebAdmin Kathy McGuffin for her great work in updating and maintaining our web site.

**Corresponding Secretary (Jena Walter for Arlene Powell):** A note was sent to Patty Short. If you know of someone who should receive a note or card from the guild, contact Arlene.

#### **Announcements:**

[Jena Walter] We need a new workshop co-chair, as Leslie Rose is moving out of the area. The workshop co-chair will be responsible for setting up the location for the workshop. Wanda Dragon volunteered.

[Jena Walter] PQ is forming a Warm Welcome Committee: Its purpose is to greet new members and guests and make them feel comfortable at meetings. A sign-up sheet was passed around. A chair for the committee is needed.

[Terry Caselton] Workshops are all set for the coming year. The current schedule is: Sara Guyol (January); Sue Rasmussen (February); Dora Cary (March); Anelie Belden (April); Julie Curry (May). Workshops will be held at the Silicon Valley Community Foundation in San Mateo. See the website for more information.

[Terry Caselton] Terry is organizing a quilting cruise to Alaska in August. Contact her for more information.

[Grace Hardy] Grace is looking for help with hospitality. Contact her if you are interested in helping out at meetings.

[Grace Hardy and Ruth Gilmore] The December Holiday Party will be held at the Garden Center. Members whose last name begins with A-J should bring a sweet dish for 8 people; members whose last name begins with K-Z should bring a savory dish. There is still space for more tables: Contact Ruth if you are interested in setting a table for eight. There will be prizes for the best festive apparel, the funniest holiday hat or accessory, and the best table design. Members are encouraged to bring in holiday quilts to display. There will be a gift exchange: If you are interested in participating bring a new, wrapped gift (value up to \$25).

[Jess Millikan] The theme for this year's challenge is "P is for...". Quilts must use a recognizable amount of the challenge fabric, either on the front or in the binding, available from Jess for \$5. Quilts are due at the April meeting.

[Jess Millikan] Update on Opportunity Quilt: Always Quilting has agreed to display our quilt and sell raffle tickets. However, on December 7 they need our help staffing sales: We need five more people to each take a two-hour shift. Sign up on iVolunteer.

[June Wallach] Five people from Menlo Park are interested in forming a bee in that area. Join them and June at the break to discuss preliminaries. If you want to start a new bee in your area, June will help. [Margaret Conti] Update on Alice's Love event

#### **Show and Tell:**

Happy Scrappy Bee 3 guilts: 2 stars, 1 bear paw

Barb Conklin Halloween Quilt

Grace Hardy Christmas One Block Wonder

Joyce Wheeler Playing in the Trees
Whole Block Sampler

Wanda Dragon, Judy Miyake, Ruth Gilroy,

Leslie Lohmeier Felted Bowls
Loraine Strong Quilt as You Go

Michele Perry Chanel-style guilted jacket

Linda McAllister Bear Garden

Log Cabin Variation

Break called at 10:00; meeting resumed at 10:15.

**Membership report** [Ruth Gilmore and Kathy McGuffin]: 43 members. The door prize (fabric strip collection) was won by Lori Atwood.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20.

Respectfully submitted, Linda McAllister, AM recording secretary

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# Peninsula Quilters Board Meeting November 20, 2019

Attendees: Jena Walter, Leslie Lohmeier, Carol Blitzer, Ruth Gilmore, Angie Merlone, Julie Curry, Michele Perry, Linda Hester, Terry Caselton, Jess Millikan, Anne Merics, Judy Miyake, Kathy McGuffin, Wanda Dragon, Linda McAllister

Meeting called to order at 11:35 by Jena Walter. Minutes from the previous board meeting approved as published.

#### Committee Reports:

#### **Activities (Judy Miyake):**

Annual challenge is underway Last month's retreat was successful No updates on county fair liaison

**Membership (Ruth Gilmore):** Jena Walter recommended that we send thank-you notes to members who made contributions to PQ in addition to their membership dues. Approved.

**Newsletter (Carol Blitzer):** Carol has sent out her first newsletter as editor. The deadline for next month's newsletter is Nov. 25. Send items to newsletter@peninsulaquilters.org. Carol will send out a blast to remind members of the address.

**Outreach:** (Julie Curry): Getting a lot of donations. The transition from neonatal quilts to Infant/Baby quilts has been made and our quilts are now going to the new organization. Need to change the name and description of NeoNatal quilts to Infant/Baby quilts.

**Web Site (Kathy McGuffin):** Kathy reminded everybody that if you want something on the website make sure Kathy gets all the information, including updates. She has also offered to put up a webpage on our site specifically to take donations through Paypal. Jena suggested we make a donor area on the page to acknowledge the people who donate.

**Treasurer's Report (Leslie Lohmeier):** We will discuss PayPal fees at the January board meeting. The signatures for checks need to be updated: Angie and Jena will go with Leslie to the bank to do this in January. An updated copy of the budget was distributed.

#### Old Business:

**Holiday and birthday parties:** We need to emphasize that organizing the parties is not strictly a bee activity, although they are welcome to run them if interested. We do need two point people to be responsible for the parties, either as individuals or part of a bee activity. Jena will ask for volunteers to coordinate future parties.

#### **New Business:**

The New Member Tea will be April 25 at Angie Merlone's house

County fair prizes: Julie noted that the current prizes for categories such as best use of color, etc., were often overlooked by the judges. She suggested that the categories going forward should be

Best of Show: Quilts - \$50

Best of Division 620 Computerized (Professionally guilted) - \$25

Best of Division 620 Hand Guided (Professionally guilted) - \$25

Best of Division 623 Pieced/Machine Quilted (one person) - \$25

Best Specialty Techniques (hand quilting, whole cloth, stenciled, embellished,

embroidered, art) - \$25

Best Applique - \$25

This is a realignment of the prizes to match the current fair categories and will have no impact on our budget.

**New Workshop Space:** Jena reported that as we have been having problems booking space at the Sobrato Center, and we are planning to hold future workshops at the Silicon Valley Community Foundation in San Mateo. One concern is that of the two spaces available one may be too small. Jena will tour the facility to see if the smaller room is suitable. Always Quilting remains as a backup location.

**Projector:** We could not get our projector to work with today's speaker's device. Terry proposed that PQ purchase a new projector. Michele stated that rather than purchase new equipment that had no guarantee of working for every speaker, we should clearly communicate what we have, with any relevant technical specifications, and that it is up to speakers to make sure their equipment works with it. She also suggested that we write into our standard contract that speakers who wish to use the projector bring a ready-to-run slide show of their materials on a USB stick as a back-up. Angie moved to take mention of projectors out of the standard contract. Kathy noted that the standard contract as currently written states that PQ will provide "a stand for your computer and projector" along with microphone and two quilt frames. Resolution: Leave the standard contract as is (with no provision to provide a projector). If future speakers run into a problem with bringing their own projector, we can provide them with specs for our projector, with no guarantee that it will work.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda McAllister, AM recording secretary

#### Studio Tour 2020

A tour of guild members' studios is being planned for September 2020. Studio visitors will include PQ members as well as members of neighboring guilds. The event will be a fun glimpse into how studio owners have found solutions to such common problems of space (both multi- and single use) and organization.

If you live in the Burlingame to Redwood City area and are willing to open your studio as a part of this tour, please contact Sara Guyol (650) 574-5689/<u>haydensrose@yahoo.com</u> or Connie Bowles (408) 206-7567/<u>conniebowles3@gmail.com</u> for further information.

Sara Guyol and Connie Bowles



# Join us at Road to California Quilters Conference in Ontario, California January 23 – 26, 2020

For more information about hotel and transportation refer to our August newsletter or email Terry Caselton <a href="terry@pamstravel.net">terry@pamstravel.net</a>

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# **Upcoming Workshops**

# "Funny Face" featuring Sara Guyol Thursday, January 16, 2020

The goal of this class is to teach the fundamentals of facial anatomy, basic fusing techniques, and the creative placement of fabric elements within the facial collage. Students will make a fused "Funny Face" or self-portrait, which can be used as the basis of a larger quilt or stand alone as a pillow or mini quilt. Tools such as scalloped rotary cutters will be explored, as will sashing options and decorative embellishments. Participants should be prepared to make multiple faces/blocks as time permits.

# "Machine Quilting on your home sewing machine" featuring Sue Rasmussen http://suerasmussenguilts.com/

### Thursday, February 20, 2020

This workshop teaches students, while working through several exercises, the basics of free-motion machine quilting on a home sewing machine. Beginning with simple shapes, students work through many quilt designs such as echo quilting, stippling and other "filler" designs, and simple curves to more complex designs. Class includes discussions of basting techniques, difference in batting, marking quilt tops, comparisons of threads and needles, and quilt binding.

## "Only One" featuring Dora Cary https://www.orangedotquilts.com Thursday and Friday, March 19 & 20, 2020

Make a stunning quilt with one piece of fabric and a much-simplified One Block Wonder technique. Say NO to fussy cutting and Y seams and YES to super fast cutting tips and chain stitching straight lines to create gorgeous blocks that will make an amazing quilt. The pattern requires only one fabric and includes fabric requirements for all quilt sizes. In the first day of class Dora will explain her super fast method for cutting the fabric for the blocks and share tips for fast piecing and how to reduce the bulk at the intersection of four seams. The second day of class, students will finish sewing their blocks and she will share composition tips. Depending on the chosen quilt size, most students should have a finished quilt top. At the end of the class Dora will share her No Baste Method for quilting on a home sewing machine (not on a long arm). Kits (fabric plus pattern) will be available to purchase in class. The class is perfect for quilters of all levels. Each student will need to purchase a quilt pattern.

# "Dresden Jacket & Quilt (your choice)" featuring Anelie Belden <u>www.miystudio.net</u> Thursday, April 16, 2020

This jacket is made using a sweatshirt of your choice. It can be long or short, loose or fitted. We will cut it up and then add a flowing Dresden design onto the body of the jacket. Dresden blades are used to make the collar and the trim around the edge. A zipper is used as a closure. Piping and embellishing can be added to the design. This is a loose-fitting jacket and does not require difficult garment sewing techniques.

# "The Outer Limits" featuring Julia Curry Thursday, May 21, 2020

Do you remember that old TV show? "You are about to participate in a great adventure. You are about to experience the awe and mystery, which reach from the inner mind to... The Outer Limits." This pattern will "blow your mind"!! It looks so complicated, but Julie has developed a method using 3" strips sewn into panels and cut into cross-sections. Using her system, you can easily create this awesome quilt. Prepare to explore...The Outer Limits!

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## **Workshop Registration 2019-20**

Payment is required at time of signup. To register for workshops, go online on the Peninsula Quilters website using the link: https://www.peninsulaquilters.org/online-workshop-form

Direct questions to Terry Caselton at <u>terry@pamstravel.net</u>. In your email <u>subject line</u>, <u>put PQG Workshop</u> and name of the workshop.

- Workshops take place on the Thursday following a General Monthly Meeting.
- Please arrive 30 minutes before class to setup your sewing station.
- All workshops will be held at the Silicon Valley Community Foundation, 1300 S. El Camino Real, Suite 100, San Mateo

# **Upcoming Quilting Events**

Jan. 23-26, 2020 – Road to California – Ontario Convention Center, 2000 E. Convention Center Way, Ontario. www.road2ca.com

**Feb. 20-23, 2020 – QuiltCon 2020 – Modern Quilt Guild** – Austin Convention Center, Austin, Texas. www.themodernguiltguild.com

March 21–22, 2020 – Voices in Cloth 2020 – East Bay Heritage Quilters Craneway Pavilion, Richmond <a href="https://www.ebhq.org">www.ebhq.org</a>

Note: Additional quilting events can be viewed on the NCQC Calendar at www.ncqc.net



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Open Wed-Fri 12pm-5pm, Sat-Sun 11am-5pm, and 12-9pm on the first Friday of every month

Through Jan. 12, 2020 – Know Your Meme: Stitching Viral Phenomena – The exhibition explores the concept of the meme as a poignant method to summarize, understand, critique and share thoughts on important societal issues. In true meme fashion, the artwork selection will be driven by the power of the people, curated by the online community, and will encourage the general public to participate in the exhibition process. All artworks must depict, relate to or reference a meme through a textile method such as quilting, embroidery, cross-stitching, knitting and crocheting, weaving, basketry, etc. Turner and Gilliland Galleries

Through Jan. 12, 2020 – Stories of West Africa: Hollis Chatelain – Hollis Chatelain creates art quilts based on her photographs while she lived in the West African countries of Togo, Burkina Faso, Mali, and Benin. From her photographs, Hollis drew the original illustrations for her coloring book titled *Stories of West Africa*. These drawings, done in colored pencil, were scanned, enlarged, digitally printed on cotton fabric, and then machine quilted. Each quilt tells a story showing the strength of family and community, while the backgrounds show lively African fabrics, which play an important role in the everyday life of this region. Finlayson Gallery

Through Jan. 12, 2020 – Form and Function: Fiber Arts for the 21st Century.

Second Artist Members Biennial – Juried by artist and curator Karen Gutfreund, Form and Function: Fiber Arts for the 21st Century showcases works in both traditional and new media that emphasize art over craft with bold use of artistic elements—line, space, shape, form, texture, and color to tell an individual story. Fiber artists utilize a multitude of methods to bridge craft and design, invoke new artistic concepts, and alter or refresh views of fiber. Each SJMQT Artist's Members brings a personal vision and sensibility to his or her cloth. Hallway and Porcella Gallery

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