

Peninsula Quilters Gazette

Volume XLIII, No. 5

February 2021

Issue 506

Next Meeting: February 17, 6 p.m., via Zoom

<http://www.peninsulaquilters.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2224974187748624/>

President's Message

Our last in-person meeting was February 2020, an entire year ago! We have managed to continue to be a strong guild holding our meetings and bees and staying together while staying distanced. Involvement of all of you is what keeps this guild running even during these trying times.

In January we also had a very successful retreat. Thank you to Barbara Hall, Jena Walters, Sandy Kelly, Julie Curry, Justine Barnard, Sara Guyol, Gayle Green and everyone else who helped. The retreat fires up our creativity, and everyone has a great time. If you haven't participated, please try the next retreat. I know you will have fun.

At our January meeting we were treated to a special presentation from Meg Cox, who spoke about the International Quilt Museum. It truly was food for the soul.

We can all add the Quilt House to our post-Covid road trip. Quilts of Illusion will be the topic for Karen Coombs at our February meeting. Her quilts are fascinating and beautiful. This is a program you really shouldn't miss.

Until then stay safe and quilt on.

--Angi Merlone, president



Outreach Scorecard

	December	January
Bundles of Joy	23	16
LifeMoves	0	0
CZU Fire	16	9

Let's keep these generous and much-appreciated donations coming! Baby quilts should be minimum 30" and maximum of 45" on a side. LifeMoves quilts should be approximately 65" x 80".

*-- Julie Curry,
Outreach Coordinator*

Recent Fire Quilt donations included:



Karen Combs, "Quilts of Illusion"
February 17, 2021, 6 p.m.

Explore the world of optical illusions with Karen as she shows you some of the wonderful quilts that she has created and shares tricks and tips on how to make them. This virtual lecture, a beautiful and inspiring trunk show, will be a combination of live presentation, slides, quilts and videos.

Karen is an internationally known quilter, teacher, author and designer who has been nominated three times by students for Quilt Teacher of the Year. She makes learning fun and makes the complex easy to understand.

Upcoming PQ speakers

- MARCH – Julia Graves – “Memory Quilts and Personalizing Quilts” – How to make a unique quilt for a special person and tips to achieve the results you want
 - APRIL – Maria Shell – “Patchwork to Art” – Journey of an Alaskan Quilt Maker” – American patchwork connecting to both the modern and art quilt movement
 - MAY – Margaret Willingham – “Reverse Applique: Revealing Beauty” – What is reverse applique? When was it developed and by whom? What is hidden will be revealed
 - JUNE – Eleanor Levie – “A Magical History Tour” – Author of American Quiltmaking 1970-2000 will lead us on a rollicking journey through quilt making in our time
 - JULY – TBD
-

2021 Peninsula Quilters Virtual Workshop Schedule

All virtual workshops are \$50, with the registration form at www.peninsulaquilters.org. If you have any questions, contact Terry Caselton at 650-773-5756.

FEBRUARY WORKSHOP “CONFETTI STAR”

Dates: February 23 & 25 Time: 9:00AM – 12:00PM **2 Day**



Material Girlfriends

Lisa W. Norton and Lora W. Zmak are local designers and teachers. They began Material Girlfriends in 2012 and have designed and published more than 50 patterns and currently working on two books! They have designed 16 exclusive patterns for Marcus Fabrics, including six Block of the Month programs. AND their second line of batik fabrics will hit the market in August 2020. Their third line will be released this winter. Both batik collections are called R06 Primo Batiks by Marcus Fabrics.

Confetti Star - Create a Confetti Star with dramatic results. Learn a revolutionary technique that super simplifies the cutting and piecing of the traditional **Hunter Star Block**. **NO Y SEAMS!**



No special rulers! Be encouraged to mix and match your block halves to easily create one of the seven different **Confetti Star** settings for a 48” x 64” throw size quilt. Zoom Class will have 3 cameras for your front row viewing. Kits and patterns available at www.MaterialGirlfriendsShop.com. (Coupon discount code “PeninsulaQuiltersGuild\$6” for \$5.50 pattern purchase.)

MARCH WORKSHOP “HAPPY WONKY QUILT”

Dates: March 18 & 19 Time: 9:00AM – 12:00PM **2 Day**



Connie Bowles a member of PQ for a number of years, has taught at quilt shops in the Bay Area and at the Kauai Quilt Guild. She has been quilting since 2002 and the thing she likes best about quilting is being inspired by new patterns, techniques and, of course, fabric. Connie enjoys sharing her love of quilting and her skills with all levels of quilters.



Connie will share her method for making tipsy blocks, which create movement across the quilt. It's easy to piece, and the result will be a quilt that will make you smile. Though it may look complicated, once you get into the rhythm, it's simply fun. So, grab your fat quarters and let's create some joy.

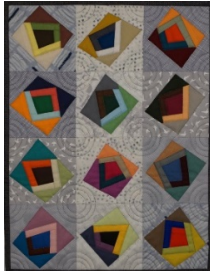
APRIL WORKSHOP "LITTLE MODERN MINI OR MICRO MINI"

Dates: April 22 Time: 9:00AM – 3:00PM 1 day



Kellie Willey'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.



Fun stash buster! Create log cabin style blocks with a twist by setting them on-point. This little Modern quilt is quick to make using a variety of scraps or a Charm-Pack while following easy pattern steps. The Pattern can be adapted to go tiny (Micro Mini) or Mini or make it larger than 11" x 14" the choice is yours. During the workshop, techniques on design and piecing will be taught as well as a demonstration on how to quilt your finished top in a modern way. Also learn how to make a smaller binding that fits the size of your quilt. Your quilt top can be completed in class with only the quilting left to do. Pattern must be purchased prior to the class and will be available February 2021 at www.littlequiltcreations.com

MAY WORKSHOP "DRESDEN SWEATSHIRT JACKET"

with Anelie Belden

Dates: May 12 & 13 Time: 9:00AM – 12:00PM each day 2 Day



Anelie Belden is a nationally known sewing instructor, quilt and pattern designer and author. She began sewing by constructing garments which lead to her degree in Fashion Design. While working in the fashion industry she began to explore the art of quilting which became her passion. She has taken the traditional Dresden quilt design and created new updated Dresden Designs which are featured in her book “



Let's have a fun day using a sweatshirt and recreating it into a comfortable stylish jacket. This is a loose-fitting jacket and does not require difficult garment sewing techniques. It can be long or short, loose or fitted. The edges are fully trimmed using Dresden blades which creates a clean finish on all outside edges. Adding a collar and a creative zipper makes **this jacket is a show stopper**. Piping and embellishing can be added to the design. *Each student is required to purchase a \$12.00 pattern which includes the jacket zipper. There will be some advance preparation before class so you can complete the jacket to wear.*

Quilter of the Year

We are currently accepting nominations for Quilter of the Year 2020/2021. This award should reflect the considered opinions of all our members, and so we are soliciting your suggestions for who should receive this honor.

The criteria of the award:

- A person who steps up to help, whenever there is a need or an extra pair of hands is required;

- A person who brings her quilting knowledge and caring spirit to the table;

- A person who leads by example

Who do you think goes above and beyond to further the goals of our guild? Who has helped you become a better quilter? Please start to give it some thought. Please email me your nominations - smdaroza@yahoo.com.

Once we get a list of nominees, we will prepare a ballot, which will be printed in the March newsletter. Ballots will be due by the end of March and we will announce our recipient in April 2021.

Previous honorees:

LaVern Newman 2005-2006

Rosemary Harmerton-Kelly 2006-2007

Margaret Ann Niven 2007-2008
Carol Stapleton 2009-2010
June Wallace 2010-2011
Barbara Hall 2011-2012
Judy Miyake 2017-2018
Gale Green 2018-2019
Julie Curry 2019-2020

Peninsula Quilters Guild 2021 Annual Challenge: *Connections*

The very best essence of PQ is the strength of our connections to one another. The friendships and relationships among Guild members have been a solid source of comfort, inspiration and joy in difficult times. Staying connected in 2020 was certainly a challenge, but through Zoom Meetings, Open Sew, On-Line Classes, and Virtual Retreats, we met it.

And, of course, quilting is really just connecting fabric.

Those two ideas were the inspiration for the PQ 2021 Challenge. Your project must be a quilt, and you must use a recognizable amount of the challenge fabric somewhere on the front of your quilt; binding is OK. There is no size requirement.

Entry fee: \$5/fat quarter. Fabric is available from Jess Millikan – contact her by email (jbmilikan8@gmail.com) or phone or text to 415-509-6083 to pick it up in person, or send her \$5 and she will mail or deliver to you.

Entries will be shown online and winners will be selected at the **April** meeting. Prizes will be awarded for

- Viewer's Choice
- Best Use of Challenge Fabric
- Most Creative Interpretation of the Challenge Theme
- Best Construction of Quilt Top – could be applique or piecing
- Best Quilting
- Best Label

Each entry can only win once – if a quilt receives the most votes in more than one category, it will be awarded the prize where it earned the most votes and then will be disqualified from the other categories.

--Jess Millikan

Minutes, Zoom General Meeting January 21, 2021

This month the Peninsula Quilters meeting was held via Zoom in the evening rather than in the morning. Speaker Meg Cox of the Nebraska Quilt Museum spoke before the meeting.

Julie Curry won the door prize donated by the Nebraska Quilt Museum. Jena Walter gave a brief tutorial on how to use the chat feature in Zoom. It was suggested that Jena do a brief write-up for the gazette.

Angi Merlone called the meeting to order at 7:15. The minutes from the December meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report (Sara Medina): Our Vanguard account only yielded \$6 last quarter, closing at \$49,831. Our Chase account opened with \$42,000 in November and closed in

December with \$45,104 due to \$1,300 raised by the featherweight raffle and \$1,500 for workshops.

Announcements:

Cindy Burgdorf (Queen Bee): We started the year with 11 bees, now have 12. The New Bee is currently meeting virtually and is open to new members. It meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Contact Cindy or Barb Hall for the link to the Zoom meeting.

Sandi da Roza reminded members that she is taking recommendations for Quilter of the Year. If there is someone you want to nominate, send the information to Sandi.

Jess Millikan reminded members about this year's challenge. The theme is "Connections". Challenge fabric is still available for \$5: The challenge fabric must be clearly visible on the front of the quilt. Any size of quilt is allowed. This year there is an extra prize category: Best Label. Contact Jess to arrange how to pick up or receive fabric.

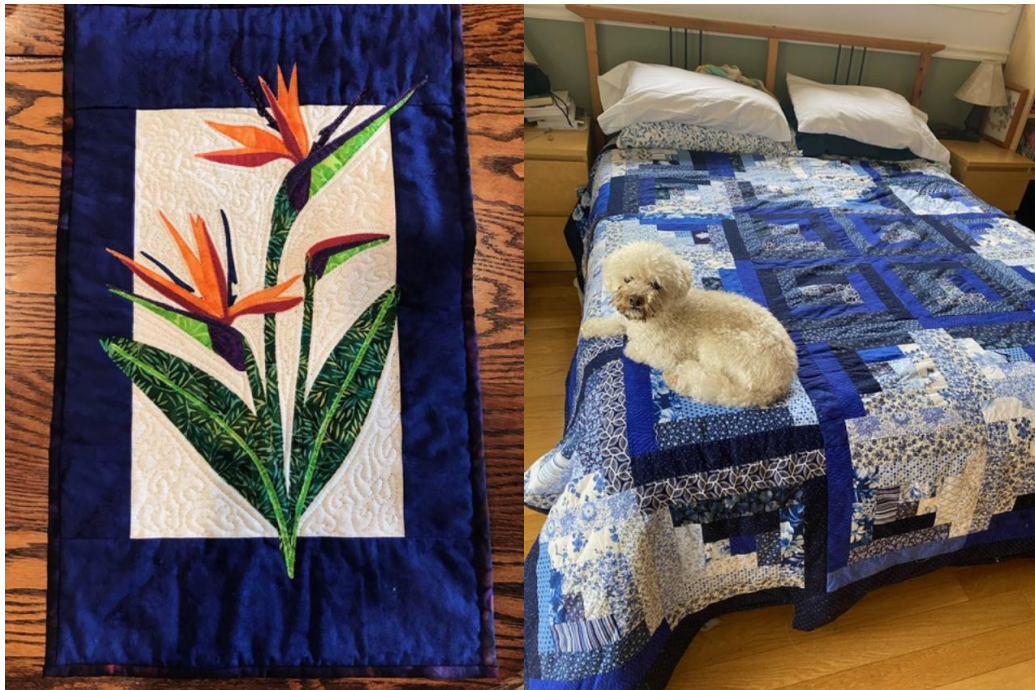
Terry Caselton for Workshops: Julie Curry's workshop will start Thursday, Jan. 21, at 9 a.m. Jena will send out a link tonight.

Terry Caselton would like to start a machine embroidery virtual bee. Contact her if you are interested.

Angi Merlone: Open Sew is canceled for Jan. 22 and Jan. 29, as other PQ events are scheduled for those days and at the moment we cannot do two Zoom events at the same time.

Angi Merlone: Some upcoming evening speakers, mainly ones from the East Coast, will be speaking at 6 p.m. before the general meeting rather than after.

Show and Tell



Annette Caves: Delft (blue log cabin); Bird of Paradise Wall Hanging



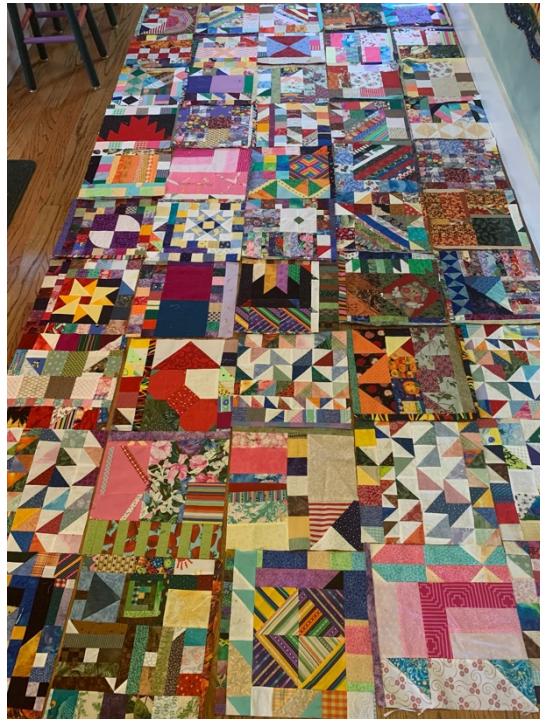
Leonie Batkin: Fleeting Strings



Sandy Kelly: Metro Twist



Barb Hall: Spider Web; 12" Crazy Patches





Angie Sullivan: Buckingham Palace



Barbara Sanders: Circus Tent



Dorothea Copeck-Nolan: Table Runner; Wall Hanging





Terry Caselton: Family Photo Album; Onesies and Details



Connie Bowles: Happy and Scrappy; Pearls of Wisdom



Mavourneen Lopez: Baby Quilt



Anne Merics: Rusty's Block Green; Rusty's Block Blue (blue floral fabric from Covid Free Table)



*Anne Merics: Julie Curry's Scrappy Zig-Zag;
Kids' Pillows (filled with scraps and batting)*





Marilyn Morton: Kyoto Mystery; Moroccan Mystery

Membership report (Anne Merics): 52 members were present.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda McAllister, secretary

Peninsula Quilters Board Meeting January 6, 2021

Attendees: Angi Merlone, Linda McAllister, Jena Walter, Sara Medina, Judy Miyake, Anne Merics, Sandi da Roza, Connie Bowles, Barb Hall, Justine Barnard, Michele Perry, Terry Caselton, Carol Blitzler, Wanda Dragon, Kathy McGuffin, Gale Green

Angi called the meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. Minutes from the November meeting were approved.

A motion to change the time for the January 20 meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. was made and approved unanimously.

Terry Caselton brought up some concerns about speakers' contracts. We are obligated to our current contracts with our upcoming speakers until June; some scheduled for evening meetings have requested that we move them from after the meeting to before to account for time differences. This was approved. A motion was made to have virtual meetings until we are allowed to meet in person or until we fulfill our current contracts, with speakers presenting at 6 p.m. for evening meetings: approved. Michele suggested that if we have an opportunity to meet in person, even in a smaller group, we should try to take it.

Treasurer's report: The Vanguard account has \$19,825; the checking account has \$45,104. December was a good month for revenue due to income from workshops and the Featherweight raffle.

Storage Unit: Judy investigated whether we can get a discount on the unit. It turns out we are currently receiving one. We will keep the current locker until further notice.

Quilter of the Year: Sandi asked how many people typically nominate - last year there were about 50 nominations. Sandi will send out a blast or remind people at the next meeting.

Retreat: Barb Hall reported that 66 people are signed up for the January retreat. Julie Curry and Justine Barnard will each provide a project. Sara Guyol and Gale Green will do a tutorial on labels. Sandy Kelly will lead stretching sessions during the retreat.

New Member Outreach: Barb Hall has been in touch with all new members, has sent them a survey, and will be starting a new bee for them towards the end of the month.

Zoom: Anne Merics would like a tutorial on how to use the chat feature and suggests other members would as well.

Scissors Sharpening: Anne Merics will have a scissors sharpener at her house on January 23 and would like to make the service available to guild members. Angi pointed out that as a guild we cannot encourage people to gather as long as there are Covid-19 restrictions, so people who want sharpening will have to make arrangements to drop off items and payment. Anne will send out a blast.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Jena will be available on Zoom at 9:30 on January 20 to remind members of the meeting time change.

Thanks to Gale for organizing the holiday party!

Sara thanked Carol for the new newsletter format.

Connie asked if we are willing to make our directory information available as a .pdf, not necessarily online. Michele said that we have been reluctant in the past to put this information on our website: the issue is how do we control access. Unresolved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda McAllister, secretary

PQ Virtual Machine Embroidery Bee

Some of you have asked and I am happy to host a "Virtual" (Zoom) Machine Embroidery Bee where we can learn from each other, share ideas and designs and have lots of fun together!

"Virtual" is so great because our machines are heavy and this way we don't have to move them and are sewing in our homes even in our jammies if we want. All Embroidery Machine brands welcome.

Email me if you are interested, and we will work out the details and a day and time that works for all of us: Terry Caselton, terry@pamstravel.net 650-773-5756.

Affiliates

Please support our affiliates by shopping and taking classes at their stores.

Remember to take your Guild membership card, as discount policies vary by affiliate.

Always Quilting, (650) 458-8580, 4230 Olympic Ave., San Mateo CA 94403
www.alwaysquiltingonline.com, info@alwaysquiltingonline.com

Bolt Fabric + Home, (707) 894-2658, 219 N. Cloverdale Blvd., Cloverdale, CA 95425
www.boltcloverdale.com, info@boldcloverdale.com

Broadway Quilts, (707) 938-7312, 20525 Broadway, Sonoma CA 95476
www.BroadwayQuilts.com, Gery@broadwayquilts.com

Empty Spools Seminars, 5306 Springridge Ct., Fairfield CA 94534-4005
www.emptyspoolsseminars.com, info@emptyspoolseminars.com

Ralph's Vacuum & Sewing Center, (650) 368-2841, 837 Main Street, Redwood City, CA 94063
www.ralphsvacnsew.com, info@ralphsvacnsew.com

Serge • A • Lot, (415) 715-8405, 1949 Ocean Ave., San Francisco CA 94127
Sergelot@gmail.com

Newsletter Information: Peninsula Quilters Gazette is published monthly. Cutoff date for submissions is the 25th of the month. Please email submissions to the Editor, with "Newsletter" in the subject line at: newsletter@peninsulaquilters.org. ***We need your input!***

Peninsula Quilters: <http://www.peninsulaquilters.org> **WebAdmin:** webadmin@peninsulaquilters.org
Peninsula Quilters Guild is a 501(c)(3) organization. All donations are tax deductible as permitted by law. Federal ID 94-2747778.

Names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses included in Peninsula Quilters Guild membership directory and newsletters are intended to conduct business of the Guild only. Use of this information for commercial purposes, other solicitation, or purpose is expressly prohibited.

Reprint Permission: Any quilt guild with whom we exchange newsletters may reprint articles from the PQ Gazette by adding the following credit line: "This article is reprinted from the (month, year) issue of the Peninsula Quilters Gazette of the Peninsula Quilters Guild, San Mateo, CA."

Peninsula Quilters Gazette
PO Box 2423
Redwood City CA 94064
www.peninsulaquilters.org

**FIRST
CLASS
MAIL**

Bring to Next Meeting:

Your Name Tag
LifeMoves/Baby Quilts
Show & Tell