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President's Message

Hello my quilting family! This month REALLY feels like spring. I'm back from being in the snow and below zero temperatures in Minnesota at the Mayo Clinic for a month with my son. He is doing much better! I went to the main quilting store in Rochester (there is some serious quilting going on in the Midwest) and noticed again the feeling of "Ahhh, I'm home" as I walked from 12 degrees outside through the door into the many kinds of warmth inside. I feel my heart swell with happiness as I see the beautiful fabric, displays of quilts and patterns, and the lovely smiles and kindness of the women working there. What is it about quilting stores that touches us so deeply? Yes, I bought fabric (that barely fit into the suitcase) and shipped the sewing machine I bought there at Walmart when we were coming home. (Really? She bought *another* sewing machine?)

I understand that Sue Rasmussen was well-received last month as a speaker and workshop leader. Sue said she really enjoyed the group she had in the workshop. Coming this month is the Dora Cary two-day workshop and our March speaker who is featured below. This month we also have Jennifer Fisher, the Volunteer Program Coordinator of Sutter Care at Home Hospice – San Mateo Branch, coming to talk with us about making Fidget Quilts for their patients with dementia. Our Board had decided to include them as an organization for our charitable giving. She will bring samples and talk a little about their program.

I hope your spirits are lifted by your beautiful sewing projects and your hearts are sustained by the loving friendships in our Guild.

Warmly, Jena Walter, President

Diane Steele: Group Quilts, Round Robins, Challenges and Block Exchange **(DianeSteeleQuilts.blogspot.com)**

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Diane Steele is a passionate quilter born and raised in Northern California. She is active in three quilt guilds, past president of one! Diane has worked in a quilt shop, collects antique quilts, lectures and teaches quilting and is a member of the Calendar Girls, a block exchanging and very fun group! I'm inspired by my fellow quilters, quilt shows and quilting magazines so I always have several quilt projects going at a time. Yes, I'm a Rabid Quilter!

Diane says it's always fun to be part of a group project whether it's five of your quilting buddies or everyone in your quilt guild. I bring about three dozen quilts and tops, examples from group projects I've been part of over the years showing the different, interesting interpretations each quilter came up with. A hand-out with many ideas for your group to pursue will be handed out as well. I look forward to sharing ideas and having a fun morning with each of you.

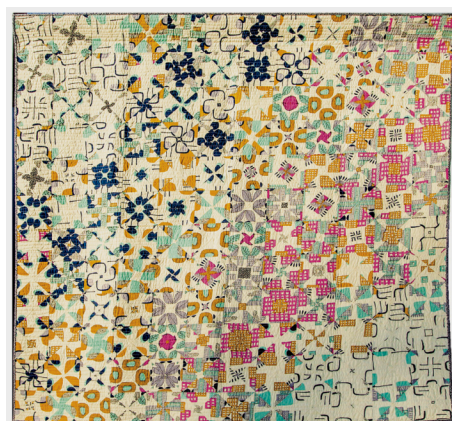
Outreach Scorecard

	February 2020	Year to date
Infant/Baby Quilts	18	39
Shelter Quilts	4 + 2 tops	16
Kathy McGuffin, Arleen Powell, Andy Wolff, Frances Monroe, Barbara Conklin, Rita Leung, Carole Alberts, Kathy Cannon, Happy Scrap Bee, Maureen Krantz, Grace Hardy, Angi Merlone, Barbara Sanders -- Julie Curry, Outreach Coordinator		



PQ Calendar			
March 18	Wed	9:30am	General Meeting and Board Meeting
March 19-20	Thu-Fri	9:00am	Workshop: Dora Cary
April 15	Wed	7:00 pm	General Meeting
April 16	Thu	9:00am	Workshop: Anelie Beldon

Dora Cary: Only One (Orangedotquilt.com) Workshop 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.

2020 PQ Challenge: “P is for ”

P is for Peninsula Quilters, of course. And pumpkins, or purple, or “she persisted,” or a Pine Tree quilt block. Use your imagination and your favorite quilting technique and participate (another “p” word!) in the 2020 Challenge. We’ll show the quilts and vote on our favorites at the April Guild meeting. If we have at least six people who want to enter their quilts in the Fair, we’ll have a challenge category there too.

We’ve got more fabric (the first 6 yards we bought were all scooped up!), and we’ll have some available at the March Guild meeting. If you’d like to get some sooner, or if you want to reserve some in case it runs out again, please contact Jess (jbmilikan8@gmail.com or 415-509-6083).

Rules: Use a recognizable amount of the fabric on the front of the quilt (binding is OK); perimeter minimum 80” and maximum 144”. \$5 entry fee.

Prizes: Viewer’s Choice; Best Use of Challenge Fabric; Most Creative Interpretation of Challenge Theme; Best Construction of Quilt Top; Best Quilting.

-- Jess Millikan

Alice’s Love Event Thursday, April 30, 2020

See the August 2019 PQ newsletter for event background. See the January 2020 PQ newsletter for the “price.”

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.

We are repeating our trip to Sonoma (Broadway Quilts) and Petaluma (Quilted Angel). Transportation and lunch are provided for PQ members.

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 LifeMoves (shelter quilts). Turn your quilt in at a PQ meeting.

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.

As of 2/20/20, there are 17 empty seats on the buses. We are taking signups for non-PQ guests. The Guest payment is \$25 for the bus, and \$16 for a box lunch. Please make the check payable to Peninsula Quilters. Payment is due by April 15 (PQ April meeting). If you have a guest, give Margaret the name, cell phone number, and emergency contact name and phone number. Mail or give Margaret their payment.

Contact Margaret Conti if you have any questions.

New Member Tea

Mark your calendars for the New Member Tea on Saturday, April 25, at Angi Merlone’s home, 2235 Tioga Drive, Menlo Park. Everyone is welcome. Please plan to come and meet our new members.

Quilter of the Year 2020

Peninsula Quilter Guild Ballot

We are delighted to announce those great quilters who were nominated for Quilter of the Year. Thanks to all of your nominations, we are pleased to announce nine worthy candidates. We can each only vote for one of these wonderful women. Ballots will be available at the March meeting. You may also vote by email: amerlone@comcast.net or snail mail to: Angi Merlone, 2235 Tioga Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025.

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CANDIDATE AND PLACE IN THE BALLOT BOX ON THE BOARD TABLE IN THE FRONT OF THE ROOM. YOU MAY ALSO VOTE BY EMAIL OR SNAIL MAIL.

The “purpose and criteria” of the award were stated to be a person who:

- Whenever there is a need, steps up to help.
- Whenever an extra pair of hands is required, is first in line.
- Whenever the love of helping others through quilting, this person is first to bring her knowledge and caring spirit to the table.
- Is a leader who leads, even when not asked or recognized, one who leads by example.

*Past recipients: LaVern Newman, Rosemary Hamerton-Kelly, Margaret Ann Niven, Carol Stapleton, June Wallach, Barbara Hall, Judy Miyake and Gale Green.

In alphabetical order the nominees are:

- **Elizabeth Allocco** - Helps behind the scenes.
- **Lori Atwood** - Is very friendly and quietly helps when needed.
- **Terry Caselton** - Always available to help; wonderful to organize Road to California.
- **Margaret Conti** - Has a helpful and positive attitude. Gently corrects you in quilting and laughs at everyone's jokes.
- **Julie Curry** - for her dedication and enthusiasm for PQ. For generously sharing her talents and taking the lead in major activities and for starting the charitable bee.
- **Ruth Gilroy** - For her cheerfulness and willingness to help and take on some of the more difficult and time consuming positions.
- **Sara Guyol** - For her outstanding and creative work and for her open sharing spirit and her willingness to teach others.
- **Grace Hardy** - For her offers to help others without being asked.
- **Michele Parry** - For her leadership and willingness to take on jobs or lend a helping hand, always with a positive attitude.

PQ GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2020

Vice-President Angi Merlone called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were no new members or guests. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Leslie Lohmeier said this is the first month in a while that we were under budget.

Corresponding Secretary Arleen Powell sent sympathy cards to Gillian Arnold's family, get well cards to Joyce Rosenstiel, Pat Meyer and Lynda Carswell.

No one had any information on the Water Lily pattern.

Angi asked for nominations for the Quilter of the Year.

Alice's Love: Margaret Conti asked all to please get their lunch orders in.

Jess Millikan asked if anyone wanted to buy chances on our Opportunity Quilt. Also reminded us about the April Challenge P is for !!??

Barb Conklin took a charity top to quilt.

Terry Caselton announced that space is available in the March 19 & 20 workshop with Dora Cary (One Block Wonder). Upcoming workshops are April 16, Anelie Beldon (Dresden Sweatshirt, Jacket) and May 21, Julie Curry (Outer Limits).

August Quilt Cruise: See Terry.

Show and Tell:

Grace Hardy	Purple Bear done in the Sue Rasmussen class
Sandi da Roza	Raw edge appliqué
Holly Colgan	2 wall hangings
Barb Hall & Wanda Lewis	"Faces" from Sara Guyol's class
Happy Scrap Bee	Bear Paw
Lori Atwood	30s baby quilt

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Terry Caselton introduced speaker Sue Rasmussen and said there were openings in the class tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Hall, recording secretary (evenings)

Upcoming Workshops



**"Dresden Jacket & Quilt (your choice)" featuring
Anelie Belden www.miystudio.net
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!



Workshop Registration 2020

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 terry@pamstravel.net. In your email subject line, put PQG Workshop and name of the workshop.

- Workshops take place on the Thursday following a General Monthly Meeting.
- All workshops run from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- 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 Classes/Events

Through July 19, **Rosie Lee Tompkins: A Retrospective** at the UC Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive. Co-organized by Larry Rinder and Elaine Yau, it sheds new light on the Bay Area-based quilter whose work is no longer considered solely within the context of quilting but celebrated among the great American artistic achievements of our time. It is also the first in a series of exhibitions drawn from the recent gift of nearly 3,000 quilts by African American artists from the Estate of Eli Leon to the museum.



Tuesday, March 10, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.: Sue Spargo Wool Hand Applique. Learn a new technique with luxurious wool fabrics and instructor Patty Toomey. \$35 plus \$50 for required kit. Serge A Lot, San Francisco, <https://sergealot.com/class-schedule/>

Friday, March 13, or Saturday, March 14, each 11 a.m.-1 p.m.: Free Motion and Quilt Binding -- We will explore setting up your machine with the correct thread and tension settings, Free Motion, Embroidery, Ruler Work. The Binding techniques shown will be stuffed and piped binding. \$40. Serge A Lot, San Francisco, <https://sergealot.com/class-schedule/>

March 19, 20, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; March 21, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.: 19th Annual Sacramento Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival at Cal Expo buildings C & D. Free classes, workshops and demos.
www.quiltcraftsew.com

March 21–22, 2020 – Voices in Cloth 2020 – East Bay Heritage Quilters Craneway Pavilion, Richmond www.ebhq.org

June 20–24 Shop Hop by the Bay - Shop Hop by the Bay is a group of quilt shops who work together to promote our love of quilting and sewing. We work to bring our love of fabric to our customers and to promote quilting and sewing to those who have never ventured into this creative process. We are passionate about what we do and celebrate this passion with our annual Shop Hop by the Bay! Just pick up your official Shop Hop Passport at the first shop you visit. Tour the stores, have your passport stamped and pick up your free pattern and fabric piece at each shop. Check out the list of participating quilt shops on the website www.shophopbythebay.com

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



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and 12-9pm on the first Friday of every month

Through April 12, 2020 Inside Out: Seeing Through Clothing - Clothing acts as both a boundary and bridge between the body and the world. At once utilitarian and deeply expressive, clothing offers protection from external conditions while extending our inner selves—our identities, desires and beliefs—to the surface of our bodies and beyond. This dynamic relationship between inside and outside will be explored in *Inside Out: Seeing Through Clothing*, featuring the work of 11 artists who investigate the boundary that clothing creates between the self and world. Working in the fields of sculpture, photography, installation and textile art, these artists consider themes of transparency, openness, interiority and visibility to create objects that invite us in while reaching out. Their works reimagine clothing as a radical and poetic form, capable of revealing hidden—and often uncomfortable—truths while dissolving boundaries between interior and exterior worlds. Artists include Reiko Fujii, Claudia Casarino, Charlotte Kruk, Robin Lasser & Adrienne Pao, Victoria May, Kate Mitchell, Laura Raboff, Beverly Rayner, Rose Sellery, and Jean Shin. (Turner and Gilliland Galleries)

Through April 12, 2020 Never Ending Thread - Shirley Cunningham and Marianne Lettieri juxtapose their independent art installations to create a space for poetic reverie. Working with re-purposed materials, needle, thread, light and shadow, they explore cultural, spiritual, and material translations of objects, symbols, and text through the aesthetics of craft and design. Cunningham retells an ancient creation story in imaginary tapestry, transforming garments through painterly stitches and skillful embellishment. Lettieri re-contextualizes a thousand articles of estate crochet to make a new narrative about individual identity, community, and creativity. Together, the artists engage the infinite thread that runs through time. (Finlayson Gallery)

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