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Next Meeting: Sept. 15, 11 a.m. - in person!

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President's Message

We are set to meet in person for the first time since February 2020! Our "Birthday Celebration" will be held in person at the Garden Center. It will take place on Sept. 15 at 11 a.m. We will be adhering to the Garden Center rules that all attendees be **Masked** and **Vaccinated**. Inside we will display Challenge quilts and the Free Table.

The meeting as well as the luncheon will be held outdoors. The Guild is providing a box lunch for all. Please arrive early so you have time to vote on the Challenge. RSVP to Angi by Sept. 5 if you plan to attend. This will be a joyous and fun occasion!

Be safe, and we will see you soon,

Angi Merlone, president



Outreach Scorecard

	July	August
Bundles of Joy	6	0
LifeMoves	13	8
Laguna Honda Home	2	0

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 quilts donated to LifeMoves and Bundles of Joy







September Free Table

The next Free Table will be at the September meeting. To make that work smoothly with the volume of fabric that we have, please bring your donations to Jess Millikan's house (812 Laurelwood Drive, San Mateo) during **the week before** the general meeting – *Sept. 7-14*. **Please do not** bring your donations directly to the meeting. Jess will do some preliminary sorting and organizing, and will set up the free table(s!) at the Garden Center in advance of our meeting. As always, fabric, notions, tools, and other quilting paraphernalia are welcome; please do not bring books or patterns. Thank you!



2021-22 Opportunity Quilt: A Quilter's Flower Garden

Our Opportunity Quilt this year will be "A Quilter's Flower Garden," which was designed and pieced by Carol Stapleton from scraps donated by PQ members. It will be quilted by Gale Green, and will have its debut at PIQF in October. As in prior years, PIQF will require that we donate 32 hours of white-glove duty in exchange for our complimentary space to hang the quilt and sell raffle tickets. We will need volunteers to sit at the table, greet visitors and sell raffle tickets throughout PIQF (Oct. 14-17), and to do white-glove duty. As soon as Mancuso Show Management confirms which day is required for white glove, we will set it up on iVolunteer, and you will receive more information about how to sign up.

In the meantime, we are also making arrangements to show this magnificent quilt at other venues, including guilds and quilt shops. If you are a member of another Guild, please email Jess Millikan (jbmillikan8@gmail.com) when they announce dates for meeting in person so she can contact them directly to see if we can bring our quilt for a visit.

Minutes, Zoom PQ General Meeting August 18, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

Terry Caselton welcomed our speaker Sara Trail from the Social Justice Sewing Academy. Sara talked to us for an hour about her history and the work she is doing through the Academy. After her talk we discussed ways to help with her projects. It was a very moving presentation.

After a 5-minute break, Angi Merlone called the meeting to order for our business meeting.

The minutes from July were approved by Terry Caselton and seconded by Sandra Canales.

The birthday party at the September meeting will be held outside at 11 a.m. The treasure table and the Challenge will be inside. Masks will be required, and the guild will provide a box lunch. You will need to RSVP with your lunch order for the party. A blast will be out this week with all the pertinent information.

Treasurer's report (Sara Medina): Sara prepared the budget for next year. The proposed budget will be presented at the September meeting for approval. We paid fees to the Garden Center and in Lynda Carswell's memory. We are using our debit card to pay some of our expenses.

Our Paypal fees have been increased.

Nominating Committee (Sandi daRoza): Neva Hernandez has volunteered to help Suzanne Jeuck with the Raffle baskets. The position of Historian has been eliminated. Most all of the Historian duties are now represented on the website. The corresponding secretary position still needs to be filled.

Challenge: Please send your photos to Jena by Sept 1. We're encouraging in-person voting if possible. Otherwise, Survey Monkey will be available.

The **Free Table** will be at our September meeting. Bring ALL fabrics to Jess' house the week before the meeting so she can sort them.

Barbara Hall and Jena Walter thanked everyone who participated in our **July Retreat**. Fun was had by all. Our next retreat will be in October and will be virtual again. More details to follow.

Judy Miyake announced a clarification of the **fidget quilts**. There should be NO embellishments, just different textures. There will be kits at the September meeting. They should be 18" x 18" with no batting.

Membership (Anne Merics): Sept. 15 is the membership deadline for you to be included in the directory. Carol Blitzer and Wanda Lewis were the winners of the door-prize drawings.

Terry said there are two openings for the St. Francis retreat Sept. 20.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Hall, secretary

Show and Tell:

Connie Bowles: (below) Crayon Box wall hanging (mitered stripe quilt based on technique published in American Quilter's July 2010 magazine; Magic Squares & More by Eileen B. Sullivan and (right) Retreat Quilt









Leonie Batkin: (left) Redwood Season (based on a pattern from a woman in Canada) and (right) from the retreat (with red and white fabric from a Free Table)

Slate of Officers for 2021-2022:

President - Sandi daRoza Vice-President - Sandy Kelly Treasurer - Sara Medina Recording Secretaries - Linda McAllister(am), Holly Colgan (pm) Corresponding Secretary - Arleen Powell Past President - Angi Merlone

Committee Chairs:

Bee Coordinator - Rose Wilson Program Chair - Connie Bowles Membership Chairs - Anne Merics, Justine Bernard Welcome Committee Chair - Barbara Hall

Parliamentarian - Michele Parry
Historian - Judy Miyake
NCQC rep/speaker/workshop Chair - Terry Caselton
Workshop Support - Anne Merics, Wanda Lewis Dragon
PQ retreats - Barbara Hall, Jena Walter
Annual Challenge - Jess Millikan
County Fair Liaison - Wanda Lewis Dragon
Fund Raising Chair - Sandra Canales
Opportunity Quilt Chair - Jess Millikan

Raffle Baskets - Suzanne Jeuck, Neva Hernandez
Quilt Exhibit/Show - Julie Curry
Hospitality - Judy Miyake
2021 Holiday Event - Nancy Krosse
Outreach Chair - Julie Curry
Neonatal Quilts - Linda Hester, Joyce Wheeler, Julie Curry
LifeMoves Quilts/Bee Charitable & Storage - Julie Curry, Judy Miyake, Linda Hester
Social Media Coordinator - Sara Medina
WebAdmin - Kathy McGuffin
Email Blaster - Rita Leung
Roster - Michele Parry
Newsletter - Carol Blitzer
Newsletter Assistant - Judy Ousterhout
Birthday Event - TBA

Voting will take place at our September meeting. Please note that many of our board and committee chairs have graciously offered to continue in their positions for another year. We truly appreciate and are thankful for all the volunteering! As the saying goes...IT TAKES A VILLAGE.

--Sandi daRoza

Minutes, Zoom Peninsula Quilters Board Meeting August 4, 2021

Attendees: (at start of meeting) Angi Merlone, Linda McAllister, Jena Walter, Sara Medina, Judy Miyake, Michele Parry, Anne Merics, Joyce Wheeler, Sandi daRoza, Linda Hester, Wanda Dragon, Terry Caselton, Jess Millikan, Sandy Kelly, Carol Blitzer

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by Angi. The minutes from the July board meeting were approved.

Birthday Party update (Angi): We are still scheduled for an in-person, mostly outdoor meeting at the San Mateo Garden Center in September. This will be a catered lunch, estimated cost \$16 per person, expecting about 65 attendees. Challenge quilts will be displayed indoors. Masks are required for indoors, recommended for outdoors. Members who plan to attend must RSVP so we can get a count for the lunch order. Judy suggested that in addition to encouraging members to wear name tags we should have labels available at meetings for those who forgot.

Update on fidget quilts (Judy): Sutter Hospice has settled on what they actually want: small textured quilts. They have obtained a grant for this and have given a large amount of Minkie fabric to PQ. Judy will have kits available at the September meeting.

Budget (Sara): Sara presented the proposed budget for 2021-22. Comments and discussion:

- -under income, add about \$750 from Opportunity Quilt ticket sales
- -remove Historian expenses, as position no longer exists under new by-laws
- -Heart-to-Heart expenses: This is in addition to regular workshops, but not a workshop itself. The question of whether we should underwrite workshop costs came up: Consensus is that we cover costs of speakers because they benefit the guild as a whole, while workshops do not.

-keeping a reserve fund: It was suggested that we keep a one-year reserve on hand as we do not know how the pandemic will affect us in the coming year.

-Survey Monkey expenses: The price of the unlimited version has gone up to \$369/year. However, the cheaper version we are using is good until next April. We should budget for this or a similar tool but do not have to spend the budgeted money. Discussion tabled until current version expires, leave item in budgeted.

Motion to approve budget as amended passed. Sara will revise budget and send to board for review before presenting it to the general meeting in September.

Garden Center update: The Garden Center sent a letter to the regularly scheduled organizations in July 2020 soliciting donations for repair and maintenance work. Sara proposed donating \$1,000 to their general fund. After discussion, a grant of \$500 was approved.

Opportunity Quilt (Jess): We are planning to show the new opportunity quilt at PIQF in October, and at any local quilt meetings in person. Jess is also talking with local quilt shops about displaying the quilt and either selling tickets or allowing us to have a member sell tickets. Showing our quilt at Road to California is a long shot: It is not possible to rent a booth, and space for guilds is limited to four per day. To be considered, we must have our paperwork, including valid documentation from the state Attorney General, with a non-refundable \$25 fee by Sept. 1. We must also provide 20 hours of white-glove duty. The board asked Jess to continue to pursue this opportunity.

Raffle Baskets (Sandi): Neva Hernandez will be taking over raffle baskets when we re-start inperson meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda McAllister, secretary

Road to California

We have reservations Jan. 20-23, 2022 (3 nights) at the DoubleTree Hotel Ontario:

- \$129 per night per room, single and double occupancy available two queen beds non-smoking:
- Hotel is within walking distance to the convention center;
- I will look into a charter flight to go together or you can book your own transportation;
- There are eight rooms available on a first-come basis. Email me if you are interested terry@pamstravel.net.

Show/Class dates: Jan. 19-24, 2022

Book classes online starting: Aug. 15, 2021

--Terry Caselton

Destination Retreats

At this time the **Destination Retreats** are full! If you are interested in receiving more information and/or to be put on the wait list email Terry Caselton <u>terry@pamstravel.net</u> and indicate which retreat you are interested in joining.

- Sept. 13-17, 2021: St. Francis Retreat House, San Juan Baptista
- April 25-29, 2022: Villa Angelica, Carmel
- Sept. 12-16, 2022: St. Francis Retreat House, San Juan Baptista
- Oct. 24-27, 2022: Bishop Ranch, Santa Rosa

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Bring to Next Meeting:

Your Name Tag LifeMoves/Baby Quilts Show & Tell