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*Make friends.
Share what we know.
Learn from each other.*

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President's Message

It's February and I'm starting to think about what I would like to donate this coming year. I ended up purchasing a lovely floral layer cake to make a lap quilt. Have you decided what you are going to make for our outreach program? I don't know about you but when I'm working on one of them it makes me feel good and since I always already feel good quilting, it's double the fun!

Mel Beach will be talking about free motion work and outreach quilts are the perfect places to practice that. See you on Thursday the 13th . Terry

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, February 13, 7:00 pm, **General Meeting** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave.

Tuesday, February 18, noon, **Board Meeting** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave. All are welcome.

Tuesday, February 25, 10 am to 3 pm, **Open Sew** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave.

A reminder: All of our meetings/open sews/workshops/retreats are fragrance free. Some of us are quite sensitive and appreciate your thoughtfulness.

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING

Our speaker is Mel Beach. Even if you never intend to do our own free motion quilting, you will be delighted by Mel's entertaining program describing her adventures into the pitfalls and rewards of learning to quilt on her domestic machine.

As a professional Quilting Instructor, Mel felt she needed to add Free Motion Quilting to her skill set, and as with learning any new skill, it had its ups and downs. Mel has an excellent sense of humor and we are sure you will be thoroughly entertained by her, and enjoy her adventures on the road of learning. She will end with a trunk show highlighting her work. These are two samples of her work.



MEMBERSHIP

Renewals (\$40.00) continue. Please check the directory to be sure all your information is correct. If something needs changing let me know.

2020 RETREAT UPDATE

We're getting ready to roll our sewing machine totes in to Mercy Center. We have 29 paid deposits and one opening. There is one member on the wait list.

IMPORTANT - final payment of \$210 is due before or at the February General Meeting on Thursday, February 13. **REMEMBER** - You need to be a paid guild member for the 2020 year in order to attend for the member pricing. If there are still openings, members on the wait list will be contacted one more time after the February Guild meeting to commit and pay the full amount or decline. After that, any openings will be available for friends or non-members at the non-member pricing.

For Your Information - Cancellation Terms:

- 60 or more days prior to the retreat= full refund including deposit (**by 2/27/2020**)
- 30 to 59 days prior to the retreat = 50% refund (**by 3/28/2020**)
- Up to 29 days = no refund

If someone on the wait list takes your place, the guild retreat coordinator will work with you to fill the spot. Unforeseen emergency circumstances will be handled on a case by case basis.

You will be receiving a packet of information during the first week of April.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact: Leslie Sorenson, AQG 2020 retreat coordinator
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BIRTHDAY PARTY – Thanks to everyone who contributed china, teapots, food and flowers to the stunning birthday party (ed. note – I can't believe I missed it). It looks gorgeous and delicious.





The 2019 AQG BOARD – thanks to all our volunteers.





Back Row: Rachelle King, Linda Ganfield, Alla Blanca, Heidi Schultz, Jeanne Heffernan
Middle Row: Terry Hodges, Marie Dunford, Rita Virgil, Leslie Sorenson, Anna Elefant, Sally Mirault, Helene Young
Front Row: Marcy Pauline, Carole King, Suzanne Duran, Laraine Salmon, Denise Barron, Bonnie Jacobsen

OUTREACH - PILLOWCASES

It's the start of a New Year and time to start again on pillowcases. If you have been one of our contributors, thank you. If not, this is a good time to start. Pillowcase kits are available at every general meeting and at our Open Sew days. We are always looking for donations of fabric, especially fabric appropriate for children's pillowcases. A pillowcase needs 7/8 yard for the body and 3/8 yard for the cuff. Search through your stash and see what might be suitable.

BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

This block will be available at the February meeting. Kits are \$2.



KISS IT GOODBYE - It's back!

Bring your left-overs,
extras, unfinished projects, et al.
It's amazing what can find a new
home.

OUT & ABOUT

Heritage Button Show and Sale Saturday, March 21, 2020 10am to 5pm

1980 Hamilton Avenue, San Jose, CA. 95125

We have all varieties of clothing buttons, from those worn in the 18th century thru the Victorian era; Art Deco; and German & Czech buttons from the 1940's-1980's. French couture buttons will be available, as well as hand-made buttons designed by current button artisans.

<https://tinyurl.com/heritagebuttonshow>

17th Annual Sonoma Quilt Show Saturday, Mar 21 & Sunday, Mar 22. 10 am to 4 pm

Vintage House Senior Center, 264 First St. East, Sonoma, CA 95476

Judy Dieter, fiber artist and Russ Dieter photographer are the featured artists at this year's show. This duo has collaborated to combine their life's passions in a series of photographs to quilts exhibit. As a fiber artist, Judy also uses appliqué, thread and painting to embellish jackets. Over 100 quilts by local quilters are displayed at the show.

Admission: \$5. Donated to Vintage House Senior Center to support their programs.

Quilt Show Reno Thursday, June 11, 2020 Friday, June 12, 2020, Sunday, June 13, 2020

Grand Sierra Resort, 2500 E. Second St., Reno, NV 89595

Summit Pavilion (Main level of the hotel, across from the Bowling Center)

ADMISSION: \$10 per Day \$1 OFF with coupon 2 & 3-Day Passes available online

HOURS: 10 AM - 5 PM Thursday & Friday, 10 AM - 4 PM Saturday

Seven Sisters Quilt Show

Saturday, June 27, 2020, 9am to 5pm & Sunday, June 28, 2020, 9am to 4pm

Quilts of the Central Coast - Alex Madonna Expo Center at the Madonna Inn

100 Madonna Road. San Luis Obispo, California

Admission: \$10. Good for one or both days Children under 12 free

GUILD MEETING AGENDAS FOR 2020

January	Board Induction Ceremony / Birthday Party / Member Survey "How Are We Doing?"
February	Mel Beach, a San Jose, CA based quilt artist, teacher and lecturer, who breaks away from tradition by adding her own modern, beautifully textured and colorful twists.
March	Linda Ganfield, vintage quilts
April	Extended Show and Tell
May	Linda Schmidt, her website is Short Attention Span Quilting. Need I say more!
June	Annual Auction
July	Share a favorite book, tool, or product. Also Outreach Donations
August	Demonstrations of Holiday Gift Ideas
September	Silk & Salvage, Sue Fox & Julia McLeod
October	Ruler Demonstrations
November	Extended Show and Tell
December	Holiday Potluck and Outreach Donations

GUILD WORKSHOP SCHEDULE FOR 2020

Your board has been hard at work designing an exciting year of workshops for you.

January 11	Decorative Cards – Gigi Jensen
February 15	The Quilter's Edge – Terry Hodges
March 14	Wool Applique – Joan Beall & Kathleen Fennelly
April 11	Jelly Roll Rug – Joy Beireis-Molnar
May 16	Table Runner – Leslie Sorenson
June 13	TBA – Sujata Shah
No workshops in July and August	
September 12	Santa Ornament- Kim Orzell
October 10	Dyeing Fabric – Laraine Salmon
November 14	Spring Mini Quilt – Terry Hodges

2020 AFFILIATES

We're in the process of contacting possible affiliates for this year. If you have a favorite store or resource, let us know.

WEBSITE

You can submit photos to alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com

If you click on MEMBERS ONLY (near the top of the page) you will be shown a screen that asks you to put in a password. Check your email for the password.

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