



THE BRIDGE

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

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President's Message

Ah June...maybe you are busy planning family vacations, reunions, graduations, weddings....It's a busy time of year. Hope you still find time for quilting. Sometimes it gives me a calm time within the busyness. Quilting to me is not "just a hobby." It's my personal, relaxing expression of art and creativity.

With our donation quilts, the first of which will be given in July, quilting is also an opportunity to share something lovely and comforting with someone. And sharing and caring is always a worthwhile thing, in my opinion.

Upcoming Dates

Tuesday, June 4, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm **Open Sew** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave

Thursday, June 13, 7:00 pm **General Meeting** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave. Speaker is Fern Royce

Tuesday, June 18, **Board Meeting**, 12pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave.

Thursday, July 11, 7:00 pm **General Meeting** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave. There will be a book and pattern exchange and presentation of outreach pillowcases and quilts.

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

JUNE GENERAL MEETING

Our speaker is Fern Royce. In her words:

Sewing is part of my DNA. I was drawn to textiles from a very early age and learned to sew on a machine by age 10. I started quilting in 1995. I did not use patterns, but rather taught myself to “look” – find the block; figure out the construction.

My quilt inspirations come from a sense of curiosity and questioning: What if I did this? What if I added/subtracted that? Changed this? These explorations gave me a sense of independence and allowed me to find my own path.

My greatest joy as a teacher is sharing my love of liberated quilting and empowering other quilters to create their own work and trust their instincts, dispensing encouragement and tips along the way as they develop and hone their quilting style.

OPEN SEW

Due to Trinity’s summer schedule, there will be an open sew on June 4 and another on August 27. We’ll return to the regular second Tuesday schedule in September. See you there.

WORKSHOPS

There will be no workshops in June, July, or August. The next workshop will be Saturday, September 18. Terry Hodges will present Beginning and Advanced Paper Piecing. Registration for the Advanced class will close in July, registration for the Beginning class will close in August.

Be sure to bring cash or your checkbook to the Guild meetings. You never know when you’ll want to sign up for a workshop. Don’t be disappointed.

Some more items from the April Show and Tell:





QUILT BLOCK CHALLENGE - February 14, 2019 – July 11, 2019

The theme is Music. Music arouses emotions, images, and memories in all of us. What does music mean to you? Do you have a favorite style, artist, instrument or lyric?

Please follow the simple rules below:

- The block must include your interpretation of the music theme by using your own fabric.
- You may use a pattern or create your own design.
- You may sew, appliqué, embellish, print, paint, etc.
- The block size must be: No smaller than 12" x 12", No larger than 18" x 18"
- Your project must be completed with quilting and binding.
- Completed blocks are due at the July 11th meeting.

Any questions, please contact Sally Mirault. 510 523-8078 or sallymirault@comcast.net

KISS IT GOODBYE

We'll have a Kiss it Goodbye table at the June, July, August, and September meetings. This is a chance for you to clean out, recycle, or pass on items you no longer need. Remember that your 'trash' is someone else's 'treasure'. Items should be quilt related – fabric, magazines, quilt tops, orphan blocks, tools.

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FALL MINI RETREAT

Ready for some quilting fun? Join us for the Fall Mini Retreat at the Alameda Air Museum on Saturday and Sunday, October 5 & 6 from 10am to 4pm. The deposit will be \$35.00 cash or checks payable to the Alameda Quilt Guild. The total fee of \$70.00 includes the room rental and two catered lunches and snacks. The final \$35.00 payment will be in September. There will be hourly prizes and good company! Sign-ups will be at the June meeting, see you then. Terry

BOARD BRIEFS

Congratulations to all who bid at the May auction. We added \$802 to our treasury and lots of people got new projects to work on.

We had 66 discreet visitors to our website this month, 571 since the site went live. That's incredible, keep up the good work.

And some more items from the April Show and Tell:



SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Laraine Salmon won the Viewer's Choice award for her entry in the March Show at the San Francisco Quilt Guild. Way to put Alameda on the map. Congratulations.



AQG on PARK STREET

Thanks to all who helped staff our table at the Park Street Festival. We put our name and gorgeous banner out there. Dozens of people stopped by to visit and inquire about us, or tell stories about an antique quilt they had.

Our next publicity event will be the Mini Maker Faire at Alameda Point on August 11.



OUT & ABOUT

The 17th Annual **Quilt Show Reno** will be held at Grand Sierra Resort in Reno, NV, June 20 - 22, 2019,

WHAT: Quilt Show Reno

WHEN: June 20 - 22, 2019

WHERE: Grand Sierra Resort, 2500 E. Second Street, Reno, NV 89595 - Free Valet & Self-Parking

HOURS: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Thursday & Friday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Saturday

<https://www.quiltshowreno.com/newsletter-3-21-19.html>

August 17-18: **Delta Quilters**. Brentwood Community Center, Brentwood

September 14-15: **Elk Grove Quilt Guild**. Portuguese Hall, Elk Grove

September 21-22: **Sierra Quilt Guild**. Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora

September 27-29: **River City Quilt Guild**. McClellan Park, McClellan

September 28 -29: **Quilting in the Garden**. Alden Lane Nursery, Livermore

October 12-13: **Columbia Harvest Festival**. Columbia State Park, Columbia

October 26-27: **Seasons in the Woods Holiday Boutique**. Independence Hall Community Center, Arnold

November 9-10: **Tuleberg Quilt Guild**. Location TBA, Stockton

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WEBSITE

You can submit photos to alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com.

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ITEM OF INTEREST

The Sewing Room, at 2434 Webb Ave in Alameda, stocks thread. Their hours are generally afternoons, closed Sunday and Thursday. Call first, at 510 332-9807

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- New Pieces Quilt Shop, 766 Gilman, Berkeley (510)527-6779 www.newpieces.com
- Broadway Quilts, 20525 Broadway, Sonoma (707)938-7312 www.broadwayquilts.com
- Recrafting, 2449 Santa Clara, Alameda (510)263-0249 www.therecraftingco.com
- The Cotton Patch, 1025 Brown Ave, Lafayette (925)284-1177 www.quiltusa.com

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