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President's Message - Welcome to Fall!

Time certainly is flying by, even with COVID. Your board has been making plans for 2021 and I would like to give them a shout out for all of the work, time and talent they give to our guild. It takes a village to run a guild and we are fortunate to have them giving of their time to us! We have a change on the board, Paula Casteen will be leaving her position as Treasurer and Ruth Hunter will take her place.

Our first full Zoom meeting went well and I want to thank all of you who have stepped out of your comfort zone to learn this new skill. I am one of them!!! Over half the guild attended the meeting, pretty good for this new endeavor.

With no in-person meetings we have been trying alternate ways of engaging members. Our UFO exchange was a success and we will be having a Kiss-It-Goodbye event in the park on Oct. 22. See below for more info, hope to see you there.

Our open sew was great fun and well attended, so we will be offering another in October.

We would also like you to participate in our survey this month, answering the question, "What is your favorite quilt that you've made and why?" We will publish the answers in the November newsletter. Check out the rest of our marvelous Newsletter for lots of fun, interesting information, and upcoming activities and events. Be safe...Keep creating...

Terry Hodges, AQG President

Upcoming Dates

Oct. 8: Zoom member meeting – share your favorite book, tool, or product/process, names to Terry by Oct 5

Oct. 22: Kiss It Goodbye, Lincoln Park, 2 pm. BOM blocks due

Oct. 27: Open sew, Trinity, 10 am - 3 pm

Nov. 12: Extended show & tell, pictures to Marie by Nov 2.

Dec. 10: 1 pm – 4 pm, Donations drop-off, goodie bag pickup, pay 2021 dues

OCTOBER ZOOM MEETING

The next Alameda Quilt Guild meeting will be held via Zoom on Thursday, Oct 8 at 7pm. Choose a favorite book, tool, or product to share with our members. No more than two items per person please. If you are going to share items, send your name to Terry Hodges (terrychodges@aol.com). She will make a list of people presenting and facilitate the Zoom meeting in an orderly fashion.

A few days prior to the meeting you will receive an e-blast with all the information you need to join the meeting. The presentation will start at 7:00 pm, you can join beginning at 6:45. When you join the Guild meeting via Zoom, you will be automatically muted. You will be able to hear and see the meeting facilitator and the speakers, but anything you say will be muted. You will be asked how to join the meeting, click on "Join with computer audio." If you don't click on this, you will not be able to hear the meeting.

If you have a question about Zoom, use the Chat feature at the bottom of the Zoom screen. Chat is just like texting. The facilitators, Marie and Jeanne, will be monitoring the Chat feature and will try to answer any questions or help with problems. During the presentation, if you have a question for the speakers, use the Chat feature. Jeanne will compile these questions and the speakers will address them.

Please be aware that the meeting will be recorded. It will be archived on the Guild website. What do I need to do prior to the meeting?

- If you already have a Zoom account, you don't need to do anything else.
- If you do not have a Zoom account, sign up and download the Zoom software. It is free of charge.
- Desktops and laptops are well suited for, but tablets and phones can also be used.

Google Zoom or type in: https://zoom.us Click on the orange button that says Sign up for Free. Zoom is very user friendly, but if you have a problem, please contact, Marie Dunford megdunford@comcast.net or Jeanne Heffernan jmh8346@sbcglobal.net There are also many You Tube videos that you can view.

Looking forward to our next Zoom meeting in October!

Marie Dunford and Jeanne Heffernan

Facilitators

KISS IT GOODBYE MEETING IN THE PARK

We'll meet on Thursday, Oct 22 at 2 pm in Lincoln Park (High Street side), with masks and social distancing, to clear out our stash. Bring your items in zip lock bags. Anything that doesn't get taken off the table, you take home. We will collect BOM blocks too. Bring your chair and wear a face covering.

Join us for some needed socializing and to find a new project!

OPEN SEW

We've scheduled an Open Sew for Tuesday, Oct 27 from 10 am to 3 pm at Trinity. It will be limited to 10 participants, masks and social distancing required. It is dependent on regulations at that time, stay tuned in case we have to cancel. To register, contact Carole King at king.carole@gmail.com

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate.

Reach out and send good wishes to our sister quilters with birthdays this month!

Barbara Stuber, Joanne Bruun, MaryAnn Rose, Rikki Henneman

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 70 members. Renewals are now due. You may send a check to P.O. Box 2724, bring it to the meeting at the park on Thursday, October 22, or to the donation drop off on Thursday, December 10.

A reminder, if you are going to the retreat next April, you must be a member of AQG. Stay safe. Carole King

BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

Barbara Stuber will collect completed blocks at the Kiss It Goodbye park meeting on Thursday, Oct 22. If you can't be there, drop them off or mail to Suzanne Duran, 2520 Encinal

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING – EXTENDED SHOW AND TELL

This will be Thursday, November 12 at 7 pm.

Please send Marie Dunford (<u>megdunford@comcast.net</u>) pictures of your quilt (front, back and/or close-up) of each quilt you would like to share. The deadline is November 2.

Marie will create a slide show and you will be able to talk about your piece, just as we do when we meet in person.

SURVEY QUESTION

This is a new inter-active feature. "What is your favorite quilt you've made and why?"

Answers are due by October 29 to your editor, Dorothy Kerwin (kerwindorothy@gmail.com) I will publish answers and pictures in the November newsletter.

OUTREACH

We have pillowcase kits and fidget kits (3) as well as quilt labels available. Any members who wish kits or labels can contact either Helene or Jeanne to request.

2021 RETREAT UPDATE

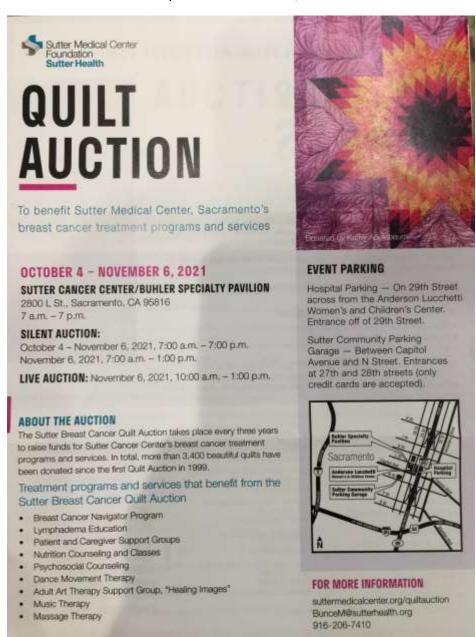
The 2021 retreat is at Mercy Retreat Center on April 19-23, 2021. If you know those dates do not work for you and need a refund, contact me. If you just want a refund let me know. We know that sometimes life happens and you may have to cancel, if so, contact me. All of the cancellation dates for next year still have to be worked out.

We have openings for the retreat. The cost is \$420 and we will be doing sign ups at the December donations drop off. You will need to pay the full amount and complete the form that will be on the WEB page. It will be on a first come basis and you can bring money and the form for one other person. We will receive the contract in December, so will have more details then.

Questions, contact me, Carole King 510 522 6601.

If you are interested in planning the 2022 retreat, please let us know. Reservations usually need to be made one year in advance.

For Your Information: If you want to donate, visit the website. New Pieces will accept donations.



GUILD MEETINGS FOR 2020

October 8 Zoom Meeting- share your favorite book, tool, or product (limit two)

November 12 Zoom Meeting - Extended Show and Tell

December 10 Outreach Donations drop off & Goodie Bags (you don't want to miss this!)

GUILD WORKSHOPS FOR 2020

Stay tuned – we're looking at options. Maybe online / Zoom workshops.

IMPORTANT NOTE

If you receive emails from ALAMEDA GUILD it is not our guild. Do not open, it could be malware. AQG emails will always say ALAMEDA QUILT GUILD. I received my first wrong email today. I know some of you get them more frequently. Carole King



This is a Dorothea Lange picture from 1936. Carol Bernard wants to know what the blocks are. Any ideas?

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The Recrafting Company, 2449 Santa Clara Ave, (510) 263-0249 info@therecraftingcom.com
Broadway Quilts, 20525 Broadway, Sonoma 95476, (707) 938-7312 www.broadwayquilts.com
Be sure to mention you saw them in this newsletter.

WEBSITE

You can submit photos to <u>alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com</u>. The MEMBERS ONLY section is **only** for members of the Alameda Quilt Guild and requires a password. Please do not share it.

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