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Learn from each other.*

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President's Message

Wonder if any of you feel as I do. The holidays are over, and I can settle in to quilting again. It's kind of a nice feeling. Getting back to routines, but perhaps with a fresh outlook in some area because it's a new year.

Thanks to all our members for the donations at the January meeting. 145 cans of food were delivered to the Alameda Food Bank.

In our February meeting we will take a look at various technology tools to help quilters—like YouTube, Pinterest, our AQG website, Blocks Galore, and EQ8. Come to be inspired! And we look forward to Show and Tell. Linda Ganfield

Upcoming Dates

Feb 12 Open Sew 10 am to 3 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church

Feb 14 7:00 pm General Meeting, The Challenge project for 2019 will be presented. It will also be Demo Night. Topics are: Blocks Galore, Pinterest, YouTube, EQ8, and the AQG Website. Bring your wi-fi device, phone or tablet, to the meeting. Learn how to access all kinds of websites and apps. We'll end the evening with Show and Tell.

March 14 7:00 pm General Meeting with speaker Lynn Koolish

April 11 7:00 pm General Meeting. This will be a full evening of show and tell. We encourage quilts, apparel, and craft projects of all kinds.

Editor's note – I'd like to remind all members that all of our meetings/open sews/workshops/retreats are fragrance free. Some of us are quite sensitive and appreciate your thoughtfulness.

MARCH MEETING - Confessions of an Eclectic Quilter

In this fiber art lecture, Lynn Koolish presents her personal journey in art quilting with a discussion of inspiration, process, and quilts. Join her as she explores various media, techniques, and processes. Lynn works in a variety of styles and loves experimenting with new ideas, materials, and techniques. She edits quilting books full-time and teaches a variety of surface design and quilting classes. Her quilts have appeared in books, magazines, and local and national quilt shows. Lynn resides in Berkeley, CA

OPEN SEW

Join us on Tuesday, February 12 from 10 – 3 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave. If you haven't tried this yet, I encourage you to come. It is such fun to share work, ideas, questions, and opinions with others. We always have a great time. It's not too early to get a start on the outreach quilts for 2019!

WORKSHOPS

The February workshop is Saturday, February 16, 10 am at the Alameda Naval Air Museum, 2151 Ferry Point, Alameda. Terry Hodges will teach how to make a collage quilt.

The March workshop is Saturday, March 16, 10 am at the Alameda Naval Air Museum. Gigi Jensen will teach about color, hue, tone, tint, and value.

A reminder, workshop registration is the month before the workshop. Plan to sign up for the March workshop at the February meeting.



Alameda Quilt Guild 2018 Board

Back Row, left to right: Linda Ganfield, Rachelle King, Leslie Sorenson, Dorothy Kerwin, Heidi Schultz, Jeanne Heffernan, Chris Constantino, Alla Blanca

Front Row, left to right: Terry Hodges, Bonnie Jacobsen, Carol King, Marcy Pauline, Marie Dunford, Suzanne Duran, Laraine Salmon, Sally Mirault, Emily Neumeier, Helene Young

BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

The February/March Block of the Moment will be a Disappearing Nine Patch. It is a simple variation on the basic nine patch that can be laid out to create numerous visual effects. Fabrics are neutral grays and brightly colored florals, evoking for me the upcoming seasons of rain and new blooms. Kits will be sold in February and due back in March. Enough time for the winner to whip up a finish before “April showers bring May flowers!”



Our brand-new publicity quilt. Thanks to all the members who contributed blocks and thanks to Joan Beall for the title appliques, Terry Hodges for assembling the blocks, and Laraine Salmon who quilted it. The intent is to use the quilt when we participate in civic events.

OUT & ABOUT

Folsom Quilt & Fiber Guild show, February 8-10, 2019. Folsom, CA.

info: <http://folsomquilt.org/index.html>

Pajaro Valley Quilt Association show, February 23-24, 2019. Watsonville, CA.

info: <https://pvqa.org/2019-pvqa-quilt-show/>

Manteca Quilters Quilt and Doll Show, March 2-3, 2019. Stockton, CA.

info: <http://www.mantecaquilters.com/>

Sonoma Quilt Show, Mar 9th & 10th from 10-4:00, Vintage House Senior Center, 264 First Street East, Sonoma CA. *\$5.00 Admission to Benefit Vintage House Senior Center*

Featuring The Pointless Sisters - The Pointless Sisters are a 50 member art quilt group whose members' quilts have been shown nationally and internationally. Using a variety of non-traditional quilting and surface design techniques, its members produce stunning and innovative fiber arts. Come and see this collection of over 100 quilts made by local quiltmakers.

The **18th Annual Sacramento Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival** will be held March 14-16, 2019 at Cal Expo, Sacramento, CA

WHAT: Sacramento Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival

WHEN: March 14 - 16, 2019

WHERE: Cal Expo, 1600 Exposition Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95815

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

ADMISSION: \$10 for a 3-Day Pass - with coupon \$5.

A \$5 OFF Admission Coupon is available to print out on our website www.quiltcraftsew.com

FEATURES: \$500 Cash giveaway daily at 9:30 AM at the Green Building

FREE Seminars | Hourly Prize Drawings | HUGE Vendor Mall | Make & Take It Projects | and much more!

San Francisco Quilt Guild, March 22-23, 2019

The SFQG's 18th biennial show presents more than 200 quilts made by members along with work by featured artists Sujata Shah and the guild's own Jeanie Low. Special exhibits showcase the Dorcas Quilters on their 80th anniversary, the Millefiori mini group, wearables, and antique and vintage sewing machines plus sewing memorabilia. With more than two dozen vendors, quilt appraisals, an activity corner with crafts for all ages, a market stocked with handmade items, and more, QUILT 2019 is a not-to-be-missed event.

My name is Maenette Proctor. I'm with **Pine Needlers Quilt Guild** in Groveland, Ca. We would like to invite your guild to come visit with us at our 2019 Quilt Show. Find all the info here: SAT, MAY 4, 2019 AT 9 AM Seventh Biennial Quilt Stroll Don't forget to save the date and let all your friends know...

<https://www.facebook.com/events/201928830758071/> Thank you.

RETREATS

Our 2019 retreat is April 1 to April 5 at Mercy Retreat and Conference Center in Auburn, CA. The planning for the 2020 retreat is already in the works. Stay tuned for more details

2019 AFFILIATES

Please patronize our affiliates and mention Alameda Quilt Guild when you are there.

- Bay Quilts, 5327 Jacuzzi St, Richmond (510)558-0218 bay-quilts.shoplightspeed.com
- New Pieces Quilt Shop, 766 Gilman, Berkeley (510)527-6779 www.newpieces.com
- Broadway Quilts, 20525 Broadway, Sonoma (707)938-7312 www.broadwayquilts.com



Left: Rachelle King applies last minute details to the delicious birthday cupcakes at the January meeting.

Right: The festive decorations for the January birthday party. Thanks to Terry Hodges and committee for all their hard work.

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

OUTREACH

AQG members are encouraged yearly to participate in sewing and quilting projects for charity giving. All sizes of quilts are welcome, but quilts for teens are most welcome. Additionally, pillow case and Joy Bundle projects are alternative donations. A Joy Bundle is a stuffed animal wrapped with an 18x18 quilt and ribbon. The pillow cases are utilized by Foster-A-Dream for the child's carrying their personal items received as they enter their new home. Pillow cases are also given with each quilt. The small stuffed toy 'bundle' are gifted to the younger children at our Alameda Midway Shelter and VOA-Foster-A-Dream youth that are the AQG designated charities. This year 2019 there will be two (2) collection dates at the AQG meetings for members to donate their projects, both in June and December. Any questions please contact the Outreach Project Coordinator Jeanne Heffernan at alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com

WEBSITE

Look for changes to the website in the new year. The newsletter will contain information and news. Photos will be in a separate folder.

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. Once you enter the password, click on Go and you will have access to:

- Membership Directory
- Monthly Financial Reports
- Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
- Monthly Guild Meeting Minutes

Please note that the Members Only section is only for members of the Alameda Quilt Guild and we ask that you do not share the password. Additionally, information in this area is intended for personal use only. Using any information found here for any commercial purpose (e.g., direct mailing, marketing, etc.) is expressly prohibited.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Please let me know sunshine and shadow items of general interest to the membership.

Send to kerwindorothy@gmail.com

Thanks

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