



THE BRIDGE

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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

Is it wrong of me to be thankful that I have my placemats done, my joy bundles done and my donation quilts done and they are not hanging over my head? I'm relieved they are all done!

This can be a stressful time of year for us and this is when I'm thankful for doing quilting, just for me. I use it to escape and go into my own little world. It makes me happy and makes me feel good.

So when you are cooking, shopping, and cleaning for the holidays to come, take some quilting time just for you. Put on your favorite music or book, make a yummy snack and a tea or coffee and just unwind to the hum of your sewing machine.

So thankful for all of you....

Terry

Upcoming Dates

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| Nov 11 | 7:00 pm | General Meeting - Nancy Brown
at Trinity Lutheran Church, |
| Nov 20 | 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm | Sew 'N Chat |
| Nov 30 | 1:00 pm | Board Meeting |

There will be no "In the Park" this month.
Placemats are due by November 11.

NOVEMBER 11 – MEETING WITH NANCY BROWN

Yes, we are back in person. Thanks to Trinity for welcoming us back. Can't wait to see you all.

Nancy Brown will present "Animal Quilts & Family Quilts - Trunk Show". In her words:

I started making quilts over fifteen years ago after my mother took a quilting class. I have always loved animals and found that I could create animal portraits with hand applique. I make these quilts because I feel that animals are important parts of this world and should be celebrated and preserved for future generations to witness. I exhibit my quilts around the country and have been fortunate to win several awards. The quilts have been pictured in many magazines and books and several are in private and corporate collections.

IN PERSON ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

We are excited to be meeting in person again! But we also want to be safe.

Masks are required for indoor meetings at Trinity and we will be checking for proof of vaccination at the door. Please be prepared and make everyone's job easier.

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 69 members. Membership renewal will start in November. Dues will be \$50.00 annually. We are also mandating vaccinations for our meetings. You can bring a copy to the next meeting or send it digitally. A membership application is only necessary if you have changes to your information. Please check the member list on the website. Please contact me with any questions.

Stay safe, Carole King, 510 522 6601

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate.

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

Valinda Croxton, Alexis Roizen, Jane Hageman, Joan Beall

AQG IN THE PARK

Your new co-ordinators are Sally Mirault and Dorothy Kerwin.

Our Park meetings will pause for November and December. We'll resume in January - weather permitting. If you have suggestions for themes or activities, let us know. Happy Holidays.

Dorothy Kerwin, kerwindorothy@gmail.com

SEW 'N CHAT

We will meet (virtually) on Saturday, November 20, from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. You can log on and we will sew together. We unmute so we can chat just as if we were in person. This is another way to be social and productive. Marie Dunford will send out a link, look for it.

PLACEMATS

This challenge has proved very popular. Some members have made more than one (or two) of these quick projects. They can be oval or rectangular with binding or not, about 13" x 18". They should be reversible, with possibly a holiday (your choice) theme on one side.

They will be gifted to Meals on Wheels in November. Bring them to the November general meeting. Anyone who needs fabric, please contact the Outreach Coordinator, Jeanne Heffernan at 510-263-8085 or email jmh8346@sbcglobal.net

BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

Thanks to all of you for your participation this year. We would love to see finished projects with the blocks you have won. (no pressure!)

A new block will be available in January. Suzanne Duran and Joy Beireis-Molnar

WORKSHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We're looking for members to present a workshop in 2022. Think of something you'd like to share with others. Maybe two of you together could inspire the rest of us. Respond to Terry Hodges, terryhodges@aol.com

FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

A new friendship group has formed. It will meet on the 1st Thursday, 2pm - 4:30pm, contact Dorothy Kerwin, kerwindorothy@gmail.com

You do not need to have a "good housekeeping seal of approval" to host a friendship group. Most of us have dust bunnies, too much stuff, and messy sewing spaces (translate as 'creative'). We do not judge. It is just fun to get together.

In January the following friendship groups will have openings. If you would like to join one, email Terry with which one you are interested in. It's first come, first served.

- Threaders- 1st Tuesday is full
- TBD - 1st Thursday 2- 4:30pm - 3 openings, they do machine work
- PieceMakers - 4th Tuesday at 10am is full. They do hand work only.
- No Name - 4th Thursday is full

We will let you know if any spaces open up in these groups in the future.

If you are interested in starting another group at another time (other than those times listed above), contact Terry Hodges, terryhodges@aol.com

NEW EVENT – A JELLY ROLL RACE

We will have a jelly roll race at the January Sew 'N Chat. Pick out your favorite jelly roll or cut 42 - 2 ½" strips to be ready for the race. There will be a prize for the winner. We are hoping you will donate your quilt to our Outreach program. Stay tuned for more info...

****A Jelly Roll Race Quilt produces a quilt top that is approximately 50" x 64". It uses one 40 strip Jelly Roll Fabric collection, sewn into a single, super long strip, that is then folded in half and sewn together along one edge. You cut the folded edge open and then repeat for a total of 5 seams.****

There are many videos available on YouTube - they're fun to watch and get ideas.

OUTREACH

We have pillowcase kits and fidget kits (3) as well as quilt labels available. You can also make a pillowcase (s) from your stash. There are many websites describing the technique – this is one.

<https://www.seasonedhomemaker.com/pillowcase-tutorial-burrito-style>

I have batting, muslin, and flannel available for making place mats. If you're making joy bundles, please remember to attach a ribbon to tie the bundle.

Any members who wish kits or labels can contact either Helene Young (heyoun@earthlink.net) or Jeanne Heffernan, 510 263-8085 or jmh8346@sbcglobal.net to request.

2021 RETREAT UPDATE

Twenty-six of our quilters will be leaving for Mercy Retreat Center on 11/15. Look for pictures in the next newsletter. If you have questions, do not hesitate to call me. Carole King, 510 522 6601

2022 RETREAT UPDATE

The 2022 Retreat will be April 25 - 29. Believe it or not, we are already planning our 2022 Retreat. Please mark your Calendar now, so that you don't accidentally make other plans. You certainly don't want to miss the Retreat.

Details will be coming as they develop.

Thanks, Laraine Salmon

QUILT JOURNEY

Many of you have been quilting for a long time and we would love to see some of your work. Basically you would be doing a mini trunk show and talking about your personal quilt journey.

Contact terrychodges@aol.com if you can volunteer or you can nominate someone in the guild you know has an interesting journey to share.

THANK YOU

Hello, Heidi, I am writing to thank you and the Alameda Quilt Guild for your generous donation of feminine care products, shampoo, conditioner, razors, lotion, and so much more for our shower program. Your donations will help us to continue to supply our guests with small necessities that make their lives a little easier.

I volunteered at the program today, and I wish you and your fellow quilters could see what a difference this program is making in the lives of our homeless neighbors. They emerge from the showers clean, refreshed, and grateful. Many thanks for your support.

Dolores Radding, Volunteer, Christ Church Shower Program

GUILD MEETINGS FOR 2021

November 11 7 pm Zoom* - Nancy Brown – “Animal Quilts & Family Quilts - Trunk Show”

December 9 7 pm Trinity* - Holiday Party and Donation Event

Vaccination or a negative COVID test (within 72 hours) is necessary

*We will switch from Zoom to in person meetings when we get the OK from Trinity.

REMINDER - DUES INCREASE FOR 2022

After 6 years of no dues increase, the board has voted to set the dues for 2022 at \$50 per year.

Alameda Quilt Guild offers you friends, sharing, and learning. We offer monthly meetings with 4 premium speakers per year, Sew 'N Chat on Zoom, and Meetings in the Park. We offer a schedule of workshops (to resume next year). Activities include Show 'N Tell, Kiss-It-Goodbye, project demonstrations, friendship circles, and our annual Auction. An exceptional value!

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

If you have items for this category, send to kerwindorothy@gmail.com

EVENTS

Pioneer Quilt Show Fri, Nov 12 – Sat, Nov 13 10:00am to 4:00 pm

Roseville Sports Center, 1545 Pleasant Grove Blvd Mahaney Park, Roseville, CA

We feature quilts and wearables, a boutique of hand-crafted items, and special quilts for sale

Patchwork Show - San Francisco, CA Saturday, November 27 from 10 am - 4 pm,

Saturday, December 11 from 10 am - 4 pm, Sunday, December 12 from 10 am - 4 pm

Westfield San Francisco Centre, 865 Market St San Francisco, CA

Shop handmade and local goods from 50+ makers at Patchwork Show at the Westfield San Francisco Centre. FREE to attend & family friendly! Meet the makers on the top floor, under the historic dome and 100-foot ceilings! Shop small at the mall! Shop from a wide variety of local artisans and enjoy live music, DIY craft stations, and complimentary gift-wrapping. Plan to visit every day as the selection of vendors will vary.

FREE to the public. Tickets are not required.

Auxiliary Craft Fair Sun, Nov 21, 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Murphy Park, 250 N Sunnyvale Ave Sunnyvale

Get your holiday shopping done early! Don't miss your chance to win a beautiful hand-stitched quilt at this year's SCS Auxiliary Craft Fair. This special annual event also features a wonderful variety of handmade gifts for family and friends of all ages. The talented ladies in the SCS Auxiliary work all year-round creating one-of-a-kind gifts, holiday decorations, and home-made jams and baked goods, just in time for the holidays.

When you shop at the craft fair, you not only have the opportunity to buy beautiful hand-crafted gifts for friends and family, but you also have the added benefit of knowing that all proceeds from your purchase go directly to the Holiday Center. The Holiday Center is a wonderful annual program that allows clients of Sunnyvale Community Services to select new toys for each child along with a gift for the family.

2022 Quilter Tour: On the Road to California Jan 13 – 21, 2022

San Francisco, CA

<https://www.wetravel.com/trips/2022-on-the-road-to-california-deb-roberts-tours-san-francisco-06712582>

Join us on the ultimate Road Trip. It will be a week for quilt themed fun and adventures as we travel along the breathtaking California coast on our Road to California Tour. We will begin our tour in San Francisco and work our way down the beautiful California Coast to the fabulous Road to California Quilter's Conference & Showcase. 'Road', as the show is affectionately called is one of America's top quilt shows and the premier quilt show west of the Rocky Mountains.

Join us for San Francisco sights, wine tasting in California's exceptional wine country, quilt shop stops, a scenic journey down US Highway 1, a tour of Hollywood and Beverly Hills and so much more. This is one tour to Road that will give you a wonderful opportunity to see some of what California is famous for.

THE SHARE GUILD EXPERIENCE.

If you have a friend you'd like to invite to a Guild meeting, forward the friend's name to Marie Dunford (megdunford@comcast.net). You can then forward the Zoom link to the friend and they can enjoy the meeting. This is a one time only offer.

WEBSITE

You can submit photos to alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com. The MEMBERS ONLY section is **only** for members of the Alameda Quilt Guild and requires a password. Do not share it. Using any information found here for any commercial purpose (direct mailing, marketing, etc.) is expressly prohibited.

2021 AFFILIATES

The Sewing Room, 2434 Webb Ave

510 332 9002

thesewingroomalameda.com

Broadway Quilts, 20525 Broadway, Sonoma 95476

707 938-7312

www.broadwayquilts.com

New Pieces, 766 Gilman St., Berkeley 94710

510 527 6779

www.newpieces.com

The Recrafting Company 2449 Santa Clara

510 263 0249

www.therecraftingco.com

The Cotton Patch, 1025 Brown Ave, Lafayette 94549

925 284-1177

www.quiltusa.com

Be sure to mention you saw them in this newsletter.

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QUILTS & PLACE MATS SHARED AT LINCOLN PARK

Thanks to all for your hard work. These are beautiful.





ALAMEDA QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING AGENDA FOR 2022

- Jan. 13** Speaker (Zoom) Trudy Cleveland "Shoot Your Quilt" - Tips for taking pictures
- Feb. 10** Auction
- Mar. 10** Speaker (Zoom) Judy Davis "History and Mystery of Baltimore Quilts"
- Apr. 14** Book & Pattern Exchange
Extended Show & Tell
- May 12** Guild Birthday Celebration Tea Party
Round Table "How are we doing?"
Kiss It Good-Bye
- Jun. 9** Speaker Linda Schmidt "Down & Dirty Designs and Terrific Tips"
- Jul. 14** Game Night
Outreach Donation Night
- Aug. 11** Four Holiday Gift Demos
- Sep. 8** Speaker TBD or Show & Tell
- Oct. 13** Four Technique Demos
- Nov. 10** Two Quilt Journeys Eileen Carlin-Goldberg and Joann Stewart
- Dec. 8** Holiday Potluck
Outreach Donation Night
Board Induction