



# THE BRIDGE

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

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Leslie Sorenson

## **President's Message**

Another year is coming to a close. It has been my pleasure and joy to serve as your President this past year and a half. I enjoyed it immensely.

We have our holiday party on December 12, and think of all the wonderful quilts, joy bundles, and fidget lap quilts that have been lovingly created, and will be displayed and then donated. Isn't that the best part of the season? Seeing or thinking about the smiles on people's faces when they receive something special.

I look forward to a new year, another Retreat, and getting to know everyone better. Wishing you all a blessed and joyous holiday season. Linda Ganfield

## **Upcoming Dates**

No Open Sew this month

Thursday, December 12, 7:00 pm, **General Meeting** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave.

Tuesday, December 17, noon, **Board Meeting** at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1323 Central Ave. All are welcome.

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

## DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING

This is our annual Holiday potluck party. We'll have the presentation of the outreach quilts, joy bundles, and pillowcases to our charitable partners. They will all be displayed on the pews in the sanctuary. Thank you to Jeanne Heffernan and Helene Young for all the hard work planning and arranging this important meeting.

It is also the big reveal for Secret Pals, please meet in the courtyard at 6:45 pm (before the meeting) for the surprise.

Please bring an hors d'oeuvres to share. Hot or cold, savory or sweet. Also bring a fat quarter for the Right/Left game. Good fun for all. Don't miss it.

## MEMBERSHIP

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

When you sign in at the December meeting, you will see a column for your B-day. If it is blank, please fill it in.

## KISS IT GOODBYE

There won't be a kiss-it-goodbye table at the December meeting. We'll start up again in January.

## 2020 RETREAT UPDATE

The AQG 2020 Retreat will be held April 27 - May 1, 2020 at Mercy Retreat Center Auburn. We've had a great response in our initial registration and deposits.

The retreat is full, but we are still taking names for the wait list. Contact Leslie Sorenson for more information. Final payments for registered attendees will be at the February general meeting.

Eleven meals will be provided starting with dinner on Monday night, B, L, D on Tuesday through Thursday, breakfast on Friday morning. Mercy Center may not be able to accommodate all dietary restrictions. They do have a microwave and refrigerator space available. Rooms are singles that include a sink. Bathrooms and showers are dormitory style.

If you have any questions, please contact: Leslie Sorenson [Lsoren30@comcast.net](mailto:Lsoren30@comcast.net).  
Home phone 510 227-5895                      cell phone 301 651-6093

## WORKSHOP SCHEDULE FOR 2020

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

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|---------------------------------|--|
| 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                          | Mixed Media Quilt Design – 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               |

## Suggested Donations to be Collected at the January General Meeting

At our birthday meeting in January, we will be collecting donations to the City of Alameda Food Bank. Thank you to Heidi Schultz for this information. (The Dollar Store is a good source for most of these supplies.)

Shampoo  
Cream rinse  
Soap (liquid and bar)  
Hand sanitizers  
Tooth paste

Tooth brushes  
Cotton balls  
Swabs  
Shaving cream  
Body lotions

Hand creams  
Children's bath products  
Hotel mini size supplies  
Hand wipes

We will of course accept everything, but regular size bottles and jars are best. Many of our clients are on foot or using mass transit and the large bottles are just too heavy. Thanks to all our members for thinking of others.

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FREE -- Probably custom-made oak and glass lockable display cabinet, on rollers. Has adjustable shelves. Quite heavy. Needs repair at back. 36" high, 49" long, 24" wide. Can display jewelry or other collectibles and/or quilts!

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I am informed this quilt was not made by Carol Cislowski. If you are the creator, please let me know – [kerwindorothy@gmail.com](mailto:kerwindorothy@gmail.com). Thanks.

### FYI

The Quilted Heart in Vacaville will be closing as of 12/22/19. Sorry to see we are losing so many quilt shops. They have a 30% off sale going on right now.

### BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

Joy Beireis-Molnar was the winner of the Polar Bear Claw blocks from our BOM drawing. This is the 2nd time Joy has won; she also won the Wonky Stars drawing this year.

Thanks to everyone that participated.

## BOARD AND COMMITTEE POSITIONS FOR 2020

|                        |  |                          |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| President              | Terry Hodges                                   |                          |
| Secretary              | Sally Robinson                                 |                          |
| Treasurer              | Paula Casteen                                  |                          |
| Membership             | Door - Rita Virgil / Laurel Hansen             | Data Entry - Carole King |
| Program / NCQC Rep     | Laraine Salmon / Carol Cislowski               |                          |
| BOM                    | Suzanne Duran / Barbara Stuber                 |                          |
| Guild Photographer     | Bonnie Jacobsen / Carol Cislowski              |                          |
| Hospitality            | Heidi Schultz / Laurie Moyer / Suzanne DiLillo |                          |
| Newsletter             | Dorothy Kerwin                                 |                          |
| Official Greeter       | Denise Barron                                  |                          |
| Opportunity Quilts     | Linda Ganfield                                 |                          |
| Outreach               | Jeanne Heffernan / Helene Young                |                          |
| Publicity              | Dorothy Kerwin                                 |                          |
| Secret Pal Coordinator | Denise Bruun                                   |                          |
| Webmasters             | Marcy Pauline / Marie Dunford                  |                          |
| Workshop Coordinator   | Sally Mirault                                  |                          |
| Retreat Coordinators   | Leslie Sorenson (2020)                         | Carole King (2021)       |

## GUILD MEETING AGENDAS FOR 2020

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|-----------|--|
| 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     | Mary Patrone, quilter  |
| 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   |

## 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

SHOW AND TELL FROM THE NOVEMBER MEETING





## OUT & ABOUT

I don't have any current information about upcoming quilt show.

If you know of events of interest to our members, let me know. [kerwindorothy@gmail.com](mailto:kerwindorothy@gmail.com)

Thanks.

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

## WEBSITE

You can submit photos to [alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com](mailto: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

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