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Share what we know.
Learn from each other.*

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President's Message

Happy thankful month everyone!

November is a month of thanks, a time to be grateful and to acknowledge your blessings. This guild has been that for me. It has given me new friends, fun times and new knowledge and I am grateful for that. So as we enter this month, especially in this challenging time of the pandemic I'm going to try and focus on all the positive in my life. I finished up my donation quilt this month and was reflecting on the fact that there are people in a much worse place than me. People that I can help through my quilting.

Speaking of donations don't forget our donation day on December 10th from 1 - 4pm, same place as our July event. I will see you there passing out goodies bags and saying hello to you all. This is also a good chance for you to see your quilting sisters before the holidays. We can wear masks, socially distance and still enjoy each other's company!

I wish you all a peaceful, healthy transition into the holiday season, and time available to enjoy your families and your passions into creativity.

Thanks to you all. Terry Hodges, President AQG

Upcoming Dates

Nov. 12: Zoom Meeting

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

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

Pay 2021 dues, sign up for the retreat.

Turn in Block of the Moment.

NOVEMBER ZOOM MEETING

The next Alameda Quilt Guild meeting will be an Extended Show and Tell held via Zoom on Thursday, November 12 at 7pm. Send your pictures to Marie Dunford (megdunford@comcast.net) by November 2. She will assemble the slide show and you will be able to narrate your quilt in turn.

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

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, Jane Hageman, Joan Beall

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 72 members. Welcome to Vera Scott and Betsy Murray. Renewals are now due. You may send a check to P.O. Box 2724 or bring it 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

Jane Hageman was the winner of the drawing for the “Pudding and Pie” block.

The current block is “Sweetheart”. It is still available from Barbara Stuber, 510 523-7076. The completed blocks will be collected at the December drop-off. There will be 4 ‘winners’ so that the blocks can be used in smaller projects.

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.

DECEMBER 10 DROP-OFF – 1 pm to 4 pm

There will be no Zoom meeting in December. It will be a drop off for our donation quilts, fidget quilts, joy bundles, and pillowcases. The location is Jeanne Heffernan’s garage, 1212 Porta Ballena. You will be able to renew your membership, sign up for the retreat, and drop off your Blocks of the Moment.

The traditional goodie bags will be passed out. You can pick up one for yourself and one for another member if they can’t attend. The Secret Pal reveal will be at 1:30 pm.

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.

GUILD MEETINGS FOR 2020

November 12	Zoom Meeting – Extended Show and Tell
December 10	Outreach Donations drop off & Goodie Bags (you don’t want to miss this!)
January 14	Guest Speaker Amy Friend - “Intentional Piecing”
February 11	Quilting Journeys with Kathleen Fennelly and Alla Blanca

GUILD WORKSHOPS FOR 2020

February 13 Julia McLeod – Basics of Working with Silk. \$30. Contact Sally Mirault to sign up.



This is one of my favorite quilts. It was a birthday gift for my sister last year. The red & black fabric came from the Kiss it Goodbye table. I love the Drunkards Path blocks.

Suzanne Duran



My favorite quilt is my first quilt, still a UFO. After getting interested in quilting in Fall 2016, I joined Kathleen Fennelly's class at Mastick, to make Tumbling Blocks, using diamond shapes 'the hard way'. I worked on it for about a year.

This is it, so far. It's tucked away; pretty sure it still has pins in it. It will be finished "by and by." I have learned a LOT.

Carol Bernard



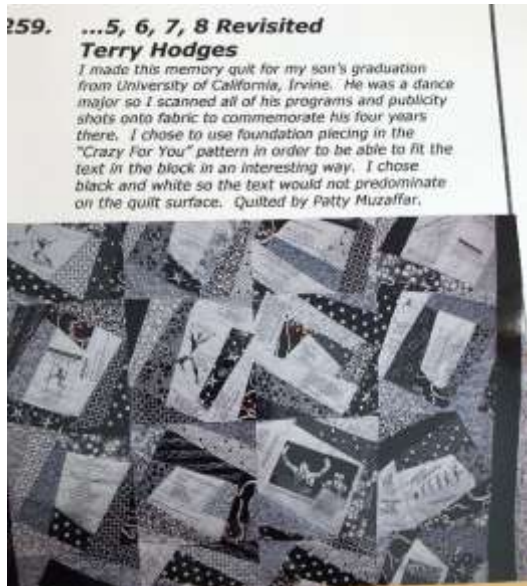
I have to preface this saying that this is currently a favorite quilt of mine. All my quilts are my favorites. I had always wanted to make a red and white quilt and about 5 years ago, I had the opportunity to make this scrap quilt in a class. It stays on my sofa and is perfect for keeping snuggly when I need comfort. Leslie Sorenson



One of my favorite quilts - because it's unique.



My other favorite quilt because it was the hardest one I have ever done...so far! Rita Virgil



Disappearing nine-patch created from 'giftings' from 3 quilters. My own design and quilting. Made as a thank you to the person who gave fat patterned quarters. The recipient stated 'I gifted them to you because I didn't like them'. Fun was in the design creation and making my first disappearing nine patch - which I originally learned how to do at Auburn retreat. Jeanne Heffernan

CLASSIFIED ADS

A new feature for those wishing to sell items.
This is for members only.
Items should be priced at \$25 and up.
Send to kerwindorothy@gmail.com

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

Seasonal quilt - From a class at Quilt Fans - Carole King



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

There is a board vacancy for Program Chairperson for 2021-2023. Once a year you choose speakers for the upcoming year.

The current chairperson will work with you the first time. You also attend Zoom meetings where teachers present their classes to guild reps.

2020 AFFILIATES

Cotton Patch, 1025 Brown Ave, Lafayette 94549 (925) 284-1177 www.Cottonpatchfabrics.com
The Sewing Room, 2434 Webb Ave, Alameda (510) 332 9002 Jennifer Serr
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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 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.

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