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Share what we know.
Learn from each other.*

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President's Message

Hello to all!

Although it seems like forever since we have been able to meet, please know that your board and fellow guild members are there for you. These are unusual times, but we will get through it.

Even though we have not had a meeting, many of you have been hard at work getting ready for our donation/outreach day. It will be on July 9th. look for the info in this newsletter.

And because we haven't seen each other in awhile the board has decided we will have a meet & greet on July 16th at Lincoln Park. It will be so good to see you all! More details about this are below.

These last three months have made me realize how much the guild has come to mean to me. For fellowship, learning new things, and having just plain fun. Sometimes you don't appreciate what you have until it is gone.

Everyone take care until we meet again, and look for eblasts about upcoming events in our guild and quilt on...Terry

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, July 9, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Outreach Donation Day

Thursday, July 16 Meet & Greet at Lincoln Park

Thursday, August 13 First Zoom Meeting

Unfortunately our secretary, Gale Emigh, will be leaving us in August. We knew her time with us was limited; she has found a new home in Sequim WA. She did an outstanding job and will be missed! Gale we hope you will be very happy in your new home. Terry Hodges will take over as secretary.

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

GENERAL MEETING

There will be no meeting in July. We'll have our first Zoom meeting in August with a presentation from Julia at Silk & Salvage.

OUTREACH DONATIONS

Jeanne Heffernan and Helene Young will be accepting donations for our Outreach partners on Thursday, July 9, from 1 pm to 4 pm. The address is 1212 Porta Ballena, Alameda.

The driving directions were sent out in an email.

MEET AND GREET

This will be a "Bring Your Own Chair" meeting at Lincoln Park on Thursday, July 16 at 2:00 pm. It will be socially distanced, with mask wearing. We'll have a show and tell of one item. Plan to attend and say hi to our sister quilters.

ZOOM MEETINGS

Alameda Quilt Guild now has a Zoom account and our first Zoom meeting will be Thursday, August 13th. A link containing the meeting ID number will be sent to all members several days prior to the August meeting. No password is needed. If you already have a Zoom account there is nothing more that you need to do prior to the meeting.

If you do not have a Zoom account, this would be a good time to sign up and download the Zoom software. It is free of charge. Desktops and laptops are particularly well suited for Zoom, 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

You will be asked how to join the meeting, so click on "Join with computer audio." If you don't click on this, you will not be able to hear the meeting.

Zoom is very user friendly, but if you have a problem, please contact me, Marie Dunford, at megdunford@comcast.net There are also many You Tube videos that you can view.

Issues related to large Zoom meetings

Many of you may already be using Zoom to meet with small groups of people. As group size increases, background noise becomes more of a problem. Please be aware that 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 speaker, but any thing you say will be muted.

If you have a question, use the Chat feature at the bottom of the Zoom screen. Chat is just like texting. The facilitator will be monitoring the Chat feature and will try to answer any questions or help with problems. Remember, you will be muted, so if you have a question, use Chat.

You will be able to ask questions of the speaker. We are still working out the best procedure for doing this (for example, using the raise hand feature in Zoom) and there will be complete instructions in the next newsletter.

Looking forward to our first Zoom meeting in August!

Marie Dunford / Facilitator

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.

All that have paid for 2020 will be first on the list for 2021. We hope that the 2021 price will be the same. It is very likely that we will be able to open up spaces for other members in the months to come.

This is Carole King your retreat coordinator for 2021. king.carole@gmail.com 510 522 6601

JULY BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate.

Reach out and send good wishes to our sister quilters with birthdays in July!

Stephanie Timmerman, Susan Correa, Marie Dunford, Jeanne Heffernan, Eileen Carlin-Goldberg

WE ARE A PRODUCTIVE GROUP – STAY AT HOME PROJECTS

Thanks to everyone for contributing pictures. If I left you out, I apologize. Let me know and you'll be in next month.



Joan Beall, House #14



Gale Emigh

OUT & ABOUT

This feature will be in abeyance until we have more information about large gatherings. If you know of anything of interest, please let me know.

GUILD MEETING AGENDAS FOR 2020

July 9	Outreach Donations to Jeanne and Helene
August 13	First Zoom Meeting – presentation by Silk & Salvage
September 10	More Info to Come
October 8	Presentations of favorite tool, book, or product
November 12	Extended Show and Tell
December 10	Holiday Celebration and Outreach Donations

GUILD WORKSHOP SCHEDULE FOR 2020

Your board has designed an exciting year of workshops for you.

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

OUTREACH - PILLOWCASES

This is a great time to be working on pillowcases. Both Jeanne Heffernan and I have kits available. A pillowcase needs 7/8 yard for the body and 3/8 yard for the cuff. Search through your stash and see what suits. We are grateful.

This is the pattern website – <http://millionpillowcases.allpeoplequilt.com/freepatterns/index.html>

Laraine Salman and I saw the following article in The New York Times and thought you'd enjoy it. This is an excerpt, for the entire article and pictures, go to

https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/06/26/arts/design/rosie-lee-tompkins-quilts.html?campaign_id=9&emc=edit_nn_20200630&instance_id=19870&nl=the-morning®i_id=116691859&segment_id=32214&te=1&user_id=d86cf3f1809aaaab5a4202beb4bb080e

The Radical Quilting of Rosie Lee Tompkins

A triumphal retrospective at the Berkeley Art Museum confirms her standing as one of the great American artists — transcending craft, challenging painting and reshaping the canon.



By [Roberta Smith](#) June 29, 2020

In 1997 I walked into the Berkeley Art Museum to be greeted by a staggering sight: an array of some 20 quilts unlike any I had ever seen. Their unbridled colors, irregular shapes and nearly reckless range of textiles telegraphed a tremendous energy and the implacable ambition, and confidence, of great art.

They were crafted objects that transcended quilting, with the power of painting. This made them canon-busting, and implicitly subversive. They gave off a tangible heat. I left in a state

of shock — I knew I had been instantly converted but I didn't yet know to what.

In memory the show became a jubilant fugue of small squares of velvet in deep gemstone hues, dancing with not much apparent order yet impeccably arranged for full effect. My first thought was of Paul Klee, that kind of love-at-first-sight allure, seductive hand-madeness and unfiltered accessibility, only bigger and stronger.



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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.

IMPORTANT NOTE

If you receive emails from ALAMEDA GUILD it is not our guild. Do not open, 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

WEBSITE

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