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Learn from each other.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello to January and a new start to a new year.

There is something exciting about starting something new. Quilters are always exploring new colors, fabrics, techniques and block patterns. I'm starting a quilt using a new ruler, new to me anyway. What new quilting adventure will you be starting this year?

What's a new start for our guild? We have a new President Elect system for the guild. In this case it is Sally Mirault who will shadow me this year learning the job. Then hopefully one of you will shadow her when I leave office at the end of this year. So there will always be two people leading the guild. We are hoping that this will be a stimulus for members to take this position. Will you be our next President Elect and try something new?

January will have us starting a new activity, our Jelly Roll Race on our Sew & Chat on January 15th. at 1pm. This should be fun, find a jelly roll or cut 42- 2 ½" strips , wind a bunch of bobbins and you're ready to go! Prizes too!

Start your sewing engines and get ready for 2022... Terry Hodges, AQG President

Upcoming Dates

Jan 13 7:00 pm General meeting (Zoom) - Trudy Cleveland

Jan 15 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Sew 'N Chat

Jan 31 Deadline for Retreat Sign Up Feb 10 7:00 pm General Meeting - Auction

Goodies will resume at our Feb meeting. Those with Jan & Feb birthdays will bring them in.

JANUARY 13 - ZOOM MEETING WITH TRUDY CLEVELAND

Trudy is both a professional quilter and a photographer. In her presentation, she will share tips and techniques she has learned on how to photograph your quilts with your smartphone. This is an informative presentation full of useful information you can start using immediately...as you unleash the creative features of your smartphone...and start showcasing your quilts in photographs.

ZOOM REMINDERS

The next monthly meeting will take place via Zoom on Thursday, January 13th at 7:00 p.m. The link will be sent out via email on Tuesday, January 11th.

Please note that Zoom regularly updates its desktop and mobile app and that you may be prompted to update to the latest version. It simple to do—just follow the instructions on your screen.

A friendly reminder to help enhance the quality of our Zoom meetings: Please mute if you are not speaking. Background noise of any kind is distracting for both the presenter and those listening.

MEMBERSHIP

There are currently 50 renewed memberships. Membership renewal is ongoing. Dues are \$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

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate.

Reach out and send good wishes to our sister quilters with birthdays this month! Suzanne Duran, Penny Matheny, Joy Beireis-Molnar, Sharon Flores, Ginger Atkinson, Alla Blanca, Sally Mirault, Heidi Schultz

THANK YOU TO OUTGOING BOARD



Terry Hodges, Sally Mirault, Carole King, Jeanne Heffernan, Carol Bernard, Ruth Hunter, Laraine Salmon, Leslie Sorenson, Lu Burton, Joy Bereis-Molnar, Linda Ganfield, Suzanne Duran, Marcy Pauline, Heidi Schultz, Dorothy Kerwin, Helene Young

BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

A new block will be available at the February general meeting. Suzanne Duran and Joy Beireis-Molnar

SEW 'N CHAT - Saturday, January 15 at 1:00 pm

This is it - the moment you've been waiting for - the Jelly Roll Race.

Preparation - what to have ready: Strips (42 at 2 ½" wide) and enough bobbins to complete the quilt top - at least 4. Sort strips into desired color arrangement, if you want to. Stack your strips to make them easy to handle.

How the race runs: it starts with a call of "start". Contestants begin by sewing the strips into one long strip and ends with all the strips sewn together and cut flat into a top. You call time when you have done this. Terry Hodges will be the timekeeper.

If you plan to participate, be sure to be logged in and ready by 1:00 pm so that we can start on time. You are also welcome to log in if you don't want to 'race'. It should be fun to watch.

Prizes will be awarded for first and second place. And a picture in the next newsletter!

Definition of a jelly roll quilt top. It is constructed by joining 42 strips (2 %" wide) end to end - total length approximately 1600 inches. Cut off about 20" from one end and discard that piece. Fold the length in half (being careful not to twist it) and sew a %" seam down one side. Cut apart the fold at the end so that it lies flat. You now have a very long, very narrow quilt. Fold in half again and sew another %" seam. Cut apart the fold. Continue to do this for a total of 5 times and your finished quilt will be approximately 56" by 70".

There are many tutorials available on YouTube if you want to learn more.

AQG IN THE PARK - Thursday, January 27 at 2:00 pm

We'll meet at Lincoln Park at 2:00 pm on Thursday, January 27, weather permitting. We'll share and kiss it goodbye to bring in the new year!

Dorothy Kerwin, kerwindorothy@gmail.com

FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING - AUCTION

A heads up for next month's meeting. Please bring one item or basket of items to be auctioned. This should be "something that you would want to bid on". There will also be surprise bags supplied by the board - always a bargain. Come prepared to bid and have fun.

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

2022 RETREAT UPDATE - AQG Retreat April 25 - 29, 2022

Sign ups for the 2022 Retreat are filling up fast, so be sure to get me your deposit of \$100 before the end of January to reserve your spot.

Remember there is no in person meeting in January, it will be Zoom, so you have to contact me by e-mail to let me know you want to attend and send me a check before January 31.

My address for sending it in the mail is 6 Eclipse Ct, Alameda 94501. I look forward to hearing from you. Thanks, Laraine Salmon larainesalmon@comcast.net

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

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

Let us know how our members are doing. Tell us about accomplishments, challenges, good news, or bad news. Send to kerwindorothy@gmail.com



Leslie Sorenson supported the economy in Hawaii

GUILD MEETINGS FOR 2022 Jan. 13 Trudy Cleveland "Shoot Your Quilt" - Tips for taking pictures Speaker (Zoom) Feb. 10 Auction Mar. 10 Speaker (Zoom) Judy Davis "History and Mystery of Baltimore Quilts" Apr. 14 Book & Pattern Exchange / Extended Show & Tell Guild Birthday Celebration Tea Party May 12 Round Table "How are we doing?" / Kiss It Good-Bye Speaker: Linda Schmidt "Down & Dirty Designs and Terrific Tips" Jun. 9 Jul. 14 Game Night / Outreach Donation Night Four Holiday Gift Demos Aug. 11 Speaker TBD or Show & Tell Sep. 8 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

WORKSHOPS - 2022

Dates, times, and locations to be announced. Thanks to all who volunteered.

January None

February Fidget Quilt Work Day Jeanne Heffernan / Helene Young

March Fabric Dyeing Laraine Salmon April Jelly Roll Rug Joy Beireis-Molnar

May Humbug Bags- 3 sizes Leslie Sorenson / Marcy Pauline

June Opportunity Quilt / Work Day TBA

July Fabric Star Debbie Manchester / Martha Peck

August Kawandi Stitching Jeanne Heffernan

September Jelly Roll Cross-Body Bag Alla Blanca
October Christmas Tree Skirt Terry Hodges

November None



Jelly Roll Rug - April



Humbug Bag - May



Fabric Star - July

EVENTS

EBHQ - CRANEWAY PAVILION Saturday, March 26, 2022 10-5; Sunday, March 27 10-4

FOLSOM QUILT & FIBER GUILD Feb 11th - 13th, Friday to Sunday Annual Quilt Show "Friendships Woven with Thread", 10:00 - 4:00 Daily \$8.00 Admission Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma St, Folsom, CA 95630

PAJARO VALLEY QUILT ASSOCIATION Feb 26th - 27th Saturday and Sunday

Pajaro Valley Quilt Association's 43rd Annual Quilt Show "Good Vibrations" will be live this year.

Doors open at 10 am \$10 admission

Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, 2601 E Lake Ave, Watsonville, CA 95076

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

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.

You can submit photos to alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com.

OUTREACH

We have pillowcase kits and fidget kits, 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

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 (heyoung@earthlink.net) or Jeanne Heffernan, 510 263-8085 or jmh8346@sbcglobal.net to request.

2021 AFFILIATES

The Sewing Room, 2434 Webb Ave

Broadway Quilts, 20525 Broadway, Sonoma 95476

New Pieces, 766 Gilman St., Berkeley 94710

The Recrafting Company 2449 Santa Clara

The Cotton Patch, 1025 Brown Ave, Lafayette 94549

The Sewing Room, 2434 Webb Ave

510 332 9002

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www.broadwayquilts.com

www.newpieces.com

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www.therecraftingco.com

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Be sure to mention you saw them in this newsletter.

GUILD CONTACT INFO

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--PHOTOS FOLLOW--

Thanks to everyone who provided items for our semi-annual outreach donations. You have (again) outdone yourselves. There were beautiful and plentiful quilts, pillowcases, fidget blankets, place mats, and joy bundles.

OUR DONATIONS FOR DECEMBER 2021





























































SHOW AND TELL IN DECEMBER

















