

THE BRIDGE

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Share what we know.
Learn from each other.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Oh my gosh, it's already September! Time is moving faster than a speeding train. The kids are back to school and we're all looking forward to our beautiful Bay Area Indian Summer weather.

I hope everyone is finding the time to work on your donation projects, the sew-along flower blocks, and the paint chip color challenge as well as other projects waiting in your individual queue.

The board is in the process of finalizing plans for next year's speakers and other activities. I think you'll be pleased with the coming events.

Sally Mirault, AQG President

UPCOMING DATES

Thurs, Sep 14 7pm General mtg at Trinity Lutheran,

1323 Central

Sat, Sep 9 & 10 10am – 4pm Workshop – - Corica Golf Course

Sat, Sep 16 No Sew 'N Chat this month

See you in October

Tues, Sep 19 1pm – 2:30pm Board mtg

Trinity Lutheran, 1323 Central

Sat, Sep 23 + Sun, Sep 24 Mini Retreat – this is a sold out event.

Tues, Sep 26 11am – 3pm Open Sew at Trinity Lutheran

Thurs, Sep 28 2pm – 3:30pm AQG in the Park – Lincoln Park

@ High Street. Featuring the Kiss-it-goodbye table. Clear out your stash / Find a new project

The Alameda Quilt Guild wants to thank Corica Golf Course for generously letting us use their community rooms for our classes.

GENERAL MEETING - 7pm, Thursday, September 14

The speaker for this month's meeting will be Carol Zigas, owner of KimonoMomo, a source for vintage kimono, hand-sewn scarves, tote bags, and craft supplies from Japan. Her business is located right here in Alameda. Carol will be presenting us with a trunk show as she discusses the history of Japanese Textiles. Come to learn how the techniques, design meanings, politics, economics, and environment have shaped how/when/where/for whom these textiles were produced.

JELLY ROLL SPECIAL

September 16th is National Jelly Roll day. To honor this, AQG will have a Jelly Roll kiss-it-goodbye at the Sep 14 meeting.

Bring in whole rolls, partial rolls, or orphan jelly roll strips in a plastic bag. Leave what you like and take what you like.

Terry Hodges

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 72 members.

The new member fee is now \$25 for the remainder of the year. Please check your member information (on the website) and let me know if there are any corrections.

Carole King, king.carole@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate.

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

Dorothy Kerwin, Carol Cislowski, Rachelle King, Michelle Betts, Kate Murphy

BLOCK OF THE MOMENT



The drawing for 'X' Marks the Spot will be at the Sep 14 meeting. There will not be a September BOM. Look for us in October.

SEW 'N CHAT

There will be no meeting in September.

We'll re-connect in October.

AQG IN THE PARK – Thurs, September 28

Join us at 2pm for friends, show 'n tell, and kiss-it-goodbye. We meet just inside the High St entrance of Lincoln Park. We'll continue "AQG in the Park" during the good weather months.

AQG SEW ALONG

Registration to join our **Sew Along** has been extended to September's meeting. Every month for nine months you will pick up a pattern ONLY AT THE GUILD MEETING. In Zoom months the pattern will be mailed to you, but only if you attend the Zoom meeting.

If a member misses one meeting only they get the pattern mailed to them, not for any missed meeting. There is no cost to register.

The blocks are 12" finished, so you will have a good sized quilt top when done. You use your own fabrics, it's your personal quilt!

Terry Hodges

DONATION SEWING DAY - October 14

Sign up to participate in the <u>Donation Sew-In</u> at Corica Golf Course on October 14. This is a no cost workshop. Sew your quilts, fidget quilts, joy bundles and pillowcases with other members.

Enjoy a day of fun and lunch at Jim's, while helping others. Remember the next donation day is November 9.

Workshop schedule for 2023 All workshops are taught at Corica Golf Course, on Saturdays from 10am - 4pm



September 9 & 10 (Sat. & Sun.) -A Garden of Delights Mini Quilt Teacher – Terry Hodges

The September Mini Quilt workshop still has spaces. You will finish this project in class and learn how to do a faux binding.



October 14 - Donation
Sewing Day & Lunch Facilitator Terry Hodges,
Fee - cost of your lunch

Take this day to finish up your quilts, joy bundles,

pillowcases or fidget quilts for our Donation Day in November. Enjoy sewing with other members and having lunch with them at Jim's on the Course.



November 11 - Paper Piecing, Part B - Teacher Terry Hodges - Fee \$10.00

This class is for the person who has some experience with paper piecing, or who needs a refresher course. If you are a beginner, you must have taken Terry's Paper Piecing, part A last January. We will be doing blocks that create their own challenges for paper piecers,

such as angled pieces and intersecting pieces. This method gives you perfect blocks every time!

AQG PROGRAMS FOR 2023

September – Speaker Carol Ziogas, owner KimonoMomo

October – Four quilting technique demos

November – Quilt Journeys; Show & Tell; Donation event

December - Holiday Potluck; Board Induction

All meetings are at 7pm.

The meetings are at Trinity Lutheran, 1323 Central Ave.

AQG WORKSHOPS 2024

We still need volunteer workshop teachers for 2024.

Email <u>terrychodges@aol.com</u> to let her know you can do one. You can also pair up with another member to teach a workshop.

AOG RETREAT - 2024

The 2024 annual retreat is at the Mercy Center in Auburn June 17-21. Registration opens up at the December meeting.

Save your spot with a \$100.00 deposit.

Terry Hodges - Coordinator

QUILT JOURNEYS

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

Rachelle King will be performing in The Adams Family musical at Lucky Penny Productions in Napa from Sept 8 - Sept 24 with evening shows Thurs, Fri, and Sat and matinee shows on Sunday.

Tickets will go on sale Aug 5th at www.luckypennynapa.com. The theater has just under 100 seats so recommend getting tickets early, especially for Sat and Sun performances.

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

2023 Challenge Quilt: Paint Chips!

This year's challenge is paint chips. Terry has prepared envelopes for you. The envelope will contain two paint chips from a local hardware store. Your challenge is to use those two colors from the paint chips, in addition to two neutrals. We will vote and prizes will be awarded!

Rules:

- Contact Terry Hodges to choose your envelope. She will be at our guild meetings for you to pick it up or you can phone, text, or email her and she will drop off your envelope.
- Use the two colors you chose. You can use solids or prints as long as they represent the color from the paint chip.
- You can add only 2 neutral colors to your project (background counts as 1 neutral).
- The project has to be 18" square, bound and labeled by Nov. 9th at our meeting deadline.

- Use any block pattern, applique pattern, original creation etc. that you would like as long as the colors are represented and the project is quilted.
- No trading of paint chips between members, this is a challenge to get you out of your comfort zone.
- Save your paint chips for the big reveal at the general meeting due on **November 9**th.
- Paint chips must be displayed along with the finished product.

Please let Terry Hodges know if you need anything else. terrychodges@aol.com

OUTREACH

Our next AQG donation event will be at the November Guild meeting on November 9, 2023.

AQG will accept Patriotic pillowcases, fidget quilts, and Joy bundles for Sutter Care at Home: veterans in hospice and dementia patients. We now donate to Sutter once a year in July.

AQG will accept colorful quilts and pillowcases for foster youth for EBCLO (East Bay Children's Law Office). These donations will continue to be twice a year, July and November.

THE COMMUNITY QUILTERS- OUTREACH

AQG now has a new group of 17 members to collaborate together to finish donated quilt tops. We are calling ourselves The Community Quilt Finishers. Any AQG member can donate a pieced quilt top (preferably with batting and back) at any member meeting, the second Thursday of the month. This donation, once finished, will go directly to our selected charities:

Sutter Care at Home, Alameda; Midway Shelter, Alameda; EBCLO-Easter Bay Childrens Law Office for foster youth, Alameda County. Your quilt top will not be returned to you.

All quilts will be displayed at our donation events and photographed for the online AQG newsletter. Nancy Griffin and Jeanne Heffernan are Committee chairs; Jane Hageman and Marge McLean will receive at our member meetings any quilt tops (and batting/back if possible). At our most recent board meeting the purchase of batting was approved for the purposes of this committee.

If there are any questions call Jeanne Heffernan or Nancy Griffin. We are hoping that this effort boosts the AQG number of donated quilts for our community giving.

AQG Plans for 2024

It's time to start thinking about ideas for next year's programs, workshop offerings and who will fill the Board Member positions.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the How Are We Doing survey. Several program and workshop ideas were suggested by the members and the Board is exploring how to make them happen. I think you'll be happy with next year's itinerary.

Board member positions are available to anyone interested. Everyone is eligible. You definitely don't have to be a veteran guild member or an experienced quilter to be on the Board. Just be you!

AQG needs new and fresh ideas. Being on the Board doesn't require anyone to fulfill the duties solely by themselves. Sharing responsibilities with a partner is encouraged. Currently there are a few Board members who have full time jobs and use technology to report information to the Board by email or text.

I encourage everyone to consider volunteering for a Board member position. Anyone interested may contact Sally Mirault to discuss the duties of each position and how it can fit into your schedule.

EVENTS – (Send submissions to the newsletter editor - kerwindorothy@gmail.com)



Fri – Sat Sep 15 – 16, 2023

Quilt Show: Sierra Quilt Guild of Tuolumne County

Friday 10AM - 5PM, Saturday 10AM - 4PM, 2 Day

Entrance Fee - \$10

Mother Lode Fairgrounds, 220 Southgate Dr, Sonora, CA 95370, USA

Sierra Gold Harvest Quilt Show

October 6 & 7 2023, Fri. 10am-4pm and Sat. 10am-4pm

The show is held at the <u>Amador County Fairgrounds</u> and features over 120 entries including stunning quilts and wearable art. We also have: an inspiration quilt, a silent auction, vendors, gift baskets, and a country store.



Falling Leaves Quilt Show – Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild

October 7 & 8, 2023 10 AM - 4 PM, \$10.00

Lake County Fairgrounds, 401 Martin Street, Lakeport, California, 95453
Our quilt show is an annual event held on the first full weekend in October. This year's feature artist is Anelie Belden. There is open judging on our quilts, vendors, Country Store with homemade items, Silent Auction, and demonstrations.



PIQF is back on the schedule. Whatever issues were happening have been ironed (pun intended) out.

Make plans now for your car pool and visiting hours. If you've never been – it is a must-not-miss.



Beauty on the River 2023 Quilt Show - Oroville Piecemakers Quilt Guild

November 4 & 5, 2023 10 AM - 5 PM, \$7.00

2 Alverda Drive, Oroville, California, 95966

11/4 & 11/5/2023 10am-5pm both days. Featured Quilter will be Shirley Scofield. We will have Vendors, Door Prizes, raffle baskets, a quilters boutique, and of course lots of quilts. Hope to see you there.

2023 AFFILIATES		
The Sewing Room, 2434 Webb Ave	510 332 9002	thesewingroomalameda.com
The Recrafting Company 2449 Santa Clara	510 263 0249	therecraftingco.com
The Cotton Patch	925 284-1177	the cotton patch. shop
1025 Brown Ave, Lafayette, CA 94549		
Stonemountain and Daughter	510 845-6106	stonemountainfabric.com
2518 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, CA 94704		
Bay Quilts	510 558-0218	sfbayquilts.com
5327 Jacuzzi St Suite 3-C, Richmond, CA 94804		
KimonoMomo, 1515 Everett St,	925 360 3375	kimonomomo@gmail.com,
		etsy.com/shop/kimonomomo
Be sure to mention you sa	aw them in this news	sletter.

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 <u>alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com</u>.

GUILD CONTACT INFO

Alameda Quilt Guild

Box 2724 E Mail: alamedaquiltguild@gmail.com 2201 Shoreline Drive Website: www.alamedaquiltguild.com

Alameda, CA 94501 Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/1753886584897576

Keep Scrolling for the September Photo Album

SHOW AND TELL IS AMAZING - KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK





















Quillow (Quilt + Pillow)







Kawandi

















Browsing fabric donations





AQG Volunteer Opportunities

Make friends. Learn from each other and share what we know. AQG mission statement.

All positions are a minimum 2 year term

President

- Lead board meetings
- Create agendas with Secretary's input
- Lead the guild and board meetings

President Elect

Works with the President for her first year to learn what is involved in being President. Then takes over as President the following year.

Secretary

- Does the minutes of board and guild meetings.
- Is the corresponding secretary, sending notes and any other mailings the guild should decide upon, both to members and to people and organizations outside the guild.

Treasurer

- Collect and disburse all funds
- · Maintain the official records and present them for inspection annually
- Give the financial report at the meetings
- Propose a budget to the board
- Obtain insurance forms each year
- Maintain the Gmail account
- Hold the second PO box key
- Working knowledge of Excel or other system for financials.

Membership

On site-person

- Receive and collect new/returning membership applications and fees
- Making sure the membership table is manned and creating a check in sheet at guild meetings.
- Giving a report of membership attendance and visitors at guild meetings
- Collecting lanyards and nametags at the end of each guild meeting

Data entry person

- Working knowledge of computers
- Maintain a data base of members contact information
- Produce a yearly membership directory
- Create and maintain membership cards and name tags.

AQG Volunteer Opportunities

Committee Chairpersons

All positions are a minimum 2 year term.

Retreat Coordinator

- Contact person between the guild and the retreat site
- Researches possible retreat venues, with input from guild members
- With the board, sets the time and place and any program for the retreat
- Provides a sign- up list for members and determines deposit fee.
- Determines total retreat cost, fee schedule and collection dates in consultation with the treasurer
- Organizes room requests and any special dietary or mobility needs with the venue
- Responsible for arriving early to the retreat site for set up and being last to leave the site to guarantee everything is in good order

Hospitality

- Purchase paper products and beverages for guild meetings, and bring them to the meetings
- Set up and prepare beverages and set out the food
- Organizes AQG social events throughout the year including the AQG birthday party in January and holiday party in December.
- Clean up kitchen and food and beverage areas at the end of the meeting.

Program Chairperson / NCQC Rep

- Attend 3 NCQC (Northern California Quilt Council) meetings in Jan. April & July
- With information received from NCQC meetings the program chairs will propose to the board three or four speakers for each year
- Make and secure contracts for speakers
- Arranges housing, meals and introduce and help the speaker set up and take down for the meeting.

Outreach

- Is the contact person for organizations who receive the quilts, pillowcases & joy bundles from AQG, including
 arranging for a speaker from each organization to come and speak about their group at our December holiday
 party.
- Collects and arranges quilts to go out to each organization in July and November

Opportunity Quilt Coordinator

 Makes arrangements and is the contact person with outside quilt guilds who want to show their opportunity quilts at AQG meetings.

Newsletter

- With input from the board, writes and edits the newsletter called The Bridge once a month.
- Distributes the newsletter electronically to members.
- Must be comfortable with computers, detail oriented, organized and good with words.

Block of the Moment

- Chooses the block, makes up fabric and instruction packets four times a year for members to purchase.
- Must feel comfortable with quilt block construction.

Webmaster

- Must feel comfortable with computers. The website is basically a "drag and drop" format.
- Will need to update the website on an as needed basis. This could include updating the calendar of events, board members, membership fees, monthly newsletter, and any changes/additions that AQG makes to the organization.

Friendship Group Coordinator

- You are the contact person with each friendship group
- Keep a list of all group's members, the time and day of all meetings and when openings happen in a group.
- Once a year ask guild members who would like to join a friendship group, coordinate the addition of new members into existing groups and start new groups as need dictates.

Special Events Coordinator

- Arrange for group trips, to quilt shows or quilt stores and any other trips you wish to organize.
- Duties include: sign-ups, money collection, transportation, food and pre-trip shop arrangements
- Coordinates the mini weekend retreat: sets the venue and dates for the retreat and arranges for food

Publicity

- In January requests the boards input as to where they would like publicize for the coming year
- In February puts ads in newspapers and implements any other advertising requested by the board
- Keeps and puts up the small and large AQG banners when needed.

Workshop Coordinator

- Responsible for signing members up each month for the monthly workshops.
- Collecting workshop samples from teachers.
- Contacting the workshop venue to make sure everything is ready for the teacher every month.

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