



# THE BRIDGE

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

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The retreat in Auburn last month was fun and the weather was perfect. I left my sewing machine at home and spent the week learning a variety of stitches while working on a Sue Spargo wool applique project. Thank goodness for having access to the internet and YouTube tutorials. I must have watched each tutorial a hundred times until I finally "got it."

The week gave us an opportunity to get to know one another a little better. It was fun to stroll around the room, stop at each table, admire the projects, and share ideas. We did a show 'n tell the last day of the retreat. Wow! The talent within our guild is impressive. Unfortunately, the one thing we hadn't planned on sharing was COVID. The virus crept up on us and a few tested positive after returning home – myself included. I have a cough, my taste buds are "off" but I don't feel sick. It's mask wearing time again.

Best wishes to all of you for a happy Fourth of July! Be safe and have a good time. Sally Mirault, President

## UPCOMING DATES

Thu, July 11	7 pm General Mtg at Trinity Lutheran 1323 Central Ave
Sat, July 13	Workshop – English Paper Piecing 10 am Corica Golf Course
Tue, July 16	1 pm Board Meeting at Trinity Lutheran
Thu, July 25	AQG In the Park, 1pm – 3pm at Lincoln Park Inside the High Street gates Socialize, Share, and Kiss it Goodbye

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

## GENERAL MEETING – JULY 11

This is our semi-annual donation event. Charities are the following:

East Bay Children's Law Offices (EBCLO) / Kristen Mateer. They will be accepting colorful quilts and pillowcases. Sutter Care at Home Hospice / Jennifer Fischer. They will be accepting fidget quilts and joy bundles for dementia patients and patriotic pillowcases for Veterans on hospice.

Contact Jeanne Heffernan or Helene Young for any fidget or pillowcase kits. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity to our community giving.

There will also be our How-Are-We-Doing member survey, a member interview, the Sew-Along Reveal, and Kiss-It-Goodbye. This is an action packed evening – don't miss it!

## MEMBERSHIP

Our current membership is 71.

Starting in July, new members pay a pro-rated \$25 for membership this year.

Carole King, [king.carole@gmail.com](mailto:king.carole@gmail.com)

## JULY BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate. Reach out and send good wishes to our sister quilters with birthdays this month!

Joann Stewart, Elana Swartman, Debbie Manchester, Jean Wolslegel, Loral Hanson, Marge McLean, Gigi Jensen

## BLOCK OF THE MOMENT-

This is the Bow-Tie block. It will be due back in August for that month's drawing.

Suzanne Duran, Co-chair BOM



A finished top from a BOM raffle winner

## SEW 'N CHAT

Our Zoom meeting will be July 20 from 1pm – 3pm. I'll send the link on July 18

## OPEN SEW

Open Sew will be on hiatus for the summer. The next date will be August 29. See you then

## AQG BINGO 2024

How are you doing on your bingo squares?

If you participated in Open Sew in April, you could check off 'New Technique', 'attend Open Sew', and 'Sew with a Friend'.

Review the bingo choices and try something new! It's fun!

## CHALLENGE QUILT 2024 – ONE HOT TAMALE

Theme: One Hot Tamale.

Reveal: November 14 at the Guild meeting.

Size: 36" x 36" or less

What does "one hot tamale" mean to you? A landscape? A garden? A dancer? A sunrise or sunset? A color theme? A portrait? What is your "one hot tamale"? Anything goes! Reveal it at the Guild meeting in November. Prizes will be given.

Materials: any fabric, wool, or trims. Embellish your quilt with beads, embroidery, decorative threads, etc. Machine and hand work is fine.

Questions? Contact Terry Hodges, [terrychodges@aol.com](mailto:terrychodges@aol.com)

## SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

Rachelle King has choreographed another show. This time The Music Man. It is being performed at the Bankhead Theater in Livermore from July 13 to July 28. The show features over 40 actors ages 7 to 70. Only purchase tickets directly through the Bankhead at [livermorearts.org](http://livermorearts.org).

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Diane Simoni moved to North Carolina in June. Her daughter was due with their first grandchild on 6/30 and they want to support the young family and be part of the grandchildren's lives. The Alameda Quilt Guild wishes her well.

## REMINDERS

Sign up for the July workshop English Paper Piecing. This is a great technique to take on a car ride, to do by the pool, or in front of the TV. There are 3 spots left.

Join Carol Bernard for the Cathedral Window workshop in August. This beautiful block makes great table runners and pillows as well as quilts.

There are 5 spots left for our Mini Retreat in September at High Street Station by Encinal Market. A \$60.00 ( non refundable) deposit holds your place for a fun filled weekend. Sew with other guild members and enjoy a lunch you didn't have to make! More info in this newsletter. Sign up at the next guild meeting.

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR 2024

All meetings are at Trinity Lutheran at 6:30pm on the second Thursday unless otherwise indicated

- July 11:* Donation event, How-Are-We-Doing survey, member interview, Sew Along Reveal, and Kiss-It-Goodbye
- August 8:* Speaker Sandi DaRoza, "Everything you Need to Learn about using Bold and Bright Colors"
- September 12:* Four holiday gift demos, member interview, and Kiss-It-Goodbye
- October 10:* Speaker Kim Brownell, "Wacky Organizing". Bingo prize drawings
- November 14:* Donation event, vote for "One Hot Tamale" Challenge Quilt winner, Show 'N Tell of workshop projects, and Kiss-It-Goodbye. No Block of the Moment
- December 12:* Holiday potluck, Board induction, and Sing Along. No Block of the Moment

## Workshop schedule for 2024

All workshops are taught at Corica Golf Course, on Saturdays from 10-3pm.



July 13 – English Paper Piecing – Teacher Carroll Stephens – Fee \$10.00  
Learn the techniques of a craft from the 18<sup>th</sup> century. You will learn how to cover different shapes with fabric and how to hand stitch them together. A great project to travel with as no sewing machine is required.



August 10 – Cathedral Window – Teacher: Carol Bernard – Total fee: \$10.00.  
Learn how to construct a three dimensional quilt block. “Windows” are fabric squares centered over the intersection of 4 separate block units.

September 14 – Donation Sewing & Lunch Facilitator Terry Hodges - Fee : cost of your lunch. Take this day to work on your quilts, joy bundles, pillow cases 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.



October—12 - 9 Patch Pizzaz Teacher Jane Strem - Fee \$30.00 (Jane is an owner and a teacher at New Pieces Quilt Store)

This versatile design features either a large focus fabric or a panel surrounded by nine-patch blocks which will enhance the feature fabric.



November 9 – Thread Catcher Teacher Terry Hodges, Kit Fee: \$5.00  
Make one for yourself or one as a holiday gift for a sewing friend. You will complete this in class.



## ALAMEDA QUILT GUILD SHOW AT THE FRANK BETTE ART CENTER IN ALAMEDA

We have an official title - **Alameda Quilt Guild Presents...**

We hope that many of you will participate in the Guild's Frank Bette Art Show in November.

Frank Bette show update - sharing further info about the schedule.

Installation: October 28 and finish up until October 31.

Exhibit opens: Friday, November 1

Reception: Saturday, November 9, 3-5 Pm

Exhibit ends: Sunday, November 24

Takedown: Sunday, November 24 from 4-5 or Monday, November 25

Exhibit hours each week, Friday - Sunday • 11am - 5pm

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## EVENTS CALENDAR – (Send submissions to the newsletter editor - [kerwindorothy@gmail.com](mailto:kerwindorothy@gmail.com))

Sep 20th-21<sup>st</sup>, Fri-Sat, 10am – 4pm

Quilt Show: 2024 Quilt Threads Show

Sponsored by: Sierra Quilt Guild of Tuolumne Co., Mother Lode Weavers ; Spinners, and Sierra Needle Artists  
Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sonora CA

Bed Turning, Boutique, Featured Quilter Doris Lantz, Quilts and Handmade Textile Arts, Vendors, Food  
Adults \$10, good for both days, Children 12 and under are FREE!

Oct 5th-6<sup>th</sup>, Sat 10 am – 5 pm, Sun 10 am – 4 pm

Quilt Show: Golden Threads Quilt Show

Mother Lode Quilters, Sutter Creek Auditorium, Sutter Creek, CA 95685, USA

Our featured quilters are Material Girlfriends.

In addition to the quilts, there will be raffle baskets, a Country Store and a craft boutique.

## OUTREACH

At the onset of AQG 2016 the guild focus was local community foster youth and that continues today. Each member is invited and encouraged to participate in making one item annually for donation at our July/November donation events.

Quilts are needed/welcomed for foster youth as well as kid colorful pillowcases on July 11. Kristen Mateer from EBCLO will speak and receive donations at our member meeting.

Fidget quilts are requested along with joy bundles and veteran pillowcases for Sutter Care at Home Hospice —Vets and dementia patients. Jennifer Fischer will speak and receive donations on 7/11.

LABELS for quilts and Joy bundles are available at monthly member meetings. Kits for pillowcases and fidget quilts also are available at meeting or on request. Anyone with questions or concerns please call or text Jeanne Heffernan at 650-8888959.

## QUILT JOURNEYS

Many of you have been quilting for a long time and we would love to see some of your work. Would you be interested in presenting a mini trunk show and talking about your personal quilt journey?

Contact [terrychodges@aol.com](mailto:terrychodges@aol.com) if you can volunteer or you want to nominate someone in the guild you know has an interesting journey to share.

## THE COMMUNITY QUILTERS- OUTREACH

Any AQG member can donate a pieced quilt top (preferably with batting and back) at any general meeting. This donation, once finished, will go directly to our selected charities: Sutter Care at Home, Alameda; Midway Shelter, Alameda; EBCLO-East Bay Childrens Law Office for foster youth, Alameda County. 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).

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.

## 2023 AFFILIATES

The Sewing Room, 2434 Webb Ave

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New Pieces Quilt Shop, Inc, 766 Gilman, Berkeley

510-527-6779 [newpieces.com](http://newpieces.com)

ReCrafting, 2449 Santa Clara

510-263-0249 [therecraftingco.com](http://therecraftingco.com)

Bay Quilts, 5327 Jacuzzi St, Richmond

510 558-0218 [create@sfbayquilts.com](mailto:create@sfbayquilts.com)  
[www.sfbayquilts.com](http://www.sfbayquilts.com)

Be sure to mention you saw them in this newsletter.

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## JULY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 7pm AQG General Mtg	12	13 10am Workshop
14	15	16 1pm Board Mtg	17	18	19	20 1pm – 3pm Sew 'N Chat
21	22	23	24	25 1pm AQG In the Park	26	27
28	29	30	31			

# Alameda Quilt Guild 2024 BINGO Challenge

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Attend a retreat	Bring a friend to a Guild Meeting	De-clutter one area of your sewing room	Attend a Board Meeting (all members are welcome)	Sew with a friend for one day
Volunteer to help at one Guild event	Make a charity quilt	Share a project in our Facebook Group	Learn a new quilting technique	Attend one AQG Workshop
Support an AQG Business Member	Invite a friend to a Friendship Group Meeting		Attend a quilt show (online or in person)	Make an outreach donation item
Donate items to Kiss-It-Goodbye at the park	Volunteer for a board position in the Guild	Welcome a new member	Make a quilt using only your stash	Attend one Open Sew
Finish a UFO	Attend the General Meeting	Make a quilted gift	Enter a project in the "One Hot Tamale" Challenge	Volunteer to demo a holiday gift or a quilting technique at a meeting

Directions to play the game:

Finish one line (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal) to be eligible for a drawing to be held at our **Thursday, October 10, 2024** general meeting. For every line completed, you get one ticket for the drawing. Fill the whole card for a special drawing to be held at the October 10 general meeting.