

# Piecemakers Press

"Blessed are the quilters, for they are the Piecemakers"

February, 2018

# Vice Prez 1

Here are programs lined up for the next few months: **Feb 6** Vicki Johnson lecture/ trunk & slide show "Art Quilts in a Series"

Feb 10 Laura Nownes workshop, "Wedges" designs March 6 Julie Silber lecture/ trunk show "Antique Quilts" March 10 Community Quilts Work party Yours quiltingly, Dawn Scott, VP1Program Chair 2017 K.K. Kaneshiro, VP1Program Chair 2018

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# **Next Guild Meeting**

February 6, 2018 7:00 Holy Redeemer Church Hall

# **VP2 Ramblings**

We are currently working on the 2018 calendar activities. KK will schedule all outside speakers and workshops and I'll schedule all internal programs and open sews. My question to you is, "What would you like to see?" Last year we had meetings with members' trunk show, strip poker and members teaching members. Should we repeat again or does anyone have other ideas?

--The open sews for the first part of the year will be used for the quilt show boutique workshops, but we can do some teaching/demo sessions later in the year. Anything you would like to see? Freemotion quilting was one idea we didn't get to last year. --The 2018 Opportunity Quilt is almost done and will be presented at the February meeting! What a great team of members who helped with it. Give yourselves a hand! --The 2019 Opportunity Quilt is being organized and we need some committee members. The pattern will be shown at the February meeting and there will be a signup sheet for those who want to make blocks. The pattern is made up of pieced. paper pieced and fused applique blocks -- something for everyone. Línda Probst, VP2

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# Thank You

THANK YOU Piecemakers! So much!

I have all the blocks you presented to me at the last meeting on my design wall. In fact, I had to add two panels so I could display all of them. Now of course, is where do they go next? I guess I could make one large quilt, but I'm thinking of smaller uses for them. One thought is to use the paperpieced fox blocks as place mats – I think I have enough for a family dinner! The flip side is - my grandkids aren't the neatest eaters...I'll have to serve only foods that won't stain...lettuce maybe? Hmm, I'll have to give that some thought. I can make lots of wall hangings - maybe I can change them monthly...or even weekly! That way, I'll appreciate the individual blocks all year long. I have learned so much about our quilting organization over my time spent on the board (5 years?) But I've learned even more about people, and creativity, and sharing, and listening. Thank you to each of you – I'm in awe of you all. Looking forward to a great 2018 sitting in the audience at guild meetings,

aíleen

#### PIECEMAKERS CALENDAR

Date	Event	Place	Time
Fri-Sun Feb 2-4	Retreat Lite	Homewood Suites	Fri 9 am - Sun 6 pm
Tuesday Feb 6	Guild Meeting	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	7:00 pm
Saturday Feb 10	Laura Nownes Workshop	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	9:30-3:30
Saturday	Boutique Workshop	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	11:00-noon
Saturday Feb 17	LAFS	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	noon-10 pm
Tuesday Feb 20	Board Meeting	Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Newark	7:00-9:00 pm
March 11-14	Spoolers Retreat	San Juan Bautista	see Retreat committee

# Prez Sez...

Creative Opportunities For You To Enjoy

At our February 6 meeting, we will enjoy Vicki Johnson's lecture, Art Quilts in a Series, our regular fun activities, updates, and sign-ups. We will also do the Big Reveal for our 2018 Opportunity Quilt! Many hands created this masterpiece. Special thanks to Linda Probst and Kathleen Murtha for coordinating. On February 10, we will enjoy the Laura Nownes "Wedges" workshop, which has a \$55 fee and includes a ruler. There is still room for you to enjoy this class. The February Me-Retreat is waiting-list only.

I'm happy to report that most of our committee chairpersons will continue. Linda Marglon and Shirley Froidevaux have agreed to chair Ways 'n' Means officially. Carlene Stoffers has agreed to do our Show 'n' Tell raffle. We need someone to coordinate marketing for our 2018 Opportunity Quilt. Sue Whatley and Aileen Fox will go to venues. Would you enjoy this volunteer opportunity?

Each leader and member brings a different background

to our guilting and volunteering. My educational background is teaching and ministry. Both professions require figuring out how to work with people when there is no monetary compensation. I'm wondering, what motivates each of you to volunteer, guilt, and be part of Piecemakers? Please take some time to answer this question for yourself. Our guild has lost several of our movers and shakers in recent years to death or moves outside the Bay Area. At the same time, we have gained wonderful new members who have stepped up into key volunteer positions. Volunteers make it possible for us to create and share our beautiful quilts, provide educational activities, give away several hundreds of quilts annually, pay bills, eat, and enjoy fun quilting events together. Recently though, I have been hearing committees say, "We need more help!"

Within the life of organizations, it becomes important to ask, "Is this still working? Do we need to continue this?" We aren't at the point of stopping any of our activities. However, we will have to cut back on activities if more help isn't provided. There are 2 critical creative volunteer areas that we invite each of you to ponder enjoying: Community Quilts and our Quilt Show. To maintain our tax-exempt status, we need to give away quilts and provide educational events. Community Quilts and our Quilt Show fulfill these requirements. What help might you enjoy providing?

If you like working in small groups, please consider joining Community Quilts, who meet periodically to cut batting, make binding, cut fabric into kits, teach simple quilt patterns, tie quilts, make backs and quilt tops, and sort donated fabric. If you prefer to work at home or elsewhere, most of the above quilting tasks are still options. You can also commit to completing a top or tops from the kits that are available at every meeting. There is a huge need for quilting finished tops.

While our Quilt Show isn't until July, a lot of prep work is required. In the past, we expected members to

# ...Prez Sez

volunteer at least 10 hours in Quilt Show years. Now we need and encourage you to help as able. We need volunteers to enjoy creating items for the Boutique. Enjoy the free workshops to make items that will profit the guild entirely or enjoy having your own hand-crafted items sold with profit split between you and the guild. Donate something wonderful for the raffle baskets or a themed basket with friends. On the actual Quilt Show days, we hope everyone will enjoy volunteering.

Please think about how much time you could commit per week or month to help Community Quilts and/or the Quilt Show. Determine what volunteering brings you the greatest joy. Contact our leaders with your pledge to help. Follow through with your commitment. No pressure. This is an Invitation to enjoy volunteering. Let leaders know they can count on you. See their articles for more information. They deserve all possible support! Now, let's enjoy quilting and each other at our meetings, LAFS, retreats, workdays, outings, and workshops. Thank you to all our excellent volunteer leaders and helpers! You are awesome! We are an amazing guild!

Cindy Sojourner, President

# Community Quilt Sizes

Here are some suggestions for those of you making tops and finished quilts for donations. Under 36 x 40 is an appropriate size for newborns. Pick up a kit from Evelyn or make one on your own.

40-48" wide x 55-60" long: these are the best sizes for agencies. Either use bright colors for young children, prints for teens, or fabric that will be attractive to seniors needing a lap quilt. 50-55" wide x 65-70" long: For active adults or teens for napping. Welcome by all agencies.

We give Kaiser chaplains only quilts that are machine quilted. They go on the foot of beds for those at the end of life. Anything from 40 x 55 to 50 x 65 would be appropriate; use calming or cheerful fabrics.

Anything larger or smaller can be given to some agencies, as everyone welcomes one of our quilts. Especially nice machine-quilted quilts can be given to an agency as a raffle or auction item.

Thank you to all who are helping with this important project!

Community Quilts: Jeanne Flanders, Florence Gríffín, Susan Mayfíeld, Wendey Mueller, Dawn Scott, and Elín Thomas

# **Thank You**

Much to my surprise and delight I received a quilt from your organization during the holidays, and I want to thank you. It has brightened some very dark days. I thank you each time I pick it up!

Betty McCoy

# Secret Pals

OK, Secret Pals, our new year has begun. Please remember to bring a lovely "New Year" gift to your new Secret Pal so she'll know that someone is thinking of her. If anyone else would like to join in the fun, please email me ASAP or see me at the guild meeting. Thanks, Diame Crawford

### **Ways and Means Winners**

KK Kaneshiro (3 times) Mary Miller Darlene Cano **We raised \$88** 

### Sunshine

Do you know someone who needs cheering up? Call me so that I can express our concern, joy and caring. *Lig Williams*, 831-595-2060 docnw@aol.com

# **Quilt Show**

#### Six Months!

Sounds like a long time, but the July 21-22 Quilt Show may be here before we realize. Have you made arrangements to finish your wonderful quilts for display? Are you making items to be sold in the boutique? Are you taking advantage of the workshops that the Boutique committee has held? Have you started collecting gift cards or new items for the raffle baskets?

Most importantly, is the date on your calendar, and are you setting aside that weekend to help out with the show? We will need "all hands on deck" for the setup on Friday, and the two days of the show, to make it a success. This year we are expanding and there will be some vendors in a separate building, and special displays by the Modern Quilt Guild and the Vintage Stitchers.

Is there something you could work on in advance to help in planning? Are you interested in working on publicity, soliciting volunteers, or contacting local businesses for donations? The committee is meeting monthly now to make sure we have a wonderful experience and higher attendance and recognition from the community.

If you can help, please contact either of the co-chairs and discuss your availability and interest.

Elín Thomas & Pat Carlson We want to thank the guild members for their participation and donations given at our January Boutique Workshop Events where we are making items to sell at the Piecemakers Quilt Show Boutique in July 2018. We had two events in January - at Open Sew we made adorable "Mug Rugs" and at LAFS we had two great demos - Florence Griffith (two -handed pot holders) and Carol Nolan (folded fabric stars), as well as patterns and samples of Cup Cozies, with a suggestion from Bonnie to make water battle holders. Carol Nolan also made up kits for members to make the Santa bottle topper / ornament with 100% going to the guild. Please pick up a kit (or more) in February at the Ways and Means table during the Guild meeting to be returned and sold at our July Quilt Show Boutique. Remember you can also sell your own hand made items at the Boutique - 15% of your sales will go to the guild. If you want to sell your items there is a form for you to fill out...and you can choose your "shift" to work in the Boutique during the quilt show - see Linda or Shirley. (Ways & Means) Upcoming events : we will

have a Boutique Prep Workshops Saturday, Feb 17 (during LAFS). We have some great projects planned for February - Fabric Postcards, snap bags (these are cute!) and we will continue to explore pot holders.

# Boutique

If you have ideas for items we could make, or great patterns you would like to share or demonstrate please see *Linda Marglon* or *Shirley Froidevaux*.

### LAFS Ladies Auxiliary Finishing School

What is LAFS??? It is an opportunity for new members to meet and spend time with "old timers" to improve their sewing and quilting skills!

LAFS is held in the same space as our meetings so you have a large space and tables to assemble your quilts. LAFS starts on the third Saturday of every month, from noon to 10:00 pm.

You don't have to stay for the whole day. If you only have two hours, just drop in and sit a spell and enjoy the "Sisterhood".

Please bring some food or a snack to share and don't forget your own drink. Also remember to pack an extension cord.

Gwen George

### Newsletter Deadline Friday, February 23

Send articles to Pat Carlson scrappyhalfsquare@gmail.com

# **Boutique Workshop Participants**













# Local Open Sews

Day	Time	Location	Price	Contact
Monday	9:00 am	Fremont Senior Center 40086 Paseo Padre	free	https://fremont.gov/351/Senior-Center
Wednesday	10-4	Niles Canyon Mobile Home Park, 711 Old Canyon Rd, Fremont	free	Gwen George

### **"Spoolers"** Retreat

Hi everyone,

It's that time again for our Spring Spoolers Retreat at San Juan Bautista. If possible, we would like to secure your spot with your \$100.00 deposit. Our deposit to San Juan Retreat center is due in January. The cost is Private room, \$435.00, Shared room, \$345.00. The dates are Sunday, March 11th -Wednesday, March 14th, 2018. We also have the opportunity for an extra day for Wednesday - Thursday for an additional cost Private. \$145 or shared \$115.00. This includes room, meals, sewing room, and the best opportunity to quilt, visit, share your expertise, shop the local shop hops and have fun!!!! And the food is just so delicious!!! More to follow.

Your Retreat Committee, Pattí Davís, Dawn Scott, Cynthía Kearney

### **Please Patronize our Affiliates**

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### **Piecemakers Board Meeting**

Board Member Attendees: K.K. Kaneshiro, Linda Probst, Cindy Sojourner, Amy Gunnarson, Sue Mayfield, Carlene Stoffers, Pat Carlson, Jan Evans-Longo, Darlene Cano, Elin Thomas Guild Member Attendee: Dawn Scott

Called to order: 7:00 Secretary: The minutes will be sent to board members for approval. If changes are needed, the secretary will summarize the changes when sending out the final version for final approval. President: The bank account signatures have been updated. The procedure to do this has been added to the President's notebook.

Most committee chairmen have confirmed that they will continue in their roles. Darlene Cano will serve as greeter in addition to Membership chair. Carlene Stoffers will be Show and Tell chair. Hospitality, library, webmaster, Ways and Means, and Opportunity Quilt marketing still need to be confirmed. A calendar of Guild activities was distributed. K.K. will keep this calendar up-to-date, and provide a subset of it showing only the activities that will take place at the church. Cindy Sojourner and Aileen Fox will meet with the church to schedule our use of the building for the year, and to finalize the rental agreement. Cindy verified that our insurance applies to all of our events at any location, and to all attendees. including non-members. We need to renew our insurance riders for events at Homewood Suites and the Dominican Center.

When setting up for Guild meetings, we will need a round table for periodicals or fabric

sales.

Everyone's contributions to make the January Guild meeting a success are appreciated. VP1: Dawn reported that 10 people are signed up for Laura Nownes' workshop on February 10. Dawn has rulers to distribute. Participants will have to prepare and cut fabric in advance. K.K. will unlock the church and help set up. The February speaker will be Vicki Johnson, who sews modern and artistic quilts with painting and printing techniques. VP2: Linda Probst will coordinate with K.K. to determine non-speaker programs for the year. Treasurer: Jan is still closing December's books. She will post the year-end report in our February newsletter. The checking account balance is approximately \$14,000. Motion by Darlene Cano and K.K. Kaneshiro, seconded by Elin Thomas, to donate \$100 each to the San Jose and National Quilt Museums. The motion carried. Membership: Darlene reported that we have 84 paid members. People have indicated an interest in modern guilting. That choice and possibly others will be added to next year's membership form. Community Quilts: We are looking for ideas to draw people to work parties. The mile-aminute demonstrations were popular last year. Some ideas are to demonstrate machine guilting on newborn guilts, and to take sign-ups for work parties. Dawn plans to join Community Quilts when she is

done with her responsibilities for programs. The committee is in need of additional members. The guild needs an adjustable table to use for cutting. Amy Gunnarson will purchase it from Costco if it is available. The expense has already been approved.

Newsletter: deadline for articles is January 26. The directory of committee chairmen will be updated as changes are confirmed.

Quilt Show: There will be a Boutique workshop January 20 at 11 am. Elin will write a newsletter article. Pat will begin to take volunteer sign-ups at the February Guild meeting. Elin has applied to Kaiser for a grant. Other ideas for grants are Candle Lighters, Chase Bank, and Niles Rotary.

Opportunity Quilt: The 2018 guilt is back from the quilter. Kathy Murtha will make the binding and label. Linda Probst will add the sleeve. A motion was made by Cindy Sojourner, seconded by K.K. Kaneshiro, to purchase a display frame for it, up to \$200. The motion carried. The finished quilt will be displayed at the February Guild meeting. Aileen Fox will order raffle tickets for it.

A pattern for the 2019 Opportunity Quilt has been donated by Lisa Norton, and her sister, Lora Zmak has offered to quilt it. K.K. Kaneshiro made a motion to approve the design, and Darlene Cano seconded the motion. The motion carried. Linda Probst will chair the 2019 Opportunity Quilt development. Adjourned: 8:53

#### Pat Carlson Secretary

### **February Birthdays**

Florence Beauchemin Carmen L. Feaster Kathleen Fennelly Kathleen Leger Mary-Rose Roletto Elin Thomas Liz Williams

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Date	Event	Place	Website	
February 1-3	American Symphony of Quilts American Legion & San Joaquin Valley Quilters Guild	Clovis Memorial District 808 4th St Clovis, CA 93612	sjvqg.org	
Feb 6-May 27	And Still We Rise: Race, Culture, and Visual Conversations	California Museum 1020 O St, Sacramento	californiamuseum.org/we-rise	
February 24-25	Pajaro Valley Quilt Association 40th Anniversary Show	Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds	pvqa.org	

# **Block of the Month**

March 2018 Block of the Month

Single Irish Chain

Finished Size 10 inches square

Background fabric: white or cream

Main Fabric: Medium to dark green

You will need:

4 - 2.5 inch x 6.5 inch rectangles of background fabric

4 - 2.5 inch squares of background fabric

9 - 2.5 inch squares of green fabric

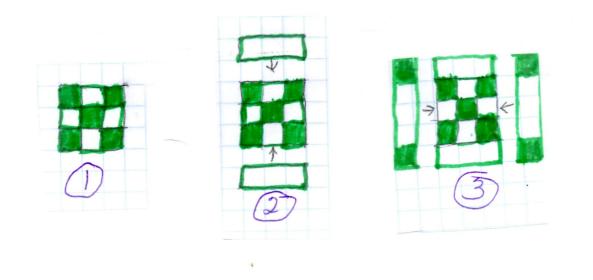
Assemble your block as follows:

Sew a 9 patch block together with five green squares and four background squares according to the diagram below.

Sew a 2.5 inch x 6.5 inch rectangle of your background fabric to the top and bottom of your nine patch. This will be the center section of your chain block.

Now sew a green 2.5 inch square onto the short ends (the top and the bottom) of each of your two remaining background rectangles. You now have all three sections of your block completed. Sew these three sections together according to the diagram below. Your block should now measure 10.5 inches (unfinished).

Hooray – a Single Irish Chain block has been born! Next step: turn it in at the March guild meeting in hopes of winning ALL the blocks.





# **2017 Board of Directors**

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2018 Opportunity Quilt Marketing			



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### Happy Birthdays!

Please bring a snack to the Guild meeting in the month of your birthday to share your celebration.

If your birthday falls during the months of July, November, or December, please bring a snack in another month. The Guild will provide snacks during these months.

### Want to Place an Ad?

Contact Jan Evans-Longo at jlongo550@gmail.com

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2¼ x 2¼	\$3	\$28
4¾ x 2¼	\$6	\$31
1/2 page	\$20	\$45
Full page	\$40	\$65

### **Bring to the Meeting:**

- Snacks (in your birthday month or any other time)
- Block of the Month square
- Name Tag
- Guild Library/Bookstore Return
- Completed Community Quilts
- Ways & Means Donations

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