

Piecemakers Press

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

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Prez — Keeping It Simple to Going All Out

The Design Challenge game sparked imaginations and fun at our January meeting thanks to former and current VP2's Linda Probst and Luz Banuelos. Several quilters left inspired to create the group designs. Seeing our 2019 Opportunity Quilt reveal was wonderful. Thank you Linda Probst for coordinating, everyone who created a block, and Material Girls for the pattern and quilting. Also, thank you Linda for volunteering to coordinate visits with other guilds for opportunity quilts. Thank you VP1 Amy Gunnarson for enjoying the NCQC's All Star Review with me, especially for finding a speaker for this month. Amy's article will tell you more. Thank vou everyone for passing the 2019 Budget Proposal unanimously. Thank you Jan Evans-Longo and the Board for putting it together. Did you notice the \$500 line item for annual grants to teachers in the local community who teach some quilting, especially to children? If you know someone teaching quilting in the area, let us know

The 12 members who took the Nancy Brown workshop enjoyed absorbing a lot of

information about her applique and design techniques. Slow going though! Getting one eye applique done equaled success. I regret that I couldn't quilt with everyone at LAFS and Retreat-Lite in January. My body was too exhausted from a rotten respiratory cold and planning the inspiring Tri-City's 5th annual World Interfaith Harmony Week event on Saturday, February 2. There will be a next time! Being sick reminds me to express appreciation to people in our lives. Join me in expressing thanks to guild leaders, even if you aren't making a block this month, buying a raffle ticket, picking up a quilt kit, borrowing a book, or attending the New Members Tea, an open sew. class or retreat. These activities are reasons that members belong to our guild.

One more thing, I love how each guild member has her own quilting style, yet still appreciates the great variety of quilts that other members create. I love how when someone asks about a quilt design or technique preference, our answers vary. I enjoy our varied quilt stories. I appreciate we have

members who prefer quilts, advice and stories be kept simple, and members who prefer going all out. I appreciate we have members who prefer everything in moderation and members who enjoy variation. We are a great guild because we find ways to make room for all of us. Keeping all this in mind, what is your preference for meetings, Show-n-Tell, the newsletter, and your own quilts? How do you make room?

Cindy Sojourner, President

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PIECEMAKERS CALENDAR						
Date Event Place Time						
Tuesday, Feb 5	Guild Meeting	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	7:00 pm			
Saturday, Feb 9	Community Quilts Work Party	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	9:30 am-3:30 pm			
Saturday, Feb 16	LAFS/New Member Tea	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	9:30 am-10 pm			
Tuesday, Feb 19	Board Meeting	Holy Redeemer Church Hall	7:00-9:00 pm			

VP1 News - Upcoming Speakers and Workshop

Greetings Piecemakers,

Being truthful, acting as your Vice President #1 is a bit intimidating. Finding and negotiating contracts with individuals to present entertaining and educational presentations at our meetings will be a new experience for me. I fully welcome your input! Please contact me if you would like to hear a particular speaker or teacher. I will do my best to bring the best to visit with us!

Here is what we have on our schedule now:

At the February 5th Guild Meeting, Kathy Allen, recent author of "Modern Scot Patchwork" will be telling us about her work taking historic



tartan patterns and turning them into modern quilts. Tartans are an important part of Scotland's colorful history and Kathy will share stories about the clans while showing us the quilts she has created. Along with books, Kathy will be bringing kits so we might follow her lead and produce



our own modern Scottish quilts.

At the March 5th Guild Meeting, Colleen Granger will present "Playing with Pre-Cuts". She recognizes we all buy those beautiful pre-cut bundles, be they 5" or 10" squares, 2 ½" or 6" strip packs, they are all too good to pass up. She will be sharing many diverse projects that can be created using those addicting packets.

On Saturday, March 9th, Colleen Granger will lead "Sharing Memories", a workshop where your favorite photographs celebrating a vacation, anniversary, graduation, wedding or the life of a loved one can be used in a striking design. The quilt you make can be a scrap bag project, or use a jelly roll or

Bali Pop of 2 ½" strips. Using a plain background fabric provides areas for writing. The workshop is good for all skill levels.

Please sign up for the class at our February meeting or by contacting Amy Gunnarson. The cost is \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members. Below is an example of the quilt produced using instruction from this workshop.



I look forward to talking with everyone about future speakers and workshops.

Amy Gunnarson Vice President 1 (301)693-6397

Next Guild Meeting

February 5, 2019 7:00 pm Holy Redeemer Church Hall

Spring "Spoolers" Retreat

Our 2019 Spring "Spoolers Quilt Retreat" is almost here, March 10th -13th. We are all excited about our stay at St. Francis Retreat center. Since we have a limited number of beds available, our retreat is completely filled up. Those who have signed up: please continue to send me your payments or pay at the February guild meeting. The total balance is due by the March 5th guild meeting.

Can't wait for all the fun and precious quilting time together with all of you. Thank you and looking forward to our wonderful, relaxing, creative quilt retreat.

For Love in Quilting,

Patti Davis, Dawn Scott and Cynthia Kearney

Show and Tell Winner Marcia Burke



February Birthdays

Florence Beauchemin

Kathleen Fennelly

Chris Montez

Corrine Moore

Mary-Rose Roletto

Elin Thomas

Barbara Walton

Liz Williams

LAFS

LAFS...3rd Saturday Monthly

Enjoy some time to work on your own projects, UFO's, get help to finish your quilt, etc. So this is your personal invitation to come to LAFS and spend time with us.

When: the 3rd Saturday of every month.

Time: 12 noon to 10pm.

Bring some food or a snack to share!

Please don't think you have to stay for the entire time. Come and stay as long as you want!

Call me if you have any questions...look forward to seeing you there!

Gwerv George
510-461-4662

Sunshine

Do you know someone who needs cheering up? Call me so that I can express our concern, joy and caring.

Liz Williams, 831-595-2060

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Secret Pals

Secret Pals 2019

Happy New Year and welcome to the first giving occasion of 2019. You've received your "assignments", instructions, and suggestions for gifts. It's time to make your new Secret Pal feel special. If you have any questions, please email me,

diane@thecrawfordfamily.net.
And most importantly, have fun!

Diane Crawford

Tips and Tricks

If you would like to learn some new quilting tips and tricks, or even share your favorite ones, or if you have questions you would like to have answered please attend the LAFS meeting on February 16. Our intention is to share our quilting knowledge in a fun and stress free environment. Our Tips and Tricks session will begin at 1:00 p.m. (because Purple Pam cannot seem to get there any earlier).

This first meeting will be a discussion session. We want to know what our quilters would like to learn. The topic of our following Tips and Tricks sessions will depend on YOU. New and not-so-new quilters are welcome. We need you to let us know what you want to learn. See you at LAFS!

Gwen George and Pam Thomas

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Community Quilts

First Work Party of 2019!

Please join us at our first Community Quilts Work Party on February 9! Let's get going on guilts for our summer donations that will provide comfort for a lot more people. We'll be meeting at the Holy Redeemer Hall and need help with all kinds of projects. We'll have the frames set up to tie quilts and are always happy to show our new members how to tie! You can also bring your machine and work on sewing: making backs, stitching kitty pillows, assembling blocks or tops, etc.

Come for a couple of hours from 9:30 to 3:30. We always appreciate your help and may have some surprises. BYO lunch or something to share at Noon. If you have any questions, contact Elin at qsewbusy@comcast.net. Elin Thomas
Community Quilts

Retreat Lites

Community Quilts organizes open sew days at Homewood Suites in Newark for 3-day weekends (9 am Friday to 6 pm Sunday), five times during the year. Members may sign up and pre-pay for three retreats per year and be on a waitlist for additional dates. It's a great way to have three days to work, uninterrupted by home responsibilities, and the hotel offers sleeping rooms at a discount as well.

Jeanne Flanders maintains the reservation list, so you can contact her with questions (JeanneFlanders@sbcglobal.net) or see her at the Community Quilts table at Guild meetings.

Cost is \$35 for each retreat.

Remaining dates for 2019 are: Mar. 29—31 June 21—23 Aug. 23—25 Nov. 1—3

Ardenwood

To all those who are new to the guild: Community Quilts meets 4 times a year at the Ardenwood Historic Farm in Fremont. Admission is free to those who volunteer for 2 hours (or more) and you can bring guests with you. We meet in the granary and tie quilts the "old fashioned way". The public comes by to watch and learn about what we do. If you have never tied a quilt, we're happy to show you how.

Each event has a different theme. You can sign up for a morning shift and spend the rest of the day with your family, or come early and have fun at the farm, then spend the afternoon tying.

The events we will be doing this year are:
Tartan Day (April)
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Harvest Festival (2 day event in October)

Please contact me with questions!

Toni Mathues

Ardenwood Coordinator frankwillis631@comcast.net

Suggested Quilt Sizes

Community Quilts happily accepts quilts of all sizes, and we give them all to agencies for their clients. Please use appropriate fabric colors and patterns for children's quilts. Also, we prefer no Christmas, Hanukkah, or Halloween fabrics in a quilt, since we don't know who would eventually receive it. Thank you for all your donations to those less fortunate.

Here are some suggestions for the most wanted sizes:

Quilt Sizes for Donations (Approximate)

Newborns for Highland Hospital: Between 25" and 35", square or rectangle

Baby: Between 36" and 45", square or rectangle

Toddler/Small Child: Approx. 40" x 50"
Teen/Small Adult: Approx. 45" x 60"
Most Popular for Adults: Approx. 55" x 70"

Twin Bed: Approx. 65" x 80"

Please Patronize our Affiliates

Color Me Quilts
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cmq@colormequilts.co

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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		

Piecemakers Board Meeting

January 15, 2019

Attendees: Cindy Sojourner, Wendey Mueller, Gwen George, Laura Rohwedder, Darlene Cano, Luz Bañuelos, Sue Mayfield, Pattie Fretty, Amy Gunnarson and Jan Longo

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM.

President Cindy said she had received a lot of positive feedback about the December meeting. Darlene suggested we put solar lights along the path to the back parking lot, to make it safer after dark. Cindy will check with the church for their approval. If we are allowed to add the lights they would be installed along the path, on the wall of the church. Guild would pay for and install motion activated solar lights along the back path to the parking lot.

2019 budget was presented and unanimously passed at the January guild meeting.

Cindy, five members willing to take opportunity quilt to other guilds. Need coordinator to handle schedule. After the meeting Amy said she will order tickets for the opportunity quilt. She will check where we ordered tickets in the past and make the decision as to the best place to order from. There was a discussion about changing the price of opportunity quilt tickets. The consensus was to change the cost of tickets to 1 for \$1.00, 6 for \$5.00 or 30 for \$20.00. We will look at how many tickets were ordered last year and how many tickets are left and base our first order on the result. We can get more tickets fairly quickly if needed.

Cindy explained the Board minute approval process to new Board members.

There was a discussion about

purchasing guild stationary. Wendey put a motion forward that we order more guild stationary (paper and envelopes) up to \$250.00. The motion was seconded by Pattie and passed by the board unanimously. Amy will research, decide paper and color, then order new stationary. Motion passed unanimously.

Wendey reported the newsletter deadline is January 25th. Gwen suggested we reduce content to reduce printing costs and to encourage more members to read it.

Parliamentarian Piecemakers calendar was reviewed and changes made where required. Darlene will send copy of completed calendar to Penny, our church contact. Jan and Pattie will set up new email address for the treasurer. When they have a new email address, it needs to be given to Darlene for the calendar.

VP1 Amy informed the board that Kathy Allen will present at February's guild meeting. Kathy Allen is into quilts with a Scottish influence and has been doing this since 2006. Kathy's new book "Modern Scot" has been very well received. During the March guild meeting, Colleen Granger will be speaking.

Amy indicated the need for a formal workshop refund policy to be formulated and passed by the board. Options were presented and discussed at length. The final proposed policy:

- Individuals signing up and paying for a workshop will <u>not</u> <u>be eligible for a refund</u> when requested <u>less than 30 days</u> before the class.
- 2. If a person must cancel their participation less than 30 days prior to the class:

- They may find someone to replace them and transfer their enrollment to that person.
- b. If enrollment exceeds the number of individuals required for a class, participants may have the fee they paid transferred to another class taken within one year. This option is only available on **first come basis** until the minimum number of participants is reached.

Amy made a motion to pass the policy. Susan seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously by the board. Amy will add the refund policy to the workshop sign-up forms as necessary information to participants.

VP2 Luz said Cynthia Kearney would give a workshop on June 8. Luz will investigate whether we could put together a bus trip shop hop like we have in the past. Gwen will talk to a couple of people to find out the process for booking the trip. Since we would not be using the church, it would not matter when the bus trip occurred.

Treasurer Jan reported the balance was \$19,084.22 at the time of the board meeting. Jan paid the church donation up to the end of June 2019 and storage shed to the end of March. Jan said there had been an additional \$90.00 revenue from the 2018 Opportunity Quilt. On February 9th Pattie and Cindy will go to the bank together to change the checking duty authority over to Pattie. Treasurer and President exchanged monsters. President now has Monster 1. Guild has \$500 in grant money for local teachers or girl scouts etc., who train students about sewing

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Piecemakers Board Meeting

January 15, 2019

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and crafts. Cindy to make an announcement at the next meeting asking for suggestions of qualified teachers or leaders we should make our donation to. The grant money can be divided among several projects and usually is.

Membership Laura announced that we currently have 86 paid members. "New member tea" will be held Saturday February 16th starting at 9:30. Darlene and Shirley will lead the tea and Laura will assist. We will send new members invitations through the mail but all members are invited. We would appreciate if you let us know if you are going to attend to make sure we have plenty of food.

Other business – Cindy will contact Marilyn Moss and Pat Carlson about creating a process for keeping guild media current.

Opportunity quilt 2020 discussion was tabled until our next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene Cano
Secretary

General Membership Meeting

January 8, 2019

President Cindy Sojourner brought the 2019 Budget Proposal to the floor. Cindy opened the floor for discussion. Hearing none, she asked if someone would like to make the motion to accept the budget. Diane Crawford made a motion to accept the budget and Gwen George seconded the motion. The budget was approved unanimously by the guild members in attendance.

Submitted by Darlene Cano, Secretary

Newsletter Deadline Friday, January 25

Send articles to

<u>Wendey Mueller</u>

<u>wendeym@comcast.net</u>

Online Media Update Plans

If you have suggestions for our online media procedures, policies or content (website, Facebook, etc.), please contact Marilyn Moss or Pat Carlson before February 10.



Magazines

We need you... to bring your gently used magazines to our meetings. We are out of magazines for sale at the meetings, so please bring any that you want to donate. As you can see in the budget, this is not a big money making activity, but is done as a service to our members. You get to clean out your old magazines, help the guild make a few cents, and then cheaply buy used ones to replace what you just got rid of -- it's a win/win/win situation. Línda Probst

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Place	Website
March 2-3	Manteca Quilter Quilt and Cloth Doll Show	SJCOE - Wentworth Bldg 2701 Transworld Dr. Stockton, CA	MantecaQuilters.com
March 9-10	Yuba-Sutter Valley Quilt Guild "Heart & Home"	Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds 442 Franklin Ave. Yuba City, CA	ValleyQuiltGuild.com
March 22-23	QUILT San Francisco 2019 Quilt Show & Sale	The Event Center at St. Mary's Cathedral 1111 Gough St & Geary San Francisco, CA	SFQuiltersGuild.org

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2019 Opportunity Quilt Marketing	Open		
2020 Opportunity Quilt Development			



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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.

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

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