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President's Message

Welcome June -- another big event month for our guild members! This month the San Mateo County Fair finally arrives! We finally get to see the display of the entries from our members that will bring joy and glory to the community and us! I hope you and your families can make it to the fair to see our quilts hanging up on display at the fair. An added plus is "Senior Day" where entry to the fair is free for seniors, which is Thursday, June 11. (There is still a fee for parking.) Check out that fair website! Our guild will be sponsoring a table with the Opportunity quilt with volunteers (Thank- you for being a volunteer 💕) selling tickets and promoting our guild to the community. Stop by and say hello...

For the June meeting, make sure you bring in your quilts for the biggest show-and-tell ever! Ribbon winners or not, we would love to see it!

Our June meeting is June 17 (an evening meeting) starting at 7 p.m. We hope to have some Business Affiliates at the meeting ... still a bit TBA.

On June 24 we have guild member Wanda Lewis Dragon teaching a class to make "Goodness (Goodie) Bowls" (as Wanda says!). She will have a kit available (an additional \$10) to make the bowl. So take your skills to the next level! Check out the PQ website for information and costs.

I hope everyone gets a chance to benefit from being part of our quilting community this month, making us stronger than ever!

~In community, Barbara Mattson, PQ president

PQ Calendar

June 3	Wed	10 a.m. (Zoom)	Board Meeting
June 17	Wed	7 p.m.	General Meeting: Affiliates
June 24	Wed	9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.	Workshop: Wanda Lewis Dragon, "Goodie Bowls"
July 1	Wed	10 a.m. (Zoom)	Board Meeting
July 15	Wed	9:30 a.m.	General Meeting: Karen Bolan, "Collaboration Is Fun"

Outreach Scorecard

	April	May
Bundles of Joy	15 + 64 crocheted hats; 6 quilts	11 + 113 hats 18 crocheted blankets
LifeMoves	14	0
Foster Kids	0	0
Laguna Honda	0	0

Let's keep these generous and much-appreciated donations coming! Baby quilts should be minimum 30" and maximum of 45" on a side. LifeMoves or Foster Kids quilts should be approximately 65" x 80".

-- Barb Hall,
Outreach Coordinator



Barb Hall in Expo Hall with her entry to the San Mateo County Fair (Photo by Tom Jung, The Daily Journal)

Upcoming Speakers and Programs

June 17, 2026: Affiliates

July 15, 2026: Karen Bolan, "Collaboration Is Fun" -- View over 25 stunning collaborative quilts while learning tips for successfully designing, managing, and participating in collaborative quilting projects. Get ready for a discussion of different kinds of collaborative quilt projects, dealing with difficult situations, and how collaborative quilting relates to life beyond quilting. Santa Rosa quilter Karen Bolan has been featured in QuiltCon Magazine, Make Modern and Quilts Japan, and her quilts have been exhibited at local and international shows including Pacific International Quilt Festival, QuiltCon and the deYoung Museum. You can learn more about Karen's work by visiting her website at www.KarenBolan.com or Instagram at www.instagram.com/karen.bolan.



~Jess Millikan and Sara Guyol

Upcoming Workshops:

<http://www.peninsulaquilters.org/forms>

Wanda Lewis Dragon: "Goodie Bowls"
Wednesday, June 24, 2026

Location, Time: AQ Studio, 1515 El Camino Real, Ste. 250, San Mateo; 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$50



Welcome New Member Laurel Weeks

Our reputation precedes us! New member Laurel Weeks found us from a friend of a friend who recommended PQ. Laurel recently moved to Burlingame from San Jose to be closer to her grandkids. While living in San Jose she was involved in the Quilts for Kids program at the Granary. There she was able to learn and expand her quilting skills while enjoying the camaraderie of quilters.

Laurel was the liaison from her Quilts for Kids group for the distribution of quilts after the Paradise fire. Ask her about the motorcycle-themed quilt she made for one of the women! Having learned to sew from her mother, Laurel sews clothes for her grandkids and does machine embroidery. She recently combined these skills with machine-embroidered, SF-themed squares sewn into a quilt. It seems fitting that her first quilt was a wedding quilt for her daughter and soon she hopes to teach her 8-year-old granddaughter to quilt during her week at "Grandparent camp."



~Holly Colgan

Peninsula Quilters Board Meeting May 6, 2026

Attendees: Barbara Mattson, Karen Anderson, Carol Blitzer, Terry Caselton, Jean Dail, Barb Hall, Sandy Kelly, Nancy Krosse, Jena Walter, Cynthia Yin and Brenda Ziegler

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

President (Barbara Mattson) received a motion from Jean Dail and seconded by Terry Caselton to approve the April minutes. They were approved by those present. She extended thanks to the members who volunteered at the Garden Center Open House boutique. She also asked Jean about her exit plans as Treasurer.

Treasurer (Jean Dail) stated that she will contact Sally MacDonald to arrange a meeting for the week of our general meeting. June 30 will be Jean's last day. She will still make herself available during July for next year's budget discussions. There are hand-off procedures that include transfer of the Post Office box, set up with PayPal, etc. She said Sally has experience with non-profit groups. We have healthy bank accounts and as of March are about break even for the year. She mentioned that current Opportunity Quilt sales are falling below previous levels.

Corresponding Secretary (Terry Caselton) sent a condolence card to Carol Wilcher and get-well cards to Connie Bowles and Sandy Kelly.

Parliamentarian (Karen Anderson) mentioned that Jean Dail suggested that setting up a reserve in the Bylaws should be discussed. Jean spoke about the need, and several others asked questions and gave their opinions. A reserve sets a chosen amount of funds aside as a rainy-day fund against a need to fill a deficit in operating expenses. It can be a separate fund or a designation from an existing account. Proposals were submitted for a fund covering 1 to 3 years of operating expenses. Barbara Mattson will email voting members of the board a description Jean wrote up for review. Jean will check with other guilds. The issue was tabled for later review.

Fund Raising (Nancy Krosse) announced that the boutique at the Garden Center Open House was a big success. It was well attended and many other groups that use the Garden Center also participated. She thanked members for making items for donation, particularly Barbara Mattson who donated multiple items. Almost all the bowl cozies sold as well as Barbara's large bags, a set of baby items for a newborn and several quilts. It was a great fund raiser. Thanks to volunteers and to Kerry McArdle who secured us two tables.

Membership (Cynthia Yin) mentioned that raffle tickets were sold at the Garden Center Open House. She said she is trying to bring in some more affiliates before the June meeting in which affiliates will come to talk to us. She mentioned Needles Studio in Los Altos. Daisy Segal is helping to fill empty volunteer slots for the San Mateo County Fair. Each two-person shift gets two entry tickets and one parking ticket. Info was sent in a PQBlast and is on the PQ website.

Workshops (Sandy Kelly) stated that there are some openings for the May 21 workshop called "Raising the Roof." She will ask Wanda Lewis Dragon to bring a sample of her goodie bowl to the May general meeting to show what she will be teaching in June.

Outreach (Barb Hall) mentioned that the upcoming Zoom Retreat is open to all. The longarm quilters are able to take more quilts now but will take only 15 at this time. There will be a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. Barb also has 15 sets of lap size quilts for domestic quilting. The longarm quilters quilt twin sizes.

Communications (Jena Walter) reminded us of the Zoom Retreat on the weekend of May 15-17. Info will go out to all in a PQBlast. She is looking for volunteers to create a guessing jar and for donations for raffles during the weekend. The retreat will be open 24 hours a day from 10 a.m. on Friday to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Barbara adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Ziegler, Day & Board Meeting Secretary

PQ General Meeting Minutes May 20, 2026

Barbara Mattson called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

The meeting was held at the San Mateo Garden Center and offered on Zoom.

President: Barbara Mattson accepted a motion from Karen Anderson and seconded by Jess Millikan to approve the April minutes, which passed by those present. She announced that the Garden Center Open House was a great fundraiser. She thanked those members who volunteered, those who came by, and those who donated items for the boutique. The bowl cozies sold well. She also thanked Barb Hall and Jena Walter for hosting another Zoom Retreat last weekend. Thanks also went to Justine Barnard for her retreat class project and to those members who supplied items for the many raffles.

Fund Raising: Nancy Krosse was pleased that cash and credit card receipts were very good for the boutique, and several Opportunity Quilt tickets were also sold.

Treasurer: Jean Dail said we have healthy balances at the bank. She is resigning as of July 1 to take care of her husband. Sally MacDonald will take her place. Terry Caselton thanked Jean for all her service to the guild and was seconded by all present.

Outreach: Barb Hall spoke about the successful retreat. She can accept 15 twin tops for long-arm quilting. She also has kits ready including top, batting and backing for anyone able to quilt on their domestic machine. Barb reminded us that members are meeting the 2nd Friday each month at the Burlingame Community Center from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. to work on Charity Quilts. Also, after each day general meeting there will be an Open Sew.

Workshops, etc.: Jess Millikan hasn't scheduled a Free Table yet as she is awaiting more donations. Donations can be dropped off at Jess' home or brought to a meeting. She currently

has a large table that can extend to around 12 or 14 ft. She also has a 35" x 60" cutting mat. There are a few openings for Sandra Beaver's class titled "Raising the Roof" on May 21 at Studio AQ. Wanda Lewis Dragon will teach Goodie Bowls on June 24, which is the Wednesday after the June 17 meeting. The class might be held at Studio AQ.

Fall Challenge: Sue McCollum asked that last year's Fall Challenge and the recent Spring Challenge quilts be entered in the San Mateo County Fair. For the paint chip challenge, please attach the paint chip to your entry. For this year's Fall Challenge, Sue will supply an envelope that contains a crayon and instructions for a specific quilt block as well as challenge instructions. The charge for the envelope is \$1. The block can be resized, but the smallest must be at least 3" x 3". For resizing help see www.patchworksquare.com. The emphasis is on the color of the crayon. Quilts must be a minimum of 12". The entry does not need to be a quilt. It can be a table runner, bag, etc. The crayon and block instructions will be required for judging. Envelopes are available from Sue.

Announcements: Barbara Mattson reminded those participating that Friday, May 22 and Saturday, May 23, are the dates to deliver display quilts to the County Fair. Also, there is still a need for volunteers to host the table at the fair for the Opportunity Quilt raffle sales.

Membership: Nell Lee Stinson told us there were 56 members at the meeting and 2 guests. The Membership raffle was won by Barbara Sanders.

Raffle Basket Winners: 1. Wanda Lewis Dragon, 2. Harriet Hirsch, 3. Judy Brumm, 4. Susan Williams, 5. Linda Ashcraft, 6. Deborah Dubois

Show & Tell: Photos were taken by Nancy Krosse for submittal to the newsletter. Linda McAllister (3 quilts, seaside theme), Nell Lee Stinson (child's hooded vest, circle quilt), Sue McCollum (green & orange charity quilt), Leonie Batkin (Sheep quilt), Harriet Hirsch (2 blue quilts from Barb's class), Jessica Bernhardt (Flowers wall-hanging), Wanda Lewis Dragon (various size Goodie Bowls), Sandy Kelly (various novelty items including journals).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Ziegler, Day and Board Meeting Secretary

Nell Lee Stinson – Quilted Girl's Vest (right);
Circles (below)





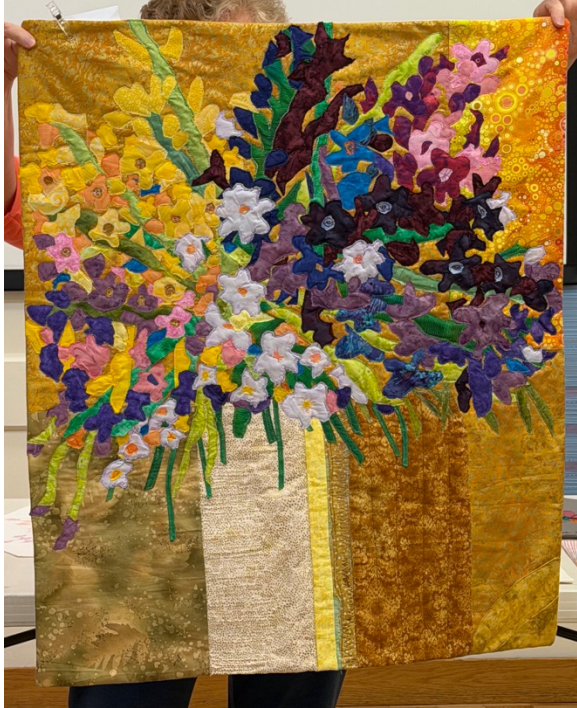
Left: Leonie Batkin – Lamb Panel baby quilt; right: Sue McCollum – Snail's Trails



Harriet Hirsch – Blue 3D, corner pieces



*Linda McAllister – Chip Cabin (above, left),
A Sunny Day in Half Moon Bay (above),
Shark Tank (left)*



Left: Jessica Bernhardt – Art Inspired Bouquet in a Vase; Below: Deborah Snapp – “54-40 or Fight” quilt pattern by Missouri Star Quilt Co. (modified to 71”w x 53”h).



Left: Susan Williams – Bed Runner; Below: Wanda Lewis Dragon – Goodie Bowls



Sandy Kelly – variety of items, including pin cushion, arm chair caddy, journals



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Opening, June 12, 2026: *A Mi Manera / My Own Way* explores the breadth and evolution of the Latino experience through textile art, highlighting the intimate and communal acts of making that carry deep cultural memory. From inherited traditions like embroidery, weaving, quilting, and garment-making to contemporary experiments with fabric, the exhibition will feature artists whose practices draw upon techniques and materials that fill our homes, closets, and altars. These tactile practices are often passed from one generation to the next—grandmothers teaching stitches, mothers repurposing garments, fathers repairing late into the night, as well as friends learning and sharing cultural knowledge online.

Opening, June 12, 2026: *Dance of Life* highlights quilts from the collection representing various facets of life spanning from childhood to old age and beyond. Often, artists create quilts commemorating milestones in both their lives and those of their loved ones, in the process documenting and passing on personal history.

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