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**Next Meeting: March 15, 9:30 a.m.**

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## President's Message

Spring, flowers, sunshine and longer days are ahead. This is my favorite season of the year. New beginnings, fresh starts and warmer weather are some of the highlights in March. The guild will be kicking off Spring with Alice's Love Event following our March meeting. This will be a fun-filled day, sewing together for charity. The next day we have a sold-out class with Material Girlfriends. This will be their final class before they move from the Bay Area.

There is an online quilt store out of British Columbia called Dinky Doo Fabrics. They have lovely fabrics along with a repository of Quilty Advice. They answer questions from how to use the various types of Pellon to cleaning your cutting mat. Go to their website, <https://www.dinkydoo.com/>, at the top of the page click on Blog. This opens up Quilting Advice, Tips and Tricks with many topics covered.

One more fun and cost-effective event coming up is the virtual Quilters Color Mixer. There are 13 creators sharing how to use color with various approaches. The event is March 30 and whether you attend or not you have permanent access to the recording. If you use code **mix1jen** the total cost is \$29.99. It is worth a look at the line-up via this link:

<https://creativespark.ctpub.com/courses/quilterscolormixer-march2023?coupon=mix1jen>

Happy Sewing and Happy Spring,

*~Sandy Kelly, president*

## PQ Calendar

March 15	Wed	9:30 a.m.	General Meeting: Material Girlfriends - "How a Quilter is Pieced"; Alice's Love event following meeting
March 16	Thu	9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Workshop: Material Girls, "Round Rosie Runner"
April 5	Wed	10 a.m. (Zoom)	Board Meeting
April 19	Wed	7 p.m.	General Meeting: Challenge Vote (no speaker)



### Outreach Scorecard

	January	February
Bundles of Joy	33	14
LifeMoves	15	23

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

-- Julie Curry, Outreach Coordinator



### Upcoming Speakers: 2023

#### Material Girlfriends:

**"How a Quilter is Pieced"**

([www.materialgirlfriends.com](http://www.materialgirlfriends.com))

March 15, 9:30 a.m. general meeting

*Material Girlfriends Lisa Norton and Lora Zmak*

April 19: Challenge (no speaker)

May 17: Jennifer Sampou - "Light Your Ombre Fire"

June 21: Sheila Frampton Cooper - "Spontaneous Creation and Inspiration"

July 19: Mel Beach - "Fun and Games in Quilting"

August 16: "President's Choice"

### Upcoming Workshops: 2023

Class: **Round Rosie Runner**

Date: Thursday, March 16, 2023

Time: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Location: San Mateo Garden Center, San Mateo

Instructors: Lisa Norton & Lora Zmak of Material Girlfriends from Discovery Bay, CA

Website: [www.materialgirlfriends.com](http://www.materialgirlfriends.com)

Cost: \$50

**LISA NORTON & LORA ZMAK** of **Material Girlfriends** come to us from Discovery Bay, CA, and are *back by popular demand*. Read about Material Girlfriends publications and awards at [www.materialgirlfriends.com](http://www.materialgirlfriends.com).



Be entertained by twin sisters, Lora Zmak and Lisa Norton of Material Girlfriends in this fun class, Round Rosie Runner or you can make it into a quilt. They'll share their personal Round Rosie projects to teach and illustrate the runner. Round Rosie Runner is an improv round log-cabin block technique and very fun to put together. Great for those afraid of improv! It is a

new project out of their "Circle is the New Square" series. Work from your stash! Scraps work great for this free-form piecing project. It can be seasonal depending on your color choice and can be embellished for wall hanging. It is such an enjoyable block to make you will find you've made a bed of roses before you know it! Digital Download pattern included.

Class: **Modern Madras Table Runner**

Date: Thursday, May 17, 2023

Time: Noon-5 p.m., following the Guild meeting

Location: San Mateo Garden Center, San Mateo

Instructor: Jennifer Sampou from Orinda, CA

Website: [www.jennifersampou.com](http://www.jennifersampou.com)

**JENNIFER SAMPOU** comes to us from Orinda, CA teaching **Modern Madras Table Runner**. Read about Jennifer's awards and publications at [www.jennifersampou.com](http://www.jennifersampou.com)



**Modern Madras Table Runner** is the best project for new ombre enthusiasts because it just uses 3 Ombre SKY fabrics per side. It's a reversible table runner that is easy to make due to simple piecing and comes together quickly. Students get to focus more on the color and less on construction. Bonus learning golden nugget is that Jennifer teaches in depth how to matchstick quilt which gives this textile fabulous texture. And it's great as a piece on the back of a couch or bottom of the bed. Not

just a table runner! Students consistently give this class a **Five Star** review. You can use your own ombre fabrics or purchase Jennifer's ombre fabrics or a class kit on her website. It is suggested that you purchase her book that contains the pattern but it is not mandatory. A discount code and supply list will be provided when you sign up for this fun workshop. Jennifer will be at Asilomar in May 2023!

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## PQ 2023 April Challenge: *Stars!!*

Hollywood stars. Star gazing. Starfish. Fireworks stars. Or even traditional starry quilt blocks. Pick your inspiration and use this Riley Blake Designs Fireworks & Freedom fabric to create something for the April Challenge. We'll admire the Challenge quilts and vote for our favorites at the Guild Meeting on *April 19*.

Your project must be a quilt, and you must use a recognizable amount of the challenge fabric somewhere on the front of your quilt; binding is OK. There is no size requirement. (I expect to have a category for this Challenge at the 2023 San Mateo County Fair so whatever you make, I hope you'll keep it until then.)

Entry fee (as always!): \$5/fat quarter. Fabric is available from Jess Millikan (email [jbmillikan8@gmail.com](mailto:jbmillikan8@gmail.com) or phone or text to 415-509-6083 to make arrangements to get it). I also have a little bit of extra yardage, which I'll release after everyone who wants a fat quarter has one. That will be first come/first served, \$10/yard.



No need to take photos of your quilt. I'll do them all at once, when I have the quilts.

- \* Quilts delivered to Jess Millikan by **April 5**. (Or contact me and I'll pick up your quilt from you). That will leave time for photographing and posting the on-line slide show.
- \* Deadline for electronic voting for those unable to attend the April meeting **April 17**.
- \* Quilts displayed, and winners selected at the General Meeting: **April 19**.

All entrants will receive a "Wanda Ribbon." You'll vote for your favorite quilts, considering creativity, workmanship and anything else that you value. The first-, second- and third-place finishers will receive goodie bags and gift certificates for the PQ Workshop of their choice.

~Jess Millikan

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## Come 'Shop' the Free Table



The Guild has received a hu-u-u-u-ge donation of beautiful fabric from our former member, Joan Armer. We will have a free-table giveaway to give everyone an opportunity to "shop" on Friday, March 17, from 9-11:30 a.m. at Jess Millikan's home, 812 Laurelwood Drive, San Mateo. This donation includes a lot of batiks, florals, animals (especially chickens!), geometrics, and other prints.

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## PQ General Meeting Minutes Feb. 15, 2023

At 7:03 p.m., President Sandy Kelly called the meeting to order.

**Welcome/Introduce New Members** (Sandy Kelly): Sandy welcomed two guests: Tracy Henry and Barbara Mattson. There were 10 Zoom members in attendance.



**Approval of January minutes:** Jess Millikan made a motion to approve the minutes, Terry Caselton seconded. January minutes were approved.

**Chairperson reports:**

**Treasurer Report** (Sara Medina): Fiscal year has closed. An audit will be conducted by the audit committee: Ruth Gilroy, Michele Parry and June Wallach. Revenues came in higher than projected mostly due to membership, and expenses came under projected mostly due to program budgeted expenses.

**Announcements:**

**Opportunity Quilt** (Jess Millikan): The Opportunity Quilt was a huge success and much admired at the Pajaro Quilt Guild. Ticket donations totaled at \$240.

**Free Table** (Jess Millikan): There will be another Free Table event on Friday, March 17, (9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.). Jess received a large donation (22 boxes) of fabric from a previous PQ member, Joan Armer.

**Alice's Love** (Barb Hall): Today is the last day to sign up for the Alice Love event, the charity sew-in on March 15.

**New Member Tea** (Barb Hall): The new member tea will be held right after the April guild meeting. Please sign up with Barb or Justine Barnard if you will be attending so they have an accurate attendance count.

**Corresponding Secretary** (Sandy Kelly for Rose Wilson): Please remember to let Rose know if any get well/condolence cards need to be sent to PQ members.

**PQ Survey** (Sandy Kelly): There will be a PQ Blast tomorrow with a survey for input about what you would like to see in the guild. For those members with no computer access, Sandy has some paper copies you may pick up tonight and mail in.

**Featherweight class** (Sandy Kelly): Always Quilting has a featherweight maintenance class. Cost is \$80, information may be found on their website.

**Mills Peninsula Appreciation Day Event** (Connie Bowles): Connie is currently accepting quilt donations of any size for this event. You may bring your quilt to a guild meeting or call Connie to arrange for the quilt to be picked up. The event will take place in May.

**Announcement** (Jessica Bernhardt): A DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) quilt collection out of the Washington, D.C., museum will be on display at the Los Altos community center presented by the local DAR chapter. Quilts are 18<sup>th</sup>/early 19<sup>th</sup> century.

**Membership/ Raffle Basket** (Anne Merics): Guild membership is at 149 members. Tonight there were 55 members present and 10 Zoom attendees. Raffle basket was won by Judith Paul.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted, Holly Colgan, secretary*

**Show and Tell:** Rose Erdozaincy (2 baby quilts for Alice Love); Joan Dail (Starry Night/Galaxy); Judy Brumm (Charm Nougat) and ...

*Below: Leslie Okamura – Puffy Quilt;  
Right: Harriet Hirsch – Beading Frenzy  
(from January workshop)*



*Below and right: Jess Millikan – Charm Nougat  
crazy quilt; New England Zig Zag Zoom (raffle  
quilt for Kidsafe Collaborative in Burlington, VT)*







*Left: Nancy Krosse – Pink and gray quilt; Right: Carlie Peck – Quilty Hearts*



*Connie Bowles – Tula Pink (left) and Nougat (right)*

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## **Peninsula Quilters Guild Board Meeting February 1, 2023**

Attendees: Sandy Kelly, Jena Walter, Barb Hall, Sara Medina, Leonie Batkin, Justine Bernard, Anne Merics, Julie Curry, Terry Caselton, Sandi daRoza, Angi Merlone, Wanda Lewis Dragon, Carol Blitzer, Michele Parry and Brenda Ziegler.

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

**President (Sandy Kelly)** postponed approval of the January board meeting minutes until next month since the newsletter had not been released yet. She discussed the New Member Event timing. Due to other activities, the event will be held in April. Barb and Justine will organize it including goody bags for each new member.

**Treasurer (Sara Medina)** reported that the issue with PayPal has been resolved. She has people interested in assisting with the audit, which is expected to be completed before the 2/15 Member Meeting. Most donation slips for tax purposes went out prior to the Jan. 31 due date. There are a few that will go out soon due to review required of deposits for those donations received outside of the membership drive.

**Correspondence** Rose was absent, but Sandy Kelly reported for her that Grace sent thanks and that there was no new correspondence required.

**Membership (Anne Merics)** reported that we have 146 members of which seven are new for 2022-23. It was determined that the new member list should go to Barb Hall, Angi Merlone, Sandy Kelly, Sara Medina, Carol Blitzer, Judy Ousterhout and Rita Leung.

**Parliamentarian (Michele Parry)** had nothing new to report.

**Web Administrator** – it was noted that a replacement is needed for Kathy McGuffin who would like to pass the torch for this job position.

**Fund Raising (Leonie Batkin)** has several volunteers to assist with the next Opportunity Quilt: Leonie Batkin, Sandy daRoza, Angi Merlone, Wanda Lewis Dragon, Gretchen Michaels. Leonie still needs a person to promote the OQ. She will make a request at the next Member Meeting.

**Programs (Terry Caselton)** has completed organization of this year's programs. Wanda will take over from here.

**Outreach (Julie Curry)** recently donated 15 quilts to the Redwood Family Shelter. She also was able to donate 33 baby quilts. She has 10 quilts already for February donations. She mentioned how appreciative she is of the generosity of the membership in their charity giving.

**Virtual Events (Jena Walter)** reported that the membership survey will go out in February online, and paper copies will be provided at the Member Meeting. Submittals can be anonymous or not.

**Retreats (Barb Hall)** had nothing new to report.

Sandy Kelly closed the meeting saying that she will be away during the scheduled March Board meeting. Therefore, there will not be a board meeting in March. If anyone has any issues in her absence, they can check with past presidents for direction. Jena offered to review the newsletter for Carol Blitzer.

Sandy Kelly adjourned the meeting at 10:24 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted, Brenda Ziegler, secretary*

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## Member Profile: Annette Caves

**Annette Caves** grew up in a family of “doers” and has continued the tradition. From San Francisco to Sebastopol to San Jose State to San Carlos, Annette has stayed busy. She grew up doing all the home crafts -- sewing, embroidery, needlepoint, gardening, cooking -- but there was no time for quilting until her daughters left home. She converted her older daughter's bedroom to a quilting room; then, she bought a long arm and needed the twins' bedroom. And now she is enjoying the time to quilt her October retirement has given her.

But practicing home arts is only a small part of Annette's life. She was an occupational therapist all her working life serving in traditional physical therapy fields to concentrating on





pediatric eating. In addition, for 10 years before COVID she has volunteered with children in foster receiving home, from home-cooking weekly meals with them, to collecting people's no-longer-used suitcases so each child would have something other than plastic bags for his/her few possessions, and now is gathering quilts to give each child to be his/her own. Because there are so few foster parents many, particularly teenagers, are in need of homes and places to stay and have to sleep on air mattresses in the facility office. She is so pleased that P.Q. members have been helping with these endeavors. When she talks about these experiences, her joy in the children is evident.

She, laughing, says that she and her husband have never been empty-nesters. There is always someone. Since August, a family from Ukraine has been living with them. Annette says they have hit the jackpot with this family. Peninsula Quilters hit the jackpot when Annette joined the guild.

*~Mavourneen Lopez*

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### **New Member: Nell Lee Stinson**



**Nell Lee Stinson** began sewing clothing 15 years ago. In the past she had sewn Halloween costumes for her children. She has been a knitter since she was an OB/GYN resident. Nell is also a member of PenWAG - Peninsula Wearable Arts Guild.

Thirty years ago Nell saw a bug jar quilt and never forgot it. While visiting a friend the bug jar quilt came up. Her friend had an unfinished bug jar. Nell finished it for her and made one for herself and has been a quilter ever since. She likes the process of learning to make quilts as much as the finished product.

### **New Member: Allyson Banducci**

In sixth grade, **Allyson Banducci** learned to sew clothing. Since then Allyson's hobbies include knitting, crochet, embroidery and needle punch. Nine years ago, she gave a quilting talk to her knitting group. Allyson and three others were inspired to become quilters.

Before retiring, she was a bookkeeper. She was used to working ideas and numbers out in her head. Allyson still does that with quilting. Originally, she made Judy Niemeyer patterns, but she likes all types of piecing and appliqué. Now Allyson is learning to longarm.



*~Angi Merlone*



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and 12-9pm on the first Friday of every month

**Through April 16, 2023:** Quilt National '21, a juried biennial exhibition featuring the best of Contemporary Quilts. Organized by The Dairy Barn Arts Center in Athens, Ohio. Showcases new works, selected by the jury of Nancy Bavor, Brigette Kopp and Karen Schulz (Main Galleries)

*Kit Vincent, Fracas  
Hand-painted, hand-dyed cotton and silk  
Machine pieced and appliquéd*



**March 1-April 28, 2023, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.:** **Fabric, Thread & Woven** showcases and celebrates the strong community of local artists working in the textile and fiber art mediums. This is a juried exhibition in the San Mateo County Government Center Caldwell Gallery, (Main Floor, 400 County Center, Redwood City) presenting a distinct approach to innovative and traditional fiber and textile techniques, and a contemporary concept for the use of traditional and unusual materials. The chosen work invites the viewer to experience the many facets of fiber and textile art.

[www.smcgov.org/ceo/fabric-thread-woven-group-textile-art-exhibition](http://www.smcgov.org/ceo/fabric-thread-woven-group-textile-art-exhibition)

**Quilt San Francisco 2023** - Friday and Saturday, **March 24-25**. Guest Artist: Joe Cunningham and Featured Artist: Barb Strick. 300+ Quilts & Wearables on display; Special Exhibits, Vendors, Education Programs, Opportunity Quilt (12 silk quilts to select from) and more. Location - The Event Center at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. Tickets are on sale now (\$12 prepurchase/\$15 at door) - attend in person or virtual option. Link for more details and purchasing tickets: [Quilt San Francisco 2023](#).

**Saturday and Sunday, May 6-7**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Nevada County presents the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual "Springtime in the Pines" Quilt Show 2023 at the Nevada County Fairgrounds in Grass Valley. Admission is \$10 for one day, \$15 for two day; free parking. Featured quilter is Lorna Straka. The show includes vendors, Silent Auction, Basket Raffle, Country Store, Opportunity Quilt by award-winning quilter Myrna Raglin. For information, visit [www.pinetreequiltguild.com](http://www.pinetreequiltguild.com)

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