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President's Message

May will be a fun month filled with Margaritas for Cinco de Mayo, lots of activity in support of the upcoming Fair, a workshop led by Julie on multiple ways to bind our quilts, and our wonderful virtual retreat.

If you have not signed up for our virtual retreat to be held May 17-19, you are going to miss some fun inspirational sewing time. These retreats were born out of necessity and now are a gathering with members to create and enjoy sewing together. There are always surprises, great show and tell and fun even if you only join for a few hours. If you have not signed up, send an email to Barb Hall at bumbibhall@me.com to join the fun.

There are still five shifts open for selling tickets for our Opportunity Quilt at the Fair. These are spots that do not have even one person signed up so it would be uncovered time where no tickets would be sold. Please sign up on iVolunteer to help the guild. <https://pq2012.ivolunteer.com/oq2>

There is a new shop in Los Altos that has an interesting variety of creative products. I met them as a vendor at the Silicone MQG Quilt Show on April 7. Locally owned by a woman, they have classes, fabric, sewing supplies for cloths, bags, Sashiko and a bit for quilts. I did not go to their shop; however, I looked them up online. If you want to check them out here is the link: <https://www.needlesstudio.com/shop>

Keep having fun,

~Sandy Kelly, president

PQ Calendar

May 1	Wed	10 a.m. (Zoom)	Board Meeting
May 15	Wed	9:30 a.m.	General Meeting: Julie Curry – Binding
June 5	Wed	10 a.m. (Zoom)	Board Meeting
June 19	Wed	7 p.m.	General Meeting: Julia MacLeod – Everything but Cotton



Outreach Scorecard

	March	April
Bundles of Joy	19	10
LifeMoves	7	TK
Foster Kids	5	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".

-- Julie Curry, Outreach Coordinator



Upcoming Programs and Workshops:

May 15, 9:30 a.m.: Demo Class by Julie Curry on Binding

June 19, 7 p.m.: Julia McLeod – “Everything but the Cotton”

<https://juliamcleodquilts.com>

When quilters don't have access to a stash of quilter's cotton, what do they turn to? In this one-hour lecture, trunk show and Q & A session, we will explore quilts – antique and modern – made of wool, silk, polyester and more. We'll observe how the use of unusual materials gives rise to alternative construction techniques and design choices.

The trunk show of Julia's work shows what you can create



with neckties, saris, kimonos and other unusual, “not cotton” textiles.

She is featured on TheQuiltShow.com's episode #2902. She is on the teaching faculty of Mancuso Show Management's [Quilt Fest](#) and [Quilt Festival Houston](#). She blogs regularly on a collaborative sewing blog, [“See How We Sew.”](#)

Alice's Love Event: Wednesday, July 17

Alice Lam was a member of the WannaBees. When she passed away, her husband and son donated money to the guild in her name and asked the WannaBees to use the money to honor her. Alice loved cooking, helping others, and entertaining friends and family.

Our celebration this year will be a sew-in for you to work on your own project. It will be after the July 17 PQ meeting at the Garden Center until 4 p.m. Lunch will be served. Bring your sewing machine, sewing supplies and project to work on.

There is no admission price this year.

NOTE: Irons and ironing boards will be provided. Individual irons may not be used. Signups will begin at the PQ May 15 meeting and end July 1. There is room for 30 to 35 members with sewing machines and another 10 or so members doing hand work. Contact Margaret Conti at mrconti0502@comcast.net or at a PQ meeting to sign up. Contact Margaret if you have any questions.

~Margaret Conti

July 17, 9:30 a.m.: Connie Bowles, "Conversion"

Aug. 21, 7 p.m.: From Me to You, Round 2

Sept. 18, 9:30 a.m.: Birthday Party, Fall Challenge, Quilter of the year

Welcome new members

Julie Belcher taught herself to sew when she was 19. She quilted some in the 80s but really began quilting regularly in 2003. She is still working in the moving industry but is trying to make as many meetings as she can.

Julie likes to piece and does needle turn applique. She likes learning new techniques and she enjoys both modern and traditional quilting. Currently, she is working on a gypsy wife quilt.

Maybeline Gaspay began quilting in the 3rd grade. She mainly did handpicking off and on. Then in the 90s she took one of Mary Whitehead's classes and has been quilting ever since. She has many friends in the guild. She likes applique and handwork. She is still working so she is usually only available at night for the meetings.

May is a long armer. She collaborates with her son who is an artist. They displayed a four-panel quilt of her family home at the Cubberley open house April 13. The panels are each 15 feet.



Cathy Stillman learned to sew in Girl Scouts when she was 12. She has always sewed since then. She began quilting 10 years ago and was taught by her mother. When her mother passed away Cathy inherited all her mother's quilting fabric. She likes traditional piecing.

She retired two years ago and has been quilting a lot since then. She was director of sourcing and customer service for an apparel company. The show and tells at the meetings inspire Cathy.

Peninsula Quilters Board Meeting April 3, 2024

Attendees: Sandy Kelly, Leonie Batkin, Carol Blitzer, Connie Bowles, Dorothea Copeck-Nolan, Julie Curry, Jean Dail, Barb Hall, Suzanne Jeuck, Nancy Krosse, Marilyn Morton, Michele Parry, Jena Walter and Brenda Ziegler.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

President (Sandy Kelly) requested approval of the March minutes. A motion was made to accept the minutes, seconded and passed. (Subsequent to this meeting, a correction to revise the information regarding Hospitality supplies for the New Member Tea was requested and noted. March minutes were adjusted to remove treats and add coffee and tea.) Sandy told us that the San Mateo Garden Center (SMGC) holds Open Sundays monthly where any group can

send representatives, and sales are permitted. In April through October the openings are on the 2nd & 4th Sundays. In November through March the openings are only on the 2nd Sunday. The SMGC mission statement says that it's an event center for gardening and craft in the community. Michele Parry said there is no bylaw issue with members selling, and participants should represent the guild with flyers, etc. Space needs to be reserved with SMGC. Sandy will research previous traffic at the center on these days. She will mention the SMGC program at the next general meeting. Cynthia Yin will be on vacation 4/25-5/10 so blasts may be on hold during that time period.

Vice-President (Nancy Krosse) sent out invites to new PQ members for the New Member Tea, which will take place after the April 17 general meeting. She is waiting for RSVPs.

Treasurer (Jean Dail) will be sending a 2nd quarter financial report to the board in a day or so. All required CA documents have been updated and are current. Barb Hall thanked her for reviewing the donations from Alice Lam.

Corresponding Secretary (Sandy Kelly for Terry Caselton) reported that June Wallach suffered an injury.

Fund Raising (Leonie Batkin) let us know that iVolunteer will be launched on April 14 for volunteering at the San Mateo County Fair. She thanked Michele Parry for setting this up. Maggie Harvey will announce it at the April general meeting. Leonie told us that Rose Erdozaincy generously donated her quilt "Linda's Lattice" for the 2024-25 Opportunity Quilt. This will be displayed at PIQF, and volunteers will be needed for raffle sales and white-glove support. Michele Parry will add this to iVolunteer once PIQF lets us know which day will be our white glove day. Leonie had requested Thursday, Friday or Saturday in that order of preference.

Programs (Connie Bowles) reported that the schedule was pretty full for speakers. Jess Millikan is looking for workshop space for the future since there is talk of the Always Quilting building being demolished in June. SMGC works OK but she is investigating other options. Connie was asked if all the speaker contracts were signed and said she'd check on it as one may still be outstanding.

Outreach (Julie Curry & Barb Hall) Julie reported that there were 30-35 attendees for the Bee Charitable Day after this last month's general meeting. Six new tops were completed. Barb said she and Annette Caves will take over getting donation quilts quilted and finished for next year. Julie and Judy Miyake will support them. In the future, we will have Bee Charitable Days and Sew Days (not necessarily for charity work).

President (Sandy Kelly) asked anyone who has something for the Redwood City Library window display to contact LaVern Newman or Judy Brumm. The display will begin on May 1. Also, two nominations were received for Life Member status. Both were discussed, and the nominations were approved. It was suggested that a write up on each should be prepared for the newsletter.

Sandy adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Ziegler, Secretary

PQ General Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2024

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

Sandy Kelly called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Anne Merics daughter Maggie was present as a visitor. There will be no raffle baskets tonight, but tickets for the Opportunity Quilt are available for purchase. A motion to approve the March minutes was made, seconded and approved by the membership. Sandy reminded everyone to stand on the **X** when speaking or showing quilts so the Zoom participants can see them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Treasurer: Jean Dail reported that the bank balance and other accounts are all caught up. Jean stated a summary of the financial statements is available and if anyone has questions please contact her. Jean also appreciated all the work of the past treasurers.

Vice President: Nancy Krosse stated that Jess Millikan will announce the winners of the Spring Challenge after the break and after the meeting is adjourned will set up for the "New Members Tea."

Opportunity Quilt: Maggie Harvey stated the Opportunity Quilt will be displayed at the SMCO Fair and she needs volunteers to fill all the fair time slots to sell raffle tickets.

Spring Challenge: Jess Millikan stated that the next "free table" will be **Saturday, June 22**. She has lots of fabrics, but members can drop off fabrics to her home June 12-19. The next challenge for the September/Birthday challenge will be announced at the May PG meeting. The schedule for the 2024-25 speakers and workshops is being finalized. One workshop will be on Zoom and one on a Saturday in October or November.

Jess informed the PQ that the September/Birthday challenge will be her last one to organize, but Julie Curry will take over the challenges next year.

Jess said that help would be needed to make new ribbons for future challenges.

There are 13 Spring challenge quilts to vote on during the break. The ballots are to be given to Jess to tabulate.

Raffle Baskets: Suzanne Jeuck said there will be no raffle baskets tonight. The next raffle baskets will be probably at the May meeting.

Retreat: Barbara Hall and Julie Curry. Barbara reported that the next virtual retreat via Zoom will be May 17, 18 and 19. The signup clipboard is being circulated. The retreat is free, there will be special projects, and it's fun! Julie said at the May Zoom retreat there will be a special strip quilt to make, and kits will be provided by Julie.

After the July 17 morning meeting there will be an "Alice's Love" sewing day until 4 pm. Lunch will be provided. Signups will be at the May meeting.

Workshop: Julie Curry and Wanda Dragon. Julie reported after the May 15 PQ meeting there will be a binding class, which will be free. There will be a maximum of 20 people, if interested members need to go to the website and sign up. The class will cover quilt binding basics, hand stitching, using a walking foot, and many other methods. The samples of various bindings methods were hung on the walls.

Email Blaster: Cynthia Yin will be on vacation in Japan April 24-May 20. Holly Colgan has agreed to be her backup. Please send all email blasts with information and details to: pqblasts@gmail.com. After you submit your Blast request to the guild email, please text Holly and notify her that the blast request is pending. The newsletter will go out May 3.

Library Case Coordinator: Judy Brumm reported that the Redwood City Library in May has three display cases for the Peninsula Quilter's to display small quilts or table runners. See Judy if interested.

Sandy reminded everyone that the deadline for SMCO Fair entries is May 2. Sandy also read a statement from the Mancuso Show Management that is looking at the impact of the soccer games being played at Levi Stadium in July at the same time as PQIF; additional information to follow.

Social Media Contact: Carlie Peck requested members send her a picture of the “most favorite quilt you’ve ever made” and send it to the newsletter address.

Jessica Bernhardt, a former member of the San Jose Quilt Museum in San Jose, gave a brief background about the museum. The museum currently has a large debt. They need sewing machines if you are interested in donating a machine to the Museum. Volunteers are needed. For more information go to their website: <https://sj-mqt.org>.

7:37-7:47p.m.: brief break to vote for the Spring Challenge and buy opportunity quilt tickets.

Meeting reconvened with **Show and Tell:** Carlie Peck took photos of the quilts for submittal to the newsletter.

Membership: Justine Barnard reported there were 54 attendees and 5 people on Zoom. There was one guest, and two new members present: Mary Ann Canous and Susie Brown. There was no membership raffle.

Spring Challenge Quilts and winners: Jess Millikan reported the 13 members that entered a quilt each received a “Wanda Ribbon.” The top three winners each also received a \$20 credit towards any future workshop. First place: Rita Leung, “Yo-Yo Hats”; second place: Gretchen Michaels, “Congratulation Flowers”; and third place: Angi Merlone, “Channeling Wanda and Michele.”

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Vice President: Nancy Krosse: The evening continued with the “New Member Tea.”

~Respectfully submitted, Marylin Morton, Evening Secretary

Show and Tell:



Left: Cynthia Lin – Red Triangles; Right: Jennifer Graves – Modern Log Cabin



Cynthia Lin – three pillow covers



Left: Barbara Matson – Joy with Gingerbread; Right: Rich Castillo – Mottled Always



Left: Chris Miller – Bird in a Box



Left: Carlie Peck – Mosaic Tiles; Right: Carlie Peck – Sun Rising Over Red/Yellow Hills



Julie Belcher – Bliss and Serenity (left) and It Takes a Village (right)



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Together ... Again! June 22-23: Amador Valley Quilters presents their quilt show, Saturday (10 a.m.-4 p.m.) and Sunday (10 a.m.-3 p.m.) in the Trinity Church Gymnasium, 557 Olivina Ave., Livermore. Vendors, raffle baskets, food truck. General admission \$10; children under 12 free; free parking.

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