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President's Message

October is such a great time of year. It ushers in the beginning of all the wonderful celebrations that are ahead of us for the next few months. For the guild, it means a new beginning for our fiscal year, as well as a new collection of volunteers who will be serving on the board.

I am honored to be serving as the guild's president for the next year. I never had any grand design in wanting to serve as president, but I want to be able to pay back the guild for all the fun, inspiration and genuine caring that this guild has provided. I joined the guild just as the pandemic shutdowns were being implemented. It was such a comfort to be able to go on Zoom, meet new quilters, and share what projects everyone was working on; it was a lifeline of connection. It was as if our thread we were using to put together our quilts was also tying us together in communication, kinship and concern. This is a group of remarkably talented and caring people at the Peninsula Quilters Guild and I am so very grateful I have found a place to share my love of quilting and a comfy place to make new connections.

In community, Nancy Krosse, President

PQ Calendar				
Oct. 2	Wed	10 a.m. (Zoom)	Board Meeting	
Oct. 4-6	Fri-Sun	10 a.m4 p.m. (Zoom)	Virtual Retreat	
Oct. 16	Wed	7 p.m.	General Meeting: Sue Fox – "Maker Unknown"	
Nov. 6	Wed	10 a.m. (Zoom)	Board Meeting	
Nov. 20	Wed	9:30 a.m.	General Meeting: Sara Goer: "Building a Color Palette"	



Outreach Scorecard					
	July/August	September			
Bundles of Joy	15	0			
LifeMoves	26	4			
Foster Kids	2	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 or Foster Kids quilts should be approximately 65" x 80".

-- Julie Curry, Outreach Coordinator

Upcoming Speakers and Programs

Oct. 16, 7 p.m.: Sue Fox will speak at our General Meeting. Her title is "Maker Unknown (Possibly a Seamstress)," and the presentation is an exploration inspired by historical quilts and the imagined lives of their unknown makers.



Nov. 20, 2024: Sara Goer on "Building A Color Palette."

Dec. 18, 2024: Holiday Party

Jan.15, 2025: Cindy Grisdela on "Journey of An Art Quilter."

Feb. 19, 2025: Joe Cunningham on "The Stories Behind the Quilts".

March 19, 2025: Alex Byrne on "English Paper Piecing"

April 16, 2025: Challenge; New Member Tea

May 21, 2025: Pernille Gutschick will speak at our General Meeting and will teach a Kaleidoscope Quilt workshop the next day.

June 18, 2025: Julie Curry will educate us at the General Meeting about "Things Your Longarmer Wishes You Knew." (Note corrected date: Julie is speaking in June, not July as previously announced.)

July 16, 2025: We will not have a speaker at the General Meeting this month. Instead, immediately following the meeting Sandy Kelly will teach us how to make zippered mesh pouches. (Note corrected date; Sandy's workshop is in July, not June as previously announced.)

Aug. 20, 2025: President's Choice Sept. 17, 2025: Birthday Party

~Jess Millikan and Sara Guyol

Upcoming Workshops:

Kathleen Riggins:

"How Eye Roll – Wool Felt Embroidery" Saturday, Nov. 16, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

We will do our first-ever Zoom workshop on Saturday, Nov. 16, with Kathleen Riggins. We'll learn wool applique and embroidery based on one block from Kathleen's quilt "How Eye Roll."





Cindy Grisdela: "Fabulous Freehand Curves" Wednesday, Jan.15, 2025,10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Cut large scale curves freehand without templates or patterns. Add dots, skinny lines, wonky triangles and more to give each curve its own personality, then combine them into a fun original design. We'll talk about color and design to create the composition as well as the techniques needed. Basic sewing skills and a sewing machine in good working order are necessary. Best for students with some experience with curves—not for beginners.

Jane Haworth:

"Raw Edge Fabric Collage –Reptiles/ Frogs" Thursday, March 20, 2025, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Location TBD

Jane Haworth is an award-winning professional quilter specializing in making nature inspired raw edge fabric collage quilts using her own hand dyed fabrics and commercial fabrics.



Pernille Gutschalk: "Kaleidoscope Quilts"

Thursday, May 22, 2025, Time TBD

Location: TBD

Sandy Kelly: "Mesh Pouch with Zipper"

Wednesday, June 18, 2025, following General Meeting

Location: San Mateo Garden Center **Details:** Free class for PQG members

'Transitions' Challenge winners announced



Winners of the September challenge, themed "Transitions," were Julie Curry – Lavender and Lime, first place (left); Joyce Wheeler – The Very Hungry Caterpillar, second place (below, left); and Angi Merlone – Morning Glories, third place (below).





Peninsula Quilters Board Meeting Sept. 4, 2024

Attendees: Sandy Kelly, Leonie Batkin, Carol Blitzer, Connie Bowles, Julie Curry, Jean Dail, Wanda Lewis Dragon, Barb Hall, Nancy Krosse, Suzanne Jeuck, Barbara Mattson, Anne Merics, Judy Miyake, Michele Parry, Jena Walter, Cynthia Yin and Brenda Ziegler

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.

President (Sandy Kelly) opened the meeting with a request for a motion to approve the August board meeting minutes. The motion was made, seconded and approved by the members present. She asked that retiring board members assist those taking their positions to help during the transition. Make sure the new members get the binder on their position or write up a description of the responsibilities. She then thanked retiring board members and those that have moved from one position to a new one. At this month's General Meeting, she will award Life Member status to June Wallach and Carol Stapleton. They will be presented with engraved scissors. She also has scissors to present to last year's recipients, Barb Hall and Phyllis Obley (Mom), who did not receive them at the time.

Vice-President (Nancy Krosse) listed the items that have been organized for the September Birthday Party: catering, décor, games, set-up volunteers. She also mentioned that we had only 11 photos submitted so far for the Baby Quilter game. She'll prepare another blast. Once processed, participants who send photos will receive an email with a subject line thanking them for their photo. If you don't get an email confirmation, please let Brenda Ziegler know. At the party, recognition of the Quilter of the Year will be awarded.

Treasurer (Jean Dail) reviewed the draft of the 2024-25 budget recently sent to the board. For the last two years PQ has run at a deficit, and that is expected to continue this year. We have funds and can afford one more year of deficit spending. Costs for the Quilt Show 2025 are included in the 2024-25 budget even though the show is in October (which falls in the 2025-26 fiscal year) because costs may be incurred in this fiscal year. There was a lengthy discussion of the need for an increase in membership fees for the next fiscal year. Jean pointed out that with inflation the \$45 price, which started in 2003, would be \$77.60 in today's dollars. No increase has been made for 21 years. It was also pointed out that PQ is a small guild with big services. It was suggested that a poll be sent out to members to see what range they feel is viable for a membership increase as well as what services they may want to cut or for which they can find new approaches. The following draft changes were requested: move Quilt Show from Fund Raising to Education, adjust minor equipment expenses and revenue for upcoming audio/video equipment. A motion was made to approve the budget with the noted changes and was seconded and passed by hand count of the board. A summary form of this budget will be submitted to the membership for approval at the September General Meeting.

Membership (Cynthia Yin) reported that we have six new members, and 59 renewal applications have been received.

Parliamentarian (Michele Parry) reviewed the changes suggested by the Bylaw Review Committee and submitted to the board for review. They are reviewed every three years. Bylaws can only be changed with membership approval. Bylaws must include membership dues. Some of the changes to the bylaws include simplification and update of the Treasurer's responsibilities, tracking of inventory for items over \$500 in value only, changes to some standing committee names, updates to the Finance page, adjustment for inflation for the guest fee from \$5 to \$10, which can be applied to a new membership. Some verbiage changes were suggested by board members. A motion was made, seconded and passed by show of hands to prepare the revised Bylaws (with proposed changes) for review by the membership at the September General Meeting where the Bylaws will be voted on. When approved, they will be

printed in the next fiscal year roster, which is scheduled for distribution at the October General Meeting.

Outreach (Julie Curry) will have fiscal year numbers of quilts donated at the next board meeting.

Retreats (Jena Walters) reported that the Fall Retreat via Zoom will be Oct. 4-6.

Sandy adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Ziegler, Secretary



Wednesday, December 18, 2024 **HOLIDAY PARTY** with **LUNCH** being served

Party to start following general meeting

To add to the festivities of the day, we are planning:

<u>Holiday Quilts</u> to hang and decorate the room -- check your stash for quilts and table runners

Quilting Books and Pattern exchange table -- bring and exchange with other quilters

Centerpiece Table Decorations -- we will need 8 -- members will be judged for prize

Email Cathy Stillman if interested in participating

<u>Bingo Game Prizes</u> -- Quilting Bees asked to create a quilting-related or just a plain-old fun prize for Bingo awards

Queen Bee Mary Raftery will be in contact with your bees and answer any questions.

Come for the meeting, stay for the fun

~Grace Hardy, Chairman ~Cathy Stillman, Co-chair

PQ General Meeting Minutes September 18, 2024

Sandy Kelly called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

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

President: Sandy Kelly thanked the committee and all who helped arrange the 46th Birthday Party, which followed the meeting. She reminded us that we can support the guild today through purchasing raffle-basket tickets and Opportunity Quilt raffle tickets. She stated that we would be voting on the Fall Challenge Quilts, the proposed budget for 2024-25 and revisions to update the Bylaws. Copies of the proposed budget were distributed. Sandy explained that we have

been running at an annual deficit on purpose to trim down excess cash, but that we need to consider how to move out of deficit spending for the year after next, starting October 2025. A motion was made to approve the August minutes and passed by the members present. **Life Member Program:** Julie Curry presented awards to two new Life Members – Carol Stapleton and June Wallach. They were each gifted a pair of scissors. Carol was present and thanked the guild. Sandy Kelly also presented scissors to two prior inductees as they did not receive them previously – Phyllis Obley (Mom) and Barb Hall.

Treasurer: Jean Dail reviewed the proposed budget in detail. Expenses have been overbudgeted and revenue under budgeted. Several categories were realigned to help define their purpose. She defined some of the categories. This enabled Jean to easily see the Operating Expenses. This was used to define needs for a rainy-day fund, which should cover two years of Operating Expenses. Only a few questions were asked. One was how to continue activities like Alice's Love. The suggestion was made that such events could be funded by allocated donations from the members. It was mentioned that members can make donations at any time. A question was also raised about the dollar amount budgeted for rent, suggesting that it should be higher. Some time was spent discussing the need to raise membership fees. The current \$45 fee is equivalent to over \$77 in today's money. The fee has not been raised since 2003 despite inflation. A survey will go out to all members asking for the suggested price increase. Michèle Parry explained that a vote on the current proposed, board-approved budget needed to be made today. A motion was made to approve the proposed budget with an amendment to increase the estimated rent figure to \$6,000. The motion was seconded and passed by a show of hands within the membership.

Activities and Educational Events: Sara Guyol spoke about the next workshop, How Eye Roll, which is on wool felt embroidery. It will be given 11/16 via Zoom by Kathleen Riggins. Since each project uses various items, guild members will be preparing kits for \$25. To purchase a kit contact Sara by Friday 9/20. She also mentioned that the next Free Table will be at Jess' house on 10/18.

Parliamentarian: Michèle Parry reviewed voting on updates to the Bylaws. These must be updated at least every three years. She distributed copies of the changes proposed and full copies of the proposed Bylaws were on each table. Some of the major changes included defining that changes to membership dues must be approved by July of the prior fiscal year, a revision identifying responsibilities of the Treasurer, which include maintaining compliance of state and federal requirements, contractual requirements to be approve by two members (one voting board member and one other member), changes to names of some of the Standing Committees, adjustment of the current guest fee from \$5 to \$10 with proviso that the costs can be deducted from dues if the guest becomes a member, Treasurer to maintain the Treasurer binder, audits to include federal and state filings and identification of the required auditors, due to inflation members can be charged up to \$100 for workshop fees if needed. There was a discussion on the \$10 proposed guest fee. The fee will be listed on the website to meet expectations. A motion was made to approve the proposed Bylaws as is. It was seconded and approved by the membership present.

President: Sandy Kelly talked about the April 2025 retreat. Please contact her if you'd like to sign up. From Me To You raised \$1,660 for the guild. A vote was taken and approved for the following elected officers for the 2024-25 fiscal year: President – Nancy Krosse, Vice-President – Barbara Mattson, Treasurer – Jean Dail, Day and Board Meetings Recording Secretary – Brenda Ziegler, Evening Meetings Recording Secretary – Harriet Hirsch and Corresponding Secretary – Terry Caselton.

President Elect: Nancy Krosse presented a crystal Quilter of the Year Award to Sandy Kelly for her dedication to the guild. She was also presented with a lovely oil painting from the 1800s of a seamstress sewing by the light of an oil lamp. It was donated anonymously. Nancy then talked about the luncheon birthday party that followed the meeting.

Holiday Party: Grace Hardy and Cathy Stillman talked about preparations for the December Holiday Party. They are looking for members to sign up for table decoration and centerpieces. Also, there will be a table of quilt books and patterns for exchange. Please review your stash of books and/or patterns and donate any you are willing to pass on. Bingo will return, and the bees will be asked to donate prizes.

Retreat: Gale Green spoke for Barb Hall regarding the next Zoom Retreat. It will be held on Oct 4-6. Please let Barb know by email if you'd like to attend.

Social Media: Carlie Peck announced that in honor of Back to School, this month she is looking for pictures of quilt backs as well as Fall quilts. Also, she will have a booth at the Half Moon Bay Pumpkin Festival on Sunday Oct 20.

Announcement: Cynthia Yin informed us of a sidewalk sale at Ralph's Vacuum & Sewing Center on Oct 4-5 at their new address 1823 El Camino Real, RWC (across Pine Street from Harry's Hofbrau's parking lot).

President: Sandy Kelly announced that 65 members were present and three were on Zoom. **Raffle Winners:** 1. Rose Wilson, 2 & 3. Gretchen Michaels, 4. Becky Simpson, 5. Judy Brumm, 6. Allyson Banducci, 7. Rose Erdozaincy

The meeting was adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Fall Challenge Quilt: First place went to Julie Curry for Lavender & Lime. Second place went to Angi Merlone for The Very Hungary Caterpillar. Third place went to Joyce Wheeler for Morning Glories. A special thank you goes to Leonie Batkin for tabulating the results.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Ziegler, Secretary

Show & Tell: Carlie Peck took photos of the Show & Tell quilts for submittal to the newsletter.

Below: Sara Guyol – I've Got Your Back; Right: Sara Guyol – Embroidery Sampler



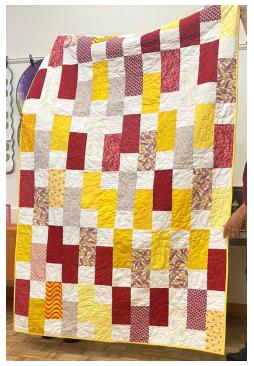






Left: Justine Barnard – Scrappy Heart; Right: Kathy McGuffin – Baby panel quilt donation





Grace Hardy – Donation quilts from the Long Arm Bee





Judy Miyake – Convergence above left); Baby Clothes quilt for Mina (above right); Ruby Star (below left); Shooting, Sparkling Fireworks (below right)









Left: Judy Miyake - Charley Harper (Birds); Right: Barbara Mattson - Atomic Tulips



Left: Carlie Peck – Dot and Dash Halloween quilt; Below: Ghost pillows





Left: Carol Blitzer -- Flannel baby quilt donation; Below: Two placements (from August giveaway fabric)







Left: Gale Green – Donation quilt made from last year's birthday party squares; Right: Terry Caselton – Convergence Garden



Left: LaVern Newman - Calendar quilt

For Sale:

\$300 -- Babylock Jubilant sewing machine purchased July 2023 for \$600. A great lightweight, 15 lb. portable sewing machine.

Contact Kathy McGuffin if you're interested: kamcguffin@gmail.com or 650-996-1655.



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I currently have issues 1 through 24 of *Quiltfolk* magazine in excellent condition and would like to pass them along to whoever would be interested. Please text or email me.

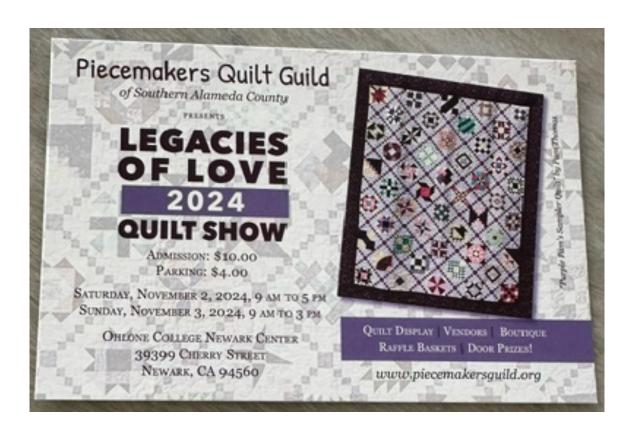


~ Connie Bowles



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