

Pines & Needles

Newsletter of the Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild
www.mpqg.org



General Meeting

Monday, October 6, 2014

First Monday

Set-up: 6:00 p.m.

New Member Tea
starts at 6:30 p.m.
see page 3 for details

Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

Pacific Grove Community Center
515 Junipero Avenue
(at 15th Street)
Pacific Grove, CA 93950

What to Bring

1. Check or cash for workshops
2. Name tags
3. Show-and-tell
4. Library books
5. UFO'S

Please bring your completed heart pillows to the October Guild meeting for distribution during Breast Cancer Awareness Month.



Next Meeting

October 6, 2014

Marjan Kluepfel: Evolution of an Art Quilter

Marjan Kleupfel is an artist who uses fabric and thread as her medium instead of paper and paint....and a sewing machine instead of a brush! Her designs are organic and unique, with lots of movement and color - BRIGHT colors that express her positive outlook on life.



She uses many different surface design techniques such as fabric dyeing, painting, printing, pleating, machine quilting and embroidery to add extra texture. Her inspiration comes from all the natural wonders she has encountered while living in Netherlands, Florida, Hawaii, South Carolina, Australia and Northern California -- places connected to both land and water.

FYI - Marjan is pronounced mar yawn.

marjankluepfel.com

Kaffe Fassett Lecture

Special Event

October 20, 2014

MPQG will welcome designer and author, Kaffe Fassett on Monday, October 20, at 7 p.m. This is a members-only event to be held at the Pacific Grove Community Center.

Dues are due annually on September 1st. Information about MPQG membership may be found at www.mpqg.org/membership/

Kaffe has an extensive website that includes his biography, quilt gallery, fabric designs and endless inspiration:

www.kaffefassett.com



Next Workshop

Marjan Kluepfel: Freeform Fiberscapes

October 11 & 12

In this class you will create a free form fabric collage using many different surface design techniques. Find out how liberating and relaxing it is when you don't have to follow rules.



Brainstorming

President's Message

By Claudia Sammis

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With regard to MPQG, do you have a great idea or two? How about a strong opinion? At the board orientation, we asked the attendees to break into small groups of three or four to brainstorm. All topics were fair game and others weren't allowed to shoot down any idea.

Below are the results grouped by Coordinator Committees.

Activities

- Revive the Hospitality Table to promote socializing among members.

Communications

- Create a social media/Facebook page to reach younger members.
- Type MPQG in the subject line of emails to Alex, Claudia, or Tina for newsletter and web site submissions, so that articles are not lost among the many emails received.
- Limit member access to the addition of items to the website.
- Send an eBlast about a week prior to each meeting as a reminder.
- Send an eBlast when the meeting date is changed from the 1st Monday as a reminder.
- List the next six months of meeting dates and speaker names in each newsletter.
- List the MPQG web site address on page one of the newsletter so that it's easy to find.
- Include more articles in the newsletter that are targeted to younger audiences.

Community Outreach

- Show the annual charity quilt goals on a chart and update monthly or quarterly to clarify charity needs and progress made to date.
- Feature the charity quilts at meetings by hanging, to improve visibility.
- Hang a large Charity Quilts banner above the quilts to draw attention to our charity work.
- Appoint a member(s) to be in charge of this display.

Membership

- Encourage members to invite younger acquaintances to meetings.
- Create a Junior Membership category.
- Adopt a buddy system for new members.
- Acknowledge the new guild members at the New Members' Tea.
- Encourage the friendship groups to reach out to new members.

Program

- Revive mini workshops.
- Consider purchasing an overhead projection camera for workshops (like that used by Becky Goldsmith.).

Quilt Show

- Create a Junior Membership display at the quilt show.
- Establish a kids' activity center at the Quilt Show.

Terrific ideas all because they pass the MPQG Mission Statement litmus test. If you feel strongly about any of these ideas and would like to head them up, I'd love to hear from you. Remember, you don't have to head it up forever. At the outset, we'll establish a period of time to test it ... and then you're done!

You're Invited to the New Member Tea

By Regina Liske, Friendship Groups
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For the Love of Quilting

Hello everyone ---- once a year we honor the people who have become guild members during the past year. At 6:30 p.m. on October 6th, these new members will be honored with a special Tea to include a welcoming cake and, of course, tea both hot and iced.

Let's welcome all our new members and invite them to join a friendship group, and tell them about the great programs this guild has to offer. Remember, some time ago, you were a new member!

A Warm Welcome

By Noreen Nance, Membership Chair
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I would just like to follow up on Regina Liske's note above. We would like to welcome all of the new members listed below.

Please plan to join us on October 6th for the New Members' Tea. We welcome you and look forward to your input to make our guild stronger. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your membership, please contact me.



MPQG warmly welcomes our new members

2013/2014	2014/2015
Jana Brinsmead	Barbara Auer
Mimi Cleary	Karen Brobeck
Sharon Clune	Patty Davis
Kathrin Brown	Wanda Dowding
Judy Cozad	Empty Spools Seminars
Sari Domigues	Donna Foote
Dana Herz	Nancy Garcia-Ganan
Johanne Karvelson	Laura A. Geiger
Rose Lambert	Stef Pummell
Robbin MacRae	Carol Storm
Peggy Malec	Stacy Settgast
Diane Mallett	
Diane Maraccini	
Elizabeth McInnis	
Mary Lou Schaeffer	
Mary Ann Wilkinson	
June Wolfe	

Are you up for the Folklore Challenge?

Leora Raikin, our talented speaker from several years ago, has posted information about her annual challenge. We all had such a great time in her workshop that there must be some of her very creative embroideries out there just waiting to be submitted to her challenge. Read on ...

Calling all quilting, stitching, needle and fiber art enthusiasts. This is your chance to win \$500 Cash in the AFRICAN FOLKLORE EMBROIDERY CHALLENGE!

You are invited to submit your completed African Folklore Embroidery pieces for a special exhibition at Road to California 2015. Winter will mark the largest exhibit of African Folklore Embroidery fiber and quilting art that California has ever seen. All entries will be on display in a special exhibit area at Road to California.

The exhibit, with over \$500 in cash prizes, is in its fifth year. The challenge is open to all: rules of the challenge are at www.afl embroidery.com. Deadline for submissions: December 31st, 2014.

Barbara Gee Quilt Collection

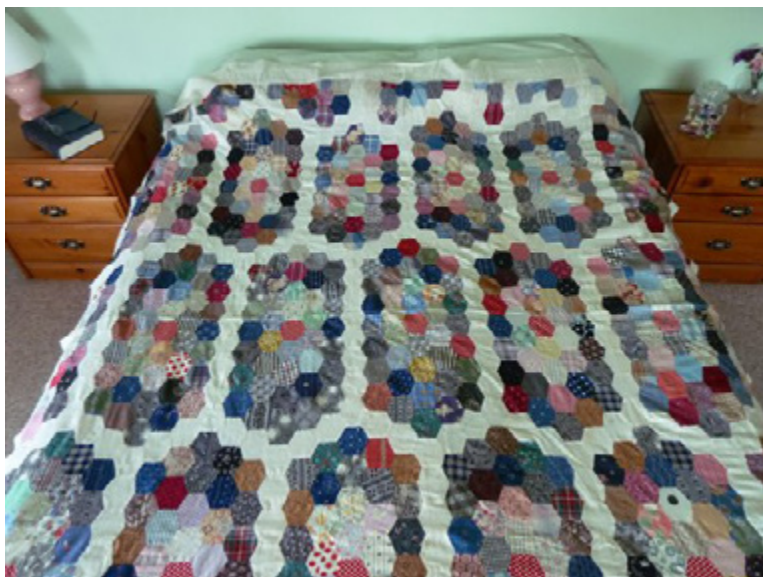
By Terann Carr, cacarrs@sbcglobal.net

Get excited about this once-in-a-lifetime event, the auction of the quilt collection of one of our original members. We had the help of Alice Kinsler, Terann Carr, and the Charity Quilt Friendship Group in identifying patterns, dating fabric and writing descriptions of the sixty-four quilts and tops.

The late Barbara Gee was an avid quilt collector and an early member of Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild. Her husband recently gave MPQG her collection of tops and hand quilted quilts to be used to raise funds for the guild.

Many thanks to Terann Carr and the Charity Quilt Friendship Group for tackling this project. Terann Carr, MPQG's Community Outreach Chairman, will be the liaison with Hambrooks. All quilts and tops are shown in the [web site gallery](#) are on a queen-size bed.

The auction is scheduled for October 25, at Hambrook's Auction Center, 480 Lighthouse, in Pacific Grove, CA. 831-373-2101. For details about the auction, go to www.hambrooks-auction.com.



Board Projects

October 2014

- meeting: Lecture with New Member Tea preceding
- October 20, Special Members-Only Program: Kaffe Fasset
- raffle quilt ticket distribution to members
- call for volunteers for Winter Benefit Social and grant fund raising event
- call for new raffle quilt design proposals
- call for Community Grant Award proposals continues
- create Member Directory, approve and print
- long-lead media mailing for Quilt Show
- recruit Quilt Show committee chairs
- updates and announcements to Communications the 10th of month



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We Tied One On! (for charity)

By Terann Carr, cacarrs@sbcglobal.net

Thanks to all who made it to the Tying Event at the Guild meeting in September! Nine quilts were tied and one went home with Debbie Biller for her friendship group to do -- a great idea for other friendship groups. The other tops that were prepared for tying and waiting to have their batting precut, will be available as finishing projects at my table.

Thanks to those who were willing to bind the ones that were finished, too!

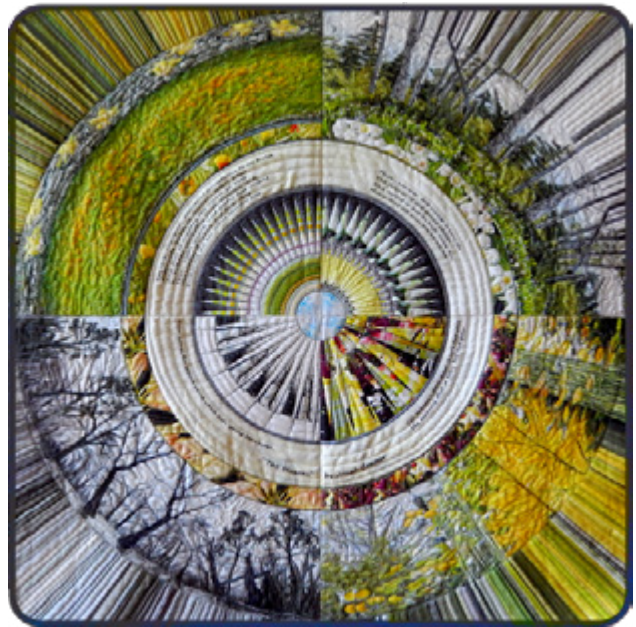
Did you enjoy having the recycling tables outside? Maybe that should be done again next September with the Tying Event. All it needs is someone to be in charge of the set up and disposal of leftovers.

What's New at the SJ Museum of Quilts and Textiles?

A new show, *Creating with Pixels*, is about to open at the San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles. The exhibit will feature the work of Pixel Pals, a group of six women started by Gudny Campbell and Sandra Hart in 2007. As it happens, many of the artists (Gudny Campbell, Gloria Hatton, Debbie Biller, Cheryl Smith and Elizabeth Hull) are current members of our very own guild.

Digital quilts are created by using photographs and digital software. Each artist designed her quilt in Adobe Photoshop Elements, applied various Elements tools to her digital photographs, then printed her design on fabric and quilted it. The results are at once, magical and modern. The group's love of photography, quilting and computers is evident in the digital art they have created for this exhibition. Many quilts are available for purchase, with a portion of the sale donated to the museum.

Want to learn how to create your own digital masterpiece? Bring your laptop, loaded with Adobe Photoshop Elements, to the museum on November 1, from 10-4. Gudny will be teaching a class showing you how to design a quilt using Adobe Photoshop Elements. She will show you how to take a stencil-like pattern and blend it with one or more photographs or a filtered texture. She will also teach you how to print your design online, using Spoonflower.



Gudny and Sandy co-wrote *Piecing with Pixels* in 2009, and Gudny wrote *Creating with Pixels* in 2011.

Superior Threads App for Android and Apple

Finally, there's an easy way to keep track of your threads, needles, and notions with Superior's Inventory app! An easy-to-follow set of buttons makes adding or subtracting inventory from your collection a breeze! From your smartphone, go to the App Store to download this FREE app. Type SuperiorInventory into the search field.

No more lost scraps of paper. Superior Threads is always at PIQF and you'll be ready when you hit their booth.

The Laptop and the Thief

By Claudia Sammis

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I don't know about you, but I walk into the Community Center and put my purse and good camera on a chair, place my tote bag on the floor, and then walk off to look at the speaker's quilts, sign up for a workshop, and pick up a cookie. Not once do I look back to keep an eye on my belongings. We're all waaaaay too trusting.

It finally happened at the Quilt Tying on September 8! Some sticky fingered soul picked up a laptop that didn't belong to her and that was the last anyone saw of the laptop. We would all prefer to believe that a middle-aged woman from the neighborhood with the quilter look wandered into the Free Market to see what she could help herself to. Now, imagine her delight when she spotted the laptop just there for the picking and only a few steps away.

The prolific bank robber Willie Sutton was asked why he robbed banks. He is reputed to have replied, "That's where the money is." If Willie has a larcenous daughter, she may have her eye on our many unattended valuables which we bring to meetings.

Viewers' Choice Awards at the Fair

By Allison Barrett 831-625-9611, Barbara Barrieau 831-384-7784 and Alice Stoll 831-659-3273

For the second year, the quilts shown at the fair were displayed in their own building. Fairgoers could finally get up close and see all the time and talent evident in every quilt. This was especially important for the small scale 2014 Challenge Quilts. And they were very popular!

As a way to engage Fair goers, we asked them to select their favorite MPQG Challenge quilt. That also gave us the opportunity to talk about traditional quilt blocks and today's modern approach to quilting. The hanging, sampler-style quilts were the perfect contrast. And, while we had them captive, we invited them to the 2015 Quilt Show.



Just a reminder of the challenge basics -- members were asked to create a small quilt that used a traditional quilt block but give it a modern look. Great idea for engaging families!

They were all crowd pleasers but here are the three that garnered the most votes.

1st place for *Strip Quilting* - Yo Matsuda (center column, bottom row)

2nd place for *Circle* - Carole Olsen (left column, 3rd quilt)

3rd place for *Log Cabin* - Dee Davis (center column, top row)

Calendar, Road Trips, and Local Events

By Tina McGill, magill1242@gmail.com

Current Events

- **July 26 - November 9**, 10am - 4pm, San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles has two exhibits:
 - *International TECHstyle Art Biennial 3 (ITAB)*
 - *Vel Garrick: Conversational Watercolor Quilts*
 520 South First St., San Jose, 408-971-0333. www.sjqiltmuseum.org
- **September 22 - November 9**, 10am - 4pm, **Creating with Pixels**. Digital quilt exhibit showcasing the work of Gudny Campbell, Sandra Hart, Gloria Hatton, Debbie Biller, Cheryl Smith and Elizabeth Hull. San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles, 520 South First St., San Jose, 408-971-0333. www.sjqiltmuseum.org
- **September 7 - November 4**, **Staff Shows Off Again** by Back Porch Fabrics Staff. Artists' reception September 7 from 1-3pm. Back Porch Fabrics, 157 Grand, Pacific Grove, CA. www.backporchfabrics.com

Future Events

- **October 2 - 4**, 10am - 5pm, **Quiltfest Oasis Palm Springs**, Palm Springs Convention Center, 277 N Avenida Caballeros, Palm Springs, CA 92262 www.quiltfest.com.
- **October 4 - 5**, 10am - 4pm, **Golden Threads Quilt Show** by Mother Lode Quilters Guild. Sutter Creek Community Center, 33 Church Street, Sutter Creek, CA. 209-296-7059 or www.mlqgsuttercreek.org.
- **October 16 - 19**, Mancuso Show Management presents **Pacific International Quilt Festival XXIII**. Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara, CA. www.quiltfest.com/activities.asp?id=7
- **October 25**, 10am, **Antique Quilt Auction To Benefit MPQG** Barbara Gee's collection of 60 antique quilts and tops. Proceeds benefit Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild. Some quilts may be viewed at www.mpqg.org/gallery/4/ . Hambrook's Auction Center, 480 Lighthouse, Pacific Grove, CA. www.hambrooks-auction.com. 831-373-2101.
- **November 9**, **Just A Minute** Quilts by Sally Miller. Artists' reception November 9 from 1-3pm. Back Porch Fabrics, 157 Grand, Pacific Grove, CA. www.backporchfabrics.com
- **November 15 - March 1, 2015**, 10am - 4pm, **Antique Ohio Amish Quilts from the Darwin Bearley Collection**, San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles, 520 South First St., San Jose, CA 408-971-0333. www.sjqiltmuseum.org
- **March 14 - July 19, 2015**, 9:30am - 5:15pm, **High Style: The Brooklyn Museum Costume Collection**, Legion of Honor, Lincoln Park, 100 34th Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94121 415-750-3600. legionofhonor.famsf.org/exhibitions/high-style-brooklyn-museum-costume-collection

Grants for Quilters in our Community!

By Judi Brown jdb515@sbcglobal.net

It's that time again when we want to be aware of the grants that our guild will be giving come January 2015. If you know of an organization or school in our area in need of supplies, equipment or financial help to make their quilting project possible, please let me know so that their request can be presented to the board.

There will be grant request forms on the table at the October meeting, but feel free to let me know if you have an idea for a request and wish to have a letter and request form sent out to a group. Email me or check the roster for my address or phone number.

Thanks and do give this serious thought since the request deadline is December 1, 2014.

MPQG Membership Form 2014/2015
(New and Renewal Membership)

Membership dues are due by August 31. Please renew promptly. You will be included in our Member Directory if renewed by September 30.

Annual Membership fee for new and renewing members is \$35.00. Do not send cash through the mail. Make checks payable to MPQG.

Bring this form and check to the general meeting, or mail it to:

MPQG Membership c/o Noreen Nance 720 17th Street Pacific Grove, CA 93950	
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Print legibly.

Name:	
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Check here if there are no changes to last year's Member Directory. If no changes, there is no need to fill in the information below.

Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Home Phone #:	
Cell Phone #:	
Email address:**	
Web Site:	

Note:

**Members receive the newsletter and e-blasts via email, so be sure to provide your email address.

I wish to receive the monthly newsletter via USPS mail.

Noreen Nance, Membership Chair
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Upcoming MPQG Events

- October 6 Meeting - 1st Monday. Speaker Marjan Kluepfel: *Evolution of an Art Quilter*
- October 10 - Friday - Charity Quilt Friendship Group's monthly Sew In from 9:30 a.m. Meeting a week early due to PIQF. Contact Terann Carr for directions 831-375-7881
- October 11 & 12 - Saturday & Sunday Workshop with Marjan Kluepfel
- October 20 - Members-Only Event with Kaffe Fassett
- November 10 Meeting - 2nd Monday. Speaker Carol van Zandt: *Designing Fabric for Quilting and Sewing*
- December 1 Meeting - 1st Monday Annual Winter Benefit Social
- January 3 & 4 - Saturday & Sunday Workshop with Karla Alexander
- January 5 Meeting - 1st Monday Karla Alexander

County Fair Thanks

By Terann Carr, cacarrs@sbcglobal.net

Thanks to all of our members who participated in the Monterey County Fair. It is always good to see your quilts do so well. And isn't it nice to have a separate room just for quilts? I'm sure the Fair would like positive feed-back so let them know what a good job they are doing.

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Coming Soon - Winter Benefit Social 2014

By June Cornell

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It is now time to start thinking about our Annual Fundraising Event in December. In your Friendship Groups, talk about the baskets or items you would like to donate for this great night of fundraising for the MPQG Grants Program. The money raised is awarded to local groups to further quilting education and projects.

I will have sign up sheets at the October meeting for all that is needed for that evening. It is a wonderful celebration with Sweet and Savory finger foods, raffle baskets, silent auction, and music. It is also when we present the Community Quilts to hospital NICUs (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit), and the Monterey Dialysis Center. I hope you will be able to attend and participate in this fun evening with us.

A Terrific Group: Out-Going Board and Committees

By Claudia Sammis

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THANK YOU!! to all those retiring board members and supporting committee folks who keep our guild humming along two years at a time. We certainly appreciate those who have re-upped for another term. And ... kudos to all who are into cross-training and have moved into a new job. Retiring folks are: ...

- Officers: Sharon Coniglio, Linda Phillips, Jeanne Krener
- Board Appointed: Susan Riddoch
- Coordinators and Supporting Committees:
 - » Communications Team - Genie Santini and Patty Stuart
 - » Community Outreach Team - Linda Rath and Allison Barrett
 - » Fund Raising Team - Genie Santini and Judy Furman
 - » Membership Team - Yo Matsuda
 - » Program Team - Rita Jacques and Jeanne Mills

Linda Phillips and Maia Liddle Join Quilt Show Team

By Rita Jacques, 2015 Quilt Show Chair

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The Quilt Show Committee is pleased to announce that Linda Phillips and Maia Liddle have joined the 2015 team.

Linda has volunteered to be our first Friday Quilt Show Group host (and perhaps she can create a better job title). As you may recall, the outgoing committee recommended testing a Friday opening for our Quilt Show. In the coming months, Linda will contact various local groups such as retirement facilities, and other Central California quilt guilds to invite them to join us from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm on Friday April 10. We are hoping for buses during a time where parking will be much less of a challenge.

Maia has volunteered to be our Publicity Chair for the 2015 show. She has great ideas and welcomes input from members for stories that will capture the attention of the community and bring them to our show i.e.: the quilted car.

There are still two positions available for our team: Admissions and Signs. Think about it, and come join this great group of volunteers.

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Membership New members are always welcome! Dues are \$35.00 and are due by the September general meeting in order to be listed in the current directory.

Guests are welcome. A \$5.00 fee is charged for entry and participation. Please ask your guest to stop at the membership table.

Pines & Needles Newsletter

This newsletter is published monthly for the benefit of our members. It is available online at www.mpqg.org. Articles are due on the 15th of the prior month. Please send items to the editor via email at alex@alexandraberg.com

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