

# THE BRIDGE

## THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ALAMEDA QUILT GUILD

Make Friends. Share what we know. Learn from each other.

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### JULY DATES AND INFO

JULY 10 \*\*\*NO Open Sew\*\*\* (see July 14<sup>th</sup> instead)

JULY 12 Guild Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 7pm; doors open at 6:30.

- Speaker Marie Strait on “My Quilting Journey”
- 12x12 mini-quilts with the theme “Alameda” are due
- Sign ups: retreats & beginning quilting class
- Show & tell (if there’s time)
- July birthdays, please bring snacks

JULY 14 ~~WORKSHOP~~ OPEN SEW!

- Saturday at Cardinal Point, 10-3; bring your lunch
- Carole’s workshop cancelled due to lack of sign-ups
- Be sure to sign up early for upcoming workshops!!!

JULY Board Meeting is a closed meeting

### PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE – Linda Ganfield

Happy summer! Are you quilting along, or do summer activities intervene? I’m just binding a queen-sized quilt I started at the 2017 AQG Retreat. I used to be a “one project until done” kind of girl, but somewhere along the line I turned into a “several projects going” person. I’ve gotten more “liberal” because I have gone on several retreats, and also taken several classes, so there are projects in various stages of completion. But it works because I can go with whichever I’m in the mood to work on.

I sincerely hope you consider attending the October 6 and 7 retreat at the Hampton Inn on Bay Farm and/or the 2019 AQG retreat in Auburn from April 15 to 19. I can tell you they are fun, and you learn things too!

~Linda

## WEBSITE – Marcy Pauline, Marie Dunford

Check out our ever-improving website [alamedaquiltguild.com](http://alamedaquiltguild.com) where you will find:

- Up-to-date information about the guild and guild events
- Current and past newsletters
- Membership information
- Gallery showcasing member quilts
- Complete information about outreach projects
- Block of the Moment: current and past blocks
- Coming soon...a new logo and a members only page

## MEMBERSHIP – Leslie Sorenson, Kate Murphy

- Our membership is now at 75.
- Membership directory is going online, to the \*new\* members-only section of our website.

## RETREATS – Terry Hodges (2018 mini), Sally Mirault (2019)

2018 Mini-retreat: October 6-7, 2018. Hampton Inn on Harbor Bay Parkway, Bay Farm Island. Sign-ups start now: \$30 deposits will be taken at the July meeting. We need 5 more sign-ups in order to hold this retreat!

2019: Next year's getaway quilt retreat will be at the Mercy Retreat and Conference Center in Auburn which is ADA accessible. The dates are April 1 to April 5, 2019 (Monday - Friday). Total cost is \$383 per person which includes use of a large meeting room for sewing, four nights lodging and all meals. Reservations are now OPEN. A \$100 deposit must be paid when you sign up. Accommodations for 30 quilters have been reserved for our group and spaces will be filled in the order received.

## MORE SHOW & TELL? – yes, please

Show & Tell will be on the agenda at more meetings. (July, and August, to name a few) Yay! But it will happen at the \*end\* of the meeting, in order for our programs to take precedence.

## OPEN SEW changes

Due to the church's summer schedule, this month's regular Open Sew has been changed. It will be Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at Cardinal Point, 10-3 (instead of the workshop). Next Open Sew at Trinity is on August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Fabric donations still being sought for pillowcase and quilt kits: at least 7/8 yard is needed for a pillowcase. Drop off at July meeting or Open Sew at Cardinal Point.

## BLOCK OF THE MOMENT – Sally Mirault, Emily Neumeier

Our next Block of the Moment will be Dutchman's Puzzle, using a palette of primarily greens and yellows. The block is constructed using eight flying geese, which are cut and pieced using a no-waste method.

Completed Blocks are due in July.



## CHARITY/OUTREACH – Jeanne Heffernan

Project Outreach to Midway Shelter and Foster A Dream organizations is going well.

Pillowcases are rolling in! We have received 80 so far. But we have room (and need) for more

Everyone's talking about the new joy bundles (description on our updated website!)

See Jeanne if you have questions, OR if you need a label for your donation quilt(s). We are more than halfway to the month of December, when all our charitable sewing gets presented.

Fabric donations still being taken for making pillowcases or quilt kits. At least 7/8 of a yard is needed for a pillowcase. Bring to July meeting or open sew!

## JULY SPEAKER – Carol Cislowski & Laraine Salmon

Don't miss our 2nd speaker of 2018! **Marie Strait** from Los Gatos will be sharing "My Quilting Journey" with us on Thursday night, July 12. This trunk show presents a wide variety of quilts that illustrate the challenges and choices she's made as she creates quilts and tries out lots of new ideas. Her work illustrates that she is a "split personality quilter—sometimes traditional, and sometimes arty."

Find Marie online at <http://www.mariesquilts.com/>



## BEGINNING QUILTING CLASS – Carole King

Sign ups have started for a Beginning Quilting Class organized by Carole. Even if you are an experienced quilter, the camaraderie of taking a class with others is one of the joys of our quilting community.

- Class will be held at Trinity
- Thursdays 6:30 - 9:00 PM
- Starts September 6th
- Cost \$80.00 for 5 classes
- Must be paid before the first class
- 10 students maximum

## WORKSHOP PREVIEW

- August 11, Machine Quilting, with Laraine Salmon
- September 15, Landscape quilt, with Joan Beall
- October 13, Log Cabin Santa Ornaments, with Kim Orzell
- See class samples and sign up early

## OUT & ABOUT

- Legacies of Love, July 21-22, 2018. Quilt show of the Piecemakers Quilt Guild of Alameda County. Fremont, CA. info: <http://www.piecemakersguild.org/quilt-show>
- Harvest on the Delta, August 18-19, 2018. Quilt show of the Delta Quilters. Brentwood, CA. info: <http://deltaquilters.com/>
- Quilting in the Garden, September 22-23, 2018. An outdoor quilt show held at Alden Lane Nursery. Livermore, CA. info: <http://www.aldenlane.com/events/quilting-in-the-garden>

## 2018 AFFILIATES

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| ■ Bay Quilts,<br>5327 Jacuzzi St, Richmond<br>(510)558-0218<br><a href="http://bay-quilts.shoplightspeed.com">bay-quilts.shoplightspeed.com</a>                | ■ Broadway Quilts,<br>20525 Broadway, Sonoma<br>(707)938-7312<br><a href="http://www.broadwayquilts.com">www.broadwayquilts.com</a>              |
| ■ Stone Mountain and Daughter,<br>2518 Shattuck Ave, Berkeley<br>(510)845-6106<br><a href="http://www.stonemountainfabric.com">www.stonemountainfabric.com</a> | ■ Wooden Gate Quilts,<br>125-F Railroad Ave, Danville<br>(925)837-8458<br><a href="http://www.woodengatequilts.com">www.woodengatequilts.com</a> |
| ■ New Pieces Quilt Shop,<br>766 Gilman, Berkeley<br>(510)527-6779<br><a href="http://www.newpieces.com">www.newpieces.com</a>                                  |  |



## ROW by ROW 2018

Are you traveling this summer? Row by Row is a nationwide summertime “shop hop” where participating quilt shops across the US (and Canada & Europe too) offer a free pattern for a “row” for those who visit their shop between June 21 and September 4. This year’s theme is “Sew Musical” – all row patterns will somehow interpret this theme. More details, lists of participating shops, and pictures of many of the rows are online at

<https://rowbyrowexperience.com/>

Affiliates who are participating shops: Broadway Quilts, New Pieces Quilt Shop, Wooden Gate Quilts

## FIELD TRIPS/EVENTS – JoAnn Stewart

We are making plans for our 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter adventure, which is scheduled to be in Niles on Wednesday, August 1, 2018. We will be visiting two quilt shops, Not Just Quilts, where one of our members, Kathy Tomblin, works and Color Me Quilts, just down the street. Niles also has a tea shop and lots of antique and second-hand shops which might be fun to visit.

## OLD BUSINESS

- Tools & Gadgets silent auction in June raised \$127, thank you to all who participated. This will be a bi-annual event.

## PLANNING AHEAD

- Your 6 ½" blocks for the Guild publicity quilt are due in August
- Seeking ideas and input for next year's meeting agendas. What have you heard about or seen done elsewhere that we should do here?
- Bring \$\$ and/or your checkbook to sign-up for workshops, beginning quilting class, or one of our upcoming retreats
- 2018 is half done—have you started (or finished!) a quilt, joy bundle, or pillowcases for our charitable giving in December?
- August meeting topic: demo's of holiday gifts to sew (or craft)

## SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS – Alla

- Alla took the trip of a lifetime, rafting 225 miles on the Colorado River, through most of the Grand Canyon
- Helene had a lovely week-long vacation in Ashland, seeing theater (and visiting Sew Creative shop)

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