

# Pines & Needles

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



JUNE 2019

## General Meeting Monday, June 10, 2019

9:15 AM Set-up & Social Time

**10:00 AM Meeting**

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

### What to Bring:

- Name tag
- Cash for Door Prize Raffle
- BOM
- Tic-Tac-Toe Project
- Community Quilts
- Library Books
- Show & Tell



## Next Meeting

**Second Monday, June 10, 2019**

**MORNING: 10 AM**

**Speaker: Jane Haworth**

***Living a Creative Life***

[janehaworth.com](http://janehaworth.com)

Jane Haworth is an award-winning professional quilter specializing in custom memory quilts made from t-shirts, neckties, and many other types of clothing collected over the years. In addition to quilts, she makes custom functional art items from repurposed materials. Jane also instructs and when she is not creating works of art for her customers, she works on her own quilting projects.

We will also have a door prize raffle of a framed mini quilt - bring cash and address labels :-).

## MPQG Calendar

May 28 @ 6PM

Board Meeting at Monterey Library

**\*June 10 @ 10AM**

General Meeting: Jane Haworth -  
*Living a Creative Life*

\* SECOND MONDAY

June 21 @ 6PM

Board Meeting at Monterey Library

**July 1 @ 7PM**

General Meeting: *An Evening with  
Members - Highlighting Two Mem-  
bers*

**August 4**

Workshop with Christine Barnes

**August 5**

General Meeting: Christine Barnes -  
*A Step by Step Tutorial*

Phyllis Martin, Program

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## Bus trip to PIQF on October 18 anyone?

Below is a link to Tours of the Salinas Active Seniors'. Scroll down to find the Friday, October 18 tour. There's a printable form to reserve your seat on the bus. At \$49, this trip is a bargain that covers the bus trip and the PIQF admission. Participants can pack a brown bag lunch or eat at the Convention Center.

<https://www.activeseniorsinc.org/tours>

## President's Letter - June 2019

by Rita Jacques, [stan2rita@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stan2rita@sbcglobal.net), 360-561-6296

I hope everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day. It was especially meaningful for me because I got to spend it with our daughter Lara, who has just recently moved to Monterey after 30 years in Los Angeles. It is a wonderful gift to be able to spend time with her on a regular basis. Perhaps I'll even get her to start quilting!!



Today I spent the morning at Western Stage in Salinas removing the quilt display we had set up for their production of "The Quilters". I want to acknowledge Susan Riddoch, Yo Matsuda, Sharon Winter, Gudny Campbell, Kathrin Brown, Claudia Cole Sammis, Claudia Gano, Anna Mae Gazo, Kathleen Erickson, June Cornell and Kathy Addington for providing quilts for the display. Most especially I want to thank Susan Riddoch and Claudia Gano for their assistance in gathering the quilts and helping with the set up and tear down of the display.

Summer is just around the corner and soon we will all be focusing our energies on travels and outside activities. It will also provide opportunities to get the creative juices flowing. Take lots of pictures, look at all the beautiful scenery around you and enjoy!!

Rita

## OPEN BOARD POSITIONS

by Sherrill Ash, [quiltersherrill@gmail.com](mailto:quiltersherrill@gmail.com), 831-915-2296

A new fiscal year starts in September and a few board positions are coming available. Per our Bylaws some positions be hold for one term (two years) only and thus need to be refilled.

It's a wonderful opportunity to get involved and get fresh perspectives in the activities of this guild. So, please contact me and grab a position and a seat on the board. (Board meetings are held once a month and take barely an hour!).

The new slate will be presented in July, voted on in August, and take office in September.

Positions that need to be filled are:

- **President - two-year term**
- **Community Outreach - two-year term**
- **Raffle Quilt Marketing**
- **Winter Social/Holiday Chair**

Let's chat. Please call me for more information on the open positions.



## Guild News and Activities

### Color-Spumoni Workshop with Christine Barnes Sunday, August 4, 2019

Sign ups are open for our August 4th, one-day workshop.

Here is how Christine describes the workshop: *"It was love at first sight—on Pinterest, no less—when I first saw this graphic block, often with the name of Japanese X and Plus block. What an opportunity for creative work with color! Each block is its own cohesive "color story" and could easily stand alone. Put nine different-colored blocks together, and the bold (almost chaotic) pattern comes alive. The workshop begins with the concepts essential to making each block read—color, pattern, and value. I do a demo on cutting and piecing the block, which is a cinch even for beginners. It's fast, and it's fun!"*



Contact Linda Garofalo for more info: [linda.garofalo27@yahoo.com](mailto:linda.garofalo27@yahoo.com).

Workshop sign-up form and cancelation policy check: [www.mpgg.org/workshops.htm](http://www.mpgg.org/workshops.htm)



### Membership News

by Linda Branting,  
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Welcome new members Ann Croll of Pacific Grove and Nancy Howe of Monterey. Please greet them warmly at our June meeting.

### Stash Buster's Tic-Tac-Toe

Mini-quilt for "Quilts By The Bay" Raffle	2019 Challenge Quilt • Guild • Friendship Group • On-line	Heart Pillow Cover
Surprise! small gift project	<b>FREE SPACE</b>	Re-purpose an Orphan Block
Make a Block of the Month	Finish a UFO or WIP	Comfort Quilt for guild charity

### 2019 UFO is Stashbuster's Tic-Tac-Toe

by Donna Appleget, [jaappleget@aol.com](mailto:jaappleget@aol.com), 831-324-4316

The Stashbusters Challenge is growing monthly and the result-ing Show and Tells are beautiful! Thank you all for the motivating projects! The next Stashbusters prize drawing will take place in July. To participate, you just need two Tic Tac Toes. Hint to new participants: Include your free space in both your rows and work on the easy projects. You will be able to complete two rows before the July drawing. Projects recorded in July will be counted before the drawing. Let's quilt and bust that stash!

## Guild News and Activities cont.

### 2019 Guild Challenge: CELEBRATE

by Linda Branting, [brantinglm@me.com](mailto:brantinglm@me.com)

Not too late  
to start

**Size:** 18 inches x 18 inches square

**Subject:** A holiday of your choice! Do you look forward to celebrating a particular holiday? This is your opportunity to celebrate that day with a small festive quilt.

**Fabric:** Entirely your choice!

**Due:** August MPQG Guild Meeting — **6:30pm, Monday, August 5th.**

Stop by the Guild Challenge table at the next meeting and pick up a sleeved page about the challenge and due date. They will be available only as long as our initial supply lasts.

Yes! You may make more than one "Celebrate!" Challenge quilt. Each challenge quilt should celebrate just **one** holiday, however.

Linda Garofalo, Linda Branting and Mary Kay Hamilton  
2019 MPQG Challenge Committee

P.S. See full instructions on our [website](#).

### CQFG Sew-In

by Terann Carr, 831-375-7881

Start the summer right by joining the Charity Quilt Friendship Group. We have welcomed some new members lately and would love to include you. The June Sew In will be on the usual third Friday, which is June 21, from 9:30 am to ?? We meet at my home near Laguna Seca. I'll have a few quilts needing labels and bindings or you can bring your own charity project. I have sewing machines and lots of supplies. Bring a lunch and enjoy the view. Call for directions.



### 2018 Guild Challenge: Now Showing

by Linda Branting, [brantinglm@me.com](mailto:brantinglm@me.com)

2018 Guild Challenge quilts are now on display in the gallery at Back Porch Fabrics in Pacific Grove on Grand at Central. Please stop by with your family and friends to see this handsome show by our talented guild members. Members, please plan to pick up your 2018 Challenge quilt on Tuesday, July 2nd, at Back Porch. They will remain on display until that date.

Still wondering what holiday you will celebrate on your 2019 Challenge quilt? You may discover an idea or technique to try in this popular small quilt format by seeing the wide range of subjects covered in the current Back Porch Gallery show.

Guild Challenge Committee,  
Linda Branting, Linda Garofalo and Mary Kay Hamilton



## Quilt Show

**Viewers' Choice Winners** are determined by a manual count of all attendees' votes by the 2019 Viewers' Choice Chair, Janyce Anderson, who also made the beautiful paper pieced awards.



Viewers' Choice - First Place:  
"Trick or Treat"  
by Catherine McGovern



Viewers' Choice - Second Place:  
"Zoe, The Blue Zebra"  
by Carole Olsen



Viewers' Choice - Third Place:  
"Favorite Books"  
by Phyllis Martin



See all ribbon-winning quilts from our 2019 Quilt show on our website [here](#).

## Quilt Show \$\$\$

by Kathrin Brown, [kathrin.brown@gmail.com](mailto:kathrin.brown@gmail.com)

Here are the numbers for a successful 2019 Quilt Show.

Admission: \$4,751 (approx. 225 people each day)

Garage Sale: \$3,302

Mini Raffle: \$1,300

RaffleQuilt: \$1,800 (at the Show)

Minus expenses:

**2019 Net Income: ~\$6,600** (\$6,245 in 2018; \$4,094 in 2017 with a \$5 admissions)

Again, HUGE THANK YOU to all Volunteers!

## Member Interview

**Meet GINGER RAMIREZ** | *Ginger, a resident of Marina, works in Salinas, attends classes part-time, and is raising two teen sons with husband Charlie. "I have a very, very full plate. I love the guild, but I don't normally get to the meetings. This year I'm trying to be more balanced and make time to do the fun stuff." We endorse Ginger's intentions, and look forward to seeing her at guild events!*

**How did you start quilting?** My family is very creative. Charlie's into drawing and comics, and he plays guitar. My sons draw, and my oldest is into photography and film. I never felt like I had a talent, a creative thing. So when I found quilting I thought, 'oh, this is it.' And I felt good at it. I was happy about the things I made. It was a cool, 'me' kind of thing.

I actually learned a lot from Instagram: that's how I started to get into quilting. The first thing I saw that I really wanted to do was the Millefiore / Passacaglia quilt. It's a million cogs of color, and everybody makes it differently. I want to put it here on this wall [she gestures to a spot she's saving above the couch]. I bought the pattern and templates, but they're in a box, and have been for a while. I'm a little resistant because I don't want to screw up. I feel like I'll only do it once because it is epic.

**What's your quilting style?** I definitely like bright, cheery colors. I like the more modern, whimsical, funky stuff. I love when it looks professional, but still homey. Kathrin Brown, who's in the guild—I follow her [on Instagram] and love her stuff. Then there's a designer, Elizabeth Hartman, oh I love her patterns. I've done the whales, and the foxes. I started the hedgehogs but my gosh it's a lot of piecing. So instead of a quilt, I ended up with a bunch of pillows! I like modern, but I really like traditional stuff in modern colors.

**Where do you quilt?** This is my little corner (a large alcove off the living room, where one surface holds Ginger's sewing gear and another Charlie's computer and drawing materials). What I like best is that it's open, and it's in the heart of the house. And from the position of the sewing table, I can watch TV. [When I'm alone] I watch all the garbage on Bravo that I don't like to watch in front of anyone else because I know it's terrible! It's my guilty pleasure.

Read the rest of the interview on our website home page under news. Full interview [here.](#)



This interview is part of an occasional series in which a MPQG member, chosen at random, is interviewed about her quilting journey. You can find all of the series interviews on our Member Interviews page.



## May Show & Tell



Mary Kay Hamilton came with two Stunners!



Donna Foote with a Comfort Quilt



Danna Kittlitz



Cec Larsen is behind this Artichoke Quilt



Julie Jezowski



## Block of the Month: June 2019

### \* What Color is Your Suitcase?\*



Do you have any travel plans for this summer? Well, before you start the trip, make a block of the month for June. Use fabrics that coordinate and perhaps travel-related fabrics for the suitcase body.

#### Materials Needed

Suitcase: (1) 4" x 6.5"; (2) 2.5" x 6.5"

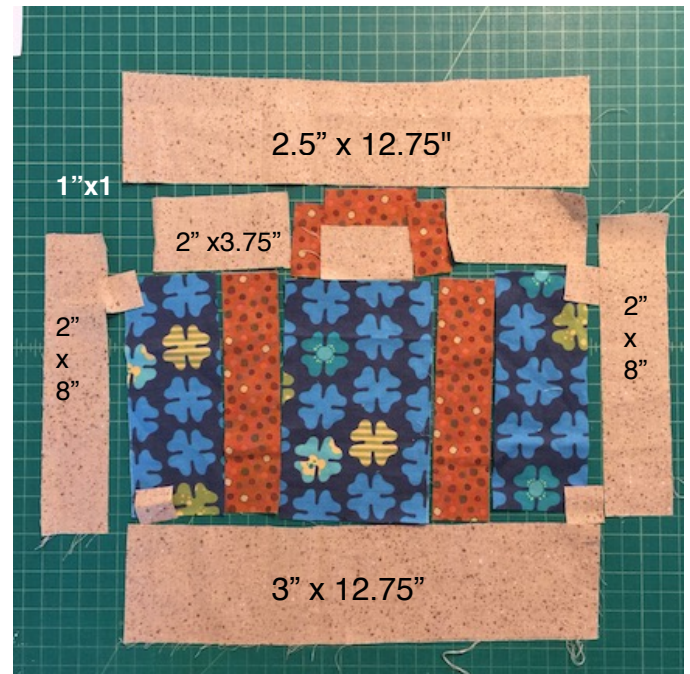
Handles/Straps: (2) 1.5" x 6.5"; (1) 1" x 2.5"; (2) 1" x 2"

Background: (4) 1" squares; (1) 1.5" x 2.5"; (2) 2" x 3.75"; (2) 1.75" x 8"; (1) 3" x 12.5"; (1) 2.5" x 12.5"

Note: All seams are 1/4" unless noted otherwise. The outside borders are oversized.

#### Instructions

1. Layout all pieces as they will be sewn together - see picture on the right.
2. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of (4) 1" background squares. Position a marked square in the outside corners of each of the 2.5" x 6.5" suitcase pieces to do some "Sew-and-flip" corners. Sew on the drawn line. Trim seam allowance to 1/4" and press open.
3. Sew together these pieces to a 1.5" x 6.5" strap piece; then add the 4" suitcase piece in the middle. Press seams open.
4. Create handle Sew 1" x 2.5" handle to 1.5" x 2.5" background. Press seam open. Add 1"x2" handle fabric on each side. Press. Add background 2" x 3.75" pieces to both sides. Press.
5. Sew handle unit to suitcase unit. Press Seam open.
6. Add 2" x 8" background to right and left sides.
7. Add 2.5" x 12.75" strip to the top. Add 3" x 12.75" strip to bottom. Press seams open.
8. Since the outside borders are oversized. Trim the block to 12.5" x 12.5" square.



Contact [kathrin.brown@gmail.com](mailto:kathrin.brown@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Remember, we appreciate DIFFERENT blocks. So if you make multiple blocks, please use different fabrics. This BOM is due at the guild meeting on **June 10, 2019**. More info on the BOM at [www.mpgg.org/block-of-the-month.htm](http://www.mpgg.org/block-of-the-month.htm)



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## Calendar, Road Trips, and Events

### Through July 1

**Circle Challenge.** Quilts by members of Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild. Back Porch Fabrics Gallery Display at 157 Grand Avenue, Pacific Grove, CA. [www.backporchfabrics.com](http://www.backporchfabrics.com)

### Through July

**H2OH!**

**THE MARBAUM COLLECTION: VARIATIONS IN TECHNIQUE**

**KRISTEN MARTINCIC: SWIM CLUB**

**MOMENTARY & TIMELESS**

San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles. 520 S. First Street. San Jose, CA. [www.sjqmilmuseum.org](http://www.sjqmilmuseum.org)

### May 31 - June 2

**Central Coast Shop Hop.** Paso Robles to Ventura. [quiltshopsofthecentralcoast.com](http://quiltshopsofthecentralcoast.com)

### June 8 & 9

**Quilts for All Seasons.** Flying Geese Quilters Guild Quilt Show. Soka University. One University Drive. Aliso Viejo, CA. Sat. 10-4. Sun 10-3:30. [www.quiltsforallseasons.com](http://www.quiltsforallseasons.com)

### June 20-22

**Quilt Show Reno Reno, NV. Workshops and Lectures June 18-22.** 10 am - 5 pm Thursday & Friday | 10 am - 4 pm Saturday. 2500 E. Second Street, Reno, NV 89595, Silver State Pavilion. [www.quiltshowreno.com](http://www.quiltshowreno.com)

### June 19-23

**Shop Hop by the Bay.** 10 local quilt shops are participating. Prizes. Free Pattern. Wed-Sat 10-6. Sun 10-4. [shophopbythebay.com](http://shophopbythebay.com)

### June 29-30

**Quilts of the Central Coast.** Seven Sisters Quilt Show. Alex Madonna Expo Center. San Luis Obispo. Sat 9-5. Sun 9-4. \$10. [sevenSistersQuiltShow.org](http://sevenSistersQuiltShow.org)

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