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NEWSLETTER OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA QUILTERS GUILD
WWW.MPQG.ORG

General Meeting
Monday, September 12,
2016*

6:30 PM Set-up & Social Time
7:00 PM Meeting

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

What to Bring

- see list to the right
- Name tag
- BOM
- Community Quilts
- Show & Tell

Upcoming MPQG Events

*September 12, 2016

- General Meeting: *Charity Quilt Tie-in & Free-cycle Tables*

October 3, 2016

- General Meeting: Rami Kim
Folded Fabric Elegance

November 13, 2016

- Workshop with Jan Soules
"Improvitational Trees"

*November 14, 2016

- General Meeting: Jan Soules
Spectacular Borders: From Basic to Beyond

*second Monday

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should be quilting-related businesses.

Next Meeting:
Monday, September 12, 2016
(note second Monday due to Labor
Day)
Charity Tie-in 2016



This guild meeting will be your chance to help tie quilts for the Monterey Peninsula Dialysis Center. Just think how these quilts, with bright splashes of color, will encourage those who have so many challenges ahead -- you can help make someone smile. Join us on September 12th to meet our newest members, and reconnect with old friends.

What should I bring? A thimble, scissors, darning needle, and blue painter's tape if you have it. If you are interested in finishing one of the quilts by attaching the binding, you can sign one out as a finishing project. That would be a big help!

Remember to bring your checkbook or cash to pay your annual MPQG dues.

Terann Carr,
cacarrs@sbcglobal.net, 831.375.7881



**Free-cyle / Recyle / Free
Fleamarket / Bring Some-
thing-Take Something**

Whatever you call it ... join the "quilt pick-ers" adventure. This month only, you have the chance to bring fabric and all quilt-related donation items to the Free-cycle Tables on the patio. Open Hours: 6:15 to 6:55 p.m. and 8:15 to 8:45 p.m. Closed during the Tie-in from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m.

Liz Rondelle, bukavugirl@aol.com, 831.620.2512

The Charity Sew-in on August 19 is canceled to keep us off the busy roads. Please work on your community projects at home if time permits.

President's Message - September 2016

Thanking All Volunteers

by Nora Deans, nora.deans@gmail.com, 831.760.9800

Our hearts go out to all of those affected by the deadly and devastating Soberanes Fire that continues to roar through dry canyons and over ridges. As our community rallies in support of members of the Guild who had to evacuate and our neighbors still at risk, I'm awed by the heroism of firefighters and the compassion of quilters.

Many of you volunteer in so many ways, including in service to our all-volunteer Guild, which thrives because of you. Please join me in thanking the newly elected Board members and Standing Coordinators who will serve the Guild over the next year so that we can continue to give to those in need through our grants and charity quilts. Welcome to Noreen Nance as Vice President, Colleen Johnson (second term as Treasurer), Linda Branting (Membership), Jeanne Mills (Program), Linda Garofalo (Workshops), Rita Remenap-Keith (UFOs) and Marjorie Longo (Friendship Groups). Thank you, Allison Barrett, for continuing in Activities for a second term, and Kathrin Brown for continuing with Communications and Block of the Month, Terann Carr for both Charity Quilts and Fair Coordinator, Lisa Maddalena for both Facilities and Library, Claudia Sammis for website and writer/photographer and June Cornell, December fundraiser. We're sorry to say goodbye to Bonnie Tomscheck as Secretary but wish her well in Oregon. A search is underway for her replacement. We wish Tiana and Victoria Duarte the very best in their move to Folsom. They've both given so much to the Guild --Program and Workshops and Friendship Groups. You're missed already!

Excitement is building for the Monterey County Fair August 31-September 5, where our quilts, including those beautiful Challenge Quilts, will hang in a larger hall this year. We're reaching out again for volunteers for the upcoming Monterey County Fair quilt display. Please let Terann Carr know when you can be there as a white-glover or raffle quilt ticket seller.

Not only is Terann coordinating our activities at the County Fair, but she's also leading our Charity Quilt Tie-in at our next members meeting on September 12. She shared her favorite knots for tying quilts at our August meeting, and our thanks go out to Terann Carr, Gail Abeloe, Gudny Campbell, Regina Liske and Kathrin Brown for volunteering to share their wonderful "tips, tricks and techniques." It was a great evening of camaraderie and learning, and I'm looking forward to more at our next meeting!

And calling all quilters - this is the time of year that we look for an individual or group of folks eager to volunteer to create a quilt for our annual fundraising Raffle Quilt that showcases the amazing talent of our members. It's always exciting to see the proposals and original design concepts. Proposals are due in October so the Board can make the final selection in November. Can't wait!

Cheers,
Nora

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Workshop

Sunday, November 13, 2016

Jan Soules teaches *Improvisational Trees*

In this workshop, you will learn how to make improvisational trees without a pattern. You will gain confidence in using your rotary cutter and ruler to create unique trees. We will begin with a simple tree trunk and gradually learn how to add limbs. You can make as few or as many as you want. It is your project, so it will be your decision. Step out of your comfort zone and try something new! All skill levels can do this, I promise!

To learn more about Jan, google Jan Soules.

Linda Garofalo, linda.garofalo27@yahoo.com, 415.444.6142



Thanks Back Porch Fabrics

With the generosity of Back Porch Fabrics aka Gail Abeloe, we raised \$481.00 for the guild with the 20 packages donated by Gail and raffled to our members. Thank you everyone who participated and "Congrats to the Winners."

Board Projects: September 2016


- Meeting: Community Service Night (no lecture), Free Market
- New fiscal year begins September 1
- Call for original raffle quilt design
- Call for Community Grant Award proposals
- Membership - late renewals due by September 30
- Advertiser renewals due for annual rate
- Display Raffle Quilt and sell tickets at the Monterey County Fair
- Display Challenge Quilts at the Monterey County Fair
- Recruit Quilt Show committee chairs
- Plan for Winter Benefit Social gift basket
- Updates and announcements to communications by the 10th of the month

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Membership News

by Noreen Nance, nor9215een@gmail.com

We had a great turnout for membership renewals at our last guild meeting! 87 of you are already renewed and have gotten your membership cards for 2016/2017. In addition, we have two new members: Welcome Gail and Kate! Stop by the membership table in September to meet your new Chair of Membership, Linda Branting. Linda is very active in our guild. She designed last years quilt show and has been handling the UFO desk.

If you have not renewed your membership, you still have time. Download the renewal form (or print page 5), write your check for \$50 and either bring it to the September meeting or mail it to Linda.

I have enjoyed being the Chair of Membership for the last two years. It has given me an opportunity to get to know so many of you. Thank you!

Not only did we have a quorum and voted in the new board, we also had a lot of buzz and fun during our August "Tips, Tricks & Techniques" meeting. Sorry if you missed it.



September CQFG Sew-In

by Terann Carr, cacarr@sbcglobal.net, 831.375.7881

There are thirty-three empty heart pillows for us to stuff ladies! I've got lots of fiber fill but if you have some to bring it won't go to waste. We are gearing up for October and Breast Cancer Awareness Month, so we will gab and laugh and stuff! September 16th is the third Friday so mark your calendars. Come to my house any time after 9:30 am and bring a bag lunch. We will pull an all-dayer, get it?

Quilts for Fire Victims

by Terann Carr, cacarr@sbcglobal.net, 831.375.7881

I'm working with some contacts concerning providing quilts to victims of the Soberanes Fire. It will take some time to identify those who have lost everything and would appreciate a quilt. When we provided quilts for the Big Sur Fire victims they did ask for bed sized quilts if possible, but every size was welcomed. I'll keep you posted through the newsletter and e-mail blasts. Thanks for your support!

 <p>Family Threads QUILT SHOP</p>	<p>HOLLY MABUTAS OWNER & APPLIQUE DESIGNER</p> <p>PO Box 1203 • 107-D The Alameda San Juan Bautista, CA 95045</p> <p>831.623.0200 FamilyThreads@att.net FamilyThreads.org</p>
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2016-2017 MPQG Speaker & Workshop Schedule

by Program

As you renew your membership, you might be as excited as we are about next year's line-up of guest speakers. Our speakers and teachers offer us many things: inspiration; techniques and lots of quilts to view. A number of our teachers are internationally known and are award winners. Since it's unlikely we will "be going to them", MPQG is bringing them to us. Plus, we are extremely lucky to be piggybacking on Empty Spools/Asilomar to invite some very coveted guests to speak for us.

Monday, October 3, 2016

Speaker: **Rami Kim**, *Folded Fabric*

Her special techniques make her pieces and wearable art very unique. ramikim.com

Sunday, November 13

Workshop with Jan Soules: *Improvisational Winter Trees*

Piecing class that will make you step out of your comfort zone and try something new.

November 14, 2016*

Speaker: **Jan Soules**, *Spectacular Borders: From Basics to Beyond*

February 6, 2017

Speaker: **Mac McNamara**, *Trunk Show*

Be inspired by Mac's quilts that are his expression of poetic statements. macquilts.com

Wednesday, March 6, 2017*

Speaker: **David Taylor**, *Trunk Show*

Internationally known for his appliqué and quilting techniques. davidtaylorquilts.com



Monday, April 3, 2017

Speaker: **Sujata Shah**, *Cultural Fusion Quilts*

Gwen Marston endorsed this popular, modern traditionalist with a wonderful sense of color.

culturalfusionquilts.blogspot.com

Monday, May 1, 2016

Speaker: **Rod Daniel**, *Trunk Show*

Using color and fabric to create inspirational designs. danielfiberarts.com

Saturday & Sunday, June 10 & 11, 2017

Workshop with Melinda Bula: *Hibiscus Flower*

Learn how to use fabric and thread like an artist uses brush and paint. melindabula.com

Monday, June 12, 2017*

Speaker: **Melinda Bula**, *The Power and Secret of Color*

Monday, July 10, 2017*

Speaker: **Jean Impey**, *Finding Your Passion and Running With It.*

Traditional textile artist with a modern twist. sewjean.com



Saturday & Sunday, August 5 & 6, 2017

Workshop with Hilde Morin: *Bowl Art*

Internationally known Hilde Morin will teach her contemporary fiber art.

hildemorin.com

***Note: Date change from first Monday**

MPQG Membership Form 2016/2017

(New and Renewal Membership)

Membership dues are due by September 1st.

The annual membership fee for new and renewing members in the Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild is \$50. Please do not send cash through the mail. Make checks payable to MPQG.

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

MPQG Membership c/o Linda Branting, P. O. Box 2715, Carmel, CA 93921

Name _____

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Check here if there are no changes. If no changes, no need to fill in below.

Address: _____

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Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

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Volunteer Activity

The Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild is only as strong and viable as its volunteers. Please let us know in which area you would like to participate. Volunteering is a great way to meet old members as well as new members. If you have a particular skill from your career life, please consider using it.

Membership could use Greeters at our monthly meetings _____

Community Outreach (County Fair volunteers, etc.)/Publicity _____

Program could use help setting up the meeting room _____

Activities could use help in these areas: UFO, Library _____

We encourage all members to volunteer to make our Guild the best quilt community ever.

Block of the Month: September 2016

Improv Strips



This month try your hand at "Improv". This block is created by free flow layout and cutting. Use 1/4" seam allowance (but it is not important here). Press your seams to the strips. Always press after each seam.

FABRICS NEEDED:

Background: One 10" square in a solid or reads-as solid fabric of any bright color that will show off the black-white sticks.

Sticks: Black and White fabric strips in a variety of values (some more black, some more white). You need: One (1) to four (4) 1"- to 2"-wide

strips (used different widths) 12" long to cover the entire square; some maybe shorter if they only cover the corners.

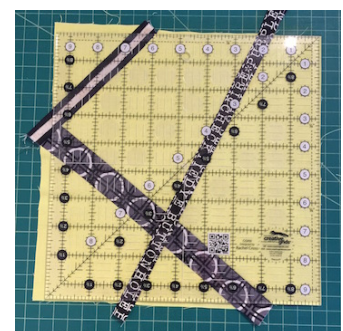
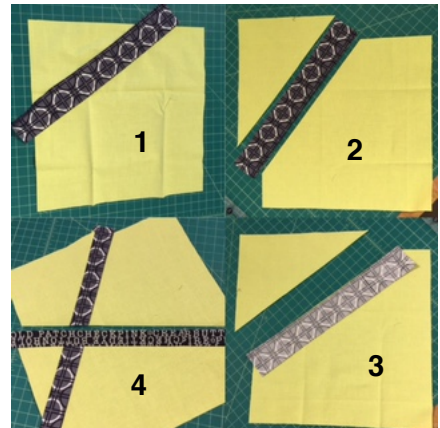
INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Take the 10" square and the first black-and-white strip. Lay the strip on the background where you want to insert it.
2. Now, cut the square along the side of the first strip.
3. Sew in the strip with a 1/4" seam. Press seams to strip. Sew the other piece (a triangle if you cut on diagonal) of your background square to the strip. Press seam to strip.
4. Now place the second strip on the newly created fabric. Cut the fabric where you want to insert the second strip. Sew strip to the larger piece of background. Press seam. If you had cut thru the first strip, you want to make sure to match the imaginable line of the first strip thru the new insert. Pin a 1/4" seam at that intersection, turn over the fabric and see if it is lined up. If not, move the fabric into the direction to get the best line-up possible. Sew on second background piece. Press.

Continue in this method if you want to add more strips. I added four strips to my yellow block and only two strips to the green as I found that pleasing.

Last step, **trim your block to 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"**. It should be larger as you started with a larger square and inserted fabric.

Questions: kbkreativ@gmail.com



Remember, we appreciate DIFFERENT blocks. So if you make multiple blocks, please use different fabrics. This BOM is due at the guild meeting on September 12, 2016. More info on the BOM on our [web site](http://www.mpqg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/) at www.mpqg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/



MPQG Friendship Groups

Small groups meet regularly. This offers an opportunity for members to develop friendships while sharing skills and techniques with others. Activities may include making charity quilts, working on one's own projects, round robin quilts, or themed challenges.

Here is an update to one of the groups:

Que Sera Sera

meets Monday, 11 AM - 2 PM @ Active Seniors, Inc., 100 Harvest St., Salinas
Susan Riddoch, 831.449.6315

All groups are listed on our website under the "About Us" tab (mpqg.org/about/). If you would like to join a group, or need help forming a new friendship group, contact Marjorie Longo, frumml@aol.com, 624-8649.

Note for Advertisers

It is advertising fee renewal time. The rates are \$60 for Members, \$120 for non-members. To renew, please contact Linda Branting at lmbranting@aol.com.

Board Minutes

The MPQG Secretary takes and prepares the minutes from the monthly board meetings. These minutes are posted on the MPQG website in the members only area. The latest approved minutes can be found here: www.mpqg.org/business/board/

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Calendar, Road Trips, and Local Events

September 11 - Nov 2, 2016

From White to This by Anna Gazo

Reception for the artist is **September 11, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.**, in the Gallery at Back Porch Fabrics, 157 Grand Ave. (at Central), Pacific Grove, CA 93950. For information: 831-375-4453. www.backporchfabrics.com

now - October 2, 2016

Wedding Dress: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

Borrowing from local cultural organizations' collectors, designers and History of San Jose, this show will illuminate the evolution of the wedding dress, ethnic similarities and differences. Traditions are clearly no longer limited to something borrowed and something blue. For information and hours, go to: www.sjqquiltmuseum.org.

August 27, 2016

Tying the Knot. On August 27, 2016, from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., The San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles will hold its major fundraising event of the year. It is a celebration of art, music, and silent auction, to highlight the exhibition Wedding Dress: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. www.sjqquiltmuseum.org

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Aug 27 - 28: Delta Quilters Guild Quilt Show: **Annual Harvest on the Delta.** Brentwood Community Center, 35 Oak St., Brentwood CA. www.deltaquilters.org

Aug 31 - Sept 5: Monterey County Fair. For details, go to www.montereycountyfair.com

Sept 10: Half Moon Bay Piecemakers by the Sea: **Quilts by the Sea.** LDS Church Cultural Hall, 475 California St, Moss Beach, CA. Sat 10-4, piecemakers-by-the-sea.com

Sept 11 - 12: Los Banos Arts Council Quilt Guild presents: **Pumpkin Patch Quilt Show.** Ted Falasco Art Center, 1105 5th Street, Los Banos. Sat 9:30-5:30, Sun 10-4. losbanosarts.org/quilt-group.html

Sept 17 - 18: Peninsula Quilters Guild: **Quilting by the Bay.** Onetta Harris Community Center, 100 Terminal Ave, Menlo Park, CA. Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4. www.peninsulaquilters.org

Sept 17 - 18: Sierra Quilt Guild, Sierra Needle Artists & Mother Lode Weavers & Spinners: **Quilts & Threads Show.** Mother Lode Fairgrounds in Sonora, CA. Fri, 4-6, Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4. sierraquiltguild.com/page3.html

Sept 22 - 24: Quilt Craft & Sewing Festival. Alameda County Fairgrounds. 4501 Pleasanton Ave. Pleasanton, CA. www.quiltcraftsew.com

Sept 24 - 25: South Valley Quilt Association: **Harvest Quilt & Fiber Arts Show.** Morgan Hill Community & Cultural Center. 17000 Monterey Ave. Morgan Hill, CA. www.svqa.org

Oct 1 - 2: Mother Lode Quilters' Guild presents: **Golden Threads Quilt Show.** Historic downtown Sutter Creek. Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4. www.mlqgsuttercreek.org

Oct 1 - 2: Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild present: **15th Annual Falling Leaves Quilt Show.** Lake County Fairgrounds. Lakeport, CA. www.llqg.org

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Meetings

are usually held the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM. Many members arrive at 6:30 PM for an informal social time. **Please check the front page for any schedule or location change.**

Membership

New members are welcome any time! Dues are \$50.00 to be paid annually by the September general meeting.

Guests

are always welcome and are asked to pay a \$5.00 fee to attend the evening program. Please stop at the membership table.

Pines & Needles Newsletter

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