



THE BRIDGE

*Make friends.
Share what we know.
Learn from each other.*

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This is my last month as Guild President. My term in office has been a wonderful combination of challenging and gratifying experiences. I'm especially thankful to the Board and Chairpersons for their help and support during my tenure. But the continued success of AQG is, in large part, due to our members. You gave your time and energy by leading demo's and agreeing to be interviewed. You shared a variety of talents during Show 'n Tell sessions, provided food to our potlucks and meetings, and made donation items. You made BOMs, participated in Open Sews, Workshops, Challenges, and Retreats. My mother used to say, "busy hands are happy hands."

Thank you, again, for this opportunity including your support and encouragement,

Sally Mirault, AQG President

UPCOMING DATES

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| Fri, Dec 6 | Frank Bette AQG Show continues through December 21
Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 11am – 5pm |
| Sat, Dec 7 | Frank Bette Reception – AQG Show
3 – 5 pm. Corner of Lincoln and Paru |
| Thu, Dec 12 | 7 pm General Mtg at Trinity Lutheran
1323 Central Ave

No Workshop, No Open Sew,
No Sew 'N Chat this month,
These will resume in January. |

The Alameda Quilt Guild wants to thank Corica Golf Course for generously letting us use their community rooms for our classes.

GENERAL MEETING – December 12

On December 12th the guild will celebrate Winter Solstice and the end of 2024 with a holiday potluck. Please bring two things to the party:

- * A finger food to share with the group. Provide a label if: gluten free, contains seafood, or includes dairy
- * A wrapped gift (not to exceed \$10) for a gift exchange. This year's theme is non-perishable specialty food items. Examples include oils & vinegars, olives, high-quality chocolate, chutney, jams or jellies, salts & spices, mustard, marinades, etc. Be sure to attend to enjoy the food and friendship. There will be an induction ceremony for the 2025 Board Members. It'll be a fun way to close out the year, so don't miss it!

MEMBERSHIP

Our current membership is 72. Membership renewals continue in December - \$50 per year.

Carole King, king.carole@gmail.com

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS



Every birthday is a time to celebrate. Reach out and send good wishes to our sister quilters with birthdays this month!

Paula Casteen, Anna Elefant, Li Volin, Lu Burton, Caroll Stephens

CONGRATULATIONS and thank you to our officers for next year:

SLATE OF OFFICERS – 2025

President – *Pauline Marx*

President -Elect - *Open*

Membership Chairs – *Dianne Rodrigues*
Debbie Falzone

Program Chair – *Carol Bernard*

Treasurer – *Rikki Henneman*

Secretary – *Sally Mirault*

OPEN SEW – December 20

This is a drop in forum to sew with (and learn from) others. We welcome hand and machine work. Bring something to share for our pot luck lunch.

We'll meet from 11am- 3pm on the 3rd Friday, December 20, at Trinity Lutheran.

BLOCK OF THE MOMENT

It is fine to bring late BOMs to meetings. We have a list of past winners and they will be appreciated.

November and December there no BOMs. We will start up again in January.

Suzanne Duran & Joy Beireis-Molnar

SEW 'N CHAT

No Zoom meeting this month. I'll be snowed in with family in Ohio.

Join us next month on our new day, second Saturday, January 18, from 1pm – 3pm.



This recognition pin was handed out at our last meeting to those members who taught a workshop in 2024. If you see one pinned to their name tag you know they went above and beyond to support the Guild. Our thanks.

Our thanks go to the following members who participated in the **Hot Tamale Challenge**.

- Carol Bernard
- Dorothy Kerwin
- Rose Minafo (2nd place)
- Kim Orzell
- Pat Smith (1st place)

Thank you all for participating in this guild activity.

2025 CHALLENGE – PANEL CHALLENGE

Buy a fabric panel or get a free one at February's Guild meeting. More info to come.

NEW ADDRESSES

LINDA GANFIELD

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St. Louis Park, MN 55426
(It's a suburb of Minneapolis)

DIANE SIMONI

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Winston Salem, North Carolina 27103



SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

“Healing Pilgrimage” quilt created for The AZ Episcopal Diocese, Council for Native American Ministry.

I moved to NC, but I have rental property in Sedona. So, I support the ministry as an honor tax for me to have a “business” on the land there. Diane Simoni

Send items to kerwindorothy@gmail.com

PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR 2024

All meetings are at Trinity Lutheran at 7pm on the second Thursday unless otherwise indicated.
Doors open at 6:30pm for socializing.

December 12: Holiday potluck and Board induction. No Block of the Moment.

Workshop schedule for 2025

All workshops are taught at Corica Golf Course, on Saturdays from 10-3pm.



January 11 - Mat Carrier / Pressing Surface

This is a bag for carrying your cutting mat. The back is a heat resistant fabric for pressing on.

January 11, Corica Golf Course, 10am-3pm.

Sign ups begin at the November meeting.

Final month to sign up will be December.

Teacher Terry Hodges. \$10.00 plus \$5.00 kit fee.



February 8 - Stamp Play Part 2

(do not need Part 1 to do this class).

Create custom fabric using stamps on a book cover. Teacher Leslie Sorenson.

Fee \$10.00, supply fee \$5.09.

The Jan & Feb classes need to be signed up for at the December guild meeting.

ALAMEDA QUILT GUILD SHOW AT THE FRANK BETTE ART CENTER IN ALAMEDA

The Guild's show continues at the Frank Bette Center for the Arts until December 21. The gallery is open Friday - Sunday 11 am - 5 pm and there is a second reception on Saturday December 7 from 3 - 5 pm.

It is going to be a very lively weekend! In addition to the Guild's show, there are two special events that weekend at the gallery.

Friday - Sunday December 6-8, the gallery hosts "Holidays at Frank Bette," which features multiple artist work for sale, including jewelry, paper, fiber arts, ceramics, wood, glass, and small framed pieces.

And Saturday and Sunday of the same weekend, the gallery is hosting some artists from East Bay Open Studio.

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Pauline Marx
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EVENTS CALENDAR – (Send submissions to the newsletter editor - kerwindorothy@gmail.com)

This item will resume in the new year. If you know of an event that will be of general interest – let me know.

LONG-ARM SEWING

RoseAnn Minafo is a member of our guild and is a long-armer. She can complete any small or large quilt in a two week turnaround. Give her a call if interested. She gives discounts to all members. 415-828-6296.

SCHEDULE CHANGE - Reminder

Trinity Lutheran Church offers the use of their meeting space to several not-for-profit organizations, including Alameda Quilt Guild. A local service organization has recently been added to the church calendar. In order to accommodate them, we have been asked to make a change in our schedule.

The following schedule is effective October 1, 2024:

2nd Thursday	General Meeting – door opens 6:30 pm (no change)
3rd Friday	Open Sew – 11am – 3pm (new day)
4th Tuesday	Board Meeting – 1pm – 2:30pm (new day)



OUTREACH

It was a beautiful donation night displaying members' creativity and wonderful generosity to benefit foster youth via EBCLO, Kristen Mateer, Esq., and women/ children of domestic violence at Alameda Midway Shelter, Ginny Krutilek and Carrie Thompson.

Totals: Quilts. 61
Pillowcases. 129
Patriotic. 15
Fidget quilts. 23
Joy bundles. 27
Triangular bags. 83

Jennifer Fisher at Sutter Care at Home receives a donation of patriotic pillowcases and fidget quilts.

THE COMMUNITY QUILTERS- OUTREACH

Any AQG member can donate a pieced quilt top (preferably with batting and back) at any general meeting. This donation, once finished, will go directly to our selected charities: Sutter Care at Home, Alameda; Midway Shelter, Alameda; EBCLO-East Bay Children's Law Office for foster youth, Alameda County. All quilts will be displayed at our donation events and photographed for the online AQG newsletter. Nancy Griffin and Jeanne Heffernan are Committee chairs; Jane Hageman and Marge McLean will receive at our member meetings any quilt tops (and batting/back if possible).

If there are any questions call Jeanne Heffernan or Nancy Griffin. We are hoping that this effort boosts the AQG number of donated quilts for our community giving.

QUILT JOURNEYS

Many of you have been quilting for a long time and we would love to see some of your work. Would you be interested in presenting a mini trunk show and talking about your personal quilt journey?

Contact terrychodges@aol.com if you can volunteer or you want to nominate someone in the guild you know has an interesting journey to share.

2024 AFFILIATES

The Sewing Room, 1419 Park St Ste G

New Pieces Quilt Shop, Inc, 766 Gilman, Berkeley

ReCrafting, 2449 Santa Clara

Bay Quilts, 5327 Jacuzzi St, Richmond

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Be sure to mention you saw them in this newsletter.

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DECEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 7pm General mtg	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21

22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas Happy Hannukah	26	27	28
29	30	31 Happy New Year's Eve				

THREAD CATCHER WORKSHOP



