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**General Meeting:  
Monday, May 7, 2007**

6:30 Social hour, Meeting begins at 7:15 pm  
Pacific Grove Community Center,  
515 Junipero Ave., Pacific Grove. CA 93950

**Lecture: Nancy Brown: My Animal Quilts**

Nancy Brown is known for her exquisite appliqué of animals and groups of people. Some realistically reflect her memories of “people” in her life. You can see her cartooning skills on Ricky Tims’ web site and in her humorous animal portraits.

She has won numerous awards at the American Quilting Society's Show in Paducah, Kentucky and several at the Road to California Show in Ontario. P&B Textiles displays one of the quilts that she made out of its fabrics in its corporate collection. She has also displayed quilts at Quilt Market in Houston and the Quilts=Art=Quilts Show in New York.

She has taught at the Road to California Show for several years and teaches at several Bay Area quilt shops.



## Upcoming Lectures:

**Monday, June 4- Melody Crust**

Quilt Toppings: Fun & Fancy  
Embellishment

**August 6- Marcia Stein**

Destinations: Travel Inspired  
Quilts

**Monday July 2- Jill Schumacher**

Creating Your Heirlooms of  
Tomorrow

**September 10- Peggy Martin**

Beyond Tradition

**October 8- Melody Johnson**

All Color All the Time

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## Workshops: *(See page 5 for enrollment form)*

**May - Nancy Brown: Cat & Dog Faces (Space Still Available)**

**Sunday, May 6 10:00 to 4:00**

MPC Family & Con. Sci. Bldg.

Nancy Brown is famous for her wild animal hand appliquéd pictorial quilts. She has recently added dog and cat quilts to her repertoire. Bring a photo of your cat and let Nancy show you how to develop a pattern that can be used in this unique four square quilt design based on your own cat's image. You will learn how to develop your own patterns and hand appliqué techniques while working on your cat faces.

*(Just for us! Nancy has agreed to add a dog pattern to the workshop choice! If you choose, you can make a Labrador quilt (Chocolate, Black or Yellow Lab) instead of cats. And for those of you who are not enamored of either animal, come to learn the specialized techniques that this Master of appliqué can teach you. )*

Come learn all about the methods that I use for hand appliqué. The four cats are really variations of one basic pattern and in the class I will show you how to start with the basic pattern and change it to make it look like your cat. There will also be a demonstration of how to create a cat portrait from a photo. No drawing experience required.

## **Workshops** - continued

### **June - Melody Crust: Simple Surfaces and Bead Candy Quilts**

Sunday, June 3 & Monday, June 4  
MPC Family and Consumer Sciences Bldg., 10:00 to 4:00

[www.melodycrust.com](http://www.melodycrust.com)



Two days of learning new techniques to embellish your quilts. On Sunday, learn all about using beads to add pizzazz to a quilt or garment you bring with you to the workshop. Learn what to look for when you shop, how to sew those little beads that add so much to your designs.

Melody will share design ideas, handling tips and sewing techniques. On Monday, learn all about paint sticks and foiling on fabrics. Applying foil or paint sticks to silk or cotton is easy, fun and permanent.

This informative, hands-on workshop is for both traditional and non-traditional quilters and clothing makers. Melody will furnish a kit of foil, adhesives and paint sticks for an additional \$30.

**July - Jill Schumacher: Mini Whole Cloth Quilt Machine Quilting Class**  
**Sunday, July 1, 10 to 4 p.m.**  
MPC Family & Con. Sci. Bldg.  
Intermediate (Beg. Plus Level)



This class is for those who have explored beginning machine quilting. It is geared toward the quilter who can do simple machine quilting basics but wants to learn more elaborate designs and how to stitch them. Using your own home sewing machine, you will learn to quilt beautiful feather designs and borders and even add some decorative background quilting designs. You will have a miniature whole cloth quilt suitable for a wall hanging or to be made into a designer pillow when you complete your project.

## Workshops- continued

### August – Marcia Stein: Picture This

Sunday, August 5, 2007, 10 to 4 p.m.  
MPC Family & Consumer Science Building

Learn to machine appliqué a small quilt top using your own photo for inspiration. Choose among several methods of stitching a narrow zigzag over raw, fused, and turned-under edges.

We'll discuss how to achieve depth, when and how to add design elements, and how to simplify your design without sacrificing its essence. No drawing skills required.

Level: Confident beginner and above.



## Opportunity Quilt Tickets - 2007

Thank you everyone who picked up the ticket envelopes at the meeting. It sure saved on the postage. All the other envelopes have been mailed. If you did not receive one, and especially for our most recent new members, I will have some more envelopes at the next meeting. We do so hope that each member will purchase/sell \$10 worth. If, however, you cannot, please return the unsold tickets as we will need them for the Fair sale table in August. Thanks Again.

***Colleen Johnson, Opportunity Quilt, 2007***

### **Workshop Registration Form**

*Please sign me up for:*

		<b>Members</b>	<b>Non-Members</b>
May 6	Nancy Brown: Cat Faces	\$40	\$50
June 3	Melody Crust: Simple Surfaces	\$40	\$50
June 4	Melody Crust: Bead Candy	\$40	\$50
July 1	Jill Schumacher: Machine Quilting	\$40	\$50
August 5	Marcia Stein: Picture This	\$40	\$50

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Make your check payable to MPQG and send to Dee Davis, 1338 Lincoln Ave, Pacific Grove, CA, 93950. Questions? Email [workshops@mpqg.org](mailto:workshops@mpqg.org) or call Dee @ 831-372-6454.

Please note: Places are secured in all workshops when payment is received. If you need to cancel, please give at least 7 days notice. No refunds will be made unless replacement can be found.

### **Challenge Quilts**

I still have quite a few packets left for the challenge quilts, which are due in June for the 2007 Monterey County Fair in August. This will be the last meeting I will be selling the packets.

***Stella LePine, Challenge Quilt Coordinator***

## President's Note

Dear Folks:

This month instead of miscellaneous thoughts, I thought I'd try to be useful by providing a list of what sewing and embroidery threads are carried by our local stores. If you have any questions, the owner of each store invites you to "just ask!" Have fun shopping!

***Yours, Debbie Biller***

<b>Store</b>	<b>Thread Brand</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Size</b>
<b>Back Porch Fabrics</b>	C&C	Metallic	
	DMC	Variegated	50
	Gutermann	Hand Quilting Thread	45 TEX
	Mettler	Cotton – all sewing colors	50
		Cotton – variegated	30
	MonoPoly	Clear	
	Star	Cotton – neutral and variegated	50
	YLI	Nylon – smoke and clear	
<b>The Hand Maden</b>		Silk	100
	Designer Threads	For embellishment	
	DMC	Embroidery floss	
		Perle cotton	#3 & #5
	Gutermann	Hand Quilting Thread	
		Sew-All	
	Mettler	Swiss silk finish cotton	50
		Machine embroidery cotton	60
	Paternayan	Persian wool yarn	
	Robison-Anton	Rayon embroidery thread	
		Swirl Sensation	
		Metallic	40
		Serger thread	
		Silk ribbon	
	Sulky	Rayon embroidery thread	40
		Rayon UltraTwist	
	Rayon variegated	40	
	Blendable cotton	30	
	Blendable cotton-variegated	12	

## President's Thread Count-continued

<b>Store</b>	<b>Thread Brand</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Size</b>
<b>Your Hometown Sewing Center</b>	Maxilock	Serger thread	
	DMC	Embroidery cotton	50
	Isacord	Polyester embroidery thread	40
	Madeira (embroidery thread)	Bobbinfil	
		Cotona	30 & 80
		Glamour metallic overlock thread	8
		Lana (wool & acrylic)	12
		Monofil	
		Polyneon	40
		Rayon	40
	Mettler (embroidery thread)	Cotton	60
		Metallic	40
		Variegated polysheen	40
	Mettler	Sewing thread	50
	Sulky	Blendables	12 & 30
		Cotton	12 & 30
	YLI	Candlelight textured metallic	
		Candlelight fine metallic	24 TEX
		Pearl crown rayon	
		Designer 6 (edging and flatlocking)	
	Jeans Stitch	90 TEX	
	Wooly nylon serger thread		
<b>Beverly</b>	Mettler	various	
	Coats and Clark	various	
	Serger thread		

### **MPQG Board of Directors Meeting**

The MPQG Board of Directors will meet next at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, May 2, 2007, at Debbie Biller's home.

## **Help Reduce MPQG's Newsletter Production Costs!**

MPQG is enrolled in a free quarterly rewards program with Office Depot. Help reduce costs by assigning your Office Depot purchases to the guild's member ID: **Office Depot Worklife Rewards Member: #1107146738.**

*Linda Phillips- Circulation*

## **Nominating Committee**

I know you have always wanted to have one of these following positions, but were too shy to volunteer. Please contact us to tell us what job you desire.

### **Board and Committee Positions Available 2007 – 2008**

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|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>1. President</b>         | <b>5. Fair Coordinator</b>       |
| <b>2. Program</b>           | <b>6. Opportunity Quilt 2008</b> |
| <b>3. Member At Large</b>   | <b>7. Publicity</b>              |
| <b>4. Community Liaison</b> |                                  |

If you have a current position on the board and are not planning on continuing your job, please contact us ASAP.

The executive board may serve for two years at a time in the same position. There is no time limit for the number of years for other positions. However, all board and committee chairs are encourage to serve a minimum of two years.

The nominating slate will be presented at the general meeting in July and will be voted as a slate at the August meeting. As always additional nominees may be made from the floor at the August meeting.

Looking forward to hearing from you. Chair Claudia Gano 659-0650, Members - Ann Igoe 241-4320, Dee Hatcher 659-4952

*Claudia Gano*

## **Quilt Show Location Update May 2007**

As reported at the last guild meeting, having the show at MPC has gone from "have to bite the bullet" to "don't hold your breath" to probably doable! MPC is planning construction over the next 12 years. The people who plan events at MPC are going crazy with the lack of certainty about where and when they can do things and are talking with the facilities people to improve being able to schedule events. Plus ongoing design

### **Quilt Show Location Update** (continued)

changes and ongoing construction delays have been in our favor with the result that it is now “probably doable” that we can have the quilt show at MPC next year.

Until things are sure, we are continuing to research all possible options. We have had the basic costs of renting the fairgrounds but had not done the work of finding out the additional costs. Well, at the fairgrounds we have to rent every chair and table, use a concessionaire for all food events (\$15 for each bottle of champagne), and have to have security people during the party and show (one guard per 100 people, \$21/hour per guard). You know how there are times when you go shopping and just pick up a bunch of stuff and then are surprised at how much it adds up to at the checkout register? While the fairgrounds cost is definitely an ‘ouch’ moment. It may still be doable to have the show there (need to do more calculations) but it definitely behooves us to do anything we can do to stay at MPC.

So we are in a state of flux but we have time yet. No survey until we know more and I’ll keep you updated.

***Marge Abel, 2008 Quilt Show Chair***

### **Door Prize Report**

Our April baskets were donated by Dale Agron and included a very special quilt washing product. We also had a couple of items from the guild's "stash". Everything had a bit of chocolate to tempt you as well. The winners were Nancy Goehring, Cheryl Smith, Beverly Schiavoni, and Bert S. Thank you to all who brought tickets and helped support our community service quilts project.

In May, the door prize donor will be Patricia Brown. I will be in Vienna, but Diane Di Girolamo and friends will be there to help you buy tickets.

In June, we will have a very special door prize. A vintage quilt has been donated for use as a door prize. Although several seams have come undone, the fabric looks to be in pretty good shape. It has a white background for the blue, yellow, red and brown pieced traditional pattern. Which pattern? Come and see! We also will have a tote bag of goodies from the guild "stash".

***Pat Coble***

## **Friendship Quilt Circles**

Quilt Circles are formed to enrich friendships within the guild. Some groups make round-robin quilts, work on current projects, or have challenges. It's fun and a great way to get to know more quilters.

*Regina Liske*

Carmel – Tea Time Quilters  
Every Wednesday, 1:30-3:30 p.m.  
Pat Tillson

Carmel Valley – Valley Girls  
3rd Tuesday, 6:30-9:00 p.m.

Monterey – Candlelight Quilters  
4th Thursday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Regina Liske

Monterey – Friends of Fred  
3rd Monday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Regina Liske

Monterey – Sometime Saturday  
2nd Saturday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Gudny Campbell

Salinas – Hoopers Quilters  
Group  
1st Thursday, 3rd Monday,  
7:30-9:30 pm

Salinas – Quilt Around the  
Frame  
Good Shepherd Lutheran  
Church  
Tuesday, 9:00-12:00  
Barbara Boyens, Arva Jensen  
Church, 424-5643

Toro Park – Sew n' Sews  
2nd Monday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.  
Sue Kelley

## **Back Porch Fabrics**

***Stop by on the  
3rd Saturday of each month  
at 10:30 or 2:00 for a  
Free Quilt Demo***

157 Grand Ave. at Central  
Pacific Grove, California  
831-375-4453

Check new class schedules on our website:  
<http://www.backporchfabrics.com>

## **The Hand Maden**

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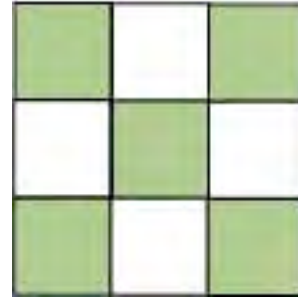
Mon – Sat 10 – 5:30  
Sun 10:30 – 4:00

## Block of the Month for June, July, August & September Summer Sampler

"I never spent a winter so cold as  
the summer I spent in  
San Francisco." Mark Twain.

"Got quilt?" ALS+

"And now for something completely  
different..." Saturday Night Live.



For the summer months, rather than publishing a block of the month each month, I'm inviting you each to make the block of your choice, using fabrics I will supply at the meetings. The drawing will be at the September meeting. Depending on the number of blocks submitted, there will be one or two (or even three?) winners.

Overall style: This will be a "blended" sampler. The overall effect is the opposite of contrast. Values are similar, except for any small accent pieces.

Fabric: Pick up squares of the central fabrics at guild meeting. Use at least two of the three choices in each block. You may find that you can get more than one block made with each three fabric packet. Use muslin for the background, if desired. If you add a fabric other than the central ones, please use a color(s) that is within the central fabrics.

### **Block size: 9-1/2", or 9" finished.**

Blocks: Your choice. Pieced, paper pieced, foundation pieced, appliqued, reverse appliqued, broderie perce, celtic applique - if you can imagine it, and make it into a nine and a half inch block, go for it. (Traditional blocks may be a better choice for a sampler(?)) One caution - if you do anything fused, the edges must be finished, be it stitched by hand or machine.

If you use up the fabric you received at the meeting, and still wish to make more block(s), ask for more fabric when you submit your first block(s). We'll use what I have 'til it's gone, or until you've had enough! Whatever is left over will be at the disposal of the winner(s) for use in the final quilt(s), if desired. Finished blocks will be accepted throughout the summer, and fabric available while it lasts.

Questions? Comments? Call Ann-Lining Smith 831-662-1804