



Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild
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General Meeting: Monday, September 10, 2007

6:30 Social hour, Meeting starts @ 7:15 pm

▷ ***New Location this Month: Sally Griffith Center/Meals on
Wheels Building, 700 Jewell Ave. Pacific Grove, CA***

September 10 Lecture: Peggy Martin: Beyond Tradition

Tradition takes off with new ways to interpret blocks through different variations, settings, colors, and styles. Learn how easily new designs evolve through experimentation and a sense of play.

Peggy Martin began quilting in 1981, piecing and quilting everything by hand. A few years later, when quicker methods were being discovered, she became hooked on finding faster, easier ways to make quilts. Peggy has extended the range of paper piecing in a couple of ways. One is that she has adapted the technique to quick machine chain piecing, considerably speeding up the somewhat tedious paper-piecing technique. Her blocks are assembled from strips rather than individual pieces. When she began teaching in 1985, she continued to develop more streamlined, fast, fun methods of

working. She enjoys expanding on traditional quilts with new variations and color-play. Her favorite quilts are those that are fast, easy to piece, and offer many design possibilities. She will have a trunk show of the quilts from her books plus others for your enjoyment. **There are still a few spaces in the Quick-Strip Paper Piecing workshop on Sunday, September 9, 10 – 4 pm at MPC. Call Dee Davis now!**



Upcoming Lectures:

October 8- Melody Johnson: All Color All the Time

***Note: October meeting at Sally Griffin Senior Center,
700 Jewell Ave Pacific Grove 93950***

Melody describes herself as an artist whose medium for the last 24 years has been quilting. She was a professional dyer for twelve years and formed a company with Laura Wasilowski, called Artfabr!k. This creative duo traveled to quilt shows and conferences selling their hand dyed fabrics and threads, while at the same time making award winning quilts and teaching workshops in fusing both here and abroad. The Chicago School of Fusing, a completely imaginary school, became world renowned due to the musical antics of these two artists. Her education includes a BA in painting and drawing from Northeastern Illinois University in 1981 and an MA in Fibers from Northern Illinois University in 1994.

November 5-Tracey Brookshier: A Love Affair with Japan

Tracey M. Brookshier is a quilt artist, pattern designer, teacher, lecturer and quilt judge. Her bold contemporary quilts, based on traditional pieced blocks, have been featured in several books and numerous magazines. She has designed many quilts for Lakehouse Dry Goods, P&B Textiles, and Maywood Studios. Tracey has organized six successful international challenges for her guild with quilters from Australia, England, France and Japan.

Tracey holds a BS degree in Chemistry with a professional background in technical writing. She lives in Pacific Grove, California with two teenagers, an energetic dog and a very understanding husband.

January 7- Joe Cunningham: Musical Quilt Show

February 4- Liz Berg: Traditional to Art Quilter

Liz started making quilts in 1971. However, she began diverging from traditional quilts to explore color and composition in more abstract works. She now considers herself a fiber artist rather than a quiltmaker, although many pieces still fit the original definition of "quilt", i.e., a top, a middle and a backing all held together with stitching. Using a sewing machine as her pen, Liz has completed "watercolor wash" landscapes. She paints and dyes fabrics, both to sell and to use in her own work, and is exploring all the variations of working on and with fiber.

Workshops: (See page 10 for enrollment form)

September - Peggy Martin: Quickstrip Paper Piecing

Sunday, September 9, 2007 10 – 4 pm

Peggy Martin is a paper-piecing expert. Quick-Strip Paper Piecing is a fast new way to paper piece using strips and assembly line methods. It's a great introduction to paper piecing for beginners. Experienced paper piecers will love it, too! With Quick- Strip Paper Piecing you'll be piecing blocks and quilts in a fraction of the time! Text for class: "Paper Piece the Quick-Strip Way" All quilting levels. View color photos at www.peggymartinquilts.com under Workshops.

**October - Melody Johnson: Releasing the Creative Block:
An Introduction to Working in a Series**

Saturday and Sunday, October 6 & 7, 10-4 pm
MPC Family & Consumer Science Building

Learn to use Melody Johnson's use of small format quilts as a way to experiment with new ideas. You will incorporate fabric collage, strip fusing and hand stitching to make contemporary designs. This quick method will give you an opportunity to freely improvise with color.

An emphasis on easy finishing techniques is included. Learn to use fusing to find endless possibilities for easy construction of shapes and details and open doors of creativity.

A \$20 fabric kit is required for the class.



November 4 - Tracy Brookshier: Japanese Jigsaw
Sunday 10-4 MPC Family & Consumer Science Building

Japanese Jigsaw is a modern adaptation of the classic Japanese "Pine Bark" pattern. It looks complex, but it is actually easy to piece. Using a single template you can make these large and interesting blocks. All quilting levels. Fee includes pattern.

Fat Quarter/Scrap Friendly!
<http://traceybrookshier.com/>



February 3- Liz Berg: Design for Art Quilts
Sunday 10-4 MPC Family & Consumer Science Building



Did you see the beautiful quilts Liz Berg created for "Quilting Arts" Spring, 2006 article? She will help us develop designs for abstract art quilts which can be constructed using numerous techniques. We will complete design exercises to unleash our creativity, using magazine and book photographs as a springboard. The elements of design and the principles of design will be discussed. Ideas will develop on paper for a number of designs that can lead to actual art quilts.

Upcoming Quilt Events

- Through Oct. 3 **Real McCoy Quilts**, Quilts made by Carole McCoy
Reception for the artist, Sunday, August 5, 1-3 pm Back Porch
Fabrics and Quilt Gallery, 157 Grand Ave. at Central Ave., Pacific
Grove Mon-Sat 10-, Sun 12-4 (831) 375-4453
- Sept 8 **C&T Publisher's Warehouse Sale** 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
1651 Challenge Dr. Concord, CA 94520 1-800-284-1114
- Sept. 8-9 **Harvest of Quilts** SES Portuguese Hall 10427 Stockton
Blvd. Elk Grove, CA, 95624. 916-688-1122
- Sept.15-16 **Sierra Quilt Guild 18th Annual Quilts & Threads
Show** Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Stockton Road – Sonora,
CA Saturday www.sierraquiltguild.com
- Sept 15-16 **Ukiah Valley Conference** Center 220 S. School Street
Ukiah, CA 95482 707-462-1901
- Sept. 22-23 **Quilters Etc Garden Party Quilt Show**
Anderson Recreation Center
125 West Walnut Ave. Lompoc, CA
- Sept. 22-23 **Quilting in the Garden** Alden Lane Nursery 981 Alden
Lane Livermore CA 94550 Featured artist: Valori Wells. See
www.aldenlane.com for information and to sign up for classes,
lectures and the garden tour.
- Sept 22-23 **Diablo Valley Quilters Quilt Show 2007** Charlotte Wood
Middle School, 600 El Capitan, Danville, CA
www.diablovalleyquilters.org See our website for information
regarding bus trips to our show.
- Sept. 29-30 **South Valley Quilt Association** 4th Annual Harvest Quilt
Show @ the Taste of Morgan Hill Morgan Hill Community & Cultural
Center 17000 Monterey Road, Morgan Hill, CA www.svqa.org
- October 6-7 **Falling Leaves Quilt Show** Lake County Fairgrounds
401 Martin Street Lakeport, CA 707-263-5171

President's Note

It is September, and traditionally time to go back to school. As children we knew that this meant —new teachers, new classes and new things to learn. It also meant new friends.

Some old friends had moved on, but were replaced by the never-ending supply of new faces that appear each fall. Maybe it meant you were growing up. Perhaps you took a look at things from a different perspective, and discovered someone in the class you didn't really know who did something that sparked your interest — and now you wanted to get to know that person. Many of us were Military spouses and every two or three years found ourselves in a new place, faced with meeting new people, just like our children.

This is a new year for the guild, and each and every one of us are like those children we used to be. There will be new things to learn, new teachers, new members, and old members who have a skill that we may want to learn.

As your new president, I am faced with lots of challenges. I have not been very active of late, but that has changed. I went to my first MPQG quilt guild show over thirty years ago. There are lots of new things I want to learn and people I want to meet. We as a guild have challenges to meet. Our annual show will be in a new place this year; we have a new raffle quilt to make, and lots of things to learn.

I would like to challenge each and every one of you to go out and try something new. Introduce yourself at every meeting to someone you might not know. Just like that 10-year-old child. Who knows, that person may become your new best friend. Sit next to someone different each meeting and be adventurous. Participate in the block of the month. It may be a color or block that is not your most favorite, but you don't have to own it. It is only one block. If you were to be fortunate and win it, then it will be a challenge to finish it. You don't have to keep it. But like that school project, look what you learned from the adventure.

So, go out and meet new members, take a new class and participate in Your Guild.

Roberta Brunet- President

MPQG Board of Directors Meeting

The MPQG Board of Directors will meet next at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, August 29, 2007, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 1490 Mark Thomas Drive, Monterey.

MPQG Board Minutes

Summaries of past board meetings are now available in the "Members Only" section of the Web site.

Nancy Goehring, Secretary

Door Prize Report

In August Back Porch Fabrics celebrated their 11th anniversary. Gail Abeloe generously donated 11 baskets for the door prize in thanks to the guild members for their support and patronage over the years. Also received were donations from Paulette Logan and Your Hometown Sewing Center. Our winners were Vi Stanley, Colleen Johnson, Patty Kennedy, Teri Cotham, Dee Hatcher, Beverly Schiavoni, Ardith Wilson, Kathy Garcia, Bev Van Pelt, Paulette Logan, Jeanne Krener, Norma Petersen, Cheryl Smith, and Janet Borchardt. Thank you to all of you who purchased tickets.

During this next year our plan is to have the door prize drawing for one or two large theme baskets. Please provide us with a list of the items included in your donation. If you have any questions, please stop by the table or give us a call.

Gail Hoff and Mindy Leliaert

2008 Quilt Show Update:

Our 2008 Quilt show will be held June 14 & 15 at the Seaside High School Gymnasiums. There are two adjacent gyms with a total of over 13,000 square feet. There is room for the quilts and vendors to be together.

MPC developed too many problems because of their current and future construction projects. Seaside offered the best combination of space, accessibility, and parking of all the MPUSD schools.

The County Fairgrounds had 7,140 sq. ft., but would have cost over twice as much as Seaside. (We had 9,839 sq. ft. at the MPC 2006 show.)

Marge Abel, 2008 Quilt Show Chair

Missing MPQG Banners

We are missing two vinyl banners. One says "Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild", the other says "Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild Opportunity Quilt." If anyone has any information about these banners please contact Gloria Hatton, 649-3562.

Nominating Committee Report

The following board and committee chairs were elected into their positions by a slate election on August 6, 2007. Congratulations to all and my best wishes for a successful year. For those of you who are leaving your post - thank you for a job well done.

Claudia Gano-Nominating Committee

Board of Directors 2007-2008

President: Roberta Brunet, Vice President: Sharon Coniglio, Secretary: Nancy Goehring, Treasurer: Teri Cotham, Quilt Show Chair: Marge Abel, Membership: Ann Igoe and Chris Raarup, Community Liaison: Sally Deykerhoff,

Program Committee: Allison Barrett, Carol Catalano, Helen Egerton, Ann Igoe, and Jeanne Mills, Workshop: Dee Davis, Newsletter: Jeanne Krener, Members-at-Large: Jane Garrettson, and Colleen Green

Committee Chairs:

Door Prize: Gail Hoff, and Mindy Leliaert, Greeter: June Cornell, and Mary Leakey, Hospitality: Miriam Hawthorne, Web Mistress: Gudny Campbell, Publicity: Dee Hatcher, Circulation: Linda Phillips, Librarian: George Hayhoe, Block of the Month: Ann Lining-Smith, Challenge Quilt: Stella LePine, Nominating: _____ Holiday Party: Claudia Gano, Facilities: Dale Agron, Friendship Groups: Regina Liske, Fair Coordinator: Diane Eggleston, NCQC: Dee Hatcher, and Alice Stoll, Opportunity Quilt: 2008 Design Mary Ellen Parsons, 2008 Publicity Cheryl Smith, Opportunity Quilt: 2009 Design _____, 2009 Publicity _____

Membership Renewal Time

Our membership year is from September 1 through August 31 each year, so it's that time of year again! In order to publish the Membership Directory in time for the October Guild meeting we will need all renewals in by mid-September. If you haven't already signed up, please look for Chris Raarup and Ann Igoe to sign up in person at the Guild meeting.

Chris Raarup and Ann Igoe, Membership Co-Chairs

Stash Diet Request

Has your stash finally gotten to be too unmanageable? Does your spouse absolutely refuse to build you a larger workroom? Have you pawed over that fabulous print one to many times, and it still hasn't made the cut? I can help! Please bring me the stuff that you are just too tired of looking at or doesn't fit your style anymore. I will make sure that it gets turned into something fabulous for a tiny preemie or a critically ill person who needs cheering up and a comforting quilt. Just do it, you'll feel better I promise!

Sally Deykerhoff, Community Liaison

Community Projects

As some of you may know, we are beneficiaries of the National Charity League. They are 200 or so really nice mothers and super cute daughters who meet once a month to donate time to many community charities. During this year, they have been trying to complete quilts for our two Community projects.

If you would like to help these delightful ladies complete their service to us, join us on September 30th. Call me for details 646-0515. They need our help and are loads of fun; really very nice young ladies and trying to learn to sew too! What a great combination!

Sally Deykerhoff, Community Liaison



National Charity League

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>

Workshop Registration Form

Please sign me up for:

		<u>Members</u>	<u>Non-Members</u>
Sept. 9	Peggy Martin: Paper Piecing	\$ 40	\$ 50
Oct. 6-7	Melody Johnson: Releasing Creative Block An Introduction to Working in A Series	\$ 80	\$100
Nov. 4	Tracey Brookshier Japanese Jigsaw (includes pattern)	\$ 45	\$ 55
Feb. 3	Liz Berg: Creative Exercises Designing an Original Abstract Quilt	\$ 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 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.

White Gloves at Pacific International?

MPQG can display the 2008 Opportunity quilt at Pacific International Quilt Festival in Santa Clara October 11-14 if we commit a total of 32 white glove hours for the show. It all has to be on the same day and can be done in 2 hour shifts. If you are interested in participating, please contact Cheryl Smith at 484-8010 or dacherpwd@gmail.com.

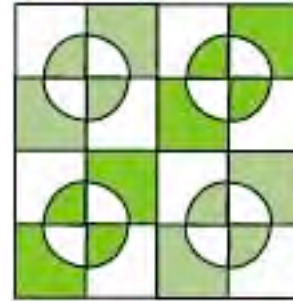
Cheryl Smith-Opportunity Quilt Publicity

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