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NEWSLETTER OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA QUILTERS GUILD
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General Meeting Monday, March 6, 2017

6:15 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

- Calendar to volunteer
- Cash/Check for Awards Party
- BOM
- Mini quilts for quilt show raffle
- Name tag
- Community Quilts
- UFOs
- Library Books

Upcoming MPQG Events

March 6, 2017

- General Meeting: David Taylor
Animal Artistry through Appliqué

April 3, 2017

- General Meeting: Sujata Shah
Cultural Fusion Quilts

April 7, 8 & 9

Quilts by The Bay - Annual Quilt Show

May 1, 2017

- General Meeting: Rod Daniel
Picture this in Fabric

June 12, 2017

- General Meeting: Melinda Bula
The Power and Secret of Color

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David Taylor

Monday, March 6, 2017

Animal Artistry through Appliqué



David Taylor was born in Peterborough, New Hampshire and currently lives in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

His obsession with fabric began at an early age, salvaging scraps from his mother's sewing area trash bin. David's first quilt design was in 1999, collaborating on a fundraiser project for Strings Music Festival in Steamboat with friend, Madeleine Vail of Clark, CO. Madeleine encouraged him to keep after it.

Following a visit to Houston in 2002 for the International Quilt Festival, his obsession with fabric turned into an obsession for quilting as art.

David Taylor is a two-time recipient of the Master Award for Contemporary Quilting from the International Quilt Association (2006, 2014), the Brother Wall Machine Workmanship Award from the American Quilters Society (Paducah Quilt Week, 2008), and a two-time Best of Show winner at the IQA's Spring Festival in Chicago (2007, 2008). His works hang in numerous private collections around the globe.



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President's Message - March 2017

Stormy Weather

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

"Dedicated Quilters don't regard quilting as an optional hobby, but as part of their lives. They, like quilters throughout history, quilt during good times and bad. Their quilting is both a means of expressing themselves creatively, and also of expressing what is going on in their lives and how they are dealing with it," says Karey Bresenhan, president of Quilts, Inc., and Director Emeritus of its shows, International Quilt Festival, in the report *Quilting in America 2014 Survey*.

So true. During these stormy winter months, when so many face flooding and mudslides and snarled commutes, many of us turn to quilting for solace. As I write, another storm is drenching the central coast, trees are down and some have lost power. Hand-quilting by lantern light helps pass the time and I think about those who live without power and running water in rural areas in the world, and the beauty they create with cloth and thread and little else.

We'll see beautiful examples of handwork in our upcoming Quilt Show, as well as stunning machine piecing and quilting. If you'd like to help with the myriad aspects of putting on a three-day show with nearly 200 quilts, the next Quilt Show committee meeting is on Saturday, March 11th at 3:30 in the Monterey Public Library.

As part of our show, we always have a Garage sale. I'm going through all of my fabric, refolding and sorting and labeling those I probably won't use per the Garage Sale guidelines (on page 5 or our [website](#)). This year, I'm determined to lighten my stash. With so many new quilt fabrics coming out each season, it's time to make room. And to help the guild raise operating funds

We're excited to hear from award-winning quilter David Taylor during our next program on March 6th. He's teaching at Empty Spools Seminars during the first and second sessions and we're grateful to have an evening with him. Can't wait. See you soon!

Cheers,

Board Projects: March 2017

- Meeting: Lecture
- Call for volunteers for Quilt Show staffing
- Preview Quilt Show entries and design Quilt Show
- Set up Monterey Library display
- Updates and announcements to communications by the 13th of the month
- Board meeting on Tuesday, March 28, 2017

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/

Empty Spools  Seminars 2017
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Quilts by the Bay

Quilt Show Info

by Gloria Hatton, hatton13@comcast.net, 831-649-3562

Congratulations - It's going to be a fantastic quilt show! We have accepted 160 entries with 68 of those to be judged.

The entry information is now in the process of being entered into the database by Sharon Winter. She will pass the photos and information to the designers, Linda Branting and Phyllis Martin, who will decide where to place your beautiful quilts.

Expect to receive your acceptance letter after March 14. If you have NOT received it by March 21, please contact Sharon Winter at slwinterNL@comcast.net, (831) 647-8769.

Open your letter immediately upon receipt and correct any errors you may find by contacting Sharon Winter. The letter will also include instructions that you need to follow and a paper label that needs to be SEWN to the back of the quilt before turning it in. It will also tell you that you need a sleeve or tabs on your quilt.

If you notice any changes in categories it is because the committee made the changes to place your quilt in the best area for judging or there were errors or omissions. Every effort was made to contact those in need of a change.

The quilt turn-in date is April 6 at Chautauqua Hall from 7:30 am -11 am. The deadline for judged quilts is 8:30am. If, for any reason, you know that you will not be able to complete your quilt on time for the show, contact Linda Branting, lmbranting@aol.com, 650-703-0531 or Phyllis Martin, 831-574-3089, downfieldpm2@gmail.com as soon as possible. Do not wait until the day before the show, please.

Happy Quilting!



Awards Party

by Linda Phillips, clphil1940@aol.com, 831-625-2981

The 2017 MPQG Quilt Show Awards Party will be held at the Chautauqua Hall on Friday, April 7, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. **Members and guests are invited.**

The \$10.00 ticket price will include admission, champagne, other beverages and finger foods. The party will provide a time for attendees to view all of the Quilt Show entries at leisure and to celebrate those judged which received awards. Tickets will be sold in advance at the March and April Guild Meetings. Tickets will **not** be sold at the door the day of the party.

A total of eight volunteers will be needed to help with set-up, clean-up and provide service at the food and beverage tables. Party volunteers will not be required to purchase a ticket. Dee Davis will have the Awards Party volunteer sign-up sheet at the March and April guild meetings. If you have any questions regarding the Awards Party, please contact me.

Boutique at the Show

by June Cornell, 831-757-1390

If you are interested in participating in the Boutique for the 2017 Quilt Show, please contact June Cornell at 757-1390 for details. There is plenty of space. We again get to use the yoga room.

Minis for the Show

by Donna Foote,

If you have an orphan block or want to try new a technique or machine quilting, make it into a mini for the raffle at the show. Minis DO NOT need a 4" sleeve. I will collect them at the March meeting.

Quilt Show cont'd.

Quilt Show Chair Update

by Rita Jacques, Stan2Rita@sbcglobal.net

The plans for the Quilt Show 2017 are well underway. All Committee Chair positions have been filled with the exception of the Parade on Saturday to kick off Good Old Days.

Most of our Committee Chairs have been in their positions for several years and are looking for members they can train this year to step into the positions next year. It surely makes the transition much easier when you have a willing mentor.

The next planning meeting will be March 11th at 3:30 PM at Monterey Public Library.



Name	Committee/Coordinator
Phyllis Martin	Admissions
June Cornell	Boutique
Terann Carr/ Liz Rondelle	Garage Sale
Jeanne Krener	Finance
Maia Liddle	Publicity
Patricia Brown	Hanging & Dismantling
Rita Jacques	Chair
Gloria Hatton	Judging, Quilt & Data Entry Coordinator
Sharon Winter	Data Entry
Debbie Biller	Judging
Joan Hughes	Judging
Donna Foote	Mini Quilt Raffle
Vacant	Parade
Linda Phillips	Awards Party
Dru Hammond	Programs
Cindy Brown	Quilt Reception & Return
Carole Olsen	Quilt Reception & Return
Janyce Anderson	Viewers' Choice Awards
Patty Kennedy	Security
June Wolfe	Signs
Kathrin Brown	Transportation/Co-Chair
Dee Davis	Volunteer Coordinator
Marjorie Longo	White Gloves
Linda Branting	Show Designer

Calling All Members

And Everyone who has/will submit/ed Quilts to the Show

by Dee Davis, quilterdee@gmail.com, 831-521-6506

For those of you who have/will submit/ed one or more quilts to the April 2017 show, please remember that one of the obligations incurred is four (4) hours of volunteering at the show.

For ALL Guild members, please remember that to get in free to the show, you must volunteer for four (4) hours, or two time slots on the sign-up forms.

Since we have added a third day, WE REALLY NEED all of your hands and willing hearts. Besides, remember HOW MUCH FUN WE HAVE!!!

DIY — Garage Sale Guidelines

by Terann Carr, 831-375-7881

This is a DIY (do it yourself) project. A larger space is available to us this year so we will open up the Garage Sale to all quilting and sewing related items.

THE BIG PICTURE

1. Open to all sewing related items IN GOOD CONDITION
2. NO ODORS IN FABRIC (fresh, not musty, smelling of laundry products or smoke)
3. NO LOOSE FABRIC, ONLY FABRIC THAT IS:
 - measured (mark on tape)
 - rolled and taped (blue painter's tape)
 - fat quarters taped singly or in a stack
 - quart sized zip-lock bags of scraps STAPLED SHUT
4. Anything smaller than 1/4 yd. should go into a zip-lock scrap bag.



MEASURING AND ROLLING

1. One fabric per roll.
2. Use a zip-lock bag if there are many pieces of the same fabric
3. One piece folded selvage to selvage:
 - measure along selvage to the nearest complete increment yardage. If there is just a bit left describe it: _____ + yds.
 - If there is a lot left, fold it over to meet the rest and guess the total.
 - Examples of one piece measured along selvage could be described as:
 - Fat quarter + (20" X 22" for instance)
 - 2 1/2 + (if it isn't quite 2 3/4)
4. Fabric that measures 2 yards or more may be folded instead of rolled. Please measure and roll around bolt board. Use blue painters tape and wrap completely around to secure. Mark length and pull out the board. These will go on the "flat fold" table.
measure and roll around a bolt board. Use blue painters tape and wrap completely.
5. Panel designs and similar pieces will be hung, so they can be turned in loose
6. Co-ordinating fabric pieces can be put into zip-lock bags and stapled shut.

TURNING IN FABRIC

A little extra effort on our part will make the Garage Sale a clean and welcoming environment. You MAY NOT turn in fabric rolls at general guild meetings. DO NOT turn in any loose fabric, it will be thrown out. Honestly.

Turn in prepared fabric and other items at Chautauqua Hall in Pacific Grove at 16th and Central any day during the day of set up.

You may contact Liz Rondelle at 601-0330 or Terann Carr at 375-7881 if other arrangements need to be made for turning in your items.

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Next Workshop

Melinda Bula: Hibiscus
June 10-11, 2017

In this workshop, the Hibiscus flower pattern will be used as inspiration. Students need a supply list and color chart. Use the color chart to select the fabrics for the class.

Registration opens 2/6/17 (Registration Form on page 8)
Kit fee \$15.00

Optional: Hand dyed fabric kit \$70.00. Must order through Linda Garofalo before April 10, 2017

If you have any questions, please contact:

Linda Garofalo, linda.garofalo27@yahoo.com, 415-444-6142

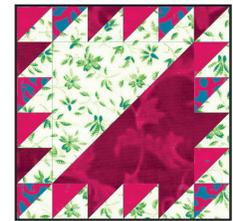


Membership News

By Linda Branting, Lmbranting@aol.com, 650-703-0531

Welcome new member Carole Rossi of Aptos and welcome back Narda Smith of Hollister.

Our April Quilt Show is a great occasion to acquaint your friends with all we do. Spread the word and invite them to our show and to our Friday night party to meet your impressively talented quilting pals.

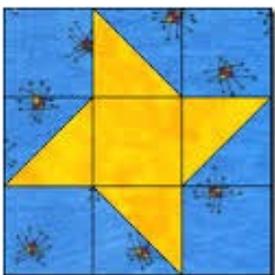


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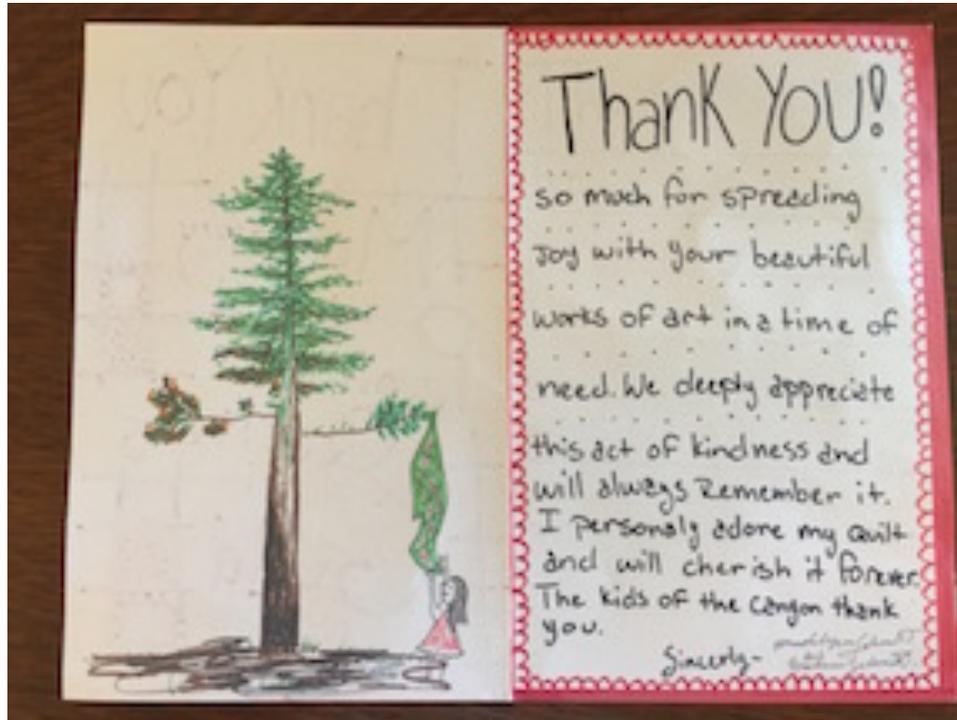
Thinking about a Friendship Group

By Marjorie Longo, frummll@aol.com, 831-624-8649

If you are a new member wanting to meet other quilters, or you have been around the MPQG quilting scene for a while, Friendship Groups are a wonderful way to explore quilting with others in a small group atmosphere. There are daytime groups, evening groups, groups that dine, groups that sew, groups that discuss, groups that create, special interest groups, and groups that do multiple things. Some meet in homes, some in churches, some in recreation centers. From Salinas to Monterey to Carmel and Carmel Valley, there is likely a group that will work for you or we can try to create a new one. Friendship Groups are a great way to get inspired.

Refer to the MPQG website for current information on all groups or contact me. Most groups are not full and welcome visitors and new members.

Thank You Note from a Palo Colorado Quilt Recipient:



"There is a shade of red for every woman" - Audrey Hepburn

2017 MPQG Challenge: A Touch of Red

By Dru Hammond, druhammond@aol.com, 831-659-1507

This year, the Challenge Committee hopes all of our quilters (traditional, modern, art, and everyone in between) will participate in our challenge. So ... we're leaving most of the choices up to you and your imagination. We only have two criteria:

- (1) **size (18"x18")**, and
- (2) **must include Kona brand RED** (Kona 1480 Chinese Red by Robert Kaufman) on the front.
- (3) due date August 1

Please let us know that you are planning to participate in our *Touch of Red Challenge* by emailing or calling Linda Branting at lmbranting@aol.com or 650-703-0531. We will send email blasts from time to time as reminders of due dates.



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Back Porch Fabrics received a bolt of the Kona 1480 Chinese Red a couple of weeks ago. So, if you need more fabric for your challenge, go get your yardage.

Block of the Month: March 2017 *Butterfly*

Our March Block-of-the-Month is a Butterfly “on point.” Nearly all butterflies have relatively bright colors. So pull out your batiks and other bright fabrics scraps in any color family. I can’t wait to see all those happy and fun butterflies on display at the meeting.

Material:

Background (any light fabric)	Large Wings (bright color)	Small Wings (bright & contrasting)	Body
12.5"x2" & 11"x2" pieces	(2) 3.5" squares	(6) 2" squares	(3) 2" squares
(1) 5" square	(1) 4" square		
(1) 4" square			
(4) 5"x2"			
(1) 3.5"x2"			
(1) 2" square			

Instructions:

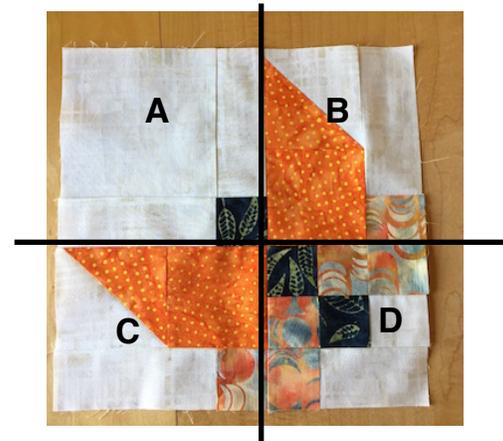
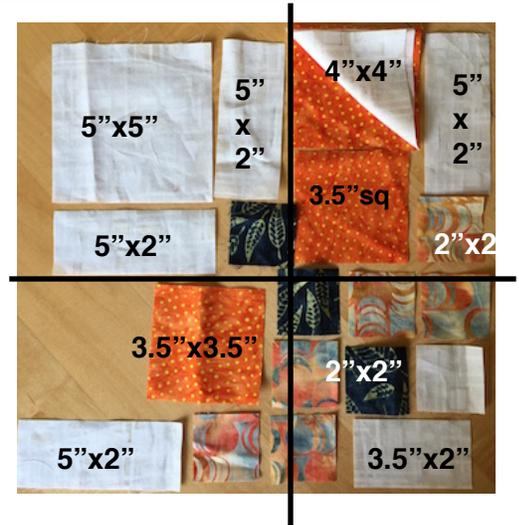
Layout all pieces as shown in the top picture. First, make the half square triangles with the two 4" squares (background and large wing). Draw a diagonal line on the back of the background square and sew 1/4" from both sides of the line. Cut on the line to produce two half square triangles. Trim to 3.5" squares.

Now sew pieces together in quadrants: sew pieces in A, B, C & D (picture 2). Then sew together A to B, C to D, and then the two halves.

Add the two long background pieces to each bottom side as shown in picture 3 as sashing.

The final block should **measure 12.5" square**. Place on point and ADMIRE!

Note: Inspiration for this block from [Pinterest](#) and [here](#) with modified instructions).



Remember, we appreciate DIFFERENT blocks. So if you make multiple blocks, please use different fabrics. This BOM is due at the guild meeting on March 6, 2017. More info on the BOM on our [web site](http://www.mppg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/) at www.mppg.org/activities/block_of_the_month/

Calendar, Road Trips, and Local Events

February 25 - 26, 2017

PVQA's 39th Annual Quilt Show

Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, Watsonville, Sat: 10-5, Sun: 10-4. pvqa.org

Now - March

Nature through the Eyes of Quilters

Monterey Peninsula Quilters Guild fiber art is paired with Pacific Grove Natural History Museum exhibits. Exhibit runs through the end of March. Daily 10 to 5 p.m. Closed Mondays. 165 Forest Ave, Pacific Grove. For information go to pgmuseum.org.



February 5 - March 28, 2017

BFFs Quilting Journey

Quilts by best friends, Deb Albright and Kathy Sandling. Meet the artists: **Wednesday, March 1, 4:30-5:30 PM.** Back Porch Fabrics, 157 Grand Ave., Pacific Grove, 831-375-4453. www.backporchfabrics.com



March 26 - April 22, 2017

Quilts at the Monterey Library

Thanks to the Monterey Public Library for hosting a display of MPQG small quilts and fiber art, and helping to promote our 2017 *Quilts By the Bay*. The Library is open daily. For information, go to www.monterey.org/library and 625 Pacific Street, Monterey. The large display case is located just inside the front door.

March 24 - 25, 2017

San Francisco Quilters Guild Show

Luke Haynes & Freddy Moran. 400+ quilts and wearable art, merchant mall, tours. The Events Center at St. Mary's Cathedral, 1111 Gough Street, San Francisco. Two day pass \$15. For details, go to www.sfquiltersguild.org.

April 1 & 2, 2017

Santa Clara Valley Quilt Association Quilt Show

The Heart and Art of Quilts. Featuring Mel Beach and Susan Bianchi. Santa Clara Convention Center. 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara. Adults \$12. For detail, go to www.scvqa.org.

April 22 & 23, 2017

Colors of the Vineyard

Amador Valley Quilters presents Quilted Treasures XVII. Robert Livermore Community Center, 4444 East Ave. Livermore, CA. Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4. www.amadorvalleyquilters.org



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Location

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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

This newsletter is published monthly for the benefit of our members. It is available online at www.mpqg.org. Articles are due on the 10th of the prior month.

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