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NEWSLETTER OF THE MONTEREY PENINSULA QUILTERS GUILD



MPQG.ORG

July Meeting Monday, July 10, 2023

JULY 2023

7 PM via In-person ONLY

Sponsor Showcase, Viewer's Choice and Linda Toeniskoetter's Trunkshow

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

What to bring:

- Name tag
- · Show & Tell
- · Community quilts
- Calendar to volunteer at the Fair
- · Library books

MPQG Calendar

June 26 @ 5:30 PM

Board Meeting Zoom

July 10 (2nd Monday) @ 7 PM General Meeting In Person MPQG Sponsors Showcase

July 31 @ 5:30 PM Board Meeting Zoom

August 7 @ 7 PM

General Meeting Hybrid Speaker: **Ellen November**

Stitching SLO

Deadline: Challenge Quilts **VOTE:** on New Board

August 28 @ 5:30 PM
Board Meeting Zoom
New Board Orientation

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For our July Meeting we have three large agenda items, and we are waiving the guest fee! Come and bring a friend!



Firstly, we invited all of our vendors (see page 10) to share their service and business information. In addition, you will be able to chat with them at their tables to learn more about them. There is also a chance to win a door prize!

Next will be the Annual Viewer's Choice Winners! The votes from the attendees at our May Quilt show are counted and the top ten will show their quilts. The top three will receive awards made by Jaynce Anderson! You can see a list of all the quilts and quilters on page 4.

And it that isn't enough feasting for your eyes, local quilt artist Linda Toeniskoetter will present a trunk show of her one-of-a-kind, unexpected and unconventional quilts. Be prepared to be impressed and inspired.

Looking forward to seeing you the week after the 4th of July.

Kathrin Brown, Program Chair kathrin.brown@gmail.com



July meeting is **IN-PERSON ONLY** on the **SECOND** Monday – July 10

President's Letter – July 2023



What a difference a year makes! Last July we were looking forward to our first in-person meeting since the March 2020 lock-down. We ventured out warily, mostly still in masks, thrilled to have the opportunity to resume gathering monthly at the PG Community Center. Since then, we've continued to meet both in-person and with the help of Zoom. Life is again seeming quite "normal", though just about everyone's idea of exactly what "normal" is has changed.

For the membership of MPQG, we are thrilled to report that we are growing and improving so that our "new normal" means better in so many ways. Hybrid meetings enable participation by remote members as well as by those who prefer not to drive at night. If you've moved from the Monterey Bay Area and long to stay more connected to MPQG, consider joining the Beyond Borders friendship group. Community Outreach

projects are growing in all directions. While kits are available to pick up at meetings, instructions for projects of all sizes are readily available at MPQG.org if you'd like to work through your stash. Meanwhile, we maintain our calendar of much-loved events. This year's Guild Challenge, Alphabet Soup, is due at our August 7th meeting, so YES, you still have time to join in the fun! Our quilts will have the opportunity to be shown at least twice – in the Quilt Barn at the Monterey County Fair in September, and again at our Quilts by the Bay show next May.

And finally, the big questions: did you enjoy helping with our quilt show in May? Do you have constructive ideas to share? Then we need YOU. Our members have built MPQG to be the dynamic, educational and service-oriented organization of which we're proud. Would you like to play a greater part in shaping MPQG's future? If so, get in touch with Joan Costello.

Several important positions are available and you may have the perfect mix of abilities and insight that will make our guild even stronger.

We're looking forward to hearing from you.

Linda Branting brantinglm@me.com

Vice President's Message

In August, the Guild elects its officers for the following fiscal year, which begins on September 1. The volunteers, who serve the guild on the Board and Standing Committees give generously of their time. We have a great time managing the business of the Guild while keeping board meetings to one hour. I have decided to await presenting the candidates to you for your consideration until the guild meeting on July 10th as we are still waiting for interest in the roles of Vice President and Communication.

This might be your time! The Vice President has the rewarding job of giving away money to local schools and organizations who promote the art of quilting. And the Communication Coordinator can do the work in the comfort of your home (or on a catamaran like Barbara did last month).

Please be sure to attend the August 7, 2017 general membership meeting so we have a quorum to vote in our new Board!

Joan Costello beachbreak1250@gmail.com

September Workshop – Zoom

Jogakbo with Ssamsol Technique

Workshop with Youngmin Lee

Saturday, September 16, 2023 1pm to 4pm via **ZOOM**

Jogakbo, or patchwork bojagi, embodies the philosophy of recycling, as they are made from remnants of leftover fabric. Thoughtfully arranged shapes and colors in bojagi often show a very modern and abstract composition.

Ssamsol is a durable and decorative seam technique where you use two different seam allowances. One seam allowance is twice the width of the other one, so it can cover the smaller seam allowance.

Using this Ssamsol technique, Youngmin will teach 'Ssamsol Jogakbo' construction.

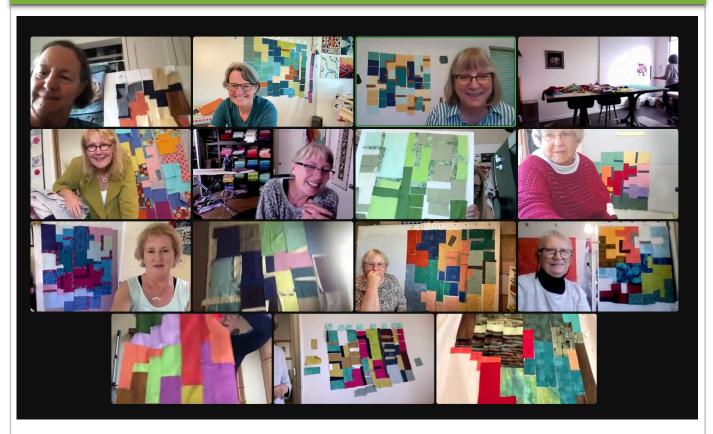


Registration and Material List is available online: www.mpqg.org/workshop. Class Fee: \$30

A material kit will be available to purchase from Youngmin at the September 11 guild meeting (\$30) or her website (+\$5 for shipping) www.youngminlee.com.

Kathrin Brown, Programs kathrin.brown@gmail.com

June Workshop - Show and Tell



Give and Take Quilt – Improvisational workshop with Tara Faughnan

Upcoming Programs

July 10*	7:00pm	Presenters	MPQG Sponsors Table and Demos	Sponsor Showcase	In-person Only
August 7	7:00pm	Speaker	Ellen November ellennovember.com	Stitching SLO	In-person & ZOOM
Sept. 11*	7:00pm	Speaker	Youngmin Lee youngminlee.com	Bojagi: The Art of Wrapping Cloths	In-person Only
Sept. 16	1pm - 4pm	Workshop	Youngmin Lee youngminlee.com	Jogakbo with Ssamsol Technique	ZOOM
Oct. 2	7:00pm	Speaker	Lorraine Woodruff-Long quiltinginthefog.com	Quilt Story and Trunk Show	In-person & ZOOM
Nov. 6	7:00pm	Speaker	Carole Lyles Shaw carolelylesshaw.com	Art of Quilt: My Journey, My Stories	ZOOM
Dec. 4	6:30pm	Holiday Party and Fundraiser			In-person Only

Kathrin Brown, Programs kathrin.brown@gmail.com

Quilt Show – Viewer's Choice Award

Top 10 Quilt Show Viewer's Choice Winners:

(In random order - top three will be revealed at July 10 meeting)

Quail with Wild Roses by Mary Ellen Parsons

Same House, Same Room by Mary Ellen Parsons

The Animals at San Francisco Zoo Take a Vacation Day by Cindy Brown

Where's Harry? by Nancy Holinski

What the Mars Rover Missed by Donna Foote

Elements of Time by Linda Herrera

The Blue Buck by Claudia Gano

Blue Whale in Monterey Bay by Carmay Knowles

Cottage Field Journal by Phyllis Martin

Monterey Bay Aquarium Kelp Forest by Claire Wong and Marcia Olson

Janyce Anderson, Viewer's Choice Committee cvoaks2011@gmail.com

The Pillow Projects

To all of my wonderful pillow making friends out there,

We are really in BIG need of our port pillows and heart comfort pillows. Each is used by the Salinas Valley Hospital Cancer Center and the CHOMP Cancer Center. Both organizations are so thankful for our donations. They are able to offer a new patient something cheery, comforting, and useful. Just as important, they show that someone cares about them. I will be at the July meeting to collect the pillows and pass out Velcro.

The patterns can be found on our website.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Marcia Givvin – marciagivvin@gmail.com

Community Outreach

A grateful goodbye to Jane Garrettson and Terry Burns who dropped off charming Community Quilts before they moved. Thanks to Lynne Prince, Janyce Anderson, Sharon Winter, Deborah Biller and Kathrin Brown for their beautiful quilts and kits. And apologies to anyone I've overlooked.

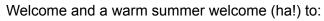
Right now, we have many Finishing Kits in need of quilters. Some of the quilt tops are large – twin and almost full-sized – so it would be wonderful to have a few more longarm volunteers. Thank you Rabbit Hole (Chris Beach), Sally Miller and Kathrin Brown for all the ones you've done. We have volunteers ready to bind, so it can be a shared finish.

Last drop off was to a few second graders in Salinas. Their teacher reported it was a joy to see their faces light up as they carefully selected a quilt to cuddle up with. We also donated a quilt to a pregnant DLI student who was thrilled to get one of Sharon Winter's many, many fish quilts that will help her tell her baby about her time on the Peninsula.





Membership News



Cate Munch Aptos
Rachel Clark Watsonville
Carolyn Billheimer Portola Valley
Karen Learned Corral de Tierra

And remember, "tis better to have stitched and ripped, than never to have stitched at all."

Karen Shaffer – Membership Chair karendshaffer@aol.com

Block of the Month – July 2023





Original

From Best Blocks

LUCKY STAR

<u>Best Blocks</u> by *Quilters Newsletter* informs us that "Lucky Star was offered by Old Chelsea Station in the Laura Wheeler syndicated newspaper column." Old Chelsea Station and Laura Wheeler were each one of many names and companies that may or may not have existed under an umbrella company, The Old Chelsea Station Needlecraft Service, established in 1933.

The University of Nebraska Historical Museum has done considerable research on the many companies, designers and patterns offered by similar companies in the same or nearby locations in the Chelsea Station area of NYC. The history is too convoluted for me to try to explain. Just for fun, spend a little time with Google to find out more. Look up The Old Chelsea Station Needlecraft Service to learn more about how they did business "back in the day". See if you can figure it out. Enjoy.

With skinny diamonds, Lucky Star might be tricky. Using Foundation Paper Piecing (FPP) for accuracy, the diamonds are no challenge and using chain piecing to speed the process, this block can be done fairly quickly. With just four sections and few pieces per section, this block is a lucky star. The block is fast and easy with a stunning result.

I hope you will join the fun.

In a few days the pattern and ZOOM link will appear on the MPQG website. Join us on ZOOM, the Monday following our regular Guild Meeting for tips and conversation. Monday, July17 at 6:30PM

Questions: Marjorie Longo, Coordinator

(831) 624-8649 or frummll@gmail.com

Block of the Month – What Goes Around Comes Around



October Beggar's Block



November

<u>Aunt Mary's Double</u>

<u>Irish Chain</u>



<u>Concord</u>



January Water Wheel



February <u>Mariner's</u> <u>Compass</u>



March Milkmaid's Star



April Good Cheer



May Skyrocket



June Red Cross Quilt

2023 MPQG Challenge Quilt



DON'T FORGET YOUR Ps and Qs!!

August 7 is the date for the first viewing of the 2023 "Alphabet Soup" challenge quilts. Bring your creations to our August MPQG meeting for first display to be followed by presentation at the Monterey County Fair.



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ



2023 Quilt Challenge

ALPHABET SOUP

18" x 18"

3 layers (top, batting and backing), a sleeve for hanging and a label*.

Quilt must contain one letter of the alphabet, big or small.

Any style, technique, or color you want.

Your quilt should represent one of the 26 letters of the alphabet. Some ideas include:

- Choosing a traditional or modern quilt block that begins in the letter of choice (i.e., B = Bear's Paw, Basket, etc.)
 - Embellishing quilt with things pertaining to the letter of choice (i.e., B= buttons, beads, etc.)
 - Appliquéing animals or objects onto the block (i.e., B=bear, butterfly, etc.)
 - Foundation paper piece the letter of choice
 - A combination of all the above.

We hope you will participate in this year's challenge, it's so much fun to see how creative a group we are.

The quilts will be due at our guild meeting on August 7, 2023

*Label to include:

Your Name
Name of your Quilt
2023 Quilt Challenge

The challenge committee:

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Monterey County Fair

The Fair is Coming, The Fair is Coming!

Want to show your beautiful quilts at the Monterey County Fair? Enter **NOW!** The deadline to enter is **Tuesday, August 1**.

BUCKAROOS AND HOWDY DOS! AUG 31-SEPT 4, 2023

To enter online:

- ► First, go to: "2023 Monterey County Fair Guidebook" and scroll down to page 22 for rules and to determine the Division and Class for your entry (you need both!)
- ► Second, go to: "www.montereycountyfair.com"
 - click on "Fair"
 - click on "Exhibits", then select "Exhibits Information"
 - scroll down and click on "General Online Entries" and follow the prompts.

You may also do a paper entry at the Fair office at 2004 Fairgrounds Road, Monterey.

Questions? Call the Fair Entry Office at 831 372-5865.

Quilts are due at the fairgrounds (Monterey Room – gate 4) on Sunday, August 20 11:00AM – 5:00PM.

Volunteers Needed!

Would you like to help make the 2023 Fair Quilt exhibit the best ever? Now's your chance!

I'll be signing up volunteers at the July 10 in person meeting! The following opportunities are availible:

- ► Hanging the Quilts: Tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, August 23 starting at 9AM. This is your chance to see the show before the crowds arrive and help hang these beautiful quilts with all the love and care they deserve!
- ▶ White Glove Service: two shifts each day (August 31 September 4) Noon–3:30PM and 3:30-7:00PM. Includes parking and entry pass!
- Quilting demonstrations: Would you like to demo piecing, rotary cutting, quilting or ??? Pick a day and time that works for you! We will have a machine and table waiting! This also includes parking and entry pass!
- Taking Down Quilts: Tuesday, September 5th starting at 9AM.

I will have signup sheets at the July meeting, leave a voice mail at 831 663-4395, text 831 594-6761, or email <u>smichelsonbrophy@gmail.com</u>.

See y'all at the Fair!!

Susan Michelson, Fair liaison smichelsonbrophy@gmail.com

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MPQG Friendship Groups

Friendship Groups are small groups of guilters who meet regularly to enjoy guilting. chatting, and sharing in a small group setting.

Are you interested in being part of a small group? Check the roster below for an opportunity that might fit into your schedule and fit your interests. If it doesn't say otherwise, the group is open to new members.



ZOOM groups have worked out well. No need to make reservations, no obligation, just a nice guilty visit. Always open to new guilters. See below for Friendship Groups on ZOOM.

For information about joining a specific group, please contact the member listed below. For general information regarding Friendship Groups or for help starting a Group, please contact, Marjorie Longo, 831-624-8649 or frummll@gmail.com.

Mariorie Longo – Friendship Group Coordinator

Carmel – Out of the Box Quilters Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Marjorie Longo's house, 831-624-8649 frummll@gmail.com Group is currently full. Monterey - Material Girls Meets 3rd Friday – 12 - 3 p.m. Donna Appleget's house, 831-324-4316

Carmel Valley - Cut-Ups Meets the 1st Thursday 12-4 p.m., St. Dunstan's Church Liz Rondelle, 831-620-2512, bukavugirl@aol.com All levels meet to sew, share, mini demos, group challenges, and charity quilts. Large work tables All levels meet to sew, discuss, and create... available. Bring your lunch at noon or drop in anytime. Monterey - Stitch and Dine Meets the 2nd Tuesday 3:00 - 6:30 p.m. iaappleget@aol.com Gudny Campbell, 831-372-6369 All levels meet to share ideas and skills for guilt Sewing and dinner. making. Bring your lunch. Group is currently full. Group is currently full. New Monterey - Tea Timers **New Monterey** – *Friends of Fred* Meets Wednesday Meets the 3rd Monday 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. Regina Liske, 831-333-9302 Regina Liske, 831-333-9302 All levels meet to do handwork and share. Meetings are outside at Regina Liske's house. Bring a project to work on. Show & tells are Group meets both inside and outside. welcome. Off Hwy 68 – No Strings Attached Off Hwy 68 – Block Party Meets the 2nd and 4th **Tuesday** Meets 3rd Thursday 3:30 p.m. at Chamisal Bistro 5:00 p.m. at Chamisal Bistro Cec Larsen, 831-235-0456 Cec Larsen, vavalarsen@gmail.com Heather Clifton, heatherclifton@gmail.com Enjoy libations as you do a little hand work and share your quilting thoughts. All levels meet for discussion, small block of the Group is currently full. month style projects, and community quilts. **Everywhere – Beyond Borders Everywhere – Moonlight Zoomers** Meets the 2nd Tuesday Meets the 4th Wednesday

1:00 p.m., Pacific Time Dru Hammond, (831) 241-1411 druhammond@aol.com All levels from near and far meet to sew, share, and visit with old and new friends on **ZOOM**.

6:30 p.m., Pacific Time Elizabeth McInnis, (831)756-8001 All levels from near and far, are welcome after hours to sew, share, and visit with friends, both old and new, on **ZOOM.** Call for Zoom link.

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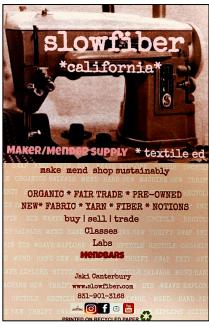
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Calendar, Road Trips, and Events

Current Exhibits

San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, 520 S. First Street, San Jose, CA. <u>sjquiltmuseum.org</u>. Queer Threads – Thru August 20, 2023.

August 31 - September 4, 2023

Monterey County Fair. "Buckaroos and Howdy Do's" Monterey County Fairgrounds, 2004 Fairground Road, Monterey, CA. montereycountyfair.com

October 12-15, 2023

Pacific International Quilt Festival. Celebrating 32 Years at the Pinnacle of the Art of Quilting in 2023! Pacific International Quilt Festival XXXII. Santa Clara Convention Center, 5001 Great America Parkway, Santa Clara, CA. quiltfest.com

September 22-24, 2023

Where Can Quilting Take Us? – Quilt Show. River City Quilters' Guild. Scottish Rite Center, 6151 H Street, Sacramento, CA. rivercityquilters.org

2022-2023 Board of Directors

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Vice President – Joan Costello	Communications – Barbara Boyer	
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	Programs – Kathrin Brown	

Your Board is here to serve you, we cherish your input. If you have any suggestions, comments or interest in volunteering, please contact the appropriate board member. Board meetings are open to all members, please contact Barbara Boyer (barbaraboyer831@gmail.com) if you want the Zoom link.

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