



October 2022

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MOONLIGHT QUILTERS OF SONOMA COUNTY ESTABLISHED 1980

CALENDAR

August 23-November 15:
MQSC Quilt Exhibit at Steele Lane Community Center
Lobby Gallery Hours M-F,
10:00AM-5:00PM

October 5: Business Meeting, in person, 7-8:30pm
Veteran's Memorial Building,
Santa Rosa

October 19: Program Meeting
via Zoom, 7:00-8:30pm,
Speaker Sarah Goer.

October 22: Workshop, Sarah Goer "Building an Improv Toolbox", 10am-3pm, Location TBD

Nov 2: Business Meeting, 7-8:30pm
Veteran's Memorial Building, Santa Rosa

Nov 16: Program Meeting, 7-8:30pm
Guest Speaker Karen Bolan, Santa Rosa Veteran's Memorial Building, Santa Rosa

Nov 19: Workshop "Karen Bolan – Design Your Own Modern Quilt 10am-3:30pm Location TBD"

Dec 7: Business Meeting & Holiday Gathering, 7-8:30pm
Veteran's Memorial Building,
Santa Rosa

President's Message

Greetings my quilting friends!

I am sure I have not expressed enough of my appreciation of your support to me becoming President of Moonlight Quilters for 2022-2023. I have been in awe, and a bit overwhelmed in my mind thinking of so many ways to make this year a success. My sincere thanks go to everyone who gave themselves a little push this year and volunteered for a board or committee position. I heard many of you say you needed a break from commitments but seeing the serious need you stepped up anyway.

Oh, for the love of quilting! The first board meeting made for a powerful start of the new year. We have had so many innovative and fun ideas presented to the board by board members and members alike. A possible second boutique sale??? A class that provides a free kit for you???? New recipients for our community quilts??? A new way to have fun at the UFO challenge??? I feel it! The goal this year is to get back to having fun with our hobby. But I also want to make sure the guild provides support in difficult times. Any one of us would be there for you if you said you needed help. But if you are afraid to ask, we will never know. Nothing would be worse for me as someone needing support, and never asking.

Be sure to contact me with your ideas and any help you can give me with my aging brain!!!!

Love to you all.

Denise Ragozzino
MQSCPresident@gmail.com

Membership

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Happy quilting! Miriam Marlin, Chris Witkowski, Membership co-chairs

Community Relations

Our members have been very busy and very generous this year; we've collected 133 quilts as of September. Sadly, the YWCA doesn't need any quilts at this time for their battered women's shelter and I've yet to hear back from the Community Action Project. I did however connect with Providence Medical Oncology and they would love to have lap size quilts for patients going through chemo.

Upon approval by our MQSC members, Camille Shaffer will attend our annual "Quilt Parade" and giveaway on October 5th to receive our quilts. This is always a touching and heartwarming night and this year will be no different, as we've all had friends and loved ones who have had cancer.

On another note, Marilyn Lira, our resident Rotarian, asked if we could spare four quilts or a family of Ukrainian refugees and we were happy to a help. The family was thrilled to have such a welcome gift for their new home, and were featured in the Press Democratic on September 15th if you'd like to read their story.

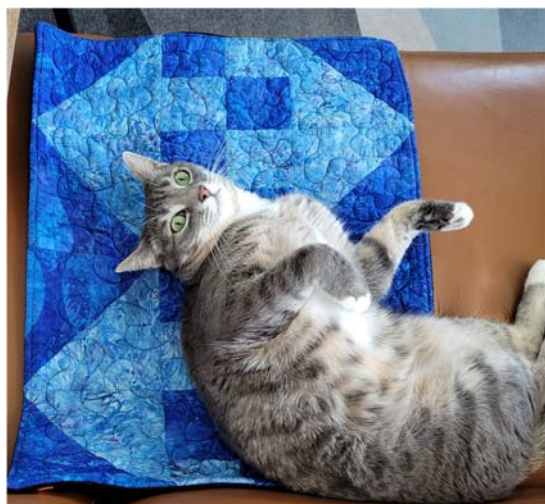
Thank you one and all for your wonderful quilts, please keep them coming.

Dena Harding - Community Relations
MQSCCommunityRelations@gmail.com

Cat And Dog Cuddles

A late thank you to Deana Abramowitz and Kathy Vedder, who donated cuddles in June. A current thank you to Cecile Clabaugh, Sue Evans, and Denise Ragazzino for donating 7 cuddles at the September meeting for the dogs and cats.

Sandra Nicander at Forgotten Felines of Sonoma County send us the following: "We rarely get pictures from cats at home with their cuddlers! Here is Kiva. Her mom actually picked this one out and said it was totally, "Kiva's Style." Her mom says she is obsessed with it. Our thanks to ... the quilters for bringing so much joy to our cats and their people. "



Cat and dog cuddles are collected at the business meeting every month. We also bring plenty of fabric, fleece (always a dog and cat favorite), and batting for you to use for cuddles. The recommended size for cat cuddles is 17" x 25". Dog cuddles should be dog-sized. There are additional details on the web site.

Thank you for your support of this project.

Julie Neff and Janske Silva
Cat and Dog Cuddles Coordinators
mqscatdogcuddles@gmail.com

Basic Skills

Hi, I'm the new Basic Skills Coordinator and I'm looking forward to some fun classes this year. These are FREE classes for our members taught by our members so if you would like to teach a class or just want to suggest a class you would like to take, please let me know!

Our first class is the EASY SHOPPING BAG using the pre-printed June Tailor stabilizer pattern that has three options. Denise Ragazzino will be teaching us how to use our own fabrics to make our choice of pattern - and she is donating these patterns to us so no charge!

Class will be on SATURDAY October 29th from 10 am to 3 pm at the Graton Community Club (8996 Graton Rd.). Sign up at our October 5th business meeting or send an email to MQSCBasicSkills@gmail.com.

Karen Mansergh
MQSCBasicSkills@gmail.com

2024 Opportunity Quilt Leader Needed

2024 Opportunity Quilt- Is there anyone who would like to Spearhead a quilt for the upcoming year? This coordinator position is open, and can be a mini group, trio, duo, individual, someone, anyone? It is a chance to realize a dream quilting project and have folks help you. There is a budget. You can email [Gina Stateler-Calhoun at ginasquilt@hotmail.com](mailto:ginasquilt@hotmail.com) if you'd like to help.

Fat Quarter Frenzy

Time to gear up for the 2022/22 Fat Quarter Frenzy! Bring a fat quarter(s) to the Business Meeting, drop your name into the raffle (1 ticket for each fat quarter) and you may take home all the fat quarters brought in that night!

The themes this year are:

OCTOBER - Halloween Fabrics

NOVEMBER - Fall colors

DECEMBER -No Fat Quarters- party time

JANUARY - Blue/White

FEBRUARY - Red/White

MARCH - Spring Fabrics

APRIL- Black / White

MAY - Bright Batiks

JUNE - Beach/Ocean

AUGUST - Bugs (ladybugs, butterflies, ants,)

SEPT - Purple/Lavender

Thank you
Bonnie Buckingham
Fat Quarters Coordinator
MQSCFatQuarters@gmail.com

Be sure to stop by the Steele Lane Community Center and see the many quilts on display through November 15, 2022. They are located at 415 Steele Lane, Santa Rosa CA 95403, and the Lobby Gallery hours are M-F 10AM - 5 PM.



**Happy
Birthday to
our
members:**

VaDonna Daneri, 10/09

Karen Bolan, 10/14

Patricia Fratis, 10/15

Pam Larcher, 10/19

Teresa Breazeale, 10/24

Diane LaFoe, 10/31

Programs

Watch your email in box for the Zoom invitation to the October 17 Program Presentation from Sarah Goer "Building a Color Pallet", and be sure to sign up at the Business Meeting on October 5th for Sarah's in-person workshop "Building an Improv Toolbox" on October 22nd.

Karen Bolan will here on November 16th for her in-person presentation "Engineer Your Quilts". We are also taking sign ups for Karen Bolan's workshop "Design and Original Modern Quilt" on November 19th.

If you aren't able to make it to the meeting you can send an email to MQSCProgams@gmail.com.

Medallions

With a flip of the calendar page, we have started a new MQSC year. That means new medallion starts are underway. Kanani Jones and I will be heading up the program this year.

What are medallions? Glad you asked! The medallion program is a year-long program that will test your creativity and allow you to let it shine in a quilt. There will be 25 medallions (quilt centers) that have been created by a guild member. Four more members will sign up to add to the medallion, each one taking a turn every three months or so and then pass it on to the next person. At the end of the year, one of the members that worked on the medallion will win the completed medallion and the extra fabric is passed along.

Sign-ups to work on the medallions will begin in-person at the October 5th business meeting. A preview of the submitted medallion starts will be on the MQSC.org website after October 1st and will be on display at the October 5th meeting. If you are not able to attend the October 5th meeting in person, reach out to a friend that will be at the meeting to sign you up for a round. You can sign up for multiple medallions, however, in order to give as many members the opportunity to work on the medallions, we are limiting each member to one first round sign-up on this first night. If there are rounds still available after October 5th, you will be able to sign up on the MQSC.org website.

I want to wrap up this article by acknowledging the work of Trina Jahnsen and Dale Yamamura for the past two years with this program. They took the program into the modern era by adding the medallions and sign ups on the website. Kanani and I have big shoes to fill, but we are up for that challenge.

For more information visit the MQSC.org website where you will find the medallion program in the "Things to Do" and "Medallion Quilts", or you can email questions to MQSCMedallions@gmail.com.

Katina Repp and Kanani Jones
Your Medallion Program Team

Ways and Means

Our 2023 Opportunity Quilt, Falling Into Place, is still in need of someone to handle or help Gina handle the raffle ticket sales. This could be help at meetings with ticket sales (membership is helping track member purchases). Or, it could mean taking the quilt to and from locations like Bolt in November for its display. Or it could mean taking the quilt and tickets to other guilds or to the Citrus Fair next February.

Look for "Falling Into Place" our Opportunity Quilt at PIQF Oct 13-16 in Santa Clara.

Gina Stateler-Calhoun
MQSCWaysNMeans@gmail.com

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Miriam Marlin, Chris Witkowski, Membership Co-Chairs
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Block of the Month

Pam Brown and I are beginning our new year as Block of the Month coordinators. We have selected a nice simple block to start us off. This is called Autumn Cabin. We would like everyone to make one from fall colors in batik fabrics. We will be showing samples at the meeting. Each person who makes a block will put their name into the jar. One name will be drawn and they will win all the blocks that were turned in. Easy.

The directions will be available online at the MQSC website and at the meeting. This is one way to try new blocks that you have not made before to see if you like them. If you like the block, make more for yourself in the colors you prefer.

As a winner of blocks in the past, I can say that having a dozen or more pre-made blocks becomes the quickest quilt you will ever make. So why not try one block and see if you win them all!

We have eight more coming your way. One each month. We hope you try each one in the coming year.

Donna Huckaby and Pam Brown

Show and Tell September

This month, instead of Show and Tell, we saw all the marvelous completed medallions. As always, it was impressive to see how the participants created their contributions to the whole.

Props to Trina and Dale who put together a slide show for us Zoomers to be able to clearly see the medallions.

Show and Tell will be back in action in October so remember to bring your quilt to the meeting on October 5th -or- send a photo of your quilt to MQSCShowTell@gmail.com for inclusion in the slide show. Keep on stitchin'!

There was no fat quarter drawing this month.

Message from Linda Lampson, Past President

I want to thank each of you who worked on the recognition quilt for me. I can feel the love in the thousands of stitches you contributed to make this exquisite quilt.

It was an honor to serve as your president the last two years and my job was made easier as each of you stepped up to share the leadership. MQSC is a remarkable organization. I am so pleased we continued on through the pandemic.

I'm sure Denise will lead you on with joy and inspiration in the next year. I look forward to continued fun, fellowship, and accomplishments.

Linda Lampson, Past President

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Come one, come all to our annual Winter Season Gathering of Quilt Friends!!

Wednesday, December 7, 2022
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

We have so much festive fun planned with all the traditions you love!

*Potluck meal! No assignments. Just bring what you like to make. Too busy with working that day or kids? Just come and partake!!!!

*Games! Fun, silly games with prizes

*Sponsor a table. Love decorating the festive table? Let Denise know if you are interested. Shall we make it a competition?

*Gift Exchange! No white elephant. New items that are valued at least \$10. Quilters items are preferred.

The Raffle Baskets are back! We are putting together some amazing baskets that you will want to win! Please consider donating a basket, smaller this year, maybe 8" but full of good stuff!

Some of the themes are Solids! Sew-fun! Halloween! Solstice/Christmas! Fat Quarter Towers?

This year we will have a president's MYSTERY Basket! Bring your winter themed quilts to hang for decoration!

ARE YOU STOKED? I am!!!!

Denise Ragozzino
Holiday Party Chair



MQSC BOARD, CHAIRS, AND COORDINATORS FOR 2022-2023

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Deb Gomes & Denise Ragozzino

****Bold text denotes board members****

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Chris Watkowski
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Notice the yellow highlights above? These are positions that have not yet been filled for the 2022-23 year. It takes a village to run a guild, and your help is needed. Please consider stepping in and taking on one of these positions. Contact the Chairperson if you are willing to step up and help.

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Membership in MQSC is open to all who share an interest in quilting. Members enjoy meetings and special events, receive a monthly newsletter, have use of a library of quilting books, videos, and patterns, and receive discounts from some affiliate members.

Dues are \$45 annually, \$15 for those younger than 16 who are accompanied by an adult member, \$50 for affiliates.

The member year is September 1 to August 31. Confidential scholarships are available. Contact the Membership Chair.

The membership form is available at www.mqsc.org/membership.

Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County
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The **Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County** hold Business and Program Meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month except in July and August when only one meeting is held.

At present, some meetings are in person and some are on Zoom. When we meet in person, we meet at the Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave, Santa Rosa, CA.

For Workshop and Basic Skills Class information, please refer to the website www.mqsc.org.

The *Patchwords* newsletter submission deadline is the 15th of each month.

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