



Stitch 'n Times

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President's Message

It has been a difficult year, what with Covid and fires and not meeting in person, but Zoom has brought us back together in unexpected ways.

This is our last Newsletter of 2020. Please read it cover to cover, as it will give you more information about the upcoming events listed below before putting 2020 to bed. These meetings (not the library event on 11/10) will be held using Zoom until the Veterans Memorial Building is able to allow large groups.

- **November 5** at 10 a.m. – General Meeting with a couple of surprises!
- **November 10** 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. – Library event and more! (see page 3)
- **November 19** at 10 a.m. – Speaker Meeting (see page 2)
- **November 20** – Workshop – Sign-Ups Required (see page 2)
- **December 3** at 10 a.m. – Virtual Holiday Party – Sew-A-Row and Block-of-the Month Drawings and more!

Looking forward to 2021 with great optimism!



Genelle Voorhees

Membership

It is hard to believe that 2020 is coming to a close, except in a “don’t let the door hit you on the way out” kind of way, and that means that it is time to renew your membership in SRQG for 2021.

As we haven’t been meeting in person since March 5, 2020, one might wonder why renewing their membership is even necessary, but it is. Our Guild activities, like the rest of the world’s, got knocked for a loop in the beginning of this pandemic, but we are back up and running via Zoom, and with the help of our very clever Committee Chairs, other activities like Block-of-the-Month, Sew-a-Row, Mystery Quilt, Library, and Community Quilts are getting back on track in this new world of ours.



Dues for 2021 are \$35.00, and, as in years past, we will be hosting drawings for goodie baskets assembled by Linda Hooper. Linda does a marvelous job putting these collections together, and you won’t want to miss out on the chance to win one.

Dues collection will take place by mail to our Post Office Box, or at our next Library Day on November 10 if you are planning to visit the storage to collect or return books.

Incoming mail will be processed for the prizes just as if we were meeting in person on the dates of November 5, November 12, and December 3. After posting all payments, just as I do for regular meetings, I will use a random number generator to select a winner. Delivery to your home will be arranged.

Please make your check for \$35.00 out to SRQG, and mail it to P.O. Box 9251, Santa Rosa, CA 95405. If you have questions, contact Jan Andrews.

Thank you for your support! Your Membership team misses each and every one of you!



Jan Andrews

Programs and Workshops

Note: All meetings, programs and workshops will be conducted using Zoom for the foreseeable future.

November 19, 2020

Carol Ziogas

Program: "Japanese Fabric and Quilts"

November 20, 2020

Workshop: "Japanese Boro Sashiko Stitching"

On November 19 Carol Ziogas, will present "Japanese Fabric and Quilts." Carol's real love is fabric. She buys it, imports it, sells it, and collects ancient Japanese quilts. She says the Japanese make the very best textiles on the market today, and even the older pieces are still fabulous as they were made to last.



KimonoMomo
Japanese Fabrics & Sewing Notions



Carol owns a large Etsy shop and Studio store in her home in Alameda. In between all of that, she manages to teach quilting classes and lead trips for quilters to Japan. Many of our members have discovered her at PIQF selling her fabulous Japanese textiles.

Join Carol in her presentation about all the interesting things she does. You won't want to miss this.

Workshop - Friday, November 20

"Japanese Boro Sashiko Stitching"

Boro Sashiko – "Work with scraps to create something new. Based on historical samples of boro from my personal collection, we'll take bits of this and that, add needle and thread, and make a highly tactile art piece. Beginner to intermediate."



This workshop will be, taught live online via Zoom. A Zoom format is necessary during our shutdown, but actually is an advantage for this type of class. You

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will have a front row seat to clearly see what the teacher is doing. At the same time, you will have access to the teacher as at a live class to ask questions, get help when needed, and learn with other Guild friends.

"Japanese Boro Stitching" originally was a method used to revive or repair old fabric. The hand stitching adds texture and interest to the piece, while connecting the fabric together. A project can be small or large, and is fun to work on and complete.



Ann Nolen

Redwood Empire Food Bank

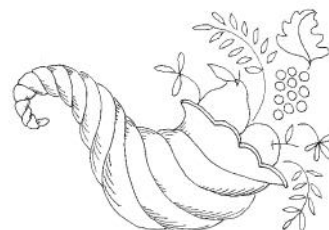
As we are closing in on the end of the year, we should be anticipating the Holiday Party activities. We have collected for the Redwood Empire Food Bank at these events in the past, but that isn't possible this year. Last year, we collected three barrels full. Even though the guild is not able to take collections or joint financial donations, we still urge you to donate to the Redwood Empire Food Bank however you can. With the ever-present crises of pandemic, fires, and unemployment, the need in our community has never been greater.

Please visit <https://refb.org/ways-to-give/make-donation/> to donate. Checks are very welcomed, too, and are a lot easier than a case of green beans to deliver.

The most needed items:

- Tuna and Canned Meat
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Soups, Stews, and Chili
- Rice and Dry Beans
- Cereal
- Canned Fruits and Vegetables
- High Protein Granola Bars
- Trail Mix or Nuts

Guidelines: • No glass. • No perishable items. • No open items. • No homemade items.



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Library

Our first ever “Library Day,” originally scheduled for September 29 was postponed due to the fires and smoke until October 13. It was such a success, and I have had so many emails requesting another, that we have planned it for **Tuesday, November 10, 2020, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.** With a LOT of help from Joy McGoran, Mary Wood, Cheryl Ogle, and Justine Lott, library items were handed to people in their cars so they did not even have to vacate their vehicles.



Joy McGoran helps check items out.

I have changed the name from “Library Day” to “Library (and MORE) Day” because if you are dropping off and picking up library items, why not bring along Community Quilts, Placemats, and Blocks-of-the-Month. Be sure to sign your BOMs on the front so we all know who created the pieces of art – and

your name will be included in the drawing to win BOMs.

As this newsletter can be accessed by people all over the world, I am not giving particulars here as to the name of our storage unit, its address, or my email address. I have written the details in an email that I have sent to members. If you have questions, please consult your guild roster and email me. Yes, I prefer emailing as there seems to be a gremlin in my home that occasionally accidentally deletes phone messages from the machine, especially if he is trying to nap – and I hate missing calls.

Log on to our guild’s website at www.srqq.org Click on “Library” on the left side. You will arrive at the Library’s Home Page. There you will find a list of our newest acquisitions. If you do not see what you wish, use the SEARCH box near the top of the page to access the books in our library. Having trouble? At the top of the home page go to the link of the very helpful tutorial Linda Hooper wrote on how to use our library’s website. Still can’t find what you want? Email me.

Email me by Noon, Tuesday, November 9, 2020, with your requests so that I will have time to research to see if your library items have already been spoken for. If that is the case, your name will be added to the reserve list. I will respond to you so

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that you do not have to make a trip and go home disappointed. You will not be limited to the number of items you request. And of course, it will be so nice if the items can be returned at our next library day.



Mary Wood helps check items in.

This is also a good time for you to return library items so that we can process them and be prepared to offer them at our next library session. If you have items but cannot visit us on the 10th, email me and I will see if there might be a person in your neighborhood who can pick them up. Or if you have a group of friends in your area, maybe you can assign one to make the trip to drop off and pick up.

Be advised that there is no cell service at the storage unit, so we will not be able to take calls while at the library.

We will be wearing masks and we all hope that everyone involved will be super careful to keep everyone safe from the dreaded deadly virus. So far as I know, none of our guild members has contracted COVID – let’s keep it that way.

NOTE: BETTY UPCHURCH IS STORING THE STENCILS AND HEIDI MITARAI HAS THE RULERS AND TEMPLATES AT HER HOME. Let them know what you need and they will figure out how you can pick them up from their homes to borrow.

JAN WESTERMAN is storing all of our Go! Cutting equipment. There may be some home improvements going on at the Westerman location soon, so if you would like to be the keeper of the Go! goodies, let Jan or me know and we will figure out how to get it to you.

Besides our approximately 3,473 books, don’t forget that we also have many DVDs, and magazine subscriptions to:

FONS AND PORTER’S LOVE OF QUILTING, AMERICAN QUILTER, and QUILTING ARTS MAGAZINE.

We also have many past issues of:

QUILTMAKER, PRIMITIVE QUILTS AND PROJECTS, MINIATURE QUILTS, Japanese magazines, QUILTMANIA (European), and QUILTERS NEWSLETTER (all of the issues since the very beginning until October 2016 when, sadly, they quit publishing).

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Snips and Pieces

Creativity during the Pandemic - Thinking outside the box

What to do when evacuated during a Pandemic:


During the recent Glass Fire, SRQG member, Selma Sklar was evacuated from her home. Having only 15 minutes notice, Selma grabbed her 'go bag' and drove to her daughter's house. Once there for a few days, Selma was at a loss as to how to fill her time. She asked her daughter if she had any fabric. The only fabric she had was some leftover pieces from a baby quilt she had made. Selma took these scraps that she refers to as 'junk' and cut them up to make the same quilt she was working on at home. Selma did have to go to Joann's to buy the background fabric and fabric for the strings. Selma sewed the quilt on one of her own old machines that she had given her daughter. 'It worked like a dream,' Selma related. Selma says the top she made at her daughter's came out better than the one she was working on at home. Her daughter rummaged the cupboard at home to find some batting and Selma quilted it as well. Selma's daughter likes the quilt so well, she kept it. (As related to Laura Barrett)



Nothing Wasted:

Doing some cleaning one day with Pam Beebe, through the stash of donations to Community Quilts, we came across a bag filled with Panels. "Ooooh, I bet Carolle LeMonnier could do something creative with these," Pam said. So Pam and I proceeded to find some coordinating fabrics to go with the panels, packed them up neatly in ziplock bags, and put them in a box. I approached Carolle one day to see if she would adopt some our Panel Packets, and Carolle said, "Oh why don't I take all of them?" Carolle made some great Community Quilts with the Panel Packets, and returned the 'leftover fabric' to me. "Oh dear", I thought, "what do I do with this?" I made NICU tops and Doll quilts with the leftovers. Nothing wasted and lots of creativity.



 Laura Barrett



Snips and Pieces

After emailing a friend directions about how to sew masks, this was her response:

"I couldn't wear any of the masks that I hand made. I bought one and a friend gave me one for my birthday. I burnt up one of my masks and the other one smells like smoke. I put them in a paper bag in the microwave with a cup of water for one minute. What I was supposed to do was wash and rinse them first then put them in there to sterilize them. Anyway, I went off to do something else and forgot about them and thought I smelled something burning, but didn't think anything about it at the time. Later I went to warm up something in the microwave and one mask and the liner as well as the paper bag was all black and beyond repair. The other one isn't too bad. I can still wear it but not long at a time due to the odor. I ordered the Police 4 masks off TV. Hope they come in soon."

The masks she ordered and paid for with a credit card never arrived, and no one answered her telephone calls. Needless to say, I immediately made masks and mailed them First Class to my friend.



Sharon Fry

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SEW – think about what techniques you want to learn, what might inspire you, which quilt-related novels you have been thinking about trying, and search through our stacks via the website. (Sorry – you will not be invited into the library to browse as it is just too small for proper social distancing. Someday) If we do not have what you need/want, let me know and I will try to purchase the item.

It goes without saying that I miss all of you, and look forward to seeing you again in our new "normal."



Sharon
'The Librarian'
Fry

A timely display at the Wisconsin Museum of Quilts.



Sew-lutions

The holidays are just around the corner and this year may be the most unusual season of our lifetimes. Many of our friends and families are having to rethink gatherings, taking on a more creative approach to get-togethers and gift exchanging. What more perfect time is there to create something homemade to show our love? If you have the inclination to make something to give others for the holidays, but have trouble coming up with easy to make but oh so cute ideas, I did a little search and found these creative and useful homemade goodies that might be just the inspiration you need:

This drawstring closed basket is cute all by itself, and it can also be used as a gift box for a child or adult alike. The photos on the link show you how versatile it is, and if you scroll down you will find a link to the tutorial. <https://gluesticksblog.com/fabric-drawstring-basket/>

We all need tissues with us this time of year, and I thought this tissue holder was so adorable and unique. The vintage button finish really puts it over the top.

<http://www.lelandavestudios.com/2014/10/06/quilted-tissue-holder-w-vintage-button-closure/>

Going places these days mostly involves a ride in a car. I keep wishing I had a container for little scraps of trash. This need can be easily solved by using this tutorial to make a car trash bag. You can custom design it with your car's interior colors or your favorite sports team! <https://www.patchworkposse.com/car-trash-bag-pattern/>

Who doesn't love a casserole? AND how often have you brought one as a shared dish? This casserole cozy is a gift that keeps on giving. Stylish and functional, this tutorial is a keeper! <http://www.hemmein.com/the-indygo-junction-casserole-carry-all-review-giveaway/> If you like this idea, the actual pattern can be purchased on the Indygo Junction website: https://indygojunction.com/products/casserole-carry-all?_pos=1&_sid=e940368c2&_ss=r

And finally, here is one for the little people in your life! A game is always a treasured gift, and this little tic tac toe pouch is over the top adorable. So simple, and small, it can be carried in a suitcase, on a plane, a car, or simply in the living room as a way to connect. <https://premeditatedleftovers.com/naturally-frugal-mom/tic-tac-toe-travel-game/>

However you find yourselves spending this unique holiday season, stay warm, stay safe, and keep that quilters glow in your heart!

 Toni Anderson

Sew-a-Row

Would you like to try a new technique, color scheme, or theme that you might not normally do? Sew-a-Row is a great way to stretch, create, and give something new a try. Since you only have to do one row or round, the time commitment is minimal.



How it works:

1. Check the website for the rows in the program and look for something you would like to add a row to. Each Sew-a-Row will have a total of five rows when complete.
2. Contact Ann Nolen to arrange to sign them out.
3. Our committee is offering curb-side pickup and drop off from our homes in Santa Rosa, Healdsburg, and Cloverdale. If that doesn't work for you, we can help brainstorm a solution.
4. Our goal is to finish all five rows on each project by December 1. A drawing will be held in December 2020 to determine which participating quilter will win the completed project.

Sew-a-Row Committee



Ann Nolen (Santa Rosa)
Margo Pitter (Healdsburg)
Jeanne Parent (Cloverdale)

Quilt Challenge

"Quilted, But Not a Quilt"

It was such fun to see Rhonda's cats during the sewing room tour. They were perfect for the 2020 Quilt Challenge to make something quilted, but not a quilt. I hope there are others out there who have made something for the challenge. Usually each year my daughter, mother, and I make some hand sewn gifts such as bags or wallets, oven mitts or hot pads, pencils bags or backpacks for craft sales to support different charities.



Please save a sample of the wonderful items you have made that are quilted but not a quilt. You can share in the newsletter by sending a picture and a short description to Jim Jensen for publishing in the newsletter. We can also look forward to the next time we meet in person to have a giant show-and-tell. Be sure and keep track of where you found the pattern, if appropriate. I can't wait to see all of you and see what you have made.



Debbie Faris-Cole

Friendship Blocks

This will be the most unorthodox Friendship Block article you will ever see I bet. I thought I would take a moment to give you all a bit of an insight into my view of this past year. Read it if you wish or not. It's all good....some's gooder, as my husband used to say.

Boy, what a year we have had! We could focus on all the negative or "bad" things that have happened but I prefer to think back on some of the good things that this year has brought in my little world. Things I never thought I ever wanted or needed. Little gifts, I like to call them, that didn't cost anything that appeared randomly at my house. Little gifts such as seeing the resident grey fox sitting by my fence and watching me as I was sewing. Watching and counting this year's batch of baby quail as they scurried from the shelter of the neighboring wild blackberry patch to the juniper hedge (we started out with twelve and ten survived and now are all grown and fully integrated in the covey). Having the good fortune and the luxury of time to just sit and watch the baby bluebirds grow and leave the nest. Watching a potato bug shed its outgrown skin. I never knew they did that! I have always known and loved my neighbors, but this year I have spent more time with them than I ever have, masked and 6 feet apart. We shared gardening tips, plants, television programs, books, groceries, and coffee chats over the fence. Another little gift was that I realized I saved gobs of money on gas for the car! Of course groceries quickly overtook that place and those "gobs" of savings simply evaporated. Perhaps the best little gift was the feeling that I didn't "have" to do anything or go anywhere for a while. No obligations, nothing on the calendar. The opportunity to just "be." Take a moment just to stop and to breathe. Recoup and refresh.

Learning new things was a bonus. I learned that I really can fix a lot more things all by myself with the help of YouTube, and I did! Learning how to Zoom was new and exciting and helps to keep in contact with my friends. No mask required. I try to remember to put on a little lipstick. Or not. Same with makeup. Bra: optional. I learned there are a whole lot of things to watch on television. I now had the opportunity to explore new authors and books. I also learned that with all that sitting around meant I had to eat better and walk more!

I never knew how much I would miss not seeing my family. We had to figure something out so we could be together. So leave it to the kids to teach me how to Skype. Nothing quite compared with the Sunday

dinners I shared with my kids on Skype many miles apart. I would be on their iPad and they would prop me up at my place at their table and I would sit my iPad on my table and we would all have dinner together. All was good until someone would bump their table and their iPad would fall over. Someone would eventually realize that Grandma fell down and would you please prop her back up? I have to say here that in the beginning months of Covid seeing my grandchildren in masks just about ripped my heart out knowing why they had to wear them. Now I am SO THANKFUL they do!

Last year Amazon was my occasional friend, this year we became besties. I am hoping we won't be BFFs though. Best friends forever is a very long time. Then I met Instacart and we hung out for quite a while.

Most importantly I discovered what truly makes me happy and what doesn't. Family and friends are everything, well, and my little dog Chip, although he is classified as a very important member of my family. I believe it will be quite a while before things get back to something similar to what it used to be for all of us. I have also decided that I will focus more on those things I have found that make me truly happy and let go of those that don't.

I will try to always keep those things first and foremost in my life as I hope you all do, too. This was and continues to be a journey for all of us. A whole new world that we have experienced. I am amazed how resilient we are. Just think how far we have come, how much we have learned and how much we have adapted! I believe that friendships helped make this possible. Going through troubled waters is much easier with friends than going through them alone. So share your friendship. Tell someone you care about them or just take an extra moment to stop and try to let them see the smile behind the mask - six feet away, please.

Oh, and, sign up for a Friendship Block.

Love you all,



Heidi Mitari



Friendship block
for Carolle LeMonnier
made by Mary Ann Hayre

Many of our supporting Affiliate members are really struggling right now, like everyone else. They have been tireless supporters of SRQG. As they ease into reopening, please consider contacting them for your quilting needs, and keep it local.

Block-of-the-Month


For November, of course, we're making turkeys, and this one is super cute so there's no excuse for not making more than one. Don't worry, your oven can handle these little turkeys.

The instructions are on the website. The only "required" color is red for the wattle (do you know what that is?). If you win October's BOM (the pumpkins) and these little turkeys, you'll end up with a lovely harvest quilt, so I encourage you to stop what you're doing and make as many as you can so you can win!!!



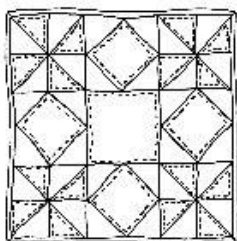
Speaking of winning, we need to have a drawing!! It's going to happen in December on Zoom. How? Well, you'll have to send me all of your BOMs for the year (from March to November). My address is PO Box 2108, Healdsburg, 95448. Or drop them off during our library day on November 10, or give them to the folks who are collecting the Sew-a-Rows. Or contact me and somehow I'll get them! The due date is November 30.

There's no reason why you can't make more of any of the BOMs of the previous months, so sew away!!! And don't forget these little turkeys, too. Good luck

 Carolle LeMonnier
Joanie Bellinghausen

2021 Mystery Quilt

9-Patch Mystery Quilt (78" x 102")



In January, we will begin our 9-patch mystery quilt. The blocks will be made over a nine month period, and then we will schedule a workshop to reveal the quilt and assemble our blocks.

The quilt is made up of eleven different 9-patch blocks that are 9" finished. Most of the blocks are made more than once, but all blocks are a 9-patch pattern.

The thing that makes them different is the color and

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Sequester Challenge

Since it looks like we are in for an indoor adventure for the time being, I thought of a good way to stay connected and spice things up a little with something different.

Let's have a contest!

There will be five categories:

- Best poem about this novel experience, and how it is manifesting itself in your life
- Best 20" x 20" two-colored wonky quilt of an original design
- Best creative photo of you in your sequestered quilt room or sewing space
- Best photo of a collage, made from arranging your sewing items on a table or flat surface
- Best photo of a fabric accessory (scarf, bracelet, vest, etc.) that features a one word expression of this experience

We will award the winners of each category with a nice \$40.00 gift certificate to one of our local quilt shops. This is also a way to support them during this difficult time. If you would like to participate, please let Toni Anderson (tonilanderson@gmail.com) know which contest you will be competing in so that we can get a feel for how many are participating. If we have one participant for a category, lucky you! Winner winner chicken dinner! And YES, you can certainly enter in more than one category. Prizes will be awarded at our first meeting once we get an all clear to come back to our meetings. I am excited to see what we come up with while we are trying to stay creative and engaged!

 Toni Anderson

Snips and Pieces



Thanks to Dorothy Murray, **Community Quilts** received a \$250 donation from Thrivent Financial for the purchase of batting. Dorothy is a member of the SRQG, as well as the Lutheran Church. (Thrivent is a

Fortune 500 not-for-profit financial services organization founded by the Lutherans.) Since 2012, Dorothy has secured annual grants for the purchase of batting for Santa Rosa Quilt Guild. This is the second \$250 donation from Thrivent in 2020. We're grateful for Thrivent's continued support, and for Dorothy's loving advocacy.

 Laura Barrett

Rollin' Rho Reports

Hello, Santa Rosa Quilt Guild! Here we are in late October. Where did the time go? It seems like a blur in slow motion. How did I stay engaged?

Three things kept me terribly busy. Thing One: my baby brother, Ryan, arrived late in the day Wednesday October 16, 2019 - 10 days after our mother passed. He was on his last Earthly days here. His doctors reported he would not make it to Christmas, March 2020 (a year from his diagnosis) at the latest.

Thing two: a dream come true, a raised garden. Three awesome raised beds, a trough, and some miscellaneous pots. I spent most of my time growing food that was beyond delicious. I felt like I was wasting valuable food dollars on garbage with no flavor from the local markets. There is no comparison to home grown.

Thing three: culturing and fermenting foods. About a year ago my GF (shoutout to Loni M) introduced me to these fantastic foods and a website www.culturedfoodlife.com. I started making Kefir - a thick, rich, tart flavored beverage that increases vitamin and nutrient absorption - on the kitchen counter, 24 hours at a time. Kefir is delicious, nutritious and life changing. Kefir can be transformed into cheese. It's fabulous on toasted bread with jam for breakfast. It can be made into a dressing for salad and ... well, there is a lot more. Almost all of it is made by leaving it on the countertop from one full day to seven days. It's a science experiment that is so delicious - and slimming too!

I began to feel a difference immediately; a little bit lighter, not so hungry between meals, a quick pick me up, and satisfying. The kefir project is quite easy to make. Loni shared her **grains** with me. (The grains are what transform ordinary milk or the nut milk of your choice or even water into kefir.) My kefir grains have grown considerably I have enough to share with five to seven curious friends. If you feel like you might want to try it, call me. I would be happy to share and give a tutorial.

Cultured vegetables are so simple to make. I make a two-quart jar of onions every other week. They are in most meals, now. They have already been sliced and are just waiting to be eaten. I have made several jars of fermented veggies from the garden: zucchini, bell peppers, garlic (and lots of it), broccoli, tomatoes, cabbage, and cauliflower. They are crunchy like a pickle and bubbly like champagne.

I also found Kombucha, an oh-so yummy tea. Again, Loni encouraged me to give it a try. I am so glad she shared. I thought I wanted to make it but just do not have the counter space. Plus, Kombucha

is a bit more "sciency" to make. It requires a Scoby, which is kind of weird. So, I purchase it from Safe-way, instead. Kombucha's benefits include removing toxins from the body through the liver, kidneys, and bowels. One loses excess water weight and swelling. I especially enjoy the Pomegranate and Lemon Ginger flavors. Loni loves the rose flavor best.

I spent hours and hours in the garden. I have a "farmer's tan." I made friends with bees and butterflies. When in the garden, I feel happiness and joy. As with the sewing area, no negative energy allowed.

As for Ryan, well, he is still with us but living in Sonoma on a ranch with a family of three generations on site. He met a gal, Tracy, living with two young but grown sons and her parents. I know they adore and love him like I do. The boys are flourishing, and the parents check on him often while Tracy is working.

There was a setback this last August. He and Tracy were running a quick errand when a driver ran a red light while driving into the sun. Bam, head on collision. Ryan spent two weeks in the hospital with a broken back and leg. The day Ryan was released from the hospital my other brother, Randy, had a stroke; I kid you not.

Randy was released two days after the stroke because they got to the hospital quickly and he was back at work within two weeks. Amazing. Mark said, "You Cannadys get the best versions of the worst illnesses - and then get right back to it." It's true. That's how we roll. Now that the garden has been put to bed, Ryan is thriving in Sonoma, and I have a new diet that makes me feel good while keeping my girlish figure, I am going to go sew something.



Community Quilts

We are collecting finished quilts and tops for all our usual beneficiaries, and right now for the fire survivors as well. The minimum size for a fire survivor quilt is 40" x60", but bigger is better. They do not need to be bed size. These quilts are intended to provide comfort, color and support to the fire survivors as they navigate their way through this experience. There is no urgency to completing these quilts, so take your time and enjoy making them.

If you know of someone who lost their home in the recent fires and you feel would benefit from a quilt, please contact Laura Barrett.


If you have a top or quilt to drop off please contact one of the following to make arrangements:

Laura Barrett (Santa Rosa)
 Janet Tonkin (Oakmont)
 Nancy Stedman (Sebastopol)
 Sue Gragg (Rohnert Park)
 Heide Mitarai (Sonoma)
 Margo Pitter (Healdsburg)

We are also collecting doll quilts. They do not need batting and should be at least 18" x18".

Stay safe and well.

Thank you to all who so generously participate in making quilts for our community!

 Pam Beebe
 Janet Tonkin
 Laura Barrett
 Nancy Stedman

COMMUNITY QUILT SIZES

If you are making donation quilts on your own, these are the approximate sizes most needed.

32" x 40" Baby Quilts	For Sutter and Memorial NICUs, Public Health nursing, and teen moms. We provide kits for making the tops, or you may use your own fabrics.
40" x 60"	For Valley of the Moon and other organizations serving children in need. Please use bright colors for young children or fabrics that will appeal to teenagers.
50" x 65"	For 18 year olds aging out of the Foster Care system, and for women residing at the YWCA Safe House.
40" x 60"	Lap quilts for adults to be handed out by Secret Santa, women being served by Verity, seniors in local convalescent hospitals, and others.
Doll Quilts	For little girls and boys. We collect them throughout the year and donate during the holidays.

Placemats

This sure has been a year to remember, and it isn't over yet!

Our members have embraced the Placemat Program once again and have continued to make beautiful placemats for the Meals-on-Wheels program in Sonoma county. We have collected 250 placemats up to this point and I know of several more in various stages of being finished. If you need to turn in any completed placemats, you can take them to Village Sewing, my home in Oakmont, or Ann Nolen's home in Rincon Valley. Sharon will be collecting them at the Library Day on November 10, and if none of these work for you, e-mail me at bobcortel@aol.com and I can make arrangements to pick them up from your front porch. I hope to have them all in and ready to deliver to the Council on Aging office by the first of December So many of you have gone over and above as usual and I thank you all for your participation.



 Barbara Courtelyou

2021 Mystery Quilt continued

background placement. The quilt will end up being about 78" x 102". You may add borders to make it larger.

Each month there will be one or two block patterns given to you and the number of each you will need to make. You may choose whatever colors you would like for the patches – scrappy works best. You will also need a background fabric – a neutral that reads as a solid such as white, cream, taupe, or black would work best. You will need about 5-1/4 yards of your background fabric, plus extra for binding. (6 yards with binding) If you would like to get a head start, you can start cutting your 3-1/2" squares for the blocks. You will need 396 background squares cut 3-1/2". (Additional background fabric will be used in the quilt assembly) And you will need 351 3-1/2" squares from your scraps or your choice of colored fabrics.

If you are going to use a planned color scheme, be sure to have a variety of fabrics in each of the colors because you don't want to use the same fabric twice in any given block. I used tan Kona for my background fabric, and I used scraps for my other patches. One of the other ladies made hers a Christmas quilt – she used red for her background and Christmas prints for her other patches. I may try that this time.

Hope you decide to join in this fun.

 Carole Behlke

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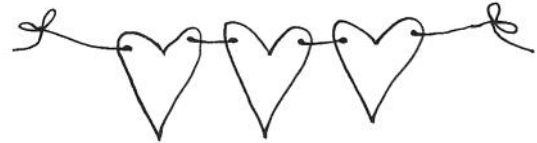
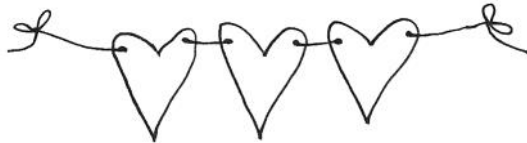
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Membership dues are \$35 per year. The calendar year is January to December; new members' dues are prorated. Regular meetings, special programs, use of the extensive library, and special discounts from some affiliates are just some of the many benefits of membership.



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