



Ocean Wave Quilters

March 2024 Newsletter



President's Message

Thank you to the members for stepping up and bringing snacks for the food table at the February general meeting. And again, thank you to Shirlee P, Sharon B, and Jeanne K for setting up and taking down the table each month. There is a small budget for supplies like cups and napkins but all food is to be donated by the members. Sometimes I have not had time to cook before the meeting so I have stopped at Safeway and purchased a veggie tray.

Thank you to Grace V for coordinating the community quilt donations. The last two months, Grace has been donating a minimum of 6 quilts per month to different organizations. She gave 6 quilts to Project Sanctuary in January and 7 quilts this month to the Mendocino Coast Children's Fund.

It is getting closer to the quilt show and it will be here before you know it. More information will be coming your way about online entry forms. See you soon! ~ Paula P



**OCEAN WAVE QUILTERS
FEBRUARY 2024 TREASURER'S REPORT**

1-31-24 BEGINNING BALANCE **\$ 6464.61**

EXPENSES

Los Gallitos, Catering, April Luncheon	\$ 465.99
Word Press.com Web site	96.00
Daisy W, Q.N.Q, travel	238.25
Daisy W, Table Food	28.57
Linda S. Schmidt, Presenter & travel	629.69
Linda S Schmidt, travel time correction	129.69
Paul Perelstein, facility Use (Feb class)	100.00
Carole Poma, Lunch-Class presenter	13.49

Total Expenses **\$ 1,701.68**

INCOME

Dee G, L.Schmidt class	\$ 45.00
Elizabeth F. L.Schmidt Class	45.00
Kim R. , new member	25.00

Total Income **\$ 115.00**

2/26/24 CLOSING BALANCE **\$ 4,877.93**

Submitted by Sharon Rowan, Treasurer



Approved at 2/27/24 Board meeting

Your Vote Will Make a Difference

The Fort Bragg Quilt Show Committee would like to purchase additional metal quilt frames for the 2024 show. Since this is a non-budgeted item that costs more than \$50, per the OWQ By-Laws a vote by the membership will be necessary. This expenditure was discussed at the General Meeting on February 12th. A motion was made and seconded. The vote will take place at the General Meeting on March 10th.

The additional frames will permanently replace a row of hard to assemble and dangerous wooden frames. The additional frames will give the quilt show more flexibility in displaying quilts.

The total cost is \$1,253.93 and will use money from the FBQS funds.

Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter (QGNQ)

The 2024 QGNQ meetings are:

- **April 27:** Ladies of the Lake in Lower Lake
- **July 27:** Mountain Quilt Quilters in MacArthur
- **October 26:** Ocean Wave Quilters in Fort Bragg (Yep! That's us!) Susan C and Catherine S will plan the meal and activities. Daisy W and Sharon L will design a gift for each attendee.



Special Events – Steffany B

The next special event is the March Retreat, which will be held in Albion this year at the Albion Field Station, March 21st-24th. This is a change of days from Thursday to Sunday as well as a change in venue. Cabins or RV spaces are available to rent if anyone is interested in staying on site. Please contact Nadine S for more information

The Appreciation Luncheon is April 28th and it will be catered by Los Gallitos. I am asking the membership to bring desserts. There will be fresh strawberry agua fresca and water bottles. Don't forget the luncheon is also when we will be presenting our UFO projects!



Hospitality ~ Daisy 

The next Raffle Basket is Sunday, March 10th at the General Meeting. Tickets are : 1 for \$1; 6 for \$5; 15 for \$10; 34 for \$20. Donations can be left at Sew n Sew in the designated box.



Service – Grace V.

February Service Report

Dress-a-Girl Dresses	
Warm Welcome Quilts	10
Chaplain Quilts	
Mendocino Coast Children's Fund	7
Texture Quilts	
Pillowcases	
Pet Beds	10
Port Pillows	

Each month I will be giving quilts to a different service group in our community. This month I gave to the Mendocino Coast Children's Fund. They really appreciate the quilts and you can only imagine how happy they make the recipients! Thanks to everyone who makes a quilt to contribute. ~ Grace

Block of the Month ~ Carole P

Here is the BOM schedule.

August 2023	Lony F	February 2024	Ginny C
September 2023	Evelyn H	March 2024	Daisy W
October 2023	Paula P	April 2024	Luncheon
November 2023	School House	May 2024	Martin W
December 2023	Holiday Party	June 2024	
January 2024	Lisa C	July 2024	

Communications ~ Susan B

The FBQS Quilt Walk quilt registration is available on our website under "Forms and Documents". Just fill out the form--no need to print anything--BUT make sure your name and the title of your quilt (if you submit more than one) is pinned to your quilt(s) when you drop them off at Sew n Sew. We will print the info card for you and attach it to the quilt when we deliver it to the participating business.

ALSO on the website is a new section called "Upcoming Quilt Shows". I'll be posting shows as the info comes in. If you know of any shows in California (or near our borders), please send me details or their flyer so that I can add them.



Education - Carole P

Jeri Kennedy, a long-time quilter will present her trunk show for Ocean Wave Quilters at our annual Appreciation Luncheon on Sunday, April 28, 2024. Jeri will be presenting her collection of 1930's Mountain Mist treasure quilts. She will include discussions on the history of the patterns and share some of her knowledge of different applique styles. Jeri Kennedy currently hosts an applique class/club on the first Friday of every month in Gualala at the Loft.

Tip of the Month ~ Bobbie K

These tips are from Melly Sews “Five Little Sewing Secrets”

1. Why does my sewing machine keep unthreading? If your sewing machine does not automatically stop with the needle up, you need to hand crank the flywheel until the take up lever is at the top of the machine.
2. Hold your threads to the back as you begin stitching to keep your fabric from catching in the throat plate.
3. On Gutermann thread, you can pop out the top part of the spool. Then you have a little compartment to store needles for hand stitching.
4. Why does a seam ripper have a ball tip? Turn the seam ripper over and put the ball tip in the seam. Then, push the tool through the stitches, quickly cutting them. This works especially well when using thick fabric.
5. Many machines have a button on the side of the presser foot. When you encounter a thick seam allowance, push this button. The presser foot self-levels and it helps you get over bumps without having to pull on your fabric.





Quilt Show ~ Sherry W "Around the Block"

The deadline for the Quilt Show online entries is June 1. The entry form is not active yet but will be very soon. It's exciting that we have this wonderful event for our guild, our community and all those who love quilts. It's a huge task for all of us, we work hard and we get tired, but when that Saturday the 29th of June comes along, it's Showtime!! We don't disappoint.

We will have postcards at the March 10th meeting. If you may be traveling out of town and stopping by a quilt store on your way, maybe you could drop off a few.

The volunteer list will be at the March 10th meeting or you can also contact Carole P.

Opportunity Quilt Tickets are on sale NOW! Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Contact Sharon G to purchase.

Quilt Walk ~ Sherry W

It's about that time of year that we start gathering small, medium and large quilts for the Quilt Walk. It's a fun event for us, our community, and for those who visit our city. We also have a Quilt Walk pamphlet that lists all the participants, which is available for anyone to "Quilt Walk" and check out the businesses and displays of quilts.

The entry forms are on the website www.oceanwavequilters.com. Look under the category "Forms and Documents". If you need help filling them out please contact me.

If you have quilts to lend, please drop them off at Sew n Sew. There is a shelf in the back room for the quilt walk quilts. You can also bring them to a meeting or contact me and I will arrange to pick them up.

Quilt Show Raffle Baskets 2024

I am super excited to be taking on the task of Quilt Show Raffle Chair. So far, we are looking at having the following baskets:

- 1) Chocolates "I Love Chocolate!" (Bobbie will provide)
- 2) "Cozy Nights" - Candles, wine, tea, tea cups, blanket, socks...
- 3) "Let's go to the Movies" - Theater tickets, popcorn, blanket, red vines...
- 4) Vendor Basket
- 5) "To Grandma's house we go" - Coloring books, crayons, card games...
- 6) Sewing and quilting supplies

If anyone has any items that could go into these baskets, that would be great! You can leave them at Sew n Sew in the designated box. I will also be approaching various merchants. You can also bring items to the general meetings in March, April and June. And, I will attend the March retreat, and hopefully the May and June Quilt show committee meetings.

Thank you! ~ Elizabeth F



Upcycled Quilts - Kathy McC

What is an upcycled quilt? Sometimes upcycling is referred to as revamping, transforming, and repurposing an object, in this case, fabric, into a "new" object, such as T-shirt quilts, jean quilts, memory quilts, tie quilts, etc.

For this exhibit the item can be a quilt of variety of size, wall hangings, totes, and wearables. The only restriction is to please not use paper, plastic, or metals. Small embellishments are acceptable.

If you will be entering an item, please email Dee G. with the following information about your entry, approximate measurement of entry and type of entry.

If you have any questions, please contact me.



March 5

Grace V

March 14

Verna O

March 10

Lisa C

March 23

Sue A

March 10

Susan C

March 26

Sharon B

March 13

Carley M

March 27

Ronnie K



Quilting Sayings.....

- To quilt is to live.
- Quilt until you wilt.
- Itching to be stitching.
- Put your foot down and QUILT.
- Quilting forever...housework never!
- Quilting is my passion...chocolate comes in a close second.
- Behind every quilter is a big pile of fabric.
- A messy house is the sign of a happy quilter.
- Creative clutter is more blessed than tidy idleness.
- Dull women have neat sewing rooms.
- Every quilter has a masterpiece inside.
- Quilting is a scrap of happiness.
- Quilts are like friends, a great source of comfort.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 2024

- Fri 1 Newsletter Distribution Deadline
- Wed 6 Quilt Show Committee Meeting
- Thu 7 Education/Special Events
- Sun 10 General Meeting
- Thurs 21 Retreat in Albion
- Sun -24
- Tue 26 Board Meeting and Newsletter Articles Due
- Fri 29 Newsletter Distribution Deadline



Hand Sewing Group via Zoom every Thursday 1-4 pm
Hand Quilting Group every Tuesday 1-4 pm at Senior Center

April 2024

- Wed 3 Quilt Show Committee Meeting
- Thu 4 Education/Special Events
- Sun 14 General Meeting
- Sun 28 Appreciation Luncheon + UFO Reveal + Jeri Kennedy Trunk Show
- Tue 30 Board Meeting and Newsletter Articles Due—Who wants to apply for officer/committee chair positions?



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May 2024

- Wed 1 Quilt Show Committee Meeting
- Fri 3 Newsletter Distribution Deadline
- Fri 10 Last day to turn in Quilt Walk Quilts at Sew n Sew
- Sun 12 General Meeting
- Sun 26 Sew Service Sunday
- Tues 28 Board Meeting and Newsletter Articles Due
- Fri 31 Newsletter Distribution Deadline



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June 2024

- Sat 1 Quilt Show Payment and Entry Deadline
- Wed 5 Quilt Show Committee Meeting
- Sun 9 General Meeting
- Fri- 14- Quilts due at Sew n Sew
- Sat 15
- Sun 23 Sew Service Sunday
- Mon 24 Quilt Show - Judging
- Tue 25 Board Meeting and Newsletter Articles Due



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