

OCEAN WAVE QUILTERS

Fort Bragg, California – www.oceanwavequilters.com



MARCH 2025 Newsletter

HIGHLIGHTS!

SEW SUNDAY SUCCESS

We have had 2 Sew Sunday sessions since January and had a lot of fun!

In January; Shirlee P. demonstrated how to do a stitch and pull through quilt as an alternative to binding, Dee G. reviewed adding a border to a quilt that has already been quilted and Carole P. demonstrated how to make a T-shirt quilt.

This last month, February; Chris H. demonstrated how to make Flying Geese – She will also do this demo during TEACH and SEW at the next general Meeting on March 9, 2025.



The gathering would not have been complete without some "Sharon Cookies"!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome, Welcome! Spring is around the corner and Happy St. Patrick's Day!



Spring always makes me happy and gives me so many great ideas for quilting. I have been working on my entries for the quilt show in June; so much to do, so little time!

Thank you to everybody who showed up to the second Sew Sunday. It was a great group, and it appeared to be larger than last month! It looks like Sew Sunday is back!

We have our Quilt Retreat coming up March 26 through 29. If you have never attended one, come and quilt with us. Come for a day, come for the complete retreat. You will have fun and maybe learn a thing or two.

I was scheduled to attend training this week on quilt judging but I am sick with some nasty bug and did not get to attend. Hopefully the training comes around again and I will be able to attend.

Well, that's all for now.

Carole Poma
2024-2025 OWQ President

SPECIAL EVENTS -Steffany B.



Lots of great events coming up!

Spring Quilt Retreat @ Albion Field Station is coming up soon – **March 26 – 29, 2025**. Steffany will set up and Nadine will be there at **9:00 am** on Wednesday with keys to open the doors. IRONS and CUTTING TABLES will be supplied. Bring some snacks to share and projects to admire.

NOTE From Carole P.: - *I received a call from Charlene Younkens - Rainbow Resources will be open March 27, 28 & 29 from 11:00-2:00 if anyone would like to stop by and pick up items for the quilts they are working on at the OWQ retreat. Her shop is in Albion at 33875 East Lane. This is the alley one road down from the road to the Field station. She can be reached at 707-937-0431. Also, her husband will be available to sharpen scissors. Sharpening is usually from \$5-8-, depending on condition and size of scissors.*

Round Robin Reveal – Sunday, April 13th @ the General Meeting. Bring your completed Round Robin Project to share with all.

Appreciation Luncheon - Sunday, April 27th @ 12: 00 pm Los Gallitos will be catering. OWQ members please bring some yummy desserts.

Presenter: **Pat Durbin** – Pat Durbin - Quilt Artist, Author, Quilting Coach – “Pat Durbin is an award-winning quilt artist who uses unique textiles techniques to create quilts from photos. Pat has had her quilts featured in quilt museums, has won numerous quilt awards, and is author of five quilting books” <https://patdurbin.com> . Pat will also come with an assortment of her personal quilts to display at the luncheon.

EDUCATION – Daisy W.

I’m so glad that Sew Sunday is a success! Again, everyone had a good time with consultations, sewing, and a bit of show and tell. I would like to thank Christine H for teaching the trick and tips of how to make four flying geese at a time. I have asked her if she would demo during our Teach and Sew before our next guild meeting.

Sew Sunday next date: March 23rd

Christine is also going to be kicking off the Mystery Quilt project at our next guild meeting. This is a fun project! Christine and Paula will be happy to help with choosing colors and color values that will be in line with this first month’s instructions. Selecting colors is doubly hard when you don’t know the overall design.

TEACH AND SEW – March 9th @ 12:00 pm before the general Meeting – Lony F. - will demonstrate mitered corners and Chris H. will demo Flying Geese.

Daisy 🌸🌸

QUILT GUILDS OF THE NORTH QUARTER – Dee G. & Carole P

A quarterly gathering of Northern California Quilt Guilds.

Upcoming 2025 meetings:

- April 26 – Sun Country Quilters – Red Bluff
- Meet the Teacher July 26 – Sutter Buttes Quilt Guild – Sutter
- October 25 – Shasta Lily – Mt. Shasta

Check out their Facebook page [Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter | Facebook](#) for more information

HOSPITALITY – Sharon G. & Steffany B.



- ✚ QUARTERLY BASKET RAFFLE – Next raffle will be March 9th. Steffany B. has a box at Sew n Sew for donation items.
- ✚ SUNSHINE – Grace V. will be sending out birthday cards, and thank you cards will be handled by Sharon G.
- ✚ NAME TAG RAFFLE - Don't forget to wear your name tag to the general meetings – so new members know who you are and for a chance to win a \$10 gift certificate from Sew n Sew. – February meeting's winner: Sharon B.

SERVICE REPORT – Grace V. & Kathy D.

FEBRUARY SERVICE REPORT

Community Quilts – (various locations)	3
Warm Welcome	12
Pet Beds	3

We are low on baby quilts and could use some more. Thanks so much for all your efforts 😊

Grace Van Doren,
Service Chair

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!



Grace Van Doren	Mar 1 st
Lana Houger	Mar 8 th
Lisa Carter	Mar 10 th
Susan Collins	Mar 10 th
Carley Miller	Mar 13 th
Verna Oliver	Mar 14 th
Sue Arnold	Mar 23 rd
Sharon Brayton	Mar 26 th
Ronnie Kemper	Mar 27 th

FORT BRAGG QUILT SHOW – Paula P.

Next Quilt Show meeting will be Wednesday, **March 5, 2025** at **Sew n Sew**
2025 FORT BRAGG

The **Quilt Walk quilt** registration goes live on our website, oceanwavequilters.com, on **Saturday, March 1st**. The registration form is found under "**Forms and Documents**." You will need to fill out one form for each quilt. Deadline for registrations is **May 2**. There is no fee for registering your Quilt Walk quilt, but you must register. This is important for tracking purposes.

The **2025 Fort Bragg Quilt Show quilt registration** will be open on **Tuesday, April 1st** Registration fees are \$15 for the 1st thru 3rd quilt and \$5 for every quilt after that. There will be **NO** fee for entering a Round Robin quilt as this will be a special exhibit. Again, all your quilts must be registered – online. **NO quilts will be accepted for the show this year without a sewn-on quilt sleeve (3-4" deep to fit over poles).**

We **DESPERATELY** need help with FBQS advertising. We have no advertising chair right now, and many things need to be done in the next three months. Contact Susan Blackmer or Paula Perelstein if you can help.

Paula Perelstein, FBQS Committee Chair

PLEASE help in making the Basket Raffle a success! At last year's show we raised almost \$1000 from raffle ticket sales. 99% of raffle prizes are from donations. I still have some left over items from last year, but need lots more... I got some great gifts for a "Sun and Sea" basket during my trip to Hawaii last month. If you have anything to spare there is a box on the left shelf in the OWQ section at Sew n Sew to collect items. Thank you for your generosity, Elizabeth Foster – FBQS Basket Raffle Organizer



TREASURER'S REPORT – Sharon R.

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FEBRUARY 2025 TREASURER'S REPORT

1/22/25 BEGINNING BALANCE **\$8,837.50**

EXPENSES

Service- Walmart Batting for Quilts	\$ 190.25
Hospitality-Grace V. Postage for BD cards	\$ 51.10
SCCQG Insurance	\$ 25.00

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$266.35**

INCOME

DONATION (Tracey S.)	\$ 50.00
Pat Durban Class. 11 people	\$ 385.00

TOTAL INCOME **\$435.00**

CLOSING BALANCE 2/26/2025 **\$9,006.15**

SHARON ROWAN, OCEAN WAVE QUILTERS TREASURER

Presented to the 2/26/25 Ocean Wave Quilters Board meeting.

Southern California Fire Victims: Disaster Quilts

I am still collecting quilts for the fire victims in Southern California. I have only received a few quilts but I'm sure that is because everyone is busy getting their own quilts finished. If you are able, please donate a quilt or two to these struggling families. Many are still struggling to find a home or a place to stay. Please drop them off at Sew & Sew with a note that they are Disaster Quilts.

Thank you,
Carole Poma

SEW SUNDAYS - If it is cancelled for an unexpected reason, we will try our best to send an email so you do not waste your valuable time traveling to the Senior Center as all that time could be used sewing our wonderful community projects!



TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE AVID QUILTER



March – How to deal with older fabrics and storage tips for our ocean climate

- For very old fabric which has lost or never had the sturdiness of good quilting cottons use of a lightweight iron on interfacing can help to allow to go well in a quilt.
- If you don't mind the perfumy smell of dryer sheets, place with the fabric on air dry cycle or some Febreze might help perk it up.
- Also using Best Press or Retro Wash – helps to take yellow color and odor out of old fabric. These products can be purchased at Sew n Sew.
- Storage: Use cardboard boxes that can be changed annually or as often as needed.
- Store on shelves open to air.
- If storing in a wooden container you may want to wrap in a piece of muslin so that the good fabric does not have direct contact with the wood and absorb un-wanted wood odor.
- Some people suggest avoiding storage in plastic. I personally have my fabrics sorted into smaller plastic boxes, but each one has a desiccant pouch. I also have absorber boxes on the shelves in my sewing closet.
- Run central heater around the clock at a low of 60-degree F.
- Run a de-humidifier in your sewing area.
 - Thank you every one for the wonderful TIPS!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Mar 5 th	Wed	10:30 am	Quilt Show Meeting	Sew n Sew
Mar 9 th	Sun	12:00 pm	Teach & Sew (before general meeting)	Senior Center – Dee-Mitered Corners
Mar 9 th	Sun	1:30 pm	General Meeting	Senior Center
Mar 23 rd	Sun	11:00 am	Sew Sunday	Senior Center
Mar 26 th	Wed	1:30 pm	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
Mar 26-29 th	Wed-Sat	9: 00 am	Spring Retreat	Albion Field Station
APRIL				
Apr 2 nd	Wed	10:30 am	Quilt Show Meeting	Sew n Sew
Apr 13	Sun	1:30 pm	General Meeting	Teach & Sew @1200 – Senior Ctr
Apr 23 rd	Wed	1:30 pm	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
Apr 27 th	Sun	12:00 pm	Appreciation Lunch	Senior Center
MAY				
May 2 nd	Fri		Quilt Walk quilts DUE	OWQ website On-Line
May 7 th	Wed	10:30 am	Quilt Show Meeting	Sew n Sew
May 11	Sun	1:30 pm	General Meeting	Senior Center
May 25 th	Sun	11:00 am	Sew Sunday	Senior Center
May 28 th	Wed	1:30 pm	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew

Monthly Activities:

Hand quilting: Every Tuesday/RCSC – 1:00-3:00 pm

Hand Sewing: Every Wednesday/ZOOM – 1:00 – 4:00pm

Sew Service Sunday: 4th Sunday of the Month – 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

NATIONAL QUILTING DAY – MARCH 15, 2025



The origin of the quilting day can be traced to the Quilters Day Out, which was organized by the Kentucky Heritage Quilt Society in 1989 to celebrate the ancient tradition and its practice in the state of Kentucky. Two years later, this event became so popular that the National Quilting Association decided to declare an official holiday for quilting. From this day, the name changed from Quilters Day Out to National Quilting Day. Over the years, this event has attracted people to celebrate from all over the world and participate in helping to build and maintain the global heritage of quilting. (Taken from [NATIONAL QUILTING DAY - March 15, 2025 - National Today](#))

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**NEWSLETTER – Next newsletter articles/items are due MARCH 26TH.
Please let me know if you have any suggestions, concerns, or corrections.**

Thank you, Elizabeth Foster

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