

REDWOOD REMNANTS*May 2020***President's Message****President's Message**

Greetings from the quarantined! We are all dealing with this very challenging time together and apart and it's tough not knowing when and how this will all be over. I miss getting together with my quilting peeps and the Guild meetings. I hope you are able to enjoy the Spring weather and all the beautiful flowers. How are you passing the time at home? Some of the ways I am coping are: reading, sewing, long walks in the neighborhood, yard work, cooking, and some days doing next to nothing. Of course, there are essentials we need, like brownies and T.P.

There are many quilters making cotton masks for medical and first line workers as well as for family and friends. If you would like to donate, one local group who is posting about needed masks is: Humboldt Coronavirus Mask Makers on Facebook. Sue Tousley is including a pattern if you need one. There are also a bazillion patterns on YouTube to choose from.

Although the Guild isn't able to meet and carry out our regular activities, we still wanted to bring you a few reminders of things we can look forward to in a few months. We will delay officer elections and membership renewals until this Fall and catch up on all we've missed when we can meet again.

One of the things helping me is to remember all the things I have to be grateful for like my home and family, and I also appreciate my dogs who provide me with so much love and enjoyment. It's Animal House around here, so I've asked Board members who have pets to post a picture and short note about them to share their furry faces with everyone. I hope you enjoy them.

You can still participate in Show & Tell by emailing a picture your quilts to Yara Hailey at: stitchwitch2@gmail.com and she will post them on our Facebook page. If you haven't joined FB yet, it's easy to create an account so you can see and make comments. If you need help, call me.

So, take care and be good to yourself and your family. If we stay home, we will stay healthy, and a few brownies will help, too.

Martha Johnson

President, REQG



1st Vice President

Hello to all you wonderful members I miss seeing at our gatherings!!! I will certainly be happy when we can all be together again.

I hope you are all staying safe and well. And, I'm pretty sure none of you lack for things to work on, even though they may not be our most favorite things to complete.

See you at our next meeting, whenever that is!!!

Pat Smith



2nd Vice President

National Speaker Postponed until March 2021

Since we are not sure when we will be able to get together for classes and trunk shows, we have asked Colleen Granger if we could change the date for her presentation and workshops. She graciously agreed to come to Humboldt County in March of 2021.

We will start all over getting sign-ups for her two workshops. Those of you who signed up for the May 2020 workshops will have your check/cash returned.

Shelter in place. Stay healthy and strong. Finish those UFOs. Be ready to take classes next March.

Maggie and Nancy

Message from Susie Freese

For some reason it never occurred to me that I would not be able to get my haircut during this shut down.

My hair is naturally curly so when it gets long I get taller.

But I forgot about how long my hair would get in the back by my collar.

So I took a deep breath, handed a pair of scissors to my husband and told him to give me a trim.

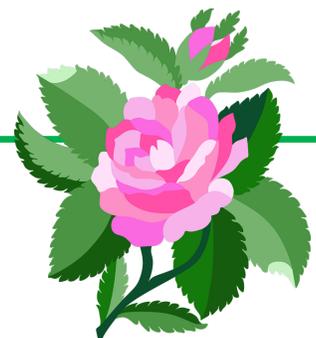
I was worried when he seemed to be cutting more on one side than the other.

When he was done I took a look in the mirror.

Not bad. But I was glad that I had received my order of new sweaters the other day one of which had a shawl collar.

At least I don't have to worry about going out in public very much!

Susie Freese



Membership News

What to say? Long time no see? Our fun nights out will begin in a few months, we think.

Membership forms will be included in the June newsletter, so you can get that out of the way. Your job is to remember that you paid, and not do it again in the Fall. We hope ALL of you rejoin, as we have lots to do in REQG. The Quilters Weekend has been postponed, along with the June retreat at Willow Creek.....it's time to catch up on BOM's and FQ raffles.

What a time it has been! Thanks again to Martha for her exceptional leadership.

Stay healthy and wear your facemask. Our County has done a great job following our new guidelines and all residents should be proud of it. (having trouble with computer and font styles, so ending this.)

Please call us if you have any questions. Joyce Turner and Judy DeGraff



This is Junior, our nine-year old Cockapoo. When I was two years old, my family got a black shaggy dog and named him Junior. My oldest brother thought he was a Cairn Terrier. He lived until I was in high school. I don't remember playing with him, but he was always nearby. He loved to chase cars and suffered collisions with cars now and then. When I was in grade school at a neighbor's house, two boxer dogs jumped the fence and tried to tear him apart. I can't remember how it stopped, but I do remember the terror and that my brother shot one of the dogs with a firearm. I didn't know that until about six years ago.

Nearly ten years ago, I decided I wanted my own Junior dog. I found him at a breeder's in Eureka. My 11-year old granddaughter went with me. We picked out a 6-week old pup with white markings on chin, chest and feet. I held, petted and talked to him by name. Two weeks later when I picked him up, all the pups were in a large outdoor kennel, exhausted and traumatized by their trip to the vet to get shots and checkups. I called his name and said "come", and he came to me immediately. I loved it! Junior is a fun dog and livens up our aging household. He gets into my headboard bookshelf and pulls bookmarks from my books, grabs socks and shoes (then gets a treat when I retrieve it), then goes for the matching shoe or sock (another treat of course), loves to go for a walk and ride in the car in his own carseat. Sadly, he lost an eye in an accident with a rat trap in our garage some years ago. He is truly a great pet, very smart and ingenious in his silliness. He is spoiled rotten and wants to share all of our food. It's hard to say no to such a sweet little doggie. Judy DeGraff

Preparing for the 2021 Quilt Show

At the last face-to-face REQG board meeting, Nancy Frost and Wanda Wahlund volunteered to Co-chair the 2021 Quilt Show. That decision was made before the COVID 19 pandemic and the order to shelter in place. Though we have no idea when life will return to normal or if there will be a new normal with face masks, plastic gloves, and social distancing, it behooves us to begin planning for the Quilt Show.

The first order of business is to find a new venue for the show. It was decided that Redwood Acres was no longer a viable location for the show due to limited access to a kitchen, rental costs and condition of the building. Nancy and Wanda have examined other venues and have tentatively reduced the options to two locations – Sequoia Conference Center located in Eureka at Humboldt County Office of Education and the Arcata Community Center across from Health Sport. The Community Center is the current first choice due to the size of the building (3000 feet larger) and parking lot, availability of kitchen space and rental fees.

Next order of business is to have members volunteer for subcommittee chair positions. There is partial list below of subcommittees. Volunteers can opt to chair a committee alone or co-chair one. Please call either Wanda 445-9715 or Nancy 443-5264 and let us know which committee you would like to chair. If you want to help but don't want full responsibility of a committee, call us and we will find someone to co-chair with you.

Vendors	Guild Table	Take-down
Programs	Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales	Ticket Sales
Publicity	Volunteers	Nine Patch Party
Facilities	Layout	Bed Turning
Food	Hanging	Meet the Quilters
Featured Quilter(s)	Set-up	Demonstrations
Secretary	Silent/Oral Auction	

If there is a committee that is not listed that you would like to chair, let us know. Neither Wanda nor Nancy had access to the quilt show books so there may be several committees that were not listed. There are also several that are potentially new committees – silent auction, meet the quilters, bed turning and demonstrations – that might be appropriate in our new venue.

We will try to have a quilt show meeting as soon as the shelter in place order is lifted or we will have virtual meetings using Zoom. So, when you call, please let us know whether you have an electronic device with a camera (smartphone, iPad, Chromebook. Etc.) We want everyone to participate.

We are waiting for those calls. In the meantime, stay home, stay safe and keeping on sewing.

Nancy and Wanda, Co-Chairs 2021 Quilt Show

Sue Tousley, Murphy and Darby

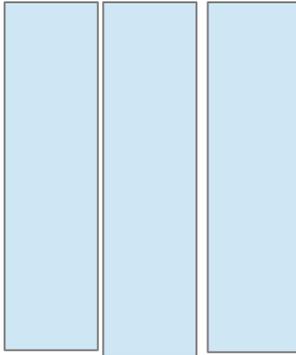


REQG BLOCK OF THE MONTH 5/20

Since the COVID 19 is among us I wasn't planning on having a BOM because of the guild meeting on hold, then Martha requested for this to continue. Since I wasn't prepared for a BOM. If you desire to make one, I suggest to make a simple rail fence using two colors of cream and brown.

This will be a large block with just 3 strips of one cream and two browns.

Cut 3 strips 9.5" x 3.5". Place the lightest strip in the center and then sew the other two strips on either side. Use a 1/4" seam. Press the seams towards the outside.



(I chose this because of the simplicity of this block. I was going to place a pattern for a mask during this time of quarantine, but since there are so many patterns out there, it is quite easy to acquire what you would need. I also want to refer you to Jeanne's section referring to masks.)

Stay SAFE and continue to sew your hearts content. See you when we see you Sewing Sisters!

FAT QUARTER TABLE

Making your own face mask? Some fabrics work better than others, study finds

Some fabrics were found to work better at filtering small particles than medical grade masks.

Read in NBC News: https://apple.news/ABjMF-Ga6T8O9BlqFNnrG_w

Shared from Apple News

Cary Morris

Fat Quarter Table

Raffle Table

It has been decided that a virtual raffle table would be prohibitively complicated, so will not occur.

Now that you're shaking your heads in wonder at the strangeness of that idea, we will obviously not have a raffle table at the meeting that we won't be having. (It seems that being confined has come just in time for me!)

I hope all of you are making the best of your isolation. I am. I'm taking three to four hour naps every three hours to give myself the energy to make another meal and concentrate on my sewing. My stash is getting a going over as I select fabrics for new projects to start and not finish. I'm getting them ready for future UFO drawings.

My best thoughts go out to all of you as we go through this trying time. May the force be with you, TEDD

As A PS I wrote this strange entry to try to add a giggle for you as we wangle our way through these challenging times,. TCC

SUNSHINE

Get well cards were sent to:

Chet Branum, Kathi Branum's husband for Surgery

Helen Saunders for eye surgery.

Do let me know if you need a card sent for Get Well or Sympathy.

Mimi

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COMMUNITY QUILTS

COMMUNITY QUILTS (outgoing)

Greetings everyone,

Spring has arrived and all of the beautiful trees are in flower, tulips are blooming and everything else is getting ready to flower as well out here in the Freshwater area.

These are rough times, but I know that all of us has more than enough to do. Masks are still needed for friends, Food for People handlers and others as well.

Now is a great time to start the Holiday quilts and get those cut and sewn. It is always great to get them done ahead of time and ready for delivery. Most quilters have quite a stash of materials to select from and may only need the backing to finish up. Scrap py backings are quite lovely though, and there is time to make them.

QUILT ACTIVITY FOR MARCH

KITS IN: 8

KITS OUT: 8

BINDINGS IN: 7

BINDINGS OUT: 2

Let me know if you need any kits or bindings to work on and I can drop them off or you can pick them up.

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Hang in there! Joy Behar formerly from THE VOICE said that she was having trouble keeping her Six-foot social distancing from the refrigerator. Pretty funny.

QUILT ON! Mimi.



As secretary of the REQG I wanted to submit something to the newsletter so here's a picture of my little dog. He's a rescue from Sequoia Animal Shelter. I've had him 5.5 years and his name is Bravo. He's always happy to hang out in my sewing room!

About sewing, I've been making mask. I've made 200 so far. They have gone as far east as PA, north to WA, and south to San Bernardino. They've gone to nurses, police officers, residential care homes, my vet, family, friends and neighbors. The picture is of my grand daughters whose mom is a nurse working with Covid 19 patients. The girls think it's their new costume and love it.

I'm looking forward to hearing what everyone else is up to.

Cheers,

Noreen



Hi, I hope everyone is healthy and relaxed during this crazy time. I have been busy making masks for family, friends and healthcare workers, as many of you have. Here is a pile of nearly 100 masks I shipped off to Kaiser Hospital in Santa Rosa because my son-in-law works there. He and his coworkers are wearing the same filtration mask for a week while working with C19 patients. My nephew is designing face shields in cooperation with Holly Yashi to sell at cost to the hospital. I worry about my son-in-law's exposure to the virus and coming home to my grandchildren. Here is a picture of my daughter, son-in-law and grandkids in special masks I made them!

I am between golden retrievers at the moment. I lost my buddy a few years ago, but here is a picture of my neighbor's Cairn terriers who spend many a night in my greenhouse because they bark outside my door all night. I am looking for a home for them with someone who will love them and allow them to be inside dogs. All they really need is some TLC. My neighbor is willing to give them up (actually he is never home and allows them to live as little waifs in the neighborhood). Just let me know if they pull your heart strings.

In the meantime, stay well, stay busy and enjoy all this time for yourself. Your Librarian, Terry



REQG HAF Grant Recipients and COVID-19 Lockdown

At our January meeting, five quilting-related grants from the REQG Fund at the Humboldt Area Foundation were distributed. Grant recipients were Oceana Madrone for her Creativity and Recovery Project, which includes both the Healthy Moms Quilt Project, a weekly quilt class within the Outpatient Treatment Program at Healthy Moms, and weekly quilt classes at the Hope Center; Maggie Stimson on behalf of the Redwood Art Association for its Focus on Fiber 2020, a judged exhibition for promoting quilting and fiber arts, taking place from May 13 through June 19, 2020; Mark and Nancy Mitchell on behalf of the Shelter Cove Arts and Recreation Foundation for its Labor Of Love Quilt Show - September 5, 2020; Malia Matsumoto for SCRAP Humboldt's Piece by Piece: Textile Tutorials Project, to be taught by Zena Bardelas in a three-tiered structure, basic sewing, quilting, and creative design; and Susie Freese for Susie Sews Charity Quilting, through which she does the quilting of quilts that go to charities for fundraising raffles, to the ill, and to the needy after disasters.

I am still awaiting a response to my emailed queries to the Humboldt Area Foundation about the REQG HAF quilting-related grants awarded in December 2019, particularly with respect to grant recipients being unable to continue work on, or complete, their projects under the government-ordered emergency lockdown due to the expanding coronavirus-19 pandemic. All five quilting-related grant projects involved close contact with people both individually and in groups, as well as travel locally and to/from distant places. Grant funds may already have been partially or wholly expended. Grant recipients may not be able to meet the Humboldt Area Foundation's 15 October 2020 due date for their final grant financial report packets. I asked whether it would be possible to postpone the due date to 15 October 2021.

I have been in email contact with each of the grant recipients. So far, no one has heard from HAF regarding these matters. Until I hear from HAF and can report to the REQG Board of Directors, the REQG board won't be making any recommendations to HAF. As soon as decisions are mutually agreed upon, I will convey the information to the grant recipients and to the REQG membership.

At this time, I am in the third and final year of being on the REQG HAF Committee. Ordinarily, a new chairperson, an REQG member, would be proposed to the REQG president and subsequently to the REQG board for approval and would take over the committee after June. The new chairperson would propose volunteers to fill the remaining committee positions, another REQG member and a quilting-knowledgeable non-REQG member, to the REQG board for approval. Please let the current or incoming REQG president know if you would like to chair the REQG HAF Committee for 2020 or suggest someone to take over the chairpersonship. Thank you.

Please take conscientious care to stay safe and healthy.

Carol Hansen
Chairperson, REQG HAF Committee for 2019

Quilt Challenge 2021

Please participate in the 2021 Redwood Empire Quilt Guild Challenge.

Gerry Smeltzer

Redwood Empire Quilt Guild

Guild Quilt Challenge 2021

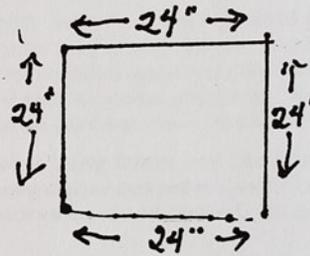
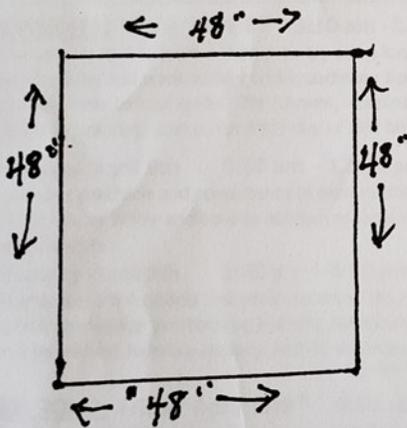
Quilt's to be turned in by December 15, 2020 finished and with a 4 inch sleeve .

Include Yellow in your quilt

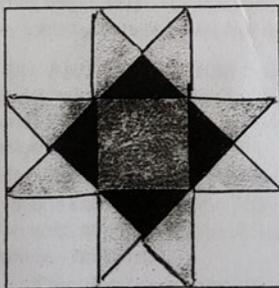
Make your quilt larger or smaller --do something fun and different with it

No larger than 48" X 48"

No smaller than 24" X 24"



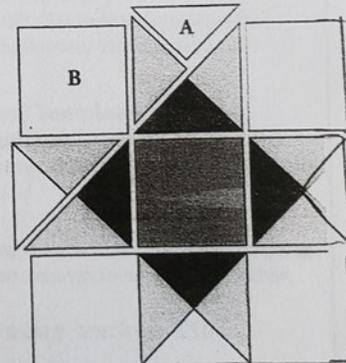
Gerry Smeltzer
445-2882



	6"	9"	12"
A	3 1/4" x 3 1/4"	4 1/4" x 4 1/4"	5 1/4" x 5 1/4"
B	2 1/2" x 2 1/2"	3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	4 1/2" x 4 1/2"

- Cut:
- One B
 - One A
 - Two A
 - One A, four B

OR Larger



Happy Birthday

May Birthdays

- 12 Carolyn Jordan*
- 12 Wendy Ring*
- 13 Tonya Rodriguez*
- 16 Maggie Stimson*
- 19 Linda Smith*
- 26 Pamela J. Smith*
- 27 Jean McAdam*
- 27 Rae Pillor*
- 28 Debbie Jansen*

Redwood Empire Quilters Guild Officers & Committees, 2019-20

- President, Martha Johnson
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- Membership, Judy DeGraff and Joyce Turner
- Block of the Month, Sue Tousley
- Small Quilts, Susie Freese
- Hospitality, Jeanine Norrish
- HAF, Carol Hansen
- Raffle Table, Tedd Collins
- Fat Quarter Table, Carey Morris
- Website and Facebook, Yara Hailey
- Vacant: Publicity/Historian, Show & Tell



Ready Reference

Fat Quarter: 18" x 22"
 Preemie Quilts: 14" x 14" to 20" x 20"
 Doll Quilts: 18" x 18" to 28" x 28"
 Community Quilts (Approximately)
 Hospice 40" x 60" red, white and blue. Larger is ok.
 Child 50" x 50" up to 50" x 60" x 70"
 square or rectangular
 Lap 50" to 60" x 72"
 Twin 70" x 80" smaller or larger is ok.
 Donations child 50" x 50" to queen
 90" x 90" square or rectangular
 Questions? Call:
 Small and Preemie Quilts Susie Freese 445-5844
 Fat Quarters Cary Morris 839-1792
 Community Mimi Mace 442-1231

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: 15th of the month

REQG Calendar

Meetings at Faith Center, 1032 Bay Street, Eureka
 Hospitality at 6:30 p.m., meeting at 7:00 p.m.

General Meetings:

May 7, 2020 **CANCELLED**
 June 4, 2020

Board Meetings

May 11, 2020 **CANCELLED**

Sit & Sew: third Saturdays

May 16, 2020 **CANCELLED**

Special Events:

April: Meetings and Classes **CANCELLED**

May: **CANCELLED**

June: Annual meeting/elections and potluck



Next Guild Meeting

May meeting cancelled

Social Time: 6:00 p.m.

Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

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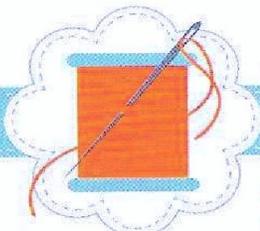
Next Board Meeting:

May meeting cancelled

Susie Freese

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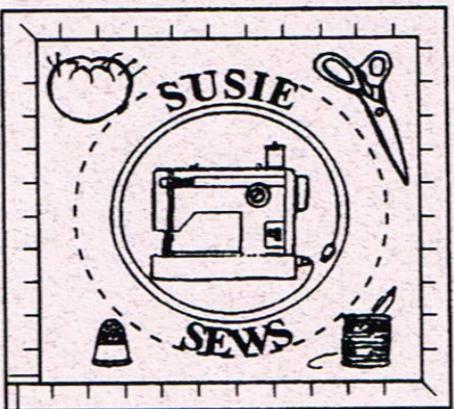
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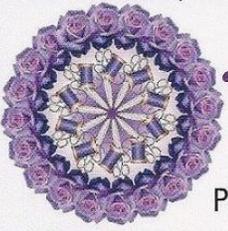
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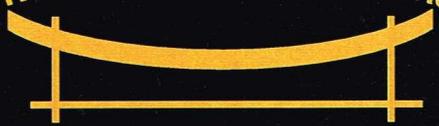



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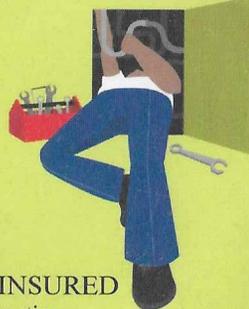
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Meeting.....6:30 p.m.

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Don't Forget

- Name Tag
- Personal Beverage Holder with Lid
- Community, Preemie, and Doll Quilts
- Library Book (s) & Fine
- Show and Tell Items
- Fat Quarter
- Block of the Month
- Raffle Table Items

