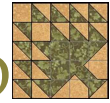




WILLOW WOODS QUILT GUILD



Newsletter February 2019



MEETS THE SECOND
SATURDAY OF EACH
MONTH
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26584 HIGHWAY 18
RIM FOREST, CA

President – Judy Green

Dear Willow Woods Friends,

Welcome All,

Please take note of our upcoming events:

April 24th – 28th – Quilt Retreat

May 18th – 19th – Rotary Arts & Wine Festival

September 28th – Blue Jay Quilt Walk – “Quilter’s Harvest” is the theme.

Happy Stitching,
Love to All, Judy

Our guild is dedicated to promoting the art of quilting through education, sharing and learning, and using our efforts to benefit the community through annual contributions and in time of need.

Month at a Glance

Upcoming events for February and beyond:

- Saturday, February 9th, our next general meeting
- April 24th-28th – Quilt Retreat
- May 18th-19th Rotary Arts & Wine Festival
- September 28th Blue Jay Quilt Walk

Special Items to Bring to the next meeting:

- Dues - \$30

Also Don't Forget:

- Your name tag
- Fat Quarters (1/month or 12/year)
- Comfort Quilts (2/year or help to finish someone else's)
- Refreshments (if it is your turn)

Secretary – Elaine Shaw

January meeting was cancelled = no minutes.

Community Liaison – Yolanda Douglas

2019 Willow Woods Quilt Guild Community Activities

Willow Woods Quilt Guild has again been invited to have a booth at the Lake Arrowhead Rotary Club's Art & Wine Festival this year. The dates are earlier so please mark your calendar – Saturday and Sunday, May 18 and 19 at Tavern Bay. We will not be selling quilts but we will display our Auction Quilts and hopefully sell tickets for our Opportunity Quilt.

Please try to complete your Auction Quilt and Block of the Month Quilts. (This will make Elaine Shaw very happy and significantly less stressed.)

And when the time comes around, if you can, volunteer to work one or a few hours in our booth. This give you free entrance to the Festival. And it is a great opportunity to visit with or get to better know one or more of your fellow Guild members
A good number of people who saw our quilts at Art & Wine, attended the Quilt Show and Auction. Art & Wine is an important PR event for us.

The Lake Arrowhead Communities Chamber of Commerce has again selected our 11th Annual Blue Jay Quilt Walk as one of their 2019 Signature Events. The Chamber has been very supportive in displaying our PR materials and including our Quilt Walk Flyers in community mailings.

It is not too early to be thinking about or even working on your Artful Bra! The proceeds benefit Mountain Communities Hospital's Mammogram Program to benefit local women. In 2018 we raised over \$600 to help support this program. We may have a unique opportunity to help the Mammogram Program with this and future money. I will give more information at our February Guild meeting. In the meantime, Google and Pinterest your way to ideas to decorate and name a bra. And Megan Peacock and I will happily be available to help you in your design process. The Artful Bra Challenge will be at the Blue Jay Quilt Walk.

New Officers

President – Judy Green

1st Vice President – Nancy
Novak

2nd Vice President – Lorraine
Patterson

Secretary – Elaine Shaw

Treasurer – Sherry Schliskey

Superstars

Membership – Pat Montgomery

Block of the Month - Linda
Simmons

Community Liaison/Publicity
– Yolanda Douglas

Comfort Quilts – Cheryl
Gallagher

Fat Quarter Drawing – Tonee
White

Little Shop of Quilters-
Lorraine Patterson

Quilt Walk Chair – Nancy
Novak

Opportunity Quilt

Coordinator – Yolanda
Douglas

Quilt Auction – Pat
Montgomery/Elaine Shaw

Hospitality – Cheryl Wood

Historian/Photographer –
Trisha Skalnik

Sunshine/Shadows – Megan
Peacock

Quilt Challenges – Jen Lanak

Web Site – Trish Skalnik

Newsletter – Jen Lanak

Facebook – Jen Lanak

Parliamentarian – Nancy
Hansen

The 11th Annual Blue Jay Quilt Walk will take place on Saturday, September 28. This year's theme will be "Quilter's Harvest". Keep a lookout for information about challenges and mini-exhibits. The Quilt Walk Auction benefits Camp Paivika's programs for physically and mentally challenged kids and adults and the Boutique proceeds go into our treasury for education and guild support. People attending the Quilt Walk have learned about WWQG and some have joined our group. I have talked to people who came to see the event and ended up looking for homes here.

We are truly good for the community; but we are only as good as our participation. So many opportunities, so little time to do everything. We realize that there are vacations, family and personal obligations, etc. We just ask that you give what you are able. There are many ways. Everything is appreciated.

Yolanda Douglas

Treasurer – Shelly Schliskey

Bank Balance : \$5356.35. Let us all be mindful of what we want and what we need.

REIMBURSEMENT POLICY:

Please turn in your reimbursement requests to the treasurer during the meeting. The treasurer will either stay after the meeting to write checks or will mail the checks the following week. If the treasurer is absent, hand your request to Nancy Novak (1st Vice President), then Shelly Schliskey (Treasurer) will write the checks at her earliest convenience.

Please note: In order to help our Treasurer, keep the books accurate and up to date, ALL money collected must be turned in by Committee Chairs at the end of each meeting. Also, receipts will be issued to all payments. Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation.

Hospitality – Cheryl Wood

Refreshments: Lorraine Patterson, Phyllis Rattley, Nancy Hanson

Challenges – Jen Lanak

Quilty Resolutions:

It's a brand new year, a time to reflect and a time to look forward. I recently saw a string of memes on social media that I thought was funny – or at least it would be funny if there wasn't so much truth to it. It went something like this:

My 2019 New Year's Resolution is to finish all my craft projects from 2018 that I should have done in 2017 after I started them in 2016 after buying the supplies for them in 2015 with the patterns I found in 2014.

Now, I know I am not the only one with a set (or several sets) of random blocks stored somewhere in my craft room that haven't seen the light of day in years; or a stack of fabrics that I cut to size thinking if they were all ready to go, surely I would finish up that pattern in no time; or perhaps a tidy pile of finished quilt tops just waiting for quilt design inspiration. I know I am not alone.

In the past, I used to make lofty quilting related resolutions (10 each year!). Frequently my list would include trying a new technique or learning a new skill. Most often it was to finish up a few UFO's. This year, I'm coming off a year where the only time I walked into my craft room was to squirrel away a little clutter when we were expecting company. It is sad, but true, that I haven't touched a project in over a year. However, I think it is time to dust off my machine and making a few Quilty Resolutions might inspire me to do so.

This year, I want to make 2 quilts. That's it. I'm trying to be realistic. There is no sense in trying to recapture my productivity from prior years when I am really not sure how much time I will have. The two quilts I want to make? Well, I just got my Van Gogh challenge piece back from touring and I like it so much but.....it so small – only 20 inches squared. So, I would like to make a larger Van Gogh inspired piece to hang as some textile art in my house. Since I have the spot all picked out and I look at the blank spot every day, I hope it means that I will complete it. The other quilt? Can you believe that I have been quilting for nearly a decade and I still do not have a quilt that fits my own bed? I am going to make it happen this year!

What are your Quilty Resolutions? Do you have a friend that can keep you on task? Even someone just asking about your progress each month can help! PLEASE, if you see me at a meeting, ASK me how my projects are going! I need the push!

Additional Announcements – Jen Lanak

Dear Guild Members:

The 25th Annual Pomona Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival will be held at the Fairplex in Pomona, CA February 21 - 23, 2019.

Expo Information:

WHAT: Pomona Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival

WHEN: February 21 - 23, 2019

WHERE: Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley Avenue, Pomona, CA 91768

HOURS: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Thursday & Friday, 10:00am - 4:00 pm Saturday

ADMISSION: FREE - NO COUPON REQUIRED

FEATURES: \$500 Cash giveaway daily at 9:30 AM at the Green Building

FREE Seminars | Hourly Prize Drawings | HUGE Vendor Mall | Make & Take It Projects | and much more!