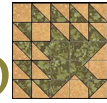




WILLOW WOODS QUILT GUILD



Newsletter December 2019



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

President – Judy Green

Dear Quilting Friends,

Hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving. I've heard that many of you stayed home because of the weather, and some of you that left to celebrate away from home, stayed longer than planned.

Did I hear that this was to be a mild winter? Yes, I did hear that. You never know what you're going to get. Someone once said, "It's like a box of chocolates". Happy December in the mountains!

I'm looking forward to our Christmas Party Potluck Luncheon on December 14th. Remember to bring your table decoration, or your delicious dish. If you wish, you may also bring an exchange gift valued at approximately \$20.

Following our luncheon, we will continue our One Block Wonder Club meeting. Beginners are welcome, and members are very generous helping you get started. Here's what you need:

- *Your One Block Wonder book by Maxine Rosenthal*
- *Your partially completed quilt, or your curiosity*
- *Ruler with which to cut a 60 degree triangle*
- *Sewing machine with 1/4" foot*
- *Large 18' x 24" cutting mat & rotary cutter with a new blade*
- *Basic Sewing Kit - thread, scissors, seam ripper, etc.*
- *Fabric — You need to have 6 pattern repeats for hexagon blocks. Therefore, if the pattern repeats at 24", you need a minimum of 4-1/2*

Month at a Glance

Upcoming events for November and beyond:

- Saturday, December 14th – our next general meeting And Christmas Potluck
- OBW Club – to meet after the general meeting on the 14th

Special Items to Bring to the next meeting:

- Dues - \$?
- Cup of Comfort Blocks
- Comfort Quilts

Also Don't Forget:

- Your name tag
- Refreshments (if it is your turn)

yards for your quilt top. Buying another yard or two will give you enough fabric to include in borders, binding, etc.

I hope some of you are making plans for our new clubs. There's also plenty of room for sewing your own projects and visiting after our meetings, so come and enjoy.

If you have concerns about the weather, check your E-mail to see if meeting is Cancelled.

See you all on the 14th for our Christmas Party.

Love 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.

Secretary – Elaine Shaw

WILLOW WOODS QUILT GUILD – GENERAL MEETING –
NOVEMBER 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: Judy Green, President

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Jen's daughter Lizzy was visiting today.
Happy Birthday to Cheryl Wood and Alice Borg.
Christmas Potluck next meeting December 14. Bring a dish to share.

SECRETARY: Elaine Shaw: October minutes were approved as presented.

TREASURER: Sherry Schliskey: October treasurer's report was distributed, discussed, and filed for audit. \$4,459.88 was donated to Camp Paivika for student scholarships.
Many suggestions about different ways to do the fat quarter drawing were discussed. It was finally decided the person in charge of the drawing would decide the rules.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: Lorraine Patterson: The Round Robin is going well. Let Lorraine know if you got your own or one you have already done so she can exchange it.
Bring a wrapped White Elephant gift to the Christmas Potluck. It should be something nice or a gift card with about a \$20 value.

BUSINESS: Jeannie moved and Jen seconded a motion not to have a quilt walk or auction next year, 2020-2021. Motion approved. The

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 – Kim
Everhart

Sunshine/Shadows – Megan
Peacock

Quilt Challenges – Jen Lanak

Web Site – Trish Skalnik

Newsletter – Jen Lanak

Facebook – Jen Lanak

Parliamentarian – Nancy
Hansen

guild has agreed to give Camp Paivika the six quilts that were taken out of the auction with color bleeding.

Judy Green has been nominated for president.

Jeannie Folta and Jen Lanak for Vice President.

Sherry Schliskey for Treasurer and Fat Quarter Drawing.

Cheryl Gallagher for Secretary.

Trisha Skalnik Website.

Kim Everhart for Member Information, Pat Montgomery co-chair.

Melanie Hermanson Sunshine and Shadows.

Jen Lanak newsletter.

Cheryl Wood Hospitality.

Trisha will put Kim's contact information on the web. Kim needs the digital copy of the handbook and bylaws.

SHOW AND SHARE: Sheryl Sherman shared her Little Red Riding Hood One Block Wonder. Sherry Schliskey shared her One Block wonder done with batiks. Jen had 2 quilts to show, a Christmas Ornament Quilt and a One block Wonder done with a fall panel. Lorraine shared the Dog Applique quilt for the foster children. Tonee shared Simple Harvest applique quilt, design by Lisa Benijen. Yolanda shared her 1,890 piece pineapple baby quilt. Cheryl Gallagher had her blue and brown One Block Wonder. Susan Wade showed all her fabric with 4 or more repeats that would be good for a One Block Wonder. She can't make up her mind which one to choose. Melanie bought a longarm and needs quilts for practice. She will take on your small quilt for a very reasonable price.

WW Quilters need to keep up with the comfort quilts. Lorraine will check with the fire department.

Elaine will check with the Mountain Pregnancy Center. We need to keep WWQG visible in the community.

We were then given some time to choose which clubs we would like to participate in. Some choices were, BOM, Hand Quilting, Challenges, Art / Digital Quilts, Machine Quilting, Machine Embroidering, Needle-turn Applique.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:27.

Elaine Shaw, Secretary.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try. -Beverly Sills

Treasurer – Shelly Schliskey

TBD

Sherry Schliskey, Treasurer

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.

(Nominated) Co-Vice President – Jeanne Folta

Willow Woods Quilt Guild: Clubs and classes

This is the list of who signed up at the last meeting. If there is a question mark after your name, please let me know if you are interested/willing.

If you want your name added to any list, let me know.

Also, when do you want to meet? Saturday at Elks or weekdays at homes.

If you have suggestions for more clubs or classes, let me know. (Also, if you have suggestions for teachers for the classes.)

Thank you,
Jeanne Folta

folta76@hotmail.com

cell # 909-855-3159 for texts. Please include your name so I can put you in my address book

Needle Turn App: Leader: Tonee?

- Members:
 - Elaine Shaw - shawqltr@gmail.com
 - Kim Everhart - keverhart@charter.net
 - Jen Lanak - intheclosetquilter@gmail.com
 - Sheryl Sherman - mmysherman@gmail.com

Long Arm Club: Leader: TBD

- Members:
 - Jen Lanak - intheclosetquilter@gmail.com
 - Elaine Shaw - shawqltr@gmail.com
 - Melanie Hermanson - mtnmelnee@gmail.com

Charity Quilt Club: Leader: TBD

- Members:
 - Judy Green - laheliotrope@msn.com
 - Jeanne Folta - folta76@hotmail.com
 - Sherry Schliskey - 49casagato@charter.net
 - Trisha Skalnik - pskalnik@earthlink.net
 - Jen Lanak - intheclosetquilter@gmail.com

Bargelo Club: Leader: TBD

- Members:
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 - Trisha Skalnik - pskalnik@earthlink.net
 - Sherry Schliskey - 49casagato@charter.net
 - Jen Lanak - intheclosetquilter@gmail.com

Challenges Club: Leader: Jen Lanak

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 - Jen Lanak - intheclosetquilter@gmail.com
 - Yolanda Douglas - Keithied@aol.com
 - Sheryl Sherman - mmysherman@gmail.com
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Block of the Month Club: Leader: TBD

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 - Yolanda Douglas - Keithied@aol.com
 - Susan Wade - skwade@gmail.com

Art Quilt/Digitizing Club: Leader: Kim?

- Members:
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 - Kim Everhart - keverhart@charter.net
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 - Yolanda Douglas - Keithied@aol.com

OBW Club: Leader: Judy Green

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 - Jen Lanak - intheclosetquilter@gmail.com
 - Susan Wade - skwade@gmail.com
 - Sheryl Sherman - mmysherman@gmail.com
 - Sherry Schliskey - 49casagato@charter.net

Machine Quilting Club: Leader: Phyllis?

- Members:
 - Jen Lanak - intheclosetquilter@gmail.com

Hand Quilting Club: Leader: Cheryl Gallagher?

- Members:

Suggestions for classes:

- Hand Quilting
- Machine Embroidery
- Machine Quilting
- Applique techniques

Challenges – Jen Lanak

I've got lots of ideas, and I hope you do too!

Brown Bag Challenge – each participant puts 4 Fat Quarters in a brown bag. The bags are then swapped, and you have to make something from the fabrics you receive. You can add fabric as needed as long as you use at least one scrap from each fat quarter you had in your bag.

Fat Quarter Challenge – similar to the Brown Bag Challenge, except that every participant gets an identical set of 4 Fat Quarters and must create a project from the fabrics. It is fun to see all the different ideas that can spark from the same fabric pull. Obviously, the one logistical challenge with this idea is cost of supplies because everyone needs to get the same fabrics, it is unlikely that one of us would be able to supply the entire challenge if there are a lot of participants.

12 by 12 Challenge (or variation) – I've been intrigued by this challenge since I saw an exhibition at Road to California. Every month, the participants are given a source of inspiration – often a specific color or word (like “winter” or “love” or “light”, etc.) and must create a 12 inch square quilt based on that source of inspiration. Variations in size can made, as well as the number of quilts and time frame between. For example, instead of 12 by 12, we could have 4 quilts at 24 inches square throughout the year (so 4 by 24). This would be a particularly fun challenge for the art quilt group.

Block Based Challenge – we've done these before where you create a quilt showcasing a specific quilt block like Half Square Triangles, Flying Geese, etc. Perhaps it is time to step it up a notch and choose a more difficult block, like New York Beauty, Cathedral Windows, Lone Star, Dahlia or Pineapple Blocks.

Crayon Challenge – Each participant is given a bag with a mystery set of 2 or 3 crayons. They must create a quilt using these colors and may add one additional color of their choice and one neutral color of their choice.

What's in a Name Challenge – Using your 3 initials – your 1st initial is the color, 2nd initial is the block/pattern, 3rd is quilting motif. Choose a color, block, motif based on your initial. For examples: Betty Ann Smith might choose: Blue, Arizona Star, Stipple. Yolanda Fiona Douglas might choose a Yellow, Farmers Wife Quilt (that would be a challenge!) with a Daisy motif. Or Jennifer Em Lanak

might choose Jade, Economy Block, with a Leaf quilting motif. You get the idea. I have books of block designs to help you choose if you get stumped with your letter.

Clue Challenge: Each participant chooses three cars from a standard “Clue” game. They then have to represent those three clues in their quilt. The suspects (Professor Plum, Ms. Scarlett, etc.) could represent the color, but they don’t have to. The rooms and weapons will be the trickier part. The Rope – could be a rope quilting motif or a couched thread as an embellishment; Lead Pipe could be something grey or long and thin; Conservatory could use floral fabric or applique flowers and vines. Creativity is key!

UFO Challenge – I am in serious need of this one! Debra did one a few years ago and I’ve also participated in an online UFO challenge from time to time. To start, you make a list of 12 UFOs. Each month, you designate one of your UFOs to work on and the group cheers you on. Now “work on” is loosely defined. The goal is to make progress on that project, you DON’T necessarily have to finish it. If you are able to finish a project, it gets taken off your list and replaced with a new UFO. Maybe we could also have a small prize awarded for a finished UFO. What I like about this challenge is that it gives you some flexibility to work on what you feel like since you choose the project you want to work on each month. You can even choose to continue working on a project from one month to the next if you are really feeling motivated to finish. Each month we could share the project we choose to work on and at the following meeting share what progress we made as well as which project we’ve chosen for the new month.

UFO Exchange – Each participant brings in a project they have started, but don’t want to finish. The projects are exchanged, and each participant is challenged to complete the UFO they were given. Participants are allowed to modify the project as they desire in order to complete. For example, if you are pattern that calls for a bunch of 16 patches and the “giver” has done a bunch of 4 patches to start, you can ditch the pattern and use the 4 patches to complete whatever you like. Likewise, you can rip out stitches and re-piece into different blocks if you choose. Or perhaps you are given enough blocks for a king size quilt, but you decide to make a twin and use the blocks on the front and back. Whatever goes as long as you finish.

Those are just some of the ideas I’ve been thinking about. Obviously, we can’t do them all and you ladies probably have some fun ideas too. If you get a chance, discuss some of the ideas at the Potluck and maybe we can decide which ones we want to do in the New Year.