Stitch'n Times



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### President's Message

How very different life in Sonoma County has become since I last sat down to write my message for the newsletter. Life has changed for all of us, whether the fires came to our doors or not. Our stories follow.

We are Sonoma County Strong. We will help ourselves heal over time. By continuing to share our love for quilting, the members of SRQG are fortunate to have that common thread to help us back to "normalcy," however that is defined in the future.

Jim Jensen



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# Our members share their stories....

### **Janet Shore**

At 3 am Sunday, Laure Campbell called me to get up, dress, and leave immediately which I did and drove to the Berger Center in Oakmont parking lot and sat for four hours alone until someone said I could go home. After I was home for 15 minutes a man came to the door telling me I must leave right now, so I did with just what I was wearing and grabbed just my phone and small safe with my important papers. Since I had a case of wine in the trunk, that went with me. Everyone gets a laughs about that. I was getting hungry so I stopped at Montgomery Village for coffee and a bagel. I then went to a quilter Laure Campbell's in Sebastopol and stayed there for a week. Next day went shopping for a few clothes, make-up, tooth brush, etc. Then I went to Berkeley to my guilting friend, Ann Rhode, for the second week. Ann invited some of my old guilting friends from EBHQ that I haven't seen for years. After Oakmont said we could go home, I arrived with Mayby Benson, another guilting friend, to help empty the refrigerator, and then we went to lunch at Betty's Fish and Chips. Lastly we shopped at Safeway. I'm at home alone and think how lucky to have my house in order, but mostly to have so many wonderful quilting friends. I am very lucky.



### June Moes

At 3am Sunday, October 1st, my husband of 65 years took his last breath leaving me with many wonderful laughs and memories and an empty house. He missed what we would have referred to "as an adventure." Moving Howard required a wheel chair and oxygen canisters, warm clothes, etc.

My son Eric voluntarily evacuated me the following Monday. In the quiet of the subsequent week, I did what any animal lover would do—and signed up to adopt a senior dog and socialize cats with the possibility of adopting a cat. That's what I call a happy ending!

### Janet Tonkin

At about 3 am on Monday the 9th, I was woken up by my neighbor pounding on my door. The air was filled with smoke and the sky was red from the fire in Kenwood. The neighbors were all getting ready to leave. I had actually made a list of what I would take during fires a couple of years ago. I packed a duffle with some clothes but forgot all personal care products like a tooth brush. I checked on another neighbor to be sure she was awake. In this process my cat, Pippin, went outside and was so freaked I couldn't catch him. I also forgot to leave him food and to refill the water bowls. Pippin was safe at home when I returned on October 17th. What a tale he could tell. The ground was littered with leaves and small branches from all the wind.

I headed west on highway 12 and fortunately drove past the Methodist Church on Montgomery and knew that was the place to stop. The lights were on and the doors were open. I helped feed the 100 or more people staying there for the first two days. I spent Monday night with a quilting friend and then moved on to Sebastopol and spent next 7 nights with guild member Jana Ulmer.

What a blessing friends are who opened their homes.



### Toni Anderson

Things I Have Learned: After the Disaster

- Stairs make a good chair in a pinch
- You can live on Target, Costco and Trader Joes for just about everything
- Ikea assembly still drives me crazy
- Nobody looks very attractive in a mask
- When your spouse asks you to take good pictures of your household inventory, don't roll your eyes, just do it
- Life without a sewing machine is just not as fun
- Good friends really do have your back
- Sonoma county is where I want to be, and my skills will serve her well
- In an emergency honor all of your senses
- A sleeping bag on a carpet is better than a sleeping bag in a tent
- Belonging to a tribe like SRQG makes hardship a little easier
- I look better with a little makeup
- Living leaner is not as bad as I thought it might be
- It's crazy how no internet can make you feel isolated in a disaster
- I can receive with as much grace as I can give
- A sense of humor is a blessing and my strongest life tool
- A good cup of coffee is almost as important to me as toothpaste
- Goodwill goes such a long way
- It's the little things

I think that in times like this we learn a lot about ourselves and about others in our lives. I feel closer to my family and my wonderful friends who have reached out in countless ways while we are figuring this all out. I also feel even more love for my home, my beloved Sonoma County. I have a skill that will be useful to bring comfort to so many others that are starting over and are in more difficult circumstances that I am. I can't wait to get quilting again, but it will take patience and time. I don't mourn anything but my beloved quilts and quilting supplies and of course I am broken hearted about losing all of the Sew A Rows. The rest as they say is "just stuff."

I can't thank Jim Jensen enough for getting word out to everyone. It felt like a hammock of comfort while dealing with all of this change. I can't wait to get back, and I hope I don't have to miss many (or any) meetings. I am such a lucky person to have found this Guild. I feel surrounded with support.

Thank you all for helping me in so many ways through such a horrific time.

### Lori Platt

#### Hi Jim,

First, and most importantly....what a special and crucial leader and support you have been for all of us! Who would ever think being a president of a quilt guild (old ladies sewing....right???!!) would be so important. I so appreciate your leadership and support thank you thank you!!

As for fire stories....hmmm... My husband and I were down in Hollywood when the fire broke out here in Redwood Valley. My son was at home, received the phonetree call from neighbors to evacuate at 4am.... and then had to try to reach us. When I *finally* realized the \*ring tone\* was MY phone (New phone, new ring tone, not yet familiar....sigh!!) so I call him back and he says \*Mom! What should I save? What is important?\*.... well, your brain kind of stops, doesn't process such a *BIG* request... when I could come up with *anything* (!) it was my quilt tops - the UNFIN-ISHED ones! (sheesh)....as well as the finished...but...yes - please, grab my quilts! OH! and, yes, DO GRAB the OPPORTUNITY QUILT!! Genelle and I LOVE this quilt....oh, please - do protect that!

Beyond that...well, Bill and I then drove home...I used ALL of my monthly allotted Verizon data checking obsessively on Facebook, CalFire, Sherriff sites... ANYWHERE as we drove home. The fire did come very close to us... but we were so very lucky - absolutely no damage... my psyche, my emotional equilibrium (My lungs!) - yeah-shot!, but all else - so fine. But my friends...homes that I raised my kids in (Long time family friends), homes of new friends that I spend weeks on end with sewing, laughing, eating, drinking with, these are homes that are now gone and it is breaking my heart. I can barely breathe! *How can they?!* 

This is ... is ... huge ... too big ... oh my....

Jim - I am so happy you are there for us, that you are our president, that you gather us together and give us a framework within to collapse! I am so thankful for my quilting community. This is one of the best things in my life:-)

Love, bright colors, amazing designs...and more love



### Valeska Lattin

I am one of the lucky ones. No problem to my home. I spent a lot of time praying for my family and friends. I am so very sorry for all of you who lost so much.

After watching the fire over the hills behind me about 3:00 am, I was told to prepare to evacuate. I was getting ready to leave for Oakland and a friend in a lovely home when my son and daughter in law packed up my things and cat and delivered me to my friend's home. I spent the week in a lovely home with wonderful people and food and then my stepson picked me up and brought me home. No suffering, just worry about friends and family.

My oddest items packing up to take with me was six pairs of leather gloves. Obviously they were not needed.

Misifu, my cat, managed to get out of her box on the way home but was delighted to sit in my lap and watch the world go by outside.

It is wonderful to have a home to be in and to be back in it.

### Jan Nilsen

As I went out on Sunday to put down the umbrella on the patio because of the wind, I went to pet Shiloh (my Maine Coon cat) and got a shock from his fur due to the wind and low humidity. As I went back in to the house I said to my husband, "this day feels exactly like the day of the Oakland fire. Same wind, same heat, same dryness." I was there, too. A very scary day as I lived close to the fire. Fortunately like now, close but we did not lose our home. We got the call from my cousin who also lives in Windsor at 4:30 am telling us Santa Rosa was on fire, 101 was closed and they were heading up north. It was deja vu. We decided to stay until we were told to go. I packed and unpacked 3 times as we were on the edge of evacuating but in the end we did not need to. We stayed inside with our cats as the air was so bad and were glued to the radio and internet. PG&E turned off our gas for 4 days as a precaution. In the end this fire was so much worse than the one Oakland endured. I am so thankful to all of the first responders and especially the Shiloh fire department who stopped the fire at the end of Shiloh road. My heart aches for those who have lost so much.

We have a wonderful community and we will get through this together.

### Jackie Pitts

When I woke up Monday I couldn't see my neighbor's chimney. There were two messages from my neighbor on the answering machine. They were evacuating. Since I no longer drive, they offered to take me. Could I be ready in fifteen minutes? Yes, I could. I had a 'go bag' from trips to the hospital during my husband's illness. I added current meds and a few amenities, took my violin, and went with my neighbors to a friend of theirs who lived in Petaluma. Their cats cried mournfully on the way but their dog took it all as a great adventure. Their friend took me in along with his lifelong friends. We went back and forth between my neighbor's house and their friend's for several days until my son came and claimed me. He took me to a friend in Oakdale. By this time there was fire on three sides of my house. We made what we thought might be our last visit to it. My son took his cello, left at my house for safekeeping. I took my collection of Sasha dolls wrapped in little guilts, the memory quilt I made for Sam, my childhood doll and my grandfather's railroad watch. There were family pictures pried out of their frames and tucked between the pages of my Bible. My son put me on a train to Oregon where I have been visiting a friend I intended to visit ever since she moved. We are attempting to ransack every quilt shop in Oregon. I am making pocket mascots for some little kids who got burned out. My house is intact. I hope to return soon.



### **Fran Threewit**

How good it feels to be back in Kenwood. Today our quilting group met at the Kenwood Church as we usually do on Tuesdays. It was delightful to be with all these positive and caring ladies. We each had our stories to share and hugs to give. It was wonderful! I look forward to our next Guild meeting because I will have with me the box of very old quilt blocks and fabrics that I bought at our last meeting. I know I slightly over bid you on the item. I have had a chance to look at and touch each block and have decided that they just are not for me. I will pass them on to you knowing that you will enjoy them more than I.

Until then,

Fran

### **Caroline Pope**

The Sunday night of the fire, I went to bed around 11:30 listening to the 50 mph winds, which threatened to detach one of the fiberglass panels on our carport. That was my biggest worry at that time. I woke up to the smell of fire at 1:30 am Monday morning. I got my husband and went outside to see such a thick covering of smoke, but no flames. I called the Sheriff department and they told me there were fires burning but none in my area. I said, "You don't understand, there is thick smoke everywhere around me!" The dispatcher told me that there were MANY fires burning, but the closest was in Santa Rosa and not to worry. I couldn't sleep. I just didn't believe her. Neither did our daughter. We kept checking outside, while Matt went back to sleep. Finally, we crashed around 4:00 am but not before I laid out clothes & shoes just in case. Who knew I'd be doing that for the next 6 days! At 7:00 our daughter Shelby texted us from Berkeley saying, "Dad isn't going to work today is he? Santa Rosa is on fire!" We looked outside saw a distant glow and a very red sun, and then we turned on the news. The first images were of Fountaingrove and I immediately thought of Toni Anderson. I texted her and she replied that she and her husband were safe but that they indeed had lost their home. I couldn't believe it. The next call was to our nephew. He and his family lived near Coffey Park and had to evacuate with their 4 year old and two large dogs. We told them to come stay with us. As the day and horrors unfolded, I reached out to Sharon, who finally left her home, to Jim, to see about Guild members and to several of our friends. Each person lived in a different area of Sonoma County and they were fleeing. It was just unfathomable. We had one more room in our home to share, and the next day it went to friends, their son, and 4 cats.

During the first week of the fires, I felt restless. I had to do more, move more, reach out more, clean more and cook more. I also ate & drank more! I remember donating supplies to a local shelter, them going home, finishing a SRQG community quilt and donating it to a child in the shelter all in the same day. I just couldn't stop moving. I don't think I slept in 3 days. I was so worried about everyone, especially our Guild members who I've come to cherish in my year as a member. I felt lucky, blessed, anxious and guilty during the fires because our town of Penngrove was spared, but mostly I felt the love of the First Responders and the North Bay Community.

I saw people and businesses step up to help. Strangers chatting with each other, hugging, sharing

#### Caroline Pope continued →

### Marguerite Li

Hi Jim, Thank you for all your leadership during the fires. There was so much nervous tension in our neighborhood during the fires. It helped me to make a list of people I knew in the fire zones, and to focus my thoughts and prayers on these folks. I'm a volunteer in the Harvest of the Hungry Garden on Yulupa Avenue. Normally, we harvest for the Living Room, FISH, and Elisha's Pantry. All of these places were closed for the first week of the fires. But we learned that Worth Our Weight, near Montgomery Village, had begun cooking for the evacuation centers, so a few of us braved the smoke and worked to bring fresh tomatoes, peppers, kale, etc to the folks over at Worth Our Weight. It felt good to focus on helping the evacuees in some small way.

I did pack a few boxes, as we live in an "Advisory Evacuation" neighborhood. Tax records, business records, passports, quilts, and my husband's fishing gear. Plus my sewing machine, of course.

### Joyce Marty

Joyce wrote to Linda Morand:

Wow Linda, you should see our Ranch. Looks like a bomb hit us. We have been displaced since Oct 9th living in shelters; last 3 nights at the Flamingo as we were booted out of the Petaluma Vet Hall. Got home yesterday. We are blessed from Al's family saving the old farm house and barn. Surrounded fire was raging. Lost a lot. Love.

### Lien Souza

Being among the lucky ones whose home was spared by that deadly fire, we will nevertheless reflect sadly for a long time to come on our friends that lost their houses, as well as on our very own fright that we, too, could've lost everything.

In hasty preparation for an imminent evacuation, we packed our cars with our dearest, irreplaceable "treasures." They included our family photo albums, Peter's medals and memorabilia from the Vietnam War, the painting of my grandfather's villa in North Viet-Nam that Peter had painted for me, and my Hawaiian quilt that had taken me 10 1/2 years to make, having been a UFO for over 10 years.

#### **Caroline Pope continued**

stories & tears, free food at local businesses, a designer boutique giving away clothes to those in need, and countless other selfless acts. I think everyone has been forever changed. I know I have.

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### Lolli Gannon

While I did not experience any fire damage, my thoughts were on our guild family every day and the heartache that so many were experiencing.

Petaluma had a great deal of smoke, we had to wear masks outdoors, and I was fortunate to already have two air purifiers in my home.

The Petaluma Veterans Building, Lucchesi Center and Casa Grande High School were being utilized as evacuation centers, along with at least 5 churches.

So many people wanted to help in any way that they could with food, clothing and toiletries being donated, along with pet food, crates and pet toys. One of the parking lots was housing pets of all kinds. Many people took in fire evacuees and volunteered at the shelters. We were on alert for a few days and packed a few items in case we needed to evacuate. My treasured featherweight sat by the door all week. I look forward

to being with and seeing the wonderful ladies and gentlemen in our guild, and wish all of you the very best.

### Jan Andrews

As we all know, Sunday night was crazy windy and we'd smelled smoke for several hours before the power went out around 11 pm. Because we've smelled smoke so often during the fall, we didn't really consider that we were in imminent danger. We tried to sleep, but it was too spooky to relax, and our dog Nicky was acting unsettled and nervous. At 2:15, we heard a banging noise, which I thought was just some vard stuff blowing around, but when it persisted. Mike answered the door to find our neighbor Scott shouting "You need to get the hell out of here NOW!" Out the front door, behind Scott, we could see the orange glow of the sky over Varenna, so we believed him. We will be forever grateful to this father of three, who interrupted his own evacuation, to make sure we got out.

We grabbed the dogs, meds, Mike bravely went back to get our computers, then we fled with both cars (our 2003 Toyota truck being worth more alive than dead) and the clothes on our backs. We rendezvoused at K-Mart, thinking it would be out of harm's way, and left the truck there (and it survived!). After a couple of nights with my friend Becky and another couple with our kids in El Sobrante, we are now at the Hampton Inn, Napa, with a move to an apartment in Santa Rosa scheduled for November 13<sup>th</sup>.

#### Jan Andrews continued ->

### Donna Briggs

My friends lost nearly everything in the Coffey Park fire. They escaped with some photo albums, their cats and their lives. That was it.

Jan and I talked about what she had wished she had grabbed. When my neighborhood went under advisory evacuation notice I decided to pack my car, just in case I had to leave. The question I asked myself as I made choices was what could I not stand to ever see again? The answer was obvious when I began to pack my car.

First I took my collection of quilts. Next in the car went my featherweight machine and some thread. My mom loved crewel work and had embroidered pictures for my birthday so these went in with a picture she had embroidered from a 1950's McCall's Needlework magazine cover.

My Grandma was represented by an afghan she crocheted in the 60's and needlework pictures she did in the 40's while waiting for my dad to return from the war. A shadow box my brother built for me took up the floor space on the passenger side of my Prius.

My nieces and nephew's art projects presented to me were carefully wrapped and a turtle my 60+ year old brother had modeled when he was in first grade filled in the holes left over.

Handwork was what would be too painful to lose, but I threw in a favorite book and my Jane Austin DVD"s for comfort. Last on the pile was a current project because handwork is comforting.

I want to start sewing some projects that will comfort other people.

#### Jan Andrews continued

We lost everything, but we have each other and our dogs, and we are mighty grateful for that. The love and support we have received from everyone has been humbling, and we are forever grateful. While we lost so much, including family pictures, tchotchkes and my quilts-in-progress, it is hard to feel sorry for ourselves.

Last week, Mike insisted that I get sewing since we finished (hahaha) our property lists. We replaced my Janome Jem, visited Broadway Quilts where I bought a couple of kits and some basic supplies, and started—to the surprise of no one—a Halloween quilt! People have been generously replacing my Halloween stash, which is safely stored at the Scottish Rite until we move. Won't my hubby be surprised???

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### Sharon Fry

Before I became famous (with the help from so many SRQG members) for being the "librarian" of the most awesome quilt guild library in the entire world, I was known for my LISTS.

When Jim asked for stories about our experiences over the last couple of weeks, I had already started making a LIST of the generous kindnesses that had come my way, starting with former SRQG President Nancy Parmelee (and her husband Bob) inviting Harry, Rosie (our 27-year-old African Grey Parrot), and Trece ("thirteen" in Spanish, our lucky black cat, who will celebrate his 14<sup>th</sup> birthday on Halloween) to move into their very comfortable home in my favorite town in the whole-wide-world, Sonoma.

Instead of writing about hugs from strangers and people in line at the grocery stores teaching me how to use a cell phone, I am going to write about making an evacuation LIST.

When I was telephoning neighbors at 1:00 a.m., waking them from sound sleeps, they asked "What should I take with me?" I told them to grab a pencil and paper and I read them what was on the evacuation LIST that I had developed over the years. Everyone's priorities are different, but this is what my LIST looks like:

PURSE (a big one with a strap to hang around your neck, or backpack – keep it with you – stuff stuff into it – if it is attached to your body, you won't set it down and forget where you put it – Harry uses his briefcase for his "purse")

WALLET (with driver's license or ID, credit cards)

CASH (don't tell anyone, but I have a little stash hidden for emergencies – ones, fives, tens, and twenties – sometimes ATMs don't work, banks are closed, and this could be good for little bribes or thank yous along the way)

MEDICATIONS (grab the entire bottles as this will be valuable information in case you run out while away from home)

CRITTERS (their cages, food, water)

CELL PHONE (and charger) (Hey – our land line won't be restored for another month!)

COMFORTABLE SHOES (not pretty – "these boots are made for walking!")

RETAINER/MOUTH NIGHT GUARD (now you all know something else about me)

HOUSE PLANS (in case you want to re-build in the future)

COMPUTER CODES

CLOTHES (I grabbed two pairs of jeans, four Tshirts, a sweatshirt jacket (stay tuned for a future story about that!), favorite watch, one pair of earrings,

#### Shaorn Fry continued

running shoes, socks, underwear, a bathrobe, my favorite pair of Crocs to use as slippers – with so few clothes I didn't have to think about what outfit to wear, and taking no make-up or costume jewelry sure saved time every day!)

RECIPE BOX (only if you have time and space – plus photos, computer towers/laptop, address book, "important" papers)

GUILD TOTE BAG (Yup – loyal to SRQG – I took information, keys to Scottish Rite – could have packed a quilt or two instead, but I have photos of those in my computer – Guild business must go on!) IF YOU HAVE TIME ~~ shampoo, favorite cleanser, moisturizer, body lotion – just little items to help make you feel better in trying times – but all of those things can be picked up at the store in due time.

Nope – I did not take along even one bit of sewing or a quilt book. Instead, I spent the time helping out wherever I could, and learning to use my iPhone.

These are just a few suggestions for your LIST – think about what you missed while you were evacuated and tailor your own LIST.

I keep one LIST on my kitchen pantry wall, and in case the kitchen is on fire, one in the nightstand drawer.

Start at the top of your LIST, collect as many items as you have time and/or room for. If you have to evacuate in seconds, even without time to put on a pair of shoes or a bathrobe, this obviously is not going to work, but if you have minutes or hours, the LIST will help your brain, which is definitely going to be in shock. With a LIST you don't have to think.

I can never thank President Jim Jensen enough for putting together minute-by-minute information about our members during this horrific time. It was nice to have the connection with the members while I spent a week in Pleasanton.

Now I am going to walk down the hill and sniff out our leach field – and I literally mean "sniff." Cal Fire bull-dozed across our leach field using it as a fire break. We have been told that could have helped to save our home, as well as maybe the entire town of Sonoma. Leach fields can be repaired, I just have to figure out who to call. Next, I will water the plants I have left while day-dreaming about how to relandscape the parts of the yard that were burned. It's amazing that our house and garage came through just fine with charred areas totally surrounding the structures.

SEW – go make (or update) your LIST – and hope you never have to use it!

Hugs to all!

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### Quilt Fest for Sonoma County

Let me start with the closing paragraph that I wrote for the Lake County Quilt Project Wrap-Up article in 2015.

"With the experience I gained along with the willingness and response for this type of project made me realize that we could actually be better prepared the next time a disaster occurs. Of course I'm hoping that preparedness means never needing to put it into action. I am willing to take this on, unless someone else feels it is their destiny to lead an informal project like this. If you would like to work with me, let me know. I'd love to have a team to help put together a future action plan."

Well, we didn't get a team together, but we are prepared!

On Nov 2nd and 16th, 2017, we will be working on Community Quilt kits and Fire Survivor projects.

I will have a limited supply of Quilt Kits to check out. Most of my kits will focus on Table runners, Placemats, Potholders, with a handful of bed size quilt kits. As before, the kits are just a starting point. You'll have to provide some of your fabric/supplies to actually finish the kit. I have a few Orphan Blocks (Where do they keep coming from?!) which I would like to challenge you to create Potholders and Placemats out of.

Come prepared to work on helping Community Quilts, or bring your own supplies for pillowcases or whatever you would like to work on.

Here is a reminder of what we accomplished in the past: about 114 amazing pillowcases, 2 hand knitted dish cloths, 13 potholders and about 63 quilts (30 was our goal).

Looking forward to some great sewing, laughing and food as we once again sew to brighten someone else's life.

Sonoma Strong!

Jan Westerman & Margo Pitter

Holiday Potluck December 7th!

### Block of the Month

As Jim mentioned in his email to all of us, "these are not ordinary times." What we all thought was important yesterday, is no longer important today. The Guild November meetings have been designated as "sewing days."



The October BOM, No Name

Star, is also the November BOM. The blocks already submitted will be used in a quilt or quilts sewn together during our November "sewing days."

I encourage you to sew a block to contribute to one of these quilts. The star was named 'No Name Star'. I am officially changing the name to 'Survivor Star'. The instructions for the block are on our website, <u>www.santarosaquiltguild.org/block.php</u>.

Sathy Conover

### **Friendship Blocks**

There are many ways to be a friend and November will be dedicated to our friends and family who have been impacted by the North Bay fires.

The Friendship Block Committee will take a short hiatus while we concentrate on our SRQG community. We will resume in January with a fresh new year.

You may contact me with your Friendship Block requests, ideas and plans at any time during November and December. I hope to introduce new Friendship Block requests starting January 2018.



### Technique Sharing Workshops

We will be taking a break for the rest of the year to focus on making quilts for our community. Come and join us and watch the skilled techniques of our quilter colleagues in action. We will resume our program in January 2018 and you can check our website or the newsletter for upcoming workshops during our meetings.

Enjoy the holidays and hold those you love and our wonderful community dear. I know I will.





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Remember!

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LIBRARY BOOKS 
LUNCH 
NO PETS 
NO FRAGRANCES

REUSABLE PLATE & FORK 
CELL PHONE ON SILENT

## SRQG 2017-18 Calendar

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### NOVEMBER

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#### **Business Meeting**

Election of 2018 Officers Presentation of 2018 Budget Sewing for Fire Survivors

#### Sewing for Fire Survivors

23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!

#### DECEMBER

#### 7 Holiday Potluck!

Come to the potluck, bring a dish, and prepare to have a wonderful day chatting with friends. Vote on budget

**12** Joint Board Meeting

#### JANUARY

Business Meeting

Installation of Officers

#### **18** Program Meeting

Liz Berg ~ "Art Quilts" TSW~ To Be Announced

#### 19 Workshop

Liz Berg~ "Color for Quilters" Luther Burbank Art & Garden Center 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. for set-up

#### 25 Board Meeting



# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

WE CANT SAY "THANK YOU" TOO MANY TIMES TO THE 80+ MEMBERS WHO PAID THEIR DUES ON NOVEMBER 2ND!

### WE WILL BE OPEN AND ACCEPTING RENEWALS AGAIN ON NOVEMBER 16TH THERE WILL BE ANOTHER RAFFLE FOR SOME LUCKY WINNER WHO PAYS THAT DAY

DON'T FORGET: CHECK FOR \$35.00 MADE TO: SRQG EXACT CASH \$35.00 YOU MAY ALSO MAIL YOUR CHECK TO: SRQG P.O. BOX 9251 SANTA ROSA, CA 95405

### Coming Attractions for Programs and Workshops in 2018

Instructor	Date	Website	Program	Workshop
Liz Berg	Jan 18-19	www.lizbergartquilts.com		Color for Quilters
Kevin Kosbab	Feb 15-16	www.feeddog.net/		Alpha Blocks
Sharon Templeton	Mar 15-16	www.thechaoticquilter.com		Broken Hearted
Lorraine Olsen	Apr 19-20	www.lorraineolsenquilts.com		Miniature Blocks
Maggie Ball	May 17-18	www.dragonflyquilts.com		Op-art Kaleidoscope
Mel Beach	Jun 21-22	www.melbeachquilts.com		Magnificent Mandalas
Karla Alexander	Jul 19-20	www.saginawstreetquilts.com		Circle Play
Paula Golden	Aug 16-17	www.paulagolden.com		Frolicking Felines
Sue Nickels	Oct 18-19	www.sue-nickels.com		Machine Appliqué

November/December 2017

### Santa Rosa Quilt Guild Affiliates

#### BAY QUILTS

Sally Davey 5327 Jacuzzi St. #3-C & Richmond, CA 94804 (510) 558-0218 <u>http://bay-quilts.shoplightspeed.com/</u> daveysally49@gmail.co Monday - Friday 10:00 - 6:00 Saturday – Sunday 12:00 - 5:-00

#### BIRD BRAIN DESIGNS

Robin Kingsley 3925 Main St. v Kelseyville, CA 95451 279-8787 info@birdbraindesigns.com <u>https://www.birdbraindesigns.net/</u> Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9:00 - 4:30

#### BOLT FABRIC AND HOME

Kate Barrett 219 N. Cloverdale Blvd. & Cloverdale 894-2658 Tues. - Sat. 10:00 - 6:00 <u>http://www.boltcloverdale.com/ info@boltcloverdale.com</u> 10% discount for SRQG members

#### BROADWAY QUILTS

Gery Rosemurgy, Owner 20525 Broadway え Sonoma, CA 95476 707-938-7312 <u>www.broadwayquilts.com</u> Mon-Sat 9:30-5:30, 11-3 Sunday

#### THE LONGARM LADY AT QUILTY PLEASURES STUDIO

Custom Machine Quilting by Gari Jones 112 Schoolhouse Lane vo Geyserville, CA 95441 217-0087 <u>http://thelongarmlady.com/</u> <u>thelongarmlady@gmail.com</u> Hours by Appointment

#### MARIAN'S MAGIC NEEDLE QUILTING

Custom Machine Quilting Marian Drain 1140 Sanford Ranch Rd. vo Ukiah, CA 95482 472-0195 Hours by Appointment <u>https://cuddletimequilts.wordpress.com/</u> <u>cuddletimequilts@me.com</u>

#### MEISSNER SEWING & VACUUM CENTER

James Meissner Authorized Baby Lock, Brother, Bernina, Janome and Gammill Dealer 1250 Mendocino Ave. ☜ Santa Rosa, CA 95401 707-575-5259 <u>http://www.meissnersewing.com/</u> Mon - Sat: 10:00 to 6:00

#### QUILTED ANGEL

Barbara Meikle 200 G Street ∞ Petaluma, CA 707-763-0945 Mon - Fri 10:00 - 4:00 Saturday 10:00 - 5:30 Sunday 11:00 - 4:00 <u>http://guiltedangel.com/</u>

#### QUILTED VINE

Machine Quilting Lynda McLean 2080 Mt. Olive Way ⋓ Santa Rosa, CA 707-528-4256 Hours by Appointment <u>quiltedvine@sbcglobal.net</u>

#### VILLAGE SEWING CENTER

John Furtado 1455 Santa Rosa Ave. Suite B-1 Santa Rosa, CA 707-544-7529 Monday - Friday 10 am to 6 pm Saturday 10 am to 5 pm <u>https://villagesewing.com/</u>

## SANTA ROSA QUILT GUILD



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#### MEETINGS AND MEMBERSHIP

The Santa Rosa Quilt Guild meets the first and third Thursdays of each month (in December only one meeting is held on the first Thursday) at 10:00 a.m. at the Scottish Rite / Masonic Lodge in Santa Rosa, 600 Acacia Lane, between Mission Boulevard and Middle Rincon Road on Highway 12 east of Santa Rosa.

Membership dues are \$35 per year. The calendar year is January to December; new member's dues are prorated. Regular meetings, special programs, use of the extensive library and special discounts from some affiliates are benefits of membership. For More information or to send a check for dues email:

membership@santarosaquiltguild.org

	Meeting Ctiquette	
ţ.	Please avoid chit-chat while someone is speaking to the group.	
	<ul><li>Please peruse the Silent Auction &amp; Boutique before or after the meetingnot during the meeting.</li><li>Please, do not browse the speaker's sales table during the meeting.</li><li>Please set your cell phone to silent mode or turn it off.</li><li>At Speaker Meetings, please move to the center of the rows and eliminate empty seats, so late-comers will be able to find a seat and</li></ul>	
	not disturb the group. Thank You Sew Much!	