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## Patchwords Newsletter

April 2025

Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County



# April Showers....make for sewing time

Join us this month for meetings, camps, inspiration and planning the 2025 Fabric Sale. We invite you to read to the end for all the exciting events on our calendar. In this issue you'll find:

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## April Events

### Business Meeting: April 2

### Open to Everyone: In-Person and Zoom

6:30 p.m. social time, 7:00 p.m. meeting begins

Join us at the Veterans Memorial Building for a Community Quilt parade, and Star Quilter, Pet Cuddles, Block of the Month, Friendship Blocks and more.

We will have updates on our upcoming events include Day Camp, the annual fabric sale, Medallion Quilts and the Opportunity Quilt.

There will not be a program meeting this month.

Veterans Memorial Building, (map)  
1351 Maple Drive, Santa Rosa  
Zoom link provided before the meeting (members only)



Come see Star Quilter Katina Repp's gorgeous quilts

## President's Message



### **In Loving Memory of My Father**

I was deeply honored to all the wonderful MQSC quilters, especially Denise Ragozzino, for their incredible gift of the quilt honoring my father. Your generosity and craftsmanship in making this quilt was truly a labor of love. I will miss my dad and the support he showed all of us.

My father was a master woodworking craftsman. He was self-taught and dabbled in many different crafts. He taught himself to make a guitar, weave a Navajo rug, made bobbin lace, carved birds, built wooden cars and in his retirement years, built boats. I was lucky to grow up in an environment where imagination to create was encouraged. I'll miss that soft chuckle as he would shuffle past my sewing room, with a slight nod of approval.

Kathy Vedder, President



## April 2 Activity Announcements

### Fabric Exchange



You have to appreciate the creativity of our Fabric Exchange team. This month,

### Medallions



Round 3 Medallions are due back to Katina by April 16th. There are several

they want everyone to bring 9X12 orphan blocks. Could this be the start of your sampler quilt?

medallions that need to be filled so you can still join in this design challenge. You can see the options [here](#) before you sign up.

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## Opportunity Quilt



Get your tickets for the drawing to win "Fairies in the Garden" which was pieced by a group of members led by Saraj Cory. It was quilted by Mary Slack. Learn more [here](#).

## Block of the Month



Return Grape Basket Blocks and your Pick up instructions for the May Block of the Month ....an old fashioned Patriotic Star

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## Fabric Sale Donations

## Cat & Dog Cuddles



The Craft & Quilt Boutique and Fabric Sale is a great opportunity for you to declutter/cull your quilting stash. For each in person meeting between now and October, the Fabric team will be collecting fabrics. The April meeting will feature **orange and blue fat quarters or larger**. Of course if you want to tackle and purge all at one time, contact Marilyn Lira ([mlira4350@comcast.net](mailto:mlira4350@comcast.net)) or Trina Jahnsen ([tjriver@yahoo.com](mailto:tjriver@yahoo.com)) and they will arrange for your donation to get to the storage unit.



Thank you to Carole, Janet, Maureen, Diane and Bernadette for 9 cuddles donated at the March meeting. Forgotten Felines told us they doubled their spay/neuter procedures in 2024 to 4,045. Our cuddles are used by cats recovering from their surgeries. There will be fabric, batting and patterns at the meeting.

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## April Star Quilter: Katina Repp



Join us on Wednesday when Katina Repp shows us her beautiful quilts and tells us story behind her celebration of pour decisions.

## Upcoming Member Events

### Day Camp

April 5/6

10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Vets Building



We have a few spaces open for this weekend's MQSC Quilt Day Camp. You'll have time to sew, chat, and enjoy lunches and dinners with fellow quilters. Please register in advance. Your \$60 registration

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

2025 Fabric & Quilt Sale



Are you ready for a weekend filled with creativity, laughter, and delicious meals? At MQSC Quilt Day Camp you'll have time to sew, chat, and enjoy lunches and dinners with fellow quilters. Please register in advance, since space is limited.

fee includes lunch and dinner for both days.

Your \$60 registration fee includes lunch and dinner for both days.

Day Camp Registration

Questions: email Sue Evans at [mqscvp@gmail.com](mailto:mqscvp@gmail.com)

**Barn Quilts Lecture**  
**May 21**  
**In person and Zoom**

**Orphan Blocks Play & Collaboration**  
**June 18, 25**



The May program meeting will focus on the wonderful wood artwork created by Rick and Sandy Carroll showcasing traditional quilt blocks. Rick will talk about how his retirement became a second career in partnership with his wife, Sandy, and answer your questions about the design process, responses from the community and anything else you think of!

Bring your orphan blocks (you may not get them back) and come play and collaborate to create a scrappy / sampler quilt from orphan blocks

[Browse Our Full Calendar of Upcoming Events](#)

# Community News

## Just Quilts! Exhibit



**Just Quilts!**  
April 19th, 2025 - May 25th, 2025

Featuring three innovative, award-winning, talented quilters from the Valley of Heart's Delight (Santa Clara Valley).

These featured quilters are Charlotte Scholberg, Randa Mulford, and the late Joy Palmer.

 San Jose Museum of  
**Quilts & Textiles**

520 South 1st St, San Jose CA 95113  
www.sj-mqt.org | (408) 971-0323  
Thursday/Friday: 1PM - 5PM  
Saturday/Sunday: 11AM - 5PM

The San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles is mounting a show from 3 award-winning quilters from the Santa Clara Area.

If these images are a glimpse at the talent of Charlotte Scholberg, Randa Mulford and the late Joy Palmer, this exhibit will be worth the trip to San Jose.

The exhibit runs April 19 - May 25th.

## Artichoke Festival Quilt Challenge





Details and Entry Form

Back for another year, the Artichoke Festival Quilt Challenge is on! It's a chance for amateur quilters to show off their talents and win Prizes for:

- Judges Choice (cash prizes)
- People's Choice
- Best Artichoke
- Best Use of Fabric

To enter, you need to write to the Challenge organizers for a fabric packet, and create a 20X20" quilt that includes at least one artichoke on the front. Entries are due June 6 in Castroville.

## Become a Member

There are many benefits of being a Moonlight Quilters member such as Basic Skills Classes, Workshops, zoom links to meetings and more.

Dues are \$60/year. The new year begins September 1, and you can join anytime. Join now and your dues will be pro-rated for the remainder of the membership year. Scholarships are available. We are a 501(c)3 organization, so your contributions are tax deductible.

If you have questions about membership, contact [the membership chair](#).

Use the link below for the online membership application and to pay your dues;

Become a Member

# Welcome New Members

Lakshmi Abburi

## Happy Birthday To You....



Susan Bishop  
Wilma Cheong  
Diane Dickinson  
Mary Flynn  
Cherie Gooler  
Mary Ann Hayre  
Philona Joseph-Pierre  
Bonnie LaPolla

Marilyn Lira  
Karen Mansergh  
Judy Mathieson  
Mary Papsco  
Kathy Seely  
Ann Strom  
Sande Wickham  
Lline Woodall

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### [How to Contact the Board, Chairs, and Coordinators](#)

Do you have a question about what size quilts Community Relations is looking for and don't know who to ask? Are you unable to return your library book on time and don't know how to let the Library folks know? In an effort to make communication within the guild easier, there are generic email addresses for key positions. You can access the complete list on the MQSC website. Navigate to the [Membership](#) page, then scroll down to Member Documents and look for the link [Board, Chairs, and Coordinators for 2024-25](#). You can download or print the PDF for reference as needed.

We are committed to equal member opportunity regardless of race, color, ancestry, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, age, citizenship, marital status, disability, gender identity or Veteran status.



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