



# Ocean Wave Quilters

## December 2014 Newsletter

### Message from the President - Lonna

Well, we wanted rain and boy, did we get it. Luckily it is great weather for hand crafts. I'm sure we all have some holiday items we are working on. Bring your items to the Holiday Sew Sunday this weekend and we'll work, snack, chat and perhaps sing.

Please bring something special for lunch, including wine if you'd like. We are doing the gift exchange with those who signed up. If you would like to bring socks, gloves, stocking hats, mufflers or umbrellas for the homeless we will get them to Hospitality House. I've been told there are many women with families there so small toys might be nice as well.

### Highlights from the November 9<sup>th</sup>

#### OWQ Meeting - Sharon L, Secretary

1. Items to be voted on at the January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting:
  - Changing our meeting start time to 1pm
  - Approving the expenditure of approximately \$100 per year (\$107.76 for the first year) for a web site ([www.oceanwavequilters.com](http://www.oceanwavequilters.com)).
2. Drunkard's Path blockettes are due at the January meeting. Contact Shirlee if you would like to do one of these and did not get a kit.
3. Holiday celebrations:
 

**Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>** - we will have a "Sew Sunday" instead of a meeting. Come at 10 a.m. to sew if you wish. Pot-luck: hors d'oeuvres, salads, desserts, and beverages at noon.

**Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>** - 1 p.m. - The Cliff House. Contact Lonna if you plan to go.
4. 2015 Quilt Show - Saturday-Sunday, June 27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> at Dana Gray Elementary School. Theme: The Circle of Life.
5. 2015 Tea - Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Class with Rami Kim on Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.

6. Please keep donating the items you make for Warm Welcome, Texture Quilts, etc. - but make sure they are free of perfumes, smoke and pet hair.

### Quilt Show Committee Report - Sharon L, Chair

Work continues on the 2015 Quilt Show. The Opportunity Quilt pattern has been selected and a big **THANK YOU** to Karen L who has agreed to "shepherd" the quilt from fabric selection (thanks to Jean H, also, for volunteering to help select the fabric) through to getting it quilted and finished. See Karen's separate report on her timeline. We have secured Dana Gray Elementary School for the weekend of June 27-28, have chosen the theme "The Circle of Life" and are now working through the checklist of all the things that will need to be in place for the show.

### Opportunity Quilt - Karen L

We are making progress! Our pattern is chosen and thus far, 18 people have volunteered to make blocks for our "Circle of Life" opportunity quilt. (More volunteers always gladly welcomed!) The pattern is on our website! We expect to have instructions and fabric available in December. Blocks *must* be completed by Feb 1, and we will devote some time at our January "free sew" day to finishing the blocks. The quilt top will be put together by mid-February, so that the quilt can be delivered for quilting in late February and early March, and can then be bound and completed by April 1. This will allow the Soroptimists to have the quilt on display in various locations around Fort Bragg for at least two months prior to our quilt show in late June. Volunteers, we are working against deadline, and

beg you to complete your blocks in timely fashion; if you cannot meet deadlines, please let Karen know as soon as possible. The quilting will be important, and we hope to take time to do it right! Thank you!

### Mendocino Quilt Artists Exhibit at Mendocino Art Center

The Mendocino Quilt Artists have an amazing new exhibit titled "A Feast for the Eyes" running through December 30th. The show, according to the blurb on the Art Center's web site: "is the result of our collective desire to create a truly luscious body of work that could be featured in a gallery setting. We have included works that relate directly to the concept of holiday feasting in addition to others that are more broadly a visual feast, using a wide variety of surface design techniques."

The Mendocino Quilt Artists guild is composed of 12 inland Mendocino County women: Deanna Apfel, Holly Brackmann, Laura Fogg, Renee Gannon, Vicky Groom, Ann Horton, Leila Kazimi, Betty Lacy, Dede Ledford, Mary Ann Michelsen, Joyce Paterson, and Marilyn Simpson.

### In Black and White Exhibit - Cindi Jo

In Black and White - Quilts, Textiles, and Creative Expressions. We are looking for artists who would like to display items for this month-long quilt exhibit for April 2015 in Mendocino at the Odd Fellows Hall. In black and white (predominately), create something new, or bring in a favorite piece you have already finished. Fee is \$30 per artist to help defray rental, exhibition, and advertisement costs. We also request that each artist will be available to "gallery sit" at least one day or 2 half days during the month.

Please see attached Entry Form and Inventory list for more details. Forms will also be available at Sew 'n Sew Fabrics and at the monthly meetings of the Ocean Wave Quilters.

### Service Committee Report - Karen L, Chair

In November, on behalf of the Ocean Wave Quilters, we delivered:

- 11 pet beds to the animal shelter,
- 11 chemo scarves to the Mendocino Coast Cancer Resource Center,
- 13 texture quilts to Sherwood Oaks (and several sent overseas),
- 12 Warm Welcome quilts to MCDH,
- at least 6 'goody bags' for children at Shriner's Hospital,
- 3 quilts to the chaplains at MCDH.

The holiday season is often called "the season of giving." If that is so, then we are constantly in holiday season, because our giving happens all year long. It is a great feeling to know that we are giving so much to our community! Thank you, one and all, for your contributions!

### Special Events Committee Report - Lonna O, Co-Chair

**Ugly Fabric Challenge at the Tea:** We will be doing the challenge again next year so please start bringing in fabric in January.

**Holiday Lunch at the Cliff House on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 1pm:** We have 18 members attending: Christie D Dee G Irene P Jane C Janet N Jeanne K Karen L Kallyn O Lonna O Martha E Mary F Miriam C Nancy Y Robin W Sandi S Shirlee P Stella R Tracy N Please let me know if you want to join us.

### **\*\*Personals /Comments\*\*\*\*\***

**From Karen L -** The Community Chorus Winter Concert is Friday, December 12, at 7pm and Saturday, Dec 13 at 2pm. Both concerts are in the sanctuary of Mendocino Presbyterian Church. No charge, just a free-will offering. Come one, come all, and enjoy some music for the holidays! Cheers



## Agenda: OWQ Holiday Sew Sunday, December 14th

10am to 12 noon - Free Sew, socialize

12 noon to 1pm - Pot Luck lunch: hors d'oeuvres, salads, desserts, and beverages

1pm to 1:15pm - Sunshine, Quilt Show Opportunity Quilt, Status of OWQ Banner design,  
Holiday Lunch

1:15pm to 2pm - Show and Tell, Announcements, Holiday Raffle Drawing, Gift Exchange

2pm to 4p - Free Sew, socialize

### Are You On Facebook? Join Our OWQ Facebook Group!

One of our newer members, Tracy Newsom, has set up a Facebook group just for Ocean Wave Quilters! You can post pictures of your current projects, see what others are working on, and it's all free - and private! To become a member of the group, just e-mail Tracy.

### RETREAT at the GRANGE



### DATES TO REMEMBER

December    2 Board Meeting at 2 pm at Senior Center  
                  14 Holiday Sew Sunday  
                  19 Holiday lunch at the Cliff House 1pm

January        6 Board Meeting at 2 pm at Senior Center  
                  11 General Meeting at 2 pm  
                  25 Sew Sunday  
                  27 Board Meeting at 2 pm at Senior Center

February      8 General Meeting at 2 pm  
                  22 Sew Sunday

## December Birthday



27 JulieRae M



### OWQ Officers/

**Board** President: Karen L (7-10/2014)  
                  Lonna O (11/2014-2/2015)    Dee G (3-6/2015)    Vice-  
 President: Christie D  
 Secretary: Sharon L  
 Treasurer: Shirlee P  
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 Membership Services: Dee G



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### Checklist for the Meeting



- :: Free Sew items
- :: Gift Exchange, if signed up
- :: Show and Tell Projects
- :: Potluck Item