

OCEAN WAVE QUILTERS

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JULY 2026 NEWSLETTER



Independence Day!



I hope that each of you have a great celebration and cherish the freedoms that we have.

Once again, we have planned, worked, created, and shown off our work in the Fort Bragg Quilt Show. It's still amazing to me and I'm still very proud of each of those who have contributed to making this event a fun and memorable one. Many thanks to Evelyn Harris, our featured artist, who did such a great job showing her artistry through quilting.

The Comptche opportunity quilt received the Viewer's Choice. The creativity and variety in the birds was so special. I hope that you were all able to see it up close. I'm sure the Comptche community will benefit by their contribution. Congratulations Comptche Quilters!

The Bee quilt, "Bees for Mom" by Steffany B, was the Viewer's Choice Runner up. I appreciate Steffany putting her mom's special memorial quilt into the show. Although Steffany hasn't been able to come to the meetings on Sunday, she is such an important part of our club with her work behind the scenes and working at Sew n Sew. She has been real and vulnerable and her enthusiasm for quilting is refreshing. Her story made the quilt have a strong emotional as well as visual impact. Congratulations Steffany!

Congratulations to all who received a "VIP" Ribbon. The VIP Judges enjoyed looking at all the quilts and being involved in our show. Bringing our community together is part of our goal, and this makes an impact on our sponsors, donors and community members.

Although, I wasn't able to hang out at the show as much as I wanted to, I did hear really cool things about the Round Robin quilts and the Mystery Quilts. Wasn't it so cool to see how the Mystery Quilts had such different looks based on the chosen fabric? Fun! As a team, we made some very fun Round Robin quilts. What a great variety of colors, patterns, and creativity they were.

I hope you were inspired by the display of all the quilts. Each quilt was important. Just like each of you are important. Thank you for being part of the Guild. I hope you are inspired to create another quilt and to plan on showing it next time.

Enjoy the summer!

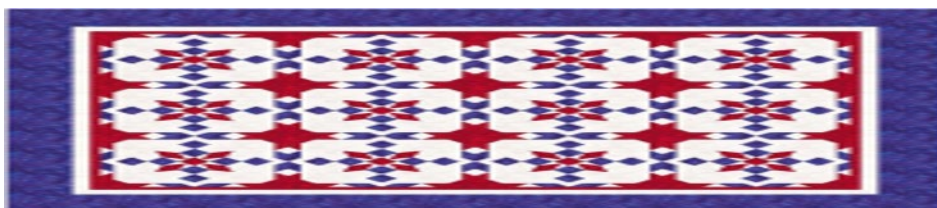
Nadine S, OWQ President

COMMUNICATIONS



- Don't forget to mail in your checks or pay cash to Sharon L. at the next general meeting to continue your OWQ MEMBERSHIP - \$25 by July 1st, Dues increase to \$35 on August 1st!
- Please see the QGNQ section for details about our upcoming July 25th meeting hosted by Ocean Wave Quilters!

Check out our Facebook page – Elizabeth is working to help overlap the *Group* page and the official OWQ page! Stay posted! Thank you to all who had added lots of photos and links to our OWQ page.



TREASURER'S REPORT

Just a reminder! Your 2026-2027 dues are due NOW! The cost is only \$25. If you wait to pay until August 1, it will cost you \$35, so don't delay!! You can bring a check or cash to the July 12th meeting (exact change is appreciated), or you can mail your check to: Ocean Wave Quilters, PO Box 2687, Fort Bragg, CA 95437.

When you pay, you will get a membership card that some quilt shops will honor for a discount (Sew n Sew has their own discount program).

Thank you!

TREASURER'S REPORT – *Special Notice*

The June Treasurer's Reports are delayed until next month's newsletter, when I will do a combined June/July report. I want to make sure everything is accurate before putting it in print! However, I can happily report that we deposited \$8,040 collected during the Quilt Show. We counted 375 guests who paid to see the show - a very good turnout! There are still expenses to be paid, so our net profit will be less than that, of course, but your hard work and hundreds of volunteer hours paid off!

Sharon L, OWQ Treasurer



SERVICE COMMITTEE

Hello Quilters,

The donations given out for last month are as follows:

23- Touch Quilts

22- Pillowcases

Pet bed, Warm Welcome, etc. numbers will be included in the next newsletter.

Sherwood Oaks and Heavenly Home nursing homes enthusiastically accepted all the Touch Quilts and 22 Pillowcases we produced. All other donation items we donate are still needed!

Thank you, Kathy

Kathy D, Service Committee Chair

EDUCATION & SPECIAL EVENTS

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

We will have a BOM reveal at the OCTOBER general meeting.

Next Special Project for the year will be coming up soon...

UPCOMING CLASSES

QUILT BARN ART– Instructor: *Anelie Belden* – *Monday, July 13, 2026* – *This Class is now FULL!*



“THE CAROLINA BAG” Tote Bag Class - Instructor: *Paula Perelstein* – *Sunday, August 23, 2026* – Sign-up now to create this fun and functional tote bag!

Paula Perelstein will be teaching this class at Sew n Sew. **\$ 25** for OWQ members and **\$75** for non-members



PLEASE REMEMBER THAT CLASS REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL YOU HAVE PAID. Also, you can now find an updated class policy on our website.

FALL QUILT RETREAT



The Fall Quilt Retreat will take place from WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH to SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11TH It will again be located at the wonderful Albion Field Station location.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **ANNUAL SUMMER BBQ – DATE & LOCATION TBD**

Elizabeth F, Education & Special Events Committee Chair

Committee members: Lisa C & Sue S



QUILT GUILDS of the NORTH QUARTER

QGNQ

Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter (QGNQ) Meeting Saturday, July 25

Time:

Meeting starts at 11:00 - Speaker @ 12:30 pm
doors will open at **10:00 AM** for opportunity quilts

Location:

Veteran's Memorial Building, 360 Harrison Avenue
Fort Bragg (Harrison and Laurel). Parking is on the street

Ocean Wave Quilters do not need to pay for lunch (guests pay \$10), but we DO ask that you RSVP that you are coming so we make sure we have enough food for all!
Please email sharon@oceanwavequilters.com by Friday, July 17, to let us know you are planning to attend.

HOSPITALITY



Hospitality - Now that the quilt show is over, a few of us will be sorting and organizing the closet. We have more stuff in there than the shelves have room for. At the next general meeting, I will be handing out a short questionnaire about what kind of prizes you would enjoy winning for the monthly name tag raffle and the quarterly raffle basket drawings. We hope to see you there! -Cindi

Cindi Jo W, Hospitality Committee Chair

JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 3	Wendy H
July 5	Nancy K
July 7	Mary F
July 24	Tina P
July 25	Jeanne K
July 26	Judy W



FORT BRAGG QUILT SHOW

That's a Wrap for the 2026 Show!

Well, it has been a few days and our quilt show is done. Raffle baskets were won, the raffle quilt has been won and VIP ribbons have been presented.

Sharon L, our treasurer will give us the total of dollars made once she has tallied everything. In a general glance it looks like we did well this year.

I would like to Thank everyone who pitched in and helped. I am always so impressed by how our members always step up and help at this show. We had a show because of you!!!!

Our new features were a success. The Country store was well received and the Speak Out quilts were as well. If you want to see more of the Speak Out quilts, Santa Rosa is having a big display of Speak Out Quilts in the next week (over 200 quilts), check it out.

I hope everyone is taking a few days to recover from all our hard work to put this show together, again I want to thank everyone who stepped up and helped, big or small it all made it a great show!!



Carole P, 2026 Fort Bragg Quilt Show Chair

As always, we pulled off an amazing show!



*Thank you so much to **Carole P** for taking on the role as **Chair** of the **2026 FBQS show**. As I have learned over the past 3 years, this job is major. It's almost inconceivable how many parts there are to running the show. Carole did it this year not only with a super amount of patience and diplomacy, but also wore the hat of **Basket Raffle Chair**!*

THANK YOU CAROLE!



Congratulations to community member Marty Sexton who won the "Gardens by the Sea" Show Raffle Quilt



We would also like to give a big thanks to Cindi Whitlock for once again creating beautiful THANK YOU cards to send out to all our show sponsors and donors.

PHOTOS FROM THE 2026 FBQS WILL BE SENT OUT IN A SEPARATE EMAIL LATER THIS WEEK



30TH Annual Fort Bragg Quilt Show

**“THANK YOU VERY MUCH”
to our 2026 Sponsors & Donors**

Diamond

Mendocino Railway

Platinum

Noyo Fish Company

D'Aurelio's

Rossi's

Gold

Norvell's

Out of this World

REMax/First Equity Realty

Savings Bank of Mendocino County

Sew n Sew

Silver

Frankie's Pizza & Ice Cream

Noyo Fishing Center

Pacific Pearl Upcycle Mercantile

Windsong Used Books and Records

Bronze

Blue Pelican Art Gallery & Atelier

Essentially Hair

Oh, Baby!

Basket Raffle

Arrow Sewing Company

Fabled Designs

Flobeds

Harbor Lite Lodge

Hot Pepper Jelly Company

Imaginations

Lee's Chinese

Northpacific Designs

Ocean Wave Quilters

Roundman's Smokehouse

The Bookstore

Tan & Vy Nail Salon

2026 FBQS Vendors

Art Explorers

Feet First

Fort Bragg Furniture Mart

Highway 20 Feed

Huck's Sliderhouse

Laurel Deli & Desserts

Northcoast Artists Gallery

Noyo Center

Pacific Pearl Upcycle

Spunky Skunk

The Larkin Cottage

Windsong Used Books

In place of the BIO - Special Edition focusing on the FBQS



At last night's Fort Bragg City Council meeting, Mayor Jason Godeke presented a proclamation recognizing **Ocean Wave Quilters** on their 30th Anniversary ahead of their annual Quilt Show, taking place June 27th–28th at Dana Gray Elementary School 🏠🌟

The annual Fort Bragg Quilt Show draws hundreds of visitors each year, supporting local businesses and showcasing the artistry and generosity of our quilting community for the past three decades 🧵

Ocean Wave Quilters bring creativity to local causes that could use support. From newborn quilts and dementia “touch” quilts to chemo port pillows, dresses for girls in need, pillowcases for foster youth, pet beds, and countless donations to local nonprofits, these selfless makers create joy within our community 💙💙

Congratulations, Ocean Wave Quilters, on 30 years of service, creativity, and heart. Here's to many more!
(This photo and information was taken directly from the City of Fort Bragg Facebook page)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

JULY	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
July 1 st	Wed	Midnight	Newsletter due date	JJefoster@yahoo.com
July 1 st	Wed	10:30 am	FBQS Wrap up Mtg	Sew n Sew
July 12 th	Sun	1:30 – 3:30 pm	General Meeting	Senior Center
July 13 th	Mon	10:00 – 3:00 pm	Quilt Barn Art Class	Sew n Sew
July 15 th	Wed	10:30 am	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
July 25 th	Sat	11:00 am -	QGNQ Meeting	Veteran's Hall
July 26 th	Sun	10:30 – 3:00 pm	Sew Sunday	Senior Center
July 29 th	Wed	Midnight	Newsletter due date	JJefoster@yahoo.com
AUGUST	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
NO	FBQS	MEETING	IN	AUGUST
August 9 th	Sun	1:30 – 3:30 pm	General Meeting	Senior Center
August 19 th	Wed	10:30 am	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
August 23 rd	Sun	10:30 – 3:00 pm	Sew Sunday	Senior Center
August 23 rd	Sun	10:00 – 3:00 pm	Tote Bag Class	Sew n Sew
August 26 th	Wed	Midnight	Newsletter due date	JJefoster@yahoo.com
SEPTEMBER	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
September 2 nd	Wed	10:30 am	FBQS Meeting	Sew n Sew
September 13 th	Sun	1:30 pm-3:30 pm	General Meeting	Senior Center
September 16 th	Wed	10:30 am	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
September 27 th	Sun	10:30-3:00 pm	Sew Sunday	Senior Center

Hand quilting: Every Tuesday/Senior Center – 1:00-3:00 pm

Sew Sunday: 4th Sunday of the Month – 10:30 am – 3:00 pm

*****Hand Sewing: Every Wednesday/ZOOM – 1:00 – 4:00 pm – Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81292075496?pwd=bldtVHFrRGhpTTVxUGEraEFFc2hvQT09>

Meeting ID: 812 9207 5496

Passcode: HandSew

2026-2027 Board Members and Committee Chairs

President	Nadine S
Vice-President	Carole P
Secretary	Sue S
Treasurer	Sharon L
Communications	Sharon L /Elizabeth F
Newsletter	Elizabeth F
Service	Kathy D
Education & Special Events	Elizabeth F
Hospitality	Cindi Jo W
FBQS Chair	TBD

NEWSLETTER – Next newsletter articles/items are due July 29, 2026. The Newsletter will be sent out by August 2, 2026. Thank you, Elizabeth F, OWQ Newsletter Editor