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OCTOBER 2026 NEWSLETTER

FALL RETREAT



**Weds Oct 7th
to
Sat Oct 10th
At the
ALBION FIELD
STATION
9:00 – 5:00 PM**



FALL RETREAT RAFFLE

Win!

Daily Raffle

prize \$10

Sew n Sew

gift Certificate

GRAND PRIZE

Free entry to

Anelie Belden's

Jelly Roll Split

Blade Dresden

class in April,

pattern &

template and a

jelly roll!

Happy October,

Although the season of Autumn really comes at different times depending on your location on the Earth, to me, October has the “traditional” Autumn feel of colored leaves, chilly winds, nippy mornings and warm colors. Autumn also reminds me of my mother. She loved leaves and left me a huge fabric stash with leaves- red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, white, brown, and many colors in between. Mom loved to dress up warm and walk through the fallen leaves. She would pick up a pretty leaf and carry it with her the whole walk. Sometimes she would press the leaves in large books. When my boys were little she would rake the leaves into a pile for them to hide and play in.

In the 70's, our living room furniture was wrapped in the colors of Autumn. I also remember when money was tight, she ended up with an orange coat with a large brown faux-fur collar. I think she loved that coat, and she fit right into the feel of the season. She had one quilt which was always used on her bed in the fall. It uses the Drunkard's Path block surrounding a panel type picture of autumn trees. Mom loved to lay out blocks and enjoyed the challenge of matching the colors and orientation of the blocks. I would like to share a photo of this quilt with you.

May you be wrapped in pleasant and warm memories this October.

Nadine S, OWQ President

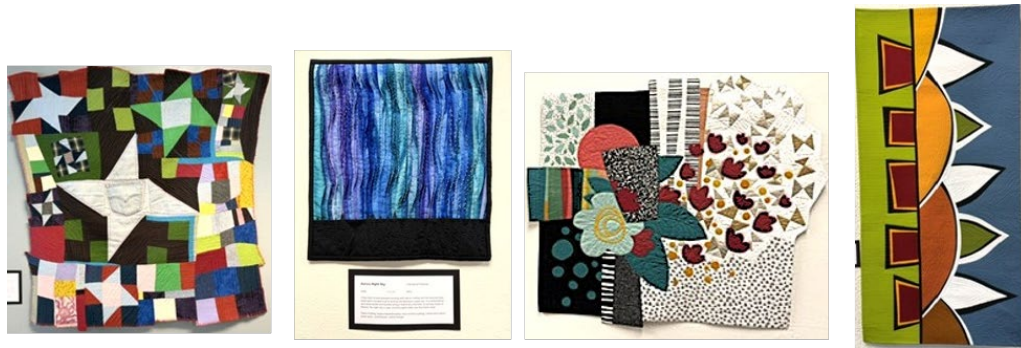


COMMUNICATIONS

2026 Mendocino County Fair – Steffany’s “Bees for Mom” took 1st place and Best in Show
Shari L’s wall-hanging took 3rd Place



Susan B’s Alaska trip! Photos of quilts at the Juneau Art Center



- * Charlene Younker is teaching a **Cyanotype class on October 15, 2026.** Please see flyer at the end of the newsletter for more information.
- * It’s not too late to submit your quilt block for the **California State Park Centennial Quilt Project** – There are still about 50 parks left that need blocks, including Manchester SP. Please consider being part of this unique project – check it out on their website:
https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/c2b658a1b56d404194c4263be7d7b81c/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery
- * Evelyn H – **Dress-a-girl Update:**

I’ve been doing a lot of thinking about the Dress a Girl program recently and have decided that it is time for me to stop overseeing it. One reason for leaving is that I really don’t have the time to do it properly. Family issues as well as the Music Festival take up a lot of my time and energy and I don’t feel that I do the job as well as I should.

In addition, it is a faith-based program and I am not entirely comfortable with that. They do say that any girl who needs a dress gets one, regardless of her faith, but it still doesn’t sit quite right with me. My biggest objection is that it doesn't benefit anybody locally and I would rather spend my time making Warm Welcome, chaplain and infusion quilts and keep my efforts within my community.

If anybody is interested in taking on this program, I’d be happy to pass it along to someone else. We can certainly talk about it at our next general meeting if people have comments or concerns. (Evelyn H)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ocean Wave Quilters 2026 September Treasurer's Report

Brown bag sales	\$35.00
Quarterly raffle basket sales	\$91.00
Dues	\$35.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$161.00
Classroom use – Sew n Sew – Phenicie, Belden, Tote bags	\$300.00
Gift certificate – Daisy – hospitality house quilts	\$25.00
October retreat rental	\$400.00
October retreat insurance	\$10.00
Batting for service quilts	\$161.78
Insurance for Senior Center	\$25.00
Reimbursement for QGNQ lunch supplies	\$25.94
Quarterly raffle basket gift certificate prize	\$35.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$982.72

Checking balance 9/15/2026 \$7,346.06

Submitted by Sharon L, Treasurer

Approved at the 9-16-2026 Board Meeting

Sharon L, OWQ Treasurer

Fort Bragg Quilt Show 2026 September Treasurer's Report

TOTAL INCOME	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$0.00

Checking balance 9/15/2026 \$15,388.35

Submitted by Sharon L, Treasurer

SERVICE COMMITTEE

Dear Quilters,

Donations for the month are as follows:

- 6 - Warm Welcome Quilts
- 2 - Community Quilts
- 9 - Port Pillows
- 9 - Pet Beds

A big thank you to Sharon G for physically donating the pet beds, Judy W for donating the baby quilts, and all the quilters who provided these items for donation!! The generosity you show through your time, effort, and materials keeps us going!!

P. S. I'll keep the guild updated on the twin quilt/pillowcase donations to the Hospitality House when I have all the quilts and pillowcases ready!

Many thanks, again!

Kathy D, Service Committee Chair

EDUCATION & SPECIAL EVENTS

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Evelyn H will lead our 2026-2027 BOM project. We're really excited to see what creative blocks she'll share with us!

Next block to be presented at the OCTOBER General Meeting on Oct 11, 2026.

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR QUILTS TO THE MEETING –

We will have our 2025-2026 BOM reveal at the OCTOBER general meeting.



UPCOMING CLASSES

ANELIE BELDEN – Jelly Roll Split Blade Dresden – Monday April 27, 2027 – Location and fee TBD

*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

JOIN US!

The Fall Quilt Retreat will take place from

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7TH to SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH 9-5 pm

We will have a tables set up for free items and donation projects as well.



RAFFLE! We are doing a special raffle for the FALL RETREAT

Each day you come to the retreat (min. 2 hours per day) you will be entered into the **DAILY DRAWING**. The drawing will take place between 2-3 pm each day -Wed, Thu, Fri and Sat.

The PRIZE will be a \$ 10 gift Certificate for SEW n SEW.



GRAND PRIZE DRAWING – If you attend each day of the retreat (min. 2 hours per day) you will be entered into the **Grand Prize Drawing** – The drawing will take place at the General Meeting on October 11th. PRIZE is free attendance at Anelie Belden's Split Blade Dresden class in April, pattern & template for her class and a jelly roll! (val. approx. \$125)

❖ A big thank you to Sharon L for generously donating the cost of the jelly roll!

DIRECTIONS TO ALBION FIELD STATION:

From Hwy 20 intersection -

- Turn left on to Highway 1 southbound toward Albion (15 miles)
- Turn left at Albion (0.1 miles)
- Turn left into the Albion market parking area and continue, following the signs to Albion Field Station (signs have the whale tail logo on them – 0.5 miles)

❖ **SEE LIST AT END OF THE NEWSLETTER FOR RECOMMENDED ITEMS TO BRING WITH YOU!**

❖ OWQ will supply ironing boards, irons, cutting tables, rulers, and mats. Plus, Keurig coffee and tea, cups, small plates and bowls, plastic utensils, and bottled water.

- **Bring some snacks to share!**



Brown Bag Challenge 2026

BROWN BAG CHALLENGE

It's that time of year again! Sales of the **BROWN BAG CHALLENGE bags** started at the AUGUST General meeting. Bags will be available for purchase at each general meeting ending at the November meeting. Your Challenge item may be entered for voting at the HOLIDAY PARTY on December 13, 2026. Please follow the rules of the Challenge that are included with your brown bag of perhaps Challenging fabric!

HOLIDAY PARTY - Sunday, December 13, 2026 @ General Meeting – 1:00 PM

December will be here before we know it! We've decided to go all out and do both a cookie exchange and an ornament exchange – so you can get started anytime on creating a special ornament!

Elizabeth F, Education & Special Events Committee Chair

Committee members: Lisa C & Sue S



HOSPITALITY

When members check in at our monthly general meetings, I often hear, "I don't have a name tag yet". I think a lot of that has to do with not stopping and making the time to create one, or not knowing what they want it to look like. For Sew Sunday on October 25th, we'll use the meeting room for a *name tag workshop*. A number of you have said you would like to help others with their projects, so it should be a fun time to see what everyone learns. Between now and then, I will put together an email that shows different ideas that can be used to make your new name tag. If you already have one, you might consider making a seasonal one, or just make an extra one. So, get ready to sketch out your ideas, collect a few little doo-dads and colors of fabric you love; maybe a beautiful ribbon, if you want to hang it around your neck or maybe a button or pin that makes a statement. I'm looking forward to gathering together to have some fun!

Cindi W, Hospitality Committee Chair



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Alyssa V	10/07
Kathy G	10/13
Sharon R	10/14
Sherry W	10/23
Susan M	10/24
Angela Z	10/29
Cindi W	10/30



QUILT FUNNY PAGES

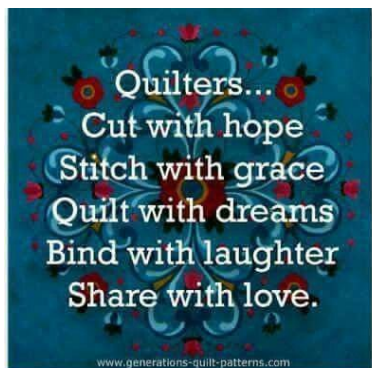


Contributed by Susan C

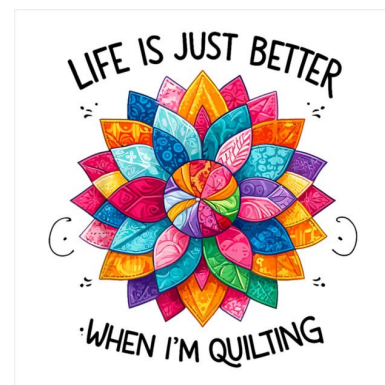


My fabric stash is like a magician's hat—no matter how much I pull out, there's always more inside."

www.squareinasquare.com



www.generations-quilt-patterns.com



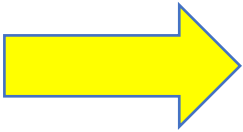
FORT BRAGG QUILT SHOW



ZOOM MEETING THIS MONTH

Due to the FBQS meeting and the Fall Retreat overlapping – this month's meeting will be held via ZOOM. For those not attending the retreat you can still meet up at Sew n Sew if you want or need to ZOOM together! We will send the ZOOM invitation via email on Sunday, October 4th!

**Please join us on Wednesday, October 7, 2026
for the 2027 Fort Bragg Quilt Show meeting -10:30 am via ZOOM**



We still need people for the FBQS Committee including a Show chairperson. No job is too small, so please join us for the next meeting and find out what you can do to help make the 2027 Fort Bragg Quilt Show a great success!

2027 Raffle Quilt "Country Fair" 80 x 80

You could win this beautiful quilt!

Pattern: "Bubble Gum" Designed by Julie of J.J. Stitches Blocks created by the Ocean Wave Quilters
Arranged and assembled by Shari L and Dee G - Binding by Sharon G - Quilted by Nadine S

Tickets: \$5 each or 3 for \$10





30TH Annual Fort Bragg Quilt Show

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

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Fort Bragg Furniture Mart

Highway 20 Feed

Huck's Sliderhouse

Laurel Deli & Desserts

Northcoast Artists Gallery

Noyo Center

Pacific Pearl Upcycle

Spunky Skunk

Tan & Vy Nails Spa

The Larkin Cottage

2026 FBQS Vendors



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
October 7	Wed	10:30 – 11:30 am	FBQS Meeting	Sew n Sew
October 7-10	Wed-Sat	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	<i>FALL QUILT RETREAT</i>	Albion Field Station
October 11	Sun	1:30 -3:30 pm	General Meeting	Senior Center
October 21	Wed	10:30 – 11:30 am	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
October 25	Sun	10:30 – 3:00 pm	Sew Sunday	Senior Center
NOVEMBER	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
November 4	Wed	10:30 – 11:30 am	FBQS Meeting	Sew n Sew
November 8	Sun	1:30 – 3:30 pm	General Meeting	Senior Center
November 18	Wed	10:30 – 11:30 am	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
November 22	Sun	10:30 – 3:00 pm	Sew Sunday	Senior Center
DECEMBER	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
December 2	Wed	10:30-11:30 am	FBQS Meeting	Sew n Sew
December 13	Sun	1:00 – 3:30 pm	HOLIDAY PARTY/ General Meeting	Senior Center
December 16	Wed	10:30 – 11:30 am	Board Meeting	Sew n Sew
December 27	Sun	10:30 – 3:00 pm	Sew Sunday	Senior Center

Other Monthly Activities

Sew Sunday: 4th Sunday of the Month

Senior Center – 10:30-3:00 pm

Handwork: Every Tuesday

Senior Center-1:00-3:30 pm

ZOOM - Hand Sewing: Every Wednesday

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

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FBQS Chair	TBD		

NEWSLETTER – Next newsletter articles/items are due SEPTEMBER 23, 2026. The Newsletter will be sent out by October 28, 2026. Thank you, Elizabeth F, OWQ Newsletter Editor

SOLAR DYEING – CYANOTYPE FOR BEGINNERS

With Instructor Charlene Younker



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

Class fees are \$50 for GA members, \$60 for non-members,
Sign up at GualalaArts.org or at the Gualala Arts Front Desk by October 12
There is a \$25 materials fee paid directly to the instructor

GUALALA ARTS QUILTING WORKSHOP

Ocean Wave Quilters Retreat

Checklist

(Courtesy of Connie M

Remember: you may be sharing table space with other quilters, so try to stay “compact.” Put your name on all of your supplies.

- * Machine (loaded with fresh, new needle), owner’s Manual, presser feet, extension table (if you use one), accessories, power cords, foot controller, non-slip grip mat.
- * Multi Plug Surge protector (optional-club has extension cords)
- * Needles (machine and hand), thimble, needle threader.
- * Pins (straight and safety), magnet for dropped pins.
- * Bobbins and Threads.
- * Rotary cutter (with new blade), scissors, seam ripper
- * Tape measure.
- * Fabric marking pens, chalk markers, pencils, sharpie.
- * Painter’s tape, freezer paper, other paper, interfacing.
- * Small trash bag for threads clippings.
- * Fusible web, bring a Teflon mat to protect the iron and ironing board.
- * Cutting mat, travel iron, and ironing pad (optional, the club provides large ones, but some like to have their own small working station),
- * spray water bottle and spray starch.
- * Eye glasses.
- * Seat cushion or padded chair.
- * Squares-ups, rulers, templates
- * Work light, fan
- * Phone Charger
- * Food, spill-proof cup for beverages
- * Projects, patterns, fabrics