

# FAT QUARTER NEWS



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## A NEW YEAR BEGINS!

2013 WAS A GREAT YEAR FOR THE GUILD. We had some amazing workshops. My personal favorite was Pat Durbin from Eureka, CA. I still have to finish both the painting and the landscape quilts, but I've learned a lot as the process continues. I seem to add to my unfinished project stack, but I've been trying to work off the older ones and hope to have a big one done by our FFO Program in July. Now there is a deadline. How many of you are working on old projects??

It was an awesome Quilt Show this year with Rose Shaw as the accomplished Featured Quilter. We seem to just get better and better. I guess it is all the wonderful programs and workshops that we offer, and all the free advice in Projects Anonymous and from our local quilt groups: Lincoln City Quilters, Knotty Ladies, Bayshore Quilters, Leta's Legacy Quilters and Lighthouse Quilters. A big thank you to the Lincoln City quilters for all their donated quilts to Community Service. I think they set a record for quilts donated by a group: 71 this year. Who wants to beat that next year? Thank you Lincoln City Quilters!

As we start our new year, let's think about how we can make improvements in the Guild (although I think we are pretty great already). Send your suggestions to me via email or at the meetings. I'll try to get a suggestion box out at the next meeting. Be looking for the info on how to enter a quilt for our display at the NW Quilter's Expo in Portland. We hope to finalize our entries in early in 2014.

Also thank you to the charter members of our Guild who got together in 1991 and began our Guild. We are constantly growing and changing but have the same goals: to promote fellowship among quilters, to promote knowledge and appreciation of quilts and quilt-making through educational programs and meetings and to sponsor and support quilting activities.

Look elsewhere in this newsletter for my Holiday gift to you—our family's favorite cookie recipe.

Happy New Year, Jane Szabo, OCQG President

Next Quilt Guild

Meeting:

JANUARY 9

1:00 pm

TABLE WALK

Program:

Getting Your Quilt

Ready for the

Quilt Show (It's

never too early to

start!)

S.A.B.L.E. Fabrics:

*FROST*

## 2015 Raffle Quilt

How amazing it is to see an Ocean Wave Quilt come together. Eight of the center blocks were on display at OCQG December Tea.

All of the 1-1/2" half-square triangles are made and turned in . All we need is the 2-1/2" finished (3" unfinished) and 4: finished (4-1/2" unfinished) half square triangles and the remaining center blocks.

You can mail them to Rose Shaw or Twy Hoch, or call to arrange a pick-up or bring them to the January 9th Guild meeting.

The border is looking great. It's going to be another Special Raffle Quilt. Thanks to everyone for making it happen.

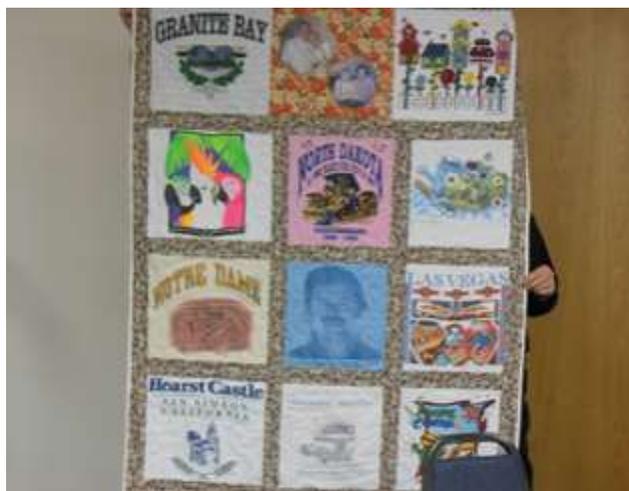
If you have any questions, please contact Rose Shaw, Twy Hoch, or Karen Donobedian.

## Waldport High School Sewing and Quilting Classes

This is OCQG's 7th year in helping students to learn to sew and to try some beginning quilting. We will be starting classes January 6th for 2-3 months on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoons starting at 1;15 PM.

If anyone would like to help (even if it's just one day or one day a week) we can use you. We need a few more people to fill in when others have obligations that take them away. If you can thread a needle, you know all you need to know.

For more information or to let us know you will join us, call Twy Hoch at 541-563-3899.



## **Oregon Coastal Quilters Appreciation Day: WENZ-DAZE QUILTERS EMPORIUM**

We are having our year-end sale December 27-30th. We believe that those who support quilting through guilds should get a special day. We are offering the first day of our sale (December 27) to the OCQG exclusively giving you the advantage of first choices of fabric, etc.

**END OF YEAR SALE:** 35% off entire stock of fabric, kits, fat quarters, pre-cuts, and sale fabric. 30% off notions, books, and patterns. 25% off finished quilt samples. No other discounts apply. 1/2 yard minimum.

Member cards or a copy of this e-mail or Guild Newsletter will be required.

Sale prices \$4-\$8.95 fabric.

Thank you,

Charley & Cyndie Wenz

## **A Heart-felt Thank you!**

Thanks to all who helped make the Holiday Tea for the Guild so special. The food was wonderful, the game was a lot of fun, and the Tea was a wonderful opportunity to just visit with each other. The decorations were so festive and you generously donated food items and \$360.00 in cash, which the Lincoln County Food share was thrilled to receive. As we all know, a monetary donation is particularly useful, as Food Share has the ability to buy items for pennies on the dollar with our donations. Again, thanks to all for the good times we have had this year and hope for many more wonderful times to come. ~ Lucy and Joan



## Block of the Month Spotlight

Lorne Pleger has assumed the responsibility for the BLOCK OF THE MONTH, and will be assisted by Jackie Stankey. Lorne quickly learned that Jean and Nan are a tough act to follow. Lorne will design a crazy quilt block each month using a theme appropriate for the month. The theme for the December block is "Christmas," and 26 members picked up a packet at the December Tea. The finished product can be submitted in 6-1/2" form or with four blocks put together for a 12-1/2" block. Those who wish to embellish their blocks with applique can choose their own design with a Christmas theme. A fabric swatch is submitted with each packet, and each block will incorporate that fabric so all will have something in common. Those who submit their blocks in January will receive a drawing ticket for each 6-1/2" block submitted.

The January block was previewed, and depicts "Times Square" on New Year's Eve with the beautiful Waterford Crystal Ball dropping down its specially constructed pole. The ball and pole will be the applique. Only 15 members signed up to receive the January block, so if you didn't sign up or were unable to attend the Tea and want to be included, contact Lorne and he will add your name to the list. He will also bring a few extra packets to the January meeting for those who aren't on the list but want to be included.

Nineteen members turned in Jean's striking "Candle in the Wind" block at the Tea, and Toni Brodie won the drawing.

## Sugar Cookies from Jane's family:

1 cup butter 1 cup sifted powdered sugar

1 egg

1-1/2 teaspoon almond extract

1-1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

2-1/2 cups sifted flour

1/2 teaspoon salt

Cream butter and sugar, add egg, vanilla and almond. Mix flour and salt and add to batter.

You can roll out and make cut-out shapes or form into candy canes, mixing half the dough with 1/2 teaspoon red food coloring.

**Bake for 9 minutes at 375 degrees. Don't over**-bake. Thinner cookies bake quicker. May frost or add sprinkles too.

Happy New Year, Jane

**Minutes of General Membership Meeting**

**December 12, 2013**

**The meeting was called to order by President Jane Szabo at 12:30 PM.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The Guild membership was urged to send cards and warm wishes to Mechelle Johnson, who was recently married and is now Mechelle Johnson Brown and is living in Albany..

Charter Members from our original roster of 1991 were honored. They are Helen Barney, Jean Bishop, Ann Davis, Linda Goebel, Twy Hoch, Mary Lou Mate, Florence Roberts, Terrie Taraba, and Mary Warfield. Jean, Linda, Twy, and Florence were present and shared some of their memories of early meetings.

Liz Ritchie had a "match-the-fabric" mixer for a get-acquainted warm-up before we proceeded to our Holiday Tea.

**INDUCTION OF OFFICERS**

New officers for 2014 are Pat Laub, Treasurer and Shirley Kemnitz, Secretary. Jane Szabo will continue as President, and Cindy McEntee as Vice-President.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Shari Stewart announced that 66 members were present, and one guest.

**REMINDER:**

Dues of \$25 are to be turned in for the fiscal year starting in December, and for those wishing to start or renew a Fons and Porter magazine subscription, the \$15 fee may be turned in until the end of March.

**DRAWINGS:**

Quilter's Surprise winners were Phyllis Pianka and Marylynn Kleeman

Block of the Month winner was Toni Brodie. Lorne also announced that next month's block will be a "Times Square/ New Year's Eve" block with up to 4 entries allowed per participant. Each participant will be given one chance to win per 6-1/2" block entered.

S.A.B.L.E. fabrics were won by Kris Murphy, Ruth Hutmacher, and Joan Johnson.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Quilt Show: Julia Bailey reported that the Featured Quilter will be announced at the January meeting and the Quilt Show Committee will be on the third Thursday of each month at 1:15 in the Carriage House, starting in February.

Programs/workshops: Liz Ritchie announced that there are still places open for the January workshop. The program for

January's General Membership meeting will be about getting quilts ready for a quilt show. Karen Donobedian said the February meeting will be a silent auction, and bid sheets are available on the web site; she will also have bid sheets and other information available at our January meeting.

Newsletter: Kathleen Ritzman encouraged us to send her the recipes for the delicious treats we enjoyed at the tea. There will be room to include them in the January newsletter.

2015 Raffle Quilt: Twy Hoch reminded us that the deadline for turning in our squares for the Raffle Quilt is at the January meeting.

Community Service: Norma Horn reported this month that two quilts were donated to the fund-raiser for a cancer victim and one quilt was donated for a seriously burned boy.

Retreat: Wilma Roles and Virginia Dale let us know that the bus going to the retreat is full, but give your name to Rose Shaw if you would like to be on a waiting list in case of any cancellations.

Hostess Committee: Drawings were held to award the lovely table decorations to members who had donated at the meeting to Food Share.

**SABLE:** January fabric theme is *FROST*.

**SHOW AND SHARE session followed.**

After announcing that there would be no Board Meeting in December and no Projects Anonymous, Jane adjourned the meeting at 2:15 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Shirley Kemnitz, Secretary**

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## SATURDAY, JANUARY 11TH JELLY ROLL WORKSHOP

Start your new year off with a stellar quilt class on Saturday, January 11th—one of the very few Saturday Workshops offered in 2014. The spiked stars in the “Daybreak” pattern are made from 2-1/2” strips and so is the background. Jean Amundson’s class focuses on using Bali Pops or Jelly Roll pre-cut packs (or you can put together your own collection of 2-1/2” strips) to create a 62” lap-sized quilt. For a larger quilt, simply add more strips and stars.

The “Daybreak” pattern from cozy Quilts Designs looks complicated, but it’s a fun, easy quilt that will brighten any day. Extra hints and making it easier directions from Jean will make this a satisfying workshop. Suggested skill levels are the confident beginner-and beyond skill.

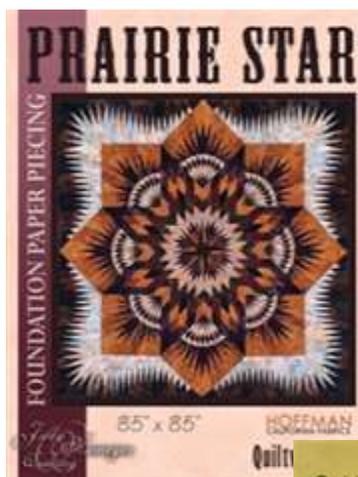
The supply list is on the OCQG website under Workshops. The member price for the class is \$34. participants will be able to purchase the pattern at a discount at the workshop. To reserve your spot before we open the workshop to the public, call Becky Mershon at 541-547-5346.



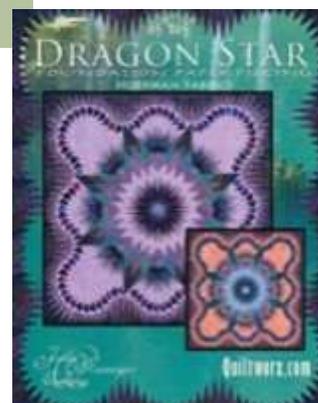
## APRIL - JUDY NIE- MEYER LONESTAR SERIES WORKSHOP

Learn all the basics of paper piecing “the Judy Niemeyer way.” Students will learn efficient cutting and piecing techniques using their choice of pattern from Judy’s

Lone Star series pictured here. Signups will begin in January for this exciting workshop. Jan and Lou from Janilou’s in



Philomath will be our instructors. **Workshop will be held on Friday, April 11, 2014.**



# Mark your calendars for the February Guild Program of Silent Auction and bring Cash and/or your Checkbook!

*Get busy looking at all those supplies, patterns, and fabrics that you bought and thought you'd use. Maybe someone else could use them and you'd make some money to go out and buy more!!! You can also sell gently used items, even patterns. We have even had some nice sewing machines sell at Silent Auction.*

*We want good stuff. When you are pricing your objects, think of it as Garage Sale Prices. It's easier if you price the items in increments of \$1.00.*

## **Here's how it works:**

1. You need to go to the Guild Website and download the Auction Bid Sheet in the RECORDS folder. You will need one for each item you have for sale. Put your item name on the top, your name next, and **the minimum amount you'll take for the item.**
2. Tape or somehow attach this sheet to your item.
3. In January get numbered dots for each of your items. Let Karen Donobedian (orcoastquilter@gmail.com) or Shari Steward (sstewart216@gmail.com) or Jeanie Singler (Singlerx2@yahoo.com) **know how many dots you need. It's a good idea to get the dots early so you are ready for the auction. You'll get two dots with the same number. One goes on the item and one goes on the Auction Bid Sheet.** That way, if the Auction Bid Sheet gets separated from the item the members are bidding on, they can be matched up. You can also get dots at the February meeting, but **you'll be busy applying dots to your items and sheets before the program begins.**
4. You can have a short commercial before the bidding opens. Let Karen know if you want to do a commercial.
5. When the bidding opens, members will have 30 minutes to place bids on the items. They can put the minimum bid or whatever they are willing to pay. Other members can outbid the prior bid until the bidding closes.
6. The seller and buyers will have 15 minutes after the break to determine who the highest bidder is. There will be several Silent Auction Personnel that will help round up the buyers. The highest bidder will need to pay the person selling the item. This can be a hectic time, so if you have bid on an item, **remember what it was and who the seller was. It's easier if the bidder goes to the seller rather than waiting for your name to be called.**
7. Sellers, be sure to bring some petty cash to make change for the purchasers.



Photos from Annual Christmas Tea.

# PUMPKIN GINGERSNAP MINI CHEESECAKES

from Karen Donobedian

28 Ginger Snap Cookies

3 packages (8 oz) Cream Cheese (I used 1/3 fat variety)

1 cup sugar

3 eggs

1/4 cup canned pumpkin (not pumpkin pie)

1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice mix

1 cup miniature semisweet chocolate chips

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Place paper baking cups in each of the 24 regular size muffin cups. Place 1 gingersnap cookie in each cup.
2. In large bowl beat cream cheese and 1 cup sugar with electric mixer on medium speed until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs one egg at a time, just until blended. Add pumpkin and pumpkin spice. Beat just until well-blended. Stir in chocolate chips. Using a 1/4-cup measurer fill muffin cups until full.
3. Bake 30-35 minutes or until almost firm. Cool 20 minutes. Remove from pans and chill in refrigerator for at least 2 hours.
4. Place remaining gingersnap cookies into a food storage bag and crush. Sprinkle on each cheesecake. You can also garnish with whipped cream.





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## Announcing 2014 Deals, Specials & Promotions!

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Embroidery Collections, Kits & Quilt Tops For Sale on ETSY  
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Refer a new Customer to my studio and receive \$25 in quilting services!

## My Lazy Daisy Retreat

April 2-5, 2014 @ The Resort at The Mountain in Welches, Oregon  
JOIN - Dana Brooks, Co-Owner of My Lazy Daisy & Fabric Designer  
For a fun quilting retreat! Contact Jennifer for more info.  
\$295 includes your food and classes

## Support the 2015 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Travel "From Rome to Athens"

Quilt Raffle (3 Beautiful Quilts) – Coming Soon

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See next newsletter for the entire list of Committee Chairs and Co-chairs for 2014.

*Next Guild Meeting:*

*January 9*

*1:00 Table Walk*

*"Preparing Your Quilts for  
the Show"*

*Remember that  
Dues are Due.  
Pay your \$25 by  
the January dead-  
line to get your in-  
formation in the  
OCQG Directory.*