

AAQGO 2018-19 Annual Report

(9/1/18 through 8/31/19)

Programs:

Education (1 Guest) and Member Speakers (8 mini-workshops)	9
Make and Take (Holiday)	1
Sew Day (Worthy Causes: CALICO & Fidget quilts)	2
Event (Black History Month, Flea Market)	2

Membership:

- Number of members (total) = 79
- Number of new members = 16

Worthy Causes:

- Donated (10 quilts, 8 pillow cases with pillow forms and 4 fleece scarves) to our Worthy Causes recipient, CALICO (Child Abuse, Listening, Interviewing and Coordination).
- Donated 25 fidget quilts to Lakeside Park Nursing Home (specialist in dementia care)

Education & Community Outreach:

- Continued the Block of the Month (BOM) series using Sherri McConnell's blocks that were free to the public. The learning objective was to practice quilting basics (simple color coordination and sewing techniques) plus sewing half square triangles and flying geese.
- Black History Month Family Workshop (2/23/19): Total attendance = 32 Community members (including 12 children) and 42 AAQGO Members for a total of 74. Helped attendees create a 9-patch quilt block. Presented back packs (sewn by members) to all children, door prizes for 'early finisher' adults and children, and grand prize "raffle" baskets.
- Conducted workshops at Elmhurst Elementary School for 2 sixth grade classes (approximately 60 children). Project: 4" x 6" mosaic images using color papers
- Conducted fabric post card workshop at Laney College

Exhibits

- Laney College – Black History Month (February & March)
- Lakeview and Elmhurst Library – President's Challenge theme "*Library/Read*". Added new library = Elmhurst
- City of Oakland Senior Month (May)
- Groups of members exhibited at Hayward City Hall, Hayward Museum, Berkeley Library, & Solano County Libraries. Individual members exhibited at numerous Bay Area locations AND national venues.

Additional Accomplishments

- SUNSHINE - celebrated member birthdays and sent sympathy/ well wishes during illness and loss. Conducted drawings at monthly meetings to gift home-made member '*thank you*' and guest '*welcome*' items.