



# Ps and Qs, October 2020

Porterville Quilters

## President's Message

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It was so strange looking at my last President's message (which was from February), and thinking about all of the changes that have happened since then. I have missed meeting with you all, just the loving community and wealth of quilting ideas! It's so hard not to hug when we meet at the grocery or fabric stores!



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The board met and we did make some decisions about how to proceed through this year. Here's a brief review for you all:

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Christmas luncheon was cancelled, as well as all the programming for the year. Karen E. will set up programs as appropriate for next year.

The Congregational Church will refund our rent, which was paid for the year. The Hillside Community Church will roll over excess funds paid to next year.

The Porterville Fair will use our 2020 funds for next year.

Best of the Valley has sent refunds for entry fees and sponsorships, and will not plan a new show until 2022.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Laurie has supplied reports for July, Aug. and Sept. Our current balance is \$19,237.18. If you are holding any funds for the Club, please notify Laurie Jackson, so it can be reflected in the budget for this year.

**NEW BUSINESS:** We will not collect dues for our Club for 2021.

There will be no new Phone Directory for the year. Any changes would be given in the newsletter, so each member can make changes in their personal directory, until we are able to meet again.

There will be no changes to the Bylaws, as we would just have to make further changes after COVID. We know there will be a "New Normal", we just don't know what that will be!

*Notes: There were no Newsletters from March through September, which would have been issues #3 through #9.*

*The Show and Tell will be published November 19, the date of our normal general meetings. This issue is only business items.*

*Please send your show and tell photos as well as your Mystery Quilt and VP Challenge photos to Priscilla by November 16.*

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## President's Message, continued

The current board will remain for next year. Committee chairs for next year:

Membership – Ellen Jordan,  
Sunshine – Jan McCusker,  
Newsletter – Priscilla Summers,  
Cradle quilts – Lynetter Stover,  
Historian – Terry Gomez,  
Little Quilts – Jody Mead and Darlene Byars,  
Scholarship – Georgia Goode,  
Local heroes – Sheri Cates,  
2021 Opportunity Quilt – Phyllis Taylor, and  
2021 Opportunity ticket sales – Janice Poe.

Other Chairs haven't replied to whether they will remain in office next year.

I do need a volunteer to make the 2022 Opportunity Quilt.....Could it be YOU?

Please send any "No" votes, other nominations, and discussions to Priscilla (psummers111@gmail.com), so she can send it out for review. The board will review and respond next month.

Would you like another Mystery Quilt next year?

Would you like to do a Block of the Month? We could send directions and any fabric out to you, and you could return your blocks to The

Calico Mermaid in a baggie with your name, so we could have a drawing.

Doris Pyland has agreed to complete our audit for this year.

Please make sure to send your Opportunity quilt tickets and money to our P.O. Box, so you are included in the drawing. We will hold the drawing at the Board meeting in December.

The next Board meeting will be November 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 at El Tapatio. I would like to say that anyone can come, but I can't. If anyone has an issue to bring up, please let me know.

Our best wishes go out to Kathleen George, who has lung cancer. She says she has not had Chemo or Radiation, is taking medication, and feels pretty well. She is currently staying in Santa Barbara, but does get her mail. Please include her in your prayers.

Stay safe, and be well, until we can meet again.

Quilting Aplenty in 2020!

Karen Andris

## BOM Again! Yay!

The February Block of the Month was an appliquéd sewing machine! If you made one, please give to Calico Mermaid by December 16.



I know, it was a long time ago. Can you find it?

The next BOM is by Joyce Bartlett. It's called a Square Knot. If you want to participate you can contact Joyce and she will get it to you either by mail or drop off by Nov. 18. (The instructions are on the next page.)

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Turn your completed BOM in to Calico Mermaid by Dec. 16.



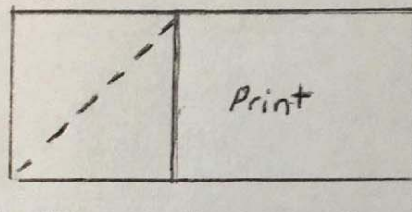
## Block of the Month Instructions

### SQUARE KNOT BLOCK

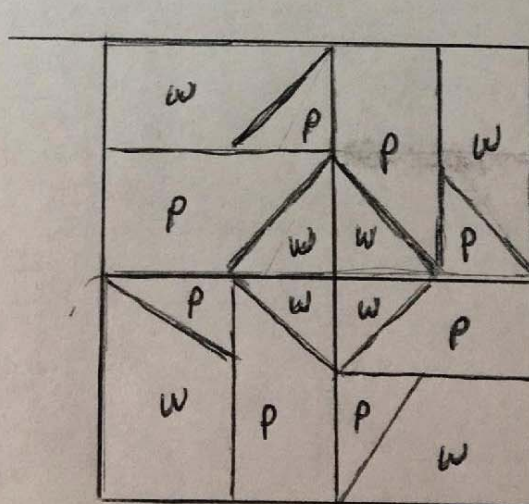
Print Fabric: cut 4 strips  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$   
Cut 4 squares  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$

White Fabric: cut 4 strips  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2}$   
Cut 4 squares  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$

Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the back side of each  $2\frac{1}{2}$  square.  
Take a print rectangle and lay a white square on top, right sides together. Line up the left edges and sew on the diagonal line.



Trim away excess leaving  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press toward the triangle. Make 4  
Take a white rectangle and a print square and do the same as above, Make 4  
Place a print rectangle on top of a white rectangle right sides together, making sure the triangles are both on the left side. Sew along the top  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press toward print. Make 4  
Arrange the 4 matching units as shown.  
Sew the top 2 units together and press to the left.  
Sew the bottom 2 units together and press to the right.  
With right sides together, nest seams and sew together  $\frac{1}{4}$ " allowance.  
Makes 8" block







## Vice President's Challenge Mystery Quilt

The **2020 Vice President's (VP) Challenge** is a "paint chip" challenge. Photos of the completed projects will be sent to Priscilla for publication in the November Show and Tell. ***Be sure you take your photo with the paint chip attached with a pin to the project.***

The instructions for the VP Challenge are printed below as a refresher.

Please send a photo of your finished piece with paint chip pinned onto it to Priscilla by November 16.

### Mystery Quilt

This year's mystery quilt is only 33" square! There were 7 steps. Because of the pandemic, the instructions were mailed to participants. You will reveal your mystery masterpiece in the November Show and Tell.

Please send a photo of your finished piece to Priscilla by November 16.

VP CHALLENGE—This year will be a paint chip challenge. Those interested in participating will select a paint chip from bag and don't show colors to others. They are to use two (2) of the three colors on the paint chip. They may add one (1) additional color in the project. The project must be at least 20" square. All of the project is to be completed by 1 quilter and try to keep it a secret. The project should be brought to the November quilt meeting in a brown paper bag with paint chip attached via pin to the project.

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*The purpose of the Porterville Quilters Club is to create, stimulate, maintain, and record an interest in all matters pertaining to the making, collecting and preserving of quilts and to establish and promote educational and philanthropic endeavors through quilts.*

### Club Officers 2020

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