

Porterville Quilters Newsletter

President's Message



Hello Quilters!

As summer is in full swing and the hot temperatures are upon us, a gentle reminder to us all to remember to stay safe and healthy – drink lots of water to keep hydrated and cool!

I'm so proud of our club! It was a pleasure to host our guests from the Family Crisis Center and to see how our efforts make such a positive difference in the community!

A huge thank you to the ladies in Little Quilts and those who helped and supported the workshop after - what a phenomenal job!

I am looking forward to our Local Heroes program and workshop this month. What another great opportunity to contribute to such a worthy cause and we get to enjoy our favorite hobby – sewing! Lunch will also be provided so I'd say that is a pretty good deal!

Looking ahead, we have so much to enjoy with our August program to tour Carmen's studio. This will be a very special treat! Margaret will provide details, but the tentative plan is to have a short meeting here at the church and then head over to Carmen's house to take the tour, have lunch and finish out our time together with Jars and Show and Tell. Again, we'll keep everyone updated as we look forward to August!

I hope everyone is enjoying Sheri Cates' Mystery Quilt. Is it ok to cheat and change my color choices now that I have more instructions??? Shhhhhh....I won't tell if you don't!

Remember as of July, there are only a few months to go on the V/P Challenge! The reveal is in November! My how time flies!

Looking forward to seeing all of you in a couple of weeks!

Until then - Don't forget your UFOs and Show and Tells!

Ashley Cooper

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Reminders for Next Meeting

- Wear your nametag.
- Block of the Month if you made one.
- Change for jars and BOM.
- Sewing supplies for workshop after meeting.
- Show and Tell!



July Birthdays

Tricia Shelton
Barbara Larsen
Georgia Ogas
Phyllis Taylor
Kendee Gurunian
Lillian Nicholson
Brenda Hughes

Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2022

President Ashley Cooper called the meeting to order at 10:03 and led the group in the flag salute.

Jan McCusker, Welcome/Sunshine, reported 39 members and 2 guests present. (Our four speakers did not sign in.)

Recording Secretary: The minutes were published in the newsletter. There were no additions or corrections. Karen Ervin moved that the minutes be accepted as printed. Doris Pyland seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Diana McKay, Corresponding Secretary, shared post cards advertising upcoming quilt shows.

The **treasurer's report** was also published in the newsletter and on the back of the agenda. There were no questions. Ann Hass motioned that we accept the treasurer's report. Becky Eaton seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Margaret Smith reported that the July program will be about our Local Heroes with a workshop to follow. August program will be brief. We will carpool to Carmen Friesen's home for a tour of her sewing room. We will have lunch and conclude our meeting with jar gifts and show and tell. Our September program will be a fund raiser for the club called Harvest Bounty.

Jody Mead introduced our speakers today. Their organizations receive most of the Little Quilts product and the reason for our nonprofit status.

Described how the Family Crisis Center uses our quilts and gave a brief history of the Family Crisis Center. Porterville Quilters have been providing quilts for 22 years.

Paul of the Parenting Network tells how this agency began 35 years ago

by and for Mom's with special needs children when few services were available.



BREAK

Margaret again reminded us of the upcoming Harvest Bounty fund raiser.

Sheri Cates described the July workshop following the July meeting will include lunch. We will be completing quilt tops with the blocks that members have been piecing during the past several months. We will also sew pillow cases to go with the quilts. If anyone has a person who has served our country that would like a quilt, please submit their name to Sheri.

Sheri also added information about the **mystery quilt** directions for this month.

Karen Andris noted that we will have an opportunity to sell tickets for our

quilt at the next **Rusty Roots** on November 19 at the Tulare County Fairs Grounds,

Block of the month was explained and demonstrated by Doris Pyland.



The May Block of the Month was won by Janice Poe.



Terri Gomez has been quilting some of the **Little Quilts** on her long arm as some call for quilting while others are great with being tied. The little Quilts drawings were won by Juanita Loftis (a doll made by Becky Eaton), Janice Poe and Adela Rapp each won a quilt.

Old Business

The 2022 Scholarship winner has been contacted and invited to one of our general meetings.

The new board was pictured in the Porterville Recorder section, 'It's a Snap' last week.

New Business – none

Jar pin cushions were won at each table by drawing.

The meeting closed with show and tell.

Jenny McKinsey,
Recording Secretary



Show and Tell



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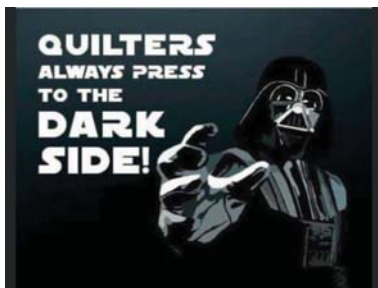


June Workshop ~ Making Little Quilts!

We had a great turnout for the Little Quilts Workshop!

There were members sewing, cutting, pressing and so forth!

Great work, Ladies!!!!



Quick Tip—Use a brow trimmer to rip out stitches!

This was a new one for me. First, I didn't know these brow trimmers existed (because I have hardly any eyebrows and don't dare trim them or I'd look really funny). Second, I didn't know any other way to remove stitches except using the seam ripper.

These little trimmers are inexpensive and reportedly work well, especially when ripping out seams with small stitch lengths, such as with paper piecing (I watched a You Tube). You just draw them along the seam repeatedly being careful not to cut your fabric. Evidently the electric ones work well, too.

I have heard they are easy to get a dollar type stores, but also other outlets. I'm going to try it!

Porterville Quilters Club

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.

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Meetings and Workshops

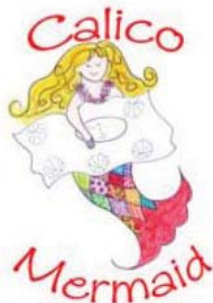
July 21 - Local Heroes. Sheri Cates, our Local Heroes Committee Chair, will present this wonderful program, and talk about these unique quilts and the Veterans who receive them for their service.

July 21 - WORKSHOP following the meeting. Sheri will guide us to make and/or finish quilts that will be presented to local veterans under our Local Heroes committee. Lunch included.

August 18 - Field trip to Carmen's Sewing Studio. We will have a short business meeting and then carpool to Carmen's house. This will be unique and fun!

Remember! Keep making your sewing products for our Harvest Bounty in September! It will be a fun time to see what everyone has made and an opportunity to buy some wonderful items.

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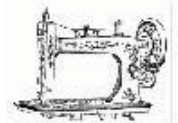
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