

# Porterville Quilters Newsletter

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## President's/Vice President's Message

This year has flown by. I think back on what has happened in our club this past year, both sad and happy. We unexpectedly lost our President Sue Riley, our members Sue Rowell and Rose Johnson, and past member Dottie Premo. Their absence leaves a void in our club and our hearts. They are greatly missed.

On a brighter note I remember all the varied activities we had this past year - Cradle Quilts and Little Quilts both had their drawings through the year. We had our Annual Potluck and Spring Clean in May.

Sheri Cates presented a Quilt of Valor in July. In September we held our Harvest Bounty and the club retreat in November. The Board prepared a salad lunch, potato bar and soup bar.

We had many speakers and workshops. In February, the owner of Calico Mermaid, Georgia Goode, gave a presentation on owning a quilt store and there was a demonstration of machine embroidery given by members of the club. In March, Sue Marcotte gave a trunk show and a workshop on fabric postcards.

Our guest speaker in April was Arlene Arnold. She described a journey by one of her relatives from Kentucky to California in 1864, followed by a workshop.

Becki Eaton showed us many of the dolls she has made followed by a workshop. Terry Gomez showed the different rope baskets she has made and also had a workshop. The last of our speakers was Barbara Daniels who gave a trunk show and class on thread painting.

As I looked back on our many accomplishments during 2023, I was amazed at all the hard work the membership devoted toward Block of the Month, mystery quilt, making the opportunity quilt and selling of the tickets at different venues, Cradle Quilts and Little Quilts, writing and publishing of the newsletter. I know I have forgotten some. We also accomplished our "Club Duties" such as budget and election of officers. To top off the year, we still have our Christmas Party and Luncheon to look forward to!

All of you deserve a great big thank you for your hard work. Oh, and in your spare time - you make quilts.

Please welcome our new Board members: Becki Eaton President, Phyllis Taylor Treasurer and Brenda Head Corresponding Secretary. [Georgia Ogas will](#) →

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### Editor's Note

It has been an honor and a joy to write your newsletter (and Virtual Show and Tell during the pandemic) for the past five years. Thank you for all your contributions. There was never a lack of wonderful items to include!

Your newsletter is now in good hands with Carmen.

### December

#### Birthdays

**JoAnn Bishop**

**Sheri Cates**

**Anna Diaz**

**Linda Petit**

**Priscilla Summers**

**Hulse Zepeda**

**Noleen Paskwietz**

**Della Rapp**

**Joyce Bartlett**

### Next Meeting

- Gift for exchange if participating.
- Appetite!

## Acting President/Vice President's Message, continued

continue as Secretary and I will continue as Vice President.

### Announcements:

-There will be a signup sheet for volunteers to make 7 prizes to give out each month for the winner of the jar drawing -

-Karen Ervin would like some help next month sorting material donated to the club by Dr. Sampath. A

signup sheet will also be available at the next meeting

-We still need people to fill several committee chair positions

-The next Board meeting will be January 2, 2024, 11:00 AM at the Pizza Factory

-The next Club meeting will be January 18, 2024 at 10:00. This will be the budget meeting

## Meeting Minutes, November 16, 2023

Interim President Janet Alexander called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., followed by the flag salute.

A moment of silence was held in honor of our Club friends Sue Riley, Sue Rowell, Rose Johnson, and Dottie Premo who recently passed away.

**Welcome/Sunshine:** Jan reported we had 49 members and 1 guest present. We sang Happy Birthday to Kathy B., Candy, Marlis, Ferrel, Helen, and Peg.

**Recording Secretary:** The minutes from the October 16 meeting were published in the newsletter. A motion by Phyllis Taylor and seconded by Lynette Stover to accept the minutes was passed.

**Corresponding Secretary:** No correspondence was received.

**Treasurer's Report:** Oct. Income - \$889.21  
Expenses - \$781.36 Register Balance - \$14,392.95

A motion by Kathy Everett and seconded by Carlie Attebury to accept the treasurer's report as printed in the newsletter was passed.

**VP/Programs/Workshops:** Janet shared the following -

**\*Potato Bar Lunch \$6** - For members today after

the Meeting, with the **Club Retreat after lunch and Friday.**

**\*December 21** - Christmas Party, UFO winner, installation of officers, Opportunity Quilt winner & reveal of 2024 Opportunity Quilt.

### Committee Reports:

**Christmas Party** - Ellen reminded everyone today will be the last day to pay for the Christmas luncheon (members-\$11, guests-\$21). Dessert selections are due ASAP. Gift exchange - \$10 gift, wrapped, with your name inside the gift.

**Bus Trip, 1/19/2024, Road to California/Ontario, \$75/bus, admission, water, tip** - Margaret emphasized we have 25 signed up (40 needed). This will be advertised at the Kings River, Orange Blossom Clubs, and Scicon.

**Membership** - Karen E. will continue taking pictures today for the 2024 booklet. We have 75 members. Please pay annual dues starting in January, 2024.

**Best of the Valley/April 12 & 13/McDermont X, Lindsay** - Quilt entry forms are due February 14, 2024; Challenge quilt entry forms are due March 1.

**Little Quilts** - Meets every other Tuesday putting quilts together.

**Opportunity Quilt** - Jenny thanked everyone who

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helped at Rusty Roots. We made \$310 and have surpassed our 2023 budget goal of \$3000! The Visalia Home Show is scheduled for Feb. 2-4, 2024.

**Mystery Quilt Reveal** - Eleven talented ladies showed their outstanding Mystery Quilts. Good job!

**Block of the Month** - Linda P. won the October block and Sheri explained JoAnn's Cracker Box or 40th Anniversary (Signature) block. Terry announced Della will be making calls in December to fill up the list of block presenters. Reminder: Show & Tell by past block winners will be at the January 18 Meeting.



### Old Business:

**2024 Committee Sign-ups/Chairmen** - Janet read the Committees still in need of Chairmen. The position of Historian will be discussed at a later date (a Bylaws change if the position is removed).

**Parliamentarian** - After advertising in the newsletter for this position, we had one volunteer - Stephanie Bullock. Stephanie shared her qualifications with the members. Phyllis Taylor made a motion to appoint Stephanie Bullock as Club Parliamentarian; seconded by Ferral Hubbard. Motion passed.

**Proposal to Raise Annual Dues to \$30** - At the October 19 Meeting, Jenny McKinsey proposed raising our annual dues to \$30, and an article was published in the November newsletter. A motion was made by Margaret Smith to raise the Club's annual dues to \$30; seconded by Carlie Attebury. After discussion, the motion passed. During dis-

ussion, Janet clarified that it is not mandatory for members to purchase the Opportunity Quilt tickets.

**Election of Officers/Nominations from the floor** - Janet Alexander read the slate of officers from the Nominating Committee accepted at the October 19 Meeting and asked for nominations from the floor for each office. For the office of treasurer (in addition to Jenny McKinsey), Karen Ervin nominated Phyllis Taylor, seconded by JoAnn Bishop. After a ballot vote, Phyllis received the majority of votes. Becki Eaton made a motion to elect the 2024 slate of officers; seconded by Diana McKay. Motion passed. 2024 Officers are: President - Becki Eaton; Vice President - Janet Alexander; Recording Secretary - Georgia Ogas; Corresponding Secretary - Brenda Head; Treasurer - Phyllis Taylor.

### New Business:

**President's Quilt Blocks** - Jan McCusker recommended making three small quilts for Sue Riley's three children from the 60 batik quilt blocks she collected; Sheri Cates will quilt them using batting and backing from the Club. Linda Pettitt made a motion and Lynette Stover seconded, to make three small quilts for Sue Riley's children. Stephanie Bullock amended the motion to add "using batting and backing from the Club," seconded by Carlie Attebury. The motion as amended was passed.

**Name Tag Workshop/January 18** - Carmen showed the name tag/holder which will be made by new members or anyone who wants a new name tag. She passed out directions for prep work to be done before the workshop, and will embroider the participants' names.

**Scholarship Fund** - With the recent passing of 3 members, and after discussion, Karen Ervin made a motion to add \$100 each (\$300) to our Scholar-

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ship Fund in the names of Sue Riley, Sue Rowell, and Rose Johnson, to be taken from the 2023 General Fund. Terry Gomez seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Jars:** Congratulations to all the winners who received a 2023 Santa lace ornament! Thank you, EQ!

**Show & Tell:** Sandra, Carlie, Margaret, Juanita/Lilly, Ellen, Linda P., and Georgeanne shared their beautiful quilts.

**Next Board Meeting:** December 5, 2023, Pizza Factory - 11:00 a.m.

**Next General Meeting:** December 21, 2023, 10 a.m., First Congregational Church.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Georgia Ogas, Recording Secretary

## Bus Trip

Our bus trip to road to California is fast approaching and if you have been thinking about going now is the time to decide, we have only 5 places left so don't delay.

If you have questions please call Margaret (550) 361-7498. ~~~~ Thanks so much!

## Retreat



# Mystery Quilt Reveal

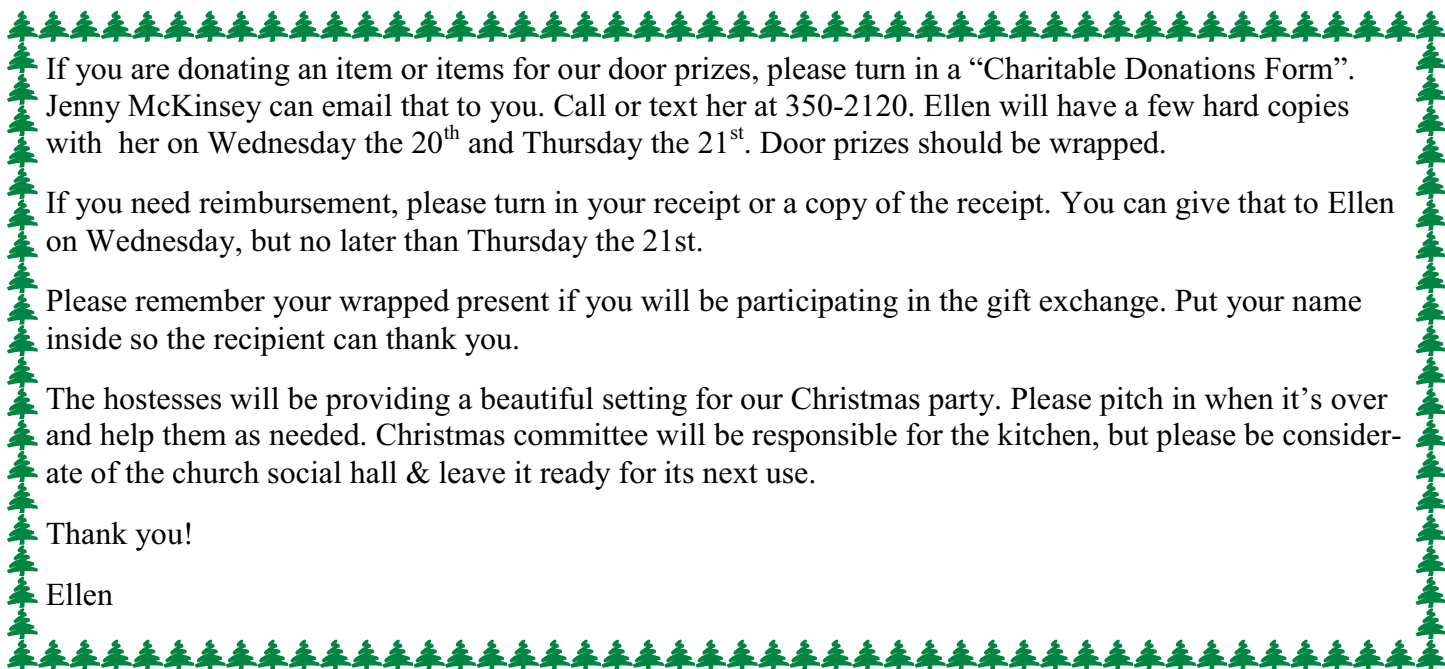
Same pattern but different colors and fabrics! Beautiful!



# Show and Tell



# Christmas Luncheon



If you are donating an item or items for our door prizes, please turn in a “Charitable Donations Form”. Jenny McKinsey can email that to you. Call or text her at 350-2120. Ellen will have a few hard copies with her on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> and Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup>. Door prizes should be wrapped.

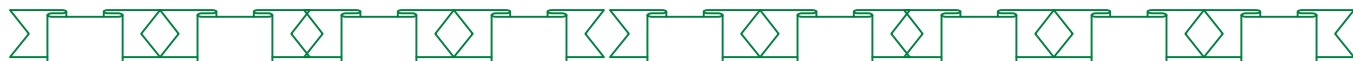
If you need reimbursement, please turn in your receipt or a copy of the receipt. You can give that to Ellen on Wednesday, but no later than Thursday the 21st.

Please remember your wrapped present if you will be participating in the gift exchange. Put your name inside so the recipient can thank you.

The hostesses will be providing a beautiful setting for our Christmas party. Please pitch in when it’s over and help them as needed. Christmas committee will be responsible for the kitchen, but please be considerate of the church social hall & leave it ready for its next use.

Thank you!

Ellen



# Club Information

## Club Officers 2023

President: Sue Riley

Vice President: Janet Alexander

Treasurer: Jenny McKinsey

Recording Secretary: Georgia Ogas

Corresponding Secretary: Diana McKay

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