

President's Message

The first week of March is already here and Quilt Club is just around the corner. Thank you to the ladies that worked with Sandy Whaling this past weekend in Fresno and sold opportunity tickets on Porterville Quilter's Quilt. Once again they had a good showing.

I hope that have submitted entries for the Best of the Valley and are currently working on labels and sleeves. It will be another exciting show this year. Sandy is still looking for volunteers to sell Opportunity Tickets and docent the show. If you are able to do either please contact her ASAP.

At our March Meeting we will have a guest speaker, Ms. Clark, sharing her work with Ryan's Smiles. It is time for our first 2019 Pot of Gold Raffle, as well as our first fat quarter drawing. Our Mystery Quilt patterns will be available, too. Don't forget to bring your Show and Tell. We had great participation last month. It is always wonderful to see your completions.

If you signed up for the workshop after the meeting, lunch, fabric, and pattern will be furnished for you to complete pillowcases for Ryan's Smiles. Don't forget to bring your sewing machines and supplies.

See you on the 21st. Continue sewing on.

Sheri Cates

Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2019

Call to Order / Flag Salute 10:05 a.m.

Local Hero Presentation: Rose Johnson nominated Jacquie Meredith for a Local Heroes Quilt. Jacquie served in the U.S. Army Military Police Corp. from 1984-1992. She is the mother of two daughters. She is the Principal at Strathmore Elementary School and stays active in the Community. She was presented with a beautiful quilt and thanked everyone.

Welcome/Sunshine/Birthdays: Members present - 46 members and 4 guests. Jan McCusker sent a sympathy card to Shirley Hickman, whose husband passed away, and a Thinking of You card to Sheri Cates.



Jacquie Meredith, Local Hero.

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BOM

March Block of the Month is being presented by Darlene Byars.

Thanks Darlene!

Next meeting bring:

- Your name tag!
- \$\$ for Party Jars, BOM
- Supplies for Workshop
- Fat Quarter (optional)



Meeting Minutes, continued

February Birthdays:

Sue Sampath, Juanita Loftis, Georgeanne Borjon, Karen Reeder (new member), and Hisako (Tommie) Thompson.

Recording Secretary Report: The minutes were published in the Newsletter. There being no corrections, omissions or additions, the minutes were accepted on a motion by D. Pyland and sec. by K. Andris.

Treasurer's Report:

P. Taylor corrected the Total Expense figure from \$1,944.25 to \$1,984.24 due to the fact that the Christmas Luncheon cost for January of \$39.99 did not carry over to the Year to Date column. The Treasurer's Report was then accepted on a motion by D. Byars and sec. by S. Whaling.

Corresponding Secretary Report: T. Shelton reported that she received a Thank You card from the Family Crisis Center for our quilt donations. A flyer for the upcoming Quilt Show in Venecia will be on the rear table.

General Business

Sign-up sheet to sell tickets for our Opportunity Quilt at the upcoming Fresno Home Show (March 1-3) will be on the table in the rear of the room. Sign-up sheet for ticket sales at the Best of the Valley Quilt Show (April 6-8) are on the rear table.

2019 Programs

Carmen Friesen reported that flyers giving specifics of the <u>VP</u> Challenge are on the rear table. Completed projects will be revealed in October. Forms for Local Heroes Requests and UFO Contracts are also on the back table. <u>UFO</u> Contracts are due at the April meeting

March - Ryan's Smiles pillowcase program, Pot o' Gold, fat quarter drawing (bring a fat 1/4), Mystery Quilt Challenge introduced. April - Overcoming Quilting Disasters.

Possible bus trips (Reedley in Sept. 20-21), \$38 for bus only. Show admission is \$8, plus lunch. Bus trip to seven Sisters Show in San Luis Obispo (June 29-30).

Block of the Month:

Linda Pettit presented the February Block of the Month called Pinwheel Party. She then drew the name of the winner of the January BOM as Cleta Adams.

Shirley Hickman thanked her "Quilting Family" for their words of condolence. She spoke of her husband Joe and thanked all those who helped her.

2019 Opportunity

Quilt: Sandy needs help selling tickets at the Fresno Home Show (March 1-4) at the Fresno Fairgrounds. She is also looking for ticket sellers at the BOV Show in April. Tickets for the 2019 Opportunity Quilt are now ready for members to pick up. They cost \$20 and are on the back table. The ticket sales at the Visalia Home Show totaled \$365.

Ellen Jordan gave a presentation entitled "Why Quilts Matter" from the Kentucky Quilt Project. It included Fun Facts. The



March Birthdays:

Brenda Amyx
Minnie Landsdale
Pritha Thayapran
Carol Stowe
Diana McKay
Georgia Goode

Good work Quilters!!!

At the February meeting 21 quilts were turned in for the Little Quilts Program, and nine quilts for the Cradle Quilts Program.

If you are interested in getting a kit to make one at home, see Darlene for Little Quilts or Noeleen for Cradle Quilts!





Ellen Jordan presenting "Why Quilts Matter"



Meeting Minutes, continued

oldest quilt is dated at 3400 BC and that quilts were first made in China between 1360 and 1400 AD. The AIDS Memorial Quilt weighs 54 tons. Thank you Ellen. Very enlightening.

Cradle Quilts: Noeleen displayed her Cradle Quilt Challenge. Members were asked to make their quilts 18" or 20" square. Noeleen has made kits. For every quilt donation the member will receive a ticket for a

chance to win a small quilt stand with 12 quilts at the November meeting. Cradle Quilts can be made at Calico Mermaid on the 4th Tuesday of each month (not February, however).

Old Business: Priscilla reported that our website has been updated. Members should visit it. There was a question about why we didn't receive membership cards with our new membership booklets. It was reported that businesses don't accept

them anymore, including JoAnns.

New Business: None

Jars: Winners of the gifts which were supplied by Carole Puccino were: Minnie Lansdale, Cathy Proctor, Sue Sampath, Shirley Hickman, Karen Reeder, Ellen Jordan, Rae Lynne Dyar, Marianna Moss, and Noeleen Paskwietz.

Little Quilts: D. Byars reported that Little Quilts received a total

VP Challenge

The 2019 Vice President's Challenge invites club members to apply their quilting skills to exemplify the many ways in which Mother Nature shows her true colors. Mother Nature rejoices throughout the year and causes us to rejoice in turn. Your challenge quilt will demonstrate how Mother Earth rejoices and in turn provokes a joyous response in your audience. Your challenge quilt

- Must feature a tree
- May be no larger than 36" x 36" and
- No smaller than 12" x 12"
- Can be made using any technique or method, including (but not limited to) traditional art, appliqué, modern or combination
- Must feature a quilt 'sandwich' and
- Cannot be a bag, nor contain panels or parts of panels.

2019 Cradle Quilt Challenge

Come join the challenge completing cradle quilts! Each completed cradle quilt will earn you one ticket. The calendar quilt set shown below will be raffled off from the tickets at the November meeting.

If you would like a kit or batting to make your own quilts, call Noeleen. Please use colors that little girls between the ages to 2 to 8 would like. The size should be at least 18 inches and no bigger than 20 inches square.



Cute little dolls for Cradle Quilts



Join us on the 4th Tuesday of the month at Calico Mermaid for workshops making the quilts.

Please contact:

Noeleen 789-4922 or Sally 972-4467



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of 21 quilts today.

Show and Tell presenters: S. Dauer, N. Paskwietz, J. Loftis, D. Pyland, R. Johnson presented Margaret Smith's Calico Strippers quilt, C. Adams, J. Poe, K. Reeder, M. Moss, K. Everett, A. Cooper, G. Ogas and J. McNees (new mem-

ber).

With no other action to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Respectfully submitted by Carole Puccino, Recording Secretary

Hospitality Helpers

For the March meeting will the following members please bring goodies:

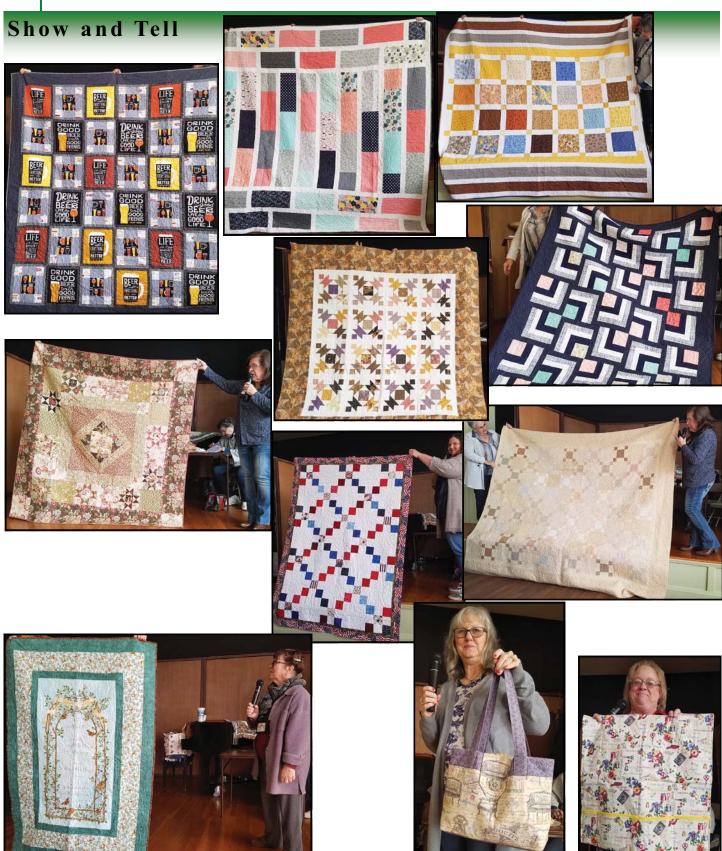
Josie Flashberger, Carmen Friesen, Kathleen George, Terry Gomez, Georgia Goode, Anne Haas, Rebecca Haley, Brenda Head, Shirley Hickman, Lynda Hicks, Brenda Hughes, Lois Hummel.

THANK YOU!!!!

Show and Tell (continued on next page)









March Workshop

For the March workshop you only need to bring your sewing machine and regular tools (scissors, thread, your convenience sewing items). The fabric and pattern will be provided by the club. Lunch will also be provided by the club.

Come join the fun—it's for a good cause.



Fat Quarter Quarterly

At the March, June, and September meetings you can participate in the Fat Quarter Quarterly!

All you have to do is bring a fat quarter meeting the theme of that month to the meeting and give it to Carmen. A drawing will tell who the lucky person is to get the whole pile.

A fat quarter is approximately 18 inches by 22 inches.

March theme:

"Anything Spring"

Programs and Workshops

Date	Tentative Agenda	Workshop
Mar. 21	Ryan's Smiles ~ Taya Clark; Pot o' Gold; Fat Quarter Quarterly Drawing; Mystery Quilt Introduced.	Make simple pillowcases; Materials provided by the club.
Apr. 18	Overcoming Quilting Disasters ~ Material Girlfriends Lisa Norton & Lora Zmak	April 19*: Calico Mermaid Project Confetti Hunter's Star
May 16	Spring Potluck; Best of the Valley Show-case; Little Quilts Raffle	Fabric License Plate Tote with Carmen Friesen
June 20	Another way to Appliqué ~ Lauri Britt; Fat Quarter Quarterly Drawing	June 21*: Calico Mermaid Apple Harvest with Lauri Britt
July 18	Spring Clean	Local Heroes Quilts
Aug. 15	Porterville Quilters Members' Showcase; Mary Lopez from Crisis Center; Little Quilts Raffle	Little Quilts Workshop Aug. 16: Annual Retreat (your own projects)
Sept. 19	Best of the Valley Featured Artist Show- case; Fat Quarter Quarterly Drawing; Pot o' Gold	Appliqué with Wool with Carmen Friesen (tentative)
Oct. 17	Harvest Bounty; Vice President's Challenge Revealed	Grocery Bags
Nov. 21	Barn Quilts—Suzi Parron; Mystery Quilts Revealed	Nov. 22*: Calico Mermaid Let's Paint a Barn Quilt with Suzi Parron
Dec. 19	Annual Holiday luncheon; Opportunity Quilt drawing; Installation of Officers	No Workshop

*Please note: Workshops on April 19, June 21, and November 22 will be held in collaboration with and at Calico Mermaid.

Confetti Hunter Star Workshop

Check off one of your 'bucket list' quilt projects by joining twin instructors Lisa and Lora in a Hunter Star adventure. Learn a revolutionary technique that super simplifies the cutting and piecing of the Hunter Star Block. NO Y SEAMS! No special rulers! Be encouraged to mix and match your block halves to easily create one of the four different Hunter Star settings included in the Confetti Hunter Star pattern by Material Girlfriends. Laugh and enjoy the sisters' humor and expertise as you create a 48" x 64" throw size Hunter Star quilt. Layer Cake friendly pattern. Confetti Hunter.

The workshop will be held at the Calico Mermaid quilt store. Cost is \$45 for PQ club members and \$85 for non-members and includes lunch. The pattern must be purchased separately. Sign-up and payment are being taken now at the Calico Mermaid.

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2019 Porterville Quilters Club Officers

- President: Sheri Cates
- Vice President: Carmen Friesen
- Recording Secretary:
 Carole Puccino
- Corresponding Secretary: Tricia Shelton
- Treasurer: Phyllis Taylor

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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.

The Porterville Quilters club meets on the third Thursday of each month at the first Congregational Church, located at 165 East Mill Avenue in Porterville. Meetings begin at 10:00 a.m. Guests are welcome. There is no charge for guests.

Board meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 9 am at Calico Mermaid, 122 N Main, Porterville, CA. All members are welcome. Please use the rear door.

Best of the Valley

Docents and/or Ticket Sellers Needed!!

We are selling tickets for our Opportunity Quilt at this important show. To be granted this opportunity, we need to provide 15 docents at the show.

Docents are assigned an isle. You primary duty as docent is to make sure visitors do not touch the quilts. At check-in, administration will give you a pair of white cotton gloves to enable you to touch the quilts. If someone asks to see the back of the quilt, for instance, you can lift a corner to show the back. You may be asked questions about the quilts such as what is the name of the block, etc. You answer if you know or you say, "I don't know" and consult the write up posted next to the quilt.

Each person serves a 2-hour shift. There are chairs if you need to sit down. No one expects you to stand for the whole 2 hours.

Ticket-sellers are also needed in 2-hour shifts. *See Sandy Whaling to sign up.*

Mystery Quilt

What is the Mystery Quilt?? I don't know, you have to make one to find out!

Each month you will get instructions. You follow the instruc-



tions and the quilt will eventually be finished. Mystery Quilts are to be kept secret, of course, or else the mystery is no longer. That's the fun.

The finished quilts will be revealed to all at the November meeting. The best part of participating in the Mystery Quilt project is that even though it is the same pattern and instructions, each quilter uses their own fabrics so they are the "same, but different"!

Thanks to everyone in advance for participating. *See Sandy Whaling to sign up.*







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Tricia Shelton

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