

P'S & Q'S

Porterville Quilters Newsletter
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- Trisha Shelton
- Georgia Ogas
- Phyllis Taylor
- Brenda Hughes
- Lillian Nicholson
- Jean Loscotoff

Remember to bring...

- Block of the Month
- Name Tags
- Show and Tell
- \$\$\$ for Christmas Party Jars.
- Sewing supplies for Local Heroes workshop
- Spring Clean Items

Block of the Month

- Aug-Karen Andris
- Sep- Becki Eaton
- Oct-Linda Letterneau
- Nov-Terry Gomez
- Dec-none
- Jan-2019-Karen Ervin

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Can you believe we are beginning the 7th month of the year? Only 178 days until Christmas 2018. Don't panic yet because we have plenty of time for all your shopping needs. This month you have an opportunity to destash your quilting space and make room for new treasures. In October, we have Harvest Bounty and the opportunity to shop for all of your holiday needs and wants. We also have another opportunity for a Little Quilts raffle and the Pot of Gold raffle before the end of the year. So don't think the year is ending yet, because we still have a lot to do.

July finds us with a Local Heroes Workshop after our Spring Boutique. If you still have an unfinished block, please bring them to the meeting whether finished or not. We will work together to assemble several quilt tops and get them ready for quilting and one of the many waiting recipients. We have a generous and giving club that keeps on giving.

I know many of you are escaping the Valley for cooler temperatures and family vacations but we are

very grateful for the time you donate to Porterville Quilters. Those going to Sisters, Oregon will be leaving in about 10 days but will return in time for the July meeting. In the mean time, find a cool place to sew or hang out with friends. Try to bring your things for the Spring Cleaning before 10:00 on the 19th. Looking forward to seeing each of you.

Sheri Cates

Meeting Minutes Porterville Quilters June 21, 2018

Call to Order / Flag Salute:
10:03 a.m.

Welcome / Sunshine / Birthdays: Juanita Loftis reported that there were 56 members and 2 guests (Jacqueline Walls and Susan K. Ramsey) at the meeting: Birthdays were: Jodi Mead (3), Anne Haas (9), Lois Cates (10), Lois Hummel (11), Deborah Ledbetter (17) and Sue Roswell (27). Juanita sent sympathy cards to Anne Christenson's family, and Karen Talley whose husband passed away.

President's Report: None

Recording Secretary's

Report: C. Puccino reported that the minutes were in the Newsletter. The following **correction** was made: Block of the Month: The May blocks were won by Georgia Ogas. Sheri Cates presented the June Blocks. There being no other corrections, additions or omissions, the Minutes were then accepted on a motion by Becki Eaton and seconded by Doris Pyland.

Treasurer's Report: Phyllis Taylor presented the corrected May Treasurer's Report. There being no questions from the floor, the May Treasurer's Report was then accepted on a motion by Rose Johnson, sec. by Sue Sampath.

Corresp. Report: J. Bishop read Thank You letters from the Family Crisis Center, Charles and Natalie, Hailee Caruthers for a gift craft box and Lt. Col. Nancy Chadwell for the Local Heroes Quilt we presented her to her.

Several donations were received in memory of Anne Christenson. The club will place the funds in the Scholarship Fund.

General Business: June speaker Susan Geringer (Living Amongst the Amish) cancelled due to illness. **July** - Spring Cleanup followed by the Local Heroes Workshop when members will construct the quilts. **August** - 6 members will present some of their quilts, Cradle Quilts Raffle. **August 17th** Retreat. Members work on their own projects, lunch provided.

9:00 - 3:30 **September SURPRISE!!! Oct. - Harvest Festival.** Completed items sold. VP Challenges revealed. **November** - Officers named. **December** Holiday Party.

Opportunity Quilt and Mystery Quilt - S. Whaling spoke about selling Opportunity Quilt tickets at the Visalia Home Show Sept. 21, 22 and 23 (9-5). There will be sign-up sheets. . Last year we sold over \$600 in tickets. She distributed clues Number 4 and 5 of the Mystery Quilt.

Block of the Month: Sandy Whaling presented the July blocks made with Jinny Beyer fabric. Georgia Ogas pulled the name of Darlene Lowe as the winner of the June blocks.

Little Quilts - Jodi Mead discussed the purpose of Little Quilts and showed several quilts donated by members such as Noelene, Sandy Dauer and Becki Eaton.

Old Business: All of the sound system equipment has now been purchased and is working properly.

Cradle Quilts - Noleen announced that Cradle Quilts will meet next Tuesday at Calico Mermaid from 10 - 2. All are welcomed to participate in making pillows, quilts, etc.

New Business: Rose Johnson spoke about Anne Christenson and made a motion that the club donates \$100 to the Scholarship Fund

in her memory. Motion Sec Cathy Proctor. Motion carried.

Announcements: (1) there is a Grand Quilter machine for sale. Flyer is on the rear table.

(2) Olivia Anderson (Springville) has an 18" longarm for sale.

(3) Calico will be having a happy hour from 2-6 tomorrow. New Christmas fabric is here.

(4) There is a vacancy for the Sisters Quilt Trip. See Carole Puccino for specifics.

Jar Gifts made by Rae Lynne and Calico were won by Anne Beveridge, JoAnn Bishop, Karen Ervin, Brenda Head, Jodi Mead, Cathy Proctor, Marlene Selchert, Tommy Thomson and Darlene Byars. Carmen will make the jar gifts next month.


Show and Tell: Presenters were: Janice Poe, Becki Eaton, Ellen Jordan, Joyce Bartlett, (Marianna Moss, Linda Pettit and Lynette Stover) presented joint quilts; Georgeanne Borjon, (Linda Pettit, Noleen and Georgeanne Boron) presented joint quilts, Noleen Paskwietz, Juanita Loftis, Jerry McKinsey, Sandy Whalen, Phyllis Taylor and Sheri Cates.

The meeting was then adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Puccino
Recording Secretary..

PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

<p>July 19</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No free table this month because of the spring cleaning boutique. 50/50 split or donation. Clean out your sewing room and bring usable unfinished projects, tools, patterns, fabrics, kits, etc. Fill out a form and enter your starting price. You can raise the price in increments of 25 cents. Please, no nickel, dime or penny increases. • Local Heroes workshop follows the general meeting. Bring your finished blocks, sewing machine and tools. Sign up so we know how many to expect for lunch
<p>August 16 & 17</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look for a surprise, secret event! Little Quilt Raffle. • Selection of nominating committee. • Retreat held on following day. Please sign up for the retreat. The retreat is a day of sewing on your own projects and a chance to visit with other quilters. It is so much fun.
<p>September 20</p>	<p>Member showcase program. Sign-up for the Christmas Party luncheon.</p>
<p>September 21,22,23</p>	<p>Visalia Home Show. We need eight people per day to sell tickets on our Opportunity quilt. Show is held at the Visalia Convention Center. See Sandy Whaling to sign up. Please consider helping out for this event.</p>
<p>October 18</p>	<p>Harvest Bounty (no free table this month). Please bring your handmade, gift ready donation for sale. This is one of our major fund raisers. Suggestions: Purses, table runners, tote bags, tea towels, pillowcases, mug rugs, pot holders, aprons, placemats, etc. If possible, please give Becki or Phyllis your finished items beforehand.</p>
<p>November 15</p>	<p>Vice President's challenge is going to be shown. Mystery quilt revealed and election of officers. Pot of Gold raffle.</p>
<p>December 20</p>	<p>December Lunch and gift exchange at Nuckol's ranch; Installation of officers, opportunity quilt drawing.</p>

Coming Events

<p>July 12-16</p>	<p>Cancelation call Janet Alexander to make arrangements for her seat.-Bus Trip: Sisters, Oregon July 12-16, 2018. . Contact Sheri Cates.</p>
<p>August 17 -18</p>	<p>Truckee Meadows Quilt Show. Hours: 10 – 4 both days. Reno-Sparks Convention Center 4001 S. Virginia St. Reno, Nev. www.tmquilters.com</p>
<p>October 6</p>	<p>Common Threads Holiday Boutique – Hanford Fraternal Hall – 1015 N. 10th Ave. – Hanford – 9am to 1pm - come early for best selection.</p>

October 13	Orange Blossom Quilters annual boutique. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Grace Lutheran Church – corner of Tulare & Conyer, Visalia Info: 559-967-1721
October 11-14	Pacific International Quilt Festival – Santa Clara Convention Center – Santa Clara



Reminder:

We will be having a Local Heroes workshop right after the July meeting. Sign-up, bring your sewing machine and tools and take part in this great program to make quilts for our local heroes.



Little Quilts: Jody and Karen show some of the little quilts.



Little Quilts meet every Tuesday at 9:30 at Hillside Community Church. The charity quilts are given to Central California Family Crisis Center for the children who enter the shelter. Quilts are also given to Porterville Coordinating Counsel. They distribute the little quilts to those in need. All members are welcome to come and help out with this club project. Jody Mead and Karen Andris are the committee chairs.



SHOW AND TELL



Marianna Moss
Is showing two of
her lovely quilts.

Who is behind quilt number
one and quilt
number two???



Perhaps, it's Becki!





Georgeanne, Linda and Lynette show their quilts from the same pattern but with different color variations. Below are four more quilts all from the same pattern.



Georgeanne, Linda (?) Sally and Noeleen (?)



Sandy (right) and Jenny (left) show their beautiful creations.





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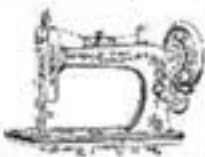
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The purpose of the Porterville Quilters club is to create, stimulate, maintain, and record an interest in all matters pertaining to the making, collecting, and preserving of quilts and to establish and promote educational and philanthropic endeavors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

Next board meeting is August 6, 2018 at 9:00 am at Calico Mermaid. All members welcome. Please use the rear door.

Scant Seams Are Often Best

When you have adjusted your seam width to sew an accurate seam allowance, you may be sewing a 'scant' quarter-inch seam allowance, a seam that's a tiny bit less than the 1/4" wide.

Rotary cut pieces are often slightly smaller than fabric cut with templates, due to the absence of marked lines. That narrow pencil line we used in the past to trace around templates wasn't very wide, but most of us tended to cut on the outside of it, adding a bit of excess. The width was often just enough to compensate for the loft that gets lost in a seam when it's pressed up and over the thread.

Think of that missing line whenever you measure strips or sew seams. Accuracy takes practice, but it won't be long until you know exactly where to cut and where to sew to achieve the best results.

