



Ps and Qs



Porterville Quilters

President's Message

Dear quilters,

This is starting out to be a difficult month for me. I am having a hard time cleaning out my stash for things to donate to our sale this month. – Problem is I have found things I have put away for one reason or another that is partially finished, taken apart because I got stumped on HOW to finish or the technique was not to my liking, or I simply mis-cut or miscalculated my yardage. The difficult part comes to deciding if I want to “part” with a project I know I can finish, do I want to tackle the technique I though was difficult a few years ago, or do I just simply “want” to finish something I started? As most of my closest friends know – I have a problem letting go.

I find my piecing lacking in my beginning years and it doesn't quite measure up to

my current abilities; and trying to combine the two makes for an interesting new challenge.

I am excited to find out why and what everyone else has brought to sell this month. It is a fun fund raising event for club. Treasures will abound I am sure.

Be sure to stay for the “Local Heroes” workshop after the meeting. We will be putting the block together into our veteran’s quilts. Sheri has worked hard to make this an easy and fun time for everyone. Make sure to let her know if you will be staying. In the meantime –

Keep stitchin’

Phyllis



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Meeting Minutes: June 15, 2017

Call to Order/Flag Salute: 10:00 am

Members Present: 51 members present, 10 guest

Welcome/Sunshine/birthdays:

Linda Petit reported the May birthdays. –Jody Mead; Anne Hass; Lois Cates; Lois Hummell; Sue Rowell

Secretary’s Report: Motion to accept minutes Becki Eaton, Seconded by Karen Ervin, motion passed

Treasurer’s report: motion to accept was made by Darlene Byers and seconded by Sandy Whaling, motion accepted.

Correspondence Report: Information given on several upcoming events.

General Business:

Sheri Cates: Reminder of the Harvest





Meeting Minutes: June 20, 2017

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Bounty taking place in October. July meeting is “Spring Cleaning”, members have a chance to clean out their stash or anything that they need to lighten their supplies. Local Heroes: after the July 20th meeting, members are invited to stay and help sew the blocks together to make the quilts. August 17th meeting is Little quilt raffle and we will be playing a game. The 18th is a retreat. Join follow members and sew on what ever you want.

Adjourned: 12:05pm

Respectfully Submitter:

Terry Gomez, Recording Secretary

Mystery Quilt- New instructions were given by Sandy Whaling

Block of the Month-Ellen Jordan—Block for July was Dotty Premo

Program by Alene Belden was enjoyed by all.

Bus Trips: Carmen Friesen- Pacific International in October 14th in Santa Clara Spring

Pot Luck was enjoyed by all. Special Drawing was won by Ann Beveridge Show and Tell and UFO’s—Many members had a lot to show, oh to be able to complete a quilt!

Old Business- none
New Business- None

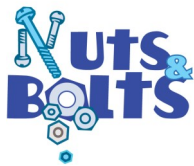
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- **Local Heroes:** If you had signed up and taken a LOCAL HEROES quilt block to complete PLEASE be sure to have it at the July meeting. If you will not be attending the meeting please make sure it is given to someone that will be there. We are putting the blocks together and need ALL of them to be able to complete the quilts. Thank You for your support on this project.

- **Quick Reminder:** Each quilter who participates in the Block of the Month drawing is eligible to **win only once a year**. You are on the honor system: if you have won the drawing already during the calendar year, please let the emcee know.





Mark Your Calendar



- **July 20:** The Spring Clean Boutique will be conducted during the meeting. Arrive early if you have items to sell or donate. Members have a choice of donating the entire profits to the club or splitting the profits 50/50 with the club.

After the club meeting, Sheri Cates is asking that members help with sewing together quilt tops for the Local Heroes project. Volunteers are asked to bring a sewing machine and quilting supplies for this work.

Volunteers who are making blocks need to have them ready for the July meeting. If you will not be attending the meeting please make sure it is given to someone that will be there. We are putting the blocks together and need ALL of them to be able to complete the quilts. Thank You for your support on this project.

- **August 17 & 18:** Thursday meeting then program– Quilt-O, Little Quilts raffle. Friday (August 18) annual club retreat to be held at the First Congregational Church. Quilters will be working on their own projects. Sign-up will be available at the June meeting. Details to follow.
- **August 22:** The Cradle Quilts Committee will resume working on doll dresses, mattresses and pillows, and doll quilts at the Calico Mermaid Quilt Shop. The work session is scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m.
- **September 21:** Guest speaker, Becky Haley, will share strategies for making color choices in quilts. The Cradle Quilts Committee will conduct a Pot 'o Gold raffle.

July Birthdays

- 7-9 Tricia Shelton
- 7-16 Georgia Ogas
- 7-21 Phyllis Taylor
- 7-23 Brenda Hughes
- 7-23 Lillian Nicholson
- 7-27 Jean Loscotoff
- 7-27 Jeanne Nelle



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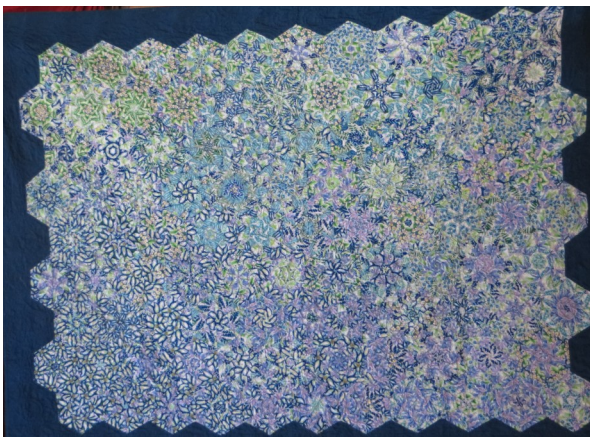
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Show and Tell: Creativity at Work



Frist row, pictured from left to right: Candy Boulton completed a sampler wall hanging; Barbara Taylor won the Block of the Month and made a colorful scrap quilt; and Ellen Jordan shared a purse she made. **Second row:** Barbara Ryan displayed a blue "hexes" quilt; and Sandy Whaling shared her red, white and yellow quilt. **Third row:** These five amigas made matching aprons while on a quilting retreat. Georgeanne Borjon, Linda Pettit, Helen Landeros, Sheri Cates, and Carmen Friesen decided to model their aprons together.

New member and novice quilter, Ashley Cooper, displayed a quilt she won in an opportunity raffle! The Sierra Mountain Quilters from Oakhurst sold opportunity quilt tickets during the Porterville Quilters May meeting, and drew a winner during their quilt show later in May. Our own Ashley got very lucky! Congrats, Ashley!



Show and Tell: Creativity at Work



First row, from left to right: Mariana Moss shared two quilts that she recently completed—a panel she cut up to make a child’s quilt and a ‘houses’ quilt. Mariana especially like quilts with houses because her maiden name was House!
Second row: Lynette Stover shared her completed 2016 mystery quilt; while Sandra Dauer displayed a pink hearts quilt. **Third row:** Carmen Friesen shared a mermaid doll she started more than a year ago in one of Becki Eaton classes. It’s finally done!; and Noeleen Paskweitz presented a unique Dresden plate quilt.



THINK HAPPY
 THOUGHTS AND
 GOOD THINGS
 WILL HAPPEN






Analie Belden: Designer, Author, Quilter Extraordinaire



Guest speaker for the June meeting, Analie Belden, delighted Porterville Quilters club members with a brief history of the evolution of the Dresden plate block. She displayed examples of Dresden plate quilts made through many years up to modern Dresden plate quilts. With her sense of humor evident, Analie lectured but posed anytime she saw a camera pointer her way. She teasingly reminded her audience she is a published author and posed with her book a number of times. Analie reminded her audience that though she is known for her Dresden plate quilts, she also designs and makes other types of quilts, including landscape quilts, traditional quilts, and modern quilts. The following day, Analie taught a Dresden plate class at the Calico Mermaid Quilt Shop. She taught her students a method for appliqueing Dresden plates that emphasized accuracy. A great time was had by all!



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- Terry Gómez, Recording Secretary
- Ann Bishop, Corresponding Secretary



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 always welcomed. There is no charge to attending guests.



The next meeting of the executive board will be on **Monday, August 7, 2017**, at the Calico Mermaid Quilt Shop, 122 North Main Street, in Porterville . (Please use the rear entrance.) All members are welcomed to attend.



Club News



- **Reminder:** all members are needed to work on donations for the Harvest Bounty in October. Completed items should be turned in to Sheri Cates, Phyllis Taylor, or Becki Eaton. Remember- items can be anything related to sewing/quilting/crafts.

- quilts at the Calico Mermaid Quilt Shop on August 22. The work session is scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m. See Noeleen Paskweitz for further information.
- **Reminder:** Please inform Linda Pettit if you know of someone in need of a birthday, sympathy, congratulatory, or get well card.

- **In the Spotlight:** No Spotlight quilter was highlighted in June, therefore there were no winners.



- **Reminder:** The Porterville Quilters will be taking a bus trip on **Saturday, October 14, 2017**, to the Pacific International Quilt Show in Santa Clara, California. Sign-ups are being taken from now until October 7. Payment is due when you sign-up. Please visit the "Welcome" table to sign-up and to make payment for the trip.



One more picture of Analie Belden

