



Porterville Quilters Newsletter

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President's/Vice President's Message

Can you believe it is almost the end of 2023 ? The holidays are just around the corner. Are all of you starting to think about those UFO's you need to complete for Christmas? It will be a busy time from now until the end of the year.

At our last meeting Barbara Daniel presented a program and showed us many of her quilts. Her workshop the next day was on thread painting. She is truly a talented quilter. I hope all of you who attended enjoyed her program and her workshop.

We still need volunteers to chair the following committees:

Block of the Month, Cradle Quilts, Historian, Hospitality, Little Quilts, Mystery Quilt, 2025 Opportunity Quilt, Scholarships, and Welcome Sunshine.

These committees are an important function of our club and as a member it is your responsibility to participate as much as your time permits. Please consider volunteering for one of our committees.

The Board has been looking at how we are adhering to Robert's Rules of Order, in particular concerning motions and proposals. We should improve on how we run our meetings. The Board would like to re-establish the position of Parliamentarian. This person should be familiar with Robert's Rules of Order and be available to our membership to give guidance concerning correct procedures as set forth in R's R of O. The Parliamentarian would insure bylaws are incorporated into the membership book and be available to help with the By Laws Committee. Interested parties should speak to a board member.

Election of officers will take place at our next meeting in November. Nominations are still open from any member. Following our meeting we will have a potato bar with all the fixings. Drinks , dessert and potato bar all for \$6.00! It's a bargain. We hope you will stay for lunch and visit with your fellow quilters.

The first day of our annual retreat will begin following lunch. Bring your machines, supplies and whatever projects you wish to work on. If you want to bring only handwork that is fine. Margaret is planning a fun project. Once you see what it is I'm sure most of you will choose to participate. Prizes will also be given. We can sew up until about 4:00 PM. You may leave your machines overnight. Second day of the retreat begins Friday at 10:00 AM. Again we can sew until about 4:00PM. Since we are having the potato bar on Thursday you will be on your own for lunch on Friday. Continued... →



November Birthdays

Margaret (Peg) Murray

Ferral Hubbard

Candy Boulton

Kathy Billiou

Marlis Brownfield

Helen Landeros

Next Meeting



- \$ for Christmas Luncheon
- Mystery Quilt
- BOM if you made one
- Past winners of BOM bring quilt made
- \$\$ for BOM, jars, Pot O Gold, Bus Trip and workshop
- Show and Tell

President's/Vice President's Message, continued

Finally our last meeting of 2023 will be our Christmas Lunch on December 21. There will be many activities that day. If you have questions about the activities or lunch that day please contact Ellen Jordan.

Janet Alexander

Meeting Minutes, October 19, 2023

Interim President Janet Alexander called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m., followed by the flag salute.

Welcome/Sunshine: Jan reported we had 46 members and 1 guest present. We sang Happy Birthday to Becki, Kathleen, Liz, Amy, and Lynette.

Recording Secretary: The minutes from the September 21 meeting were published in the newsletter. A motion by Becki Eaton and seconded by Minnie Lansdale to accept the minutes was passed. (It was noted that an incorrect date in an October newsletter article had been corrected.)

Corresponding Secretary: Diana reminded everyone of Calico Mermaid's Sewing & Quilting-Themed Costume Party on November 1, 4-7 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Sept. Income - \$1851.41
Expenses - \$278.12 Register Balance - \$14,285.10

A motion by Jan McCusker & seconded by Minnie Lansdale to accept the treasurer's report passed. Jenny brought to the members' attention the Club's bank balance was much less compared to last year's, proposed raising annual dues back to \$30, and made a motion to raise annual dues \$10 to \$30 plus the \$20 for Opportunity quilt tickets; seconded by Carmen Friesen.

It was noted raising the amount of annual dues is not a Club Bylaws change. During discussion about Opportunity Quilt tickets and raising the dues only, Stephanie Bullock amended the previous motion to raise the annual dues to \$30 in January, 2024; seconded by Carmen Friesen. Mo-

tion passed. This will be published in the newsletter and voted on at the November 16 meeting.

VP/Programs/Workshops: Georgia shared the following -

***November 16** - Election of 2024 officers, Mystery quilt reveal, Club Retreat following the meeting/luncheon and continuing on Friday,

November 17. All members are invited to a Potato Bar Luncheon for \$6 after the November Meeting. (Lunch for the Friday Club Retreat will be "Brown Bag.")

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

Committee Reports:

Harvest Bounty - Carmen thanked everyone for helping to make this year's Harvest Bounty a success. We made \$1514.00!!!

Christmas Party - Ellen asked members to sign up for their dessert choice with their Table Hostess. EQ volunteered to pick up the pies from Costco. The cost for the meal will be \$11 for members & \$21 for non-members (Sandra Dauer will collect the money and sign-up slips at the October & November meetings). Please pay by the November 16 meeting.

Table Hostesses will be able to decorate their tables on Wednesday, December 20, 9 a.m.

Membership - Karen E. will start to take pictures at today's meeting for the 2024 membership book. Let Karen know if you want a new picture.

Best of the Valley - Will be April 12 & 13 at McDermont Field in Lindsay. Quilt entries are due February 14, and the Challenge quilts (24"x18" or 18"x24",

Meeting Minutes, October 19, 2023 continued

("Besties") are due March 1. Becky Haley will be the guest artist.

Cradle Quilts - Lynette will be giving cradle quilts and dolls to the Lindsay Police Dept. for Santa Night.

Local Heroes - Sheri received one request at the meeting and has a quilt ready for presentation.

Little Quilts - Terry reported the clients at the Dialysis & Crisis Centers and Parenting Network really appreciated the quilts we gave to them. She encouraged everyone to take the fabric packets on the tables and make a quilt.

Mystery Quilt - Completed quilts will be shown at the November meeting.

Bus Trip, 1/19/2024, Road to California/Ontario - We now have 24 signed up, including 8 from the Valley Oak Quilt Guild (we need 40). Family and friends are all invited to go with us. Cost is \$75 (including the bus, admission, tip & water). The bus will pick us up at 7 a.m. and return around 8 p.m. Tulare bus riders will be picked up first. Please make checks out to Porterville Quilters and give them to Margaret, who will hold them until we get closer to the bus trip.

Opportunity Quilt - Volunteers are needed to sell tickets at Rusty Roots November 11-12 (Tulare Fairgrounds) and the Spring Visalia Home Show on February 2, 3, and 4, 2024. Contact Jenny McKinsey if you are able to sell tickets. We are only \$200 short of our budget goal.

Program: Barbara Daniels - Journey of an Eclectic Quilter

Barbara began her sewing journey in 4-H at the age of 10, and in the early '70s, watched a quilting program on public television and "got the quilting bug." After retirement in 2000 she started learning new quilt techniques, and in 2002 she made her first art quilt. Barbara shared many of her amazing quilts with us, which included techniques of wool appliqué,

rust dyeing, use of crayons, thread painting, wool appliqué on cotton fabric, embroidery, needle turn, English paper piecing, & fabric painting, just to name a few. She even made a special Halloween quilt just to have something new to show us! Barbara is one extremely talented lady! She led a workshop the next day on Thread Painting.

Old Business:

Nominating Committee - Karen Andris presented the slate of officers for 2024:

President - Becki Eaton, Vice-President - Janet Alexander, Recording Secretary - Georgia Ogas, Treasurer - Jenny McKinsey, Corresponding Secretary - Brenda Head. Doris Pyland made a motion to accept the slate of officers for 2024; Carmen Friesen seconded the motion. Motion passed. Election of 2024 officers will be at the November meeting.

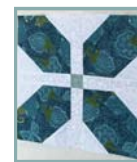
New Business: None.

Block of the Month - Carmen demonstrated the October block, and Karen E. won the September block. Della still needs a few more members to sign up to do a Block of the Month in 2024.

Show & Tell by past winners will be in January, 2024.

Jars: Congratulations to Ellen, Carmen, Beverly, Linda H., Jenny, Jan and Diana who each won a cute Halloween decoration.

Pot of Gold: The Cradle Quilts fundraiser had 12 great prizes, with EQ holding the winning ticket for the handmade cradle, doll & doll quilt. Congratulations to all the winners!



Meeting Minutes, October 19, 2023 continued

Show & Tell: Noleen showed a nice hard wood clapper handcrafted by her husband; contact Noleen if you have questions. Diana, Gail, Karen A., Ashley, and Lilly shared their beautiful creations.

Announcements:

We need Committee Chairmen for 2024! Check the board listing all the Committees and please sign up.

Next Board Meeting: October 31, 2023, Pizza Factory - 11:00 a.m.

Next General Meeting: November 16, 2023, 10 a.m., First Congregational Church

Meeting adjourned at 12:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Georgia Ogas,
Recording Secretary

Proposed Annual Dues Change

At our October 19 General Meeting we proposed, discussed and voted on raising the annual dues \$10 to \$30 because our bank balance is less this year compared to last year's balance. (Our October 2022 ending checkbook balance was \$17,331.70 and our October 2023 ending checkbook balance is \$15,607.01)

We did not follow the correct procedure according to our Bylaws in Article IV: ANNUAL DUES Section 1. *Any changes to the annual dues may be proposed by any member of the Club, to be voted on at a general meeting one month from its introduction to the membership and publication in the newsletter.*

At our November 16 General Meeting, we will discuss raising the annual dues, call for a motion to raise annual dues \$10 for a total of \$30 (with a second), and then vote on the motion.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Opportunity Quilt Tickets

We would really like a few more volunteers. It sure makes making a restroom visit easier if there are two people. Here is the schedule for selling tickets for Rusty Roots:

Friday set up: Ashley Cooper

Saturday Nov. 11

8-10a - Connie Smith

10-12:30p - Christie Hulse, Carmen and Michael Friesen

12:30 to 3p - Karen Andris.

Karen and Diana will need to communicate to exchange the cash box and tickets.

Sunday Nov. 12

9-11:30a - Diana McKay

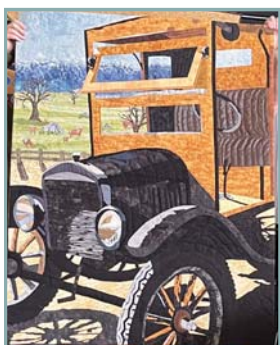
11:30 to 2p - Janet Alexander and Margaret Smith.

Janet is loaning her wagon so it will be in the booth with our quilt. It is our table and two chairs.

This is the last major fund raiser for our Opportunity Quilt. Rusty Roots an interesting array of junk and crafts. You should be able to enter without paying as a vendor. Handicapped parking is available inside, you need to show your sticker at the gate.

Jenny McKinsey

Program ~ Barbara Daniel



Program ~ Barbara Daniel, continued



Thread Painting Workshop with Barbara Daniel



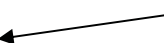
Christmas Luncheon

The November meeting will be the deadline to pay for the Christmas luncheon. Members are \$11; non-member guests are \$21. Please turn in your check or cash to Sandra Dauer with the half sheet form. There will be more of these forms at the meeting, though your hostess was given enough for the people at her table.

If you want to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift with a value of about \$10. The gift is not limited to sewing & quilting items. Put your name inside the gift, so the recipient can thank you.

If you are donating an item for the door prizes, please let me know. You can bring that item wrapped to the December 21 meeting.

Hostesses, please give me your guests' dessert selection form.

Table hostesses please meet with me after the meeting for a quick meeting.  **Note!**

Thank you. Ellen Jordan

Club Information

Club Officers 2023

President: Sue Riley

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Treasurer: Jenny McKinsey

Recording Secretary: Georgia Ogas

Corresponding Secretary: Diana McKay

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