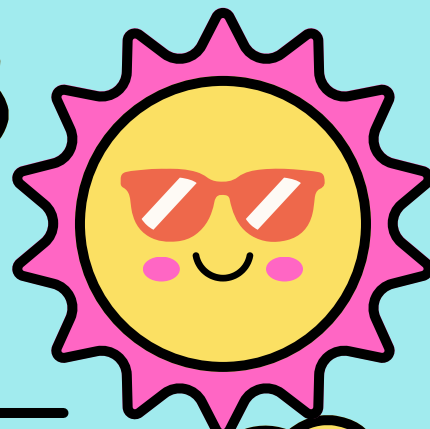
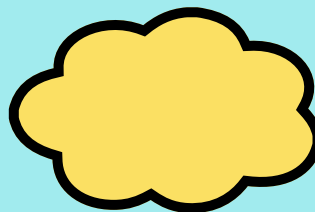


PORTERVILLE QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

*August
2026*



FROM THE PRESIDENT

We are well past the halfway mark of 2026 and it feels like the year is ramping up! We have a lot a great programs and activities coming up and I'm so excited!

Our August meeting will be filled with fun activities followed by our annual retreat on Friday! Whether you plan to come to sew and socialize, or just socialize, I hope to see everyone there! You can stay all day or just drop in. We only ask, if you plan to be there for lunch, that you sign up so we know how much food to order. The retreat will be at the church so there is room for all!!!

There are programs and workshops scheduled for September and October (as well as the Boutique) and suddenly we're into fall! More info on those coming as we get closer. And right around the corner from there, the holidays are here. See what I mean by "ramping up"? Woo! Hold on to your hat!

You don't want to miss out on any of the fun! Mark your calendars. Set your reminders. See you soon!

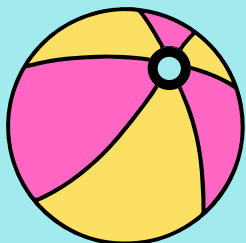
THANK YOU



Saturday, July 25th we celebrated Jenny McKinsey, the life of one of our own. It was an honor for us to provide lunch for her memorial service. To each and every one who provided salads and desserts, and to those who helped fund it, thank you so much! It was greatly appreciated. To the ladies that helped that day in the kitchen, I can't say thank you enough.

Once again, our Club gave without question. We are awesome!

Margaret Smith



*Have a great
summer!*



BIRTHDAYS

Karen A	8/9
Sally C	8/2
Sandra D	8/4
Terry G	8/25
Kathy K	8/19
Valerie S	8/13
Connie S	8/9
Shirley W	8/11

A very special happy Birthday to Ms. Georgia O. whose birthday was in July! We love and miss you!



Porterville Quilters Award College Scholarship to a Harmony Magnet Academy Graduate



The Porterville Quilters are pleased to announce that Mollie Gillis, a graduating senior at Harmony Magnet Academy, has been selected as the recipient of our organization's 2026 college scholarship.

Mollie's appreciation for creativity and craftsmanship began with her grandmother, who taught her the value of handwork and the importance of learning a skill that is passed down through generations. Those early experiences instilled in her an appreciation for the dedication, patience, and artistry that quilting represents.

At Harmony Magnet Academy, Mollie distinguished herself both in the classroom with outstanding grades and on the athletic field as a varsity softball player. Balancing the demands of a rigorous academic schedule, supporting community organizations and varsity athletics helped her develop discipline, responsibility, and perseverance—qualities that have contributed to her success and will serve her well as she continues her education at Texas A&M University. The Porterville Quilters award an annual scholarship to recognize local students who demonstrate community involvement, dedication, and a commitment to learning. The scholarship reflects the club's mission of supporting education while honoring the traditions of creativity, craftsmanship, and lifelong learning.

The members of the Porterville Quilters congratulate Mollie on this well-deserved honor and wish her continued success in her college studies and future endeavors.



Harvest Boutique August News

Holy Cow! Can you believe we are only one and a half months away from the boutique?
October 3rd is just around the corner!

We have received our postcard announcements and are waiting for our flyers. We will share them with you at the August meeting.

We still need fall and Christmas table runners. All occasion table runners would be great, too. We need placemats (sets of 4) in your choice of colors. We could also use some more aprons in cheerful colors.

For those of you who want to make a stuffed pumpkin, check out YouTube Cozy Craft Studio's tutorial. There will be a sample at the meeting.

Please bring your finished items to Becki or Ellen. They will help you inventory them and price them. We will keep them until the Oct. 2 when we set up.

Porterville Quilters

July 16, 2026 General Meeting

Call to Order: 12:00 Flag Salute

Sunshine Welcome: Attendance 34 4 visitors

July Birthdays: Acknowledged

Program: Local Heroes: presented by Sheri Cates. Special Guest- Veteran Art Vallejo and his wife: He served in the Navy in Vietnam. He shared his story and was presented a Quilt.

Old Business: June 18, 2026 reviewed. Motion to accept by Karen and 2nd by Phyllis. Motion Passed

Treasure Report: Presented by Ferral Motioned made to accept by Karen, 2nd Phyllis Motion Passed

Correspondence: Thank you card from Sierra View Cancer Center for the quilts received from Little Quilts

VP Report: Camp Nelson Aug 1st and 2nd for Mountain Festival to show Sue's Opportunity Quilt: Still need help for the 2nd.

Annual Club Retreat: August 21st here at the FCC. Free sew/will provide kits for the Boutique your choice (Lunch Provided)

Sept 17th General Meeting: Stack and Whack Brenda McCutchen Sept 18 Workshop at the Westwood Clubhouse (cost \$30.00)

Committee Reports:

Boutique: Receiving lots of items. Still could use aprons, runners, placemats and holiday themed items. Stuffed Pumpkins.

Christmas Luncheon: no new info will start ramping up the next few months.

Little Quilts: Come work: sew, tie, cut, quilt: No need to bring anything. Aug 3rd will be sewing for Clients being served by In Home Health Services.

New Business: Contact information Updated: PLEASE let us know if you are not receiving email.

Ongoing fund raising with Opportunity Quilt

Suggestion Box has gone missing. Will follow up with Church

Block of the month: Joyce and Della presented the block. Karen E. won the July Blocks

Basket Drawing: Della

From the floor: Phyllis update on Tickets sales -30 people need to pick up or turn in sales ASAP.

Interest shown to do a Veterans Day Float. Carol will follow up

Show and Tell: Showing of project individuals have been working on.

Next Board July 27th @ Jenny Lynn's 10 AM

Newsletter address: pvillequiltersnewsletter@gmail.com

Adjourn: 1202

Typed by Carol Cole, Secretary

Enjoy
SUMMER

Smile+

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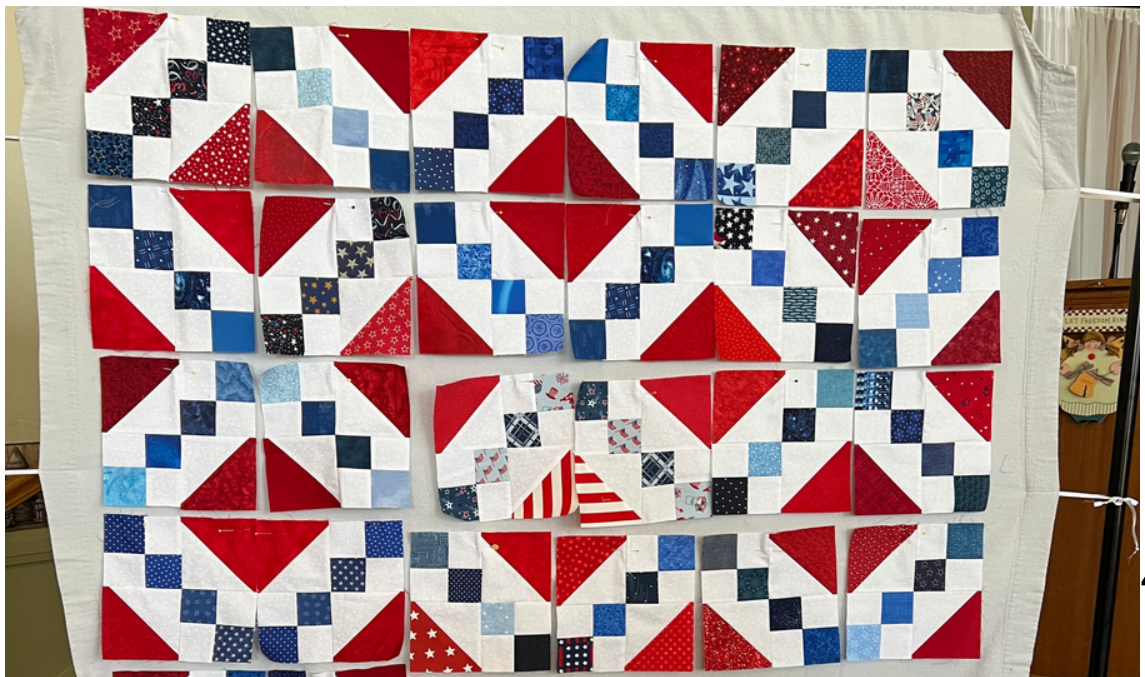


Local Veteran was presented with the Local Hero Quilt

He was attended with his wife and shared a heart warming story of his service.

Thank You Art

Block of the month





Member highlight of the month Get to know Terri Gomez

Terri was raised in Porterville till 1957 when she moved far far away to Lindsay Ca. She graduated in the year 1960 and she started her career in the “medical field” as a psychiatric technician trainee. This was not her thing. She then tried nursing as an aid at the TB/Valley Fever hospital in Springville. At that time she decided that this was what she wanted to do. She recieved her LVN and a RN license in 1980. After 55 years as a nurse she retired in 2022. In the late 70's, a quilt store opened in Lindsay where she took classes and quickly became my new hobby. She took painting, gardened, sewing clothes, and did wood projects and making rope baskets. She enjoys learning new things and enjoy teaching others. She has learned many techniques in quilting classes and club meeting workshops. Little Quilts has been her passion for many years where she uses her skills and continues to teach other.

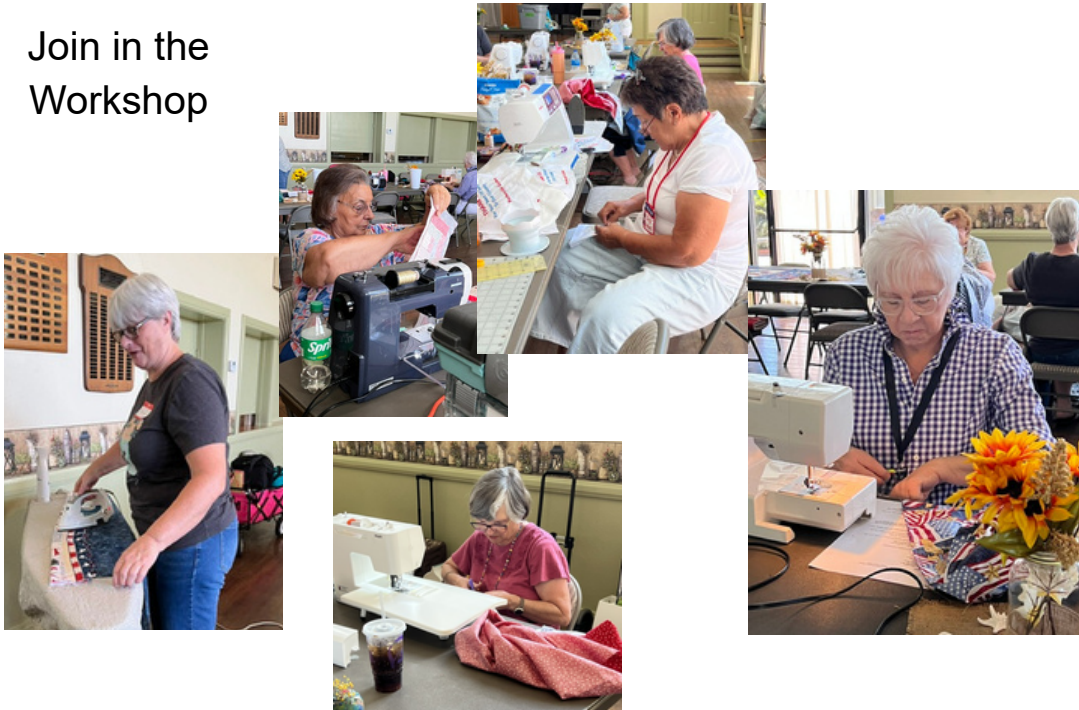


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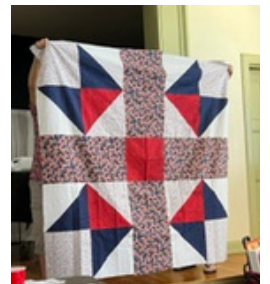


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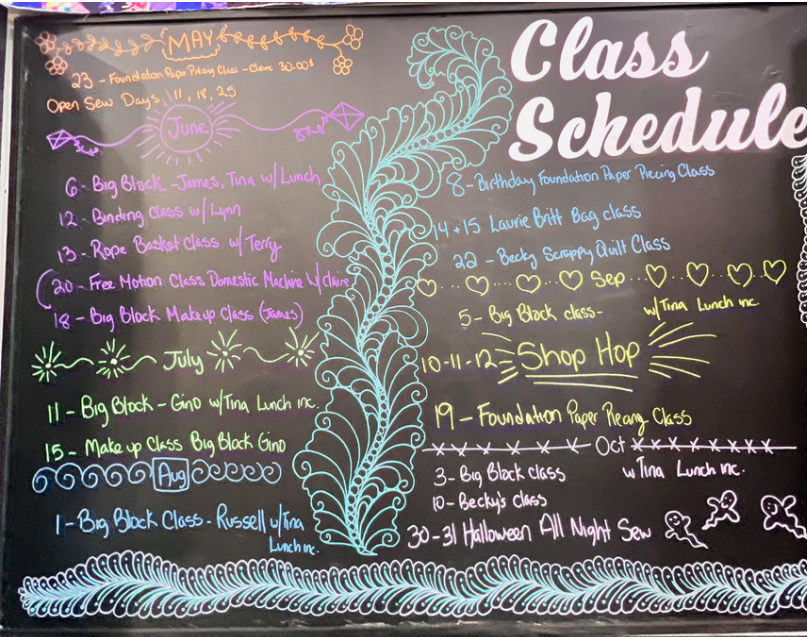
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Class Schedule

MAY
 23 - Foundation Paper Piecing Class - Class 30.00
 Open Sew Days 11, 18, 25

June
 6 - Big Block - James, Tina w/ Lunch
 12 - Binding Class w/ Lynn
 13 - Rope Basket Class w/ Terry
 20 - Free Motion Class Domestic Machine w/ Lynn
 18 - Big Block Make up Class (James)

July
 11 - Big Block - Gino w/ Tina Lunch inc.
 15 - Make up Class Big Block Gino

Aug
 1 - Big Block Class - Russell w/ Tina Lunch inc.

September
 8 - Birthday Foundation Paper Piecing Class
 14 + 15 Laurie Britt Bag class
 22 - Becky Scrappy Quilt Class
 5 - Big Block class - w/ Tina Lunch inc.

Shop Hop
 10-11-12
 19 - Foundation Paper Piecing Class
 3 - Big Block class w/ Tina Lunch inc.
 10 - Becky's class
 30-31 Halloween All Night Sew

If you missed classes at the
 Calico Mermaid during the Jolly Jingle.
 Drop by and visit they have so much
 more in classes to offer!

