

December 2024

Porterville Quilters

Carmen Friesen, Editor

President's Message



December Birthdays

Joyce Bartlett	12/31
JoAnn Bishop	12/2
Sheri Cates	12/7
Ana Díaz	12/10
Christie Hulse	12/16
Noeleen Paskwietz	12/17
Linda Pettitt	12/15
Della Rapp	12/22
Priscilla Summers	12/16

Snacks for the meeting are not needed due to the luncheon,



Dear Quilters,

As this year comes to an end I am thinking of all we have accomplished over the last 11 months and wondering what we will be able to accomplish in 2025. This is a very productive organization.

At our next meeting we will have our annual Christmas luncheon, which is always a lot of fun. Hope you will be there and take time to enjoy the table decorations each hostess provided

I want to wish you all a happy healthy holiday season. This time of year has so many activi-

ties it is sometimes hard to remember to appreciate our friends and family members and enjoy the times we share with them.

I am looking forward to drawing the winning name for the 2024 Opportunity quilt and to seeing the new one for 2025. Also to welcome our new slate of officers. I hope you will all be up for helping them in any way you can to make 2025 a productive year for all of us.

Sincerely,

Becki Eaton, President

(for a few more days)



Meeting Minutes: November 21, 2024

President Becki Eaton called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. followed by the flag salute.

Welcome/Sunshine: EQ reported 49 members and 2 guests were present. Birthday cards for Peg Murry, Ferrel Hubbard, Carolyn Arthur, Candy Bolton, Kathy Billiou, and Helen Landeros were passed out and we sang "Happy Birthday" to them.

Recording Secretary: There were no corrections or additions to the October 17 minutes which were published in the newsletter. A motion by Phyllis Taylor, seconded by Jan McCusker, to approve the minutes was passed.

Treasurer's Report: The October treasurer's report was printed on the back of the agenda and in the newsletter. A motion by Lynette Stover, seconded by Doris Pyland,



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to accept the treasurer's report was passed.

Corresponding Secretary:

No correspondence was received.

VP/Programs/Workshops:

- Janet announced the UFO and VP Challenge participants would be awarded prizes after the break. All members were asked to vote for their favorite VP Challenge entry during the break in the basement.
- Reservations for our Christmas Party next month are due to Ferrel at today's meeting (\$10 members, \$20 guests).

Committee Reports:

● **Little Quilts** – Terry reminded members about the raffle and reported their picture was in the Recorder showing the Grinch quilts they made for the Parenting Network Christmas party. They are still delivering the last of the 219 quilts the group made this year. Terri Webb was recognized for all her help this year finishing many of the quilts!

● **Membership:** Karen E. thanked everyone for the prayers and encouragement she received recently and was glad to report the Sheltered Workshop has the membership

booklet on their computer. Annual Club dues (\$30) will be collected starting in January. Let Karen know of any booklet changes/corrections.

● **Book Bags** – Brenda reported she delivered half of the book bags to the Family Crisis Center.

● **Newsletter** – Carmen reported all is well. Is anyone interested to take over this job?

● **Opportunity Quilt** – Amy was taking tickets at the meeting for Jenny.

● **Christmas Luncheon** – Ferrel announced 49 members had signed up already and thanked members for the door prize donations received. Meal arrangements are all made and dessert is being worked on. Table hostesses stood and stated how many vacancies they still had at their tables. The optional gift exchange will be \$15 this year.

● **Block of the Month** – Karen E. demoed November's block and Janice Poe won the drawing for October's block. Adella encouraged members to sign up and demonstrate a block next year.

● **Door Prize Drawing:** Con-

gratulations to Ann B. and Phyllis who picked a prize from EQ's Christmas box! Jar Prizes: Our lucky winners were Shirley, Kendee, Christie, Carlisle, Dana, Beverly, Priscilla, and Kathy E. – Go Sew Something! Little Quilt Raffle: Janet, Amy, Sandra x2, Sheri, Valerie, and Diana purchased the winning tickets!

Old Business:

● **Election of Officers** – By unanimous acclamation of the voting membership, the following were elected Club Officers for 2025: President – Karen Ervin; Vice President - Jenny McKinsey; Treasurer – Phyllis Taylor; Recording Secretary – Doris Pyland; Corresponding Secretary – Lynette Stover.

New Business:

● **2025 Committee Chairmen Signup Board** - Becki encouraged members to sign up for a chairman position. The board will also be at the December meeting.

● **Mystery Quilt Reveal** – Congratulations to all those participants who persevered throughout the year and displayed their beautiful, diverse quilts at the meeting.

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●**VP Challenge** – Five entries were voted upon and awards went to Lynette Stover 1st, Phyllis Taylor 2nd, and Ellen Jordan 3rd.

●**UFO Completions** – Janet passed out gifts to Georgeanne, Sandra, Phyllis, Lynette, Joyce, & Karen A. who overall completed 61% of their UFOs.

●**Announcements:**

●Noleen had business cards available for Jen Piersol at Calico Mermaid who is starting a sewing machine service & repair business.

●Jody Mead is having a moving sale at her home the weekend after the meeting.

Show & Tell:

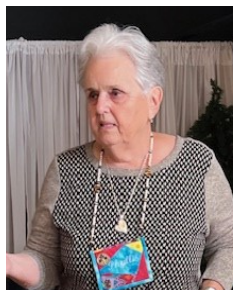
As always, we enjoyed the many different, beautiful quilts shared by members. The meeting was adjourned.

Next Board Meeting – Wednesday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m. at EQ's, 630 N. Sunnyside

Next General Meeting – Thursday, Dec. 21, 10 a.m., First Congregational Church Social Hall

Georgia Ogas, Recording Secretary

Election of Officers for 2025



First row: Karen Ervin, President; Jenny McKinsey Vice-President

Second row: Lynette Stover, Corresponding Secretary; Doris Pyland Recording Secretary

Third row: Phyllis Taylor, Treasurer

Calico Mermaid Offering New Service

The Calico Mermaid Quilt Shop in downtown Porterville is now offering sewing machine maintenance and service. Jennifer Piersol (aka Jen) completed certified machine repair and maintenance courses to earn her authorization as a repair technician.

Jen is certified to work on mechanical sewing machines, electronic machines,

sergers and overlock machines, long arms (machines only, not accessories), computerized machines, and embroidery machines. Jen is also approved to work on antique machines (pre-1955). Rates for service vary according to the machine type.

You can contact Jen at the Calico Mermaid or by texting her at (559) 361-1293. Congratulations, Jen!



Jen Piersol, Machine Repair Technician.



Little Quilts Committee Holds Raffle



Little Quilts Chairman Terry Gomez reminded members that the committee was holding a raffle and reported that a picture was in the Porterville Recorder showing the Grinch quilts made by committee members for the Parenting Network's Christmas party.

Terry and Karen Ervin are still

delivering the last of the 219 quilts the group made this year.

Terri Webb was recognized for all her help this year finishing many of the quilts! Thank you, Terri!

First row: Terry Gomez and Karen Ervin conduct the raffle; Connie Smith, Stephanie Bullock, and Lauri Jackson check their tickets looking for a winning number.

Second row: Teri Webb

2024 Vice-President's Challenge Reveal



A group of dedicated quilters took up the Vice-President's Challenge this year and completed a project. The projects were revealed at the November meeting. Participants were (from the left) Phyllis Taylor, Joyce Bartlett, Sandra Dauer, Lynette Stover, Georgeanne Borjon, and Karen Andris. Picture at left shows two of the projects.



2024 Mystery Quilt Reveal



Unfortunately, not every quilt's picture would fit into the article due to space limitations.

First row: quilt in blue is Lynette Stover's; the orange quilt is Becki Eaton's; and the turquoise one is Sandra Dauer's.

Second row: the red quilt belongs to Joyce Bartlett and the black to Karen Andris.

Lovely work, Ladies!

Karen Andris, the Mystery Quilt Chairman, congratulated those participants who persevered throughout the year and completed the mystery quilt. Those quilters displayed their beautiful, diverse quilts at the November meeting.

Karen provides the mystery quilt instructions to each participant throughout the year. Each participating quilter follows the direction not to know what the final design will be. The fun is in seeing each quilt's color scheme and how lovely each quilt is.



Show and Tell



Connie Smith shared three beautiful quilts; Sweet Honey, mixed triangles, and the pumpkin patch. So pretty!

Each quilt is pictured above the quilter who made it.

First quilt:
Elene Jordan.

Middle quilt:
Shirley Hickman.

Last quilt:
Peg Murray.



Show and Tell



We knew we were in for a treat when Karen Andris rolled in a wagon filled with quilts! (Yes, a wagon!) And she didn't disappoint us! Karen displayed about 20 to 25 quilts (I couldn't keep up) of various shapes, sizes, and colors. There were wall hangings, traditional quilts, modern quilts, and playful quilts. Then she shared the blocks that she is currently working on: large, colorful flowers on a black background. Karen sure has been busy!



In Memorial: Helen Landeros



Julia "Helen" Landeros, resident of Porterville, passed away on December 1, 2024 at Sierra View Hos-

pital. She was 90 years old. Helen was a wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend. She is survived by her son Mike Landeros of Santa Rosa; daughter, Jane Stone of Springville; seven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

In addition to her unwavering love for her family, Helen will be remembered for her com-

mitment to her hobbies. She sewed weekly with friends (the Friday Girls), making quilts for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She enjoyed painting, tennis, cooking and canning. She raised chickens for most of her life and also enjoyed caring for box turtles and her beloved pug, Chewy.

A graveside service will be held at Vandalia Cemetery on Monday, December 16 at 10:30 AM.

2025 Membership Form

Fill out the form and have it ready to present to the Membership Committee Chairman during the January meeting. Membership dues are \$30 per year.

Porterville Quilters Membership Form for 2024 Membership Dues: \$30 per year		
Name		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell	
Email address		
Newsletter sent by (check one)	Email	Post office
Birth date	Husband's name	
Picture in directory? (check one)	Yes	No
Paid by	Check #	Cash
Chairman Signature		



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The purpose of the Porterville Quilters Club is to create, stimulate, maintain, and record 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 the 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.

We are on the Web:

portervillequilters.com

Our email address:

pvquiltersclub@gmail.com

The next meeting of the executive board will be announced during the next general meeting on Thursday, December 21, by President-elect Karen Ervin.



Current Club Officers

Becki Eaton, President

Janet Alexander, Vice-President

Georgia Ogas, Recording Secretary

Phyllis Taylor, Treasurer

Brenda Head, Corresponding Secretary



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