

Porterville Quilters



Merry Christmas



December Birthdays

Joyce Bartlett	31
JoAnn Bishop	2
Sheri Cates	7
Ana Díaz	10
Zoe Milam	23
Noleen Paskwietz	17
Linda Pettit	15
Della Rapp	23
Priscilla Summers	16

Reminder: Due to the Christmas luncheon, snacks are not needed for this meeting

President's Message



Fellow Quilters,

As this year ends, I would just like to say THANK YOU to all of you.

Thank you for your support throughout the year, your support for attending meetings, volunteering for committees, helping with selling tickets, bringing refreshments, donating items for the boutique, and the list goes on. Your support is what makes our club successful.

Hope to see all of you at our Christmas Luncheon. To all of you *Merry Christmas!*

Editor's Note

Dear fellow quilters, This is my last issue of the newsletter as the editor. I want to thank you all for your patience, your constructive criticism, and your help when I needed it.

Please welcome Carol Cole as she takes on the job. Show her the same patience and offer to help when she needs it. It is not an easy job but I'm quite sure, with your support, she will do fine.

I will be serving as the club's vice-president next year. I'm looking forward to having fun.

Find your joy, Carmen



Meeting Minutes: November 20, 2025

Call to Order: 10 am Flag Salute
Welcome/Sunshine: 36 members present and 8 visitors
Birthdays: Kathy Billiou, Candy Boulton, Peg Murray and Ferral Hubbard
Minutes: Motion to approve Terry Gomez; 2nd Shirley Hickman. Approved.
Treasurer's Report: There was no report as

Treasurer, Phyllis Taylor was absent. Any monies to be collected will be handled by Becki Eaton.
Correspondence: Thank you card from Sierra View; Lynette Stover announced the train display at the Museum that will start the day after Thanksgiving.
Vice President: Announced the VP challenge quilts are dis-

played on the back table and to vote on them during the break. She dismissed us for a break to shop for the items that were left over from the Boutique. Ellen Jordan said that all items left today that the owners didn't claim will go in a pop-up to sell at the reservation parking lot on 190 in December. (Call Kathy or Ellen for the date)

Meeting Minutes: November 20, 2025—continued

Program: Five mystery quilts were shown. UFO winner was (1) Lynette Stover (2) Sandra Dauer (3) Georgeanne Borjon. VP Challenge winner is Janice Poe and (2) Kathy Billiou.

Old Business:

- **Harvest Boutique:** Ellen Jordan suggested that in the future that a team take on the different areas of work: For example, quilted/sewn items, food, set-up, marking and record keeping, etc. Some discussion followed and it says in our by-laws that we can have co-chairs and they would have to enlist others to assist. Ellen thanked everyone who helped out for the successful event. President, Karen Ervin, also thanked everyone for their donations and hard work before and during the event.
- **Christmas Luncheon:** Jan McCusker announced that today was the last day to sign up and pay for the lunch as she has to give a final count for the caterer. Also, the table hostesses can bring their table cloths and centerpieces at 9:30 the day of the party.
- **Election of officers:** proposed slate of officers: President, Kathy Billiou; Vice President, Carmen Friesen; Treasurer, Ferral Hubbard; Recording Secretary, Carol Cole; Corresponding Secretary, Lynette

Stover. There were no further nominations from the floor. Karen Ervin made the motion to accept the slate of officers for 2026. 2nd by Becki Eaton. Approved.

- **By-law amendments:** Parliamentarian, Stephanie Bullock went over the changes in the proposed amendments. Motion to accept by Carol Cole, 2nd by Lynette Stover. Approved

New Business:

- **Newsletter:** Due to postage and copy price increases, the club will now charge members who receive the newsletter via US mail \$25 per person per year. Motion to accept this change by Becki Eaton 2nd by Valerie Simonich. Approved.
- **Committee Report:** Little Quilt group was asked by In-Home Services if they could make lap quilts for Elderly Seniors who have no family to look after them. Terry reported that a group of ladies have decided to meet on Monday a couple times a month at Karen Ervin's and work on flannel lap throws. This will be done voluntarily outside the Club's umbrella. She asked for donations of flannel or plush fabric to make them as there will not be batting in the quilt sandwich.
- **Block of the Month:** Stephanie Bullock presented a Christmas

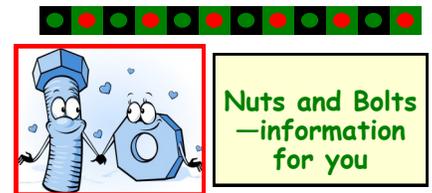
star block. Winner of last month block was Neva Owens.

- Carmen distributed a questionnaire about ideas for next year's programs.

Show and Tell: As always, there was a parade of beautiful quilts our members brought to show us.

Adjourned: 12:00

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Pyland, recording secretary



Wednesday, December 31st. 10:00a.m. at Jenny Lynn's in Porterville, is the date for the first board meeting of the incoming officers. The board could meet Wednesday January 7th, but that puts a very tight timeline in getting ready for the general meeting on January 15th. The main priority for this meeting is to get the budget prepared and finalized. Committee Chairs for next year and current Board members are invited to attend to provide input and discussion in developing the 2026 budget.

Vice-President's Challenge Reveal

I have no information as to the requirements for this challenge.

At left: Janice Poe and Kathy Billiou with their VP challenge quilts.



Mystery Quilt Reveal

Becki Eaton chaired the Mystery quilt committee and coordinated the activity for 2025. Several club members took up the challenge and the reveal was held at the November meeting. Quilters always comment how the same pattern can look so different depending on fabric choices.



Quilts were shown by (above, 1st row) Lynette Stover and Joyce Bartlett.

Quilts shown above in 2nd row belong to Becki Eaton and Phyllis Taylor.

Message from Incoming President

Wow! What a great year we've had. I don't want to steal anyone's thunder, so I won't give away any totals here, but I'm sure you will be quite pleased when you hear the totals when the treasurer's report is read. Opportunity Quilt, Little Quilts, Local Heroes, Scholarships and Boutique represented our Club and served our community well, again, due to your hard work and participation.

As co-chair of the Boutique Committee, I'd again like to thank you all for your participation in all the areas needed to make it such a success. We can't be successful without all

of you participating

As you know, our Treasurer, Phyllis, has requested that each person who has donated any items for the Boutique fill out the form she emailed to each of us. She will have hard copies of the forms at the upcoming December meeting if you need one. In an effort to make this process easier, I will have a sheet for each person (who identified their items) with a list of those items and the price for which each item that was sold. You may use these figures or add up the receipts for the materials you used to make your items. Please fill out the form

and get it to Phyllis so she can make the reports she needs to do to keep our Club in legal compliance.

Quilters, you should be so proud of the love and hard work you have put in in the name of this Club! I'm looking forward to our Christmas celebration and I can't wait to see what we'll accomplish this coming year.



Kathy Billiou

Show and Tell: Making Memories



At left; Becki Eaton shared a table runner.



Above, at right; Valerie Simonich



Above: Terry Gomez's Wicked Quilt



Above, at left : Jenny McKensey



Merry

At left: Carol Cole
Above, at right: Lynette Stover

Show and Tell: Making Memories



1st and 2nd row;
Karen Andris has been very busy! She brought her quilts in a wagon.



Note: this will most certainly change as the year progresses.

2026 Programs and Workshops A work in progress

Month	Program	Workshop
January 15	Budget Presentation	Name tag with Carmen
February 19	TBA Little Quilts Raffle	
March 19	Priscilla Guard: Aprons Through the Ages	April 20: Apron with no ties
April 16	Spring Clean	New Members Tea
May 21	Pot Luck	
June 18	Dana Lakorgone	Staged Applique

Most of the club's quilters identify as intermediate in skill level.

The most often cited subjects for learning include bag making, free motion quilting, machine applique, and paper piecing, hand and

Questionnaire Feedback

machine.

The amount \$30-\$40 for classes is cited as reasonable with any amount over \$45 as too much.

Ideas for classes include 'finish

up' sessions for club classes, collage, art quilts, especially landscape quilts, scrap quilts, and John Egbert classes.

As the incoming vice-president, I will keep this information in mind as planning for workshops continues. Carmen Friesen

PORTERVILLE QUILTERS MONTHLY REPORT 2025			
INCOME	NOVEMBER	YTD	BUDGET
ADVERTISING		\$ 360.00	\$ 350.00
BLOCK OF THE MONTH	\$ 22.25	\$ 284.30	\$ 320.00
BUS TRIP		\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON	\$ 174.57	\$ 2,149.93	\$ 1,350.00
<i>Tickets sales</i>	\$ 130.00	\$ 560.00	\$ 800.00
<i>Jar Money</i>	\$ 44.57	\$ 1,589.93	\$ 550.00
CONTINGENCY FUND		\$ -	
CRADLE QUILTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Donations		\$ -	
Pot of Gold		\$ -	
DONATIONS	\$ 279.00	\$ 906.00	\$ -
Scholarships	\$ 279.00	\$ 810.00	
General Donations		\$ 96.00	
FUND RAISERS	\$ 5,976.52	\$ 8,471.03	\$ 9,300.00
Boutique (less exp 610.40)	\$ 5,516.52	\$ 5,683.52	\$ 5,000.00
Mystery Quilt		\$ 180.00	\$ 300.00
Opportunity Quilt	\$ 460.00	\$ 2,142.21	\$ 3,500.00
Spring Clean		\$ 465.30	\$ 500.00
LITTLE QUILTS		\$ 395.00	\$ 500.00
MEMBER DUES		\$ 1,875.00	\$ 2,000.00
NEWSLETTER (10 member)		\$ 51.00	\$ 36.00
PROGRAMS/WORKSHOPS	\$ 90.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 500.00
WELCOME SUNSHINE		\$ 10.75	\$ 25.00
		\$ -	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 6,542.34	\$ 15,103.01	\$ 17,381.00
		\$ -	

Budget
Report

BEG REGISTER BALANCE	\$ 17,634.62
INCOME	\$ 6,542.34
EXPENSES	(616.57)
NEW REGISTER BALANCE	\$ 23,560.39

EXPENSES		\$	
		\$ -	
		\$ -	
AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS		\$ -	
BLOCK OF THE MONTH		\$ 22.87	\$ 93.00
BOUTIQUE		\$ -	\$ 288.00
BUS TRIP		\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON		\$ 30.00	\$ 1,350.00
CONTINGENCY FUND		\$ 200.00	\$ 250.00
CRADLE QUILTS		\$ -	
FAMILY CRISIS CENTER		\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
HOSPITALITY	\$ 16.19	\$ 410.31	\$ 300.00
INSURANCE	\$ -	\$ 425.00	\$ 600.00
LITTLE QUILTS		\$ 1,459.83	\$ 1,500.00
<i>Equipment</i>		\$ -	
<i>Materials</i>		\$ 1,459.83	
LOCAL HEROES		\$ -	\$ 350.00
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY		\$ 382.73	\$ 300.00
MYSTERY QUILT		\$ 165.00	\$ 200.00
NEWSLETTER	\$ 20.83	\$ 173.43	\$ 350.00
<i>Copies (\$12.00 per mo)</i>	\$ 20.83	\$ 173.43	
<i>Envelopes</i>		\$ -	
<i>Stamps</i>		\$ -	
OPPERATING EXPENSES		\$ 409.55	\$ 600.00
OPPORTUNITY QUILT	\$ 219.42	\$ 419.42	\$ 600.00
<i>Materials</i>		\$ -	\$ 300.00
<i>Pictures/Posters</i>		\$ -	
<i>Enterance Fees</i>		\$ -	
<i>Tickets</i>		\$ 200.00	
<i>Quilting</i>	\$ 219.42	\$ 219.42	\$ 300.00
PROGRAMS/WORKSHOPS	\$ 110.13	\$ 811.35	\$ 3,800.00
<i>General Exp / BUS TRIP</i>	\$ 110.13	\$ 810.13	\$ 3,550.00
<i>UFO's</i>		\$ -	\$ 250.00
RENT	\$ -	\$ 2,560.00	\$ 2,650.00
<i>1st Congregational</i>		\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,500.00
<i>Workshop rents</i>		\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
<i>HillsideCom Church</i>		\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
<i>Post office rent</i>		\$ 210.00	\$ 200.00
SCHOLARSHIPS		\$ 800.00	\$ 500.00
WELCOME SUNSHINE	\$ 250.00	\$ 332.17	\$ 400.00
<i>Sunshine Mailings</i>		\$ 82.17	\$ 200.00
<i>Presidents Gift</i>	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 200.00
		\$ -	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 616.57	\$ 8,851.66	\$ 17,381.00

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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.

Current Club Officers

Karen Ervin, President

Karen Adris, Vice-President

Doris Pyland, Recording Secretary

Phyllis Taylor, Treasurer

Lynette Stover, Corresponding Secretary



The next meeting of the executive board will be at 10:00 am, on Wednesday 31, at Jenny Lynn's, 670 S. Plano St, in Porterville. Club members are free to attend.

2026 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. **Notice:** I consent to all notices sent by Porterville Quilters to be sent electronically.

Porterville Quilters Membership Form for 2026		
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
Committee member's Signature		