



# Porterville Quilters

## President's Message



President Karen Ervin



### July Birthdays

- Brenda Hughes 23
- Kendee Gurunian 23
- Lillian Nicholson 23
- Georgia Ogas 16
- Phyllis Taylor 21

### Reminder

Snacks are provided for the meeting by July birthdays

Summer has arrived. It may be hot outside but inside it is cool other than in my sewing room. My machine has not seen so much work in quite a while. Between sewing for the boutique and little quilts, I am trying to get UFOs and a wedding quilt done. At least I'm staying cool.

This month we have our Local Heros program and a Little Quilts raffle. I'm so

proud of the men and women that have served or are serving now. Please let Sheri know if you are planning on staying for the workshop following the program. Bring \$\$ for the raffle.

In August we will have mini-stations set up by various members and they will be showing different techniques that they use in their quilting. We

## Meeting Minutes: June , 2025

**Call to Order:** 10:00 am

**Flag Salute**

**Welcome/Sunshine:** 37 members and 1 guest, Alexia Franco, 2025 scholarship recipient.

**Birthday:** Jody Mead

**Minutes:** Motion to approve, Valarie;

2<sup>nd</sup> Karen A. Motion passed.

**Treasurers Report:** Motion to approve, Terri; 2<sup>nd</sup> Carol. Motion passed.

**Correspondence:** Thank you note from Sierra View for the donated quilts.

**Programs:** Class on the Big Block Quilt will be held

will also have our retreat the following day. Sure hope you come to have fun and good food.

How are we doing on the Mystery Quilt, VP Challenge, and UFOs? Only 4 months to go.

I hope to see all of you at our meeting. Just a reminder if you bring something for the free table and if no one takes it, it's your responsibility to take it home with you.

See you soon, Karen.

Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at the Westwood Village clubhouse. Class fee of \$30 is payable either today or tomorrow at the class.

### Old Business:

**Boutique:** Ellen showed several blocks and fabric that members could take and make items for the boutique.

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### Christmas Luncheon:

Linda P. reported that the Anvil BBQ has been secured for our luncheon. She is to notify them by July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Scholarship:** Alexia Franco, 2025 scholarship recipient, introduced herself and talked about her plans for attending UC San Diego in the fall. She attributed her sewing interest from interning at the Calico Mermaid quilt store.

**Program:** Members enjoyed the game of left, right and center. Tables were set up with 8 members who each brought three fat quarters. The last quilter left in the game won all of the fat quarters. Break for refreshments.

**New Business:** The need for signatures of agreement to receive 2025 electronic notification was explained and a sign-up sheet was passed around. In the future this item will be added to the membership form.

By-law changes and budget re-allocation will be reviewed at the next board meeting before it is presented to the members.

**Mystery Quilt** and UFO's were handled by Phyllis in Becki's absence due to her surgery.

**Block of the Month** was won by Linda Hunter. Della presented the new block which was called disappearing four-patch and is to be made in red, white and blue colors.

**Basket Drawing:** Won by Amy. Sheri and Jenny volunteered to make a basket for August.

**Announcements:** Kende and her husband are moving to Los Banos and this will be her last meeting. The club thanked her for the hundreds of knit and crochet items she made to go along with the Little Quilts.

If you brought something for the free table and it was not claimed please take it home with you.

**Meeting adjourned:**  
11:35 am

Respectfully submitted,  
Doris Pyland, recording secretary

Board meeting: 9:30 am  
July 7, 2025 – Karen E.  
Home in Westwood Village #16

General meeting: 10:00 am  
July 17, 2025 – Congregational Church



## Nuts and Bolts

**Quick Announcements, Reminders, and News**

## Local Heroes



There will be a local heroes presentation at the July club meeting. Following the quilt meeting, members are asked to stay to help piece quilts for future Heroes. Please bring a sack lunch, sewing machine and any supplies and thread that you will need to piece tops from the kits I am providing. Thank you for helping to honor our veterans. If you have any questions, please call me. **Sheri Cates**

## Remember to bring:

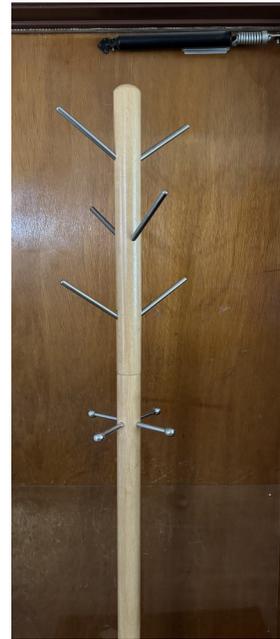
- Sewing machine
- Sewing notions/supplies
- Thread
- Lunch

## PQs Harvest Boutique

At last month's meeting, we talked briefly about props to give height and interest to our boutique sale items. This is a 6 foot tall coat rack. Imagine it hung with colorful aprons or totes like Carmen made or grocery shopping bags like Linda Hunter made. If you have something similar, we will be able to use several of them for our displays. We will send two clipboards around at the July meeting for you to list props you think will be helpful for our sale.

Additionally, Jenny McKinsey has donated fabrics for children's quilts. There will be "kits" for two very easy children's quilts at the meeting. They will be made of 10 1/2" squares in a simple repeat pattern. All materials will be supplied. Something to do at the retreat. See Ellen or Kathy. Thank you!

Examples of coat racks



## Porterville Quilters have a Facebook Page!



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Do you use Facebook? Do you know that the Porterville Quilters club now has a Facebook page?

YES! The PQs have a Facebook page thanks to member Carol Cole, who is the page administrator. To find the page, open Facebook and do a search for Porterville Quilters. You will need to ask to join the

group. You will then have access to read and interact with the page and other members. Easy, peasy!

Look for reminders of club events, pictures of club happenings, tips and tricks for improving our sewing and quilting, and other club news.

Need ideas on what to post? Any pictures you take of members or club events, interesting and helpful quilting tips, celebrations of club members birthdays, etc.

Just keep checking with the page to keep up with the news. And "Thanks" to Carol.

## Raffle!



The Little Quilts Committee will be holding a raffle during the July meeting. Be sure to bring your \$\$\$\$ for tickets to support Little Quilts in it's fundraising efforts.



# Show and Tell: Busy Quilters

Karen Andris

Linda Petite



Diana McKay



Lillian  
Nicholson



Editor's Note: Thank you to Carol Cole for providing Show and Tell pictures.

## 2025 Programs and Workshops

<b>July 17</b>	Quilts of Honor: Sheri Cates Workshop following the meeting Little Quilts Raffle	Workshop following the meeting: bring your sewing supplies and your lunch
<b>August 21</b>	Technique Mini-Stations 1. Embellishments: Sue Marcotte 2. English Paper Piecing (EPP): Lynette Stover 3. Free Motion Quilting: Doris Pyland	<b>August 22</b> <b>Location: Westwood Village Club House, 100 S. Westwood, Porterville</b> <b>Retreat:</b> Bring your projects to work on; 100 S. Westwood from 8:30am—3:00pm Potluck Lunch—salads, bread, water, tea, ice cream
<b>September 18</b>	Nancy Christian: Trunk Show— A Journey Through My Quilt Room Boutique sewing after meeting—bring your machine, project, and lunch	
<b>October 16</b>	John Egbert Trunk Show All Harvest Boutique items turned in to Kathy Billiou/Ellen Jordan	<b>October 17</b> <b>Location: Westwood Village Club House</b> Heart Strings Table Runner \$30 10 minimum/20 maximum
<b>October 31</b>	Set-up room/boutique for sale	9 am to 2 pm, Congregational Church
<b>November 1</b>	Porterville Quilters' Harvest Boutique	Volunteers needed for both days
<b>November 20</b>	Election of Officers Mystery Quilt Reveal VP Challenge Reveal	Committee Chairman Sign-ups
<b>December 18</b>	Christmas Luncheon: Jan McCusker and Linda Pettit Opportunity Quilt Drawing and 2026 quilt reveal	Gift Exchange (voluntary participation)



**Editor’s note:** In order to facilitate reading the monthly budget report (for you and for me), I have decided to post it in a larger font and in 3 parts. Part 1, on this page is the income report for the previous month; Part 2 (on the following page) is the expenditure report; and Part 3 (page 8 of the newsletter) is the register balances. I hope this makes the financial report easier to access. This change certainly makes it easier for me to get it into the newsletter. Does this change work for you?

Part 1: Income Report—June 2025

INCOME	JUNE	YTD	BUDGET
<b>ADVERTISING</b>		\$ 360.00	\$ 350.00
<b>BLOCK OF THE MONTH</b>	\$ 29.00	\$ 185.05	\$ 320.00
<b>BUS TRIP</b>		\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
<b>CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON</b>	\$ 155.16	\$ 1,024.67	\$ 1,350.00
<i>Tickets sales</i>		\$ -	\$ 800.00
<i>Jar Money</i>	\$ 155.16	\$ 1,024.67	\$ 550.00
<b>CONTINENCY FUND</b>		\$ -	
<b>CRADLE QUILTS</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Donations		\$ -	
Pot of Gold		\$ -	
<b>DONATIONS</b>	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ -
Scholarships		\$ 300.00	
General Donations		\$ 100.00	
<b>FUND RAISERS</b>	\$ 44.00	\$ 1,711.30	\$ 9,300.00
Boutique		\$ -	\$ 5,000.00
Mystery Quilt		\$ 180.00	\$ 300.00
Opportunity Quilt	\$ 44.00	\$ 1,066.00	\$ 3,500.00
Spring Clean		\$ 565.30	\$ 500.00
<b>LITTLE QUILTS</b>		\$ 135.00	\$ 500.00
<b>MEMBER DUES</b>		\$ 1,860.00	\$ 2,000.00
<b>NEWSLETTER (10 member)</b>		\$ 51.00	\$ 36.00
<b>PROGRAMS/WORKSHOPS</b>	\$ 90.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 500.00
<b>WELCOME SUNSHINE</b>	\$ 1.75	\$ 10.00	\$ 25.00
		\$ -	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	\$ 319.91	\$ 5,977.02	\$ 17,381.00
		\$ -	

## Part 2: Expenditure Report—June 2025

<b>EXPENSES</b>		\$	-	
		\$	-	
<b>AWARDS &amp; SCHOLARSHIPS</b>		\$	-	
<b>BLOCK OF THE MONTH</b>		\$	-	\$ 93.00
<b>BOUTIQUE</b>		\$	-	\$ 288.00
<b>BUS TRIP</b>		\$	-	\$ 3,000.00
<b>CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON</b>		\$	-	\$ 1,350.00
<b>CONTINGENCY FUND</b>		\$	200.00	\$ 250.00
<b>CRADLE QUILTS</b>		\$	-	
<b>FAMILY CRISIS CENTER</b>		\$	250.00	\$ 250.00
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	\$ 96.57	\$	179.57	\$ 300.00
<b>INSURANCE</b>	\$ -	\$	425.00	\$ 600.00
<b>LITTLE QUILTS</b>		\$	948.02	\$ 1,500.00
<i>Equipment</i>		\$	-	
<i>Materials</i>		\$	948.02	
<b>LOCAL HEROES</b>		\$	-	\$ 350.00
<b>MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY</b>		\$	382.73	\$ 300.00
<b>MYSTERY QUILT</b>		\$	165.00	\$ 200.00
<b>NEWSLETTER</b>	\$ 7.28	\$	71.84	\$ 350.00
<i>Copies (\$12.00 per mo)</i>	\$ 7.28	\$	71.87	
<i>Envelopes</i>		\$	-	
<i>Stamps .68 ea x</i>		\$	-	
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	\$ -	\$	221.32	\$ 600.00
<b>OPPORTUNITY QUILT</b>				\$ 600.00
<i>Materials</i>		\$	-	\$ 300.00
<i>Pictures/Posters</i>		\$	-	
<i>Entrance Fees</i>		\$	-	
<i>Tickets</i>	\$ -			
<i>Quilting</i>		\$	-	\$ 300.00
<b>PROGRAMS/WORKSHOPS</b>		\$	201.22	\$ 3,800.00
<i>General Exp / BUS TRIP</i>	\$ -	\$	201.22	\$ 3,550.00
<i>UFO's</i>		\$	-	\$ 250.00
<b>RENT</b>		\$	1,910.00	\$ 2,650.00
<i>1st Congregational</i>		\$	750.00	\$ 1,500.00
<i>Workshop rents</i>		\$	300.00	\$ 300.00
<i>Hillside Com Church</i>		\$	650.00	\$ 650.00
<i>Post office rent</i>		\$	210.00	\$ 200.00
<b>SCHOLARSHIPS</b>		\$	-	\$ 500.00
<b>WELCOME SUNSHINE</b>		\$	82.17	\$ 400.00
<i>Sunshine Mailings</i>		\$	82.17	\$ 200.00
<i>Presidents Gift</i>		\$	-	\$ 200.00

Part 3: Register Balances—2025

<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$	103.85	\$	<b>5,036.87</b>	\$	<b>17,381.00</b>
BEG REGISTER BALANCE	\$	17,929.18				
INCOME	\$	319.91				
EXPENSES	\$	(103.85)				
NEW REGISTER BALANCE	\$	18,145.24				

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### Current Club Officers

- Karen Ervin, President
- Karen Andris, Vice-President
- Doris Pyland, Recording Secretary
- Phyllis Taylor, Treasurer
- Lynette Stover, Corresponding Secretary

The next meeting of the executive board will be at 9:30 am, Monday, August 4, at Karen Ervin's home at 100 S. Westwood #16, in Porterville. Club members are free to attend.

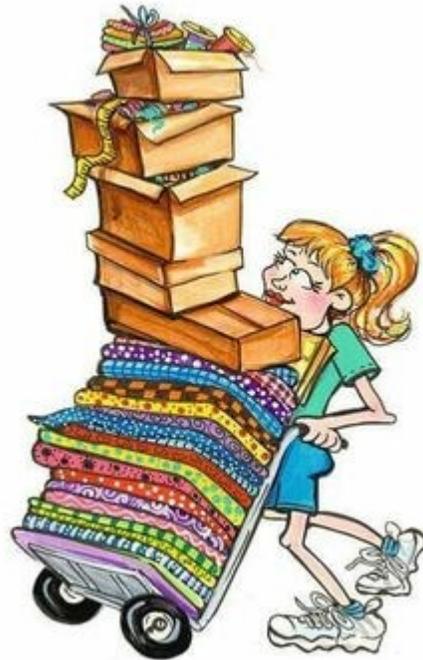
The purpose of the Porterville Quilters Club is to create, stimulate, maintain, and record interest in all matters pertaining to the making, collecting, and preserving of quilts and to establish and promote educational and philanthropic endeavors through quilts.

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.

## Ready for Retreat Fun?!?

The Porterville Quilters club is holding its annual retreat on Friday, August 22, 2025, at the **Westwood Village Club House, 100 S. Westwood, in Porterville.**

Members are invited to bring their sewing and quilting projects to work on for the event. The day is set to start at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 3:00 p.m. A light lunch of salads, bread, water, and tea will be served. Ice cream will be served for dessert. If you have special dietary needs, you



will need to bring a lunch.

Quilters are encouraged to bring snacks to share and any completed work to 'show and tell.'

This retreat is a great opportunity to work on items for the Harvest Boutique. If you don't have work in progress, Kathy and Ellen will have a few kits that you can take and make.

So, quilters, "get your party on!" Come to retreat and to prepared for fellowship and fun.