



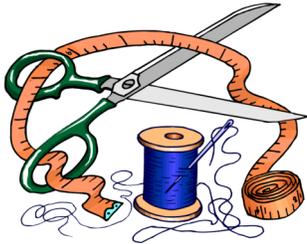
Porterville Quilters

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President's Message



presenters make lovely quilts and are willing to take time to share with us so that we can learn how to (hopefully) improve our skills.

Each of you have 3 months left to get your UFO's, Mystery Quilt, or VP Challenge done. I look forward to seeing how creative you are.

Hope to see you all at the meeting.

Karen

REMINDERS:

FREE TABLE--If you bring items for free table and if by the end of meeting they are still there, PLEASE take them with you.

LITTLE QUILTS- Thank you to all that have helped in the making of these Quilts. We continue to meet every Tuesday at the Hillside Church from 9 am to 12. We have another group of 25 quilts ready to deliver.



Hi There,

Hope all of you are doing well. The heat seems to be getting to me more or is it old age? I have all the plans in the world but just can't seem to get anything done.

Thank you, Sheri, for introducing us to Dale Sharp and to each of you that helped in any way with this project. It is nice to be able to support our Veterans. It is also interesting to learn about their experiences in their careers.

This month our program will be by members of our club. They will be doing demonstrations on a specific technique they use in their quilting. Each of these

Karen Andris	9
Darlene Byars	2
Sally Castillo	2
Sandra Dauer	2
Terry Gomez	25
Valerie Simonich	13
Connis Smith	9
Shirley Warden	25

Reminder

Snacks are provided for the meeting by August birthdays

Meeting Minutes: July 17, 2025

Call to Order: 10:00 am
by Vice President Karen
Andris

Flag Salute

Welcome Sunshine: Linda P. 36 members and three guests: Jackie Peters, Vickie Yarbrough and Dale Sharp.

Birthdays: Georgia O., Phyllis T., Kendee G., and Lillian N.

Minutes: Motion Terri; 2nd Della – approved

Treasurers Report: Motion Sheri; 2nd Terri – Approved

Correspondence: Thank you note for lap quilts from the Cancer Center.

Vice President:

Karen called on Ellen who explained what she needed for displaying items at the Nov. Boutique.

Program:

Sheri introduced Navy Veteran, Dale Sharp, and presented her with a quilt for her military service. Dale joined the Navy in 1967 when she was 18 years old. She was active for three years and in the Reserve for seven. She talked about her time in the navy and regaled us

with a talk and also, a demonstration on saluting and how to wear your hat (cover). She passed around pictures of her in her uniforms and one of her graduating class. She asked us to identify her in this second picture. We had a good laugh as she was the only one in the picture with a skirt on. (The others were all men)

Members were randomly selected and asked questions about their quilt journey. This segment was fun and entertaining.

The October program with John Egbert was discussed. Karen had two samples of his quilts to show the convergence technique that he will teach.

Break: To buy tickets on the Little Quilt Raffle.

Old Business:

Signature list for agreeing to receive electronic notification from the Club was passed around.

Ellen and Kathy talked about what was still needed for the boutique. They had kits for members to take and make.

Little Quilt raffle drawing was next. There were sev-

eral happy members who won quilts and prizes.

Block of the Month:

Lynette presented a Friendship Star block. The winner of the red, white and blue block from last month was Karen Reeder.

New Business:

Little Quilts was gifted with several unfinished tops from the family of Anne Haas. Terry auctioned the quilt tops with the funds to go to the Little Quilt program.

Show and Tell: Members showed their finished quilts and other items.

Adjourned:

 12:10

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Pyland, recording secretary

Board Meeting: August 2, 2025 – 9:30 100 S. Westwood #16 (Karen Ervin's home)

General Meeting: August 21, 2025 – 10 am Congregational Church

Club Retreat: August 22, 2025 – 9:00 am 100 S. Westwood Clubhouse



Porterville Quilters Harvest Boutique

Hello Fellow Quilters,

We are only three months away from our Harvest Boutique! A **BIG THANK YOU** to those of you who have already donated items and to those of you who have works in progress. As of July, we have 320 items donated. We still have time and need many more items. Included in this newsletter is a chart of the numbers and types of items we have so far. What other projects could you add? What items would you like to see at our boutique?

Do you want to help but don't have a project to do? Partner with a friend and combine your resources.

We are looking for donations of fabric, batting,

stuffing materials, and accessories that you are not using or things you just are ready to pass on. Perhaps you have kits, or projects that are partially finished that you would like to donate for someone else to finish? Some of you have said that you have quilt tops completed but need someone to quilt them. Perhaps you would like to quilt a quilt sandwich? Please bring these items to the meetings. We will share what is brought in for you to take home to complete your projects. If you have any of these items, please bring them to the August and September meetings!

This year, we are also expanding the types of items to be included in the boutique to extend beyond

fabric and yarn related items. If you are a crafty person who has a hobby that is not fabric/yarn related and would like to donate something, we welcome them! And of course, we will be asking for food items as we get closer to November (jams/jellies, candies, cookies, breads, cakes, pies, etc.).

We're off to a good start, but we have a long way to go. We need everyone's help and participation to make this boutique a success!! We encourage all of you to use your skills and creativity to provide something for this year's boutique. WE NEED ALL OF YOU! Thank you!

Kathy Billiou and Ellen Jordan

Editor's Note: The current inventory of items made this year and left over from last year's boutique appears on Page 4.

The club's annual retreat will happen this next Friday, August 22, starting at 9:00 am till 3:30 pm at the **Westwood Village Club House, 100 S. Westwood, Porterville.**

The retreat is a free sew format so quilters can work on their own projects. However, you are encouraged to work on items for the Harvest Boutique. Quilters will

Quilt Retreat

be provided with a few activities to make "stuff" for the boutique that can be finished in a short time. If you choose to participate in making "stuff," please **bring a half (½) yard of batting.** All other materials, save for batting, will be provided at the retreat.

Also remember to bring a

dish for a potluck for lunch. (This is a change to information previously given.) Something light and quick is recommended.

Bring to retreat: sewing machine (don't forget power cord and pedal), tools, projects, ½ yard of batting, and potluck dish.

 you there!

Boutique 2025 Current Inventory

PUMPKINS	L=2	M=3	S=6	TABLE RUNNERS	8
RABBITS			S=3	TABLE RUNNERS WITH PLACEMATS	1
SNOWMEN/GIRLS	1			TABLE TOPPER WITH COASTERS	1
EGG ORNAMENT	1			TABLE TOPPER/SMALL HANGING	7
STUFFED TEA POT	1			PLACEMAT SETS	4
STUFFED DOG	1			NAPKINS - SET OF 2	1
STUFFED CAT	1			NAPKINS - SET OF 4	1
STUFFED BEAR	1			NAPKINS - INDIVIDUAL	9
STUFFED CHRISTMAS TREE	1				
QUILT CATS	6			TOWELS (some sets of 2)	22
ROPE CANDY LOLLIPOPS	9			TOWEL BOA	1
CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS	16			POT HOLDERS	30
CHRISTMAS WREATH	1			LARGE POT HOLDER/HOT PADS	5
FALL WREATH	1			APRONS with POTHOLDERS	1
				APRONS	3
BUNNY TREAT BAGS	10			BOWL COVERS - INDIVIDUAL	2
TRICK OR TREAT BAGS	9			BOWL COVERS - SET OF 2	3
				BOWL COVERS - SET OF 3	1
TABLE SITTER PIN CUSHION/TRASH SACK	1			POTATO COOKER	1
PIN CUSHIONS IN CONTAINERS	6			JAR OPENERS	12
SMALL PIN CUSHIONS	6				
				SMALL PILLOWS	3
CURLING IRON HOLDERS	3			PILLOW CASES	12
CAR TRASH BAGS	1				
TOOL ORGANIZER	1			DRAWSTRING BAGS	8
				TOTES	24
DENIM JACKETS	1			PURSES	2
LAPEL PINS	3				
MINKY SCARF	1			WALL HANGINGS	19
CROCHETED HATS	2				
KNITTED BEANIES	2			QUILT 52x52	1
BABY BEANIES	9			QUILT 43x49	1

Updated 8.8.25



Honoring Our Local Heroes



Above: Dale Sharp, in uniform then (1967) and now (2025).

At right, top: The quilt given to Dale in honor of her service.

At right, bottom: Sheri Cates presenting to Dale a "travel case" for her quilt.

During the July meeting, the Porterville Quilters presented Dale Sharp of Porterville with a quilt and a pillow case to thank her for her service to the United States.

Dale enlisted in the Navy fresh out of high school when a friend convinced her it was the thing to do and they could do it together. To Dale's sur-

prise, her friend didn't join after all (because she found a boyfriend) and Dale served on her own.

Dale had a 12 week boot camp which for women did not include rifles, wall climbing, or mud crawling. It was the 1960 after all. Women were called "waves" and were assigned non-combatant jobs such as cleaning

buildings, mess hall serving and cleaning, secretarial work, and data processing.

Dale took the opportunity to teach club members some Navy jargon including 'cover' (hat), 'shellback and polliwog' (sailor who has crossed the equator on a float (at sea) and one who hasn't), portal(window) and hatch (door).

Thank you Dale Sharp!
Quilters appreciate your service!

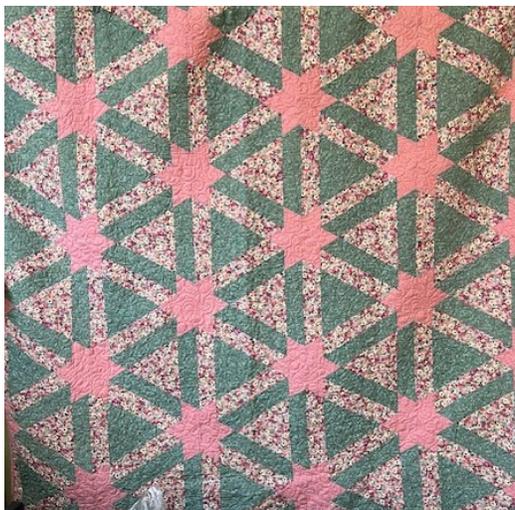




Harvest Boutique

These are samples of donations tuned in to the Harvest Boutique Committee during the July meeting.

A big shout out to club members who have donated items for the Harvest Boutique! You are doing your part in making that event a success. There is still time to make more! The boutique committee still needs as many donations as we can make. Still needed are baby and children's 'stuff,' items for men (e.g. car trash bags, sports-themed and BBQ items), holiday décor (e.g. snowmen, pumpkins, Christmas trees, wreaths) and kitchen items. Let's put our creativity to work, quilters!



Little Quilts

The Little Quilts Committee held a fund-raising raffle during the July meeting and, as usual, the Porterville Quilters came through by buying many raffle tickets! The committee had many great items for the raffle including several donated quilts and sewing related items. Great support, quilters!

These were some of the items that were raffled by the Little Quilts Committee during the July meeting.

If you have items to donate for raffles, contact Terri Gomez

Show and Tell: Keeping Very Busy



Ferral Hubbard



Karen Andris: two quilts



Beverly Hundsdorfer



Lillian Nicholson



Lillian Nicolson



Valerie Simonich



Terri Webb

Terry Gomez



2025 Programs and Workshops

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

Reminder—for retreat on Friday, August 22. 9:00 am till 3:30 pm at the **Westwood Village Club House, 100 S. Westwood, Porterville.**

Bring to retreat:

- **sewing machine (don't forget power cord and pedal),**
- **Sewing tools,**
- **Projects,**

- **½ yard of batting,**
- **and a potluck dish.**

And snacks, don't forget the snacks!

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

PORTERVILLE QUILTERS MONTHLY REPORT 2025			
INCOME	JULY	YTD	BUDGET
ADVERTISING		\$ 360.00	\$ 350.00
BLOCK OF THE MONTH	\$ 23.00	\$ 148.05	\$ 320.00
BUS TRIP		\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON	\$ 33.08	\$ 785.59	\$ 1,350.00
<i>Tickets sales</i>		\$ -	\$ 800.00
<i>Jar Money</i>	\$ 33.08	\$ 785.59	\$ 550.00
CONTINGENCY FUND		\$ -	
CRADLE QUILTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<i>Donations</i>		\$ -	
<i>Pot of Gold</i>		\$ -	
DONATIONS	\$ 100.00	\$ 400.00	\$ -
<i>Scholarships</i>	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00	
<i>General Donations</i>		\$ 100.00	
FUND RAISERS	\$ 110.00	\$ 1,657.30	\$ 9,300.00
<i>Boutique</i>	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 5,000.00
<i>Mystery Quilt</i>		\$ 180.00	\$ 300.00
<i>Opportunity Quilt</i>			\$ 3,500.00
<i>Spring Clean</i>		\$ 465.30	\$ 500.00
LITTLE QUILTS	\$ 260.00	\$ 395.00	\$ 500.00
MEMBER DUES		\$ 1,860.00	\$ 2,000.00
NEWSLETTER (10 member)		\$ 51.00	\$ 36.00
PROGRAMS/WORKSHOPS	\$ 120.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 500.00
WELCOME SUNSHINE		\$ 7.25	\$ 25.00
		\$ -	
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 646.08	\$ 5,784.19	\$ 17,381.00
		\$ -	

July 2025
Budget Report

Income

Expenses

Ledger Balances	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 1,116.67
BEG REGISTER BALANCE	\$ 18,145.24
INCOME	\$ 646.08
EXPENSES	\$ (1,116.67)
NEW REGISTER BALANCE	\$ 17,674.65
	\$ 4,801.02
	\$ 17,381.00

EXPENSES		\$	-
AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS		\$ -	
BLOCK OF THE MONTH	\$ 22.87	\$ 22.87	\$ 93.00
BOUTIQUE		\$ -	\$ 288.00
BUS TRIP		\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON		\$ -	\$ 1,350.00
CONTINGENCY FUND		\$ -	\$ 250.00
CRADLE QUILTS		\$ -	
FAMILY CRISIS CENTER		\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
HOSPITALITY	\$ 54.60	\$ 137.60	\$ 300.00
INSURANCE	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600.00
LITTLE QUILTS		\$ 691.94	\$ 1,500.00
<i>Equipment</i>		\$ -	
<i>Materials</i>		\$ 691.94	
LOCAL HEROES		\$ -	\$ 350.00
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY		\$ 382.73	\$ 300.00
MYSTERY QUILT	\$ 14.97	\$ 179.97	\$ 200.00
NEWSLETTER		\$ 51.97	\$ 350.00
<i>Copies (\$12.00 per mo)</i>	\$ 14.97	\$ 66.94	
<i>Envelopes</i>		\$ -	
<i>Stamps .68 ea x</i>		\$ -	
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 74.23	\$ 240.55	\$ 600.00
OPPORTUNITY QUILT	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 600.00
<i>Materials</i>		\$ -	\$ 300.00
<i>Pictures/Posters</i>		\$ -	
<i>Enterance Fees</i>		\$ -	
<i>Tickets</i>		\$ 200.00	
<i>Quilting</i>		\$ -	\$ 300.00
PROGRAMS/WORKSHOPS	\$ 200.00	\$ 301.22	\$ 3,800.00
<i>General Exp / BUS TRIP</i>	\$ 200.00	\$ 311.22	\$ 3,550.00
<i>UFO's</i>		\$ -	\$ 250.00
RENT	\$ 750.00	\$ 2,460.00	\$ 2,650.00
<i>1st Congregational</i>	\$ 650.00	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,500.00
<i>Workshop rents</i>	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00
<i>HillsideCom Church</i>		\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00
<i>Post office rent</i>		\$ 210.00	\$ 200.00
SCHOLARSHIPS		\$ -	\$ 500.00
WELCOME SUNSHINE		\$ 82.17	\$ 400.00
<i>Sunshine Mailings</i>		\$ 82.17	\$ 200.00
<i>Presidents Gift</i>		\$ -	\$ 200.00

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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, September 1**, at Karen Ervin's home at 100 S. Westwood #16, in Porterville Club members are free to attend.

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