

AUGUST 2024 NEWS

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President Message

They say there is a time for all seasons, which is part of the song lyrics from the 1960's song by the Byrd's, "Turn, Turn, Turn". I liked that song in high school as I was really into folk music. That song has been playing a lot in my head lately. I didn't know as a teenager that the song lyrics were from the bible, but it is comforting for me now. And like all seasons, change is inevitable. Some seasons are easier to embrace than others. Each day as time passes, it's a little easier. My hope is that "soon" the hot weather season will be over and "soon" I will be back at my sewing machine.

I hope you are getting ready to put the finishing touches on your quilts that you want to exhibit in our upcoming show. I have one completed, and two ready to quilt and bind. I'm pretty sure I will finish them, so I am giving Leanne all three entry forms. If for some reason I cannot finish one, I will let her know by mid-September if I just can't. I am going to have all three judged so that I can see where I need to improve. I was not frightened by Arlene's ruler. I hope you were not intimidated by her either. When I bring my family members to see my quilts, they ooh and aah at my creations and that is what I enjoy.

I finished the first Block of the Month from July – I made a 12" block. I am very proud of myself as it was something I could start and finish. I have left over fabric that I am saving to see what August brings and to see if I want to make another block, but this time a 6" block, with maybe a different combination of fabrics.

I admit I am a fabric-holic and lately I've been doing some retail therapy. I plan to attend the upcoming Roseville Sew, Craft and Quilt show with a friend who left Paradise after the fire and relocated to that area. I am looking forward to seeing and touching a lot of pretty fabrics and bringing some home with me so I can dream of new quilts to work on. I know my creative juices are there, they just need a little push to get going.

Hope you all are weathering the heat and nearby fires and are anticipating the upcoming changes. See you at the General Meeting. I get to attend the Belden workshop, so I am excited about that.

Linda Brown

General Meeting Minutes, July 16, 2024

President, Linda Brown, called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

Old Business

Minutes: Kim Morris moved, Victoria Patterson seconded, to approve the minutes of the June general meeting/potluck brunch as printed in the newsletter. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Kim Morris reported that the Guild spent \$688.66 and received \$1,395.35 in income during the month of June 2024. Kim has the details available for review at the Treasurer's table.

Opportunity Quilt: The visiting Opportunity Quilt this month was presented by the Pioneer Quilters Guild. Mother/daughter quilters, Alice and Mary, gave a brief description of their beautiful quilt, Bali Wedding Star, and urged RQG members to purchase a ticket(s).

Open Positions: Linda reported that there was an open position for NCQC Representative and encouraged any interested members to talk to her during the break. The next meeting (quarterly) will be in Burney. Speri Machuga plans to attend.

Correspondence: Linda read a thank you note from Yvonne Pheiecie (May speaker).

New Business

Guild Audit: Linda asked for a member at large volunteer to be on the committee to perform the annual review of the Treasurer's records, along with the President and Treasurer. Louise Kyle volunteered. The committee will agree on a date/time.

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Committee Reports— From General Meeting Minutes

Block of the Month: Mary Ann Cooper reviewed the new procedure for Block of the Month.

Workshop: Tomorrow Audrey Giroux will present a workshop on the freezer paper method for applique. It will begin at 10:00 and continue until done. The workshop will be held at the Lutheran Church rather than the Terry Ashe Center. Franci Lamb will bring fall fabric.

Community Service: Audrey Giroux reported that there are clothes cover kits available. There is also a pattern to copy, for those interested. Jeri Machado reported that she had recently gifted approximately 40 clothes covers. She also reported on donations received during this meeting.

Quilt Show Boutique: Speri Machuga showed several samples for ideas for members to make for the boutique. The next work day is scheduled for Wednesday, July 24, 2024 at Terry Ashe Center.

Opportunity Quilt: Speri said she needed a volunteers to take the quilt to the River City Quilters' Guild (Sacramento) on August 20. She also needs a volunteer to go to an evening meeting in Redding on September 3rd. She will have a sign-up sheet for volunteers for Johnny Appleseed Days (all day) next month.

Program- From General Meeting Minutes

Guest speaker Arlene Arnold presented her program, "It's Not Just a Beauty Contest." She suggested that when a quilter finishes a quilt top, she should hang it up, talk a picture. and put it in black/white mode; this will allow mistakes to be spotted immediately. Do this before taking the quilt top to a long-armer.

What is a quilt judge looking for? 55% construction, 35% design, 10% visual impact. Sashing is okay but it should be straight. Is there a wrinkle in the backing? Is it straight? Put the binding on straight and even; try to get the amount on the back equal to the front. If the corners are done at 45°, make them sharp. Be sure and label the quilt but cover up the quilter's name. Make sure the quilt is relatively new (and perhaps never washed). She then judged a few sample quilts.

Sue Edell invited members to join Arlene for lunch at Nic's following the meeting.

Newsletter: Speri asked that members who have an article to be included in the newsletter email it to the Guild email address. She is going to change the submission deadline to Wednesday (rather than Friday) after the board meeting.

Pick-a-Prize: Franci Lamb showed the prizes available this month.

Quilt Show Entries: Leeanne Kromer reviewed the rules for submitting quilts in the October quilt show.

Hospitality: Annette Carey asked members to sign up to bring snacks to the August meeting on the sign-up sheet.

Quilt Show Report: The next Quilt Show Committee meeting will be on Thursday, July 19, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. at Leeanne Kromer's home. She will send an email with her address and the gate code. Mary Ann Hagen noted that there would be a workday on September 24, 2024 to make ribbons for Quilt Show winners; she needs approximately 48 ribbons.

Show and Tell: The following members showed quilt projects they have recently completed: Laura Green, Mary Ann Hagan, Judy Martinez.

Break: A refreshment break was taken from 10:50 to 11:12 a.m.



Announcements: Linda announced that the next board meeting would be held on Monday, August 5, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pine Grove Clubhouse, 1368 Garnet Lane. Paradise.

Drawings:

Pick-a-Prize: Winning tickets were drawn for Linda Brown, Judy Martinez, and Mary Ann Hagan.

Visiting Community Quilt: A free tickets to their upcoming quilt show was drawn for Annette Carey.

Linda adjourned the meeting at 12:12 p.m., after reminding members to reactivate their phones.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Eads (substituting for Kathy Machuga)



Programs & Workshops

August 20th- Anelie Belden will be presenting Dresden Dance Truck Show

August 21st- Her 3D Dresden workshop

September 17th- Challenge Quilts will be displayed for guild members to vote on. Prizes will be awarded.

September 18th- Donna Greenwald will be teaching a workshop on her pumpkins, including those fun leaves she demoed last year!

October 15th- No program but we will concentrate on the upcoming Quilt Show! No workshop.

November 19th – Thankful Quilts, like last year. No workshop.

Happy Birthday September!

9/1 Marge Eggert

9/3 Jan Hardy

9/6 Linda Brown
9/8 Tina Bourdette
9/12 Betty Iijima
9/14 Ruth Berger
9/16 Debra Lawhon
9/22 Shirley Vincent
9/26 Cathy Anderson

9/27 Ann Slocum

9/30 Sandy Castillo

DROP IN DATES TERRY ASHE RECREATION CTR

8/28 **Boutique Workshop**

9/4 **Ribbon Making for Quilt**

Show

9/25 **Boutique Workshop & Pric-**

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Board Meeting:

TBD at guild meeting 8/20,

Pine Grove Clubhouse, 1368 **Garnet Lane.**

Bring a cushion.

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Facebook Guild Private Page

It seems we have been quite active the last few weeks on our private Facebook page. Please do not invite your friends to be a member of the group if they are not also a member of the guild. New members can type in the guild name Ridge Quilters Guild and there are two choices. The backdrop of the current Opportunity Quilt is the private group; the guild logo is the public page.

Linda Brown

Block of the Month

Are you ready for it......have you started/completed July's BOM yet? Did you have a hard time deciding what colors to add to it? Are you using the same background fabric for all your blocks? Did you make the 6" or the 12" block? Next month you will have a choice or more sizes, 4-6-8-12 inch finished sizes. Are you anxious to see August's selection of fabric and pattern? Fabric to go with the pattern was picked out because it looked 'sunny'!

You may bring your BOM to each meeting to show off if you want. Remember to attach your name tag to it, you will take your block home to add to the rest of the blocks you will make. It would be appreciated if you could return your vinyl bag so that they can be reused. Happy Sewing, Mary Ann Cooper

Fire Victims—Park Fire

I am sure that everyone knows about the Park Fire. It brings back painful memories of what devastating fires can do. One of the components of the grant that we received from the North Valley Foundation was to make a cache of larger quilts for the next case of a catastrophic fire. We sent about half to the Hawaiian Fires. It was decided to donate the balance of our "disaster" quilts to victims of the Park Fire. We are donating them through Cindy Needham who did not lose her home in this fire, but it came very close. Cindy and her quilting friends were incredibly generous to us after the Camp Fire. Please check out Cindy Needham's Facebook page for more information on what additional items she is collecting for victims. Kim Morris and I will be delivering them next Friday. We may need to look into replenishing our stock. Linda Brown

Veteran of the Month & QOVF

Our Veteran of the Month for August is Alvin Balison. Mr. Balison served in the U.S. Navy during the mid-1950's. You may recognize him from his days at Menden's Nursery as well as he has helped organize and run a community food pantry. He was nominated by Rae Hainley.

We continue to encourage nominations. Once the nominations are received, they are scored based on length of service, age, health and community service. Obviously, we want to recognize those most in need first, so please don't be concerned that if you nominated someone they have been forgotten.

QOVF – With recent events, I have not contacted our local nominee for a QOVF. I will try and contact him in the near future. I can't thank you all enough for helping me help our Veterans. Working on these quilts contributes to our Community Service program and our obligation as members.

Linda Brown



Quilt Show 2024—Rainbows in Paradise

The next meeting will be held August 16th at Mindy Stark's house. 9:30 a.m.

Don't forget you need to get your Entry Form's in by the August general meeting. It takes a lot of time planning where all of the quilts will be hung, so early is better.

Linda Brown & Kim Morris

Entries:

Deadline to enter is August 20th

Along with this newsletter link you can find a link to print out entry forms. Each quilt needs an entry form. There is also an explanation of the entry rules and a form to submit for judging. You may enter up to 3 quilts in each of these categories- Small, Large and Art. Remember to give them a 1-3 priority number.

Every quilt entered needs a sleeve on top, that includes table runners on the shorter side. We are not able to pin any quilts to our beautiful new drapes. Each quilt should also have a fabric label you create along with the paper entry label.

Reminder of added judging categories;

Challenge and Table Runner categories have been added to the judging list. Miscellaneous items may also be judged if our judge has time after getting through the quilts. If you'd like to be judged in these categories fill out the judging sheet and add the category at the bottom. If you have already submitted your entries and would now like to have them judged return a judging sheet by August 20th. Quilts need to be judged within their same show entry category to be eligible for ribbons.

Challenge:

Reminder- Challenge Quilts are due at the September 17th Meeting!

They will be displayed and members will vote for favorites. Prizes will be awarded for 1st-3rd place. Challenge Quilts will also be displayed at our quilt show so be sure to submit a quilt show entry form by August 20th. Quilt needs to have a sleeve.

Boutique:

The next boutique drop in is Wednesday August 28th from 9-2 @ the Rec center. You can stay & sew, or drop off items made, or pick up kits to take home!

We are loving what you create and bring to the meetings for us to sell!

Community Service

Received
Quilt tops - 3
Longarming completed - 12
Walker bags - 1
Clothes cover -1
Placemats - 6

Gifted Quilts - 2 It is recommended that each guild member make a minimum of two Community Quilts per year. Suggested sizes but all will be accepted.

COMMUNITY QUILTS 42" X 48" LAP ROBES 36" X 48" DISASTER QUILTS BED SIZES

Thank you to everyone who donated fabric to be used as backing. I purchased wide width bolts which we have been using for the larger quilts. It is very helpful to have the standard size fabric for the smaller quilt tops. We have several bins of tops to be completed, so if you have any 3' plus pieces of fabric you'd like to donate, please bring it to the community service table at the next meeting. Thank you again, like I told Linda, it seems like all I have to do is ask and it appears. Wonderful group of ladies! Jeri Machado

Sunshine

If you know of anyone under the weather or in need of a little cheer please call or email me so that I can send them a card. Cherylann Bullock 530 327-8483 Cbrndnc@yahoo.com

Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter

Quilt shows/events
August 31-1 Shasta Lily, Mt Shasta
Sept 20-21 Sew-ciety, Redding
October 5-6 Lakes of the Lake, Lakeport
October 19-20 Ridge Quilters, Paradise
November 2-3 Annie Star, Chico





Debbie Sharrett

You didn't see or hear Debbie Sharrett without a smile on her face, a kind word from her lips, or a helping hand for the person next to her. My friendship with Debbie goes back many years, we have been sewing together attending classes, sew days, retreats, trips, and shopping. Fellow Guild members have Debbie to thank for her input on the patterns and fabrics for the 2024-25 BOM, I know she was anxious to see how everyone used their monthly fabrics in their squares. Debbie's entry to this years quilt show was to be the BOM that our sew group has been working on since 2023, she named it "My Happy Place", "Debbie's Garden 2024." Debbie's husband Bill asked that I finish and quilt it so that it can be entered this year. I know that it will hold a special place in your heart when you see it, smile for Debbie. Mary Ann Cooper





We have been blessed beyond measure of donations in the name of Debbie Sharrett's passing. We have received nearly \$1,000 so far with more coming in. I want to ask a couple of members to serve on an ad hoc committee to come up with recommendations for wisely spending the funds. Some of the ideas I have heard are to have a permanent display case that can be used at our Quilt Show to remember those members who have passed or fund the replenishment of our disaster quilts. The committee creation will be on our agenda at the August meeting. If you have the desire to serve or an idea, please contact me. Linda Brown

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AM AT 780 LUTHER DRIVE,

