

JULY 2024 NEWS

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President Message

Well, I guess the hot days of summer are upon us. If you aren't going on vacation out of the area to some cooler place, perhaps you are using this time, sewing and finishing up projects for our upcoming quilt show. I am hoping to work on some projects so that I too can have at least one or two entries in the quilt show. I will be paying particular attention to our guest speaker at the July meeting, Arlene Arnold. She will be telling us what judges look for when judging quilts. I have never had a quilt entered into a judged show, but I am looking forward to getting an honest critique of how I can improve in my quilting. Don't forget the quilt show entry forms are due by the August General meeting. It's very important that we give Leeanne Kromer enough time to lay out where all the quilts will be hung.

I'm so very thankful to all of the members who have reached out to me to inquire on how I and my husband have been doing. It's been a rough couple of weeks, more like a roller coaster ride. Just when you think things are getting better, something else happens and the situation turns and gets worse. As of

Friday, July 5 my husband is still in the hospital recovering from his two broken legs that happened on June 18th. He's also still recovering from Covid and he's still recovering from pneumonia. We expect him to be discharged any day now to a skilled nursing rehab facility if an open bed can be found. The Oroville fire is complicating his placement. I have gotten over my Covid and am trying to recover my strength, but it's hard to keep me down too long. So I continue to play the Pollyanna game. Instead of looking at the negatives in life, I try and focus my attention and energy on the positives in life. And many of those positives are members of the Guild who reach out with kind words and offers of help. They have come at just the right time when I might have been a little down, but those kind words help lift my spirit. Thank you.

I am sad to report that our veteran of the month for March, Habriel Ward passed away. I'm glad he knew how much his service was appreciated before he passed.

Happy quilting, Linda Brown

General Meeting Minutes June 18, 2024

Treasurer, Kim Morris, called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

Old Business

- 1) Kim Morris asked members were asked to silence their phones.
- 2) Dee Williams from the Yuba-Sutter Valley Quilt Guild shared their opportunity quilt 'Country Living'. It was a group effort by many in their guild.
- 3) Mary Wolfe was our Veteran of the month. She turned 99 on June 17th. She served in the Navy Waves and was stationed in Pensacola, Florida. She attended with several of her family members.
- 4) Laura Green made a motion to accept minutes of last meeting as printed in newsletter; Gail Muntifering seconded. The motion passed.
- 5) Kim Morris reported that the guild spend \$3669.80, most of that was prepaying our rents for next year. Our income was \$1029.
- 6) Quilt Show– The next meeting will be held at Mindy Starks Home in Chico on Friday, June 28th, at 9:30am.

New Business

1) New Officers and Committee Chairs start on

July 1st. The next Board meeting is 10am, July 1st at the Pine Grove Clubhouse in Paradise.

2) The next Boutique drop-in sew day is June26th, at Terry Ashe Rec Center from 9 to about2. We will be working on placemats, apples and bowls.

Committee Reports- From General Meeting Minutes

Challenge- Ann Slocum asked for 2 more quilts for our Rainbows in Paradise display. Mary Ann Hagen and Wendy Fuller agreed to make the additional challenge quilts. Ann also encouraged us to consider joining the Paradise Art Center. If you are a member of Grouper, they would also pay that membership fee for you.

Membership - Mary Ann Hagen announced that she counted 33 present.

Community Service - Laura Green reported that the long -arm quilters have been quilting the many quilt tops that were donated. She had several that she was asking for help on the binding.

BOM- Debbie Sharret urged us to sign up for the upcoming BOM program. Today is the last day to register. The cost is \$12/year. We will make our blocks with patterns provided by the committee, in our choice of block size. And we will then keep our own blocks to put together in an arrangement of our choice at the end of the year. Very mysterious.

Programs & Workshops—From General Meeting Minutes

- In July, Arlene Arnold, will share her knowledge of quilt judging. She is offering to judge the quilts of anyone who desires that for our Quilt Show in October. It is a good way to help us improve our skills.
- Also in July, on Wednesday July 17th, Audrey Giroux, will offer a class in Hand Appliqué using freezer paper. It will be help from 10-3 at the Terry Ashe Recreation Center.
- In August, Anelie Belden, is offering a class using the Dresden plate ruler.
- In September, Donna Greenwald is offering a class making fabric pumpkins. She was gifted a number of them from her sister. They are adorable.

We enjoyed a very tasty luncheon. It was very fun to get to know a few people better.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Machuga, Secretary

Show & Tell



Jill Caikoski shared an applique quilt designed by Sue Spargo.



Victoria Patterson shared a quilt to honor breast cancer survivors. She wants to give out free tickets using Pick-a-Prize and then give the quilt to the winner. Laura Green agreed to quilt it.



Programs & Workshops

July 16th- Arlene Arnold will be presenting- Quilt Judging, It's not just a Beauty Contest!

July 17th- Workshop- Audrey Giroux will be teaching some requested techniques. Sign-ups and more info at the June meeting.

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.

September18th- Donna Greenwald will be teaching a workshop on her pumpkins, including those fun leaves she demoed last year!

Calendar Events

General Meeting July 16th @ 10:00 am at 780 Luther Drive, Paradise Next Board meeting Monday August

5th at 10:00 am, Pine Grove Clubhouse,

1368 Garnet Lane. Bring a cushion.

DROP IN DATES TERRY ASHE RECREATION CTR 9:00-2:00

Happy Birthday August!



8/5 Kathy Machuga

8/20 Lynne Pillus

8/22 Kim Morris



7/24	Boutique Workshop
8/7	Available
8/28	Boutique Workshop
9/4	Board Meeting & Ribbon Making for Quilt Show
9/25	Boutique Workshop & Pricing Items

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Membership

I can only speak for myself when I say this heat plains sucks!!! Now that I got that out of my system... on to the Membership report. Although attendance at the June meeting was light it had no adverse effect on how great the table decorations were and of our enjoyment in sharing a meal together. There was 29 members sign-in.

The Membership continues to collect dues and we currently have 52 members who have renewed their membership. THANK YOU! At the end of June, we sent out 48 emails and five letters were mailed reminding members of unpaid dues. Based on the responses we are getting our paid membership will increase greatly.

The first membership roster for the 2024/2025 year is being sent out with this newsletter. It should be noted it does include non paid members at this time. We will begin purging non paid members in August and the roster sent out with the September newsletter will only include our paid membership! Typically purging the roster would happen in July but I will be gone the latter part of this month for some fun and will be back close to the middle of August.

Your Membership Committee, Mary Ann Hagen & Debra McKasson

Block of the Month

Mystery Block of the Month, Ridge Quilters, are you as excited about the BOM that we are going to embark on, starting July 2024, Debbie Sharrett and I sure are!

Packets are ready to distribute, each contains a pattern, this month only they are for 6" and 12" blocks, afterwards they will be 4-6-8 and 12 inch blocks. You will receive an ample size swatch of fabric each month that you must use anywhere in the block, and a name tag to put on your block if you want to bring them to the meeting to display them. You are encouraged to bring in your block, the exciting part is, you take it home, and next month, you make another block to add to your potential completed project!

We would like to acknowledge and give a big shout out and THANK YOU to Tammy Zenda of Sew Smart Quilt shop in Los Molinos for her generous gift of a discount for our fabrics so that we can do this on the amount we collected. As you know, \$12 barely pays for a yard of fabric, and you will receive over a yard total of fabric by the end of the year. Sew Smart is a lovely quilt shop, they offer a classroom and classes, check them out please.

Thank you, happy sewing, stay hydrated and cool, Mary Ann Cooper

Facebook—Private Group

I have been receiving more requests from non-members to join our Private Facebook page. It was suggested that we open up the private page so that new members could find the group in lieu of a new member sending an email requesting to join. With that change we have had some of our new members find us more easily. I will continue to allow the group to be found, but just wanted to let you know that only members can join and deny notices are sent to those not qualifying.

I've noticed a bit more activity online! That's great. Especially love seeing what various members are working on.

Linda Brown



Veteran of the Month & QOVF

Our Veteran of the Month for July is David Saul who is 95 years old. David served in the Navy for 4 years from 1951 – 1955 during the Korean War. He served 33 months of that time on the USS Bryce Canyon and was the ships photographer. In addition, he has served his community working as a volunteer at the police department for 19 years.

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. At the July meeting I will be bringing bundles of quilts to be long-armed, and I still have a couple of kits that need to have the tops made.

QOVF – I have received a request for a local Quilt of Valor recipient. I will contact him and see if he will be able to come to one of our upcoming meetings. 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

Meeting: At the last quilt show meeting the ribbons were finalized with the designs. I believe there are extra "centers" that will be sold at the meeting for \$2. Mary Ann Hagan is chairing the ribbon committee, and she is going to use the Terri Ashe center on September 4th drop in. The Board meeting will precede the workshop.

The next meeting will be held July 19th at Leeanne Kromer'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:

Time to submit your entry forms! Each quilt needs an entry form. There is also an explanation of the entry rules and a form to submit for judging. **Every** quilt entered needs a sleeve on top, that includes table runners on a 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. Deadline to enter is August 20th.

Boutique:

We need your help to make items for the boutique at the quilt show in October. We are excited to see the creative items that you decide to make. Please bring items as you finish them to the guild meetings or the drop in days.

If you are not sure about what to make, we have some simple kits ready to sew for anyone who would like an easy project to work on at the next Guild Meeting. We have a supply of themed fabric that we would like to make into place mats. We have a simple pattern ready to use. We could use help with cutting fabric and sewing them together.

The next boutique drop in is Wednesday July 24th from 9-2 @ the Rec center. You can stay & sew, or drop off items made, or pick up kits to take home!

Kathy Machuga

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Community Service

Received—June was a pot luck meeting. Community Service was not present.

Gifted: 1 Quilt, 25 Placemats, 25 Clothes covers

Thank you to all the people who have volunteered to do the long arming. We still have several totes of tops only and we will continue to work on completing them.

Attention Long Armers! I have a couple of comments on the quilt bundles not having sufficient fabric on the sides. Please take a look at the size of the quilts, a label is usually attached before you take them. The person that does a majority of our long arming does not need the excess fabric on the sides, as she is able to attach them using another method. This is extremely helpful when a quilt is 38", 40" or even 42" wide. We are able to save time and money using a standard width fabric for backing and not having to piecing it. There are plenty of quilts of other sizes that this will not apply to, so please check the sizing prior to loading it.

BACKING needed! Community service is need of 3+ yards of fabric to be used for preparing our quilt tops, batting and backing bundles. Please bring to the Community Service table or reach our to me directly. Thank you, Jeri Machado



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

COMMUNITY QUILTS42" X 48"LAP ROBES36" X 48"DISASTER QUILTSBED SIZES

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 <u>Cbrndnc@yahoo.com</u>

Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter

Quilt shows/events August 31-1 Shasta Lily, Mt Shasta Sept 20-21 Sew-ciety, Redding Becky Ray, representative

NCQC

Northern California Quilt Council next meeting will be July 10 via ZOOM.

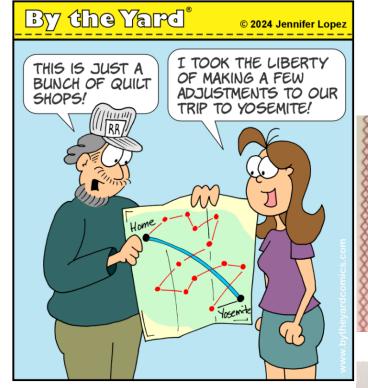
New Quilts of Northern California will be a part of Pacific International Quilt Show again this year. If interested in entering this event get all the information at <u>ncqc.net/new-quilts-of-n-ca</u>.

Pacific International Quilt Festival will be held July 24 - 27, 2024 Rae Hainley, representative

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