



NEWSLETTER

Next meeting Feb 6



February is the month of love, so let's celebrate QUILT LOVE! Please bring two of your own quilts for show and tell: 1) your most favorite quilt that you ever made; and 2) one of your quilts that is someone else's favorite! It could be a spouse, relative or friend, but have someone choose their favorite from what you have created, and be prepared to tell us why these two are the most beloved!

DON'T FORGET:

- Block of the Month
- Fat Quarter Frenzy -
- Money for Monthly Mini
- Two Quilts to Show
- There are still spaces in the **Borders workshop in March**, Please bring your payment to secure your spot: \$40 cash, or a check made out to Petaluma Quilt Guild. The \$40 fee covers the 6-hour class plus a set of 40 B&W fabric strips. The class takes place from 9:30-4:00 at the Rancho Grande Community Center at 5099 Snyder Lane in Rohnert Park. [More workshop details](#)



President's Message

Greetings! Our February theme is about love: love of quilting, love we show when we craft our quilts for friends, family, community, and the love they feel when they are gifted our quilts. We all love quilting, most of the time, and we are many different quilting “personalities”. Quilters often exhibit various traits and preferences that can shape their quilting style. What is your quilting personality?

1. Traditionalist:

- Enjoys classic quilt patterns and techniques.
- Values the history and heritage of quilting.
- Likely to use traditional fabrics and color schemes.

1. Innovator:

- Enjoys experimenting with new techniques and materials.
- Willing to push the boundaries of traditional quilting.
- Often incorporates modern design elements.

2. Precision Quilter:

- Values accuracy and attention to detail.
- Enjoys intricate piecing and complex quilt blocks.
- Takes time to measure and cut fabric precisely.

3. Improvisational Quilter:

- Prefers a more free-form and spontaneous approach.
- Enjoys creating unique designs without strict patterns.
- May use unconventional fabrics and colors.

4. Art Quilter:

- Views quilting as a form of artistic expression.
- Focuses on creating visually stunning and unique pieces.
- May incorporate various mixed-media elements into quilts.

5. Community Quilter:

- Enjoys quilting as a social activity.
- Participates in quilting groups, clubs, or classes.
- Values sharing ideas and collaborating with other quilters.

6. Historical Quilter:

- Fascinated by the historical aspects of quilting.
- Enjoys reproducing vintage quilt patterns.
- May research and replicate quilting styles from specific time periods.

7. Practical Quilter:

- Quilts primarily for functional purposes.
- Creates quilts for everyday use, such as bed quilts or blankets.
- Prioritizes comfort and durability.

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Quilting is a diverse and creative craft, allowing all of us to express our unique personalities through our work. I'd characterize myself as a practical, precision, community quilter with a desire to be a bit of an innovator.

See you in February.

Victoria

Petaluma Quilt Guild General Meeting Minutes

January 2, 2024

Call Meeting to Order –The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Victoria P.

Minutes of the December 5, 2023 General Meeting – a motion and second were made to approve the minutes as circulated in the January Newsletter. All in favor voted aye, with no nay votes.

President's News – Victoria reminded the membership to remember to like or comment on Petaluma Quilt Guild posts on Facebook, this increases exposure for the PQG. Thanks to those who helped making crafts and the opportunity quilt. Thanks to members who worked craft fairs and showed the opportunity quilt at events and sold raffle tickets. As a reminder, you can make a tax-deductible donation to the Petaluma Quilt Guild to support our many community projects and excellent speakers.

Treasurer's Report – Rebecca Hawk Lynch (aka Becky Lynch) has stepped down as treasurer of the PQG and Victoria P appointed Marilyn Ferrick to be treasurer. A motion was made and seconded to approve Marilyn as treasurer, a key executive position. Marilyn was approved by acclamation with no dissent. There was no treasurer's report. A treasurer's report will be sent to the membership by e-mail later.

Opportunity Quilt– The Opportunity Quilt 24–25 needs a new chairperson as Marilyn F has stepped down to be treasurer.

Membership – Sue D reported that 27 members were present at the meeting.

Ways and Means – Debby L reported that Marilyn F and Amanda C went to the Windsor Craft Fair with some success. A report from that event will be made later.

Retreat – Information on the Retreat is in the January Newsletter. The Retreat will be February 23–25 at Walker Creek Ranch. There is still room for more participants! Contact Debby L. Members who will be attending the retreat need to send in their check to Debby. There are 11 full time participants signed up and 4 "day trippers" signed up. Do not forget to get your money in!

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Sewcial – Debby L is recruiting additional members to help with the social, which will probably be in May. All ideas to help make the sewcial a success are welcome as are volunteers.

Monthly Mini– The monthly mini was a Dresden Blade mini quilt in honor of our speaker. Marina W won the Monthly Mini. Congratulations Marina.

Fat Quarter Frenzy – There was no fat quarter frenzy, bring your batik fat quarters in February.

Block of the Month – There were two Block of the Month drawings. Nancy L won the folded pinwheel blocks and Sally A won the Christmas blocks. Congratulations to Nancy and Sally! Thanks to Brenda D for her hard work on the Block of the Month. She asked to take a break from BOM and Melissa H volunteered to do it.

COTS– Ellie O reported that 13 quilts for children were donated to Kids First Family shelter and 4 quilts and pillowcases were donated to the homeless shelter in December. Please volunteer to take a kit to make a quilt for those in need.

Military Quilts – Jayne M has worked tirelessly making kits for military quilts. Members can help her by taking a kit and making a quilt. Thank you, Jayne.

Program –Julie announced that there are still 2–3 slots left for the workshop on March 2. There are still some sacks with orphan blocks waiting to be made into a 36 inch quilt. If you were not inspired by the sack you took last month, try taking another!

The program was a presentation by Anele Belden on Dresden Blade quilt making. She showed some historical quilts and modern quilts from her book, *Thoroughly Modern Dresden*.

By the end of the meeting, the Borders workshop was filled to capacity and all the orphan block bags were taken!

Congratulations to the winner of the Membership Prizes! (Kathy S was a double winner!) **Name Tag Winner** – Kathy S **Attendance Winner** – Kathy S

Meeting Adjourned at 8:43 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Shari K., PQG Secretary

Quilts for COTS

Here is a recap of info given at the last Guild meeting, and includes new info not in the last newsletter:

* 13 children's quilts donated to the COTS – Kids First Family Shelter. Your small flannel quilts were perfect for the babies

* 9 quilts and pillowcases were donated to the homeless shelter for the month of December.

We still need quilt tops that are gender neutral or masculine in theme. The size should be approx. 48x78. Borders not required). Pillowcases are great stash-busters! The pattern is on the web site.

The church group that provides baskets of basic needs, and our quilts and pillowcases to the Voices Project, sent a heartfelt thank you for our support of the Voices Project.

THANK YOU so much for all your quilt tops and pillowcases, and for supporting this project.

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY! Ellie



February Birthdays

Victoria – Feb 1
 Bobbie L – Feb 5
 Cheryl B – Feb 6
 Nora T – Feb 17
 Marilyn F – Feb 17

Monthly Mini

We have 2 gorgeous items to add to your Valentine Fun – a Heart themed pillowcase and a Caring wallhanging. Tickets are 6 for \$5 or \$1 a piece. If you have a Valentine themed article to donate for NEXT year, please bring it and Debby will keep it stored away.



Affiliates





Retreat is Back Feb 23-25

**2 PM Friday to 4 PM Sunday
Walker Creek Ranch.**

Great lighted sewing room and spacious 2-3- in a room lodging.

We have been going for over 20 years. Walker Creek is about 15 minutes away from Petaluma.

Cost of event

Full weekend starts with dinner Friday, Breakfast lunch, dinner, Saturday

Breakfast and lunch Sunday and two nights lodging **\$330.**

One night lodging **\$109.**

Day use is **\$35** (If no lodging come for the day)

Breakfast **\$22** 8AM

Lunch **\$24** 12PM

Dinner **\$29** 6 PM

If interested please contact Debby L



Military Quilt Update

Hello Quilters. We hope to have a few quilts that need binding at our February meeting and also as usual more kits to check out. Thank you for your help with honoring our veterans.

Jayne



Spring Fiesta - April 27, 2024

We are looking forward to a wonderful event happening with a Cinco de Mayo theme. We will be hosting a Hand and Machine Sew day. There will be a fabric sale, basket raffle, Fiesta square to make 'n win, a bag demo, plus tea and cookies to snack on, and door prizes. We will ask everyone to bring their own lunch.

We are inviting the Moonlighters to come join us. There will be room for some machine and some hand sewing - numbers still to be determined. The event will be held in Rohnert Park at Debby's Community Center so there is no cost to the Guild for the venue.

Now you ask what is my contribution to this beautiful event? So glad you asked.

We will need items for the raffle baskets to start with. You are welcome to make your own basket if you want to but please let us know what you are doing.

I'm sure this doesn't need to be said but..... if you don't think it is quality then please think if someone else would want it.

Here is our wish list:

Large Baskets for the raffle.

Fabric - Full large pieces please (This means no pieces that have been cut into) both for the Fabric Sale and the Baskets.

To fill the Baskets we need Books. Notions Patterns Or Thread Fun Quilt related itemsand/or a fancy Spa Day or Pamper items. Sports, Baby Theme, 4th of July or Summer Fun.

Cookies to share.

Sign-up will be the February meeting or email Debby.

Thank you so much for your donations and generosity

Spring Fiesta Community

Brenda K, Melissa H, Garnet W and Debby L



Officers

- Victoria P – President
- Sue D – VP Membership
- Julie S – VP Programs
- Marilyn F – Treasurer
- Shari K – Secretary

Committee Chairs

Block of the Month – Brenda B
Castoff Table – Laura L
Hospitality – Barbara C
Library – OPEN
Military Quilts – Jayne M
Monthly Mini – Debby L
Mother Hen – Garnet W
Newsletter – Amanda C
Opp Quilt 2024 – Laura L
Opp Quilt 2025 – Marilyn F
Quilts for COTS – Ellie O
Retreats – Debby L
Ways & Means – Debby L
Webmasters – Amanda

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