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The Deadlines Are:

Show & Tell photos for
March Zoom Meeting
Sunday, February 28

April Newsletter
Sunday, March 11

Send your photos and
submission for both
Show & Tell and the
Newsletter to:

Holly Miner, editor at
hollyminer@aol.com

March 2021 President's Message

Wow!!



Hard to believe we are going into the 3rd month of the year! And we get to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. I don't know about you but, as a child, if you weren't wearing green at school you got pinched. Not sure how that started. I lived in the Chicago area for about 13 years and they would dye the Chicago River with green dye for St. Patrick's Day. Crazy!

We had 44 attendees at our last general Zoom meeting. It is really wonderful that different people each month share what they have been working on. Even if you do not want to stay on the call the entire time it gives you a chance to see fellow members that you may not have seen in a while. Our next general Zoom meeting is March 2. You are encouraged to wear green. The winners of the Guild Challenge "Finish It" will be revealed. We will have a speaker this time along with more Show and Tell. Remember Show and Tell can be anything you want. Hope to see you there!

Barbara Ceresa, President

Show and Tell Schedule

- **March 2 (wear Green)** Our March Mixer & Guild Challenge Reveal for "Finish It"
- **April 6 (wear Yellow/gold)** "Share Mystery Matchup or "Spring"
- **May 4 (wear Pink)** "Mother's Day" or "May the Fourth Be with You"
- **June 1 (wear Purple/violet)** "All Creatures Great & Small" or "Father's Day"



Guild Challenge *It's not too late to enter...*

Have you used your quarantine time to finish some of your quilting UFOs? We'd love for you to share your favorite one with us for the Guild Challenge, "Finish It".

You can send the photo of your quilt to ptggquilter@gmail.com by Feb 28, 2021, along with the name of the quilt and the size. No other info is needed since the quilts will be anonymous.

Photos will be loaded into a slide show on the website and members will be emailed a voting survey on March 1. Voting will close at 7:00 pm (during the General Meeting) and winners will be announced; 1st, 2nd & 3rd place.

Looking for a small project that also benefits our community?



PLACEMATS FOR SENIORS PROJECT

Hello Sister Quilters,

You may have already seen the blast from Sophia regarding our making placemats for the Meals on Wheels program and the new Senior Center. It would be wonderful to have participation from as many members as possible. In order to make it easy for everyone, a committee from the Board will be assembling kits through Community Service. We will also have a quick, easy pattern available for anyone who is interested, using the "quilt-as-you-go method".

If you are a new quilter or would like a refresher, I have put together some directions and pictures. I also used a fold over binding method which eliminates the need for a separate binding. This pattern can be quickly made with a fat quarter and pre-cut 2 ½ inch strips, or you can cut your own fabrics. The kits will have the fabric as well as batting. You only need to add thread and a little time and energy!

With help from Sophia, I hope to have a Zoom class for new Quilter's who wish to learn these methods.

Anyone is welcome, including those of you who attended our Quilting 101 classes last year. If interested, please drop me an email by February 28. My address is sjmosley4@comcast.net.

Joan Mosley



COMMUNITY SERVICE

From Nancy Holtz, Community Service Chair

Community Service is thankful for all who participate helping getting quilts out to our community.

We have had several good size donations so if you need fabric please feel free to 'shop' at CS. There are quilts to bind and others needing quilting. There is donated fabric to sort plus good fellowship.



We are also taking home kits for placemats. These will be given to Meals on Wheels recipients and to the new Senior Center when it opens later this year.

Community Service is located at the back of Nevada County Historical Society building at the wonky corner of Ridge Rd and Nevada City Hwy next to Sierra Presbyterian Church. We meet 9-1 on the first and third Thursdays of every month. Masks required.

Also, you can get the guild decals at CS. The cost is \$2.00 each or three for \$5.00



Share and Care

Do you know someone in the Guild who is under the weather and can use some cheering? Whether it is an illness, surgery, or loss of a loved one, please let Mary Ross know so she can send an appropriate card.



Thank you!

Mary Ross, Chairperson

(see roster for Mary's phone & email)



Scholarship Update

I just want to say thank you to members who volunteer for the Scholarship committee: Anne Wilson, Connie Ferrao, Holly Miner and Judy Hamilton.

I think we have a great team and I'm looking forward to our first Zoom meeting.

Sue Marshall, Scholarship Chairperson

February Financial Report

As of January 31,

Deposits	\$	Expenses
\$1,287.50	\$	\$595.01

Questions? Contact the Treasurer



Sharon Leyton-Schmidt *Patchwork Star March 2021*



Sometimes delightful connections are realized in serendipitous settings. When visiting our industrious Community Service gurus (Nancy Holtz, Ina Gibson and Kathy Biggi), I was introduced to Sharon Leyton-Schmidt. Processing, sorting and ripping the rotary, these ladies are passionate, non-stoppable philanthropists. Before I grabbed a bag of un-quiltable “silgies” and headed out, I made a date with Sharon. My visit to Sharon's home revealed: We both lived in Cascade Shores at the same time; we both learned basket-weaving from an old-timer there; we both enjoyed the lake; we both gleaned ornamental lettering instruction from Linzi Ostrom at Ben's paper-arts department.

Amidst a bountiful stack of Linus' hopefuls, I noticed many whimsical themes; lap-sized, ambrosia-colored and child-worthy. A quilt half-finished and ever so cheerful, Sharon was proud to display her large in-progress Amish offering. Apologizing for her simpler deviations from the supposed pattern, I was impressed with the intricacy and accuracy of colorful basketry. A black background enhanced vivid reds, yellows and purples. Interestingly and understandably, there is a heartfelt connection with the Amish community. Husband Michael is from Westlake, Ohio, a suburb of Cleveland. Not only are he and Sharon familiar with this area, they own a home and live part time there. Remember Kathy McDaniel? She and her husband are their best friends there! The ladies shop Amish quilt and fabric stores together.



Furthermore, Michael eagerly proclaims his two cents for the color and design of Sharon's quilts. In Sharon's portfolio there's the cutest picture of him rearranging his preferences on her design wall. Color and design are important to him. He is fully supportive of her stashes, stacks and wall-hangings, as well as Sharon's need to usurp adequate space for a sewing machine on the kitchen table.



With a happy heart, admittedly, Sharon has made 100's of Community Service quilts. These ladies and all of you supporting the needs of a hurting community have not stopped working to allow less fortunate people to be loved and comfortable. Bless your hearts!

Jeanie Ferguson, Patchwork Star Reporter



Online Shopping and Quilty Tip of the Day by Sue Marshall

Online Shopping: I didn't mention Jordan Fabrics in my last list. I really like their shop, too. Their pre-cuts have straight edges. They're under Matt's Hand cuts, here's the link: <https://jordanfabrics.com/collections/matts-hand-cuts>. He does Jelly Rolls, Charm squares, Layer cakes, Log Cabin kits, Log Cabin table runner kit, Rail Fence quilt kit, Lone Star Kit, Cutting Corners kits.

So, for example, the Log Cabin quilt kit - Each block measures 10 1/8" after sewing the pieces together and measures 9 5/8" after the blocks are put together into a quilt top. All 12 blocks together will makes a 29 x 39" or a 19 x 58" quilt top. Would be great for a quick quilt, I think. Their retail shop isn't open at this time. I went there maybe 5 years ago, they have a great selection of batiks and there was a scrap table where you could by fabric by the pound. It was a very good deal.



Tip of the Day: I recently ran out of the right gray fabric for a quilt I'm working on. The quilt is a scrappy version of a layer cake, I start with the designer's fabric and revise to make it mine and use some of my stash. Anyway I ran out of the right gray, which can be tricky to match, the fabric line didn't have any in stock in 3 online stores. So I went to the designer's blog, search for line of fabric and in one of her post she shares solids that match. Ta Da!! I was able to order the solid on sale and it matches really well! So I saved a few dollars, too.

Just thought I'd share and looking forward to a live and in person PTQG meeting. For now virtual is good, though.

My Guilty Quilty Pleasure by Holly Miner

In December of 2019, I watched a show on Sheila Christensen from The Quilt Show. Though the show was not about her mystery quilts, my interest was piqued. I went to her website quiltwithsheila.com and followed the link to the Cotton Cuts cottoncuts.com website to investigate. I liked what I saw so much that I am on my third Puzzle Mystery Quilt!

Here is why:

After choosing from 12-15 color ways, and either small or large (I have selected small for the three I have done or am currently doing. Every month for ten months I received PRE-CUT pieces of fabric (triangles, squares and strips -I didn't have to cut a thing! Not even the dogears on the triangles. 🥰 The instructions for turning the pieces of fabric into puzzle pieces is easy to follow and include pressing direction (a pet peeave of mine). This isn't a block of the month, but rather puzzle pieces of the month! In the tenth month, the final instructions key to putting together the quilt puzzle arrives and Voila! A beautiful quilt top!

It is not that expensive either at \$18.50 per month with FREE shipping. I have no waste and, according to the Cotton Cuts website, I am helping support jobs for disabled Americans.



March Birthdays

- 4 Mary Serpa
- 7 Lynda Lasich
- 8 Bonnie Lattin-Hensel
- 9 Carey Daly
- 10 Joan Wickham
- 18 Lori Jacobi
- 20 Stephanie Petrick
- 22 Kathryn Pritchard
- 24 Millie Folda
- 25 Susanne Haislet
- 30 Margaret Boothby
- 31 Carol Gates



March Anniversaries

- 4 Betsy & Jeff Smith
- 12 Susie & John Hardy
- 15 Jeanne & Ed Pincha-Tulley
- 17 Marjorie & Robert Lucas
- 18 Robi & Doug Holmen
- 29 Sue Weller & Steve Millard
- 30 Kris & Ken Cook



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Refer to your Roster or our website

Find us on

Let's keep connected during these difficult times! Has anyone recently finished a quilt?

Let's share on our FB Page www.facebook.com/PineTreeQuiltGuild/

Or, share on your FB page with the hashtag [#ptqqquilts](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/ptqqquilts) so we can find them.

Sophia, Web Liaison Chair

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What I Do: I do long arm quilting and machine embroidery for my clients.

Quilting: My clients bring me their finished quilt top, backing and batting. I quilt the top, batting and backing together in a design that my client and I have agreed on. I provide batting if my client wished me to do so. I also offer binding services at the client's request.

Embroidery: My embroidery is done on my Bernina 780. My clients bring me the article they want embroidered and we agree on a design. There are many fonts and designs from which to choose.

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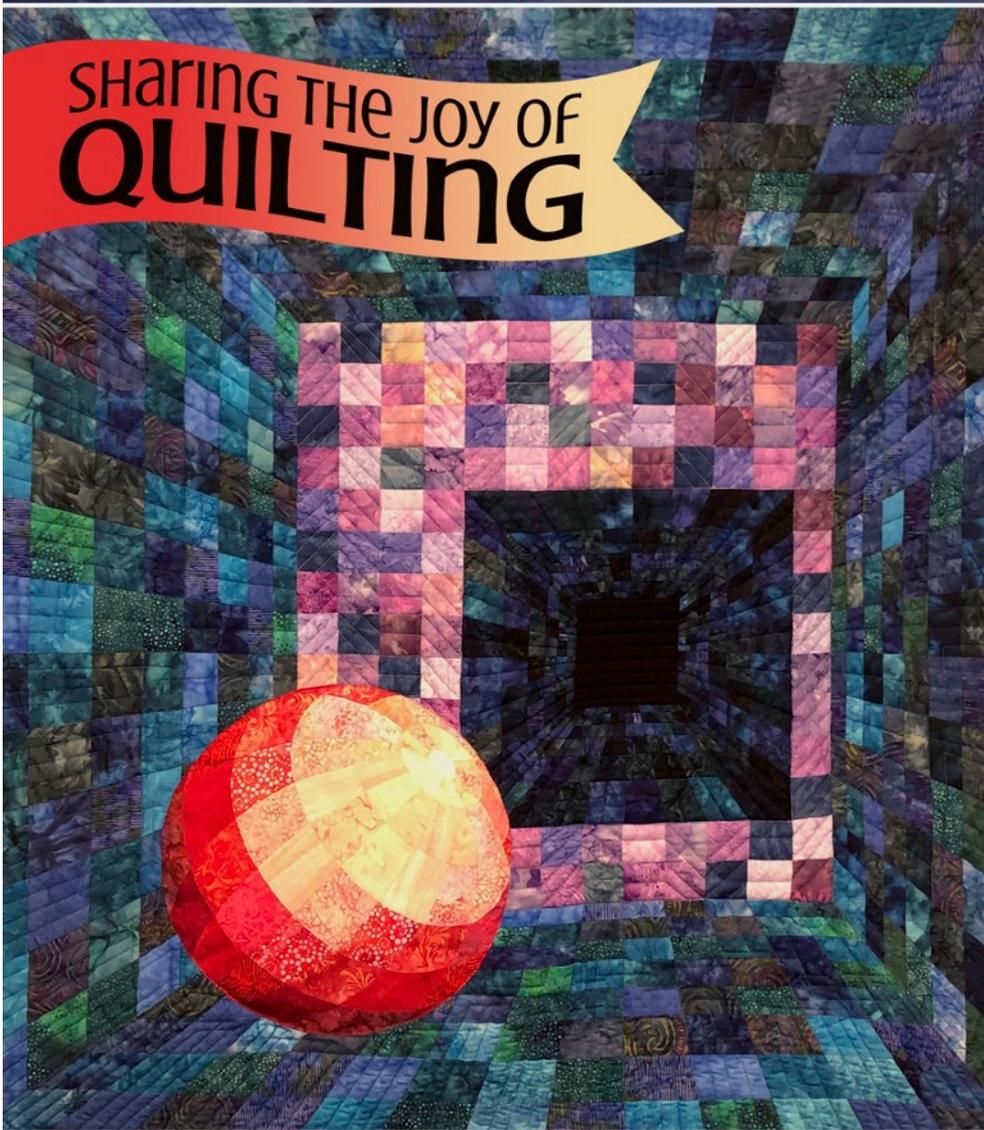
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