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## The Deadlines Are:

### September Zoom Show & Tell

Sunday, September 5th

### October Newsletter

Sunday, September 12th

Send your submissions  
to:

Holly Miner, editor at  
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## September 2021 President's Message



Our July General Meeting at The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day-Saints pavilion was a huge success! There were so many members that attended! Most brought their own picnic dinner. Joan Mosley presented a fun game she designed called "Quilty Scrabble". Teams were formed and we had a 1st place and 2nd place winning group. Each person in the winning groups received a goody bag. All in attendance were given a ticket for a drawing after the game. Lillian Glaeser and Susanne Haislet called the winning tickets for more goody bags.

We finished with some announcements, including our new amended contract with the Nevada County Historical Society which includes a new HVAC installed in the Community Service room. YAY! We ended the evening with everyone's favorite: Show and Tell. It was a great evening!

We had hoped we might be able to resume our General Meetings at the school. Sadly, everything went downhill. There is little hope that we will be able to meet indoors any time soon. Our General Meeting on September 7, will be via Zoom. We will still have Show and Tell via Zoom, so please send your photos to Holly by Sunday, September 5th.

I am thankful that our members, who evacuated due to the River Fire near Colfax, did not have any damage to their homes and were able to return after several days.

Please stay safe!

***Barbara Ceresa, President***



## ***Unfortunately, Jamboree has been cancelled for 2021, but to keep us all in the sewing mood...***



We are offering a Zoom class on November 3, 2021 taught by Dora Carey of Orange Dot Quilts. She will be teaching her Beads on a String pattern for this class.

Make a beautiful, modern quilt by just using your scraps and some muslin. This quilt goes together fast with large blocks and fast piecing.



Techniques taught in class:

- *foundation paper piecing*
- *string piecing*
- *an easy trapunto technique*

Participants will need to purchase the pattern in advance of the class so once you have signed up, please order the pattern right away. Both PDF & printed are available here: [etsy.com/listing/164225313](https://www.etsy.com/listing/164225313)

**The cost of the class is \$30.00**

**Send your check made out to PTQG to:**

**PTQG Attention Anne Wilson**

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*Orange Dot Quilts was created in 2016 by me, Dora Cary, a Romanian-born engineer and designer who moved to the United States in 2001, discovered quilting in 2006, made my first quilt and became an American citizen in 2008, and wrote my first quilt pattern in 2013.*

*Now I have more than 30 quilt and bag patterns and even more patterns are waiting to be created. I have several notebooks filled with ideas and sketches waiting to be turned into quilts, bags, or something else altogether.*

*I love quilting for the creativity and freedom of expression it gives me, and I love the quilting community for the amazing generosity and sense of camaraderie.*

*My lectures are fun and informative, covering the unusual path I took from growing up in communist Romania to having a successful quilting business in the country of my dreams. During my lectures I share my quilts, my favorite quilting techniques and tools, as well as my no-basting method of quilting on a domestic sewing machine.*

*P.S.: Why Orange Dot Quilts, you ask? Because I love orange and polka dots and quilts. Because ORANGE, DOTs, and QUILTS make me happy.*



# COMMUNITY SERVICE

From Nancy Holtz, Community Service Chair

**Community Service has LOTS of quilts that need quilting and binding. Can you take on binding a quilt? If so, let Nancy know so she can have one all ready for you to pick up on the first or third Thursday.**

We have many ongoing projects including making placemat kits, cutting fabric for quilt & pillowcase kits, cutting batting for existing quilt tops, sewing on labels, sorting donations and of course enjoying each other's company and quilting hints.

Need a Pine Tree Quilt Guild decal? Only \$1.00! They can be purchased from Nancy during Community Service hours.

We meet the first and third Thursdays from 9am-1pm at the back of the Nevada County Historical Society building next to Sierra Presbyterian church at the wonky corner of Ridge Road and Nevada City Highway.

Due to the small indoor space we work in, masks are required for all persons while in side our area.

Questions ? Call Nancy Holtz-number is in the roster.



## HALL OF HONOR

It is that time of year to be thinking about nominating someone for the Hall of Honor with Lifetime Membership. The criteria for this award is:

Nominee must have been an active member, in good standing, for a minimum of eight (8) consecutive years and shall have supported the

Guild's activities and goals by having served as an officer or on committees or contributed to the Guild in a significant way. These awards should be given only after much consideration and only to a member whose actions have truly been important to the Guild.

Look for an E-Blast from Sophia with the form. You can either scan the document and email back to me or mail the form to: PTQG • Attention: Lillian • PO Box 3133 • GV CA 95945 by November 2.

If you have any questions, my contact information is in the Roster. Thank You!

*Lillian Glaeser, Vice President*



## PRESIDENT'S QUILT BLOCKS

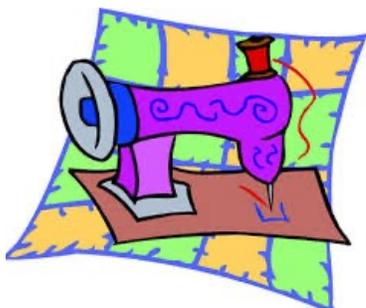
Every year, as a way of showing our appreciation for all her hard work, Guild Members make a quilt block for our outgoing President. It is time to make blocks for Barbara Ceresa.

Because of the nasty Covid Virus, Barbara and the entire Board graciously gave us two years as President. Since she had so many difficult and complicated situations to deal with she wants to keep things simple. She has asked for a four patch block in black & white. Finish measurement should be 6 1/2 inches.

Because she served two years, let's make an additional "surprise" block for Barbara. Black and white half square triangle with the finish size of 6 1/2 inches. *SSSHHH ... don't tell.*

So, that's one 4-patch AND one half square triangle, both in black & white, both 6 1/2 inches. Please, sign your block and mail it to me by December 1, 2021. My address is in the Roster.

Thank you, Lorna Straka ~ Past President 2019



## QUILTING 101

Hello to all Beginning Quilters,

Since our venue is not available for November and December, and for the health and safety of all involved, we will move towards a January start up. I was hoping to start in September, but as you are aware circumstances seem to be working against us. Hopefully, our

lives will be back to normal in January.

If you are interested and/or know of someone else who would like to join our group to learn or polish up basic quilting skills, please call or email me to add your names(s) to my contact list (my info is in the roster and the website). I realize that, after all this time, many of you have progressed beyond the beginning stage, but I think we can still have fun learning together. We will meet on the fourth Thursday of the month, in conjunction with Home Workshop. There is no charge for the classes, however chocolate is always welcome.

You just need to bring yourself and your sewing machine and tools. I can provide some fabric, if needed. Really looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Cheers and Stay Healthy,

*Joan Mosley*

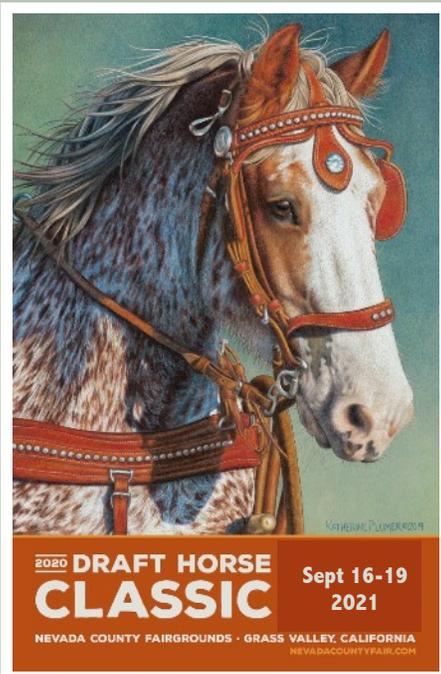


## Wonderful July Picnic enjoyed by all!

There were 46 attendees. A former member returned to the fold and we welcomed a new guest. Despite having to meet via Zoom for many months we now boast 176 members and have been receiving inquiries about the guild through our web site online as well! I think that's a good indication that even though we haven't been able to meet in person, we're still able to make connections with each other and share what we can in a new format. I, for one, am very happy to be a part of this wonderful community of quilters.

*Ruth Bertaccini, Membership Chair*

## Opportunity Quilt Marketing News



"It Takes a Village" won First Place at the NC Fair.

We sold \$299 in raffle tickets.

Thank you to all who volunteered to be White Glovers!

Next up is the 2021 Draft Horse Classic. Our special DHC Opportunity quilt is all ready to go thanks to the Quilty Pleasures Mini Group.

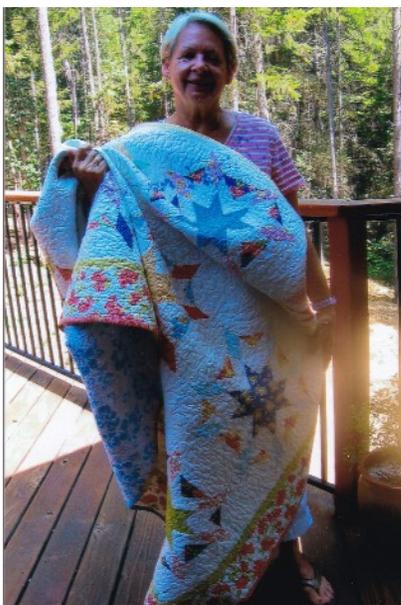
I need volunteers for the raffle ticket sales table. There will be an email blast requesting volunteers when I receive more information from the Fairgrounds.

Also, I may be asking for members to help fill the area where we are selling tickets by providing personal quilts for us to display.

*Holly Miner*

*Opportunity Quilt Marketing Co-Chair*

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## Christine Panos Patchwork Star September 2021

Nestled among Nevada City pines near Hirschman Trail, tranquility and permanence are finally a sure thing for Christine and Rick. Long journeys with serious professional benefits required by Rick's architectural expertise had taken them to the Philippines for three years, and other cities like Raleigh, North Carolina and Long Beach, CA. But, luckily their two children had flown the coop and were no longer in tow. Christine's interrupted profession as a registered dietician, however, relegated her to the status of "trailing spouse" for twelve years. She learned to make friends quickly in these frenzied wanderings. In Long Beach, CA she took a job selling fabric in a craft store. This morphed into her teaching quilting classes for them, designing curriculum and building a sought-after reputation.

The Panos' inviting rustic home affords sunshiny openness and a "which way do I go?" mystery. Quilts are everywhere—tidy and purposeful. A

traditional "roses are red" king-sized beauty made by Christine was expertly hand-quilted in the Philippines by a local woman. I inspected 12 very even and consistent stitches to the inch. And, I noted Christine expertly mitered her wide borders. You'd never know...Christine exhibits a carnival of Fig Tree fondness: sun-drenched peaches, murmurs of sea glass aquas, mixtures of mint and creamy butternut are pervasive. All of her quilts are traditional, making the best use of white backgrounds perfect for showcasing expert machine quilting. She employs an HQ Sweet Sixteen that serves her well. Have you ever heard of a "hopping" foot? A tall well-appointed cutting table with needed 1" grid was handy. Uncounted stacks of neatly folded extra fabrics await their season. The hall closet is completely devoted to housing about twenty large finished quilts! Rick made sure I doted on his favorite king-sized Civil War beauty using calicoes and a pattern purchased through Keepsake Quilting. Can you imagine being instructed to trim your fabric pieces to a scant 1/16th of an inch?! Russet stars and mellow amber centers formed this understated masterpiece. Rick said this quilt is the winter selection for their master bedroom. Being an architect with a mathematical mindset he helps Christine figure complex dimensions. And, his expert design and color recommendations are welcome as well.

Christine quipped; "I'm confident I'd have never finished three of my projects if it weren't for Covid!" On the shelf and yet-to-use color coordinated stacks of fabrics await assimilation. Mini quilts, some sporting 1/2" finished squares checkerboard style are lined up near the crown molding. Attractive wooden clips hold all eight of them in place. In Christine's spacious sewing room, your eye must feast upon every nook and cranny. The mini poppy quilt was sewn at a Houston show class using rock salt "painting". Out-of-sight sun-setting sky fabric above a mini Mt. Rainier scene peeked my interest. Wow, I need some of that!

Christine belongs to the Peacemakers quilting group which meets at Peace Lutheran Church. She commented: "I have lots of patriotic fabrics and have done many Quilts of Valor. I'm now going to make quilts for kids." She has been quilting for 24 years and is yet young. I expect great things. Christine exhibits infectious enthusiasm and good-natured humility. She is anxious to meet and greet other members when the time is right. Among her collection of charm packs and colorful fabric wheels, there's a panel of the words to Amazing Grace and another panel of 1st Corinthians 13 love chapter. Now those projects will be AMAZING!



Jeanie Ferguson  
Patchwork Star Reporter



# ARE YOU PREPARED?

Whether it's a fire, earthquake, flood or even a tornado, living in California has its risks. In recent weeks it has become evident that, if you live in Northern California, you need to be prepared to evacuate on a moments notice.

Every member of your family should have a "Go Bag". A bag to grab on your way out the door.

## **Please prepare your bag TODAY.**

It should include but not be limited to:

### Important papers

- Birth certificate and/or passport
- Social security card
- Current utility bill for proof of residency
- Photocopy of your driver's license
- Passwords
- Important phone numbers in case you do not have your cell phone
- Photo copies of credit cards (front and back)
- Vehicle registrations
- Cash in small bills
- Medications (3 days or more) and First Aid Supplies
- Personal items (toothbrush, soap, tissues, comb/brush, hand sanitizer, glasses/contacts)
- Flashlight
- Bottled water, snack bar, mints or candied ginger which help with nausea
- Note pad, pencil and pen
- Knife or scissors...a Leatherman or Swiss Army knife is perfect
- Disposable gloves and a mask to avoid smoke inhalation

### Optional Items

- Family/favorite photos to a memory card and heirlooms. Take the time to copy favorite photos to a chip
- Photos of the contents of your home. Open every drawer, closet and cupboard and photograph it for insurance purposes.
- Lightweight jacket or nylon "pocket" parka
- Device charging cord
- Whistle
- Sewing kit (needle, thread, safety pins)

And last, but not least, a list on the top of the bag with additional items to take if time allows. If you can buy it later, leave it now. Only take irreplaceable items.

**BE SMART. BE SAFE.**



## September Anniversaries

- 8 Julie & Scott Berry
- 10 Karen & Bill Mitchell
- 11 Louise & David Bock
- 13 Deanna & Derek Maxwell
- 15 Shirley & Dana Emmrich
- 19 Millie & Roger Folda
- 19 Laura & Bill Greenman
- 20 Anne & Bill Wilson
- 20 Jan & Patrick Warholic
- 21 Dolly & Richard Melim
- 23 Susan & Geoff Pollard
- 30 Frances & Tim O'Brien



## September Birthdays

- 3 Bev Sarchett
- 3 Laura Greenman
- 5 Francesca Erickson
- 7 Christine Panos
- 12 Marilyn Engelking
- 15 Jean Marie McDonald
- 17 Marcia Lyon
- 30 Deirdre Campbell

## July Financial Report

As of July 31, 2021

Deposits		Expenses
\$45.00		\$1,387.04

Questions? Contact the Treasurer

## 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)



## *In Memorium*

**Marianne (Nan) Curry**  
September 26, 1930 – June 13, 2021

Past president of Pine Tree Quilt Guild (2002) and  
a member of Mountain Art Quilters



Find us on 

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

Let's share on our FB Page

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

*Sophia, Web Liaison Chair*



Looking for the PTQG listing of Board and Committee Members?

This and our Roster are on our website

### **FOR SALE:**

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