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January 2023 President's Message



Well, we're almost into the New Year. The busy holidays are almost behind us and we can all breathe a little easier. 2023 is going to be a wonderful new year with lots of great quilting. We have fantastic programs coming up. Do try to attend one. We have a great number of new members. Being up in front with a microphone, I feel at a disadvantage because I want to get to know you all better.

I thank you for having me as your President last year and look forward to another year ahead. Please get involved. Join a mini group or start your own. Attend a Home Workshop and meet a new friend. Help with the Quilt Show and become inspired. All of you are fantastic and I enjoy working with you and getting to know you better. I just started a Bonnie Hunter Chilhowie Mystery Quilt. I have never made a mystery quilt before so this is out of my comfort zone. My oldest daughter, in Iowa, is also doing it and we have shared fabrics. So far its been real fun. I still have to do my Paint Chip Challenge, that's next on my list!

Hoping everyone has a wonderful Christmas and will ring in the New Year with a smile and laughter.

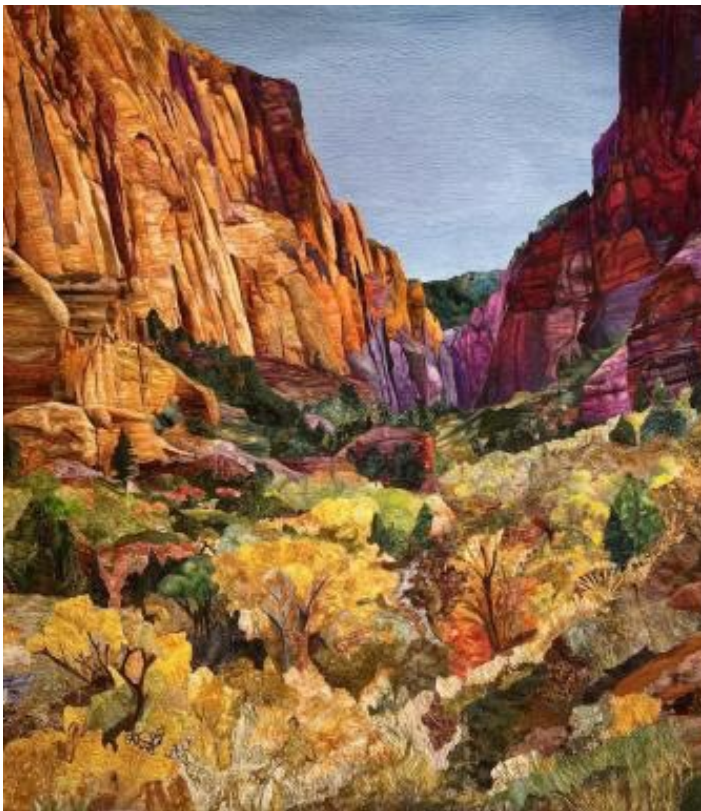
Blessing to all from *Lillian Glaeser, President*





Add to Your Calendar

General Meeting	6:30 pm	Tuesday, January 3	Grass Valley Charter School
PTQG Board Meeting	3:00 pm	Thursday, January 12	via Zoom- link on PTQG website
Newsletter Deadline	Evening of	Sunday, January 15	hollyminer@aol.com
Community Service	9 am - 1 pm	1st & 3rd Thursday	161 Nevada City Hwy, Nevada City
Home Workshop	9 am - 3 pm	4th Thursday	watch for an email with location
Quilting 101	10am - 2 pm	4th Thursday	watch for an email with location



February Speaker and Workshop: Sandra Mollon

We are looking forward to seeing some of Sandra Mollon’s award-winning quilts and hearing her presentation, “Adapting an Image into an Art Quilt,” at our February 7, General Meeting. When I attended the Pacific International Quilt Festival in October, I saw some of her gorgeous art quilts. She won the award, “Best Wall Quilt” at the Festival with her “Knob Canyon” art quilt. You won’t want to miss this meeting!

She will present her Fused Art Quilt workshop on Wednesday February 8, at the Seventh Day Adventist Church on Osborn Hill Rd. in Grass Valley. By creating a Waterlily, students will learn how to choose the right color and value for each petal or leaf, shade with colored pencils or ink if needed and fuse together to make a flower. Kits containing fabrics for part of the project, may be purchased in class for \$20.

For further information and signing up, please go to our website and look under Future Events. You may also email Sue Marshall, Speaker Workshop Chair



PAINT CHIP CHALLENGE

Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and are ready to tackle a new year of quilting. The Paint Chip Challenge reveal will be held at our March General Meeting. If you have not started the Challenge and are interested in participating, please check back to prior Newsletters for all of the details. It's not too late to join in on the fun, and the rules are easy.

If you have any questions, please let us know. Our information can be found in the Roster, or you can find us at the General Meetings.

Happy Quilting,

Kris Cook and Margaret Vodicka, Co-Chairs

IT'S A ROW-BY-ROW QUILT EXCHANGE!

Our Row-by-Row Exchange starts January 13, 2023 at 5:30 pm. This six month free activity is a great way to expand your skills, try new block patterns or techniques and of course, exchange ideas with friends. This is open to all levels of quilters.

We will meet from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm on the 2nd Friday of each month for six months at the Ben Franklin classroom.

Questions? Contact Karla Rogers (530) 470-3645 or Jeanne Pincha-Tulley (530) 913-2823

QUILTING 101



Quilting 101 2023 begins on Thursday, January 26. If you are interested in this beginner's quilting class, please contact me at jmos919@gmail.com to receive more information. For those who have already signed up, I will be contacting you prior to the class.

Looking forward to another great year,

Joan Mosley



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

It's been a wonderful 2022 with our membership growing to 199 members including 17 affiliates! It was especially exciting to have 34 new members join us and see they are getting involved in taking on many of the important jobs that make this Guild the strongest in the area.

As a reminder, January 15 is the deadline to renew your membership for 2023. Forms are available on the website, <https://pinetreequiltguild.com/docs/2023-Membership-Form.pdf> at the end of this newsletter and at both Community Service and Ben Franklin. I have already received one third of the renewals thanks to you early-bird members--kudos!



Warmly,

Ruth Bertaccini, Membership Chair



Note from a Lifetime Member

"Thanks for the memories. Wish I could be there to see each and every one of you each and every month.

Wonderful to see so many new members! I am considering joining a guild here in Santa Maria.

Hugs all around...

Carolyn Christensen"



WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT®

Thank you to all who participated in this project. I have received over 50 quilts that will be distributed in March. I will be collecting quilts at the January and February General Meetings. I still have fabrics and kits available if you have time to make "just one more" quilt. Please return any kits you may not have been able to complete.

Kathy Biggi



Celebrating The Artist Within

Happy New Year Fellow Quilters!

January is the month the Quilt Show committees hit the ground running, so each task is organized and completed on time for the show. All Guild Members are invited to attend the, sure to be lively, Quilt Show planning meeting on Tuesday, January 17, at the Eskaton Facility at 1pm. If you can't make it, we hope you are enjoying some productive sew time instead.

Have you started or already completed the quilts you plan to enter in the upcoming quilt show on May 6-7? A special quilt for Vaughn's daughter is in progress. It will tickle your sense of humor! Quilting can be a challenge but still be fun when the quilter's taste is very different from the loved one. Let your "Artist Within" guide the patterns and fabrics chosen to bring joy to the one you love.

May this New Year inspire you to try new colors, fabrics, patterns and techniques. We can't wait to see your quilts at the meetings and show!

Please email or call Vaughn for info: 530-575-6046 crumbquilter@gmail.com

Rachel and Vaughn, Co-Chairs

SILENT AUCTION 2023

Happy New Year Members!

Now that the holidays are behind us, be thinking about what you'd like to make or donate for our next Silent Auction at the 2023 Quilt Show. We're looking forward to having more generous and beautiful items to tantalize our guests.

Remember, if you would love to have it for your home, so will they!

If you know what you plan to donate, let us know so we can start building our Promise Sheet of items. Mini groups, this is a good time to consider making a quilt to donate as a group project that benefits your wonderful guild!

Ruth Bertaccini and Judy Hamilton, Silent Auction Chairs



COMMUNITY SERVICE

From Nancy Holtz, Community Service Chair

We can't fulfill our commitments unless we have finished quilts to give away

Long arm quilting is needed the most now.

We meet the first Thursday 9-1 at the back of the Nevada County Historical Society building next to Sierra Presbyterian Church at the wonky corner of Ridge Rd and Nevada City Hwy.

All are welcome to share some work and good fellowship.



Home Workshop

Happy New Year!

Finally, January is here and Home Workshop re-emerges. Join in for a day of fun and companionship. Those of you who graduated from Quilting 101, can now attend Home Workshop and continue learning new skills through planned projects while hanging out with friends.

As always, Home Workshop is a community sewing event. You do not have to do the planned project, but are encouraged to bring your own project. Who knows, you may have something that interests everyone else and you can become a demonstrator!

The January class is the Bug Out Bag taught by Kathy Biggi. All you need is two fat quarters (non-directional fabric is best) and regular sewing supplies including a zipper foot. All other materials will be provided. You will make a

zippered pouch and learn what to pack for emergencies.

If you have ever wanted to quilt your own creations, but can't afford long arm prices or a long arm machine, Sue Marshall will be teaching a two month class in February and March on how to quilt on a domestic machine. You have the option of purchasing a panel at Ben Franklin or using an 18-inch square "sandwich" of your choice. You can sign up at the January Guild Meeting or contact me.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

- January: "Bug Out Bag"- Kathy Biggi
- Feb/March: Quilting on a Domestic Machine-Sue Marshall
- April: Cup Caddy-Margaret Vodicka
- TBA: English Paper Piecing and Teddy Bears



Mariah Bath Patchwork Star January 2023

“Crazy Chicken Lady, energetic, passionate and insatiable, shows stunning stuff!”

Take note: there must be a chicken fabric, albeit muted and insignificant, in every quilt. Growing up in Marshall, CA, a lush and bucolic hamlet of Marin County, Mariah recalls her young 4-H upbringing learning sewing and embroidery skills from Mom. She made all her own clothes throughout high school. She has fond memories of raising chickens there for 13 years. Traveling extensively, her exploits have seen the likes of French Polynesia, Hawaii and San Francisco living on a sailboat! Mariah and musically inspired husband Douglas, are fearless and adventuresome. They are now happily settled in Grass Valley to be near their children and a 5-year old granddaughter.



Floor to ceiling shelved and disciplined stashes in cheerful sapphires, magentas and leafy Nile greens abound. Don't forget the low-volume neutrals for softening and wedging between Kaffe Fassett, Jason Yenter and Phillip Jacobs botanicals, millefiore and lush cabbages. Mariah is tenacious. In her spacious studio, piles denote “works in progress”, not UFO's. She knows where everything is and nary a scrap is discarded.

Mariah has taught piecing, quilting, embroidery and tote-making. “I just love to teach! I have a kit for that. Here's the pattern.” Hilo, Hawaii on the big island was where Mariah taught at the Senior Center and sewed samples for the local quilt shop where she worked. Best Press or Faultless Niagara sprays are her friend and necessary for diagonal off-grain piecing. Apply liberally and iron before cutting. Paper pieced hexies, needle turned pansies, raw edged birds of paradise, sashiko designs, even shiny silk embroidery threads are some of Mariah's show-stoppers. Where eight or 12 cuts converge in a center kaleidoscopic configuration, Mariah takes the time to manipulate and flatten each underside center by pulling apart the 1/4” ends and twist them flat. She has five machines and can quilt large projects. Her tip: Don't forget to stay-stitch a quilt's outside edge to prevent stretching before adding batting and backing.

Admittedly, Mariah's SABLE (Stash Accumulated Beyond Life Expectancy) tendencies are shared by most of us. But don't our over-populated stashes keep our sewing studios well insulated in cold winters? Douglas built Mariah a stunning floor to ceiling ladder to display brightly colored quilts in their living room. When she requested extra rungs, he complied. Every wall in their spacious home is graced with Mariah's bedazzling bests. When you visit, remember to search for the “hidden chicken” in each one.



Jeanie Ferguson Patchwork Star Reporter



Opportunity Quilt Marketing News

From Holly Miner, Opportunity Quilt Chair & Visiting Opportunity Scheduler

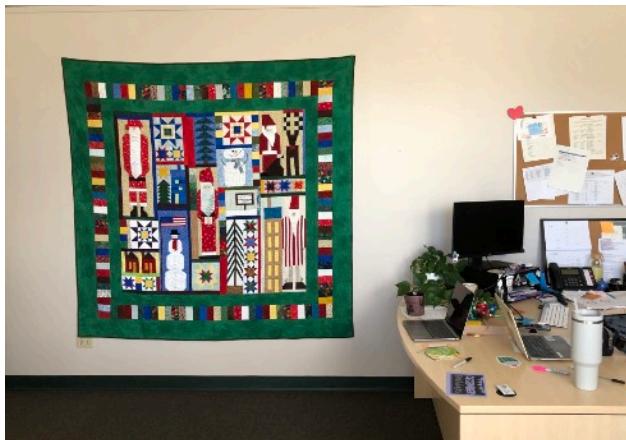
Nancy Holtz won our 2022 Country Christmas quilts!

Country Christmas brought in \$933.00. As of 12/31/2022 the total sales for Myrna's Garden and the extra quilts is \$5,636.00.

Thank you to all who helped sell tickets. ***It was a huge success.***

"Winter Memories" the quilt that keeps on giving!

The PTQG Board voted to donate the 2021 Country Christmas quilt to Bright Futures for Youth. I delivered the quilt to Bright Futures on December 12. Below is the note I received:



Hello Holly,

Well, the Christmas quilt is a big hit with The Friendship Club staff. One of the youth coordinators hung the quilt on her wall. She interacts with lots of girls in her office so it will be uplifting for them to see the quilt and holiday cheer for the season.

Thank you very much.

Cheryl Rubin

Director, Development & Communications

New Year's Resolutions for Quilters

1. I will complete all projects I start
2. I will tidy up my sewing room
3. I will not buy fabric I don't need, just because I like it
4. I will finish at least one UFO from five years ago
5. I will service my sewing machine
6. I will learn a new technique every month
7. I will organize my stash
8. I will occasionally walk away from my machine to exercise





January Birthdays

- 1 Susie Ernst
- 1 Judy Speller
- 2 Susan Pollard
- 4 Joan Hartung
- 6 Claire Carter
- 10 Teal Marich
- 12 Julie Smith
- 15 Carole Hribal
- 15 Susann Deane
- 15 Rhonda Horne
- 16 Carolyn Christiansen
- 21 Robin Petersen
- 22 Donna Switzer
- 24 Cathy Stone
- 24 Rita Kahil
- 29 Diane Wetzel
- 31 Lanie Nepper
- 31 Sue Marshall



January Anniversaries

- 8 Anita & David Dall
- 9 Rachel & Steve Pena
- 14 Lorena & Daniel Ferchaud
- 22 Marilyn & Lawrence Murphy Aldridge
- 24 Margaret & Milan Vodicka
- 29 Sue & Frank Marshall

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)

November Financial Report

As of November 30, 2022

Deposits		Expenses
\$3,350.00		\$2,308.50

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Has anyone recently finished a quilt? Let's share on our FB Page
www.facebook.com/PineTreeQuiltGuild/



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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 desires 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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WANTED: The Very Hungry Caterpillar

The Nevada County Public Health Clinic is looking to reopen in-person visits by April after shutdowns due to COVID and other restrictions. We would like to welcome families back with colorful decorations in the entry area and main clinic. We were wondering if members of your Guild would be interested in helping decorate with a nutrition and health based theme, *perhaps The Very Hungry Caterpillar*.

Please contact me for more information at debra.wilson@nevadacountyca.gov

Debra Wilson

Women, Infant & Children's (WIC) Coordinator
Nevada County Public Health Department

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- Embroidery CDs
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\$700
or best offer



Contact Marlene at 530-613-0671 or tumblingcrkfarm@gmail.com



PINE TREE QUILT GUILD MEMBERSHIP FORM 2023

I am a: (check one)

New Member

Lifetime Member

Renewing 2022 member

Returning member (after absence)

Dues must be paid by **January 15th** in order for your name to be included in the next roster. The completed form and your check can be mailed to: **Attn: Membership, PTQG, P.O. Box 3133, Grass Valley, CA**

PLEASE WRITE ALL CHANGES IN RED - AND FILL THE FORM OUT COMPLETELY

Name:

Birthday:

Address:

Email address:

City, State, Zip:

Spouse's name:

Phone:

Wedding Anniversary:

(list **ONE** phone number for the roster)

I AM PAYING THE FOLLOWING:

\$30 annual dues (New members will pay a prorated rate from the month they join)

(Members are requested to sell or purchase for themselves, at least \$10 worth (2 books) of tickets for the Opportunity Quilt.)

\$38.50 additional for printed & mailed newsletter (11 issues - \$3.50 per issue)

Donation (optional)

(You can specify in the box below how you want your donation to be used)

TOTAL

RELEASE FORM:

Today's date _____

Per the terms of our insurance, members of the Guild are not covered in the event of any injury. Therefore, members shall assume all risk of loss, damage, liability, injury cost or expense that may arise or be caused in any way, at any facility where Guild functions are held.

MEMBER'S SIGNATURE (required) _____

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE IN A MINI GROUP? Yes No Already a member of _____
(name of mini group)

About me: I have skills/experience in Computers Finance Management Secretarial

Other _____

The success of any Guild depends on the volunteerism of its members. On which committees would you like to work or have had past experience at other guilds?

- Annual Challenge
- Block of the Month
- Community Service
- Drop in and Quilt
- Education Outreach
- Equipment
- Historian
- Home Workshops/Drop In & Quilt
- Holiday Party
- Hospitality
- Jamboree

- Junior Members
- Membership
- Mini Group Coordinator
- Mystery Gifts
- Nor Cal Quilt Council
- Newsletter
- Nominating Committee
- Opportunity Quilt
- Opportunity Quilt Marketing
- Patchwork Star

- Picnic
- Programs
- Program Workshops
- Publicity
- Quarter Yard Club
- Quilt Show
- Scholarships
- Share and Care
- Show and Tell
- Treasure Table

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Thursday PTQG Board Meeting

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