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## May 2023 President's Message



Hi, Wonderful Guild Members,

I was so impressed with how everyone adapted to the change of venue from the school to St. Canice Center, on such a short notice, for our April General Meeting. What a fantastic group you are. And, the weather was on our side with no rain or snow.

Laurel Anderson presented a great informative program. Our Patchwork Star, Barbara Huntington, was such an inspiration. We all have a lot of "catching up" to do to get to her level of quilting.

I'm looking forward to a great Quilt Show with everyone showing off their quilts, Vendors, Baskets, Country Store, Silent Auction, Cafe, etc. I know it will be a huge success. Thank you to Vaughn Rodriguez, Rachel Peña and the entire Quilt Show committee for all their hard work.

Our May meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm at the Grass Valley Charter School. In **June**, we will once again hold our meeting at St. Canice Center. The meeting will begin at 6 pm to allow time for all that we have planned.

I thank all of you for your overwhelming support, kind words and hard work. Keep it up!

You make our Guild great!

Blessings,

Lillian Glaeser, President





## Add to Your MAY Calendar

<b>General Meeting</b>	6:30 pm	Tuesday, May 2	Grass Valley Charter School
<b>2023 Quilt Show</b>	9 am - 4 pm	Sat. May 6 & Sun. May 7	NC Fairgrounds
<b>PTQG Board Meeting</b>	3:00 pm	Thursday, May 11	via Zoom- link on PTQG website
<b>Row by Row</b>	5:30 pm	Friday, May 12	Ben Franklin Craft Room, GV
<b>Newsletter Deadline</b>	Evening of	Sunday, May 14	<a href="mailto:hollyminer@aol.com">hollyminer@aol.com</a>
<b>Community Service</b>	9 am - 1 pm	May 18 ONLY	161 Nevada City Hwy, Nevada City
<b>Home Workshop</b>	9 am - 3 pm	May 25	LDS Church Hollow Wy, Nevada City
<b>Quilting 101</b>	10am - 2 pm	May 25	LDS Church Hollow Wy, Nevada City



### Quilt Show is in Full Bloom!

Quilt Show committees are tirelessly working through the April showers to bring together a beautiful show where you will certainly see some flowers!

Please help our Guild and volunteer. There are still openings for volunteers at the Quilt Show. Remember - you get into the show free AND get entered into a drawing for a free Speaker Workshop. Better yet, you're helping us all to have a fabulous show. A blooming deal!

Volunteers don't need to be guild members. Recruit your friends & family and have fun working together! Be sure to read the information under each heading on the sign up link and find the right positions for you and your recruits.

Quilt Show Volunteer Info

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094bacaf2aa7f4c34-ptqg#/>

Also, join our Sunday Evening breakdown or clean up team from 4 pm-6 pm. Many members volunteer for all four days and are exhausted by show closing. Some tasks are: help carry items out to cars, table and chairs break down, clean up needs...

*The Guild Blossoms When Team Work Makes The Dream Work!*

*Rachel and Vaughn, Co-Chairs*



## SILENT AUCTION ROUNDUP!

We're getting very excited as we organize all of the wonderful, generous items members have provided for this year's offerings! Thank you!!

Be sure to check out what's available and place a bid. We have seven quilts donated by Sandra Bruce, three quilts that were made by Myrna Raglin and many other beautifully made quilts in all sizes—-baby, kids and lap. We have wall hangings, table runners and toppers. There will be wearable items, bags, placemat sets, quilt ladders, hoops, light box, sergers, an embroidery and sewing machine. Have you been looking to own an antique Singer sewing machine? There will be two available this year,,maybe one for your sewing room and one for decorating. Check them out!

Thank you again,

*Ruth Bertaccini and Judy Hamilton,*  
*Silent Auction Chairs*



## Scholarship Announcement

Madeline Mattson is the 2023 PTQG Scholarship awardee. A graduating senior at Bear River, Madeline sees herself as always having been a “creative or artistic kid” who has used that passion to pioneer projects in her school’s digital arts and media program.

She plans to pursue a college major focused on the production of visual arts and media with a dream of becoming an art director.

Her participation in the Key Club has given her the opportunity to help community charities. Serving as Chief Editor of the school’s news magazine and the district-wide literary magazine, as well as Design Editor of the yearbook, have each given her leadership opportunities.

The annual scholarship recipient is chosen by a committee of PTQG members. It is awarded in memory of members Jeanne Gill, Carol Phillips and Myrna Raglin at the June General Meeting.

It will be our honor to present this scholarship to Madeline Mattson at the June general membership meeting. Please join in as we wish this young artist a fulfilling future!





# COMMUNITY SERVICE

From Nancy Holtz, Community Service Chair



Community Service has been working on sorting donations. Items not suitable for quilts, will be sold at the Country Store.

Our last meeting was devoted to preparing baskets for the Quilt Show Basket Raffle. They look great!

A minimal quantity of quilts have been given out in the first quarter of the year due to rain and snow.

Community Service will NOT meet on May 4. We will be at the fairgrounds setting up for our quilt show.

Everyone is invited to attend Community Service the first and third Thursdays of each month. Exceptions are the first Thursday in May and the third Thursday in December. We meet from 9-1 at the back of the Nevada County Historical Society building at the wonky corner of Ridge Rd and Nevada City Hwy.

## Mini-Group News...

The Guild works to educate its members and the community on the value of quilting arts, along with the goal of building community among its members and the community at large. One of the ways we do this is through our Mini-Groups.

Mini-Groups are great fun and always good for a few laughs while enjoying each others' company as you learn new techniques and hone your quilting skills. Usually made up of six to eight members and meeting once or twice per month in members' homes, the participants share their skills and techniques with each other while cementing life-long friendships.

Activities vary throughout the year for each Mini-Group. They can include group projects, individual sewing, field trips to local quilt shops or just a lunch date. Community service projects can also be on the agenda. It's up to each individual group.

Over the next few months, I will be contacting those of you who have become members since 2020, to assist you in finding or starting a Mini-Group which fits for you. There are about 40 of you. At some point we will get together to discuss the possibilities for taking full advantage of the Guild and all it has to offer.

Feel free to call me or text me with any questions you have about the Guild . I'll get back to you as quickly as I can.

Sue Miller 530-263-0805



## Opportunity Quilt Marketing - *from Holly Miner*

*"The secret to getting ahead is getting started".....Mark Twain*

It's time to get started on the 2025....yes.....**2025** Opportunity Quilt!

We are looking for a group of friends, mini-group or an individual to put their artistry to work. The quilt will be entered in the PTQG 2024 Quilt Show for judging and shown until the 2025 Quilt Show when the winner will be drawn.

The Opportunity Quilt is **the** major fundraising event for the Guild. There are some funds available for supplies.

Please submit your idea for the quilt to the Board via Holly Miner by June 4, 2023. [hollyminer@aol.com](mailto:hollyminer@aol.com)

## Home Workshop

Guess what? It's not snowing or storming. Home Workshop was held at the LDS on April 27, with Margaret Vodicka showing us how to turn a coffee cup into an organized holder. We bid Marta Price a fond farewell. She, along with Nancyan Tracy, have been faithful church openers for HWS and Quilting 101. She is moving into her new home down the hill where she'll be closer to her grandchildren, but oh so far from us.

### UP COMING!

**May 25: Free Motion Quilting with Sue Marshall.**

**June 23: Octangular Placemats with Margie Lucas**

**July 27: Free Sew *Unless you have a project you want to share***

**September 28: English Paper Piecing with Susanne Haislet**

**October 26: Picnic Blanket with Vicki Black**

**January 25: Teddy Bears with Shannon Waldow**



Home Workshop is open to all members of the Guild on the fourth Thursday of most months. The meetings provide you with the opportunity to learn new skills or projects for only the cost of the materials. The teaching is **free**. If you are not interested in the lesson or project, then bring your own project and we can all parallel play. The more the merrier! We supply irons, boards, cutting mats and extension cords. You provide the fun.

We are always looking for people to present something of interest, so feel free to volunteer. Feel free to just come and join in the fun.

*Questions? Call me, Theresa Finn, Home Workshop Chair*



## MEMBERSHIP NEWS

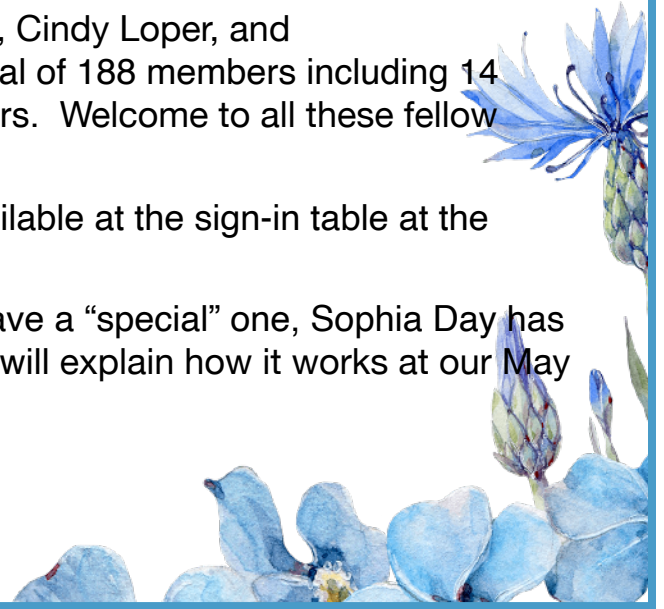
At the wonderful April meeting, we introduced our five newest members-- Laurie Kempenaar, Jude Parry-Jones, Cindy Maurice, Cindy Loper, and returning member Susan Mincks. We now have a total of 188 members including 14 affiliates, four returning members and 13 new members. Welcome to all these fellow quilters!

Printed 2023 Rosters and Membership Cards are available at the sign-in table at the General Meetings.

Please remember to wear a name tag. If you don't have a "special" one, Sophia Day has offered to organize another name tag exchange. She will explain how it works at our May meeting.

Warmly,

*Ruth Bertaccini, Membership Chair*



## 2023 QUILT SHOWS <https://ncqc.net/calendar>

- May 6-7**      **Pine Tree Quilt Guild**      [pinetreequiltguild.com/2023-show-info/](http://pinetreequiltguild.com/2023-show-info/)
- May 20-21**      **Sierra Mountain Quilters Association**      [www.sierramountainquilters.org](http://www.sierramountainquilters.org)
- June 10**      **Needle Nellies of Georgetown**      Rotary Park Georgetown CA
- June 10-11**      **Artichoke Festival Quilt Challenge**      [www.artichokefestival.org/entertainment-events/quilt-challenge/](http://www.artichokefestival.org/entertainment-events/quilt-challenge/)
- Aug 19-20**      **Delta Quilters**      <https://deltaquilters.org>
- Sept 15-16**      **Sierra Quilt Guild of Tuolumne County**      <https://www.sierraquiltguild.com/>





# CINDY LOPER, MAY PATCHWORK STAR

## *Quilts, yes, but so much more!*

Perched atop a verdant five acre hilltop, Cindy and Larry reveal multiple talents. Larry is a DJ at KVMR and Cindy is a retired Special Education teacher and mixed-media artist.

Check out her write-up in the Summer 2022 Quilting Arts Magazine for the Reader's Challenge! A Youtube enthusiast, Cindy has learned embroidery, matchstick quilting, free-motion and hand quilting, sashimi, clay molding and how to perfect intricate drawings not unlike Zentangles.



Cindy loves taking classes. Participating in a Zoom event call Craft Napa, her three favorite teachers are Judy Coates Perez, Libby Williamson and Lisa Thorpe. What do dryer sheets, tea bags aloe vera gel or cookie cutters have in common? A mixed media artist can make use of almost anything. Cindy is free to explore and have fun.

Cindy loves a bright ambrosia-like palette, always whimsical and featuring oodles of textured treasures, spontaneously crafted, rich in passementerie. Meaningful artifacts and snippets, past and present, bright collections of cheerful sayings and crisp drawings meld seamlessly together. Heart-warming fabric stories of loss and triumph are artfully scrolled on an antique circular thread shaft.

She is a dabbler, self-taught, repurposing ordinary tidbits and demystifying pretentious exactness. Cindy says, "I'm just having fun!" All mediums are considered. Derwent Intense pencils in all colors fill in her ink gel black pen outlines. Also vera gel is painted over these designs to blend colors before heat setting. A Dale Chihuli enthusiast, She even has her own glass kiln and makes decorative stones and dishes!

Cindy's many unique pursuits were a thrill to see. I would LOVE for Cindy to teach Mixed Media Magic for the Guild!



*Jeanie Ferguson* Patchwork Star Reporter



## **DYED FABRICS: THEY'RE IR-RESIST-ABLE**

### **Speaker Workshop - Saturday, July 15, 2023**

Learn to create your own beautiful hand-dyed fabrics!

Marjan Kluepfel, our November 2022 Speaker and Workshop instructor, is returning to our Guild to hold a Dye Fabrics Workshop. Since many of us were so enthralled with her gorgeous hand dyed fabrics, we asked her if she could teach us how to do it ourselves.

During this workshop, you will become familiar with the principles of color theory and fabric dyeing using Procion fiber reactive dyes. Many surface design techniques such as immersion dyeing to create color progressions or value gradations, dye painting, bleach discharge, resist techniques, shibori, stamping and stenciling will be included in the workshop.

Go to the PTQG website and use the SignUpGenius link to sign up for the class. The cost is \$35 for members, \$45 for nonmembers. A \$10 per participant lab fee (to cover dyes, paints, chemicals, etc.) will be collected the day of the class. Contact Sue Marshall, Speaker Workshop Chair, for more information.

Marjan can be contacted by email: [marjank@sbcglobal.net](mailto:marjank@sbcglobal.net). Her work can be viewed on her website: <http://marjankluepfel.com> or at the Artery in Davis, CA and High Hand Gallery in Loomis, CA.



### **Coming to our Guild in September**

Velda Newman, a local fiber artist known throughout the International Quilting World, will be our September Speaker and Workshop guest. Her large scale designs, portraying subjects from nature, have been exhibited extensively throughout the United States, Europe, Australia and Japan. Newman uses textiles and thread the way other artists use paint and brush. Her primary source of inspiration is the natural world and her exquisitely crafted quilts reflect the detail and design she finds there. Her work has appeared in many national and international publications and exhibitions including featured artist in 2018, at the first International Show in Mexico. Her work, "HYDRANGEA", was selected as one of the 100 Best Quilts of the 20th Century.

In her workshop, "Texture and Form", we will learn how to get rid of the "flat" look and turn fabric into something interesting. These easy machine stitching techniques can be used for quilts or clothing. (Book reference: A Workshop with Velda Newman; available now @ Amazon.com or C & T Publishing.com.)

You do not want to miss Velda's presentation and workshop, so mark September 5 & 6 on your calendar. To register for the workshop, go to the SignUpGenius link on our website. Cost is \$35 for members, \$45 for nonmembers. Contact the Speaker Workshop Chair, Sue Marshall, for more information.





## May Birthdays



- 3 Sharon Kreiss
- 5 Barbara Ceresa
- 6 Sharon Laton-Schmidt
- 7 Deanna Davis
- 9 Robin Mello
- 16 Arlene Robertson
- 16 Susan Sanders
- 20 Susan Robertson
- 21 Susan Hopkins
- 23 Frances O'Brien
- 24 Robi Holmen

## May Anniversaries



- 7 Barbara & Bill Ceresa
- 14 Vaughn Marie & Robert Rodriguez
- 15 Jeanne & Jerry Allgood
- 20 Paula & Mark Michalski
- 20 Jeanne & Jeff Rupp
- 22 Trish & Norm Morris-Plise
- 29 Virginia & John Astorian
- 29 Rebecca & Paul Smith-Lehmann
- 30 Francesca & Robert Erickson
- 31 Laurel & John Coltart

## 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)

## March Financial Report

As of March 31, 2023

Deposits	\$	Expenses
\$00.00	\$	\$9,110.91

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## Affiliate Profiles



# The Hand Quilters

***Do you like the look of hand quilting but can't do it yourself?***

***Do you have an old quilt top needing hand stitching and TLC to bring it back to life?***

**Contact *The Hand Quilters*,**

**a group of friends who are keeping the hand quilting tradition alive.**

**Prices vary according to complexity and size; marking is available, estimates gladly given.**

**(Proceeds of our labor are donated to local charities)**

**Contact us at: [TheHandQuilters@gmail.com](mailto:TheHandQuilters@gmail.com)**

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