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## January 2024 President's Message

### ***Welcome to the 40th Anniversary year of the Pine Tree Quilt Guild!***



We have inherited so much from the founding members (Charter Members). Since the first Guild meetings held in Heidi Emmett's fabric store, we have expanded into a large vibrant, resources and talent rich membership that fills an auditorium. With the Guild's contributions to so many charities through Community Service, we have firmly established our value in Nevada County. The annual Quilt Show is a display of the amazing artistic viewpoints each member brings to our community

and draws visitors from far and wide to view our works. Our sharing of skills, methods and friendship is what many folks seek when joining our Guild, and the membership responds!

You, and every member, are so vital to the community's ability to create breathtaking art. Sharing our learned skills and resources continues to create new paths for our artwork to expand. I am so glad you are here and look forward to learning more from each of you.

I am excited to be handed the reins from Lillian Glaeser. Lillian provided the Guild with fun, craft filled activities and devoted leadership. I thank Lillian, the Executive Board and all Board members for their hard work, supportive action and wonderful results. Thank you all!

This year promises to be a grand new adventure! As we plan anniversary celebrations, another world class Quilt Show and all the many activities we perform within this Guild, I hope to enhance our sense of community. Embracing all existing and new members, we can inspire one another to grander heights. My plan is to serve our membership with ways to boost inclusion, networking and mentoring. Our top-notch membership has outstanding skills that could be passed along. After all, the highest form of flattery (and legacy) is to have your talent spread to others.

Please feel free to chat, email or call me throughout the year. Sharing ideas and "stitching them together" into new traditions is my idea of a worthy activity.

*Jeanne Pincha-Tulley*

Happy  
New Year  
2024



**Please note: Due to the Grass Valley Charter School holiday schedule, our January Meeting is Tuesday, January 9, 2024**

### Add to Your January Calendar

<b>General Meeting</b>	6:30 pm	Tuesday, January 9	Grass Valley Charter School
<b>PTQG Board Meeting</b>	3:00 pm	Thursday, January 11	via Zoom- link on PTQG website
<b>Community Service</b>	9:00 to 1:00	January 4 & 18	161 Nevada City Hwy, Nevada City
<b>Home Workshop</b>	9:00 to 2:30	Thursday, January 25	Sierra Presbyterian • Ridge Rd • NC
<b>Quilting 101</b>	9:30 to 2:00	Thursday, January 26	Sierra Presbyterian • Ridge Rd • NC

## 2023 Hall of Honor Presentation



Left to right: Lillian Glaeser and Annika Hagadorn present Mary Serpa and Joy Waggener with their pins and certificates

On December 5, Mary Serpa and Joy Waggener each received Hall of Honor with Lifetime Membership status. This special award enables the Pine Tree Quilt Guild to acknowledge and show appreciation to one or more members who have contributed to the Guild or quilt world in a special way.



## Opportunity Quilt Marketing News

From Holly Miner, Opportunity Quilt Chair &  
Visiting Opportunity Quilt Scheduler



**Congratulations to Stephanie Meyers of Nevada City!** She was the lucky winner of the “Happy Snowmen” quilt made by Quilty Pleasures Mini Group. The ticket sales at Country Christmas raised \$573.

*Thank you to all the volunteers who helped!*

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**“Sierra Blue” Opportunity Quilt will be displayed at the Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival at Cal Expo March 21-23, 2024, for the first time.**

This is an indoor sit-down event. *Volunteers needed to sell tickets for all three days.*

Let's make this a success!

## Message from your outgoing President

Thank you to everyone who made our Christmas party such a fun and memorable event. Thank you to those who helped decorate, brought delicious food and shared your lovely Christmas quilts and creative sweaters. Ingrid and Alice Ruth, your “Twelve Days of Christmas” was so much fun. Ladies, you out did yourselves.

Bob and I are so grateful to everyone who worked on the fantastic Row by Row quilt presented to us at the party. He was so moved. It is lovely. I'm looking forward to designing a quilt with all the beautiful President blocks although it may take some time. Thank You!

*Blessings,  
Lil*





# COMMUNITY SERVICE

From Nancy Holtz,  
Community Service Chair

Due to your generosity, Community Service was able to donate 222 quilts to local organizations in 2023 including:

- CASA Child Advocates
- CPS
- Christian Encounters Ranch
- Living Well Medical Clinic (baby)
- Graduating Foster Youth (twin size quilt, pillow and pillow case)
- Meals on Wheels (also placemats)
- Hospitality House (only to those going into stable living situations)
- Golden Empire Convalescent Hospital, Crystal Ridge and Wolf Creek Care Home
- For the first time, we were able to donate 20 dog beds to Keller Williams pet bed drive using scraps to make the pet beds.
- CS donated two baskets to the Quilt Show Basket Committee and items for the Treasure Table from donations not appropriate for our needs.

A reminder of quilt sizes needed: Baby 30-40" by 36-40" Lap/Juvenile 38-42" by 38-48" Twin 60-64" by 74-80".

We currently do not need double, queen or king sizes. Quilts for CPS can be baby to twin size and NO batting. Law Enforcement carry these quilts in their patrol cars and wrap the child removed from a home in them. The children keep the quilts.

Our on going need is quilting by long-arm or domestic. We take quilt tops sewn by volunteers and supply batting and backing. There are several volunteers who love to bind. Everyone is invited to join us to help sort fabric with Margie, help Ina cut batting and backings, sew on labels or just "hang out" with good companionship.

We meet the first and third Thursdays from 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.

## The Executive Board for 2024

*President:* Jeanne Pincha-Tulley

*Vice President:* Annika Hagadorn

*Co-Secretaries:* Cindy Loper and Beth Stagner

*Treasurer:* Kathy Mollet

The entire list of the 2024 Board and Chairs, including contact information, is on the website in the Members Only section.

### Please Note:

Sue Miller has volunteered to take on Editor of The Pine Needle Press beginning with the February issue. Thanks Sue!

A special thank you to Kathy Biggi for assisting me during my three years as Editor.

Sincerely,  
Holly Miner



# QUILT SHOW 2024 NEWS

## *Celebrating 40 Years of Service, Memories and Quilting*

Quilting Friends!

Have you already started or finished a quilt to enter in the show? We encourage everyone to do so. Be sure to watch for the quilt show entry registration dates to enter your projects.

Our committees are in full swing planning a myriad of creative details for a warm and welcoming 40th Anniversary show. Crunch time has arrived and Your Guild Needs YOU!. Volunteer sign-ups are available at Guild meetings or contact a committee member. Don't be afraid to get involved. There is no pressure to do more than you would like to do. Working alongside fellow quilters is fun and a lot of knowledge is shared as we volunteer together.

All members are invited to attend the Quilt Show planning meeting on Tuesday, January 16, 1 pm, Eskaton - Main Building.

*Happy Sewing!*

*Rachel and Vaughn, Co-Chairs*

***“40 years of Service, Quilting and Memories”, the theme for the 2024 Quilt Show, will celebrate the accomplishments of the Guild and those who have made them happen.***

There will be posters displayed throughout the show highlighting events, members, services and memories from the past 40 years. We need help assembling the posters. The 22x28 inch boards will be provided. Individuals or groups can choose from a variety of topics to research and create a poster.



Suggested topics include:

- Community Service
- Scholarships
- Guild History
- Charter/Early members
- Affiliates
- Education Outreach
- Acknowledging Member Accomplishments (published, products)
- Promoting the spirit of Quilting

The topics are endless. The posters will need to be completed in March, so will not interfere with other Quilt Show duties.

More information will be presented at the January General Meeting where you can sign up to participate. Vintage members.....this is a great opportunity to reminisce. Newer members....this is a great opportunity to learn more about your Guild.

*Kathy Biggi, Publicity Chair*



## March 2024 Quilt Challenge: “40”

We hope one of your 2024 New Year’s resolutions is to enter a quilt in the March Quilt Challenge. What a wonderful way to get your creative juices flowing and help celebrate our 40th Anniversary. There are so many possibilities when it comes to the “40” Challenge theme: 40 blocks, a symbol representing the number 40, memories of the past 40 years, a 40th anniversary cake, what happened 40 years ago, etc., etc.

- You may use any technique(s).
- The quilt must be no larger than 40" per side, and completely finished with a sleeve and label.
- Enter your Challenge Quilt using the SignUpGenius link on our PTQG website.
- The Challenge Quilts will be shown at our March 2024 General Meeting.
- Please keep your quilt a secret.
- We will be displaying the quilts in a special exhibit at our spring Quilt Show.

*Any questions, contact Kris Cook or Margaret Vodicka, Guild Challenge Co-Chairs*

## Membership News

I'm happy to announce that since our November meeting our Guild has welcomed 10 new and returning members. Our new members are Sauni Rae Dain, Lois Farry, Debbie Humm-Bremser, Victoria Johnson, Heidi Powell, Jan Spreier, Jill Myers-Chesla and returning members Diana Bare, Dora Hermansen and Teal Marich. I think our November speaker, Arlene Arnold, was right when she said that our Guild is one of few that are so robust and offer so many activities to our members. I don't know about you, but I'm busting with pride!

Reminder: your membership and affiliate renewals are due now. The deadline to be included in the 2024 printed Roster is January 15. Applications are available on the PTQG website, Ben Franklin and Community Service. Remember, only renewed members will be receiving the new passcode to access the Members Only online roster.

More than half of our membership have already renewed. Thank you.

You can reach me at 530-272-7423 if you're not sure if you've sent your renewal in already.

Happy New Year!

Warmly,

*Ruth Bertaccini, Membership Chair*



# FUN GAMES IN QUILTING!

We are excited to bring back Mel Beach as our February Speaker and Workshop Instructor. Mel visited our Guild some years ago receiving rave reviews from our members. On Tuesday evening, February 6, 2024, Mel will share nine favorite ways to incorporate fun and games into one's quilting including: rolling the dice to explore new design possibilities, playing card inspirations and, according to Mel, "Everything is awesome when Lego bricks are involved". She hopes to inspire us to develop a game plan for adding some creative play into our day.

"Warning: Modern, Improv Curves Ahead!" is the workshop on February 7 being held at St. Canice Center 236 Reward St, Nevada City. Buckle up for a new take on modern, improv curves! We'll experiment and play with topstitch appliquéd curves that are Finished, Freeing, Forgiving and FUN! Once you see how quick and easy it is to create these improvisational curves, we'll add a modern, curvy twist to traditional quilt designs including borders, Pinwheels, Chinese Coins, Log Cabins and Drunkard's Path blocks.

A few slots are still open for this Speaker Workshop. To sign up, go to our PTQG website, click on Upcoming Events and look for Mel's Workshop. If you have any questions, please contact our Speaker Workshop Chair, Sue Marshall.

## ROW-BY-ROW QUILT EXCHANGE!

*"Inch by inch, row by row, we will make our quilts grow!"*

New Year/ New Row-by-Row Exchange!

Welcome to all who signed up for the 2024 Row-By-Row Exchange! It promises to be a fun year. We hope you meet new friends, reconnect with old friends and learn new skills as you participate in the exchange.

The first meeting is Friday January 12 in the Ben Franklin classroom at 5:30 pm. Bring your completed row in the brown bag provided, and don't forget to include the Row-By-Row Exchange note paper completed with your note to those who will work on your row. You may also include any extra fabrics you would like used in your quilt. Don't be intimidated. There will be all skill levels within the group. The goal is to have fun and enjoy the process. As always, there will be monthly door prizes and gifts. We're looking forward to seeing you soon!

Any questions or concerns, please contact either

Karla Rogers @ (530) 470-3645 or Jeanne Pincha-Tulley @ (530) 913-282



## Laura Windus

### January Patchwork Star

***“Each new wave rearranges the patterns in the sand. So we may pretend our footsteps are the first.”***

This catchy maxim underscores Laura's brave foray into her new and exciting quilting venture. She has been quilting since Covid began. The saying is highlighted on an ocean scene which she bravely carved into an attic window format. Laura said to herself: “I can do that!” Cheerful and spontaneous, Laura tackled Angela Walters' unique T-shirt pattern, adapting it to a greater and more appropriate dimension. In her careful attempts at free-motion quilting, she has also utilized shapes from a leaf cookie-cutter pattern. Her new Necchi QS60 with an extended arm can easily accomplish echo quilting. She says: “It is also equipped with speed control: I am not afraid of it anymore.” She switches patterns easily through those E's and L's and hearts like a pro. If complicated hummingbirds are needed, Karla Rogers is summoned.

A seasoned seamstress from childhood, Laura is not timid. In high school she made herself dresses for prom, cotillion and choir. Since her daughter and granddaughter are involved in The Foothill Players, a children's theatre at our Center for the Arts, Laura is heavily involved in costume design. Navigating technical needs and trusting her instincts, Laura has just invented lobster costumes complete with claws that function and tails that aren't too heavy and dragging. She quips: “I stuffed them with bubble wrap!” Similarly, a horse costume was fashioned from thrift store tidbits and ingenious hair-like fabric painted with brown shoe polish. Since her children and grandchildren live nearby, they can eagerly collaborate on these projects. Three wild rabbits were also needed as costumes for the recent “Velveteen Rabbit” production.

Laura works at a daycare facility two days a week. She loves children. Several kid-themed smaller quilts graced the bedroom. My favorite was a green dragonfly pattern, paired perfectly with blues and brown for a grandson's bedroom. Her large Blue Ribbon winner had a perfect starlit night sky as the background. Laura proudly stated: “There are 375 different fabrics used in its star blocks.”

Further ideas are percolating, filling her need to achieve even more. U-Tube is one favorite source. Too, her newly formed mini group “Tangled Threads”, will be an awesome inspiration. A quilt-as-you-go sampler is being considered. She embraces her quilting with enthusiasm, saying: “Every day I make a different square.” It's a recipe for contentment.



*Jeanie Ferguson Patchwork Star Reporter*





## January Birthdays

- 1 Susie Ernst
- 1 Judy Speller
- 2 Susan Pollard
- 4 Joan Hartung
- 4 Marna Duncan
- 6 Claire Carter
- 12 Julie Smith
- 13 Karen Smith
- 15 Carole Hribal
- 15 Susann Deane
- 15 Susan Mincks
- 15 Rhonda Horne
- 16 Carolyn Christiansen
- 21 Robin Petersen
- 22 Donna Switzer
- 24 Cathy Stone
- 24 Rita Kahil
- 29 Diane Wetzel



## 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

## November Financial Report

As of November 30, 2023

Deposits	Expenses
\$2,798.35	\$2,685.52

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Has anyone recently finished a quilt? Let's share on our FB Page

[www.facebook.com/PineTreeQuiltGuild/](http://www.facebook.com/PineTreeQuiltGuild/)

## 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 me know so I can send an appropriate card.

Thank you!

Anne Wilson, Chairperson

(see Roster for Anne's phone & email)



Top Left  
First Place:  
Joan Hartung

Top Right  
Second Place:  
Marjorie Woodall

Bottom Left  
Third Place:  
Laura Windus

Bottom Right  
Fourth Place:  
Vaughn Rodriguez



Below  
One of the MANY wreaths  
made by Lillian Glaeser that  
decorated the tables. Lucky  
members got to take one home.



## 2024 QUILT SHOWS <https://ncqc.net/calendar>

Feb 2-4	Folsom Quilt & Fiber Guild	<a href="https://www.folsomquilt.org/quilt-show-2024.html">https://www.folsomquilt.org/quilt-show-2024.html</a>
Mar 9-10	Valley Quilt Guild	<a href="https://pioneerquiltersguild.org/quilt-show">https://pioneerquiltersguild.org/quilt-show</a>
Mar 21-23	Quilt, Craft, Sewing Festival	<a href="https://quiltcraftsew.com/sacramento.html">https://quiltcraftsew.com/sacramento.html</a>
Apr 27 & 28	Pine Tree Quilt Guild	<a href="https://pinetreequiltguild.com/">https://pinetreequiltguild.com/</a>
May 17 & 18	Roseville Quilters Guild	<a href="https://rosevillequilters.org/">https://rosevillequilters.org/</a>
May 18 & 19	Flying Needles Quilters Guild	<a href="https://www.flyingneedlesyolo.org/">https://www.flyingneedlesyolo.org/</a>



## Affiliate Profiles



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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 790Pro. 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.

## Thank You 2024 Affiliates for your Support of the Pine Tree Quilt Guild

A Stitch in Time Sewing Machine Repair	10261 Quincy Ln. • PV	530-432-9334	astitchintime.ca@hotmail.com
Designs by Heidi	PO Box 208 • Cedar Ridge	530-273-8067	hmemmett@gmail.com
Fat Lady Singing	14392 Lake Wildwood Dr • PV	530-432-1646	eagle1238@comcast.net
Lofty Quilting	Nevada City	530-615-1502	loftyquiltingbyjulie@gmail.com
Mariah's Sew Aloha	10385 Alta St • GV	808-345-3112	mariah.bath@gmail.com
Precision Quiltworks	18251 Starduster Dr • NC	530-432-9595	precisionqw@hotmail.com
Quilt a Memory	12385 Sintek Ln • NC	530-632-3730	valeri.quilter@att.net
Susie Hardy Designs	219 Drummond St • NC	530-478-0223	susiehardy@comcast.net



**Pine Tree Quilt Guild 2024 Budget**

**INCOME**

Treasure Table	450
Interest Income	45
Membership Fees & Donations	6,000
Opportunity Quilts (+Draft Horse & CC)	4,000
Restricted Jamboree funds	600
Quilt Show Profit	7,000
Speaker Workshops	2,800
General Retained Funds	8,640
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 29,535</b>

**EXPENSES**

Committees:	
Community Service Quilts	1,000
Education Outreach	100
Scholarship	2,550
Hospitality	50
Home Workshop	50
Jamboree	3,000
Membership Expenses	200
Mini-Groups	50
Opportunity Quilt	800
Patchwork Star	80
Share and Care	70
General Operating Expenses:	
Equipment (Misc. & Software)	300
Gifts and Contributions	400
Insurance	600
Miscellaneous	350
Opp Quilt Publicity	400
Rentals (meetings & classes)	900
Classroom Rental - Q101 & HomeWksp	1,000
Setup for Meetings	100
Storage: Equipment	3,000
Storage: Community Service	3,000
Website	550
Newsletter	400
Programs:	
NCQC Membership (bi-annual)	-
Annual Holiday Party	100
Hall of Honor	35
July Picnic	75
March Mixer / June Jubalie	100
Row by Row	50
Guild Challenge	25
Speakers: Fees, Workshops, & Travel	7,000
Guild 40th Anniversary Celebrations	3,200
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 29,535</b>



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