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Pine Tree Quilt Guild

July Meeting



Nevada City Elks Lodge
518 CA Hwy 49
On the left just past
the Rood Center

Our next meeting will be a potluck with games and other fun activities! Please bring a favorite picnic dish of your choice to share.

We will provide plates, napkins,
and utensils along with beverages.

We will be at the NC Elks club so we can be inside
if it is too hot.

See you there!



Save the Dates!

August 21st - 23rd —Quilt Guild Retreat

October 4th— Jamboree



Add to Your July/August Calendars

General Meeting	6:00 PM	Tuesday, July 1st	Elk's Lodge, Nevada City, CA
Speaker Workshop		NA	
PTQG Board Meeting	3:00 pm	Thursday, August 14th	Ben Franklin
Newsletter Deadline	Evening of	Sunday, August 17th	sierrasue@icloud.com
Community Service	9 am - 1 pm	July 3, 17; August 7, 21	161 Nevada City Hwy, Nevada City
Home Workshop	9 am - 3 pm	July 24, Aug 28	Sierra Presbyterian Church
Quilting 101	10am - 2 pm	Jul 24, Aug 28	Sierra Presbyterian Church

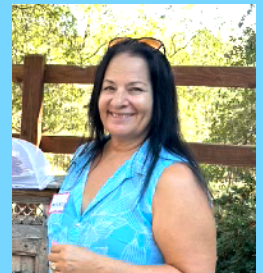
President's Message:

Summertime sunlight is in abundance and the beach beckons. Summertime means great experiences and time to achieve our aspirations. Our best artist expressions come when we are relaxed, having fun and chilling. Life is better in summertime!

My favorite summertime quote is "Give me coffee to change the things I can fix, and the beach to accept the things I can't." We all deal with a lot of problems, projects and people all year long. We all do a lot for the people we love and the Guild. It's great to have a time of year, when we all can mix fun and quilting at our own pace and leisure. This time of year is for you to use a bit of color, fabric and inspirational creativity – who cares if you fix anything other than your current quilt project?

I hope this summer treats you well and provides you inspirational opportunities to excite your quilting world.

Jeanne Pincha-Tulley, President



Pictures throughout this newsletter are from our June meeting, the first at the Nevada City Elks Club. Photos of individuals are numbered. The first to identify the new members shown will be given a prize at the Picnic in July. Email me at sierrasue@icloud.com with your guesses with New Members in the subject line. Call your friends to get help!

Sue Miller



2025 Summertime in the Pines Quilt Retreat:

The response to the 2025 “Summertime in the Pines” Retreat was amazing, and it is full! And there is a waiting list. There will be 66 participants on August 21-23, 2025, at the Nevada City Elks Lodge. Bring your own project (s) to work on. The plan is to open the facility each day at 9:00 am and remain open until 5:00 pm. The facility has a security system and will be locked so that you can leave things overnight, ready and waiting for you the next day.

Irons and boards will be strategically placed around the rooms (so we don't overload the electrical system). Cutting tables will be provided.

Day 1 and 2, there will be an optional technique demonstration for attendees. Day 3 there will be a surprise ½ day class for any attendee who wishes to participate. Each day there will be raffles. More details will be released as the committee finalizes their work.

We plan to provide a salad and sandwich-making buffet each day.

We are so excited to get this membership request in motion. Although we are unable to allow all members to participate, we encourage you to add your name to the waiting list.

If you have questions, please call or email!

Annica Hagadorn

530-559-9566 snootse@gmail.com





PTQG Challenge for 2026 is "Read Me - Use Me"

We are excited to present our 2026 Guild Challenge called "Read me - Use Me". Each participant receives a randomly chosen magazine page and a piece of fabric that is identical for all participants. (We will be handing out the Magazine Pages and Fabric at our monthly meetings). The challenge is to make a quilted project that relates to something on the magazine page - it could be based on a word or phrase, a picture, the subject or a color theme. In addition, a recognizable piece of the provided Challenge fabric must be used on the front of the quilt.



- Any technique(s) can be used.
- Fabric: In addition to using some or all of the provided fabric, one may use anything else - all colors, patterned, solid, dark, light, with embellishments, etc.
- The quilt must be no larger than 30" per side, and completely finished with a sleeve and label.
- Save the magazine page that relates to your quilt since you will submit it along with the quilt.
- The Challenge Quilt will be displayed at a special exhibit at our Quilt Show in April. Please keep the quilt a secret and only one entry per person.

Kris Cook and Margaret Vodicka, Guild Challenge Co-Chairs

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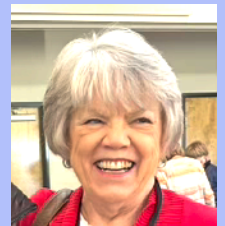
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Opportunity Quilt Marketing

Volunteers Needed.

Nevada County Fair

August 6 - August 10, 2025

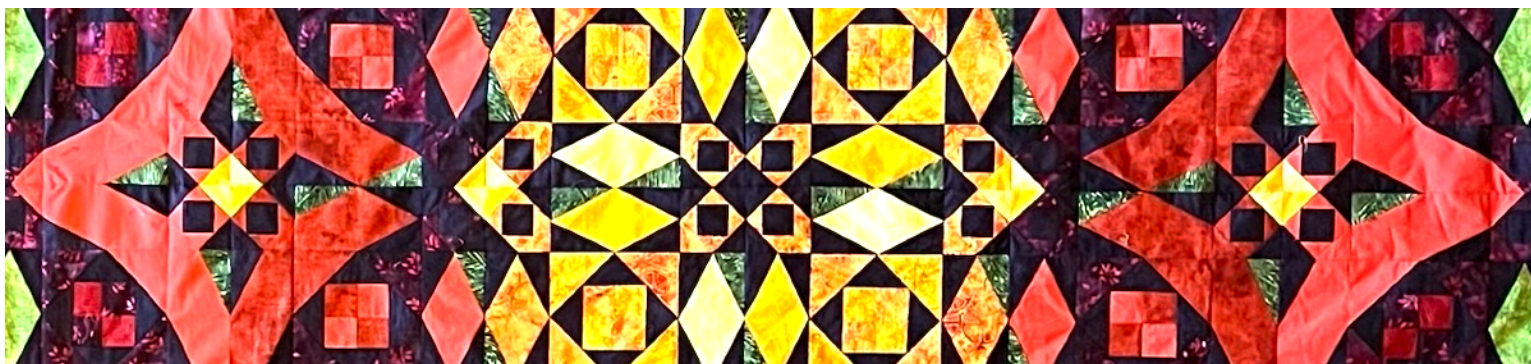


Our 2026 Opportunity Quilt is ready for marketing! Many of you saw it displayed at the Quilt Show. It's now time to start showing it at the Fair and other events where we can sell tickets. There are now five people involved in marketing the quilt, but we still need your help. Volunteers are needed in Ponderosa Hall for White Gloving at the Fair. Thanks to all of you who have answered the call, we still have a few open spots where help is needed. Thanks in advance!

The Fair Days are August 6th through the 10th.

Volunteer shifts are 10-2, 2-6, and 6-8. Two volunteers for each shift are needed. Find a friend and join in the fun. Passes for parking and gate entry are given in exchange for your time and effort. You will be able to sign up for helping on [Sign up Genius](#).

Call or text *Sue Miller* for more information. 530-263-0805



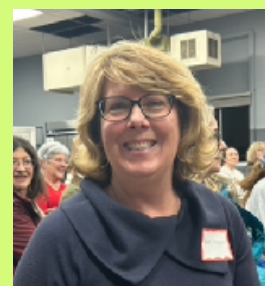
Quilt Show 2026

Here they come!.....Sophia and Sue have again volunteered to be the leaders for the 2026 quilt show. As in the past, we don't work alone, and Holly Miner and Beth Stagner have agreed to join us this year to form a team that we hope can make Rachel and Vaughn proud after their last 3 years of successful leadership.

We do have a couple of requests: we need **2-4 new volunteers to work with us** and be ready to take over for the 2027 show. This is a great opportunity to learn in a low stress team environment! Please contact any one of us if you're interested or have questions.

Most of our committees are fully staffed with experienced leaders, but we do have a committee that needs a leader. We are grateful to Mary Serpa for her leadership and hard work with equipment for the show and the Guild, but she has moved to Judging and will need someone to take her place as **Equipment Chairman for the Show**. You can contact any of us if you want to learn more about what is required for this position.

Sophia Day, Sue Miller, Holly Miner and Beth Stanger





Home Workshop

Teresa Finn

Home Workshop will be meeting July through October. These classes are open and free to all members of the Guild. The meetings are opportunities to sew with friends, both old and new. AND if you want to work on your own project (parallel sewing, like parallel playing) you are invited to join this merry band of quilters.

Upcoming classes:



JULY:	Market Bag
AUGUST;	Singer Featherweight Exploration
SEPTEMBER:	English Paper Piecing
OCTOBER	Half-Rectangle Triangles
JANUARY 2026: Binding Basics with Holly	

Theresa will be taking sign-ups at meetings. Sign-up genius is not suited to our needs. You can also text her. Feel free to ask her questions at meetings or through texting or email.

Community Service

Nancy Holtz

Our main need is ongoing-quilting twin size quilts. Lap and baby quilts can be quilted on a domestic machine.

We do NOT need CPS quilts.

Quilt and pillow case Kits are available if you don't want to use your own fabric.

In May, 50 or so quilts were given to local charities including 2 fire victims. All are welcome to join us.

We meet the first and third Thursday each month (No third in December) from 9-1 at the back of the Nevada County Historical Society building, next to Sierra Presbyterian Church at the wonky corner of Nevada City Hwy and Ridge Rd.





MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Ruth Bertaccini

I'm happy to announce that since last month, we've welcomed 5 more members to our Guild. They are Karenanne Swift, Cathy Grebe, Linda Ailene Miller and Judy Ballentine. Our returning member is Linda Marie Miller. That's now 203 total members in our guild.



My hope is that with this number of new and returning members we can look forward to mentoring new chairs and co-chairs to the many areas that help make our guild one of the most robust in Northern California. We are a strong and mighty team of creative quilters!



Jamboree - Saturday, October 4

Margaret Vodicka

Signups have begun for Jamboree, a free day of classes on Oct. 4. Some classes are full and others are filling rapidly, so sign up now on the Jamboree page <https://pinetreequiltguild.com/jamboree>. If your desired class is full, there is a wait list or you can sign up for Free Sew. We ask for a refundable \$25 deposit with checks made out to PTQG, which will be returned if you attend. Supply lists will be sent upon receipt of your deposit. You can pay the deposit at our meetings or mail them to Rebecca Smith-Lehmann whose address is in our roster.

If you have questions, please email, Margaret Vodicka.



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Plan Ahead!

Sept. 2nd & 3rd, 2025

September Speaker Kim Brownell The Wacky Doodle Quilter

Take It To The Next Level - Lecture

Follow my journey into whimsy. Get ready for a fun-filled trip. Take a look at how you can make your fabric panels and UFO's shine! Different trims and embellishments can become other objects depending on how they're used. Anything goes!



Take It To The Next Level - Workshop

Jump into the world of embellishments! Create a small undersea garden wall hanging and learn different ways to make your fabrics, trims, and doodads come to life. Try some new techniques. Just relax and create your ideal coral reef.

Note: Students need to have a background sandwiched with batting and backing.

6 hour class \$25.00 kit fee per student payable to the instructor at class.

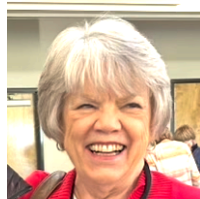
Mini Groups

If you are interested in joining a mini-group, please call Sue Miller at 530-263-0805. We would like to help you get groups together before the fall meeting. During the next two months we will take names of those interested, hold get-togethers where you can meet others also interested, and ultimately help you form your own mini-group. Some of you have already talked with Jeanne and Annica about the Guild and what it offers. Mini groups are one way the Guild provides a more personal venue to meet and make new friends. After your group is formed, a 'seasoned' member will mentor your group until you are comfortable and knowledgeable of all the Guild has to offer. This is meant for all members, not just new members.

From last month's newsletter:

.....some of our mini groups have openings for members. All contact information is in the online roster. Sue Marshall is the contact for a group that focuses on long-arm quilting. Ginny Gleason is the contact for a group that focuses on machine embroidery. This group is just getting off the ground and doesn't have established meetings yet. Sophia Day is the contact for a group that meets in South County, with no specific specialty. Mariah Bath is the contact for groups focused on handwork including Sashiko and Dear Jane.

Sue
Miller



Beth
Stagner



July Celebrations



- 1 Laurie & Cornell Kempenaar
- 2 Susan & Thoma Hopkins
- 2 Dianna & Bob Hare
- 2 Kathy & Tom Mollet
- 8 Marjorie & Darrell Woodall
- 14 Kathy & Michael Biggi
- 15 Louise & William Mills
- 17 Helena & Bert Heizelman
- 22 Julia & Bob Marvel
- 22 Heidi & Charlie Powell
- 25 Karle deProsse & Pat Rose
- 30 Annica & Ray Hagadorn



- 1 Laura Waag
- 3 Dolores Olson
- 3 Barb Carmen
- 4 Kathy Mollet
- 5 Lynette Lester
- 8 Melissa Kriegler
- 13 Sandra Bruce
- 13 Karla Rogers
- 14 Janeen Avery
- 14 Colette Clark
- 15 Carmen Crow
- 16 Jill Myers-Chesla
- 17 Jeanne Rupp
- 18 Karenanne Swift
- 20 MaryLynn Holiday
- 23 Holly Miner
- 25 Barbara Schakel
- 26 Dorothy Fowler
- 26 Jude Parrry-Jones
- 26 Ruth Bertaccini
- 26 Vicki Black
- 27 Peggy Vierra
- 27 Morgan Street
- 28 Jenene Sowell

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August Celebrations



- 3 Donna Marie Fry
- 7 Evette Andersen
- 10 Pat Gillings
- 11 Pat Fryer
- 11 Cathy Grebe
- 16 Priscilla Barton
- 20 Terry McFeely
- 21 Sheri Doerr
- 22 Kris Cook
- 23 Sue Colbert
- 24 Shirley Emmrich
- 25 Marjorie Lucas
- 26 Diana Bare
- 27 Paulette Shyders
- 27 Debra Dobbins
- 27 Sally Monestier
- 27 Anne Padget
- 29 Carrie McDowall



- 3 Michelle & Wayne Brown
- 17 Deirdre & Robert Campbell
- 18 Ginny Gleason & Roland Boucuher
- 23 Andrea & Ryan Falls
- 26 Sharon & Paul Sciabica

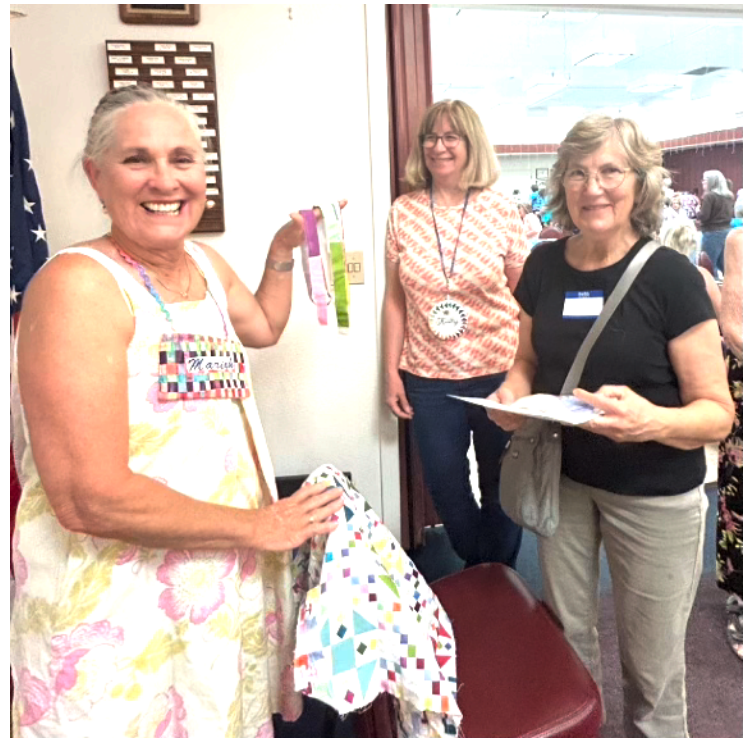
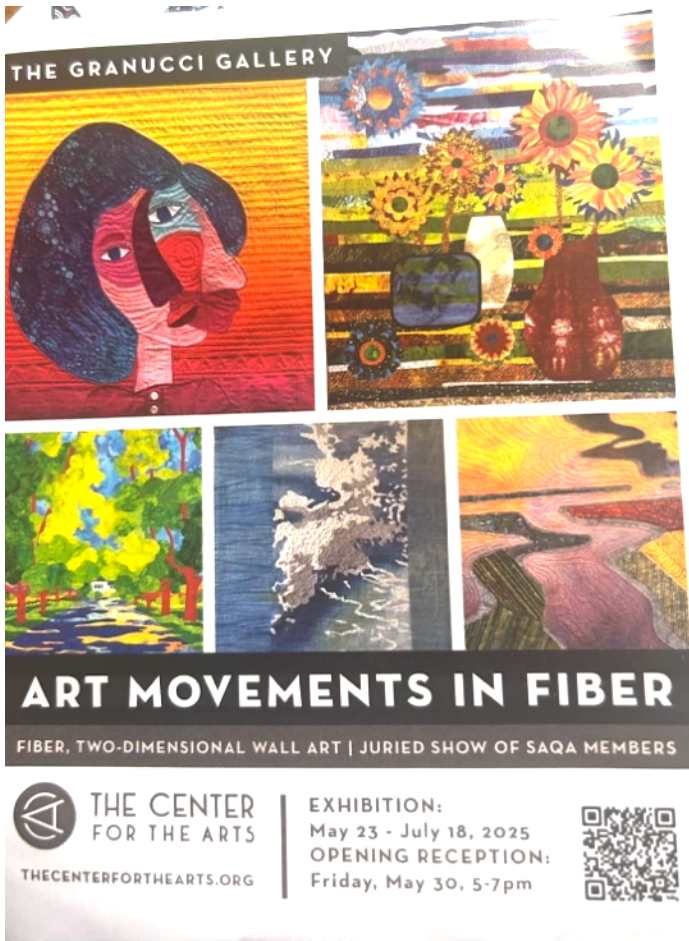
Share and Care



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 Anne Wilson know so she can send an appropriate card.

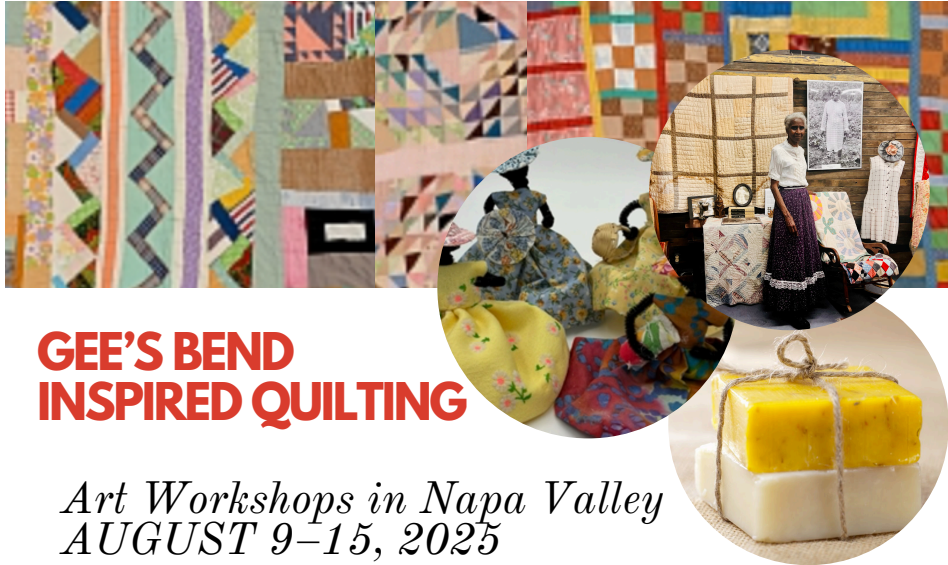


Thank you!
Anne Wilson Chairperson



Haves 'n Wants

Janome Continental M7 for sale. Extra feet; XL Sew Steady extension. \$3000. The desk can be included. Call Theresa Finn to see and discuss. Nothing is wrong, I bought a quilting machine and don't have the room for both.



GEE'S BEND INSPIRED QUILTING

Art Workshops in Napa Valley
AUGUST 9–15, 2025

Celebrate the legacy of the Black Belt region of Alabama, home to generations of black artists, quilters, and storytellers. We're honored to welcome Betty Anderson, founder of Camden Shoe Shop and Quilt Museum in Camden, Alabama. Alongside Nonprofit Arts Director Sulynn Creswell, Betty brings the spirit, tradition, and artistry of Wilcox County to Napa Valley through immersive workshops in Gee's Bend inspired quilting, soap making, and heritage doll crafting.

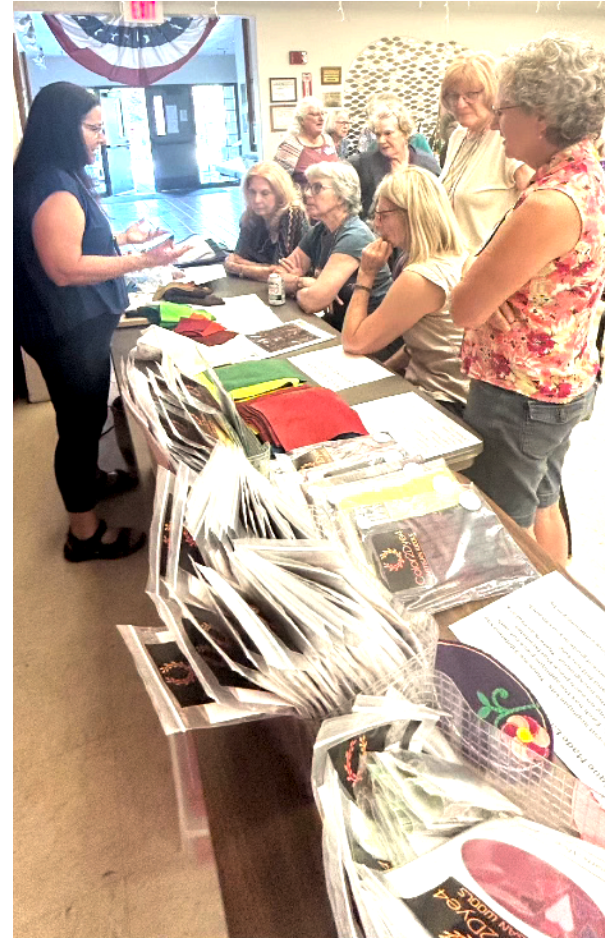
Pick your dates:

Sign up for individual classes, no need to attend the full week! Lodging options available — limited spots, reserve early!

- *Mon, Aug 11: Soap, lavender oil, & "Women of Gee's Bend" doll making class*
- *Wed–Thu, Aug 13–14: Gee's Bend inspired quilt workshop*

www.carneros-studios.com

Scan, join our community & sign up





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THE EL DORADO COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS:



A BENEFIT FOR THE FOUNTAIN & TALLMAN MUSEUM

Saturday, July 19, 2025 - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Location 515 Main Street, Placerville, Ca 95667

Join us for a day of creativity and craftsmanship!

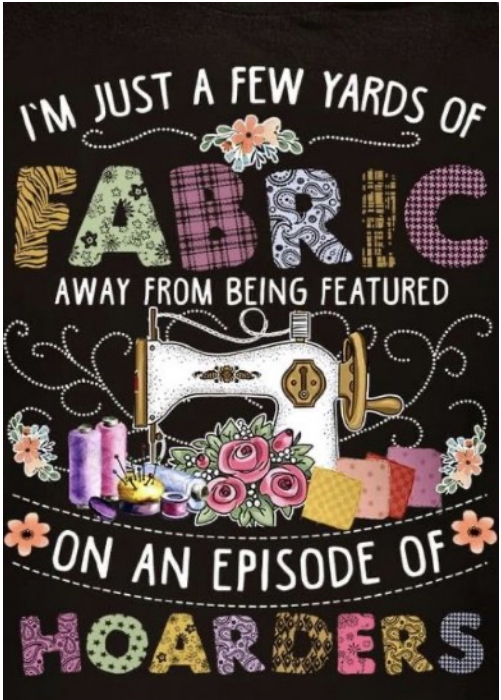
Enjoy live demonstrations and samples of quilting, needlework, knitting, yarn spinning, crochet, lacemaking, and more.

Vintage Quilts & Historic Textiles on Display!

Suggested Admission Donation: \$7

For more information, contact the Fountain & Tallman Museum at (530) 626-0773.







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