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PTQG May Meeting

May Mixer and Potluck

You worked hard at the Quilt Show,
now you get to *celebrate!*

Date: May 5th

Location: St. Canice Center,
236 Reward Street,
Nevada City

Doors open at 5:30 PM Meeting Starts at 6:00 PM

Bring a sample of your favorite dish to share and join in the fun
of celebrating the success of our 40th Quilt Show!

More information on page two

**Sign-ups for the "Summertime in the Pines" Guild
retreat will begin at this meeting.
You must have \$75 in cash or check to reserve your spot!**

Save the Dates!

August 21st - 23rd — Quilt Guild Retreat

October 3rd — Jamboree



Add to Your May Calendar

General Meeting	6:00 pm	Tuesday, May 5	St. Canice Center
Speaker Workshop		No Speaker Workshop in May	St. Canice Center
Row by Row Morning	10:30am	Wednesday, May 13	Ben Franklin Craft Room, GV
Row by Row Evening	5:30pm	Wednesday, May 13	Ben Franklin Craft Room, GV
PTQG Board Meeting	3:00 pm	Thursday, May 14	Ben Franklin Craft Room
Newsletter Deadline	Evening of	Sunday, May 17	sierrasue@icloud.com
Quilting 101	10am - 2 pm	Wednesday, May 20	Grass Valley Methodist Church
Community Service	9 am - 1 pm	May 7 & 21	161 Nevada City Hwy, Nevada City
Home Workshop	9 am - 3 pm	Thursday, May 28	Sierra Presbyterian Church

September Workshop is full.

Anne currently has a wait list of five. If you are interested in having your name added to that list contact Anne Padgett.

Just to refresh your memory on the September speaker and workshop....The Speaker for our September 1st Guild meeting is Katie Pasquini, Painting With Cloth. The September workshop with Katie is Artfull Log Cabins. We'll be creating linear abstract art wall quilts.

Starting with a photo or painting it will be cropped then overlaid with a grid (even, uneven, or curved!). Each unit or log cabin of the grid is then constructed.





Hello everyone and Happy Happy May!

May brings the wrap up of our Quilt Show. All of the tired members who worked so diligently to make it yet another phenomenal year deserve our appreciation and some much needed rest! Thank you for all your hard work to make this all happen! Now enjoy some non-quilt show related time with family and friends!



May is also the month we are having our May Mixer! It's a pot luck of finger foods and appetizers, and a time to mingle with the other members. The Guild will be providing cake and beverages. Instead of shutting everyone up with my singing, I now encourage you to visit with each other! I promise, no singing this month!

Also at the mixer, besides our Mystery and Fat quarter drawings, we will be starting sign-ups for Jamboree and our Summer Retreat! Fun times!

Jamboree will take place in October, with five options to choose from. These are free to you, our members, but they do ask for a small holding fee. The deposit of cash or check will be returned to you on the day of Jamboree. Marjorie Vodicka is in charge and will talk more about it at the meeting.

The retreat will be Friday, August 21-Sunday August 23. It is a daytime only retreat. The cost will be \$75.00 cash or check only! (Remember, the cost was increased for this year only due to budget shortfalls) Annica Hagadorn will be taking sign ups at the meeting. This one filled fast last year, so be ready!

That's it! That's everything I know about our May meeting! Now you know.

I will see everyone Tuesday, May 5 at the St. Canice Center. Doors open at 5:30, meeting begins at 6:00

Frances O'Brien

President

Pine Tree Quilt Guild



Quilt Show 2026

What a great show! Thank you to everyone who worked so hard in making it happen! Every part played, no matter how small, helped make this show one of the best ever. Comments from those who were walking in the aisles were so positive. We heard many say how impressed they were with the new system for displaying the quilts. As always, we had attendees from all over Central California, as well as parts further away. Some from Nevada and Ohio!

We are especially thankful for all the husbands, grandsons, sons, and any other male relations or friends who helped with set-up and take-down.

Now that the show is over, and we're all experiencing that afterglow of a good time, think about how much fun it would be to be a part of next year's show! The steering committee members of this 2026 year have already committed to leading different Quilt Show committees, and we would like to thank Desiree Davila for being the first to step up and agree to help lead the 2027 Springtime in the Pines. Jude Perry-Jones and Karen Smith have agreed to help her, and now if a couple more of you could add your names to the 2027 Steering Committee, we would have a healthy team for leading the show. We have found that a larger team makes the work so much easier. If you want to have a purpose for next year, this is a rewarding experience.

*Sophia Day, Desiree Davila, Sue Miller,
Holly Miner, Beth Stagner*





Sandra Bruce, one of 30 + basket winners

Community Service



Nancy Holtz

Community Service has been busy getting ready for the Quilt Show. We hope you enjoyed seeing our choices for display. It was a hard decision choosing a few from so many lovely ones.

On April 16 we celebrated Ina Gibson's 91st birthday with a cake and lots of love to her. She works very hard at the cutting table and keeps us all on our toes.

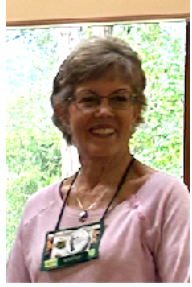
We continue to collect selvages - the longer the better with writing and also smaller pieces of fabric that we cut into squares.

You do not need to cut up dog bed donations. Several of us use smaller pieces for personal projects.

We meet the first and third Thursday every month 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.



- 6 Rochelle Davisson-Elias
- 6 Morgan Welty-Gelsicj
- 7 Julie McEnroe
- 7 Key Burke
- 16 Valerie Kilauea
- 26 Tara Locks



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

As we welcome spring, we're sprouting more new members joining the Guild. Since the first of the year we've welcomed a total of 17 new and returning members and our total membership is now 211 strong!

Our latest newbies are Carol Bordeau, Valarie (Tink) Kitaura, Dawn Donnenwirth and Stephanie Ortiz. Welcome to you all!

Ruth Bertaccini



Quilt Show Photos

Many pictures were taken at the show. They will be included in this month's and next month's newsletter. If you have a photo you'd like me to include, send it and I will include it for next month.

There will also be pictures on the website.

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Thanks, Sue



Pat Day, Doug and Daniel Miner were just three of the husbands, fathers, sons, grandsons, and friends of members who came to help with set-up and take down. Thanks to all of them, they made our work so much easier.....

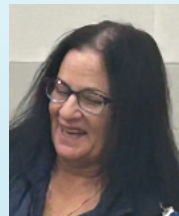


ROW-BY-ROW EXCHANGE

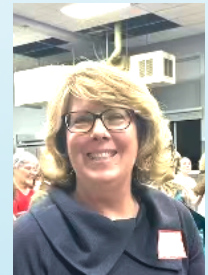
The Row By Row quilts are growing. Each quilt is becoming an incredible work of art. We are impressed with how many people are stepping up their game by using new techniques and creativity. Our next meeting will be May 12, 2026 at Ben Franklin's classroom. Morning session will be at 10:30 am; the evening session at 5:30 pm. If you are unable to attend please let Karla, Beth and/or I know. Bags can be left at the fabric cutting table and picked up there after our meeting



Karla Rogers



Jeanne Pincha-Tulley



Beth Stagner



Jan Reed, Best of Show,
Art.....
Return to Yellowstone



Mariah Bath, Best of Show,
Traditional.....“(Un) Common Bride”
- pattern by Edyta Sitar of Laundry
Basket Quilts.



Home Workshop

Welcome to another exciting class with HWS on May 28. We meet at Sierra Presbyterian Church. It's free to all members.

Erica will be teaching the basics of English Paper Piecing. She gives very detailed instructions. No machine is required. Sign up for a wonderful time. A supply list will be sent to you. Erica, who works in the frame shop of Ben Franklin, can help you with fabric selection.

If you want to come and sew on your own project, please do. Sign up so we know how many tables to set up.

Sign up at the May Guild meeting, text Theresa at 530-521-7444, or email to grammatf@pm.me.

We look forward to seeing you.

Marjorie, Rebecca, Theresa



Opportunity Quilt Marketing News from Holly Miner

Drawing the winner for *Royal Kaleidoscope*, our 2026 Opportunity Quilt, marked my final event as Opportunity Quilt Marketing and Scheduling Chair.

The lucky winners are David and Cheryl Durrett of Forest Hill, CA. I met the Durrett's in Nevada City to give them their quilt. Cheryl is shown here.

Below is the final income generated from all three of our opportunity quilts



Grand Total for 2026
\$5,479

Opportunity Quilt
\$3,217

Draft Horse Quilt and County Christmas Quilt
\$2,262



Scholarship Winner!

This year's PTQG Memorial Scholarship awardee is Luke Archer, a Ghidotti Early College High School graduating senior. Luke plans to attend university with a major focused on social work, human services, and fine art.

He shared some of the importance of his art in these words: "For me, creativity isn't separate from empathy. It's the lens through which I understand people. My most meaningful community service activity was teaching at my local art center. I spent roughly 80 hours leading classes...co-teaching, and helping students through creative projects. This community service inspired my path toward social work and art therapy, where I hope to continue helping people express themselves and heal through creative practice."

This PTQG scholarship, which is given in memory of members Jeanne Gill, Carol Phillips, and Myrna Raglin, is our affirmation of the dreams of Nevada County students. It will be our honor to greet Archer during our May general membership meeting on May 5th, at St. Canice Center. Please join us as we share in celebrating this young artist and wishing him a fulfilling future!

Sheri Doerr

Scholarship Chairperson



And so it began.....
members pulled
together to set up the
new frames for the
show...thank you to all
who volunteered and
climbed ladders!
Thank heavens for the
younger members!





Jamboree.....

Margaret Vodicka

Sign Up for Our October 3rd Jamboree

At our May General Meeting, we will begin signups for our annual Jamboree. You can choose to take a class offered by one of our talented instructors or, if you would rather work on a UFO (Unfinished Object), you can sign up for "Free Sew" enjoying the camaraderie of fellow quilters.

We've lined up some wonderful classes for our Saturday, October 3, Jamboree. The four classes should appeal to all - whether you are a beginner or an experienced quilter. Frances O'Brien will teach the "Take a Stand" Bag; Jeanne Pincha-Tulley will introduce us to Fun Wool Appliqué; English Paper Piecing will be taught by Erica Caldeira;; and Robi Holmes will show us how to create a Four Patch Posey Wall Hanging.

At our May 5th meeting, our instructors will show samples of their projects and we will begin signups. The cost is only \$25.00 - checks made out to PTQG. (Some of the classes may ask for an additional minimal fee for supplies). A SignupGenius link will be on our website after our May meeting where you can also sign up for classes.



Kris Cook's frame with her bio was missing, and so here are a few words about her quilting history. Her love of quilts began with a scrap quilt made by her paternal Grandmother. She fondly remembers laying on her parent's bed looking at all of the many floral, geometric, and colorful scraps of fabric.

Kris took a quilting class in Morgan Hill in 1992 and has been quilting ever since.

She is especially fond of hand appliqué, but also enjoys learning new techniques. Her future plans include learning more about modern and art quilts, and finishing up some very old UFOs on her longarm quilting machine, Alice.





A special thanks to Holly Champagne for leading the team and all the volunteers who stepped up from outside the Guild.



Setting up the frames involves multiple steps and is only one part of putting the Quilt Show together.

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

(see roster for Anne's phone & email)



A happy Holly Champagne after the quilt frames were all assembled.....



Congratulations to all our Basket winners....a big thank you to all the extremely generous and talented individuals and Guild mini-groups who created the very best baskets that we raffled off. Amazing!



BASKET WINNERS

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|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Shirley Taylor | 11. Robi Holmen | 22. Mikki Granholm |
| 2. Charleze McManis | 12. Wendy Granholm | 23. Bobbie Davis |
| 3. Ruth Bengor | 13. Barbara Pilgrim | 24. Deirdre Campbell |
| 4. Kathy Patterson | 14. Andrea Allgood | 25. Billie Jo Rice |
| 5. Marilyn Harris | 15. Terry McFeely | 26. Diane Ingalls |
| 6. Sue Robertson | 16. Donna Hinshaw | 27. Shirley Taylor |
| 7. Peggy Viera | 17. Sandra Bruce | 28. Tink Kataura |
| 8. Margaret Gross | 18. Marilyn Harris | 29. Heidi Powell |
| 9. Beth Seagrier | 19. Kim Cheney | 30. Christine Smith |
| 10. Holly Wren | 20. Marla Vaughn | |
| | 21. Lillian Glaeser | |
| | 31. Desiree Davila | |

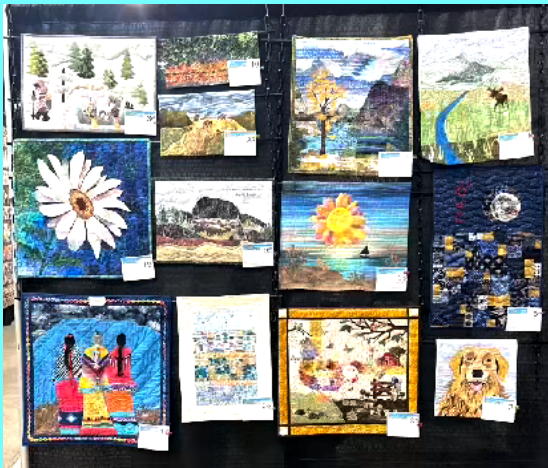
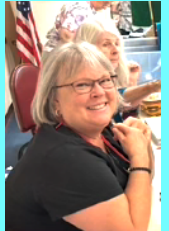
Many thanks to all our quilt members and mini groups for their generous contributions with a special "Thank you" to our raffle!



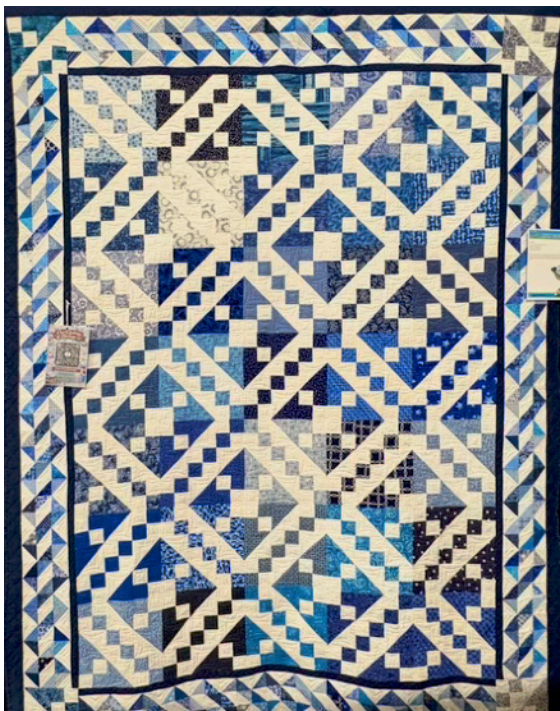
**Looking Forward to seeing your
“Read Me, Use Me” Guild Challenge**

Thank you to all who entered your Guild Challenge Quilt into our Quilt Show. We will have a special exhibit at the Quilt Show where attendees will vote for their favorite Challenge Quilt. At our May general meeting, we ask that you bring your Challenge Quilt to show to our members. Plus, we will hand out awards to our top vote recipients.

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



Judging.....



**Viewers' Choice —
Joan Hartung, Even Jacob Makes Mistakes**

Another round of applause goes to our vendors who enhance the Quilt Show with their presence. Thank you again for supporting our Guild.



Sarah Klaner, of Celtic Rose Apothecary, with nursing colleague and Guild member, Desiree Davila.



Cinnamon and Liberty from Sew Powerful, a program to help girls in Africa.



Susanne Burr of Christ Burr Felting.

More vendors on page 14



Richard Montrouil of Elk Grove Sew and Vac



Left: Chelsea Rentschler of Sierra Shades, with her Mom, Guild member, Kris Cook



Right: Gary Bond and Jan Merrill of Global Marketplace



J-me and Guy of Wild Things Beads



Ashley and Frank from Pieces of Love



Sherry Phinney of Stitches of Love, making another customer happy as her husband, Art, looks on....



This picture is from Sunday, when many hands made quick work of taking down the frames....

More photos from the Quilt Show will be on the website.



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