



Yuba Sutter

Valley Quilt Guild

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February 2023

Notes from Carlene and Sandy

Hello everyone,

It's hard to believe we are already in February. I was cleaning out my quilt guild meeting bag and ran across information about the 310 Club. I remembered someone telling me I could use my challenge quilt from this year to apply for the exclusive 310 Club. What a great idea! This year I entered my first challenge quilt, and it is the first quilt I have ever totally completed by myself! That got me thinking about the quilt show next month. I'm just imagining walking into the hall with red, white and blue quilts cascading from the ceiling and filling up my senses. Enjoying all the quilts on display, all the material to look at, the new quilting tools to try, the raffle baskets to win, the visiting with friends and making new friends, the food, the pies, and so much more! I can hardly wait!

Our next meeting, February 22nd, is filled with special surprises and fun! You don't want to miss it. Be sure to add your name to the signups for helping at the quilt show, the good spots are filling up quickly.

A sew day is planned for February 25th, bring something to sew and come enjoy the great company, location to be determined.

A few important announcements, there are key spots open for next years quilt show (2024). We need a Quilt Show Chair, and Opportunity Quilt Promo. Chair. These spots need to be filled quickly so planning can begin for next year. There is also an opening for the office of Treasurer.

So, get some Valentine's Day candy, dark chocolate is the best, and go quilt.

See all of you real soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 22 General Meeting: Member Demos - A little change in format

At the Cal Trans Building, 703 B Street in Marysville

February 25 Free sew day – 9 am to 3:30 pm at the Rideout Conference Room, 989 Plumas Street in Yuba City

March 10 Quilt show set up Starting at 9 am at the Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds Main exhibit hall

March 11-12 Valley Quilt Guild Quilt Show Land That I Love (followed by take-down at 4 pm Sunday)

March 29 General Meeting: Quilt show wrap up and member showcase at Cal Trans

April 26 General Meeting: Speaker: Yvonne Phenicie at Cal Trans

April 29 Workshop Learning Curve with Sew Kind of Wonderful Rulers

Programs and Speakers

Upcoming Speakers and Workshops

February 22, 2023 - We're changing it up and doing something fun and different at this meeting. You'll want to be there early for the best seats!

February 25, 2023 Free sew day at the Rideout Conference Center on Plumas Street from 9 am to 3:30 pm. Finish those quilts that need to be finished for the show, work on community service, and Colleen will have fidget quilt supplies there for anyone who would like to work on fidget quilts. Come have fun sewing with others.

March 11-12, 2023 Land That I Love Quilt Show

March 29, 2023 Member Showcase and Quilt Show Wrap Up

April 26, 2023 Speaker: Yvonne Phenicie

April 29, 2023 Workshop: Yvonne Phenicie – Learning Curve with Sew Kind of Wonderful Rulers

May 31, 2023 Speaker: Karen Bolan

June 3, 2023 Workshop: Karen Bolan – machine quilting

Opportunity Quilt

A big thank you to Marilyn Harris for taking the opportunity quilt to work and selling tickets there!

Make sure to get your Opportunity Quilt Ticket stubs and money turned in to Thea at the February meeting.

Remember, there will be a few handmade by Colleen items raffled off to people who sell more than their \$20 worth of tickets. You get one raffle ticket for every additional \$20 worth you sell.



Quilt Show 2023 “Land That I Love”

The quilts are entered and they are beautiful! Thank you so much to everyone who entered a quilt or a whole lot of quilts. We have Challenge Quilts, Red White and Blue Quilts, Multi-colored Quilts, Red White and Blue Quilts for the Upper Level, and 32 quilts for the Avenue of Valor to be presented to veterans at the end of the show. Layout is complete. Thank you to the layout team. I am very excited, and also very grateful to everyone. I can hardly wait to see them all up.

... speaking of which, we will need help making the show happen

The sign up sheets will be at the February meeting. We still have a lot of jobs to fill. Please think about what you can do to contribute, and be ready to sign up.

If you have a full size pickup, and are available and willing to meet at the storage facility at 3:00 pm on Thursday before the show to help transport the frames and other items needed for set up, please let me know.

If you have a full size pickup, and are available and willing to transport frames and other items that need to go back to the storage facility after the show on Sunday, please let me know.

I will be sending out some additional information by email, as we firm up a few last details.

Thanks for working with me.

It's almost show time! Let's make it happen!

Colleen

Community Service

Community Service many thanks to Terri Johnson who faithfully collects quilts for the Cancer Center and Dialysis, then washes the quilts and packages them for delivery. In January, Terri delivered 11 quilts. Thank you for doing this important service.

Thank you to all the members for their contributions. We appreciate the many backs that Betty Sahly pieces almost every month. Thank you Janet Craver, Patty Dodge, Cheryl Clayton, Helen Sousa, Barbara Buehrle, Lorna Duck, Susan Steward, Debbie Platter, Dee Jagerhorn who donated 7 tops, Nicki Lura, Delaina Watson, Gail Campbell, Leann Weldon, Claire Poole, Joan Sampson, Judith Terry and Jan A Thompson. We appreciate everyone and we are glad to see that many members are quilting their own donations. Thank you to Megan and Bonnie of Wild Cotton who quilt many of our tops for a special low price.

Diane Leighton

Keeper of the Goods

Quilt Show Entries

PICK UP YOUR RECEIPT/ENTRY CARDS WITH YOUR ENTRY NUMBERS & LABELS at the February 22nd General Meeting. Please stop by our table to pick up your card. If you have a friend that can't attend the meeting, please pick up their card and deliver it to them. The show has been laid out and we have over 215 entries NOT including our Red, White & Blue quilts which will be hanging from the Upper Level. Plus 25 additional Challenge Quilts. Since we have several different dates, places and times for quilt delivery & pickup this year I will be printing separate cards & Entry #'s with instructions for your Regular Entries, Judged Entries, and Upper Level hanging quilts.

- **Be sure you SAVE your RECEIPT/ENTRY CARD.** This card is your receipt and will be needed to pickup your quilt after the show on Sunday.
- You will need to place the number for each quilt on the label and sew it to the back of your quilt in the lower right corner. (OR with the back of the quilt facing you sew it in the lower left corner).
- Each quilt must have the entry number on the label, and any quilt over 36" MUST have a sleeve.
- **Please fold your quilt with the label showing on top!** This saves us lots of time when taking in entries, we aren't refolding the quilts and trying to find your label.
- **JUDGED QUILTS DELIVERY & UPPER LEVEL QUILT DELIVERY: JUDGED & UPPER LEVEL QUILTS ARE TO BE DELIVERED ON WEDNESDAY 3/8/22 BETWEEN 8:15 to 9:00 A.M.** to the Rideout Health Conference Center, 989 Plumas St, Yuba City, CA (Across the street from the old Fremont Hospital.)
- **REGULAR ENTRY DELIVERY: Regular quilt entries are to be delivered Friday, March 10th from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.)**
- **Pickup – Regular & Judged Quilts** must be picked up on Sunday March 12, 2022, from 5-5:30 p.m. Your Receipt/Entry Card will be needed to pick up your quilt.
- **Pickup of Upper Level Quilts ONLY** – These quilts will not be available for pickup until Monday, the time To Be Determined. (please contact Colleen or Cooky).

We have some beautiful quilts to view this year. If you have any questions, give us a call.

- Pat May – Co-Entry/Layout & Chairperson 530-674-2930
- Cooky Amarel – Co-Entry/Layout & Chairperson 530-673-6653
- Delania Watson 530-682-8427 & Jody Ohrt – 530743-0329 Co- Judged Entry Chairpersons



Letter from the Executive Board

Sometimes, if you had a chance to do something over, you could do better; but do overs aren't always possible. You just have to learn from your mistakes so you can do better in the future and then move forward. If you were at the last general meeting, you know that the discussion of the budget and the vote to raise the dues caused a lot of frustration, and misunderstanding. If you weren't there, you may have heard about it. We, as a board, realize we could have done better, and apologize for our lack of foresight. We are all volunteers, we are all human, and we all have different skill sets dealing with things that come our way. Our hope is to help the guild continue to be a place to learn, be with friends, and to contribute to our community. The executive board met following the meeting trying to address what we can do moving forward to do a better job. Part of that is providing enough information.

Information:

We are not currently in financial trouble. We will still have savings in the bank at the end of this fiscal year. We can pay all our bills. No money is unaccounted for. However, the last couple years our approved budgets have not been balanced and as a result we have drawn from savings. If we were to continue with the same income and expenses of the last two years, we would no longer have enough savings to manage the imbalance. Not counting the money intentionally budgeted for the poles and drapes out of our savings, each of the past two years has had an approved budget that included about \$10,000 more in expenses than income. Actual spending also exceeded actual income by about \$10,000 in 2021-2022. We can no longer move forward in the same manner.

As of February 7, 2023 we have the following in our bank accounts (understand that as checks are written or deposited these numbers can change on a daily basis)

Checking: \$1,127.39

Savings: \$11,970.09

Quilt Show Account: \$6,021.69

Our current fiscal year runs from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

Our budgeted income was \$18,094

Our actual income so far is \$20,482.82

The difference is \$2,388.82 – i.e. we have brought in more than we budgeted.

Our budgeted expenses were \$34,294 (this includes the \$7,500 for poles and drapes)

Our actual expenses so far are \$19,506.17 (we have 5 months of expense yet to go)

The difference is \$14,787.83

The combined total in our checking and savings accounts is currently \$13,097.48 (remember this can change with any deposit or check written.)

\$1,907.64 of that is restricted money, and can only be spent on things used at the fairgrounds (the fair exhibit and our quilt show). It is money that was earned by raffling off the fair quilts. If we want to sell raffle tickets, we have to agree to restricting the money earned. It has been used in the past to buy portable quilt stands, clips to hang quilts, brooms to sweep up after the quilt show, etc.

That leaves a total of \$11,189.84 available to spend on everything else the rest of this fiscal year.

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Executive Board Letter cont....

Our basic operating expenses include insurance, PO Box, Storage, Tax-license & fees, and Website. This year, those costs totaled \$5,641. Four years ago, pre-pandemic, they totaled \$3,574. That's about a 58% increase. The cost of pretty much everything else has gone up too.

Our delivery may have left something to be desired, but the need for change is clear.

Moving forward:

To keep members aware, we will include in the newsletter each month an easy to read summary of the budget (income totals and expense totals). If a member wants a copy of the detailed budget spreadsheet, they can request one from the treasurer.

There is an ongoing invitation to members to attend board meetings and or fill a position on the board if you want to have an impact on how the guild is run.

We will seek to put into our policies and job duties the requirement for a balanced budget.

For the remainder of this year, we will look for ways to cut our costs while still doing the things that make our guild something we want to be a part of.

However painful it was, we did vote to raise the dues to \$40 next year. (An increase of about a yard and a half of quality fabric) That will help.

The board will discuss an increase in the cost of workshops to offset the increased expense of hiring a teacher.

If you, as members, have ideas on both ways to increase income or ways to decrease costs, please let someone on the board know, or come to a board meeting and share.

We invite you to choose to be a part of the solution, and to help the guild move forward in a positive direction.

Carlene Raczynski – Co-President
Sandy Parker – Co-President
Deanna Williams – 1st Vice President
Colleen Pelfrey – Co 2nd Vice President
Sandra Torres – Co 2nd Vice President
Cathy Klaker – Secretary
Jan A. Thompson - Treasurer



Happy
Valentine's
day



Valley Quilt Guild Website

Reminder:

Www.valleyquiltguild.com is our guild website that is accessible to all members. You will find member information, upcoming events, and useful information. In addition, the newsletter is posted on the website every month. Go to the member information tab and you will find newsletters dating back over 10 years. This would especially be helpful to any members having problems receiving their monthly newsletter by email, as you can go to the website and read it at any time.

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Roster Additions/Changes

An updated membership roster was emailed this week which included all new or returning members and any updates/corrections since the distribution of the roster in September. Please print or save the new copy for your information. Please remember the roster information is confidential and for member use only.

Note: The Feb. 7 update is the latest edition and has several corrections from the day before.

Fat Chance

February Fat Chance is Dogs and Cats plus any Red, White, & Blue. This will be fun to see which one of our fur babies show up the most! Challenge - will it be dogs or cats?

Best friends,
Johnny & Joey



Upcoming Quilt Shows 2023

March 3-5	Folsom Quilt & Fiber 52 Natoma St Folsom, Ca 10-4 Daily	June 1-4	Quilters Sew-ciety of Redding Quilt Bash Simpson College Redding, CA
March 11 &12	Valley Quilt Guild Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds 442 Franklin Ave Yuba City, CA Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4	June 15-17	Quilt Show Reno Grand Sierra Reno Resort 2500 E. Second St Reno, NV Thur-Fri 10-5, Sat 10-4
March 18	Quilts Around the Block Friends Around the Block Colusa, CA	June 24 & 25	Ocean Waves Quilt Guild Dana Gray Elem. School 1197 Chestnut St Fort Bragg, CA
April 1 &2	Sun Country Quilters Tehema County Fairgrounds Red Bluff, CA	July 13-16	Log Cabin Quilters Fairgrounds, Hayfork, CA
April 21 & 22	Roseville Quilters Guild Roseville Sports Center 1545 Pleasant Grove Rd Roseville, Ca Fri 10-5, Sat 10-4	Sept 16-17	Sutter Buttes Quilt Guild SYO Building Butte House/Acadia Sutter, CA Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4
April 29	Loomis Quilt & Fiber Guild Tea and Luncheon Maidu Comm. Center Roseville, CA	Oct 7-8	Ladies of the Lake Fairgrounds, Lakeport, CA
May 6 & 7	Pine Tree Quilt Guild Nevada County Fairgrounds Grass Valley, CA 10-4 Daily	Nov 4-5	Oroville Piecemakers Feather Falls Casino Oroville, CA
		Nov 4-5	Mountain Quilt Guild Brownsville Comm. Center Brownsville, CA Sat 10-4, Sun 10-3
		Dec	Paradise Home Tour TBA

Board Meeting Minutes

VQG BOARD MEETING

Monday, February 13, 2023 4:00-5:30

Crossroads Community Church

445 B Street, Yuba City

Note: Due to the early distribution of the February newsletter the board meeting minutes will be sent out in a separate email at a later date.

*Thank you,
Leann Weldon
Newsletter Editor*

Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter

The meeting was held on Saturday, January 28th. at Rocco's in Colusa. Nine guilds, with 28 members in attendance.

Upcoming quarterly meetings for 2023 were discussed. Oroville Quilters will host on April 29th, at the Palermo Grange; Annie's Star of Chico will host on July 29th, location to be determined; and Log Cabin Quilters, Hayfork will host the October 28th meeting at Timber Jack Lodge (this meeting place could be changed at a later date).

Oroville Piecemakers brought their lovely opportunity quilt. Quilters' Sew-ciety of Redding passed around a flyer regarding a four-day retreat, "Quilters Across California", to be held on June 1, 2, 3 and 4, 2023 at the Simpson University in Redding. \$440 per person, includes 3 nights' dorm lodging, 7 meals and roomy sewing space. If you are interested, their entry form can be downloaded at www.quilterssewciety.org. Any questions, contact Linda Ballard at linda@letsquilt.com.

Arlene told everyone about "Quilts Around the Block" held in Colusa on Saturday March 18th, in coordination with National Quilt Day the third Saturday of March. The town supports the displaying of quilts at the various stores and homes. Take time to come over the see what everyone has displayed. A map will be available at the Quilt Shop "Friends around the Block" of those in the community who will have quilts displayed in their yard or located at the various businesses.

Submitted by Jan Johnson for Sharon Easter, Rep.

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Chairpersons 2022-2023

2023 Quilt Show	Colleen Pelfrey
2023 Opp Qlt Promo	Deanna Williams
2023 Qlt Show Treasurer	Barbara Buehrle
Block of the Month Challenge 2023	TBD
Christmas Party	VQG Board
Community Service	Barbara Gilmore Diane Leighton Barbara Buehrle
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Fair Block Contest	Colleen Pelfrey
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Webmaster	Terry Nugent

VQG Info

Purpose: To contribute to the knowledge of quilting, to promote the appreciation of fine quilts, to encourage quilt making and collecting, and to contribute to the growth and knowledge of quilt techniques, textiles, patterns, history and quilt makers through educational meetings and fellowship.

Meetings: Meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Cal Trans Building at 703 B St, Marysville. There is no meeting in November and the members-only Christmas party is in December. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Copy ready submissions to the newsletter are **due by the 15th day of the month by 5:00 p.m. to the Newsletter person**. Please direct any questions or comments to the Yuba-Sutter Valley Quilt Guild, P. O. Box 1463, Yuba City, CA 95992. Web site:

www.valleyquiltguild.com

Membership: Membership is open to anyone interested in quilts and quilting regardless of skill level. You are urged to join and learn with us. Dues are \$20.00 payable annually. Membership is from July 1 through June 30. Membership entitles you to a newsletter and an annual membership roster (which is confidential). Affiliate membership fee is \$24.00 with a business listing each month. Affiliate members receive a 10% discount for paying a year of ads paid in advance. Submit to:

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