



APRIL 2025 NEWS

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President Message

I am thrilled to share that we have secured enough volunteers to present a minimum slate of officers at the April meeting. At that time, we will also open the floor for any additional nominations. The positions up for election this year are VP of Programs, VP of Workshops, and Treasurer. Once the nominations are finalized, we will announce the candidates in the May newsletter. Voting will take place at the May General Meeting.

Franci Lamb will be reaching out to current committee chairpersons to confirm their interest in continuing their roles. As President, I truly appreciate the dedication of our current chairs. You've all done a fantastic job, and I'm grateful for your continued support. I believe a couple of committees need some assistance, especially the Community Service committee. One of the truly rewarding aspects of our Community Service is to receive thanks from recipients who are many times overwhelmed that someone thought of them. I feel that emotion each month when we award our Veteran of the Month quilt. There are several members that have expressed a willingness to help, but we still need someone who will present the gifts and report it to our membership. How about you?

The roles of Secretary and President each have one more year in their current terms.

As a reminder, we revised our by-laws to establish two-year terms for board members, with staggered elections to maintain continuity. This approach allows board members to gain experience and mentor newcomers, ensuring a smooth transition of leadership.

Speaking of leadership, I know that some of you may find the role of President a bit daunting. For me, the most challenging part is coming up with something to say in the newsletter each month! The President's duties primarily involve staying organized, following up with others to ensure tasks are completed, and leading the General and Board Meetings.

In the spirit of collaboration, I would like to invite anyone interested in sharing the role of President to reach out. I would love to mentor someone in leading meetings, managing agendas, and keeping things running smoothly (and yes, sometimes that means ringing the cowbell!). Together, we can make the process enjoyable and ensure plenty of time for our favorite part of the meeting—Show and Tell and hearing from our inspiring speakers!

Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm. Let's keep our guild thriving together!

Happy Sewing

Linda Brown

General Meeting Minutes March 18th, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Linda Brown at 10:00 a.m.

Old Business

1. Linda asked all to silence their phones.
2. Bill Lechlinski is our March Veteran of the Month. He gratefully accepted the quilt for his service. His wife quilts so he knows how much effort goes into making one.
3. Sue Edell corrected February's minutes as printed in the newsletter. Merri Caywood's name was misspelled. It was approved unanimously to accept the minutes as corrected.
4. Kim Morris reported that in February we spent \$1,515.80. We received \$1,790.20.

New Business

1. Opportunity Quilt. No visiting quilt this month.
2. Angie Burklund. a former member, is the Featured Quilter for the Red Bluff Quilt Show April 5-6.
3. Thursday Drop-in. We are changing the time to 9:30 to 1:30. We will continue to have Drop-in all through next year.
4. The Patrick's Ranch Moonlight Quilter would like to rent our quilt racks for an upcoming April 26th event. Kim and Linda will negotiate a fair rent, perhaps \$100 plus allowing us to come as a vendor for free to display our Opportunity Quilt. We could also use it as an occurrence of Community Service. They would use about 20 racks. Everyone agreed, with the exception of one person.
5. Woody Nelson. representing Masons, asked if we would be interested in a Sip-and-Sew event. Several people had very different ideas about what he was asking. Linda will check into it.
6. Nominating Committee. We need three volunteers to serve on a Nominating Committee for next year. We need five officer positions filled. The President and Secretary still have a year left on their term to serve. The Treasurer has agreed to serve again. The Vice-Presidents of Workshops and Programs have agreed to serve for another year if someone comes alongside each of them to learn the position. Victoria Patterson and Ginger Medberry volunteered to help with the Workshops VP position. We need someone to lead our Community Service Committee. It can be done by a group. This committee helps us to fulfill our 501c3 status. Franci Lamb is asking for volunteers.
7. Opportunity Quilt 2026. The "Eureka" pattern seems to be the design we will use. It will be the 250th anniversary year of our country so we would like to do it in patriotic colors. Linda Brown, Donna Greenwald, Kathy Machuga, Mary Ann Hagan, and Kim Morris will get together to plan the quilt. If you would like to help, let us know. We will pick out fabric at the Country Pines Quilt Shop in Susanville during the retreat. We have a \$200 credit there.
8. New Member Tea. There is a sign-up at the Membership Desk. This is the last opportunity to sign up. 11-1. April 10th. Ann Slocum's house.
9. Home Tour 2025. Pam Howard will be our Volunteer Coordinator. Victoria Patterson will do the Pick-a-Prize. Bettie Iijima will do the refreshments. She needs to have a helper to learn how to do it. So far we have 3 houses, with one from the last tour in reserve. So we would like 2 more. Kathy Bertrand will head up the decorating of the homes. We still need a Publicity chairperson. Becky Ray has agreed to do the television spots.
10. Show and Tell. These members shared their new projects: Kathy Machuga, Speri Machuga, Kim Morris, Betty Iijima, Mary Ann Cooper for Debbie Sharrett, Ann Slocum, Victoria Patterson, Jamie Kalanquin, and Chuck Louis.

Committee Reports— From General Meeting Minutes

- Boutique.** Speri Machuga. We are already collecting items for the Boutique for the Home Tour this coming December. Our collection bag is almost full for today with all of the donations we just received.. Each month we will try to come up with an idea that you might want to use. We always appreciate your donations.
- Hostess.** Annette Carey. Sign-up sheet is on the back table.
- Retreat.** Tina Bishop and Deborah Storz. May 14 - 17. A couple of slots open. There are five different retreat blocks. Choose one. They are ready to be picked up by those attending the retreat. Someone will win all of the blocks at the retreat.
- Membership.** Mary Ann Hagan. We will begin collecting Membership Dues for 2025-2026 beginning April 1. Rebecca True will be helping. Debra McKasson is not able to assist any more. Today there are 53 members present. We have 3 new members: Jamie Kalanquin, Jenny Amerine, and Chuck Louis. Today's guests were Patti Hart and Cindy Johnson. You can also pay for your Opportunity Quilt tickets at that time. Our total membership is 94.
- Treasure Table:** We could use one more helper. Lupe is not able to help at this time. Please buy, a lot more fabric has been donated.
- Programs and Workshops.** Sue Edell and Donna Greenwald. **March.** Cathy Anderson will have a Trunk Show and teach a class using the X-Block ruler. **April.** Liz Willis will offer a Trunk Show on Vintage Quilts. Donna Greenwald will offer a class teaching a lilac confetti wall hanging. **May.** Rami Kim will speak about Block Weaving and will offer a no-sew Tumbling Block Class.
- Pick-a-Prize.** Victoria Patterson. Please buy your tickets for 3 prizes offered this month.
- BOM.** Mary Ann Cooper. Mary Ellen Mallan won the prize today.. We need someone to take over BOM for next year. Mary Ann is willing to show you how she has done it.
- Opportunity Quilt.** Franci Lamb. The ticket sales are going well. Use the post cards as a marketing tool to help you sell tickets. This money helps to fund the guild and all that we do.
- Favorite Fun Person.** Joan McWilliams won the prize for this month. Look at the Newsletter to find out the surprise for next month.

We had a yummy break. Picked prizes for Pick-a-Prize... Linda Brown and 2 other lucky winners. And then we enjoyed a fabulous trunk show by Cathy Anderson! I am pretty sure she never sleeps!

The Board Meeting will be held Monday, March 31, 2025 at 10 am at Trilog Construction, 7030 Skyway. All members are welcome, chairs are encouraged to attend. If members have items they wish to discuss, please contact Linda or come to the meeting. If you want the board to consider any event or topic, you must get it to the president at least a week before the board meeting.

Please turn your phones back on.
We adjourned at 12:00 PM

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Machuga, Secretary



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 4/10** New Members Tea—11:00am Ann Slocum's home at 6171 Forty Oaks Lane in Paradise.
- 4/15** Guild Meeting at 780 Luther Drive, 10:00am
- 4/16** Workshop at Terry Ashe Rec- Setup 9:30, Start 10:00
See "Programs/Workshops" for details
- 5/5** Board Meeting at 7030 Skyway, Paradise at 10:00am
- 5/14-17** Quilters Retreat in Chester— See details under "Quilters Retreat"
- 5/20** Guild Meeting at 780 Luther Drive, 10:00am
- 5/21** Workshop at Terry Ashe Rec- Setup 9:30, Start 10:00
See "Programs/Workshops" for details



Happy Birthday May!

	5/4 Bejae Arnold
	5/5 Leslie Bruening
	5/9 Mary Ann Hagen
	5/10 Eileen Hollingsworth
	5/11 Lorrie Lundy
	5/14 Joy Cunniff
	5/18 Dianna Walker
	5/20 Joan McWilliams

Drop In– Every Thursday 9:30 to 1:30!

From 9:30 to 1:30 at Terry Ashe Recreation Center in the back classroom. Great way to get to know others and work on your quilting projects.

As an extra incentive of going to **Drop In** to sew, ask for help or just to visit, we will be having a drawing at each General Meeting for those who attend at least an hour at drop in. Each week you attend, you can enter your name in the drawing. Prizes will be quilt or food related.

ONLY 3 SPOTS LEFT!

Ridge Quilters Retreat in Chester May 14th-17th.

Register at the meeting and see more details under "Quilters Retreat"

Programs & Workshops

A reminder that when you sign up for a workshop, you need to pay in advance of the workshop. The workshop presenter requires the number of participants prior to the workshop, and as of late, it appears that if one is not signed up and paid, they are not attending. **Workshops start at 10:00, you may arrive at 9:30 to setup at Terry Ashe Recreation Center.**

April 15th- Program is Liz Willie. She has a trunk show on vintage quilts. She attended one of our workshops last year, and had a long conversation with Arlene Arnold....

April 16th- Workshop is our own Donna Greenwald. She demonstrated her confetti technique at our last meeting which was awesome! Her class will be on Lilacs using this technique. **Please check with Donna Greenwald if space is available.**

May 20th- Program with Rami Kim who will share her items made using three directional weaving. Here is a link to website to learn more about her <https://csi.fkb.mybluehost.me/>

May 21st- Workshop with Rami Kim using this technique to create a baby block pattern without sewing. She has a video on You Tube that is very informative. **Sign ups have started! Contact Donna Greenwald.**



June 17th- Luncheon potluck. No workshop this month.

July 15th- We had wonderful comments from our members on the demonstrations at our last meeting. We plan to continue this in July, but only having 3 stations. If anyone has a technique that they would like to share, contact Lynn Eads, Donna Greenwald or Sue Edell.

No workshop for July month at this time but subject to change

Lynn Eads and Sue Edell Program Co- VPs and Donna Greenwald Workshops.



Budget Committee

If you oversee a committee and need to spend money on your committee, the process is to submit a budget to the budget committee. This year, the Board will hold the budget committee meeting at their next meeting, May 5th. If you are an interested guild member and want to give the committee input, this is a meeting you should attend. After this meeting, Kim will compile and present the budget to the whole membership to vote on at the May meeting.

Home Tour 2025– Meeting

A beginning meeting will be held in April. If you were someone who had signed up to help coordinate various aspects of the event, you received an email with suggested dates. Do we have someone who has had real estate experience and can help us write up articles for the Tour? That background seems to be able to elegantly describe the homes that will be on our Tour. We have 3, and one possible. It would be nice to have 5, just saying. As a hostess, you get to attend the night before the event and see the homes before everyone else, and you can shop boutique before others too. It is a fun event. Linda Brown





Veteran of the Month

For April, our Veteran of the Month is Nigel Parkhurst. Nigel has been very active in the Disable American Veterans Chapter 106, in Paradise. He has served in multiple leadership roles and in addition, he is the Commander of the Paradise Veterans Honor Guard. He has participated in as well as led the Honor Guard in providing the last Military Honors to a Veteran who has died. He is a retired Navy Captain, a spry 98 years old and he served 30 years in the US Navy and served on multiple ships including as Captain of a Helicopter Carrier.

We need to find more veterans to recognize. The nomination form for future recipients is on the Guild website. I have also given the membership table some forms so you can pick them up at the meeting. If you know a veteran that you'd like to nominate please complete the form and get it turned back in. We are trying to recognize Veterans who have been helpful in our Rebuilding the Community efforts whether independently or through another service club, but we also want to thank our local Veterans for their service to our Country. Linda Brown

Membership

The March meeting was well attended with 53 members signing in that day. We also had two quests joining us. They were Patti Hart and Cindy Johnson. The cherry on top was the addition of three new members!! They are Chuck Louise, Jenny Amerine and Jamie Kakanquin. Welcome to the Ridge Quilters Guild!

April 1st officially kicks off the collection of membership dues for July 2025 through June 2026. The annual membership remains at \$30 for the year. As you plan your personal budget to include your dues be mindful that on September 1st the roster is annually purged to only included the guild's paid membership. If you are paying with cash, please stay at the membership table until you are sure your payment has been recorded. We need to accurately record if you are paying membership dues only (\$30) or if you are paying for both dues and opportunity quilt tickets (\$40). Mary Ann Hagen

Quilters Retreat 2025

We are really excited for this year's retreat! We already have some fantastic give aways, a couple of great mini workshops, and of course our annual trip to Country Pines in Susanville. If you haven't signed up for our May retreat, please do so this month. We will have registration forms at the meeting. If you have already signed up, please be sure to pick up your block pattern from Debbie Storz at this month's meeting, if you haven't already.

All future communication for the retreat will be via email from us.

We look forward to another 4 days of sewing, laughter, getting to know new people, more sewing, and lots of good times together! Kim Morrison, Debbie Storz, and Tina Bishop



About the Guild...

Ridge Quilters Guild has an Executive Board made up of the President, 1st Vice President- Programs and Second Vice-President- Workshops, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board meets the first Monday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Trilogy Construction conference room. All members are welcome to attend the meetings. Changes and enhancements that you might wish to see in the guild can be presented to the Board at these meetings.

Our most recent bylaws update has set the terms of each office at two years with the First and Second Vice President's and Treasurer being elected in 2025 for a 2 year term and the President and Secretary completing the second year of their two year terms. The staggered terms speaks to the need for continuity in our Board. The duties of each office is defined in the bylaws. Nominations for Treasurer, First and 2nd Vice Presidents are now being taken and will be open to the floor at the April general meeting. We will vote for officers at the May general meeting. Look for additional information about the guild in the next newsletter. ... Kim Morris

Board Mtg Action Item

Kim Morris recommended a motion to increase the budget for Website from \$700 to \$850 due to the increase in the cost of web hosting service. Sue Edell seconded. It was passed unanimously.

Something New...Continued!

April brings us Easter this year. Join us for an Easter parade and show off your finest hat or outfit. There will be a lovely prize! Join in the fun!

Also, we need ideas on what to call this "Fun Section". If you have any ideas, reach out to Kim!

Block of the Month

BOM, Wow, can you believe it, we almost have the makings of a completed lap quilt, wall hanging, table runner/topper, if you decide to put all of your completed BOM squares together! Have you decided what you are going to do with them? I have been making each into a 12.5 inch square, using the same neutral background. I think I need a pretty colorful print to use as a border to pull all of these colors together. The Guild members seem to be enjoying this year's take on the monthly BOM, if it is something you want to do in the future, let the board members know, my suggestion would be to have two members co-chair this fun project. If you bring in your blocks to share, don't forget to pick them up at the end of the meeting! Hopefully, you willing to show off your completed project later this year at a show and tell! Mary Ann and Becky

March Meeting Blocks



Upcoming Quilt Shows

Apr 26 American Sewing Guild
Fabric and notions sale
Orangevale Community Center
6826 Hazel Ave Orangevale, CA
Sat only, 9-1

Apr 26 & 27 Pine Tree Quilt Guild
Nevada Co Fairgrounds Grass Valley, CA
Sat and Sun 10-4

May 9 & 10 Roseville Quilters Guild
Jessup University
2121 University Avenue Rocklin, CA
Sat Sun

June 5-8 Quilters Sew-Ciety of Redding
Quilt Bash
Holiday Inn Convention Center
Open to all – reservations needed

June 28-29 Ocean Waves Quilt Guild
Dana Gray Elementary School
1197 Chestnut St Fort Bragg, CA
10-4 both days

July 2-13 Log Cabin Quilters
Fairgrounds
Hayfork, CA
During the hours of the fair

Sept 13-14 Sutter Buttes Quilt Guild
SYO Bldg
Corner of Acacia and Butte House
Sutter, CA
Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4

Sept 8-9th Foothill Quilters Guild
Auburn Veterans Hall
100 East Street Auburn, CA
Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4

Facebook Guild Private Page

Are you on Facebook? Did you know that the Guild has a Private Page where we post updates of events that are happening as well as reach out to each other if we need a little bit of assistance? Recently we've had several "funny" cartoon postings from members. We typically wish Happy Birthday to our Guild members and who doesn't enjoy getting a plethora of greetings from friends? And many share what they are working on from a recent workshop with the Guild or from other locations.

If you are new to the Guild, all you have to do to get an invite is send a request to quiltlin-da@gmail.com I'll be sure to send you the link within 24 hours (usually much quicker but sometimes I take a small break from the Ipad).

So, please join as it is much easier for committee chairs to reach out to our members vs sending the information to the President and then have the President send out the email through the guild email. Hope to see you online. Linda Brown

Community Service

Received
5 - placemats
2 - walker bags
Backing fabric

Gifted
3 - quilts
Thank you,
Community Service - Jeri

It is recommended that each guild member make a minimum of two Community Quilts per year.

Suggested sizes but all will be accepted.

COMMUNITY QUILTS	42" X 48"
LAP ROBES	36" X 48"

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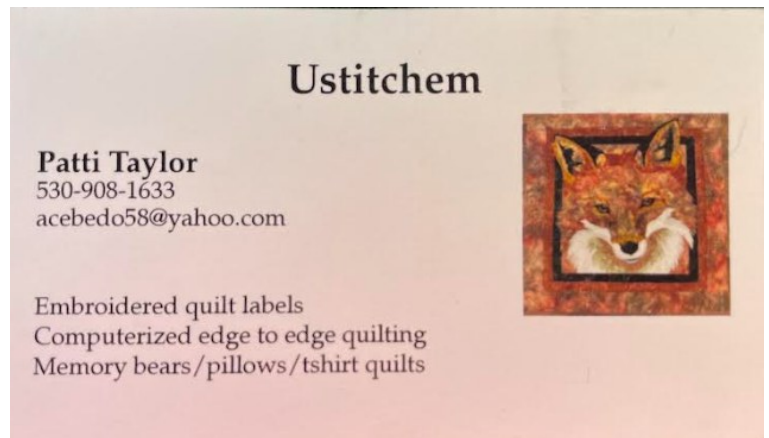
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