

# Ridge Quilters' Guild February 2024

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## President's Message

Wow, did February make a loud entrance? That was some kind of storm last weekend. Normally during rainy weather, I find I can spend more time at my sewing machine. This past storm, not so much as our power was out for 30 hours. So not much sewing was done, thankfully with the generator going I did get more fabric pre-cut to be made into kits for Patriotic Quilts Sew In that will be held at the March 6th Drop In. The quieter times allowed me to reflect on how it's important to work together to accomplish big things as well as small things.

A big thing happening later this year is the bi-annual quilt show. It will take all of us working together to pull off the show. Everyone will be needed from helping greet customers at the admission table; or making items to donate to be sold at the Boutique booth; or helping to make the ribbons that will be awarded to quilts; or helping to collect, collate and present baskets to be used for the Pick a Prize booth.

The good thing is that even if you have never done anything like this before, there are members that have and who would love to have your help.

A small thing is that we help put together Patriotic quilts for the Veteran of the Month program, as well as Quilts of Valor for nominees in this area. It starts with making a block or two or getting a group of blocks and forming a quilt top; or long-arming the top which when finished another can add the binding. By participating in a small thing, the finished product will be very well received by the recipient. And you can be a part of that process. I'm sure there are many opportunities for you to find ways to add a little bit to the many ways we as a guild spread the cheer that quilting provides us. If you are looking for a way to give back, check in with me at the next Guild Meeting and I will help you find a place to help.

Linda Brown, president

## **Ridge Quilters' Guild General Meeting Minutes January 16, 2023 Lutheran Church, Paradise**

President, Linda Brown, called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Members were asked to silence their phones.
2. Rolfe Rierson accepted a quilt as our Veteran of the Month. He served in the army in Vietnam and greatly appreciated the quilt.
3. Janet Larson made a motion to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter; Judy Martinez seconded. The motion passed.
4. Kim Morris reported the guild spent \$1,766.55 and brought in \$10,336.20.
5. Element3 \$Health has become Grouper. Members will be getting emails with the new information.
6. Presidential Spotlight – this is a new feature that Linda will do every quarter. This month she talked about the job of Community Service and answered questions from the membership.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Linda welcomed Lorraine, Jan, and Ann from the Oroville Piecemakers guild with their opportunity quilt.
2. There were no questions or comments about the revised By-laws and Operating Procedures. A motion to accept the changes was made by Lynne Pillus and seconded by Tina Bishop. The changes were approved by the membership.
3. The next quilt show meeting will be February 9 at 9:30am. The quilt show will be October 19& 20. Kathy Bertrand will

meet with the Elks regarding the use of their facility again.

4. Cherylann reported that the Budget Enhancement committee (Cherylann, Audrey, and Leeanne) has met once and is working on proposals to revise the current budget. The guild received more income from the Home Tour than was budgeted.

**SHOW & TELL:** participants were Mary Ann Hagan, Gail Muntifering, Judy Martinez, Betty Iijima, Leeanne Kromer, Speri Machuga, Lynne Pillus and members of the LOE friendship group.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Home Tour** – Betty Iijima brought leftover cookies from the home tour. Members are encouraged to take some home.

**Programs & Workshops** –February will be Melissa and Mom, but only Mom will be here. The workshop will be making a tote or purse.

**Membership** – Mary Ann Hagan announced that there were 54 present, and 2 new members.

**Drop In** – Joan Moore announced the new schedule. Drop In will continue at the Terry Ashe Center but the days will be the first and fourth Wednesday of each month, from 9am – 3pm. The March 6 Drop In will be a patriotic quilt sew-in.

Ann Slocum talked about the Fiber Arts Show in Paradise. She encouraged members to check out the art on display at Nic's. There will be an art auction June 12, also at Nic's.

**Treasure Table** - Franci Lamb, Treasure Table, announced that the items will be donated to a thrift shop after the meeting.

**Quilt Show** - It was announced that nominations for the Featured Quilter at our show are now being accepted and will be announced in March.

**Opportunity Quilt** - Becky Ray has the opportunity tickets now available for sale. Members can pay \$10 and pick up their 13 tickets.

**QGNQ** - Becky Ray has also arranged a Meet the Teachers luncheon for QGNQ at the Terry Ashe Center January 27. It will be \$10 for those that would like to attend and have chili and cornbread for lunch. Please let Becky know if you are interested.

Guild members have made 51 placemats needed for the local Father/Daughter dinner and dance.

**Retreat** - Kim, Tina, and Debbie have booked May 14-17 for our Chester retreat. The cost will be \$40 and there are 40 spots available.

Rae Hainley attended Meet the Teachers at NCQC this month. There were 9 presenters and she brought information back to the Programs and Workshops VPs.

Colleen Pelfrey was our speaker. She regaled us with hilarious stories and beautiful quilts.

The block of the month winner was Victoria Patterson. The Pick-a-Prize winners were Lori MacPhail and Liz Cochran.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30.  
Respectfully submitted by Joan McWilliams,  
secretary

## Programs & Workshops:

**February 20th-** Eileen Milligan, (the mom and Colleen Pelfrey's sister!) representing Melissa & Mom, a pattern company, will be presenting a trunk show and lecture including the ins and outs of starting a business publishing your own patterns. Their line of patterns will be available for purchase. You can view them on her website- [melissaandmomquilts.com](http://melissaandmomquilts.com)

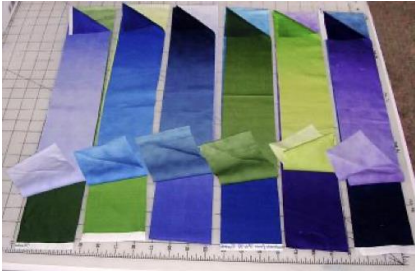
**February 21st-** Workshop will be a purse/tote bag from one of their patterns. Stop by the workshop table at our next meeting to see the samples and sign up. Class is \$25, includes the pattern.

**March 19th-** We have rescheduled Joy Lily. She is a silk painter, dyer, quilt maker and fabric printer from San Francisco. Her work has been displayed and she has taught both nationally and internationally. Her program is called 101 Quilts Later: Why I Did It And What I Learned. A collection of small quilts she challenged herself to

do to learn from. Check out her website at- <http://joy-lily.com>

**March 20th-** Workshop is Ombre Magic. She will share her fast, easy dye painting technique. We will turn fat quarters into smooth gradient pieces of dark to light color and also from one color to another. Sign ups will begin in January, class filled quickly last time. Class is \$35, plus \$10 for supplies payable to Joy Lily at workshop. You bring an assortment of white cotton fat quarters.

Pictures from Joy Lily workshop:



**April 16th-** Anelie Belden will be presenting a Dresden Dance Trunk Show.

Anelie Belden is a nationally known sewing instructor, quilt and pattern designer and author. She has taken the traditional Dresden quilt design and created new updated designs in her book "Thoroughly Modern Dresden". Check out her web site [www.abquilt.com](http://www.abquilt.com)

**April 17th-** Anelie Belden's workshop will be creating a 3-D Dresden using the modern piecing method of 'stitch and flip' with an additional layer of blades in the center that float on top of the Dresden. Adding a rouching makes this Dresden come alive! The finished piece can be a pillow, wall hanging or start of a larger quilt. Workshop; \$30 pattern is included. Stop by the workshop table to sign up.



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Sue Edell ([Stuart9624@comcast.net](mailto:Stuart9624@comcast.net))

### **Board Meeting: February 5, 2024**

There was no meeting due to the power outage.

### **Chester Retreat:**

IT'S TIME! To sign up for our annual retreat in Chester. This year's retreat is from Tuesday, May 14th thru Friday May 17th at the Recreation Center in Chester (our usual place). Be sure to bring \$40 in cash or check to our February meeting, as you aren't officially registered until you have paid.

As usual we will have some prizes, a few quick workshops, and a trip to Country Pines in Susanville, if you are interested. Best of all, there will be time for lots of stitching and catching up with old friends and new.

Looking forward to this wonderful time with all of you. If you have questions, please talk to Kim Morris, Deb Storz, or Tina Bishop.

### **Veteran of the Month / Quilts of Valor**

For February we have selected Doug Runkle as our Veteran of the Month. Doug was nominated by Karen Horne who also made the quilt to be awarded. Doug is a Navy Veteran and has lived in Paradise for over 15 years. He has been active in various organizations and will be attending the February General Meeting to receive his quilt.

Nomination forms are on the Guild website so 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.

Earlier this month my husband and I went to Colusa to make a Quilt of Valor presentation to a wonderful lady veteran. Her name is Denise F. and she was in the Army for 25 years as an LVN. Upon her retirement, she went back to school and got not only her RN, but her PhD too. I'm currently reading the first book in a series she wrote which begins with Olivia and Andrew who are well accomplished in their own fields of medicine and law enforcement who share their struggles with PTSD from their military service. She writes under the pen name Adele Leurini and the first book is titled "Ordinary Man". Somewhat a romance but not the typically tawdry kind.

I apologize for the mix-up of the Drop In of February 7th. I originally was going to have that be a Patriotic quilt workday, but then my husband was scheduled for a procedure after the newsletter went out.

I mentioned that the Drop In workday would be at the first meeting in March, but I hear that at least one person did not get the change. The next workday will be March 6th. If something happens, I will post in the Facebook page and send out an email.

Linda Brown

### **QUILT SHOW 2024 – RAINBOWS IN PARADISE**

We are happy to announce that we have a venue as well as confirmation that the date of October 19-20, 2024, is available. The Elk's Lodge has provided us a reasonable price for their facilities. This will help make things a bit easier as we held our last show there and that means the floor plan is basically done with a few minor tweaks. There are still a couple of committees that need a chair.

*Pick – a – Prize* -- This committee asks members to donate a completed basket or items to go into a basket. It would be nice to have somewhere between 10 – 20 nice baskets. The committee can get items donated from national suppliers of

quilting supplies by writing them for a donation, such as Quilter's Dream batting or Quiltfolk Magazine, or see if local stores would offer items. If you attend the Yuba City Quilt Show, their baskets will give you lots of ideas. I've seen baskets that had a theme of flowers, so it would include gardening tools, seeds, some gardening themed fabric or a garden themed pattern, and a plant.

The Pick a Prize committee has a small budget to augment the items in the baskets as needed. Then they are wrapped in clear wrap with an appropriate bow to make it look enticing with a recap of what's in the basket. It just takes a couple of ladies who can coordinate getting the baskets together and then get members to work a shift at the show. *Memorial* – This committee provides a small display to commemorate the members who have passed away since our last quilt show. It normally will include a picture of the quilter and a brief bio and perhaps some pictures of their quilts.

The Quilt Committee is recommending that this year we have a "judged" show. This would be an opportunity for personal growth in your quilting. An independent judge, Arlene Arnold, would review the quilts that members want to enter and make notes about the quilt. Members who have participated in larger quilt shows have expressed they really enjoyed getting feedback so they can make their quilts better. This would not cost the member and would be totally voluntary. The judge will be the one to award the ribbons to quilts in each category.

At the show, attendees will only vote on Viewer's Choice. There would be 3 places. We will get consensus at the General Meeting. If you feel strongly one way or another, please let us know.

We are tentatively booking Arlene Arnold to present at our July meeting "What judges are looking for".

Linda Brown

**Nomination Committee:** My goodness it's that time of year already. I am looking for a couple of volunteers to handle the Nomination Committee duties. The committee will ascertain if the current holders of office wish to continue in their role and



if not talk to members to see if they would be willing to run for office or take on a committee. Technically only the officers are voted on. This year we would vote for a 1-year term for the First Vice President (Programs), Second Vice President (Workshops) and Treasurer. The office President and Secretary would be a 2-year term. So, as a member in good standing (you paid your dues) you are eligible to run for one of the officer positions. If you are a current Committee chair, please let the Nominating Committee know whether you would be willing to continue in that role.

Per our By-laws without a full board, we would cease to be a guild. Linda Brown

### **Unleash Your quilting Potential – For Free!**

Great news for our quilting enthusiasts! In an exciting partnership with Grouper, Ridge Quilters Guild now offers free memberships to eligible Medicare Advantage and Supplement plan holders. Don't let membership fees keep you from enjoying your passion for quilting. Check your eligibility today and get your Ridge Quilters Guild membership covered without any cost! Check your eligibility today! ([GrouperGroups.com/RGQ](http://GrouperGroups.com/RGQ))

### **Opportunity Quilt:**

We have a date to take our new quilt to Yuba City guild meeting on January 31. It is an evening meeting and is actually in Marysville. Very easy to find and great parking.

If you are available and would like to go. Please give either Speri or Becky a call. Thank you!

### **Drop In: NEW DAYS AND TIMES!**

Starting in February and thereafter, we will be meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 9am-3pm. When utilizing the drop-in facility, please be sure to bring whatever supplies you might need i.e iron, cutting mat, etc.

March 6 will be our Patriotic Sew-In day.  
Joan Moore

### **Quilt Shows:**

The *Yuba Sutter Valley Quilt Guild* will celebrate its 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Quilt Show in Yuba City, on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2024. It is at the Yuba Sutter

Fairgrounds at 442 Franklin Avenue, Saturday 10 – 5 and Sunday 10 – 4. The theme of the show is “Colors of the Valley”. This is the first year we will be displaying all the quilts on our new poles and drapes, and we are excited about the new look. As always, we will have the challenge quilts displayed (the challenge required the use of selvages), over 200 beautiful quilts of many colors, and our yearly windsocks hanging from the ceiling. Our featured quilter is Mary Marusin, one of our guild members. Like last year, we will have an “Avenue of Valor”, displaying quilts that members of the guild have made to present to local veterans at the end of the show.

Thank you, Colleen Pelfrey  
2024 Quilt Show Publicity Chair

*Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Grass Valley* would like to invite you and all your guild members to attend our 38th annual “Springtime In The Pines” quilt show April 27 – April 28, at the beautiful Nevada County Fairgrounds, here in Grass Valley.

This year our show is a celebration of “40 years of Service, Quilting and Memories” of our guild and will include two buildings filled with beautiful quilts and multi-media textile art, vendors, country store, silent auction, raffle baskets, special exhibits, door prizes and Quilter’s Cafe. Our featured quilter is award winning local quilter Kris Cook.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at our website: [www.pinetreequiltguild.com](http://www.pinetreequiltguild.com) or respond to this email.

Regards, Joan Mosley, Quilt Show Publicity

### **NCQC Feb-Apr 2024**

Yuba-Sutter Valley Quilt Guild is having their quilt show at the Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds March 9 10 am -5pm, March 10 10 am - 4 pm. Cost is \$8, parking is free. 442 Franklin Avenue Yuba City

Guild Quilters of Contra Costa County April 6 & 7 10 am - 4 pm both days \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Elks Lodge 1475 Creekside Drive Walnut Creek

Carquinez Strait Stitchers April 6 (10 am - 5 pm) & 7 (10 am - 4) \$10 for both days..  
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The next quarterly meeting will be held April 10 at Pleasant Hill Community Center,  
Pleasant Hill 10 am - 12 noon  
Rae Hainley, representative

**Community Quilts:**

*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"**  
**DISASTER QUILTS      BED SIZES**

Member donations  
Placemats 45  
Quilts longarmed 14 (done by one person)

Per request of the Paradise assisted living facilities, there will be clothes cover kits available at the February meeting. Thank you, Audrey.

Community Service  
Jeri Machado

**Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter**

The next north quarter meeting will be in Lakeport April 27th. Hosted by Ladies of the Lake.  
*Quilt shows/events*  
March 9-10 Yuba Sutter Valley guild.  
May 4-5 Grapevine Quilters, Ukiah  
May 11-12 Flying Needles, Woodland  
June 28-29 Ocean Waves, ft Bragg  
August 31-1 Shasta Lily, Mt Shasta  
Sept 20-21 Sew-ciety, Redding  
Becky Ray, representative

**Paradise Art Center**

The Paradise Art Center is interested in displaying some of our fiber art during their member shows. What is fiber art? It is anything made with fibers - cloth, yarn, embellishments etc.

Membership dues are \$40 a year. When you display something at a show, you can list a selling price. The art center takes a small percentage of the sale but the majority of the sale goes to the artist. The art center also has monthly displays of art for sale at Nic's. Hopefully if you are in the restaurant take a look at the art on the walls.

Wouldn't it be great if we could have our own fiber art show displaying the talent of our guild at one of their member shows? Take a look at their web site.  
Ann Slocum



<b><u>Calendar of Events</u></b>			
<b><u>Event</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>
General meeting	Feb 20	Lutheran Church	10 - noon
Workshop	Feb 21	Terry Ashe	9:30-3pm
Drop In	Feb 28	Terry Ashe	9 - 3pm
Board meeting	Mar 4	Pine Grove club house	10am
Drop In Patriotic sew-in	Mar 6	Terry Ashe	9 - 3pm
General meeting	Mar 19	Lutheran Church	10 - noon
Workshop	Mar 20	Terry Ashe	9:30-3pm
Drop In	Mar 27	Terry Ashe	9 - 3pm
Board meeting	Apr 1	Pine Grove club house	10am
Drop In	Apr 3	Terry Ashe	9 - 3pm
General meeting	Apr 16	Lutheran Church	10 - noon
Workshop	Apr 17	Terry Ashe	9:30-3pm
Drop In	Apr 24	Terry Ashe	9 - 3pm

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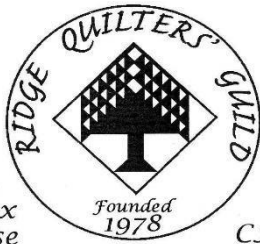

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**Next General Meeting**

Tuesday, February 20, 10am-12

**At the Lutheran Church on Skyway  
and Luther Dr.**

**Next Board Meeting**

Monday, 10:00am March 4 at  
1368 Garnet Ln (Pine Grove Clubhouse)

All members are welcome to attend!  
Contact Linda Brown if you have an  
item you'd like added to the agenda.

**Newsletter** – contact Joan McWilliams

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