

June 2025 News

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President Message

If you missed the Rami Kim workshop, you truly missed a treat! Rami is not only a remarkably talented and accomplished quilter, but she also brought humor, warmth, and inspiration to the day. Her 3D weaving technique looked deceptively easy—but I think most attendees would agree that adding that third fabric to the maze was a real challenge! I've finished my center block but still need to work on the borders. (And yes, I bought a few of her "easy" patterns—we'll see how far I get!)

As we transition into a new board year, I want to extend heartfelt thanks to several members who are stepping down from their leadership roles. Your dedication and time have made a meaningful difference in the guild:

- A special thank-you to **Jeri Machado**, our warm and ever-organized Community Service Chair, for her years of service.
- Grateful applause for Lynn Eads for her work as Co-VP of Programs.
- Sincere appreciation to Mary Ann Cooper who challenged us with a new way to do Block of the month (BOM).

At the same time, I'm thrilled to welcome and recognize members stepping into new roles:

- Lorrie Lundy and Jenny Amerine
 will be taking the lead in Community Service, Cathy Anderson and Mary Ann
 Hagan, will be faithfully assembling quilt
 kits, and to Audrey Girioux, who continues her work on Clothes Covers.
- Speri Machuga is joining as Co-VP of Programs, and Victoria Patterson will take the reins for Co-VP of Workshops.
- Joan McWilliams and Cheryl Ann Bullock will be co-chairing our new Block of the Month (BOM) program.

Thank you all for stepping up—your willingness to lead keeps the guild vibrant and moving forward.

Looking back on the past year, I'll admit that July through December is mostly a blur for me. While I know we pulled off an incredible Quilt Show (bravo, everyone!), the rest of that time is fuzzy. As many of you know, I've dealt with some health and dental issues that have made the first part of 2025 disappear on me. Instead of finishing projects, I've mostly added new UFOs—or new supplies for projects I hope to start one day soon. But my fondest memory of 2025 is attending the Chester Retreat. I look forward to many more.

Still, being part of this guild gives me a sense of purpose and connection. Your creativity and dedication motivate me to keep showing up, even when things get hard. Our mission—both in quilting and in service—reminds me that it's not just about what I can do, but about what we do together.

I hope each of you finds small ways to contribute, to connect, and to be inspired—whether it's by making a placemat for others, sewing a quilt for a veteran, helping at a meeting, or simply sharing a smile with a fellow quilter.

Happy Sewing!

Linda Brown

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General Meeting Minutes May 20, 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. Nigel Parkhurst was our April Veteran of the Month. He was in the Navy for 30 years, in all of that time he only served one short tour on the mainland. He urged us to remember that our local Veterans Hall is the oldest in the county and is in need of repairs.
- 3. Our May Veteran of the Month is Paul Brown. He was in the Navy for 20 years. He was involved with the beginnings of nuclear power plants.
- 4. Leslie Bruening moved that we accept the minutes from our April meeting as printed in the Newsletter. Chuck Louis seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.
- 5. Kim Morris reported that in April we spent \$2,132.94 and we received \$896.75.

New Business

- 1. Officers for 2025-2026 as printed in the Newsletter. Linda asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. Cherylann Bullock moved that we accept the slate of officers for the 2025-2026 year as printed in the Newsletter. Tina Bishop seconded. Passed unanimously.
- 2. Officers for 2025-2026:

President: Linda Brown Secretary: Kathy Machuga

Treasurer: Kim Morris

VP for Programs: Sue Edell and Speri Machuga VP for Workshops: Donna Greenwald and Victoria Patterson

Community Service Committee: Lorrie Lundy and Jenny Amerine are the new heads of the Community Service Committee.

- 3. Budget for 2025-26. There were no changes or additions from the floor. Joan McWilliams moved that we accept the 2025-2026 Budget as printed in the May Newsletter. Kim Morris seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- 4. Drop-In Demonstration: Linda offered to show how she made the Scalloped Placemats if 3 or 4 were available on designated drop-in dates.

- 5. YLI Thread. YLI has extended their sale until 5/22. The code is Ridge for 40% off the Dream Seam and Perfection threads. See Linda if you wish to participate in a group order. We are giving out 5 gift certificates today.
- 6. Show and Tell. These members shared their projects: Chuck Louis, Linda Menicucci, Gail Muntifering, Leeanne Kromer, Karla Quintana, Victoria Patterson, Mary Ann Cooper, Speri Machuga, Laura Green, Jamie Kalanquin, Camilla Taetzsch, Judy Martinez, Tina Bourdette, Bettie Iijima, Annette Carey, Kim Morris, Kathy Machuga, and Jill Caikoski.



Committee Reports— From General Meeting Minutes

Committee Reports:

BOM for next year. Cherylann Bullock and Joan McWilliams. We will use the Block Head block patterns again. No fabric will be provided so that you can coordinate all of your blocks if you like. A paper pattern will be provided each month. The challenge will be more unusual blocks. The block instructions will come in 6" and 12" sizes.

Membership. Mary Ann Hagan. We have 54 members signed in today. Karla Quintana is our new member. We had 3 guests who came especially to hear Rami Kim.

Hospitality. Bettie Iijima. Our June Luncheon will have a Hawaiian theme. You can find a list of what you should bring in the Newsletter.

Current BOM. Becky Ray. Peggy Price won the prize for the BOM.

Programs and Workshops. Sue Edell and Donna Greenwald. In July we will have member demonstrations as our Program.

We enjoyed a wonderful Program presented by Rami Kim from Lincoln.

The Board Meeting will be held Monday, June 2, 2025 at 10 am at Trilogy Construction, 7030 Skyway. Current and future Officers are requested to come, 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 12:15 AM

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Machuga, Secretary



DATES TO REMEMBER:

6/17 Guild Meeting at 780 Luther Drive, 10:00am

See "June Program" for details about Luncheon & Show 2026

6/18 No Workshop

6/30 or Board Meeting at 7030 Skyway, Paradise at 10:00am

7/1

7/15 Guild Meeting at 780 Luther Drive, 10:00am

7/16 No Workshop

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.

BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday July!

7/1 Linda Boisse
7/7 Elise Aiello-Simpson
7/28 Jenny Amerine

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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.

June 17th- Luncheon potluck. No workshop this month. See "**June Program**" section for more details as we have an exciting program!

July 15th— Member Demonstrations by Cheryl Ann, Sue Edell, Victoria Patterson and Tina Bishop. No workshop this month.

August 19th—Karen Bolan is our speaker. Here is the link to her website https://www.karenbolan.com/ to learn more about her.

August 20th- The workshop is Machine Quilting with Karen Bolan with a cost of \$30 and limited to 16 sign ups. See Donna Greenwald to sign up!

September 16th— Kathy Thomas, a local from Chico will be showing off her quilts with a Trunk Show.

September 17th—The workshop is Fibers into Fabric with Kathy Thomas. See Donna Greenwald to sign up!

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

June Program

The theme for the June luncheon will be "HAWAIIAN", break out those muumuus and leis. We're having a luau! Please bring a "tropical themed" dish.....Hawaiian, Asian, Polynesian.

Food assignments are: A-H – Dessert, I-M – Finger Foods, P-W – Salads.

Please bring your own serving utensils labeled with your name/phone number (so in case you forget it, we can call you).

Any questions, please call or text Betty Iijima 510-299-4828 or Flo Beauchemin 510-708-3957

The Opportunity Quilt:

Will be on display at June's guild meeting for our enjoyment during our luncheon meeting!

Picture is small so you will want to see this beauty in person!





North Quarter Guild

For those unfamiliar with the term, **Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter** is a regional organization made up of quilt guilds located north of the Sacramento area. The group meets quarterly at rotating locations, with each meeting hosted by one of the member guilds. We are scheduled to host again in January 2027.

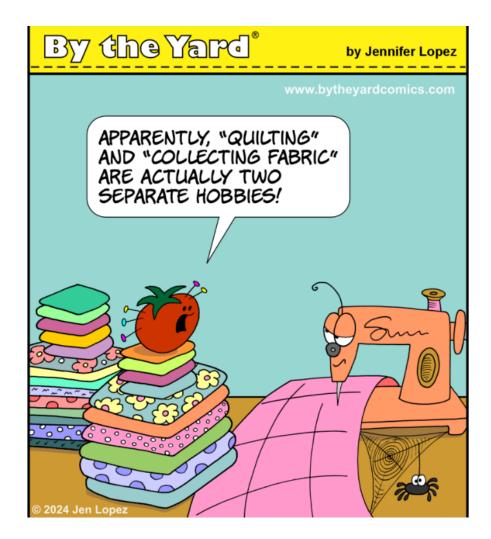
The next meeting will take place on Saturday, July 26, 2025, in Sutter. The focus of this gathering will be Community Service, with each attending guild invited to share the types of service projects they support and the communities they serve. We've been asked to bring examples of our work—so besides quilts, I'll be reaching out to our Community Service team for a couple of other representative items to showcase.

All members of our guild are welcome to attend! These meetings are a great opportunity to connect with fellow quilters from other guilds, exchange ideas, and get inspired. There is typically a luncheon provided, and we'll share the cost and menu details as soon as they are available.

I will also be bringing our Opportunity Quilt to the meeting to help sell more tickets.

The meeting runs from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, with doors opening earlier for setup and socializing. It's always a fun and energizing time—and we're lucky to have Arlene Arnold as our fearless representative and coordinator for these gatherings. Let me know if you would like to go with me.

Linda Brown



About the Guild...continued

The general meetings will be held at the designated meeting hall. The meeting locations, date, and times shall be published in the Guild's newsletter and website. Minutes from the executive board meetings shall be available to the membership at the general meetings. A quorum shall be 35% + 1 of paid members (this was reduced from 50% + 1 in the last revision). The board shall bring actions voted on at the board meetings to the general meetings. A quorum is required in order to hold a vote. It is important that you sign in at the membership table so a quorum can be established for the meeting.

Visitors are welcome to attend two meetings or drop-ins, after which membership is required. The Membership chair will charge visitors a fee (currently \$5.00) when a paid guest speaker is scheduled for the general meeting.

An informal gathering known as drop-in shall meet weekly (if possible) to work on projects and socialize. It is open to all members. Visitors may attend as stated above.

Block of the Month 2025-2026 Upcoming

We have signup going on now for our upcoming BOM. It will be similar to this year's but different.

- 1. There is no cost to participate but a prize each month from those that display their block.
- 2. You pick your own fabrics. This will be your quilt to keep.
- 3. You will need 2-3 yards of background, depending on the size of your quilt.
- 4. We suggest that you have 3-4 coordinating fabrics; 1/2 to 1 yard each. Maybe occasionally throw in a pop of contrasting color.
- 5. There will be 2 paper-piecing blocks. If you need help with this technique, Cherylann and I will help. We want to challenge you.
- 6. There will be 1 applique block. We will provide the Wonder-Under.
- 7. As noted above, we will randomly choose 1 block as a winner of a small prize each month.
- 8. Later in the year, we will supply examples on how to put your blocks together. Block sizes can be as small as 4" or up to 12" for many of the blocks.

Our goal is to challenge your piecing skills and expose you to new types of blocks. Different sized blocks can be challenging and fun to assemble together. We hope that you embrace this year's BOM. All members who want to sign up must let us know by August meeting. The first block will be at July's meeting.

Joan McWilliams & Cherylann Bullock

Looking for a new Fun Commissioner!

We are looking for some feedback on our recent addition of fun into our general meetings. So far it has tipped to the silly, but we can definitely go in a different direction if desired. Kim's repertoire of fun is just about done so please, someone step up. There hasn't been much participation so let the Board know if this is something you want to continue or if you want to let is slip by the wayside.

June's luncheon has an Island theme. It is rumored that some members have purchased muumuus for the occasion. You know what to do! Kim Morris



Block of the Month 2024-2025 Ending

Good morning, this is a wrap-up on an exciting and fun filled 2024-2025 BOM project! When members dropped off their blocks from the previous month's pattern to be displayed, we received lots of positive comments on the process! We are grateful for the participation, going forward with future BOM's we hope that the enthusiasm continues. Have you decided how you want to put your blocks together, as displayed last month, I put mine together in a 3x4 block pattern, starting with the January block, attached with 2.5 inch sashings and cornerstones. Thanks to Becky Ray for helping with the display each month, and helping put together gift baskets, Mary Ann Cooper

Completed Quilt





May Meeting Blocks



Veteran of the Month

At our June meeting we will present a quilt to Ray Waelbrock who was a long-time resident of the Paradise area until the Camp Fire. He relocated to Corning afterwards. He served during the Korean War in the US Army, and was a neighbor of mine before the fire. He and my husband Jack visited often. His new home of Corning recognized him as the Grand Marshall of last year's Veteran's Day parade. You'll enjoy meeting him.

We always need 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

Facebook

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? Are you trying to contact another guild member but forgot where you "saved" your roster? If you look under "Files" you'll find it easily.

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 <u>quiltlin-da@gmail.com</u> 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

Sunshine

Happy Spring fellow quilters! Please remember to contact me Cherylann Bullock to send a card to any guild member who could use some cheer!

Illness, encouragement, hospitalization, or any other reason you might think someone might need a card regarding themselves or their family members. A brief description is helpful to write a special note. Cbrndnc@yahoo.com, 530 327-8483 call or text.



Quilt Show & Opportunity Quilt 2026

Believe it or not, some planning is already underway for our 2026 Quilt Show! As we look to mark this special event, a suggestion has been put forward: for one year only, we would feature an Avenue of Valor—a collection of patriotic quilts dedicated to honoring local veterans. These quilts would be awarded to the veterans at the close of the show or would showcase quilts that have been previously given.

This special exhibit would take the place of our usual Featured Quilter display, as our venue does not have the space to accommodate both. The proposed change is in recognition of the United States' 250th anniversary in 2026, making it a fitting time to pay tribute to those who have served our country.

While this idea offers an opportunity to give back to our community, it also means postponing the recognition of one of our own guild members as Featured Quilter by one cycle. We acknowledge that this may be disappointing, especially as time passes quickly for many of us.

At the June general meeting we will be voting on this idea. In the meantime, if you have questions, please send them so we can make an informed decision.

We want to share with you a Patriotic quilt that we want to make for the 2026 show. I think we can call the quilt "Celebrations in Paradise" which would also be a good name for our show, either way we decide, Avenue of Valor or Featured Quilter. Linda Brown



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Upcoming Quilt Shows

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

July 10-13 Log Cabin Quilters Fairgrounds Hayfork, CA During the hours of the fair

Aug 28 – Sept 1 Mountain Quail Quilt Guild Inner Mountain Fairgrounds MacArther, CA

Sept 19-20th Foothill Quilters Guild Auburn Veterans Hall 100 East Street Auburn, CA Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4

Oct 4-5th Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild Lake County Fairgrounds 401 Martin St, Lakeport, CA Sat & Sun 10-4

Oct 18-19th Mountain Quilt and Craft Guild Ponderosa Community Center Brownsville, CA Both days 10-4

Nov 8-9 Oroville Piecemakers Gold Country Casino Mooretown Rancheria Gym 2 Alverda Drive Oroville, CA Sat & Sun 10-4

YLI Thread Gift Certificate

The thread has arrived and most has been delivered. I will bring the rest of the thread to Drop In and to the General meeting. I've been using some Dream Seam, and I am very pleased with it. Please let me know if I should get a wholesale license and provide a constant ability to get more in the future.



Community Service

Received Quilt tops 4 Completed quilts 3 Longarmed 3 Clothes covers 2 Placemat 1

Gifted Quilts 4 Placemats 2

Thank you, Jeri Community Service

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

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MEETING JUNE 17TH @ 10:00 AM AT

780 LUTHER DRIVE, PARADISE

