



Yuba Sutter

Valley Quilt Guild

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March 2024

Notes from Sandy

Thank you to Janelle and Colleen along with the 2024 Quilt Show Committee! We had wonderful weather and a tremendous display from the talented members of our guild.

Thank you also to all family members and friends who helped with set up and take down of the show. Our new system displays quilts beautifully and they really pop out at you with the black drapes.

The ribbon cutting was a fun event and when one of our Century 21 volunteers won a quilt that topped off the night.

Mary Marusin, our featured quilter, displayed many beautiful works of art. It was special that we could share her surprise to her husband with her Jeep quilt.

It was an honor to participate in the presentation of our Veteran quilts. Again we continue to find ways to support our community.

As President I'm proud to be a member of Valley Quilt Guild. It's wonderful when members support each other despite their various opinions

Always, Sandy



PROGRAMS, SPEAKERS, & UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed. 03/27, General Meeting – Member Showcase with Melanee Vieira and Barbara Kiehn

Opportunity Quilt

Hello Quilty Friends!

Our quilt show, "Colors of the Valley," was fabulous! Sew much color, sew much activity, sew much fun. With the culmination of the show, my time traveling with the Opportunity Quilt is complete.

Thank you Diane Leighton and Thea Norum for the last outing at the Racquet Club.

As I will be stepping away from the Opportunity Quilt Chairwoman position (yes, YOU can fill this spot for next year!) I'd like to thank all of the ladies and men that traveled with me or took the quilt over the past several years. Many of these quilting friends traveled multiple times to several different guilds/events (Barbara Buehrle, Barbara Gilmore, Pat Smith, Diane Leighton, Delaina Watson, DeRay Jensen, Sharon Easter) to name a few. I appreciate each and every one of you that helped me accomplish the task(s) at hand. I've enjoyed making new quilting friends, traveling to other guilds and experiencing their hospitality, lunches/dinners, and lovely quilting conversations.

I would like to encourage YOU to participate in the guild as the Opportunity Quilt Chairperson. We can all contribute to the success of our guild and our quilt show in a variety of ways. I'm happy to talk, share, teach, and help in the transition.

Thank you, Valley Quilt Guild for the love and support as your Opportunity Quilt Chairwoman.

Deanna Williams

The lucky winner of the Opportunity Quilt was Muriel Van Middlesworth!



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Community Service

Community Service at the Quilt Show

The quilt show is a wonderful opportunity to meet new members and visitors as well as connect with those we have not seen recently. I hope you remembered to wear your nametag because it makes connecting with other members easier.

Thank you to everyone who stopped by the Community Service booth. We sold two quilts (both to members) and had many visitors put together squares to make nine patches which Millie Berryhill graciously took home to make into Community Service tops. Special thanks to our sewers: Evon Smith, Patsy Harger (a newer member), Robin Asby, Helen Sousa, Marilyn Hill, Gail Campbell, Millie and Sharon Easter. The Community Service booth also generated interest in our fidget quilts.

Community Service this Past Month

Did you know that for most quilts, the backs need to be pieced? Thank you to Sandra Torres, Nicki Lura, Barb Gilmore and Betty Sahley for helping us with this mundane task.

As usual, we have more members to thank for their part in Community Service this month, not including at the show. Thanks to Linda Matsumoto, Barbara Shinn, Marsha Biggs, Kathy Mackey, Melanee Vieira, Patty Dodge, Ruenell Givans, Susan Steward and Delaina Watson.



Basket Raffle

The basket raffle winners this year were:

Candy Michielsen, Stephanie Qunitera, Louis Franklin, Cynthia Bullfinch, Kathren Fielder, Barbara Kiehn, Joan Sampson, and Jody Ohrt (she won two baskets). Renee Hunter won the sewing machine.



Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter

The next meeting for QGNQ will be on April 27th in Lakeport, sponsored by the Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild. More information will be coming around the first part of April. It should be a very nice trip.

Come join us if you can.

Sharon Easter, Rep.



Fat Chance - A Year in Colors

Spring has sprung so get your Colors of Spring fat quarters ready to bring to the March general meeting.

Think of gardens, baby animals, and bright Spring colors.



Valley Quilt Guild Website

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 the newsletters. 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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Looking Forward

Coming together and putting on a great quilt show is a good feeling, and always makes me smile. I'm exhausted, but still smiling. If you were there Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday, you saw a lot of members working together to put on the show. If you were there all four of those days, you noticed some other people who were there all four of those days. No question it is a lot of work, but it is also very rewarding. Great job everyone!

And now to look forwards. We have a quilt show coming up in a year, on March 8 & 9, 2025. Our policies state:

If no person has volunteered to be Quilt Show Chairperson by January for the following years show, the Board assumes Quilt Show responsibilities and the Opportunity Quilt must be started ASAP.

They also state:

The Guild President cannot be the Quilt Show Chairperson, at the same time.

But we can all contribute ideas. At the March board meeting on Monday, March 11, the board decided to chair the 2025 show as a board. We voted for a theme of "Country Living" and got started with an idea for the opportunity quilt, not yet set in stone as we need to get permission for the use of someone else's patterns.

We are looking for a member to commit to being chair in 2026 and another member to commit to 2027 (or two people who would co-chair both years). Then the idea would be to keep those two people in the loop on everything we do this year, so that when you chair, you have a handle on everything. Please consider if this is a place you could give of your talents. It's not easy, but it is rewarding. And please let someone on the board know if you would be willing.

We also need people to lead all the other show committees. There are people who have been doing the same job for years, because there is a need, but it doesn't mean we wouldn't teach or include someone else. If you have an interest, please let us (the board) know, and if you are willing to continue in your position, please let us know that as well.

Possible places to contribute

- Admissions/Entry Desk

- Basket Raffle

- Children's Activity (Scavenger Hunt)

- Challenge Quilts (this position definitely needs a new volunteer)

- Decorations/Flowers (Kitchen, Opp Quilt Table, Entry Table, Bathroom)

- Demonstrations

- Entry Forms/Layout

- Facilities (Open and close each day-you have the fair keys, oversee the hanging of the windsocks on Thursday, put the first and last windsock out front each morning and bring it in each night, and a few other things)

- Friday lunch

- Publicity

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Quilt Descriptions/Cards

Setup/Take Down Poles and Drapes

Show Pins (make sure you spell Valley correctly)

Show Treasurer

Vendors

Windsock

White Gloves

Information Booth

Judging

Name Tags

Opportunity Quilt Tickets (Keeping track of who has been given tickets, who has returned, and money made.)

Opportunity Quilt Marketing

Opportunity Quilt Desk at the show.

Graphic Design for the bookmark, posters and programs.

It takes us all ... please let us know where you are willing to help, or if you are willing to be mentored.

More Looking Forward

The show isn't the only place you can help. You can also help out by being on the board. We will need a new slate for the five elected positions soon. We ABSOLUTELY need volunteers for President and 1st and 2nd VPs. They have reached the end of their terms. Do you have a group of three friends and you could all work together?

President

1st Vice President2nd Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

And if you are interested in any of the committee positions please let us know. Again, we have people who have held these positions a long time (no term limits), but that doesn't mean if one of you are interested, they wouldn't love to mentor you so they can then take a break.

Block of the month

Community Service

Facilities

Fair Staffing

Fair Block Contest

Fair Liaison/Setup

Fat Chance

Hospitality

Membership

NCQC/QGNQ Representative

Newsletter

Property

Publicity

Sunshine

310 Club/Totally Me

UFO's

Webmaster



Upcoming Quilt Shows 2024

Mar 21-23	Quilt, Craft, Sewing Festival Cal Expo Sacramento, CA Thur-Fri 10-5, Sat 10-4	May 17-18	Roseville Quilters Guild 1545 Pleasant Grove Blvd Roseville, CA Fri 10-5, Sat 10-4
April 19-20	Loomis Quilt & Fiber Guild 1st United Methodist Church 6414 Brace Rd Loomis, CA Fri & Sat 10-4	May 18-19	Flying Needles Quilters Guild Yolo County Fairgrounds 1250 E. Gum Ave, Woodland Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3:30
April 27-28	Pine Tree Quilt Guild Nevada Co. Fairgrounds Grass Valley, CA Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4	July 24-27	Pacific Int'l Quilt Festival Santa Clara Conv. Center Santa Clara, CA W, Th, F, Sat



Board Meeting Minutes

VQG BOARD MEETING
Monday, March 11, 2024 4:00-5:30
Crossroads Community Church
445 B Street, Yuba City

Attendees: Sandy Parker, President; Deanna Williams, 1st Vice President; Colleen Pelfrey, Co-2nd Vice President, Jan A. Thompson, Co-2nd Vice President; Bonnie Sloan, Secretary; Marcella (Marci) Westhouse, Treasurer; Cooky Amarel, Parliamentarian; Sharon Easter, NCQC & QGNQ Representative;; Nicki Lura, Membership; Leann Weldon, Newsletter; Linda Matsumoto, Sunshine; and Eileen Milligan, BOM.

I. Call to Order: A meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild Board was scheduled for March 11, 2024, at the Crossroads Community Church. The meeting was called to order at 4:14pm.

II. Announcements and additions to the agenda:

None.

III. Secretary: A motion to approve the minutes of the February 2024 meeting as written was made by Colleen Pelfrey and seconded by Linda Matsumoto. A unanimous vote to approve the minutes as written followed.

Correspondence: A thank you note to the guild was received from a cancer quilt recipient, Pat Hill.

IV. Treasurer: Marci reported the following bank account balances: general checking \$2,680.92; fair equity \$1,511,49; savings \$10,729.91.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

2025 Quilt Show – A motion to approve the 2025 theme, Country Living, was made by Colleen Pelfrey and seconded by Leann Weldon. A unanimous vote to approve the 2025 theme, Country Living, followed. The Show will be held on March 8 and 9, 2025.

The Board will chair the 2025 Quilt Show. Colleen will put together a list of item/tasks that need to be completed for the show, from start to finish, complete with timelines.

Further discussion was had regarding ideas for the 2025 show, such as wooden barn quilts, which could be shared with the Fair, and charged to the Fair Equity account. Colleen will create the center panel for the show opportunity quilt and others will look into permission from Lorie Holt to use her blocks. Other ideas included possibly honoring/awarding first responders with quilts at the 2025 show.

Committee Reports:

Vice Presidents: April's meeting will have a Member Showcase, including Barbara Kiehn and Melanee Vieira (with some help from Marsha Biggs).

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Community Service: Bonnie reported a thank you note had been received from Pat Hill for the quilt she received at the Cancer Center and how much it meant to her.

Membership: Nikki reported 4 new members and 1 returning affiliate signed up at the quilt show this past weekend.

Quilt Show: Feedback is coming in from the show, and additional information will be shared as it comes in. Jan A Thompson reported that attendance was 430.625 on Saturday, and 277.625 on Sunday. (She determined attendance from the entry desk income. Fractions are due to people donating their change.) Colleen is considering a sew day to address concerns from newer members regarding prepping a quilt to be judged, things judges look for, and clarification about judging categories. The accounting recap and quilt show budget are hereby incorporated into these minutes.

Opportunity Quilt: Deanna reported \$982 in ticket sales.

Other: Leann noted that the newsletter deadline for this month will be this coming **Friday, March 15th.**

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

The next Board Meeting will be held on **Monday, April 8, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.,** at Crossroads Community Church.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Sloan, Secretary.



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- Co 2nd VPs** Colleen Pelfrey/Jan A. Thompson
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- Treasurer** Marcela Westhouse
- Parliamentarian** Cooky Amarel

Chairpersons 2023-2024

- 2023 Quilt Show** Janel Willis
- 2023 Opp Qlt Promo** Deanna Williams
- 2023 Qlt Show Treasurer** Barbara Buehrle
- B.O.M Challenge 2023** Eileen Milligan/Colleen Pelfrey
- Christmas Party Community Service** Sandra Torres
- Facilities** VQG Board
- Fair Staffing** Barbara Gilmore
- Fair Block Contest** Diane Leighton
- Fair Liaison/Setup** Barbara Buehrle
- Fat Chance** Carleen Hagen
- Hospitality** Colleen Pelfrey
- Membership** Cooky Amarel
- NCQC/QGNQ Newsletter** Dorothy Lindsay/Dixie Hargrove
- Property Publicity, Guild Sunshine** Melanee Vieira, Marsha Biggs, Evon Smith
- 310 Club-Totally Me UFO's** Nicki Lura
- Webmaster** Sharon Easter
- 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 \$40.00 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 \$44.00 with a business listing each month. Affiliate members receive a 10% discount for paying a year of ads paid in advance.

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