

PPQG Meeting Minutes 9/18/2025

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Judy Riddle in the absence of co-presidents Kathy Mayda and Francie Angwin. Our thoughts and prayers are with Francie, as her husband is going through some heart issues. We hope that Kathy's knee problems can be resolved soon.

There were 15 members present, and two visitors (our speaker and friend). Judy mentioned that we need people to help in positions in the Guild.

Judy announced that Kelly Colburn will be doing the Art in the Redwoods quilt for 2026.

Hospitality:

Goodies were provided by Kathy Mayda and Mary Banach. A request was made to help clean up at the end of the meeting.

Fundraising (AIR and FOT): Mary Banach

Kits are available for people to take home and sew items to sell at AIR and FOT. At the Second Thursday sew-in people helped to make these kits. There were two drawings for fundraising items turned in. Susanne Scholz won the August prize and Mary Banach won the September prize.

Treasurer's Report: Judy for Kim Madson

Our current bank balance is \$23,938.48. Our AIR sales netted the Guild \$3,499.47.

Membership Report: Jan Carter for Gail Spencer

We welcome new member Loretta Zweig.

Program 2025-2026: Sylvia Evans, Bonnie Coffey-Smith

This week we had a two-day class taught by Margreth Barrett on making landscape quilts. Jan Carter showed an in-progress wall hanging from the class.

Our October workshop is Lorraine Woodruff-Long. She was here and taught a different class earlier this year. This workshop will be about using thrifted or cast-off shirts as fabric to make quilts. In October Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild in Lakeport is having their annual quilt show. The dates are October 4-5. It was suggested some of us might want to make a road trip to attend this show. Also, there are barn quilts on display in Lake County, and that might make a good road trip, too.

(Added later: the website for the barn quilts is lcqt.site)

In January 2026 we will have a two-day workshop to make veterans' quilts. In June we will have a two-day workshop to work on comfort quilts.

In February 2026 our program will be Helen Banach (Mary's niece) giving a lecture about Underground Railroad quilts.

Library: Iris Lorenz-Fife

At our next meeting we will be having a book sale of books from our library. Iris asked for help with pre-sales sorting and setting up of the sale.

Festival of Trees Christmas Tree: Judy for Kathy Mayda

Kathy Mayda is in charge of the tree for this year.

Community Outreach: Cheryl Faconti

No report.

Challenge 2026: Judy for Jeri Kennedy

Judy read a report that Jeri sent to her. Kendra has our Challenge Show information up on the GAC website. She will also have entry forms printed and available at GAC as well as on the GAC website. May 6 is the quilt turn-in date. For members who cannot physically shop at The Loft, Jan Carter has offered to do the shopping for them. They only need to contact her and she will make the trek up the stairs and send photos, recommendations, whatever is required. The prizes will be: First prize is a \$100 Visa card and a gift basket. We will have ribbons for Viewers' Choice: first, second, and third place. March 19 is our Finish That Challenge Quilt Workshop. She would like volunteers to teach straight edge binding, bias binding, and sleeve making. Please call or email her if you can help with any of these demonstrations.

Comfort Quilts and Fanny Basket: Marcia Luchini

Marcia reported that one comfort quilt was given out last month. She also mentioned that there was a large donation delivered to us by Susanne Scholz which consists of boxes of color-sorted 3 1/2" squares. They are available in the fanny basket.

QOVs: Sandy Lockhart

Sandy showed some extra QOV presentation bags (pillow cases) made by Kathy Mayda, as well as a quilt made by Kathy. We have a goal of making 50 QOVs by the fall of 2026. These should be lap-size quilts. There was a discussion of what to call these quilts, since Quilts of Valor is a national organization that we are not affiliated with. "Veteran's Honor Quilt" was suggested and carried unanimously.

Retreat: Jan Carter

The 2026 retreat will be February 2-5 at the Oxford Suites Hotel in Rohnert Park. Not as many included meals will be included as before so we'll be eating more on our own. The price per person for retreat fee is not known yet, will be posted soon. Hotel room prices will be the same as last year: \$130.00 per night.

Holiday Luncheon: Judy for Sandy Hughes

The holiday luncheon will be December 4 at Miramar Grill. Please arrive at 11:30 for a group photo. There are three menu choices: enchiladas with rice and beans (choice of meat), taco salad (choice of vegetarian or chicken), or fish and chips (choice of salad or fries).

The price is \$30 per person, and it needs to be cash or check. There will also be a tip basket to pass at the luncheon. The deadline to sign up is the November meeting.

Newsletter: Judy Riddle

Have news items and/or photos to Judy by the 25th.

Name Tag Drawing: Andrea Polk

The drawing was won by Judy Riddle.

Show & Tell:

Three veteran's quilts that were made at our workshop were shown. There were also two veteran quilts made by Marilyn Alderson. Iris Lorenz-fife showed an 1811 quilt from a friend, and a crazy quilt, both made by the same person. Charlene Younker showed a cyanotype quilt top and pieces that she has been making. Jan Carter showed a partially made pink breast cancer quilt that she is making for her daughter.

The meeting adjourned at 2:18.

Our guest speaker was Doug Smith.