### Mother Lode Quilters' Guild Newsletter



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Meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month and there is no meeting in December. Meetings begin at 6:30 pm at the Creekside United Methodist Church in Sutter Creek.

Remember to wear your name badge, bring Comfort Quilts, Show and Tell, and Block of the Month. When it's your turn, bring snacks.

See you March 24, 2025

#### From our MLQG President-Carlene Drake

My treatments are continuing and the side effects have been manageable. Thank you all for your continued support, it means a lot. I love all the rain we've been getting, but I do find my energy level and motivation are better on sunny days. The new opportunity quilt is beautiful and ready to help us with our fund raising so that we can enjoy inspiring speakers like we have scheduled for our next meeting. It can be fun to take it to other guild meetings if you have time. It's always nice visit another guild and see how their meetings run. It's also not too early to think about what you would like to have ready to enter into the Amador County Fair this summer. Happy Sewing!!!

#### From our MLQG Vice-President-Trudy Bauman

We have an exciting trunk show for this month's meeting. Our speaker is Lola Newman from Stitchin' By The River Studio. I first saw her work at the Quilt, Craft and Sewing Expo at Cal Expo several years ago and was blown away by her designs. She specializes in vintage hand embroidery and her designs are all original, some with historical themes. Even if you aren't a lover of handwork, I think you will enjoy her embroidery. If you are planning to attend this year's Quilt, Craft and Sewing Expo, stop by her booth and say "hello".

Because I am an idiot, I scheduled a trip to Mexico at the same time as the March meeting. As a result, I won't be there to enjoy the trunk show. Anelie will run the meeting in my place and Rhonda will assist with our speaker. Please make Lola feel welcome!

April will usher in the "Tip of the Month". We all have quilting tips and tricks that we have discovered over the years. Maybe you have a great method of attaching a binding, the best way of achieving that perfect 1/4" or a quick way to cut multiple blocks at one time. Whatever your tip might be, we would love to have you share it with the group. It was also suggested that we have a review of a quilting tool. Maybe you have a particular tool you can't live without or a favorite book that you reference regularly. Is there a brand of thread you prefer to use? Let me know what you would like to review and we will include your review at the April meeting.

Don't forget the free table. Bring in those unwanted projects, left over fabrics, patterns, etc., it could be treasure to someone else.

Have a great March meeting. I will be thinking of you as I lay on a warm, sandy beach in the Gulf of Mexico......maybe......



#### Hospitality Penni Parsons Rhonda Simpson

Lorrie Albin
Mar Douglas
Gale Sunderland
Dawn Schaaf

Rebecca Albin Sherry Duke Sherry Phinney Donna Swanner



Suzy Morton	3/6
Sherry Phinney	3/6
Kathy Allen	3/7
Tacy Zschokke	3/18
Mary Rose Olmstead	3/19



#### Membership Kathy Beach - Rebecca Albin

There were 30 members and 1 guest at the February meeting.

The current membership list is attached please review and let us know if there are any errors.

#### Treasurer's Report Becky Podesta

<b>\$ 17,998.18</b> balance	February beginning
\$ 315.00	Income for February
\$ 1,431.24	Expenses for February
<b>\$ 16,881.94</b> balance	February ending







## **Country Store Heather Beers**

Life is good! I hope everyone is doing well and enjoying life.

First, I am hoping that the Rancheria accepts our application to participate in their market place on Saturday, April 26th. Set-up is 7:30 AM and take down is 2pm. We will need help then and the hours in between. We will also need some help going through the storage unit, sorting out items that will be appropriate for the show. I can help put items together and make sure they are priced. Hopefully I will have some answers by our next meeting.

As I have mentioned before, we need pot holders and I think some Spring or Summer table runners. Please consider making some.

We will keep you posted as we know what is going to happen. Smiles to all!

#### Mother Lode Quilters' Guild General Membership Meeting February 24, 2025

**Officers present:** Past President Anelie Belden, Vice President Trudy Bauman, Treasurer Becky Podesta, Secretary Misty Hall

The meeting was called order at 6:30 pm by Trudy

**Attendance reported:** 28 Member's Present; 1 Guests.

**Membership:** If you need a name badge, please see Rebecca. They are \$15 each.

January's Minutes were approved by Lorrie and seconded by Mary Rose.

**Opportunity Quilt:** Tickets are ordered, please see Tacy to pick yours up.

**Correspondence:** We received an entry form from the Artichoke Festival if anyone is interested in entering a quilt and a newsletter from A-PAL.

**Treasurer's Report:** Our liability insurance has increased this year, it is \$911. We no longer get a discount for our storage, those fees are \$108. Our expenses were \$1231. We started with \$17,998.18 and ended with \$16,766.94.

Anelie Belden was our guest speaker tonight. She shared with us her trip through Germany, France and Austria and had some amazing photos as well. She visited the Patchwork & Arts Textiles Quilt show while she was there.

We are going to start sharing Tips of the month beginning in April. If you have a suggestion or a helpful tip you would like to share, let us know. One great suggestion came from Mary Rose- she suggested we also share product reviews of what we like and what we don't like.

The guild is looking to teach classes to youth to help inspire future quilters and sewists.

Trudy provided information about the different committees for those who asked at the last meeting. Trudy and Carlene are going to work on publicity together.

Sierra Gold will be hosting a card making workshop at the Lutheran Church in Pine Grove on March 12, 2025 from 9:00-3:00 pm. If you are interested, see Anelie. The cost is \$35 per person. She will follow-up with a supply list later on.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm







#### Let's Get Acquainted Rhonda Simpson

Each month Rhonda is going to interview a member. This month's interviewee is Becky Podesta.

MLQG: Where were you born?

BP: I was born in Modesto and moved to Madera and Fresno due to my dad's work but ended up in Jackson when I was in the  $10^{\rm th}$  grade.

MLQG: Oh, so did you know Suzy Morton growing up?

BP: Yes, we became friends when I got married and we even used to work together and my husband and her husband were best friends.

MLQG: I love small towns! So, you're married. Do you have any children?

BP: Yes, I 've been married for 50 years and I have two children and 4 grandchildren.

MLQG: What did you do for a living?

BP: I am an accountant. I worked for the Auditor's office but for about a year, I worked at the Assessor's office but found I appreciated accounting more so returned to the Auditor's office and retired on 12-12-12.

MLQG: When did you start quilting?

BP: I was looking toward my retirement and thought about something to occupy my time and Suzy quilted so I thought I'd give that a try. I've sewn before (made my sister's wedding dress when I was 15) and thought those two hobbies would match up. I started quilting about 15 years ago.

MLQG: What's the best and worst thing about quilting?

BP: I don't like it when I lose my corners but I love the calmness that sewing brings.

MLQG: Do you have other hobbies or likes?

BP: Yes, I've tole painted and sold my items at a craft fair one time and only one time. I've tried my hand at crewel work and crochet but didn't favor them as much as sewing. I love music and watching sports but college sports mostly. They play with more heart than the professionals. I've traveled a lot with Butch and we've visited all 50 states.

MLQG: Wow! Not a lot of people can say they've been to all 50 states. Which was your favorite or where would you choose to live?

BP: I'd live in Montana, Idaho or Wyoming, even Maine or Hawaii but only if my kids would move too. I didn't particularly care for Florida or the Everglades. I really enjoyed Archers National Park in Utah as well as Bryce Canyon and loved the Niagara Falls (both Canada and U.S. side).

MLQG: Do you pre-shrink your quilting fabrics?

BP: Yes, but only the batiks because they can bleed.







## MARCH 20-22

CAL EXPO

1600 Exposition Blvd.

Building C&D.

Parking in lot D





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#### We will be selling..

- Fabrics
- Patterns
- Thread
- Notions
- And more!





#### For more Information







#### **Upcoming Quilt Shows**



North Wind Quilters Guild Spring Has Sprung March 22 – 10am – 5pm March 23 – 10am – 5pm Fairfield Adult Recreation Center 1200 Harry Price Drive Fairfield, CA 94533 www.northwindquiltersguild.com Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival March 20 - 10am - 5pm March 21 - 10am - 5pm March 22 - 10am - 4pm Cal Expo Bldgs C & D 1600 Exposition Blvd Sacramento, CA 95815 Calexpostatefair.com/event



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#### **February Show and Tell**



































