Mother Lode Quilters' Guild Newsletter



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Meetings are held the 4th 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.

August 2025

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 August 25, 2025

From our MLOG President - Carlene Drake

I hope you're staying cool as we finish off this summer. Thank you to everyone who is working on fall and Halloween projects to sell at the Witches Walk. I've seen some really nice things in progress. We have secured the Community Center for our "Quilters Garage" sale on September 13th. No business licenses are needed. Take a look at your stash and see if you would like to clear some things out. Don't forget -- next meeting we celebrate summer's end with our Ice Cream Social.



From our MLQG Vice President - Trudy Bauman

It's Ice Cream Social Month! I hope everyone signed up to bring goodies for this annual event. In addition to enjoying some frozen delights, Kathy Allen from Quilts by Kat will be bringing a selection of her current fabrics. She has recently contracted with Riley Blake so will have a nice selection of their fabrics, in addition to the latest and greatest Moda fabrics. So, bring your check book or credit card and add to your stash! While you are perusing the fabric table, we will show a few Instagram quilting tips and tricks to improve your quilting techniques.

Our Quilters' Garage Sale is on. The date is 9/13 and the location is the Sutter Creek Community Center. The cost of a table is \$40. We will begin setting up at 8:00 am and the sale begins at 10. This is a great opportunity to get rid of unwanted fabrics, patterns, kits and even UFOs. There may be the perfect person out there to finish your old, unwanted stuff and you could make a few dollars as well!

Karen Bolan will be our speaker at the September meeting. Her lecture is entitled, "Learn with Every Quilt". It should be interesting!

See you by the ice cream scoop.

Mother Lode Quilters' Guild General Membership Meeting July 28, 2025

Officers Present: President Carlene Drake, Vice President Trudy Bauman, Treasurer Becky Podesta, Secretary Misty Hall, Past President Anelie Belden The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

Membership: 28 members 0 guests

Approval of Previous months minutes: 1st Trudy, 2nd Kathy and Ulla

Visiting Guild: Tacy from River City Quilters Guild with their quilt "All the Colors of the Rainbow"

Correspondence: Request for Patriotic Lap Blankets, we will ask Suzy to forward the email. Sierra Quilt Guild quilt show notification; A-PAL newsletter; 23rd Annual Falling Leaves Quilt Show; Delta Quilters Guild 2025 Quilt Show.

Treasurer: Beginning balance \$13,929.44 Incoming \$77 Spent \$1504.85

Witches Walk: Anelie volunteered to be in charge. Volunteer sign-up sheet and a sign-up sheet for items to be made. We will have square available for purchases. The event will be from 3:00-7:00 pm on October 25, 2025. We will need to get there early to set-up. Anelie is following up with the event with some questions.

Quilter's Yard Sale: We will get more information and have a board meeting via Zoom and get information out by email.

Carlene and Trudy went to Sisters in Oregon and shared their presentations. It was the 50th Anniversary of the Sisters Quilt Show.

Challenge Quilt: It's the 250th Birthday of the United States of America. Red, White and Blue theme and it needs to be no more than 100" inches.

Country Store: Heather is making tags for all the wares. Contact her if you need anything.

Comfort Quilts: We sent out 12-18 quilts a few months ago. If you need any papers, see Sherry. **Hospitality:** August is our Ice Cream Social

Quilt Show: Anelie suggested we should come up with a patriotic theme. We should make 10 or so, quilts for Veteran's and honor them in our community.

Upcoming: Kathy Allen is coming in August and now has a contract with Riley Blake. We will also be having our ice cream social. September Karen Bolen is coming for an art quilt lecture.

Fair: Becky thanked everyone for signing up and has given out tickets and parking passes to those who have volunteered. Quilt judging went well. We will have a sign-up sheet to come to meetings and Becky will bring her featherweight to sew and business cards.

Minutes - continued

New Business: NCQC did they have any fundraising ideas? Anelie expressed social media is very helpful. She shared she found out that personally mailed invitations to friends invited them to the quilt show. Many ideas were shared but Anelie will look in her notes. Many guilds see a boost in membership after county fairs. Possible two different Facebook pages. One for members and one for advertising/sharing with the public. Rebecca will create one for publicity's sake.

Meeting adjourned: 8:28 pm

July Show and Tell

















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Upcoming Quilt Shows

Sierra Quilt Guild of Tuolumne County Sept. 19 & 20 – 9am -4pm Mother Lode Fairgrounds 220 Southgate Dr. Sonora, CA 95370 www.sierraquiltguild.com Foothill Quilters Guild Stars of the Foothills Sept. 19 – 10am - 4pm Sept. 20 - 10am - 3pm Parkside Church 3885 Richardson Dr. Auburn, CA 95602 www.foothillquilters.org Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival Sept. 25 & 26 - 10am - 5pm Sept. 27 - 10am - 4pm Alameda County Fairgrounds Building A 2005 Valley Ave. Gate 8 Pleasanton, CA 94566 www.quiltcraftsew.com

Country Store Heather Beers

The fair was beautiful. I really enjoyed seeing all the talented entries everyone had at the fair. Truthfully it was about all I saw of the fair. Nice job ladies.

Thank you to everyone that has stepped up with their Country Store donations. Becky went to town with those lovely towels, Misty challenged herself with mini table runners, and Carla had some cute themed potholders. We love getting new items for the store. We always need potholders and for now Fall Seasonal items.

In regards to The Witches Walk - Thank You for everyone who signed-up to make items. I have 14 pins made so far. Yeah!

On a side note, I am planning on making and mailing Christmas stockings and ornaments for families who were affected by the fires this year in Altadena. My goal is to mail them just before Thanksgiving. If you want to make stockings and/or ornaments and send them with my stuff just let me know. My girlfriend is currently helping me with where we are actually going to send them. There were 9,000 structures burned in the fire. I just felt it would be a nice thing to do.

Stay cool and enjoy the end of summer. Smiles, Heather

Amador County Fair 2025 Becky Podesta

The Amador County Fair is over!!

Huge thank you to everyone who volunteered to help! Our ticket sales were only \$214, but we got lots of publicity.

Thank you to the volunteers who sewed my $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inch strips. We have enough blocks for 3 or 4 comfort quilts. I will bring one I started to the meeting.

Hospitality Penni Parsons - Rhonda Simpson

Gale Sunderland-Cookies Dawn Schaaf-Something Penni Parsons-Sugar Cones Nancy Horst-Jones-Fruit **Ulla-Something Salty** Chloe Albin-Caramel Sauce Lorrie Albin-Maraschino Cherries Rebecca Albin-Bananas Trudy-Ice Cream Amy Summers-Chopped Pretzels/Peanuts Misty Hall-Ice Cream Becky Podesta-Ice Cream Terrie Van Scyoc-Ice Cream & Nuts Heather Beers-Cookies Anelie Belden-Chocolate Sauce Kathy Beach-Bowls

Membership Kathy Beach - Rebecca Albin

At the July meeting we had 28 members in attendance and 0 guests. We were very happy to see Carlene and Mary Beth come back.

Treasurer's Report Becky Podesta

Treasurer's Report for July

\$ 12,551.59

13,929.44	Beginning Balance
127.00	Income
1,504.85	Expenses
	127.00

Ending Balance



Kathryn Sharp Carla O'Dell	8/13 8/14
Trudy Bauman	8/15
Anelie Belden	8/17
Merry Smith	8/27

Let's Get Acquainted Rhonda Simpson

Each month Rhonda is going to interview a member. This month's interviewee is Carla O'Dell

MLQG: Where were you born?

CO: I was born in San Francisco in 1949 so that makes me a true forty-niner. We moved to San Jose when I was two years old. That's where I graduated then went to Bryant and Stratton and received my certificate. I've also lived in Long Beach and Hawaii. We moved to Sutter Creek in 1990 but my parents moved here in 1976.

MLQG: Then you've witnessed a lot of changes. Where was the Safeway when you moved here and what did you retire from?

CO: It was by Joann's. I remember visiting my parents and there were no signal lights only stop signs. I worked at FMC for 17 years in San Jose then CA Administration for 20 years and still do part-time work for them, when needed.

MLQG: Are you in a relationship?

CO: Yes, I've been married to my husband John for 43 years and we have 3 children.

MLQG: When did you start quilting?

CO: Most likely about 10 years ago. Donna and Dawn introduced me to the guild.

MLQG: What type of quilts do you prefer making and what's the best and worst part to you? **CO:** I like traditional quilts and I like the piecing aspect of it but I send out my quilts to be quilted and then I bind it myself.

MLQG: Do you have other hobbies?

CO: Yes, I used to make a lot of my clothing as well as my daughter Colleen's clothes and her cabbage patch doll clothes. I like to needlepoint; hand embroidery and I've done macramé and machine applique. I recently made Old Glory by Lolita Newman of Stitchin' by the River Studios that included both piecing and machine applique on it. I also enjoy baking and reading.

MLQG: Do you pre-wash your fabrics?

CO: Yes. I'll also treat my batiks in Retayne to prevent bleeding and I'll wash my dark fabrics with color catchers. I don't wash my pre-cuts.

MLQG: Do you iron your fabrics?

CO: Yes, before I use them, I'll iron them out but after I wash them, I just fold them and put them in plastic bags. That way I know they've been treated.

MLQG: Do you sew with your shoes on or off? **CO:** I usually have a shoe, flip flop on or a sock.



