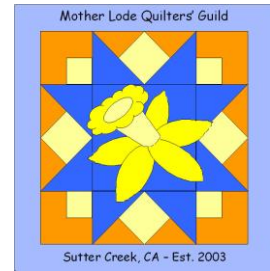


Mother Lode Quilters' Guild Newsletter



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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.

Remember to wear your name badge, bring Comfort Quilts and Show and Tell. When it's your turn, bring snacks.
See you June 22, 2026

MLQG President -Penni Parsons

Hello Quilters! I just wanted to take a moment to check in with everyone as we head into summer. I hope you're finding a little extra time to enjoy your quilting, whether that's trying something new, finishing up a favorite project, or stitching in short, sunny bursts between summer activities. We're looking forward to another fun and creative summer together and can't wait to see what everyone is working on. Wishing you a happy, relaxed, and inspiration-filled summer! Bummer, I will be celebrating my birthday in Spain so, I will miss this month's meeting. I'll definitely be back for our July meeting.

Quilt Show-October 3 & 4

MLOG Vice-President - Rebecca Albin

I'm happy to share that we've finalized everything with the City of Sutter Creek and all our meetings for the remainder of 2026 will take place at the Sutter Creek Community Building at 35 Church Street, right next to the park.

Before our next meeting on June 22, we'll be hosting a daytime Sit and Sew. From 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. We will have basic supplies available, including cutting mats, irons, and ironing boards. Please bring any additional tools or materials you prefer to work with. You're welcome to bring your own lunch, snacks, and drinks, or you can head downtown to one of the nearby restaurants. We'll also have access to the kitchen, which includes a microwave and refrigerator.

In other business, our June speaker will be Tayva Singer from Cali Quilt Co, who will be sharing insights on the new Tula vinyl and jelly vinyl, and all the fun ways you can use it, along with sharing some fun patterns.

Reminder, we need volunteers!

Amador County Fair - we will need people to sell opportunity quilt tickets all 4 days of the fair, see Becky Podesta to sign up.

Quilt Show - come see me to sign up for Friday set up, Saturday and Sunday during the show and Sunday tear down.

We can accomplish tasks faster and with greater ease when we work together. It may be a big undertaking, but many hands make the load lighter. If you're looking for a role that requires less physical effort, please come speak with me so I can help you find the right way to contribute.

Country Store – Heather Beers

Happy June everyone! I hope everyone has some big plans for summer.

I am excited for our Sit and Sew on the day of our Guild meeting. I will do my best to bring a few things but to be honest I am a little buried with summer obligations. Having grandchildren is my joy but does keep me busy. Please, if you have items you are making for the boutique bring them with you.

I can bring patterns if you need them. Just let me know what you are looking for and I will check my stash. I feel like items made out of old jeans/denim might be good movers. I also feel like we could really use more bags.

My June started perfect and I'm looking forward to a positive summer.

Stay cool everyone and I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the Sit and Sew and the meeting. Smiles

Veterans' Quilts Anelie Belden

We have received 3 applications from Veterans in Amador County. They have information about their service, size and color of the quilt they would like. If you are wanting to make a quilt to give for our Veterans, please let me know! If you have already started a quilt, please let me know the colors and size. If you have not started, I can give you some details from the applications I am receiving so you can create it with them in mind. I did see several people raise their hands at the guild meeting but I did not write down names.

Please keep in mind we will be giving these quilts out at the quilt show and then will continue to have them given to Veterans throughout the year. So, if you have anyone you think would like to receive a quilt, give them the application (attached to the newsletter) to fill out. You can give them a self-addressed stamped envelope with my address on it so they can send it to me. Put your return address on the envelope.

Amador County Work Schedule Becky Podesta

Thank you to everyone who has generously volunteered to work at our Guild's table during the County Fair. We do, however, have a few open spots. I realize all the open times are from 6pm-10pm. I will be back to the booth no later than 9pm each day and can release you. I was able to obtain both entry and parking passes for each volunteer. I will distribute the passes at our June Guild meeting. If you need anything, regarding the fair, call me, Becky Podesta, 209-217-4326.

Current signups are:

Thursday, July 30	10-2	Becky Podesta	Norma Hayden
	2-6	JoAnne Coss	Shelia Poore
	6-10	Merry Smith	Amy Smith
Friday, July 31	10-2	Carlene Drake	Trudy Bauman
	2-6	Janis Beach	Kathy Beach
	6-10	Sharon Murphy	_____
Saturday, August 1	10-2	Suzy Morton	Dawn Schaaf
	2-6	Carlene Drake	Trudy Bauman
	6-10	Anelie Belden	_____
Sunday, August 2	10-2	Chloe Albin	Rebecca Albin
	2-6	Carla O'Dell	Donna Swanner
	6-10	Becky Podesta	_____

Mother Lode Quilters' Guild
General Membership Meeting
May 18th, 2026

Officers Present - Vice President Rebecca Albin, Treasurer JoAnne Coss and Secretary Terrie Van Scyoc.

Order - Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

Membership - There were 28 members in attendance with 2 guests.

Minutes - Membership voted to accept the April minutes as printed in the newsletter. Trudy Bauman motioned to approve and Ulla Van Gerrevink seconded the motion.

Treasurer - JoAnne reported a beginning balance of \$17210.10.

Guest Speaker - Did Not Show

Meeting Place - Rebecca has visited the old restored Sutter Creek Elementary School to try and see if it would be suitable for a permanent meeting place. The Community Center may have too many exceptions to be able to be reliable. Terrie will check with our insurance agent to be sure that there would not be any major expense to have our quilt show on a different property than where we meet.

Storage Unit - Rebecca reported having visited a few places and will decide on which to present to the guild after a decision has been made determining whether to change our meeting place or not.

Comfort Quilts - Dawn reported that she and Trudy have separated donated fabrics into 3 coordinating 1yard cuts for members to take and make comfort quilts to donate. They asked that members try to finish them by the end of this year, even if it is just the top. Dawn will quilt any that need it and the guild has backing fabrics and batting for finishing. Sherry will get a count of the quantity of Comfort Quilts already donated and report to us at the June meeting.

Amador County Fair - Becky gave a thorough presentation on how and why we should all participate in our local fairs by entering our Quilts, Knitting and Crochet, Sewing and other talents to inspire all fairgoers. She has included Fair information with our newsletter and reported on a new division where items will be donated to local organizations after the Fair.

Quilt Show - Terrie gave a report on Quilt Show and encouraged members to try to participate in making items for all of the different venues of the show.

Country Boutique - Heather asked folks to continue to make items for the Boutique and she especially needs bowl cozies and potholders.

Publicity - Trudy has contacted the Rotary Club about attending a meeting to make a presentation about our guild, but has had no response.

Bylaws - Trudy and Carlene will be updating the bylaws this year to be approved by the Guild prior to the end of 2026.

BREAK

Meeting Minutes Continued

Veteran Quilts – Terrie again passed out the sign-up sheet for members that had volunteered to make a quilt to donate to a veteran. She received 7 names.

Newsletter – Suzy would like all submissions to the newsletter to be turned in to her by the 10th of June.

Webmaster – Rita says that any information that you can provide will be put up on the Guild site.

Show and Tell

Adjourned – The meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

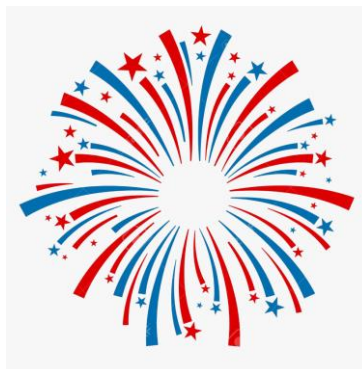
Respectfully submitted by;

Terrie Van Scyoc

Baby Lock Quilter's Dream Series Model BLSR

When Bunny Smith passed away this March, she wanted her sewing machines to go to another quilter. She used this machine at home all the time. It is not one that she took to classes. It is a larger computerized sewing/quilting machine, no embroidery. From what research I have been able to find, the Baby Lock "Quilter's Dream" series Model BLSR was introduced between 2007 and 2010. I do have paperwork that it was cleaned and serviced at Meissner in July 2023. I do not know when Bunny purchased this machine. It has all of its attachments and has 343 built in stitches. It stitches 1,000 stitches per minute. It has a LED touch screen for selecting stitches and making adjustment. It includes an advanced one-hand needle threader and an automatic thread cutter. This is a low shank machine with a sturdy build, designed for precision and includes an extension table. If you are interested, you can check out this **FREE** machine at my home in Jackson. My phone number is 925-628-2188.

Rita Maddock



Let's Get Acquainted Rhonda Simpson

Each month Rhonda will interview a member. This month's interviewee is Heather Beers

MLQG: Where were you born?

HB: I was born in Ottawa Canada but shortly after I was born my dad passed away and we (three-week-old, sister and Mom) moved to Montreal to live with my grandma.

MLQG: Sorry about your dad. When did you move to the United States?

HB: Thank you. When I was 8 years old, we moved to Glendale. I went to college at CSLA and graduated with my degree in Urban Studies and eventually received my master's in teaching with a specialty in reading. I taught first and second grades primarily for Calaveras Unified School District for 30 years. We lived in Sacramento for a while and moved to Sutter Creek in 1980.

MLQG: Do you have children and do they live around here?

HB: Yes, I have a son who lives in Rancho Murieta and a daughter who lives in Sutter Creek. I have four grandkids. I've been married to Paul for thirteen years and I retired ten years ago so I could help with our first grandchild.

MLQG: When did you start sewing/quilting?

HB: It seems I've always sewn. My mother was a seamstress and could look at a picture of a dress and make it. She made her wedding dress and my sister's wedding dress and I hand beaded the lace. I also did some hand beading for my cousin's wedding dress. I took a class from Anelie's quilt shop about 12 years ago and have been quilting ever since. I usually give away the quilts I've made to people who admire them. My goal is to try to sew more. I'm just so involved with my grandkids, it's hard to find the time

MLQG: Totally understand that. What other hobbies do you enjoy?

HB: Any kind of craft out there, I've tried. Painting (all types), drawing, crafts, card making, hand embroidery, crewel work, knitting, stained glass, bird houses and gingerbread houses. I have so many supplies I use one of the upstairs bedrooms for overflow. In fact, the gingerbread houses that are made by the school kids in this area and is now a tradition were started at my kitchen table. My friends and I have donated Christmas stockings and ornaments to individuals affected by the Altadena fire. We've donated hand-made Mothers Day's cards to the meals on wheels program. We've also donated bird houses to Kit Carson.

MLQG: That's great! What do you like best about quilting? Least favorite?

HB: I don't like cutting the fabric as much as I like the creativity of it all.

MLQG: Do you pre-wash your fabrics and do you wear shoes when sewing?

HB: I do not pre-wash my fabrics and I have very sensitive feet so I always have shoes on.

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Delta Quilters Guild
Aug. 9 – 10am – 5pm
Aug. 10 – 10am – 4pm
Brentwood Community
Center
35 Oak Street
Brentwood, CA 94513
www.deltaquilters.org



Membership

Kathy Beach – Chloe Albin

The May meeting was attended by 28 members and 2 guests, for a total of 30 participants.



Hospitality
Sharon Murphy
Norma Hayden

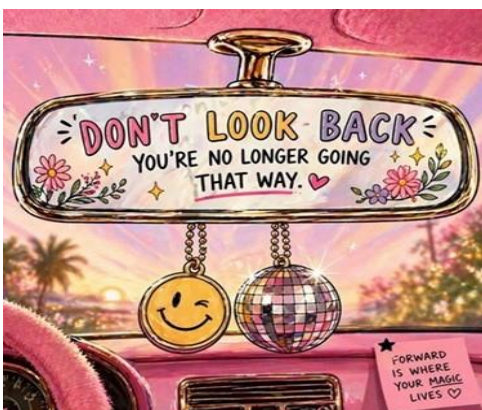
Misty Hall
Ulla Van Gerrevink
Merry Smith



I cooked today—
I made a quilt
sandwich!

Slice of  Quilts

May Show and Tell



What do you call a
bunch of quilters in a
fabric store?

Nuts with Bolts!

It's Quilt Show Year!!!
Stars, Stripes and Stitches
October 3rd and 4th 2026

Volunteers – Our Quilt Show succeeds because of our wonderful volunteers. Please think about where you would like to help. There will be signup sheets out soon at our meetings. It is all fun and you get into the show for free!

Quilts – **We would love to have each of you try to submit 3-5 items.** Any quilts that you have completed in the last two years are eligible to be displayed at our show this October. Our show is exhibition only and we welcome all quilts. Plan to have your top completed by the August meeting so that a picture can be submitted with your entry. August 24th is a **HARD DEADLINE** for entries. We do not want to accept any late entries as it makes the layout committee have to reorganize the rack layouts. Dawn has entry forms ready so that members can start to submit quilts. Please note if your quilt is **FOR SALE**, or **FOR A VETERAN** and your **ORDER of PREFERENCE**, starting with 1.

Show Boutique – Please try to work on as many items as you can for the boutique. If you plan to make a small project double or triple it and have a few to donate.

Country Store – Clean out the sewing room and stash for gently used items that can be sold or made into gifts by the Country Store crew. I have found that it feels good to pass on unused items.

Silent Auction – Here is another place to donate all kinds of small items. We like to have 35-40 items to have a good auction. Signup sheet for this will be available at the April meeting and continue to September.

Quilt Challenge – Carlene has presented her Red, White and Blue Challenge for us all. Let's have a great Patriotic showing! You know the colors and the outside measurements should total 100 inches or less.

Town Merchants – We will be placing small items in businesses on Main Street Sutter Creek for about 5 weeks prior to the show. If you want to sell any items you may price them. It is all to promote our show. These items **DO NOT** have to be made in the last 2 years.

If you have any questions, please ask any one of us at the meetings.

Your friendly Quilt Show Committee; Anelie, Terrie, Dawn, Carlene, Heather, Rebecca, Donna, Trudy and Becky

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Treasurer's Report
JoAnne Coss

Treasurer's Report for May 2026

Carlene Drake	6/2	17,210.10	Beginning Balance
Heather Beers	6/6	616.00	Income
Amy Summers	6/12		
Kathy Beach	6/16	291.00	Expenses
Gale Sunderland	6/16		
Penni Parsons	6/19	17,535.10	Ending Balance
Janis Beach	6/28		
Sharon Murphy	6/30		