

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, Show and Tell, and Block of the Month. When it's your turn, bring snacks.

See you August 24, 2020 (ZOOM)

QUILT SHOW CANCELLED

From our MLQG President-Trudy Bauman

Well, here we are again. The month of August 🌻 is flying by. With stay at home orders and social distancing, I rarely know what day it is, much less the actual date!

July's guild meeting was held via Zoom. It was nice to see other members even if it was on a computer screen. We discussed the cancellation of our quilt show and alternative ways of raising funds to keep the guild running until our next quilt show in 2022. Ideas that we discussed were:

-Holding an online auction. Members could donate items to be auctioned off and the proceeds would go to MLQG. Kathy Allen suggested an auction website called Auctria that could be used. For an annual fee, Auctria would run the event, post pictures of the items, handle the bidding and collect payment. Carlene and I are researching Auctria to see if it's something feasible for us.

-Made In Amador. This little shop in Amador City has had a booming business throughout the pandemic by using online advertising and purchasing as well as a retail shop. Heather is researching whether Made in Amador might be a way of selling some of our Country Store items.

- Outdoor Quilter's Garage Sale. We talked about holding a Quilter's Garage Sale, in either the Spring or Summer of 2021. It would be a single day event and held at the ball field in Sutter Creek, which is available to rent. We could sell Country Store items as well as fabric, UFOs, patterns, books, etc. with the proceeds going to the guild.

- A combined quilt show. Perhaps we could combine the Sierra Gold Guild and the Mother Lode Guild into one large quilt show.

- Terrie Van Scyoc will still take items for raffle baskets. Basket worthy items only please, such as good quality fabric, pre-cuts, patterns, notions, etc. that could make up a nice basket. If you leave basket items on her porch, please let her know with a message or text so she knows to check for the item.

- Since Zoom may be our method of meeting for the next few months, Rita and I will get together to amend the bylaws to add Zoom information.
- Zoom classes. Carlene brought up a quilt class she attended via Zoom. She thought it was a great class and was not difficult to do. The possibilities are endless! We could enjoy a class from a teacher who is from out of the area and not have to deal with the costs of travel or lodging.
- According to Janice Beach, who attended the guild meeting via Zoom in Florence, Oregon, the Creekside Methodist Church may be opening in September. Maybe we can look forward to an in-person meeting in September!
- Reminder that the Mother Lode Quilt Guild is on Facebook. If you are on FB, invite your friends to join us.
- If you have wanted to try our Zoom meeting but aren't sure how to go about it, contact either Carlene or me and we will walk you through the process.

These are just ideas we kicked around during the meeting. Obviously, many more discussions will need to happen before we move forward with any of these ideas and I look forward to hearing from you!

Please send your thoughts to Bunny Smith, who has had a recurrence of her cancer and to Mary Beth Porter, who has had surgery due to a broken wrist. I'm thinking and praying for you both 🙏.

Our next meeting of the Mother Lode Quilt Guild will be August 24th, at 6:30 pm, via Zoom. See you then!

From our MLOG Vice-President-Carlene Drake

I was so happy to see that almost half of our members were able to join in the July Zoom meeting. As we watch the news on the pandemic, it seems that meeting virtually is our only option currently. If you are having trouble connecting let us know and we will do what we can to help you get connected. We would love to see each other in person, but until then hopefully you can join virtually. Don't forget, you can show off your current projects on our Facebook page.

Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales

A winner will still be drawn in October for the Opportunity Quilt. Please turn in your ticket stubs and monies collected by September 30, 2020.

Contact Suzy Morton, 209-223-0207 or Becky Podesta 209-217-4326 to turn in stubs and monies.

Block of the Month Dawn Schaaf – Linda DeRosia



If you have purchased the current block, please finish it and bring it to the next meeting. If enough blocks are returned, we will draw two names. Also, Linda and I hope to have our next block ready to sell at the meeting.

Treasurer's Report Becky Podesta

\$ 9,331.73	July Beginning Balance
\$ 360.00	Revenues received
\$ 265.48	Expenses paid
\$ 9,426.25	July Ending Balance



Trudy Bauman	8/15
Anelie Belden	8/17
Diane Krisman	8/25
Merry Smith	8/27
Jean Heinl	8/29

Country Store-Heather Beers

Hot August Nights - a great song for a crazy hot month.

I continue to work on our Country Store items in hopes of making our guild some revenue. I met with one of the owners of Made In Amador on Sunday. I placed a number of items on consignment with them. I discussed their esthetic with the owner and now have a feel for what they are looking for. They considered themselves modern with very neutral tones. They were interested in all the child toys (the two sets of Sesame Street bean bags, all the puppets, and all the crinkle toys). She also took a few dog leashes, 3 bowl cozy's, dog stockings, and ornaments. I had a few masks that I also gave her to sell. She said they have sold somewhere in the number 7,000 masks. We would make \$5 for each mask they sell. We need to come up with a common tagging and packaging format. Please consider making some for us to put up for sale.

Based on my meeting I am looking for the following items to put on consignment with Made In Amador to make money for the guild. The masks do not need to be neutral tones. Go for what makes you happy if you are willing to help support the guild. In addition, I would really like to provide an assortment of potholders made with neutral solids, or solid on solid. She expressed interest in a light (almost sea form) gray green, darker blues, creams or ecrus, black and white or black and cream (almost no pattern - simple).

As we approach Christmas, they are interested in stockings for people. I still have all those dog stocking materials prepared if some is willing to make them. (They took the three I already had made.)

If you have any gray on gray or neutral tone fabric to make baby blankets, I believe they would be interested in them.

As life moves on, I will continue to look for opportunities to sell our items to help us make some kind of income for the guild.

Please contact me if you have any ideas or are available to make items,

Take care and stay safe. Heather

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