

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 October 27, 2025

From our MLOG President – Carlene Drake

Fall is here! It's a great time to enjoy the quilts that we have created. I just want to say a big thank you to those who stepped up to run for the open positions on the board. Take a look at their candidate statements in this newsletter and come prepared to vote. Also, just a reminder about the cradle quilts, the cradles are under construction. Cradle quilts should be approximately a fat quarter size. It's a great opportunity to try out a new design or technique. See you soon.



From our MLQG Vice President – Trudy Bauman

Happy Fall, y'all! Looks like the cooler weather has finally arrived and I hear rumors of rain in our future. Sounds like sewing weather to me!

Since there is no speaker scheduled for October, I decided it's time to finally make washable Swiffers. I will have a short video on how they go together and then we will get crafty. Sewing is required so if you would like to bring a machine, great! If not, I will have 2 or 3 machines available and we will take turns. You will need 4 pieces of fleece 5" x 7" cut with a pinking blade or sheers, 1 piece of microfiber also pinked, a Swiffer handle, and thread. If you are unable to find fleece, microfiber or a Swiffer handle, not to worry, I will have some available. This should be fun.....I hope! See you on the 27th!

Meet the Candidates

Penni Parsons-President

I have been a member of the guild for the past two years, and in that time, I've truly enjoyed being part of this wonderful quilting community.

Quilting has brought me both joy and friendship, and I would love the opportunity to give back by serving as President.

My hope is to help the guild continue to grow, thrive and bring even more people together through our shared love of quilting.

Terrie Van Scyoc - Secretary

My name is Terrie and I am offering to run for Secretary position on the board of directors for Mother Lode Quilters' Guild in 2026-2027.

I have been a member since 2004 and have been a quilter for more than 25 years.

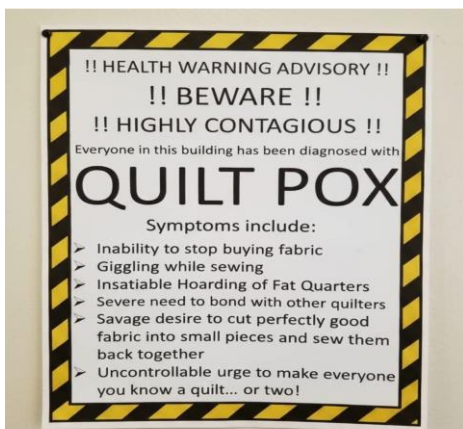
I have performed these duties several times before and also am secretary for the Quilt Show Committee.

I would be happy to serve you and record the activities of our General meetings and Board meetings.

I hope you will consider me when voting next month.

Sincerely,

Terrie Van Scyoc



Rebecca Albin- Vice President

Many of you may recognize me from my years managing membership, but for those I haven't yet had the pleasure of meeting, I'm Rebecca Albin. I am stepping forward to be a candidate for Vice President—a position I pursue with enthusiasm and commitment.

I have been a proud member of MLQG since 2009. In addition to serving on the Quilt Show Committee, I help coordinate yard sale donations for the Guild's country store and help assemble raffle baskets. This year, I'm partnering with my mother, Lorrie Albin, to collect items which will be arranged as vignettes and sold at the quilt show.

I have taken on the responsibility of cleaning and organizing the Guild's closet, and I plan to work alongside our historian to bring order to our past documents, ensuring we maintain a clear and accessible record of the Guild's activities.

Sewing is a cherished tradition in my family, with three generations actively involved in the Guild. As your Vice President, I am dedicated to fulfilling my responsibilities and bringing interesting and inspiring speakers to our group. I appreciate your support as I take on this new challenge.

JoAnne Coss - Treasurer

I am JoAnne Coss, volunteering for the Mother Lode Quilt Guild treasurer position. I moved to Sutter Creek 2 years ago but have been a quilter before there were rotary cutters. I enjoy belonging to the quilt guild and wanted to give something back as well as getting to know more members. I don't have an accounting background but worked at Driscoll's in the strawberry breeding department generating data reports. With my math and science background I thought the treasurer position would be a good fit. Thank you for your consideration.



**Mother Lode Quilters' Guild
General Membership Meeting
September 22, 2025**

Officers Present: President Carlene Drake, Vice President Trudy Bauman, Treasurer Becky Podesta, Secretary Misty Hall. **Absent:** Past President Anelie Belden

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

Approval of Previous months minutes: 1st Mary Beth, 2nd Kathy

Visiting Guild: Tuleburg Quilt Guild from Stockton with their quilt "Ring around the Posey's," Quilted by the Quilted Kitten.

Correspondence: None

Member Present: 20 Guests: 6

Speaker: Karen Bolan of Karen Bolan Designs

Witches Walk: Members were asked to give all their completed items to Becky and she would get them to Anelie for pricing.

Quilter's Yard Sale: The net proceeds from the yard sale were \$756. Rebecca organized and sold guild items. Three vendors purchased two tables each and Anelie sold some of Pam's items. Thank You everyone, it turned out much better than expected.

Challenge Quilt: Quilts are to be no more than 100" perimeter. Red, White and Blue should be included somewhere in your quilt.

Comfort Quilts: Ten were given to the pregnancy care center and Operation Care with many more to still be delivered.

Sunshine: Hannah Russell donated a bunch of items; it was placed on the back table for members to take.

Newsletter: Please get your articles in by the 10th of October.

Hospitality: Signups were available for both October and November.

Quilt Show: We are still looking for a theme. If you have a suggestion, share with the committee.

Treasurer Report: We started the month with \$12,507.09, brought in \$1,277.03, expenses \$776.78 and ended the month with \$13,007.34

Elections Committee: Rebecca, Penni and Carlene. Currently the ballot will have one open position pending the Treasurer. Penni is running for President, Rebecca is running for Vice President and Terri is running for Secretary. There is discussion with a member for Treasurer, however, all volunteers will need to submit a bio in the Newsletter. If Rebecca and Penni are chosen, we will need volunteers for Membership and Hospitality.

Minutes continued

Opportunity Quilt Tickets: If you have any or need any please see Becky.

Rebecca shared the downstairs closet has been cleaned and organized. She has an inventory with QR codes to each bin. If you need anything, please see Rebecca in order to keep an accurate inventory. If you have any donations, please see her as well.

Cradle Quilts: We will need fat quarter sized quilts for the cradles. Bring them to the November meeting.

Meeting adjourned: 8:43 pm

September Speaker – Karen Bolan



Upcoming Quilt Shows

Some advice:



Oroville Piecemakers
"Beauty on the River"
November 8 & 9 – 10am -4pm
Mooretown Rancheria Gym
2 Alverda Dr.
Oroville, CA 95966
www.orovallepiecemakers.org



Pioneer Quilters of Rocklin
November 14 – 10am - 4pm
November 15 – 10am – 3pm
Mahany Fitness Center
1545 Pleasant Grove Blvd.
Roseville, CA 95747
www.pioneerquiltersguild.org

Country Store Heather Beers

My favorite time of year. Leaves are changing color and there is a chill in the air. Enjoy. 😊

The Country Store continues to appreciate donations by the membership. After the Witches Walk we will hopefully have a list of a bunch of things we need. I encourage you to make extras when making those Christmas gifts. If you think I have a pattern for something please ask and I will get it to you.

BTW. If you would like to donate Christmas stockings, I am still making them and will collect them at the next meeting.

Please enjoy this pretty time of year and Smiles!

Cradle Quilts Rita Maddock

Yes, it is that time of the year to make cradle quilts! Christmas is just around the corner and Terrie and Chet Van Scyoc have already constructed and stained 12 cradles that are donated to the Nexus Youth and Family Services Angel Tree Program. This means these beautiful cradles need quilts! Quilts sizes vary but the basic measurement is a fat quarter or a little larger. Please bring your donated quilts to the October or November meetings. Let's delight a child this Christmas!!!



Hospitality Penni Parsons - Rhonda Simpson



Misty Hall
Carlene Drake
Suzy Morton

Membership Kathy Beach – Rebecca Albin

At the September meeting, 21 members were in attendance, along with 7 guests—including our featured speaker, Karen Bolan, and three representatives from the Tuleburg Quilt Guild, who joined us to sell tickets for their opportunity quilt.

Treasurer's Report Becky Podesta September Treasurer's Report

\$ 12,507.09 Beginning Check Book Balance

\$ 1,277.03 Income for September

\$ 501.78 Expenses for September

\$ 13,282.34 Ending Balance for September



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Janice Nance

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**A NEW STUDY
SHOWS THAT BUYING
FABRIC AND SEWING
SUPPLIES PROLONGS
YOUR LIFE.**



**LOOKS LIKE I'M
GOING TO BE IMMORTAL**

Let's Get Acquainted Rhonda Simpson

Each month Rhonda is going to interview a member. This month's interviewee is Penni Parsons.

MLQG: Where were you born and what did you do before retiring?

PP: I was born in Los Angeles, California. When I was 18, I joined the Air Force and lived in Holland for 4 years. I am a retired nurse now. I've lived in Volcano since 2021. I'm married and have 3 kids and 4 grandbabies.

MLQG: Air Force? Other than Holland, where else have you lived?

PP: From Castle Air Force in Merced, we went to Holland and from there we went to Chyenne, Wyoming. My son was born in Wyoming but the last 3 months of my pregnancy were a bit difficult and I ended up being helicoptered to University of Colorado hospital where he was delivered. We eventually moved to Ohio and from there I came back to California.

MLQG: What got you interested in quilting?

PP: In 2017 I received a sewing machine, and I made my first quilt for my son a year later. He wanted a Harry Potter quilt and still keeps it on the edge of his bed. In one year, I made quilts for my siblings and learned a lot by watching YouTube videos. I enjoy taking classes to learn new skills too. Quilts retreats are my favorite.

MLQG: What's the best thing you like about quilting?

PP: I love how it all comes together and when it's finished, I can look at it and think – OMG I did that. I feel the same way when I look at a garment I've made.

MLQG: What's your least favorite part of quilting?

PP: I do not like binding the quilt nor do I enjoy hand stitching the binding to the quilt.

MLQG: Do you have a favorite quilt shop?

PP: Yes, it's an on-line shop called the Sew Creative Lounge. They have a great selection of African fabrics.

MLQG: Do you have other hobbies?

PP: Yes, I crochet and have made a long cardigan out of granny squares. I love baking and am now making my own clothes and sometimes a tote to match my outfit. My favorite new hobby is machine embroidery.

MLQG: Do you sew with your shoes on and do you pre-wash your fabrics?

PP: Yes, shoes must be on and I rarely pre-wash my fabrics.



September Show and Tell

