# 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 January 25, 2021 (ZOOM)

## From our MLQG President-Anelie Belden

Hello Fellow Members

January 2021 is here and we find ourselves still dealing with the Pandemic situation. So, for now we will continue to meet via zoom. The board and several members are in the background trying to come up with ways to have an interestingly, fun, productive and engaging way to meet this year. If you have not joined a zoom meeting, I would like to encourage you to do so. The great thing is you can be at home and still enjoy the company of quilting buddies.

For our first meeting we will have lots to do including a show and tell. Be sure to send your photos of your projects to Carlene Drake. Membership dues are now due, Rita Maddock will be taking your dues and handling your membership cards. We will have a little demo on how to make a scrappy star inspired by a pattern from Lori Holt. You can use up small pieces of fabric from your stash at home! It will be a fun project. We cannot do a raffle drawing for prizes but we can spin a wheel and get our winners. You will not want to miss out on all the fun!!

I also encourage you to invite a friend to join the meeting. We are always happy to have guests and new members sign up. We have a prize for anyone who has a friend join the meeting!!

I look forward to seeing all of you at our January meeting.

Let's Bind Together!! Anelie

## From our MLQG Vice-President-Carlene Drake

With the current status of the pandemic, we will not be able to meet for a while, so we are embracing Zoom meetings! For our March meeting, Jenny Lyon will be presenting the program that we had to cancel last spring, "Quilting as a Contact Sport" via Zoom. In January we will be sharing some new tips and trying some new features on Zoom. Please join for some fun and conversation as we increase our Zoom proficiency!

We would love to see any projects that you have finished recently. Take a photo, cell phone photos are fine, and e-mail the photo to me. During the meeting, I will show your photo and you can tell us about your project.

## From our Outgoing MLQG President-Trudy Bauman

Well, we made it through 2020! It has been a difficult year for us all but, as an eternal optimist, I believe 2021 will be a great year for MLQG. We have a new Board, with Anelie returning as President so I imagine there will be exciting things coming.

Many thanks to those who made Christmas stockings for Operation Care. I know I had a good time making them and secretly hope they ask for Christmas stockings again next year.

It has been a pleasure being your President for the past two years and look forward to whatever is coming our way in 2021.

## Membership Rita Maddock - Kathy Beach

Our Zoom meetings will continue as we are unable to physically meet in person. We look forward to seeing you on Zoom! If you need help using Zoom, please contact Carlene It was a pleasure phoning the majority of our members in the month of November. Listening to each of you and sharing events was humbling and uplifting. The month of January is membership dues renewal month. The dues are \$30 for the year and you can mail your dues to our PO Box listed on the front of this newsletter. We will mail you your membership card. We can't encourage vou enough to get vour dues in. It is the main source of income to continue functioning during this pandemic recovery. Until we meet again!!

## Block of the Month Dawn Schaaf - Linda DeRosia

For those of you that purchased the latest block: If you have finished your blocks, please put them in an envelope and mail to Dawn Schaaf.

We would like to have them all returned by mid-February so we can draw a winner at the next meeting.

For future blocks, we will try packaging them in a small mailing envelope instead of baggies to make them easier to return.

As always, comments or suggestions are welcome.

Thank, Linda & Dawn

## Treasurer's Report Becky Podesta

- \$ 10,114.88 Beginning checkbook Balance
- **\$ 2,679.80** Income for 2020
- **\$ 2,654.53** Expenses for 2020
- \$ 10,140.15 End of year checkbook Balance



Another New Year's Resolution bites the dust.



Mar Douglas 1/7 Curt DeRosia 1/27



## **Country Store Heather Beers**

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a happy and healthy holiday. I am looking forward to a happy and healthy 2021. Positive thinking here.

Well ladies it looks like 2021 is going to be the year of babies. I know by the end of January my newest grandchild will be here. Yeah! According to the news we should see an increase in the number of babies born this year. Based on this information I would like us to focus on making some lovely baby gifts. The baby crunchy toys made with the food grade wax paper from cereal boxes make a nice gift. We also can be making baby blankets and quilts. I still have some burp clothes and bibs but if you made a matching burp cloth and blanket and/or crunchy toy we could bundle them together as a nice gift. I would appreciate us using this as inspiration when you are thinking about what to make for the guild.

In addition, we still could use some neutral pot holders. I am sorry but I don't know how we did with Made in Amador. I took them a pile of things along with a ton of masks that I had made. Hopefully we sold a decent amount of stuff.

I miss our meetings and hope that we soon can all get the vaccine and get together. Life is good in the Beers household. Take care and smiles.

## **MLQG By-Laws** Rita Maddock

It was time to review and revise the MLQG By-Laws. The majority of the changes are in response to how we handle meetings using an electronic internet program (Zoom). A copy of the revision is attached to this newsletter mailing. We will go over the revised sections at our next meeting in January and vote on the final revision in February. Please take the time to read the By-Laws; and if you have any concerns, give me a call.



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## Lori Holt Criss Cross Star Pattern Anelie Belden



Anelie will do a demo on making this Star Block which is a great way to use up those small leftover pieces of fabric. Make a star in 3 sizes to use as a table runner, wall hanging or quilt. So fun and easy to make..... You can't just make one. There is a YouTube video showing how to cut up your fabrics to make a collection of pieces for making the block. Anelie will share this information at the meeting. Before you know it, you will have enough cut out to create a quilt.

## Cradle Quilts Rita Maddock

Dan Edward from The Gold Country Wood Workers and Crafters and I took 12 cradles and 15 Cradle Quilts to the Angel Tree Program in Pine Grove. I did not get pictures of the quilts which I regret but I want to thank all of you who made Cradle Quilts. If I remember correctly the members who made the quilts were Clara Scholl, Mary Beth Porter, Bunny Smith, Mar Douglas, Rita Maddock, and Mary Mahoney. If I am missing someone, I do apologize. All the quilts were very creative and perfect for the cradles that Dan made.

## Zoom Meeting Login Information

We will start the meeting at 6:00 with a 30-minute social time to give people a chance to join in and visit. If it is your first time joining in you will have some time to get a feel for how it works. We will start the General meeting at 6:30. At this time all members will mute themselves so we do not have interruptions for those who will be speaking. If you have anything you would like to bring up at the meeting please email Anelie. You can send word documents or photos if you would like and she can display them while you speak. If you have a show and tell to share contact and send pictures to Carlene Drake.

Please invite a friend to come. Those who bring a friend to the January meeting will get a prize. Just send them the link and let Anelie know their name so she can expect them.

Here is the link for the meeting:

Anelie Belden is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

## Mother Lode Quilters' Guild Membership Meeting November 23, 2020 (Zoom)

**CALL TO ORDER -** Meeting called to order 6:42pm.

**OFFICERS PRESENT –** President Trudy Bauman, Vice President Carlene Drake, Treasurer Becky Podesta and Secretary Pam Edwards.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES** - Approved as read.

MEMBERS AND GUESTS - We had 17 members signed in for our Zoom meeting.

**SPEAKER** – We will be approving our new board officers at this meeting and so will not have a speaker.

Outgoing Officers - Trudy Bauman/President and Pam Edwards/Secretary

<u>Incoming Officers</u> – Anelie Belden/President and Trudy Bauman/Secretary

Rita was the master of ceremonies and presented gifts to the outgoing officers and incoming officers. Rita handcrafted all of the gifts. I love my featherweight mug rug.

Trudy and Rita went over the MLQG by laws to include Zoom meeting language. The new by laws will be discussed and voted on in February.

Rita called each MLQG member asking members to weigh in on their thoughts with continuing Zoom meetings and any ideas they might have to benefit the Guild. Rita was able to contact 32 members. Anelie suggested a show and tell for our January meeting. Please send pictures of your projects to Anelie.

**TREASURER-** Becky went over the Guild budget. MLQG will use \$5,000.00 just for our yearly expenses. We will not be able to do any monetary donations due to the cancellation of our quilt show which is our primary revenue source. The budget was approved and seconded by Rita and Mar. All 17 members present approved by hand raise.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Edwards, Secretary

## For Sale Brother PE800 Embroidery Machine

Purchased in April 2020. Only used a couple of times. Includes extra hoops, pre-wound bobbins, instruction manual, cover and Brother polyester 40wt thread. \$500. Contact Suzy Morton if interested.





