

# Sew and Tell



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Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild

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## Ladies of the Lake Calendar at a Glance 2026

- Next meeting is April 11<sup>th</sup>
- Programs:
  - April: Rotating Stations of Demonstrations
  - May: Celebration of LLQG's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary
  - June: Speaker Kitty Oliver
  - July: Speaker Anelie Beldon

## President's Message

Dear Members,

April has arrived, and with it comes a true sense of renewal. The days are growing longer, flowers are beginning to bloom, and there's an energy in the air that reminds us of it's the perfect time for fresh ideas and new beginnings—both in our gardens and in our Guild.

As we move further into the year, I want to thank each of you who continues to support our efforts to keep our Guild active and visible within the community. While we are not hosting a quilt show in 2026, the work we are doing to explore alternative venues and opportunities is encouraging. These efforts are essential as we continue to promote our Opportunity Quilt and prepare for an even stronger presence in 2027.

I'm especially excited about the connections we are building and the events we are exploring. Opportunities like the upcoming Fiber Arts and Quilts exhibit this November give us a wonderful platform to showcase our talents and share our passion with the community. These moments remind us that our Guild is more than just an event—it is a vibrant, creative force.

I know I've said this before, but I am going to say it again. This is also a time to reflect on involvement. Our Guild thrives when members step forward, share ideas, and lend a hand—whether big or small. If you've been thinking about getting more involved, now is a perfect time. Your voice, your creativity, and your energy truly make a difference.

We also have some exciting speakers and programs in the works, and I encourage you to attend meetings, participate, and enjoy the inspiration they bring. There is always something new to learn and someone new to connect with.

Let's continue to move forward together with positivity, purpose, and a shared commitment to making our Guild strong, supportive, and inspiring for all.

Wishing you a wonderful April filled with creativity, color, and the simple joy of quilting.

Warm regards,  
Barbara Peebles, Guild President

## Upcoming Events in Northern California

- 40th Annual "Springtime in the Pines" Quilt Show '26 Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Nevada County, Saturday & Sunday, April 25th & 26th, 10 am-4 pm. Nevada County Fairgrounds, Grass Valley, CA. Admission \$10. Free Parking. <http://www.pinetreequiltguild.com>
- Foothill Quilter's Guild Luncheon "Tea Time in the Foothills" Saturday, May 23rd, Auburn Veterans Memorial Hall, 100 East St., Auburn, CA. Doors Open 10:30 am, Lunch 11:45 am, \$50 per person. Online: <https://square.link/u/XRPsBhnd>

## Program – Gretchen Moore

For April, Rotation Station Demonstration will be presented by three of our members.



**Linda Morrison:** When denims get old, make a quilt!



**Marj Sweeney:** Binding a quilt using the backing fabric creating mitered corners.

**Renee Schultz-Hein:** Tips & tricks for making a quilt top

For the upcoming program, I'll be sharing a demo packed with tips and tricks for improving accuracy when making a quilt top that lies flat. I'll focus on strategies for maintaining consistent block size and creating straight, flat borders, so your quilt tops come together beautifully every time. Looking forward to sharing these practical techniques with everyone!



The  
30's  
Star  
Block

## Block of the Month – Linda DeBolt

Here is the block of the month for March. The 30's Start Block. The block can be done in your favorite colors. You can find the instructions for the block on our website at [www.llqg.org/block-of-the-month-instruction.html](http://www.llqg.org/block-of-the-month-instruction.html).

## Quilt Guilds of the Northern Quarter (QGNQ) – Susanne Scholz and Charlene Younker

The second meeting of 2026 will be on Saturday, April 25 and hosted by the Ukiah Guild but held in Willets at the new Quilt Shop. It is the annual Meet the Teacher meeting: a terrific opportunity for members to see what workshops and classes are available and let program chair Gretchen Moore know about your interest. The meeting will start at 11:00am and information regarding the lunch will be provided at the April Guild meeting. If you have questions, please call Susanne Scholz.



## Community Service – Lan Ali-Adeeb, Lianna Burger, and Shery Loewen

### LLQG/LLES Sewing Club

Our Sewing Club has been going wonderfully well this Spring! Students have been learning and creating, and it's been inspiring to see their skills and creativity grow.

The final class will be held on April 3rd, and we look forward to another successful program. Please check out our Blog:

<https://www.llqg.org/llqglles-sewing-club.html>

### Commission Quilt – The New York Beauty

We met in March and have begun making the blocks. Many thanks to Renee H., Barbara P., Suzanne H. and her friend Ingrid S., and Debra Heltzel for their help with the project. A special thank-you to Kris N., who put in hundreds of hours preparing the silk fabrics and patterns for us, making them ready to sew.



Quilt kits will be available for sign-out at monthly general meetings. Donations of cotton fabric and batting are always welcome, and tax-deductible receipts are available upon request.

*A friendly reminder, according to the Bylaws, section II.3.H: “GUILD members are strongly encouraged to make at least three baby quilts for community service to maintain 501c3 nonprofit status.” Thank you! Lan*

### Hospitality – Gail Coyle and Linda Mulligan

Hospitality for April will be for ladies with the last names starting with the letters A - D.



### Round Robin – Renee Schultz-Hein

#### First Exchange Coming Up!

We're excited to cheer on Lianna Burger, Pam Ayle, Jane Smith, Linda Debolt, and Barbara Peebles as participants in the Round Robin project!

We hope you're putting the finishing touches on your center blocks and kits. Remember to bring them to our April 11th meeting for our first exchange. Can't wait to see everyone's creativity in action! We will be doing a medallion style quilt top.

Renée SchultzHein, contact Chair with question.

## Board Meeting Minutes –March 14, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 8:43 a.m. by President Barbara Peebles. A quorum was present.

**Location:** United Christian Parish – Conf. Room

**Present:** Barbara Peebles, Debbie Strickler, Kris Nelson, Lan Ali-Adeeb, Jane Ahrens, Rene Schultz-Hein, Gretchen Moore. **Absent:** Terry Phelps. **Guest:** Rachel Heher.

**A quorum was present.**



### Old Business

**Lake County Art Council** (Potential new venue for Monthly Guild Meetings): Lan A. Provided an overview of the BofA building. Kris N. noted there may be an opportunity to transfer the existing insurance to cover the new location (BofA building) at no additional cost; otherwise, a \$35 fee will apply.

**Motion & Vote:** Unanimously approved for Debbie S. & Barbara P. to engage Lake County Art Council for next steps.

**Fairgrounds Reservation for QS 2027 (Debbie S.):** Quilt Show (QS) reservation for 2026 has been canceled. We have reserved 2027 QS dates, with an additional setup date: starting Wednesday instead of Thursday. Dates: Sept 29 – Oct 3, 2027

**Opportunity Quilt (Kris N./Barbara P.):** Discussion on ticket printing quantity based on Pak-n-Mail's pricing. Last year, 6000 tickets were printed and fully utilized.

**Motion & Vote:** Unanimously approved to print 8000 tickets to cover approximately the next 1.5 years.

**Equipment Inventory List (Kris N.):** An inventory list may be obtained from Kitty J. or Linda M. or create a new one by Kris, if necessary. All guild documents will be digitized, categorized, and uploaded to member-only webpage. This update will be shared with members at next month's general meeting.

**May Birthday Meeting Presentation (Kris N.):** A presentation is proposed to celebrate the guild's 25th anniversary, featuring Charter Members and past Presidents with slide show. A request for photos will be announced at today's general meeting. President, Barbara P. to arrange for the cake. Hospitality Chairs, Gail C. & Linda M. will plan other activities.

**Volunteer travel expenses and liability (Barbara P.):** The guild does not cover volunteer travel expenses. Travel expenses are allocated for attending QGNG meetings to maintain our membership and ensure representation from LLQG.

**Donated Items (Lan A.):** Discussions included donating three non-functional vintage sewing machines and a large "cutter" quilt top to thrift stores. One vintage Pepsi metal sign and two vintage quilts will be offered for sale to members prior to being listed on eBay.

**2025 Firework Contracts and Permits (Barbara P.):** No response has been received from the firework company. This item is tabled until the April meeting, as Barbara has been contacted by a representative in Sacramento overseeing firework activities. All relevant documents are expected within one or two weeks.

**Sound System (Kris N.):** Kris will follow up with Pam and share update.

**2026 Country Store Chair (Gretchen M.):** Gretchen will serve as Country Store Chair this year, as there will be no QS. Gretchen will organize and manage smaller Country Store tables at selected guild meetings and events.

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### New Business

**Redistribution of Responsibilities (Barbara P.):** Member request to redistribute some additional responsibilities (new venue research, membership forms and tracking, and OPP quilt tickets) back to respective Chairs due to personal obligations.

**Membership Chair Support (Barbara P.):** The board considered purchasing an annual subscription for MS Word to support membership duties. An upgrade to computer Window 11 may also be required. The topic was discussed and decided the guild is not responsible for software purchasing on a member's personal computer.

**Lincoln-Leavitt Insurance-Cindy Poindexter (renewal in August):** Barbara and Debbie will follow up with the insurance company to confirm the guild's current policies, with particular attention to Error and Omissions, and Liability coverages for Executive Board members.

**Publicity Chair (Barbara P.):** Lisa V. is slated to serve as Publicity Chair. Membership status will be confirmed.

**No Quilt Show in 2026 (Barbara P.):** A statement announcing that LLQG will not host a 2026 QS has been posted on the website: <https://www.llqg.org/quilt-show.html>

**Bylaws (Kris N.):** Kris converted the bylaws from PDF to MS Word format to allow editing and emailed the document to Terry to begin the review process.

**June Speaker:** Contract is in progress for Kitty Oliver.

**Contract Question:** If the usage of Presenter's personal contract to secure agreement between Presenter and LLQG is acceptable? If Presenter's Contract covers all necessary stipulations, it is agreeable, although LLQG's contract should be discussed so all stipulations are covered before signing.

**Meeting adjourned:** 9:43 a.m.

**Respectfully submitted:** 03/17/2026

**By Lan Ali-Adeeb (Secretary)**



### *General Meeting Minutes*

**Date:** March 14, 2026

**Location:** United Christian Parish

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by President, Barbara Peebles.

**Membership Report (Kathy V.):** 35 members present; **Guest Report:** Ingrid Sachs.

## *Announcements*

Showcase your creativity at the California State Fair! Entries are open for Hand Crafts and Fiber & Needle Art Competition. For more information:

Website: <https://castatefair.com/crafts-competition/#dates>

Email: [creativearts@calexpo.com](mailto:creativearts@calexpo.com)

Phone: (916)-642-2210.

### **“A little birdy told me” (Barbara P.)**

Barbara was informed that some of the members have had difficulty reaching her by phone or email and asked that any issues be brought to her attention. She reminded members that if she is unavailable by phone, please leave a message and she will return your call. She also confirmed that she responds to all emails from guild members.

The event binder is available for review. Contact Barbara if interested.

## *Old Business*

### **Open Chair Positions needing to be filled:**

- Newsletter Editor
- OPP Quilt Promotion & Ticket Sales
- OPP Quilt Design
- Skills Day
- Quilt Show Chair & QS Committee Chairs

**Members Only Webpage:** Login password was distributed by Lan.

## New Business

### Treasurer's Report:

Total Income: \$ 755.00

Total Expense: \$ 4,149.35

Total Balance: \$ 38,248.30

CD ending Balance: \$ 16,379.54

A new \$5000 CD will be purchased on Monday

**New Newsletter Design:** sample Newsletters were circulated for member review.

**Items for Sale (Lan A.):** One vintage Pepsi metal sign and two vintage quilts are being offered to members. These items will be listed on eBay after the April meeting.

**May Program (Kris N.):** Guild 25th anniversary slide show featuring guild history, Charter Members, and Past Presidents. Kris is requesting photos of past guild activities. Members are encouraged to share any photos they may have. The "Quilt Show of the Past" page on the website is also a helpful resource. President, Barbara Peebles is responsible for the cake and Hospitality Committee will organize games and other party activities.

**Programs (Gretchen M.):** Kris presented a commission quilt created (in 2024) for the former owner of the Blue Wing Restaurant & Tallman Hotel in Upper Lake. Topics included: History of foundation paper piecing; Foundation paper; New York Beauty pattern and templates; Preparing necktie silk fabrics (taking them apart, washing, pressing with fusible interfacing, and cutting according to patterns/templates). Sewing demonstration of constructing a New York Beauty quilt block.

**The Month of April Presenter:** Scarlette Rose's presentation has been rescheduled from April to October.

**Hospitality (Gail C.):** Members with last name A-D to bring refreshments in April.

**Bylaws committee (Barbara P.):** The bylaws will be reviewed and updated this year by a committee of seven members: the President, one additional member of the Executive Board, the Parliamentarian, and four from the general membership. Renee H. has agreed to be Chairman.

**2027 Quilt Show (Barbara P.):** The 2027 QS venue and dates have been secured. A QS Chair is still needed.

**Travel Expense:** The guild does not cover volunteer travel expenses. However, expenses are allocated for attendance at the QGNG meetings because LLQG is a member of the QGNQ Guild and we send our representative to attend their meetings.

**PHD (Suzanne L.):** Suzanne L. and Leanne H. shared their quilts.

Suzanne also has a large kerosene tank with fuel available at her new home and is offering the fuel free to members. If interested, please bring your own container and contact Suzanne for more information.

**Show & Tell:** Kris N., Jane A., Suzanne L., Susanne H., Shery L., Lan A., and Kerrie H. shared their quilts. Renee H. shared a few of her paper pieced quilts.

### Chairman's Reports:

- **Community Service (Lan A.):** LLES Sewing Club is going very well. The final class ends on April 3.
- **Guild Setup (Pam A.):** Sound system will be here next month. Plant sales at the Grange on May 3, from 9am – 3 pm.
- **Round Robin (Renee S.):** Depending on participation, there may be two groups of five. Each participant will begin with their own 12.5" center block for R.R. Participants to add rows or rounds following specific instructions (e.g., fabrics, or theme). Participants are asked to attach a piece of muslin ironed on to freezer paper as a label for your finished quilt with the signatures of the participants who contributed. Also, a notebook or journal is recommended to follow along with your R.R. Quilt for notes or comments.
- **BOM (Linda D.):** March block is the Friendship Star. Please bring finished blocks to Show & Tell.

**Membership Drawing (Kathy V.):** Kerrie Hershey.

**Treasure Chest (Pam A. and Linda D.):** Pastel green kit: Susanne Hoyt; Green/blue kit: Barbara Peebles; White/red kit: Kerrie Hershey; St Patrick kit: Marilyn Drew.

**Publicity Chair (Lisa V.):** "Ladies of the Lake Quilt Guild" Facebook page has been created. Photos are needed. Contact Lisa for more information or to contribute.

**Meeting Adjourned: 12:32 pm**

**Attention All Board Members!**

**The April 11th Board Meeting starts at 8:30 am at the Church prior to the General Meeting.**

*Sew & Tell Information*

**Next  
Newsletter  
Deadline**  
April 22nd

*April Birthday*

<i>Christy Bengston</i>	<i>4/25</i>
<i>Nanette Ettinger</i>	<i>4/25</i>
<i>Kitty Jones</i>	<i>4/28</i>
<i>DeeDee Lona</i>	<i>4/28</i>

*Lynn Bruner Memorial Service*

*Memorial for Lynne Bruner, a member of the guild for many years. Saturday April 18, 2026, 2:00 pm at Buckingham Clubhouse (Kelseyville). If you plan to attend, please contact Kerrie Hershey, the family would like to know how many quilters might be coming.*

Visit [www.LLQG.org](http://www.LLQG.org) for up-to-the minute additions

**Next meeting**

**Saturday, April 11th, 2026, at 10:00 A.M.  
At The United Christian Parish Church  
745 North Brush St., Lakeport, Ca**

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