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From the President…

Happy May and the tail end of springtime! Wonderful activities are popping up within the Guild! Please read this entire newsletter. We want everyone well informed so as not to miss the fun!

The Executive Board has approved the appointment of Lynn Prather as Parliamentarian and Kimber Rickey as the Education Chair. Congratulations, Ladies! Thank you for agreeing to serve the guild!

The Quilt Show should be upon us as you read this. I am anticipating a great turn out!

After the May general meeting, I will be traveling to the Midwest to witness the graduation of my 3rd and 4th grandchildren. We will travel for 4 to 6 weeks. I expect to be back in Redding by July 2nd. Vice President Charlene Peabody will be acting president while I am gone. Please be supportive during her time of double duty. The vice president's job has multiple responsibilities and extra offers of help will be appreciated.

At the April board meeting, two important motions were submitted and approved. You can read about them in this newsletter. A Development Committee was created with Leah Grant appointed chairperson. This "think tank" committee will support new idea preparation for board submissions and will be a place where a member with a list of ideas can go—if they are willing to do the work. This committee of will help hammer out the details of implementing fresh ideas.

The "Saturday Fun Day" proposal, which you can read about in this newsletter, is an example of the work of this committee.

We hope the Development Committee will encourage all members to participate in the leadership of QSR. As my message at the April general meeting suggested, we all have qualities of leadership. When we work together, respecting each other's strengths, we accomplish much!

Our general meetings provide little time for fellowship. When we do take time for conversations, it is difficult to accomplish our business of informing the Guild of what the officers are doing. Members reading the newsletters help with our need to disclose. This crowd response communicates to the board; members enjoy social time and want more of it! "Saturday Fun Day" will fill your bowl with cherries of joy! Read more about it below and put it on your calendar today.

Enjoy your newsletter!

Lucinda

From the Vice President…

It's nearly May already! Be sure to spread the word to your friends and families about the quilt show. It will be fabulous, and this is your opportunity to share your talents.

I hope you enjoyed the April meeting as much as I did. I was so impressed by the challenge quilts and all participants deserve a pat on the back. Our featured quilter Halli Keller was awesome with her brilliant quilts. She's the perfect pick for our featured quilter for the quilt show.

For the May meeting we welcome Karen Ottoboni. She will be giving a presentation of her quilting journey and a trunk show. She is also teaching a class, so don't miss out on learning a new skill.

The Shasta District Fair dates are June 17-21. Deadline for entries is May 22 at 5 p.m. Time to start thinking about your entries. Let's show Shasta County how many talented quilters and crafters are in the area!

Charlene

Did you know Quilters' Sew-Ciety of Redding, Inc. is a member of the Northern California Quilt Council which is a great resource for quilters in the Northstate? Check out their website and newsletter @ www.ncqc.net.

Committee Reports…

Community Quilts

The sign-up for the large quilt for the airport for May is Gary Hayes. There is no one signed up for a small quilt for the Ombudsman Office. I will not be attending the May General Meeting, so please give the quilt to Cris Rohn Hartman.

Cris Rohn Hartman is returning as the Community Quilt Chairperson. I would like to thank all of you that provided quilts to me while I substituted for Cris.

Dorothy

Corresponding Secretary

If you know of any member who is ill or just needs a little sunshine, please let me know.

Ruth

Dollar Block (aka $2 Dollar block)

At the April meeting, 25 "Sixteen Patch Star" blocks were collected and were won by Barbara Hull and Judy Hafner. Each received 12 or 13. We'll see who puts theirs together first!

The new blocks were called "Galaxy Star" and 34 of the 35 made were sold. An additional sale of the previous month's block made the total of 35 blocks for a deposit of $70 to the treasury.

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2026 Appointed Committee Chairs

Community Quilts—Dorothy Goss (Interim)

Correspondence Secretary—Ruth Marks

Digital Media (website, Facebook, Instagram)—Sue Vanderwerf

Dollar Block—Chris Smith and Jennie Nolasco

Education—Kimber Rickey

Fat Quarters —Marie Chestnut

Historian—Sue Vanderwerf

Library—Leah Grant and Gayle Hastings

Opportunity Quilt—Lynn Smith and Janie Dillion

Philanthropic—Amy Seibert

Property Manager—Kathy Saukko

Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter—Linda Molter

Shasta District Fair—Lynn Smith

Special Projects—Margaret Ward

Ways & Means—Cherry McCabe, Kim Cash, and Jenny Webb

Pictures of the blocks have been provided for the last couple of months and that makes the process much easier. Thanks to all who have participated, and we hope more will join in on the fun.

Next month the block is called "All Stars." Stop by and pick one to stitch and return in June.

Chris and Jennie

Fat Quarters

Twenty-five spring-colored fat quarters were brought in April and won by Alice Burris and Lucinda Williams.

Floral fabrics are the theme for the May fat quarter drawing.

Suzy

Library

Spring quilting is in full swing, and the guild library is a great place to find inspiration for your next project. Whether you're finishing a UFO, or planning something new for summer, there are plenty of books to spark fresh ideas.

If you haven't stopped by the library table recently, take a moment to browse at the next meeting. You may discover a pattern, technique, or design idea that sends you home excited to sew.

Remember there are several books that can help with your row robin and inside out robin quilts, along with books for panels and border ideas.

Thank you for continuing to support the library by checking out books, returning them on time, purchasing tickets for the monthly book drawing, and sharing suggestions for future additions.

Leah and Gayle

Opportunity Quilt

The Opportunity Quilt was taken to the Red Bluff Sun Country Quilt Guild meeting in March by Janie Dillion, which generated $95 in income. At our April 7 general meeting ticket sales were $25. Total income for April was $120.

Linda Molter will also be taking the Opportunity Quilt to the QGNQ meeting on April 24, and we will have a booth at the Shasta District Fair in June.

Lynn and Janie

Philanthropic

Thank you all for your time and talents. We received 15 quilts for our philanthropic efforts at our meeting in April. Seven lap quilts, seven twin quilts and one double bed size quilt were received. As I said at our meeting these quilts are truly a labor of love and the recipients really feel it, so keep it up and keep the love flowing from our guild into the community we love and cherish.

Just a reminder, there will be no philanthropic table set up at our May meeting. Neither I or my right-hand gal, Penny Hart, will be in attendance, so please hold on to your donations until the June meeting when we will gratefully receive them.

Thanks again for all you do.

Amy Seibert

Publicity

April 25-26 (10 an – 4 pm), Springtime in the Pines, Nevada County Fairgrounds, 11228 McCourtney Rd, Grass Valley

April 25-26 (Saturday 10 am – 4 pm), Sunday (10 am – 3 pm), Quilting with Friends Quilt Show, Trinity Church gymnasium, 557 Olivina Avenue, Livermore

May 2-3, Quilts by the Bay, Monterrey Peninsula Quilters Guild, Chautauqua Hall, 1th and Central, Pacific Grove

May 8-9 (Friday 10 am-5 pm, Saturday 10 am-4 pm), Roseville Quilters Guild Quilt Show: Quilting Dreams, Roseville Sports. Admission $10 both days.

May 8-9, Rogue Valley Piecemakers 45th Annual Quilt Show, Josephine County Fairgrounds, Route 199, Grant's Pass, OR. Admission $5.

May 15-16 (10 am – 4 pm), Reflections in the Garden, Loomis Quilt and Fiber Guild, First United Methodist Church, 6414 Brace Rd., Loomis. Admission $8.

June 27-28 (Saturday 10 am - 5 pm, Sunday 10 am - 4 pm), Fort Bragg Quilt Show, Dana Gray Elementary School, 1197 E. Chestnut St., Fort Bragg. Admission $10.

June 6-7 (10 am – 4 pm), Carson Valley Quilt Show, Douglas County Community and Senior Center, 1329 Waterloo Lane, Gardnerville, NV. $10 admission.

June 11-13 (Fri/Sat 10 am – 5 pm; Sun 10 am – 4 pm), Reno Quilt Show, Grand Sierra Resort, Silver State Pavillion, 2500 E. Second St., Reno, NV. Admission $12.

Diana

Shasta District Fair

It's District Fair time again, so mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 17 through Sunday, June 21.

Consider putting your quilt in the Fair this year since it might already be "show ready" after our May Quilt Show! ***The Deadline to submit your quilt entries (online) is May 22 by 5 pm. Cost to enter is $1 per entry per class.*** Drop Off is Sunday, June 14.

A link to the Clothing & Textiles PDF (the three Quilting Divisions are found on page 2):

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Clothing & Textiles 2026.doc

I am recruiting for volunteers for judging on Monday, June 15, set up on Tuesday, June 16, and take down on Monday, June 22. We also need volunteers to sell tickets at our Opportunity Quilt booth at the Fair. I will have sign-up sheets at the May and June meetings, or you can call or text to sign up.

Lynn

Workshops

You won't want to miss our upcoming workshops. The April workshop of Invisible Machine Applique with Brenda Hudson was so informative. Our next workshop is Karen Ottoboni who will teach us her great technique of "Needle Turn Applique." It is Saturday, May 9, at the Blue Iris Quilt Shoppe, from 9:30 a.m. till 3:30p.m. Fee is $45 for members; $55 for non-members. Sign up May 5th at the regular guild meeting.

Saturday, June 6, is the Wensleydale Block from 9:30 a.m. till 3:30 p.m. also at the Blue Iris Quilt Shoppe. This is a paper pieced quilt block. Patt Thompson from "Friends Around the Block" quilt store in Colusa is teaching the class. Fee is $45 for members; $55 for non-members. Sign up at the May 5th regular guild meeting

There is no workshop in July, but in August we will have a Laura Heine Collage course taught by Carol Martin from the "Quilt Corral" shop in Willows. Be thinking about which pattern you will want to choose.

For questions or further information, please call or text me.

Linda

May Workshop

June Workshop

Support Our Local Quilt Shops

Blue Iris Quilt Shoppe
MON-SAT 9 am-4 pm
9348 Deschutes Road, Palo Cedro

Hokema's
MON-FRI 10 am-5:30 pm SAT 10 am-4 pm
2736 Bechelli Lane, Redding

The Sewing Room (Crafters Mall)
MON-FRI 9 am-4 pm SAT 10 am-3 pm
2453 Athens Avenue, Redding

Sew Simple
MON-FRI 9 am-4 pm SAT 9 am-3 pm
2223 Larkspur Lane, Redding

2026 Quilt Show

Our last meeting was held on April 6 at The Sewing Room. All the committees were up to date with their projects.

I hope you have all read the article in the Country Register that was available at our last guild meeting. Copies are also available at our local quilt shops.

I received the contract from the fair-grounds, completed it, and returned to them this week, They were very late in getting it to us, but it is taken care of.

We are all in the wrap-up stage, so if any of the committees ask for help, please try to help them. Four of our volunteers had to step down due to either personal or family illness.

I was talking with Lynda Blais and she could use help with cleaning up in the vendor hall. I could use help setting up props and the historical display.

New yard signs are available, so if you know of a high traffic area to post one, contact Lucinda for a sign.

Quilt drop off is Monday, April 27 at The Sewing Room. Judging is the 28th and on the 29th quilts will be loaded from The Sewing Room for delivery to the fairgrounds for set up day on Thursday. I hope to see many of you to make it an easier day for all.

Thank you all for helping,

Fay

Monthly Board Meeting

All members are welcome to attend Board meetings which are held in the front room at the Senior Center at 5:30 pm the second Tuesday of the month. Join us for monthly reporting and planning time for the Guild. Copies of meeting minutes and monthly financial reports are available at the Library side table. Please contact Tammie Thomas for the financial reports.

NOTE: Anyone wishing to address the Board or the membership on Guild matters at either a general or board meeting should contact the President prior to either meeting to be placed on the agenda.

Hello Round Robin Enthusiasts

I'm very glad you are all participating, and excited to see what you get to work on each month. I have heard from many of you. The statements are that you really like what you get. Some are up on the design wall for study. Some were looked at and put back in the bag for later. After all—the quilt show takes up some time. And a few of you have already completed your part of the project. There are four people working on both robins.

Row Robin: 10 participants:

Remember to make your row exactly 42 ½" wide. There is no height determination. That is for you. Row number 2 is being worked on now. Please remember NOT to attach it to the other row. ALL ROWS MUST BE LEFT FREE AND UNATTACHED! This gives the owner a choice for placement, sashing, make another row, or whatever.

Inside-Out-Robin: 17 participants.

Currently you are working on the second border. Remember to cut it in the opposite direction as the original cut. I have had many questions about diagonal cuts. If that's what you want to do—then that's what you do. But NOT if the owner states not to in the paperwork. Be mindful that when you use a border in a diagonal fashion, the ends of the border must be cut at angles so that the quilt may still have straight edges. It must stay square or rectangle. There are no wonky quilts accepted.

Questions? Please remember to leave your name when you call or text. I'll get back to you the quickest this way. (I barely read emails. Best to text/call.)

Margaret Ward

New Development Committee

Help Shape the Future of Our Guild

We're excited to share that a new ad hoc committee has been formed to explore fresh ideas and opportunities to enhance our quilt guild!

This small group (3–5 members) Development Committee will spend months gathering creative ideas, taking a closer look at what's possible, and developing thoughtful recommendations to bring back to the Board. The goal is simple: find meaningful ways to strengthen our guild, build connections, and make our activities even more enjoyable for everyone.

We would love to hear from you! If you have ideas, suggestions, or something you've seen work well in another guild, please share them. Your input will help guide this effort and ensure we're focusing on what matters most to our members.

The committee will start by brainstorming and reviewing submitted ideas and then taking the time to research the ones with the most potential. Some ideas may move forward into full proposals, while others may be set aside if they aren't the right fit. Every idea will be considered. If you are interested in serving on this committee, contact Leah Grant.

This is a great opportunity to help shape the future of our guild, and we're looking forward to seeing where these ideas lead!

Leah Grant, Chairperson

Saturday Fun Days Are Here!

We're excited to introduce the first idea brought forward by the Development Committee and approved by the Board—***Saturday Fun Days!***

Join us for an open sew on the third Saturday of every month from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm in the Shasta College Cafeteria. Our first Fun Day kicks off on **May 16th**, and we hope you'll join us.

Space is available for up to 45 sewing machines, so be sure to mark your calendar and come when the doors open to secure your spot. This event **is free for Guild members** and just **$10 for non-members.**

Be sure to pick up a flyer at the Quilt Show or the May Guild meeting for details. We're looking forward to a fun, relaxed day of sewing and visiting together!

Leah Grant

2027 Quilt Bash

Once again, it's time to start thinking about the 11th biennial event known as Quilt Bash. For those who haven't a clue what that is, let me briefly explain.

This event is held on the odd years and raises money for the guild's general fund (just like the quilt show). We open this event to any and all quilters to join us at a four-day retreat. We offer you your own sewing table, lots of stimulation, fun, demo's, prizes, and so much more. It's great fun and very exciting.

To make this happen, I need a team to help with the planning. I will be having the first meeting to kick off this event. Everyone is welcome whether you wish to chair a committee or just be a helper. The meeting will be held on May 7 at 10 a.m. at The Sewing Room quilt shop.

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to ask me. Hope to see you there!

Linda Ballard, Chair

Quilts made by Halli Keller, 2026 Quilt Show Featured Quilter

- Photos by Sue Vanderwerf -

April Member Spotlight on Yvonne Carrico

Yvonne has been a guild member for about two years. She joined to enjoy the camaraderie and joy of quilting.

Yvonne was inspired to start quilting in 2017. She likes the challenge of choosing the perfect fabrics. Her earliest piece came from a basic "kit," but she put her own spin on it with impressive hand turned applique.

More recently, Yvonne has concentrated on art collage pieces, many of which have gotten awards. Her work captures beautiful nature scenes, often featuring the mystical and powerful raven. She's shared a number of festive pieces that celebrated the bounty of gourds, pumpkins, and cornucopias. One of her lovely art pieces was started at a class given by our Fay Leighton on thread painting techniques last year.

We loved everything you showed us and hope to see more soon. Thank you, Yvonne, for being our member of the month!

Lisa Ponce

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2026 Calendar

Apr 25	QGNQ Meeting @ Willits
Apr 27	Quilt Drop-Off @ The Sewing Room, 10 am – 4 pm
May 1-2	Quilt Show @ Anderson Fairgrounds
May 5	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center
May 9	Workshop - Karen Ottoboni, "Needle Turn Applique @ Blue Iris
May 12	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center
Jun 2	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center
Jun 3	Workshop – Patt Thompson, "Wensleydale Block" @ Blue Iris
Jun 9	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center
Jun 17-21	Shasta District Fair
Jul 7	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center
Jul 14	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center
Jul 25	QGNQ Meeting, @ Ocean Wave Guild, Fort Bragg
Aug 4	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center
Aug 11	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center
Sep 1	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center
Sep 8	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center
Oct 6	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center
Oct 13	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center
Oct 31	QGNQ Meeting, @ Oroville Piecemakers, Oroville
Nov 3	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center
Nov 10	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center
Dec 1	General Meeting, 6:30 pm @ Senior Center (Holiday Social)
Dec 8	Board Meeting, 5:30 pm @ Senior Center

April Meeting Attendance

Members	96
Guests	6
New/Returning Members	5
Total Attendance	107

2026 Membership

Members	134
New Members	4
Returning/Renewing	3
Lifetime Members	5
Junior Members	2
Total Membership	148

Tracie Neal

Pamela Remley

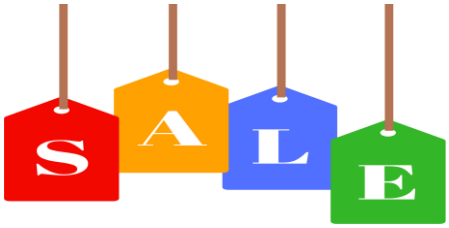
Kathy Neumann

Trish Sakata

May 1	Linda Rathbun
May 7	Janet Barabe
May 8	Connie Halter
May 10	Lois Frazier
	Kimber Rickey
May 18	Nancy Reed
May 22	Judy Hafner
May 25	Lynda Blais
May 26	Barbara Dyer
May 28	Sharon Yonehara
May 31	Cherry McCabe

Showcase of Quilts by QSR Members

Photos by Sue Vanderwerf



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Contact Barbara Blake

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Contact Barb Helwig for more information or to view the machine and all that goes with it.

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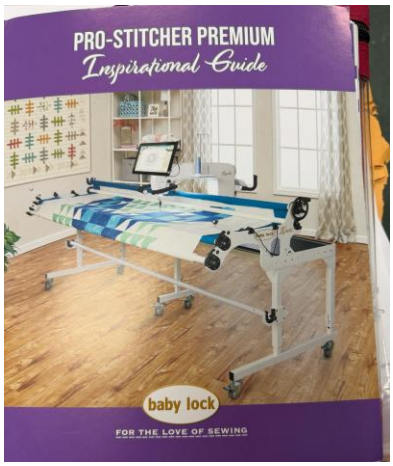
Asking $16,750.
Contact Kimber Rickey for more information.



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Next Meeting
Tuesday,
May 5
6:30 p.m.
at the Redding Senior Citizen's Hall
2290 Benton Drive

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. for general membership. Committee Chairs and Special Needs only may enter early.

✓ **Name Badge**
✓ **Fat Quarter**
✓ **Two Dollar Block**
✓ **Library Book**
✓ **Row & In/Out Robins**
✓ **Quilts for Show & Tell**

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