



# Lake and Mountain Quilters Guild



## 2024 February Newsletter

### Current Meeting & Workshop Schedule

*Adelaide Carpenter, Programs*

Meeting Time: 2:00 PM (1:30 PM social time) / 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each Month  
 Workshop Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Workshop / bring your own lunch  
 Place: Episcopal Church of the Ascension  
 214 Northampton Rd. Seneca, SC

### Schedule At A-Glance

Feb. 2024	Meeting:	Feb. 5, 2024	Adventures with Jinny (trunk show) Linda Bryant
	Workshop:	Feb. 6, 2024	Queens Folly (English Paper Piecing) Linda Bryant \$25 Workshop Fee – LMQG \$8.00 Kit Fee – payable to teacher day of class <b>4 spots available for this class</b>
	Day Bee:	Feb. 20, 2024	9:00- 3:00 OPEN SEW – Bring your own project (please sign up with Ellen)
March 2024	Meeting:	March 4, 2024	My Quiltworx Journey with Elsa Neubauer
	Workshop:	March 5, 2024	Blue Moon Placemats with Elsa Neubauer \$25 Workshop Fee – LMQG \$28.00 Pattern Fee – payable to teacher <b>8 spots available for March workshop</b>
	Saturday Sew:	March 9, 2024	9:00-3:00 Open Sew
	Day Bee:	March 19, 2024	9:00-3:00 Comfort Quilts with Lisa Holbrook or Open Sew
April 2024	Meeting:	April 1, 2024	Machine Maintenance with George Pennington
	Workshop:	NO WORKSHOP	
	Day Bee:	April 16, 2024	9:00—3:00

	Sew-in:	April 26-27, 2024	9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m. Saturday
May 2024	Meeting:	May 6, 2024	Joyce Walton – My Journey of Quilting
	Workshop:	May 7, 2024	Creative Border Piecing
	Day Bee:	May 21, 2024	9:00-3:00
June 2024	Meeting:	June 3, 2024	Karen Rountree – Whole cloth quilts made on antique linens.
	Workshop:	June 4, 2024	Using your antique linens: Re-Use, Re-Cycle, Re-Invent
	Saturday Sew:	June 8, 2024	9:00-3:00
	Day Bee:	June 18, 2024	9:00-3:00
July 2024	No Meeting		Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> of July!
	Saturday Sew:	July 20, 2024	9:00-3:00
August 2024	Meeting:	August 5, 2024	Susan Lentz-HOT: Heat Activated Techniques for Contemporary Stitch
	Workshop:	August 6 & 7	2-Day workshop HOT - \$50
	Saturday Sew:	Aug. 10, 2024	9:00-3:00
	Day Bee:	August 20, 2024	9:00-3:00
September	Meeting:	Sept. 9, 2024	Members Trunk Show – Several of our members will be showing award-winning quilts
	Saturday Sew:	Sept. 14, 2024	9:00-3:00
	Day Bee:	Sept. 17, 2024	9:00-3:00
October	Meeting:	Oct. 7, 2024	Sue Swan & Michele Dore – A trunk show by two of our very own members showcasing their extensive collection of quilts made under the direction of designer and expert Sue Spargo.
	Workshop:	Oct. 8, 2024	Slow Stitching – A relaxing day of slow stitching as you learn a few new tricks, techniques and stitches to create a small treasure. No machine required.
	Day Bee:	Oct. 15, 2024	9:00-3:00
	Retreat:	Oct. 23-27, 2024	Retreat begins at 11:00 a.m. on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> and ends on the 27 <sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.
November	Meeting:	Nov. 4, 2024	Patti and Cindy from Quilter Gallery will present a program on Antique Textiles.
	Workshop:	Nov. 5, 2024	to be determined
	Saturday Sew:	Nov. 9, 2024	9:00-3:00
December	Meeting:	Dec. 2, 2024	Something fun to end 2024 with a bang!!
	Day Bee:	Dec 3, 2024	9:00-3:00



## Program Details by Month

**February 5, 2024**

**(Program)** -Adventures with Jinny – Linda Bryant

**February 6, 2024**

**(Workshop)** – Queens Folly (English Paper Piecing)



Workshop Fee= \$25 LMQG

Kit Fee = \$8 payable to teacher

**February 20, 2024**

**(Day Bee  ) -**

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Bring your own project &  
Sew with friends

**March 4, 2024**

**(Program)** -My Quiltworkx Journey – Elsa Neubauer

**March 5, 2024**

**(Workshop)** – Blue Moon Placemats – Elsa Neubauer

Workshop Fee = \$25 LMQG

Pattern Fee = \$28 payable to teacher

### Supply List for Quiltworx Class

- Pattern – purchase from instructor
- Fabric – separate information coming on quantity and preparation for workshop.  
DO NOT starch your fabric.
- Add-a-quarter ruler – 12"



- Fabric glue pen and refills \*\* (Sewline, Quilter's Select, Bohin, Fons & Porter, etc).  
The pen and the refills can be different brands – the refills will fit any glue pen
- New blade in your rotary cutter\*\*
- 70/10 needle for sewing machine
- One Gallon Ziploc bags (to organize papers and fabric)
- Box of large paper clips (100 count) (not binder clips or project clips) (office supply)

- Scotch tape (Scotch brand preferred)



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- Basic sewing supplies – machine, scissors, seam ripper, thread, pins

### Available from instructor for purchase:

- Template plastic 3” x 12” or 3” x 18”(used as a folding template)
- Scotch restickable glue stick (used for positioning fabric to the foundation paper) – I do not recommend any other brand – I have observed the brands leaving residue on the fabric. Available at office supply stores or Amazon or from instructor.
- Acorn Precision Piecing Products Easy Press Pen and Solution (highly recommended) \*\*



## **Day Bees, Saturday Sews, & the Retreat!**

*Ellen Levesque*

**February 20th will be our 1st Day Bee** of the year. This will be an open sew from 9-3. Bring your project and your lunch. This is a great opportunity to socialize & meet other guild members. There will be a sign-up sheet at the February meeting, so we know how many tables to set up at the church in the meeting room. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can call or text Ellen Levesque at 860-299-3978 or email her at [quiltteacher2@gmail.com](mailto:quiltteacher2@gmail.com).

The **March 19th Day Bee** will be an opportunity to help with comfort quilts directed by Lisa Holbrook. We will also have tables for members wishing to use this time as an open sew to work on their own projects.

**March 9th from 9-3 will be our 1st Saturday gathering!** This will be an open sew. Bring a project & your lunch. You will need to sign up for this event to attend.

**LMQG RETREAT –** Mark your calendars now! **October 23-27, 2024** The 2023 Retreat is behind us and we're looking forward to 2024. The food was awesome and sewing with friends.... well what more could you ask for?



## President's Corner

*Denise McCormick, President*

Here goes...

As I write this I'm quilting in Tennessee and there are 4 inches of snow on the ground! What a perfect day. But the winter months give all of us such great opportunities to be productive in our sewing and quilting. I followed my own advice and the project I am working on is a UFO from 2020. I am making progress! Whatever your passion is this month, I hope you'll share your love of this craft with someone special. February hearts can be found in so many small quilting projects—so give a special heart to someone you love.

We have so many exciting programs coming our way this year. And while you may not be able to come to every workshop, I hope you come to at least one and learn something new.

Finally, it's never too soon to plan your entry for the 2025 quilt show. All the details aren't finished but there will be one, and your beautiful entries are the life of the show.

Happy Quilting!

Denise



## Member News

*Denise Rettberg, Membership*

### Renewal Time!

**Membership cards can be picked up at the monthly meeting from the membership table.**

Dues may be paid at any meeting or mailed to LMQG, P.O. Box 22, Seneca, SC 29679. Dues are \$30.00. You do not need to fill out any new forms, but please let Denise know if any of your information has changed.



# Philanthropy

Lisa Holbrook, Philanthropy

## Comfort Quilts:

Thank you to everyone who has been making comfort quilts to donate. The gifts of your time, talent and materials are appreciated. Fabric was purchased by the Guild for comfort quilts. This fabric is available during our meetings. We are asking you to sign-out this fabric because it was purchased and not donated. We hope to have a Day Bee for making comfort quilts soon.

Donated batting and fabric are always appreciated! All styles of fabric are used in comfort quilts. **Remember that scraps from the fabric used for surgical caps may be cut into squares or strips for use in comfort quilts.** There are many plastic bags of fabric squares available at our guild meetings. Please feel free to take these to make comfort quilts.

A comfort quilt is whatever size you want to make it. Most comfort quilts we receive are lap size, approximately 50" x 65". We also get smaller quilts for young children which are about 45" x 60". We have labels for the quilts. They are available at the comfort quilt table during our guild meetings. *Please contact Lisa Holbrook ([holbrooklh@att.net](mailto:holbrooklh@att.net)) for questions about comfort quilts.*

## Honor Their Service Quilts

Keowee Key has changed the format of their Honor Their Service program but they still give each participant a quilt. Pat Fargis is the contact person for these quilts. **Quilts need to be at least 60" x 72". They can be patriotic colors or not.** Consider making one for next year's participants. These may be given to Pat at a guild meeting. *Email Pat Fargis at [farpmoose@gmail.com](mailto:farpmoose@gmail.com) if you have any questions.*

## Children's Scrub Hats

Greenville Memorial Hospital gives every child having surgery a "Dollar Store" toy and a scrub hat prior to surgery. Some surgical hats are also donated to Oconee Memorial Hospital. They appreciate scrub hats with kid-themed fabric. These hats are not necessarily worn into surgery (they can be). But the kids get to take them home. They love picking them out when there is fun fabric!

You can donate fun child friendly fabric for surgical caps: 1 yard makes 5 surgical caps. We take donations of yardage, cut 18" or 16" circles, caps with sewn casings for elastic, OR completed caps with knotted elastic (this allows surgical staff to adjust the size to fit child).



Novelty fabrics and bright florals make great surgical caps. *Please contact Patty Smith (413-531-9275) if you have questions about the surgical hats.*

## **WAYS TO HELP**

**Donate kid-themed fabric (fat quarter, 1/2 yard, or a yard) for others to make scrub hats**

**Make completed scrub hats with elastic**

**Cut out & sew casing hem on 16-18" circles for others to thread elastic through**

**Thread elastic through the casing hem on the hats**

## **Directions for 5 scrub hats**

**You will need:** 1 yd cotton fabric  
1/4 inch elastic 26" piece per hat  
Thread  
16 to 18 inch circle pattern (depending on fabric width)

Fold Fabric lengthwise so that an 8- or 9-inch single layer extends beyond the 2-layer folded. Fold width-wise. You will have 4 thicknesses in main part.

Cut four circles at one time.

With remaining single layer of fabric – cut two half-circles with a 1/4' seam allowance which can be sewn together to make one more circle for a surgical cap.

**This gives you 5 hats. Remember that scraps from the fabric used for surgical caps may be cut into squares or strips for use in comfort quilts.**

Finish off edge: Fold under 1/2" and sew with zig-zag or other edging stitch to make casing for elastic. Or fold under twice and sew with a straight stitch to make casing.

Other suggestions for sewing the elastic casing:

-Lengthening the stitch on that hem really speeds that part up.

-If you serge the edges, using the differential feed to slightly gather/ease the edge makes turning the hem easy. NO pressing, NO tucks.

Thread a 26" piece of 1/4" elastic into casing. Tie off elastic with a simple loop knot leaving a large (1 to 3 inch) extra. This allows the nurses to easily adjust the hats according to the child's head size. [If you just want to sew hats & not put the elastic in them, we have volunteers who will do the elastic part.]

There is a small need for hats with 19" or 20" diameters. However, the 18" size can usually be adjusted to fit most kids.



## **Communication**

**Pat Huggins**

Hello, LMQG! As I write this, I am in Jonesborough, TN along with 8 others enjoying a week of quilting, piecing, laughing, eating, shopping, AND watching the snow fall!

I hope everyone is warm and cozy wherever you are!!! As for e-communications if you need to have any message relayed to LMQG members, please continue to send them to Gil ([gilhug@bellsouth.net](mailto:gilhug@bellsouth.net)) AND to me ([phug49@yahoo.com](mailto:phug49@yahoo.com)). As soon as Gil and I get the addresses changed over to my account, you can start sending them to me only. I will let you know as soon as that happens! In the meantime,

STAY WARM AND KEEP QUILTING!

Pat



## Library News

*Anita Parham, Librarian*

The library has lots of interesting books to check out. New books are being continually donated so the books available to you are constantly increasing or changing. Check us out!

## From the Editor -

*Sandy Harrison*

I want to thank Judy Stech for her work with the newsletter over the last four years and her help as I begin this job. I hope to carry on her good work!

**\*Please Note: Links do not work – please use the links provided in emails, etc. as a reference.**



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