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# Welcome New Members!

## Our Mission

Mountain Meadow Quilters shall promote the art of quilt making through education and charitable giving. All levels of skill and ability shall be encouraged and supported.

## Welcome from the Co-Presidents

It is our pleasure to welcome you to Mountain Meadow Quilters. This guild serves Sunriver and the greater Central Oregon area. Our membership includes approximately 100 members whose skill levels range from beginner to advanced and all points in between.

We hope this publication will answer your questions about our guild. If you still have questions, please feel free ask any member and they will be happy to help you or introduce you to someone who can. This is a great group and we want you to feel comfortable.

**Laurie Bartlemay**

**Bonnie Schaefer**



*Sunriver Quilt Show 2025*

*Photo: Carol Boswell*

## Monthly Meeting Schedule

### First Tuesdays

Community Quilt Sit & Sew 10:15 - 3:30  
The Quilt Basket, Bend

### Second Tuesdays

Business Meeting & Program 1:30 - 3:30  
Community Bible Church at Sunriver

### Third Tuesdays

Applique & Embellishment Group 12:00 - 2:30  
Community Bible Church at Sunriver

### Fourth Tuesdays

Education Meeting 10:00 - 12:00  
Sit & Sew 12:00 - 3:30  
The Quilt Basket, Bend

## MMQ Website

[mountainmeadowquilters.org](http://mountainmeadowquilters.org)

Our website contains information about guild events, educational resources, governing documents, the monthly newsletter and a password-protected membership roster. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram, too.

## MMQ Newsletter

The Guild's events and activities are listed in the monthly newsletter, available the first of every month on our website. The deadline for submittals to the newsletter is the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication. To submit articles, please email the Newsletter Editor at [mmqnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mmqnewsletter@gmail.com).

## 2025 Board Members and Committee Chairs

### Board Members

Co-Presidents .....	Bonnie Schaefer Laurie Bartlemay
Vice-President .....	Debra Ewing
Programs .....	Gail Eldred
Education.....	Lavelle Wallace
Secretary .....	Beryl Wilcox
Treasurer .....	Kim Fernald
Membership .....	Sue Zabaldano Sally Wilson
Newsletter.....	Kathy Greenleaf
Community Quilts.....	Diny van der Velden
Immediate Past President .....	Nancy Fischer

### Committee Chairs

Holiday Party .....	Linda Ehrich
Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show.....	Nancy Fischer
Sunriver Quilt Show.....	Laurie Bartlemay Debra Ewing Bonnie Schaefer
Mercantile .....	Beryl Wilcox Kim Fernald
Thrifty Quilter .....	Christine Watkins
Potholders .....	Ruth Kinane
Applique & Embellishment Group .....	Bevalee Runner
Retreat Chair .....	Nancy Fischer
GED Challenge .....	Jacque Ervin
Block of the Month.....	Nancy Fischer Bonnie Schaefer
Historian .....	Paula Rachuy
Drawings.....	Terry Anderson Betty Vincent Eileen Krueger
Hospitality .....	Cindy vom Steeg Paula Rachuy
Greeter .....	Caroline Lincoln
New Member Coordinator .....	Sue Schimke
Secret Pals .....	Jacque Ervin
Room Monitor for CBC.....	Bevalee Runner
Room Monitor for TQB.....	Pam Clark
Social Media Administrator.....	Carol Boswell
Webmaster.....	Laura Dickinson*

\*outside contractor

## Bylaws

Mountain Meadow Quilters is governed through Bylaws adopted November 12, 1996, and last updated October 8, 2024. A copy of the Bylaws is available on our website. The Bylaws include information about the mission of the guild, membership, dues, officers, standing committees, meetings and general provisions.

## Membership Dues

Per the Bylaws, dues shall be payable the first meeting in January or at the time a new member joins the guild. Membership dues are \$35 per year (as of October 2025). Dues can be paid in three ways: 1) hand your check and application form to the Membership Chair; 2) Mail your check and application form to Mountain Meadow Quilters, PO Box 3254, Sunriver OR 97707; or 3) Pay by credit card on MMQ's website.

## Master Quilters

Through the years, the guild has honored members for their commitment to the mission statement of the guild. Selection of these "Master Quilters" occurs every fall. Nominations for Master Quilter may be made by any member, with selection made by vote of the membership.

The following members have been so honored:

Lillian Arnold	Sarah Kaufman
Sharann Bean	Tammy MacArthur
Mary Buxton	Linda Saukkonen
Pauly Edwards	Barb Lowery
Bev King	Dolores Petty
Crys Kyle	Michelle McMicken
Gladys Mulrein	Marleen Fugate
Bevalee Runner	Pat Jones
Carol Webb	Dorothy Spain
Wendy Hill	Patty Gates
Sue McMahan	Denise Meese
Judy A. Johnson	Nancy Fischer
Joan Metzger	Ruth Kinane
Kathy Shaker	Christine Watkins
Valerie Weber	

## Board Meetings

The Board meets at least four times a year. These meetings are open to all. To submit an agenda item, please contact one of the Co-Presidents.

## Our Monthly Meetings

Please put cell phones on vibrate during our meetings. Due to member allergies, we ask that people not wear perfumes or scented lotions to guild meetings or classes. Thank you!

### ➤ **Community Quilt Sit & Sew**

#### **First Tuesdays: The Quilt Basket, Bend**

Engaging in charitable endeavors is part of our mission. The Community Quilts chairperson reviews charitable organizations and then submits a list of choices to the guild for approval. Work sessions for making the quilts are offered the first Tuesday of each month and after the fourth Tuesday Education meetings. All guild members and friends are welcome.

### ➤ **Program/Business Meeting**

#### **Second Tuesdays:**

#### **Community Bible Church at Sunriver**

**Hospitality & Visitors:** A team of three members volunteer to be hostesses and provide snacks. The guild supplies water, tea and coffee. A clipboard is passed around at meetings so people can sign up to volunteer as hostesses.

Visitors are always welcome. If you do bring a visitor, please contact the Greeter so she can introduce the visitor to the group. Visitors may attend three meetings for free.

**Program Speaker:** The guild hosts local and nationally-known presenters who speak on a variety of quilting-related topics.

**Show & Tell:** During this part of the meeting, members bring their work to share with others. Seeing the beautiful work of fellow guild members is inspiring. We ask that you share only two items per meeting.

**Business Meeting:** A brief business meeting includes guild news and announcements, items for member approval and reports from committee chairs.

**Drawings:** The guild is fortunate to have local vendors support the group by providing items for monthly drawings. Members who wear their name tags may place their names in a basket for a chance to win a gift. We ask the winners to write a thank you note to the persons or businesses who donated the items.

We also have a drawing for two books which have been purchased by the guild. For \$1.00 per book, members may place their names in a basket for a chance to win. Any funds received that exceed the purchase price of the books go into the guild account to be used for classes and charitable projects.

### ➤ **Applique & Embellishment Group**

#### **Third Tuesdays:**

#### **Community Bible Church at Sunriver**

Guild members interested in improving their applique and embellishment skills meets once a month. All skill levels are welcome. If you are a beginner, lessons will be taught at workshops during the year.

### ➤ **Education Meeting**

#### **Fourth Tuesdays: The Quilt Basket, Bend**

The guild provides an education-focused meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each month. During the Education meeting, members provide instruction for the **Technique of the Month** and the **Block of the Month**.

After the educational portion of the meeting is over, members may work on **Community Quilt projects** or create items for the **Mercantile**, the guild's fundraising sale at our annual Sunriver Quilt Show.

# **Guild Traditions and Activities**

## **Name Tags**

Members are asked to create their own name tags, which are to be worn to meetings and classes. These handcrafted fabric tags can be quilted, appliqued, embroidered, stamped—the choice is yours. Wearing your name tag to meetings makes you eligible for the drawings held at the Program/Business meetings and also helps people remember names.

## **Celebrating Birthdays**

Each issue of the newsletter lists members whose birthdays fall during that month. During your birthday month, please bring a non-perishable food item for The Giving Plate to the front table at the Program/Business meeting.

## **Secret Pals**

Each year, members may opt to be involved with this activity. In January, interested members submit their names and are given a Secret Pal. Participants bring small gifts to the Program/Business meetings for their Secret Pals. Suggested purchase price for the gifts is \$10 to \$15 per month. A reveal party is held in December.

## **Holiday Luncheon**

In lieu of a December Program/Business meeting, the MMQ Holiday Luncheon is held at the Community Bible Church at Sunriver. All guild members are encouraged to attend. Great food, wonderful entertainment, good conversation and the announcement of the year's Master Quilter are all part of this festive luncheon.

## **Classes**

MMQ contracts with nationally-known quilting instructors for classes of interest to the membership. These classes are partly subsidized by the guild and are open to all members. Frequently there is a limit to the class size, so it is helpful to register and pay early.

In August, we sponsor a fundraising Mercantile during the Sunriver Quilt Show. To support this activity, members offer free classes for making items for sale. These items may include tote bags, table runners, potholders and small gift items. If a member chooses to take one of the Mercantile classes, it is expected that they will donate an item to the Mercantile.

## **MMQ Quilting Retreats**

The guild organizes and sponsors quilting retreats for its members. These are typically low-cost, day-long events held at a local venue. Retreats are a fun, relaxing way to focus on your quilting projects in the company of fellow guild members.

## **Invitation to Join Committees**

Volunteers make the guild a more effective organization. We welcome all members, old and new, to volunteer for guild activities and projects. This is a great way to meet members and develop friendships.



*Photo: Diny van der Velden*



*Sunriver Quilt Show 2025*

*Photos: Caroline Lincoln*

## **Sunriver Quilt Show & Mercantile**

For 37 years, Mountain Meadow Quilters has partnered with The Village at Sunriver to offer a quilt show in August. This free outdoor event provides an opportunity for guild members to share the art of quilting with the community. Highlights of the show include featured quilters; potholder sales; the Mercantile, stocked with items made by guild members; and the Thrifty Quilter, a collection of donated books, magazines, patterns, fat quarters, fabric yardage, kits and notions sold at bargain prices.

Proceeds from the sales are used to support the guild's educational and charitable activities.

Organizing the event needs the support of all members. This includes participating on committees for the following: quilt management (checking the quilts in and out, hanging and taking down the quilts, and monitoring the quilts during the show) and public relations.

## **Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show (SOQS)**

The internationally-known Sisters Outdoor Quilt Show is held the second Saturday in July. Traditionally, the members of Mountain Meadow Quilters have supported the SOQS by individual volunteering, purchasing a "Friends of the Show" sponsorship or entering a MMQ Special Exhibit. Our Special Exhibit theme for 2025 was "Log Cabin" and for 2026 is "A Splash of Color." Information and sign-up opportunities are available on the SOQS website or by contacting our SOQS Chair, Nancy Fischer.

