

May 2026

Wichita Mountain Quilt Guild

From the Desk of our President:

Dear friends, I am truly blown away by the kindness and grace shown at our last guild meeting. Even during a difficult discussion, everyone came together with such unity and support. I am grateful to each and every one of you. Thank you for being the heart of our guild.

Congratulations to our newly elected officers: Barbara Johnston (President), Loree Bevins (Vice President), Diana Davis (Secretary), Vicki Nightingale (Treasurer), and our Programs team, Cris Ross and Dee Fizzell. As I mentioned at the meeting, I am dealing with some challenges regarding my mother's health. Your support means more than I can express, and I appreciate your understanding as I continue to serve as President.

I am so excited for our May program on Monday, May 11th! We'll be enjoying a quilt airing along with a potluck dinner, and I can't wait to see the beautiful garden-themed decorations you create for your table spaces. I'm also looking forward to all the quilts you'll be bringing to share. It's going to be such a fun and inspiring evening. It's going to be such a treat. I can't wait to see what you all bring.



Officers:

President - Barbara Johnston
Vice President - Loree Bevins
Secretary - Diana Davis
Treasurer - Vicki Nightingale
Membership - Marilyn Sikes
Programs - Dee Fizzell & Cris Ross
Community Sew - Lenor Davis
Ways & Means - Cindy Sheppard
Hostess - Michi Brown
Facebook & Webpage - Vicki Nightingale, Criss Ross, Dee Fizzell and Kristi Anderson
Newsletter - Anke Baker



Wichita Mountain Quilt Guild April 13th meeting..

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 by President Babara Johnston.

First order of business was to inform the guild members of the posting of their personal information on the Facebook page and out to other groups. Barbara assured the membership that it was removed as soon as it was discovered. Everything is being done to minimize the impact that this will have on the membership. The President also address the use of the square or Stripe method of using checks to pay for things. Both methods charge the guild for their use. Motion was made by Lanor that we do not use either of them except during the quilt show. Dues for membership would be Cash or check. Second, by Cindy Sheppard. All approved.

March minutes: Motion was made by Anke Baker to accept the minutes as presented; motion was seconded by Teresa Crabtree. All approved

Treasurer report: The accounts are being audited currently.

Membership: The need to increase the due to \$30 a year was discussed. At the current rate, we do not have enough to cover expenses. Motion was made by Lanor to increase the dues to the suggested \$30. Seconded by Jean Peterson. All approved. Dues are due at the May meeting. Everyone will need to fill out new membership applications. Payment for dues is by Cash or Check only.

Community Service: Lanor modeled a Shrug that she suggested would make a good alternative to quilts for the Cancer Center. We found a pattern online and it should be on the website.

The new slate of officers is as follows. All were voted unanimously into office,

Barbara Johnson -President

Loree Bevins- Vice President

Vicke Nightingale- Treasurer

Diana Davis- Secretary

Criss Ross and Diane Fizzell- Programs

Appointed positions: Anke Baker agreed to so our newsletter.

Upcoming program for May is” _Quilt Airing”. Programs directors are going for a garden theme. Dress accordingly. Meal will be potluck, but they are asking for side dishes and desserts only.

Business meeting was adjourned at 7:45

Quilt Show income and expense

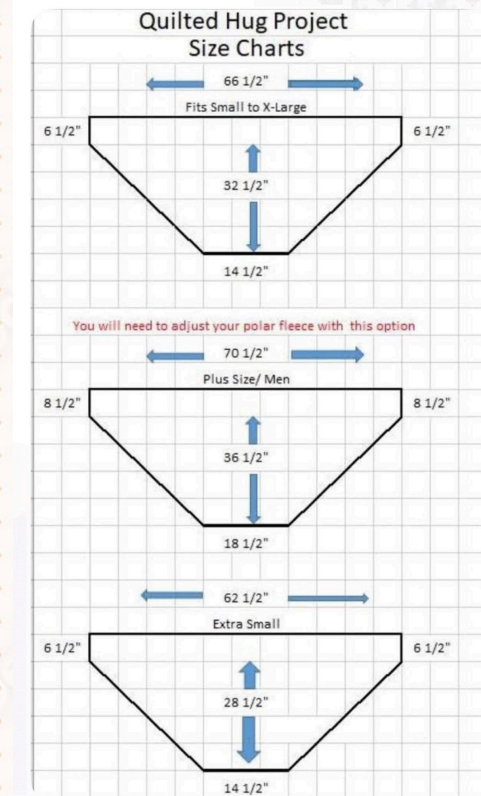
	Income 2026	Expenses 2026	Profit (Loss)
Admissions (includes program & tickets)	4855.38		4855.38
Advertising/Printing	122.92	1345.28	(1222.36)
Auction	628.12	110.00	518.12
Chamber of Commerce Grant	1500.00		1500.00
Financial Review		75.00	(75.00)
Guild Booth	1267.42	135.49	1131.93
Guild Merchandise Store	101.90		101.90
Hospitality		387.28	(387.28)
Judges (includes travel/lodging/program)	100.00	2094.95	(1994.95)
Miscellaneous/bank interest and checks	9.99	37.38	(27.39)
OK tax commission		169.88	(169.88)
Program/workshop	775.02		775.02
Quilt Entries and commissions	841.72		841.72
Quilt raffle/mailling	1325.76	11.70	1314.06
Ribbons		268.16	(268.16)
Set-Up		193.86	(193.86)
Sponsorship/Billingsly	483.20		483.20
Vendors	2500.88		2500.88
Venue (includes Insurance & Security)		3857.00	(3857.00)
Totals	14512.31	8685.98	5826.33
Funds to Guild			\$5,826.33

Thank you for all who
volunteered to make this quilt
show a big success!

Community Sew Corner

Community Sew Project

For those looking for the directions for the Quilted Hug here you go. Lenor added a border made of charm squares (5 inch squares) but you could use orphan blocks, border print, or anything to add that special flare to show someone they are loved. You can quilt and bind or sew around the edge with the batting on the top and turn right side out, stitch around the edge to close up and quilt as desired.



Lenor showing off our latest community service project, quilted hugs.

A Challenge from our Membership Chair Marilyn Sikes

Star Block Challenge.

White or white on white background with shades of blue stars. 12 1/2 inch unfinished.

Challenge is open to all, not just retreat attendees. Judging will be on Saturday, 2 May at retreat and prizes will be awarded. Please put a paper on your block/ blocks with your name on it and place in a bag and bring or give to someone attending the retreat. Or mail to me at 3608 NE Madison Ave, Lawton 73507. These blocks will become a charity quilt. I can't wait to see them!

Ways and Means

Ways and Means is Back in Action!!! Please come prepared to take your chances on some fun raffle items. We are expanding our choices to items other than quilting supplies, so we don't overcrowd your sewing room! Chances will be \$.25 each or 5 for \$1.00. Support your Wichita Mountains Quilt Guild by taking part in this fun part of guild.



Drag & Brag



Becky showing off the quilt she made from the blocks she won at our Christmas party. She donated it to community service.



Cris showing her finished quilt from the Making a Silk Purse Out of a Sow's Ear program. This was made for community service as well.



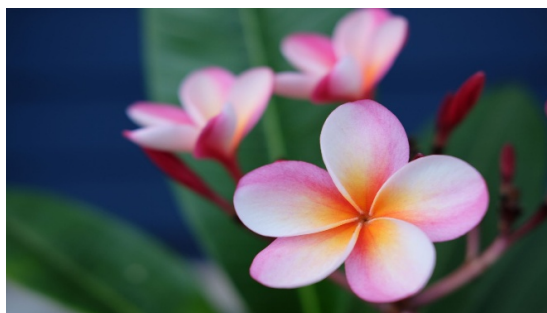
Lee showing off the baby quilt her and Linda made for a baby due any day now. She was working diligently on the binding hoping to get it done in time.



Nicole showing off her wall hanging she made for her daughter. She made the bear with furry fabric and gave it a score of 10 to 10 not to do.



Programs



Hello everyone!

Spring is here! Let's celebrate with a Quilt Airing! In the past, a quilt airing was when you change your winter quilts to summer quilts or summer quilts to winter. You would also air out the quilts before putting them away for the season. This is often done by hanging them outside in the fresh air. Some people may even beat the dust out gently. That way they will be fresh for the coming season. Today we wash our quilts and lovingly put them away.

For years the WMQG has made a tradition of having a quilt airing in the fall. We gather and show off some of our favorite quilts. More of a guild fellowship with food and fun. Cris and I decided to do this one in the spring. With us doing it in the spring we can have fun with a gardening theme. So put on your gardening hat and join us. We will be having a potluck dinner. Cris and I will be supplying the main dish, and you are all asked to bring side dishes or desserts. Quilters love food! But unless you want to eat it for a week after do not make a double batch. There will be plenty for all. We have games and challenges for the evening.

You are challenged to create a table decoration in a Gardening Theme. You can do whatever you want. As big or as small as you want. Just make sure your display fits into your area. There will be prize for the most creative happy spring display.

Bring a quilt to show off and have us oooh and aah over your quilt. You can even bring more than one. One of you will the most liked quilt of the evening prize, so make sure you bring your favorite.

Place: First Baptist West Lawton Ok

Time: 6:30 pm 9:00pm

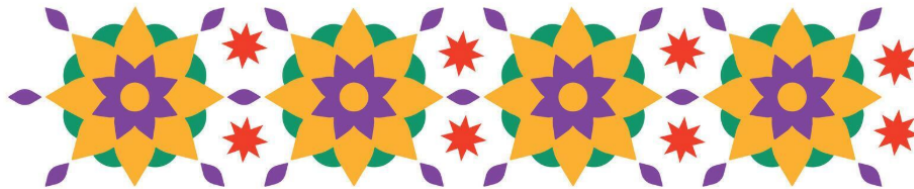
Date: May 11, 2026

Bring a friend for the fun and share the happiness!

Last Month Program activity



The winners of the Play Your Quilt Tax game,
Marilyn, Anke, Becky, and Lenor.



Snacks

Potluck

Please bring a dish to share





Happy Birthday!

