

Willow Woods Quilt Guild

Newsletter November 2025

Meets the Second Saturday of each
month at Elks Lodge
26584 Highway 18,
Rim Forest, CA

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Month at a Glance

Upcoming Events for November
and Beyond:

- The next meeting will be Saturday, November 8th at 10:30

Special items to bring to the next
meeting:

- Show & Tell items! What have you been working on?
- Any UFOs you have completed
- Your 2025 Dues \$40
- Something to work on if you are staying for Sit and Sew



President - Pat Duebbers

Greetings,

Thanks go out to Darrell and Sylvia for running the October meeting. The trip was great and when we visited Jen Kingwell's shop, she just happened to be in the shop. Lots of beautiful fabric there, too.

For our November meeting, we have some guild business to take care of. We will need to discuss the Quilt Walk and Auction. We may need to rethink the format of the show and auction. Our guild just does not have the membership to sustain what we've done in the past.

If you have the yellow yard signs from the Quilt Show, please bring them to the meeting.

We need to vote for our next slate of officers in December. We will determine the roster at the November meeting. If you are a current officer and want to stay in that position, please let Darrell know. Also, if you would like to volunteer for one of the positions, please let Darrell know. The offices we will be voting are: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Kelli has offered to continue as Treasurer. Thank you, Kelli!

We will also look for volunteers for next year's committee chairs: Membership, Photographer, Newsletter, Quilt Show, Quilt Auction, Webmistress/Facebook, and Hospitality. Again, if you are in a position you'd like to continue, please let us know.

Nancy N. is scheduled to bring snacks this month. Kelli will be sharing her "Quilting Journey." Tonee will be our presenter. Her program is "needle turn applique."

We will also have "Show and Share." We'd love to see what you have been working on.

The room is ours until 3:00. Bring your sewing machines and UFO's. This is the perfect time to continue the project demonstrated, get help with a difficult quilt pattern, try something new, do handwork, or just sit and socialize with like minded friends.

Happy Quilting,
Pat Duebbers

Secretary - Trisha Skalnik



Book Club - Trisha Skalnik

The first book club session will be held after the guild meeting. It will be the first two chapters of Jennifer Chiaverini's book, *The World's Fair Quilt*. For those new to a book club, key discussion items will include the characters, context, issues and conflicts, along with anything you think is notable. It should be fun! Hope to see you after the meeting! Trisha

What Have You Been Up To?

Trisha Skalnik

Greetings.

I was absent last month, so no secretary's minutes or pictures. I attended a Creative Art Embroidery class for the weekend at Moore's Sewing in Brea.

Kelli Agner

Hi All! I look forward to our upcoming meeting and hope we have a full house. I did not do any quilting the last two months but I gathered many fresh ideas while traveling! Here are some pictures to share.

Kelli



Pamela Abell

Hello to my quilting friends,

It is time to get out my clip board and make 3 lists of what is ahead in my quilting life:

1. Finish it
2. Organize it
3. Plan it

Finish it– sew binding onto top, add one more row to a quilt top for better proportions, add borders to 2 tops, and quilt-bind all 3 tops.

Organize it – go through parts of my fabric stash and decide what to keep, where to put it, file scraps from last projects, and organize small tools for more efficient sewing time.

Plan it – 10-15 minutes to sew a little each day (goal) with my handy timer, to decide on holiday runners to decorate the table, use orphan blocks to create new quilt tops and spur creativity, and schedule new blocks / techniques so each quilt contains something new I haven't used or learned yet.

My overarching goal is to aim for progress and not perfection so I can take baby steps daily and over time see more progress, which is satisfying.

For instance, if I set the timer for just 10 minutes every day, here is what can be achieved by just doing baby quilting steps.

Total Accumulated Time

1 day 10 minutes per day

1 week 1 hour & 10 minutes per week

1 month 4.7 hours per month

1 quarter 14.1 hours every 3 months

1 year 56.4 hours every year

I choose 10 minutes per day because I can fit that into the early morning or late at night. I started to use the 1-minute time method in my household chores and was surprised at how much I can get done in just 10 minutes.

My 3 rules:

1. I had to train myself to stop immediately once the timer dinged because my habit was to work until overload hit, became exhausted, with no time to tidy up the mess.
2. I can only take out what I can finish in 10 minutes.
3. Divide my task list into 10 minute tasks.

I choose 10 minutes per day versus not making any progress so I will keep you posted and anyone can join along.

Happy quilting,
Pamela

Julie Dunn

I'd like to submit a picture of my owls from the August workshop. (I think.) I wasn't able to attend the Oct. meeting to share them.

