SEPT/OCT 2025

LONG ISLAND QUILTERS' SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER



A message from our president.

Hi Quilters!

Welcome to new and renewing members!

The fall season is brimming with new and inspirational opportunities, aligned with current trends and members' feedback. In this transitional moment, we research and schedule program opportunities for the 2025-2026 membership year and beyond.

The Levittown Library wrapped up a super successful July-August exhibit, showcasing a masterful, wide variety of styles and techniques, thanks to the talents of our guild. Many of our pieces will transfer over to the Long Island Fair, September 12-14, where our booth is reserved to greet the public by our team of enthused volunteers.

Registrations rolled in fast for our September 20th National Sew a Jelly Roll Day event.

Among the many jelly roll ideas on the web:

https://blog.fatquartershop.com

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mJzeZ9EodX4

And, September is National Sewing Month!

Find your sewing-arts zen here September 27-28, and watch your email for the live link to connect to 18 mini demos. https://www.globalquiltconnection.com/samplerplatters

The LIQS Annual Membership Meeting is September 29th, including important board elections, so please read on for the details.

Don't forget to wear your name tag.

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GUILD MEETINGS

September 29 | 10:00 AM | Freeport Rec LIQS Annual Meeting & Pop-Up Shop

Join us for our Annual Meeting - an important day for our guild as we vote on incoming board members and set the stage for an inspiring year of quilting together!

Here's what's happening:

- Cast your vote for the 2025-26 board.
- Submit your 2025-26 registration dues
- Special guest: North Shore Quilting Pop-Up Shop! Browse fabric, notions, and more right at the meeting!
- Hear about all the exciting events and activities we have planned for you! It's going to be a great year of quilting together.

Raffle prizes 4 - \$25 Gift Certificates to North Shore Quilting will be raffled!!!

(must be an LIQS member)

- 2 for attendees
- 1 for those who bring in the Postcard we recently mailed
- 1 for those who Wear their flower pin name tag or one of their own

Don't miss this fun, inspiring day - your participation makes LIQS stronger!

October 20 | 6:30 PM | Freeport Rec

SPECIAL PROGRAM: "Easy Quilt Binding" with Carmen Geddes

Don't miss this hybrid event! Carmen Geddes will join us via Zoom with a live demo on easy quilt binding techniques, while we gather together in person. Come ready to learn tips and tricks that

will take the stress out of finishing your quilts!

November 17 | 10 AM | Freeport Rec FAST & EASY HOLIDAY GIFTS TO MAKE

Our November meeting will feature a Station Rotation where members will demonstrate their favorite techniques for creating quick, beautiful, and budget-friendly holiday gifts. You'll be able to visit each station, watch the process up close, ask questions, and gather inspiration for your own seasonal making.

December 15 | 6:30 PM | Freeport Rec LIQS Holiday Celebration

Save the Date! Our December meeting will be a celebration filled with food and fun.

Keep an eye on your inbox – more holiday cheer details are coming soon!

Meetings are subject to change.

Watch your email for updates.



MEETING LOCATION

Freeport Recreation Center 130 East Merrick Road Freeport, NY 11520

WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

September 12, 13, 14 Old Bethpage Village Restoration

THE LONG ISLAND FAIR

https://www.lifair.org

Our donated collaborative Community Churn Dash Quilt is on display at the Village. A special and heartfelt thanks to Deb Kircheim for spectacular longarm finishing and binding, plus the bonus giant pillow. Member-volunteers are scheduled to set up our quilts and to staff the LIQS booth for the duration of the fair. For further information contact Emily.





September 20 | 12–5 PM | Merrick Golf Course Clubhouse, Merrick

SEW A JELLY ROLL DAY

Join your fellow LIQS members for our very first SEW A JELLY ROLL DAY! It's going to be a fun and relaxing afternoon of stitching and socializing! Bring your favorite jelly roll and work on a project of your choice.

- As a member, \$15 reserves your seat
- ★ Free patterns will be emailed ahead of time or use your own
- ☆ Light refreshments will be served

Let's roll into fall with creativity and good company!



September 27-28 | 3-6 PM | Virtual

Global Quilt Connection Sampler Platter

LIQS is registered for the livestream. All members will be emailed about instructors and procedures for access to the program.

COMMON THREADS

"Common Threads"
LIQS Hand Sewing Group

Coes Neck Park, 1240 Coes Neck Road Baldwin, NY 11510 10AM - 1PM

September 3, 10, 17, 24 October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 November 5, 12, 19, 26 December 3, 10, 17



No Fee or Registration Required. Leave your sewing machine at home and join Common Threads! We offer a generous workspace and a community of like-minded individuals eager to share their passion for hand sewing and quilting. Engage in lively discussions on various topics or dedicate time to your own projects. Whether it's a small hand-sewing task or a large quilt in need of basting, you'll find just the right space, company and support here. Contact Anna Hanrahan for more info.

** LIQS Mystery Charity Sit & Sew **

Join us for a special mystery sewing event where your talents will bring comfort to others. Each participant will choose a free mystery kit upon arrival - then we'll sew together to create projects for charity.

Choose Your Day(s):

- Saturday, October 4 12:00 pm start
- Saturday, November 1 10:00 am start
- Saturday, December 6 12:00 pm start



- Location: Merrick Golf Course Clubhouse
- To ensure we have a kit for you please RSVP HERE: https://forms.gle/nnk5hhTdf3N8xQg19
- Fing your sewing machine, zipper foot (optional), supplies, mini irons, tools, and an extension cord.

Whether you come for one date or all three, you'll enjoy:

- Making new friends
- Strengthening your sewing skills
- Giving back to the community
- The joy of knowing your work will touch someone's life

Come sew with us as we fulfill our mission to give back to the community through the work of our hands.



LIQS Board Nominations Open

▼ LIQS BOARD POSITIONS STILL OPEN – WE NEED YOU!

Our September 2025 board elections are right around the corner, and a few key positions are still **VACANT!** This is your chance to get involved, share your skills, and help shape the future of our guild - don't miss out!

Vacant Positions for Nomination:

- **Scheduling Chair:** Ensure every guild meeting has a program. Collaborate with Programs, Charity, and other members to coordinate engaging events.
- **Communications/Newsletter Chair:** Distribute 6 newsletters annually, share updates via email, and keep our members informed and connected.
- **Webmaster (co-officer position)**: Shadow our current officer as she enters her final year. Maintain and improve LIQS.org, keeping our guild visible online.
- Recording Secretary (Evening): Capture meeting minutes and help maintain accurate records for our guild. You will work closely with the Day Secretary and may be asked to fill in either role as necessary.

Even if other roles already have nominees, you can still nominate yourself or others. We want to give every member a fair chance to serve!

How to Nominate:

Submit your nominations

HERE: https://forms.gle/SWVw3CTeqWcgqNG89

Self-nominations are highly encouraged - just check with your nominee first if nominating someone else.

Your voice matters. Your involvement keeps LIQS vibrant, strong, and thriving. Step up, nominate, or encourage a friend to help shape the guild we all love.

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of names and contacts in this newsletter.	
Don't wait - be part of the next chapter	of LIQS!
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THE GREAT AMERICAN BIRTHDAY QUILT

https://www.visitwilliamsburg.com/williamsburg-250/american-birthday-quilt/

PUMPKIN STAR POT HOLDER TUTORIAL

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZQ5k-3VHx78

EASY FALL AND HALLOWEEN TABLE TOPPERS

https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/holiday-quilts/fall/easy-fall-table-toppers

THE REAL REASON YOUR QUILT TOPS STAY UNFINISHED

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=exhLH-Sk3iA

TOP QUILTING TECHNIQUES AND PROJECTS FOR 2025

https://www.americanquilter.com/blog/top-quilting-techniques-projects-2025

HOW TO DESTASH YOUR QUILTING FABRIC

https://www.stringandstory.com/blog/howtodestash

FREE FPP PATTERNS ROUND UP - Liza Taylor

https://lizataylorhandmade.com/blogs/liza-taylor-handmade/free-fpp-patterns-round-up

HOW TO BIG STITCH YOUR BINDING

https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/how-to-add-big-stitch-binding-to-your-quilt-8667558

SCRAPPY STRIP MUG RUG TUTORIAL

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b1HXBzOmgjl

QUILT SHOWS & EVENTS

https://www.allpeopleguilt.com/how-to-quilt/quilting-basics/quilt-shows-events



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Dot Corcoran, Margaret Kenneally, Olga Botwinick, Roxanne Caccavo, Ellen W. Davis, Linda Denner, Evelyn Googe, Marilyn Hamilton Jackson, Mary Ellen Ilich, Carol Irwin, Ellie Mahony, Maria Petsche, Jody Ratner, Eva Rodriguez, Patricia Scarangella, Angelika Swantek

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Debbie Pelman, Ruth Bechtold, Shirley Cox, Rita D'Alonzo, Jeannette Glover, Elen Levenberg, Mush Masters, Eileen O'Connor, Gail Savold, Mary Ann Sexton

SUNSHINE & SHADOWS

Have joyful news or sorrow to share? Help us support our members through life's ups and downs. Please contact Carol Irwin with announcements of celebrations or losses.

CHARITY

Contact Judy Wollman with donations.

See the LIQS website for patterns.

Thank you for supporting our charity efforts!

Comfort Pouches for Kids in Cancer Treatment

Judy Wollman is inviting all members to help brighten the days of young children going through cancer treatment by **COMFORT POUCHES** filled with small gifts and comfort items.

These pouches will be given to children from **BIRTH TO 8 YEARS OLD**, offering a moment of joy and reassurance during a very difficult time. Each handmade pouch is more than just a bag - it's a tangible reminder that someone cares.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- 1. Sew a Comfort Pouch a simple pattern is listed below.
- 2. Fill It with Love: Inside each pouch, please include small toys or comfort items. Items should be new.

Suggested Items:

Soft Plush Toys • Soft Picture Books • Crayons and Coloring Books • Pacifiers • Rattles • Bubbles • Toy Cars • Play Dough

COMFORT POUCH SEWING INSTRUCTIONS

Materials:

- 1 fabric piece: 40" × 16"
- (2) 1" × WOF or cord for drawstrings

Instructions:

- 1.On long side of the pouch fold in ¼" press and fold in another ¼", press, pin or clip. Do the same on the other sides.
- 2.On top of the fabric, fold down 1", press and then fold down another 1" and press, pin or clip. Do the same on the other short side.
- 3. Sew across the bottom of 1" fold to make an opening for the drawstring.
- 4. Fold fabric right sides together, in half.
- 5. Sew down the sides of the pouch from under the opening to the bottom, back stitching top and bottom. Turn right side out.
- 6. For the drawstrings, fold in half wrong sides facing, press, open bring both sides to center on wrong side of fabric, then fold in half, press and stitch down both sides of drawstring.
- 7. Insert one of the drawstrings through both sides, front and back of the opening, coming out where you started. Take the other drawstring starting at the opposite side and draw the second drawstring though the opening in the same way. Knot the ends of the drawstring.

Pattern submitted by Judy Wollman

For additional information or questions, contact Judy Wollman.



Quilt Repair & Donation Inquiry

Seeking assistance with repairing a cherished quilt that is approximately 60 years old and was recently torn in the washing machine.

Also looking to donate a 100-year-old Arkansas quilt, preferably to a museum or historical collection. Local pickup in Levittown is ideal.

If you can help with either request, please contact **Mary Gould at 516-297-5665.**

Sewing Machines for Sale - \$100

Sewing machines from the collection of a former LIQS member, Nancy Spatafora, are available for sale. Selling for \$100 each. Interested buyers, please contact her son, **Mark, at 516-652-8738**. Items need to be sold ASAP.











Have you visited our <u>website</u> lately? Be sure to check out the <u>Gallery</u> to see all the fun we've been having!

Got ideas or want to get more involved? Reach out to any board member to chat about open positions, joining a committee, or suggesting activities and events you'd love to see in the future.



Contact Us

Long Island Quilters' Society, Inc. P.O. Box 75, Merrick, New York 11566 www.liqs.org

The Long Island Quilters' Society, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to furthering an interest in quilting, encouraging the preservation of our quilt heritage, and offering year-round instructional opportunities for its members. The society provides a meeting where quilters can support each other's growth and development. The membership year is from September 1 through August 31. Members receive a bi-monthly newsletter and are eligible to participate in workshops. Monthly meetings are held at the Freeport Recreation Center, 130 E. Merrick Road, Freeport, NY.

OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Emily Mann

1st VP Facilities: Madeline Richez

2nd VP Scheduling: VACANT

3rd VP Presentations/Workshops: VACANT

3rd VP Presentations/Workshops -Assist: Debbie Kircheim

4th VP Communications: Lisa Morrow

5th VP Membership: Kathy Wideska

5th VP Membership - Assist: Lisa Lagan

6th VP Webmaster: Evelyn Googe

7th VP Charity: Judy Wollman

Day Secretary: Ellen Davis

Evening Secretary: Nancy Gravina

Treasurer: Rosemary Brix

Committees:

Member Workshops: Mary Ellen Orchard

Hospitality: Kim Black

Sunshine and Shadows:Carol Irwin

Ways & Means: VACANT

Nominations: VACANT

Honorary Board Members

Kathy D'Amour Paula Lederkramer Janet Ratner



BOARD MEETINGS MERRICK GOLF COURSE @ 6.45 P.M.

Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1

LIQS AT A GLANCE

Date	Time	Event Name	Location
September 12–14	All Day	Long Island Fair	Bethpage Village
September 17, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads	Coes Neck Park
September 20, 2025	12:00 – 5:00 PM	Sew a Jelly Roll Day	Merrick Golf Course Clubhouse, Merrick
September 24, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads	Coes Neck Park
September 27–28	3:00 - 6:00 PM	Global Quilt Connection Sampler Platter	Virtual
September 29, 2025	10:00 AM	Annual Meeting with Guest Vendor North Shore Quilting	Freeport Rec.
October 1, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
October 4, 2025	12:00 PM	Mystery Charity Sit & Sew	Merrick Golf Course Clubhouse, Merrick
October 8, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
October 15, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
October 20, 2025	6:30 PM	General Meeting - Hybrid Zoom Carmen Geddes "Binding Tecniques"	Freeport Rec.
October 22, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
October 29, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
November 5, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
November 1, 2025	12:00 PM	Mystery Charity Sit & Sew	Merrick Golf Course Clubhouse, Merrick
November 5, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
November 12, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
November 17, 2025	10 AM	General Meeting - Holiday Gift Ideas Station Rotation	Freeport Rec.
November 19, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
November 26, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
December 3, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
December 6, 2025	12:00 PM	Mystery Charity Sit & Sew	Merrick Golf Course Clubhouse, Merrick
December 10, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park
December 15, 2025	6:30 PM	Holiday Celebration	Freeport Rec.
December 17, 2025	10 AM-1PM	Common Threads LIQS Hand Sewing Group	Coes Neck Park



Long Island Quilters' Society, Inc.

Membership Application September 1, 2025 - August 31, 2026

ANNUAL DUES \$40

Name:			 New Member Returning Member Life Member
Emergency Contact:	Name	Relationship	 Phone#
Only compl Address:	•	your contact informat	inged
City:			Zip:
Phone: ()		Mobile: ()	
Email:			
I do not have an email d	address	Birthday Month:_	

Please complete your application and mail it, together with cash or check payable to LIQS, to:

LIQS Membership Chairperson

22 Wadsworth Avenue Levittown, NY 11756

Prefer to pay by credit or debit card? Visit <u>LIQS.org</u> and click the "Join Us" tab at the top of the page to securely check out using PayPal. (No PayPal account required.)

Membership cards are available upon request. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you would like a membership card mailed to you.

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE



LIQS Workshop Registration

This registration is only for yourself and only for the event listed below. Separate registration forms must be completed and include separate payments for each event you wish to attend.

Event	Sew a Jelly Roll Day	
When	September 20, 2025	12 noon – 5pm
Where	Merrick Golf Course Club House 2nd Floor, 2550 Clubhouse Road, Merrick	
Cost	LIQS Member: \$15	Non-Member: \$20

Please bring your own beverage. A midday snack will be provided

Payment is due at time of registration

Refunds will be not issued except in the following situations: your cancellation due to extenuating circumstances with documentation, cancellation of the class by LIQS, or if someone from the waiting list is able to take your place. You may not transfer your registration to anyone else, your spot may only be filled in the order of the people on the waiting list. In the event you cannot attend a class, even at the last minute, please call. If your spot is filled from the waiting list you will receive a refund for the class fee.

Programs Chair Contact: Nancy Gravina (516) 238-9652

Alternate Contact: Emily Mann (516) 457-3581

A supply list will be emailed to all registered participants.

Keep the top portion for your records.

(Separate Here)

Return this portion with your payment to:

LIQS Programs 221 Cadman Ave Babylon,NY 11702

Event Title	Sew a Jelly Roll Day			
Your Name				
Address:				
Best Phone			Alternate Phone:	
Email				
Total Cost			Due By: September 6, 2025	
Make checks payable to LIQS				
Payment Am	nount:		Date Received:	
Payment Method: Check # Cash		Cash	PayPal	
Received by:				