



# SANTA CLARITA VALLEY QUILT GUILD

*Promoting the art of quilting through  
sharing, friendship, education, and  
meaningful service to our community.*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

As I sit here in my first snowy Christmas from the wonderful Northern Washington, I wish you all a wonderful New Year! This year, instead of a resolution, I've decided to change my perspective!

Here it is:

Be in the moment! Don't focus on the past.

Make space for joy.

Trust yourself; you are where you are supposed to be.

Focus on the good in life.

Be grateful every day.

Embrace imperfections.

Believe in your abilities.

Learn new things.

Create your own happiness!

live vibrant

Quilt, Quilt, Quilt, Quilt, Quilt!!

*Denise Rifilato*

## PROGRAMS

Our January meeting is Community Service, followed in February master paper-piecer Cindy Myers, who will share her lecture, "My Quilts are not Quiet" and will teach a workshop called Prairie Pinwheels. The supply list will be available at the January meeting.

I look forward to seeing you all on January 11<sup>th</sup>!

Keep on Quilting!

*Sue Bennorth*

## ROAD TO CALIFORNIA

Southern California's biggest regional judged and juried quilt show, Road to California, is being held at the Ontario Convention Center from January 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>. If you haven't been to this event before, it is a fabulous opportunity to see some amazing work by quilters from all over the southwest – and a few from other parts of the country as well! I never miss it! This year, the SCCQG is running a contest in which the guild with the highest percentage of attendees could win \$500! Our guild is enrolled in the contest, so, make your plans to be there and be sure to sign in!

*Sue Bennorth*

## THOMAS FIRE VICTIMS HELP

The Ventura Modern Quilt Guild has launched an effort in support of the Thomas Fire Victims. Scott Griffin, VP of Ventura Modern Quilt Guild has designed a beautiful [Perkiomen Valley Block](#) to make as relief for Thomas Fires victims. Click on the block name to view the size and fabric suggestions. Choose any solids or prints you wish to use, lights and darks as indicated. All blocks go to the Superbuzzy Quilt Shop in Ventura (address is included on the block information file – link for the project is below). There is no deadline on block submission, but the guild would like to get quilts assembled and out to the needy folks in January and February as they begin to rebuild. The guild will assemble them into quilts for those in need after this devastating fire. VMOG will be arranging sewing and quilt finishing soon. Let me know if you are interested in contributing to this project.

<http://www.superbuzzy.com/help-the-thomas-fire-victims.htm>

*Linda Beusching*

## MEMBERSHIP

We want to wish everyone a wonderful holiday season with all your favorite things and time for a little quilting too!

You can plan to sign up and pay your dues for 2018 at the December meeting or in January if you prefer. Dues are \$35.00 or if you are 65 or older, \$30.00.

Make checks payable to SCVQG or pay by cash. See you at the holiday party! Enjoy Your Quilting!

*Linda von Mohr & Patty Gutierrez*

## WAYS AND MEANS

First of all, thank you for helping me make my personal goal for Ways and Means of \$1500 for 2017 - we actually made \$1519.00 for our guild.

Our December party was lovely and our baskets were a big hit again. The Large basket with Christmas fabrics and 45mm rotary cutter went home with the lovely Joan Anderson. The basket with the Amish wall hanging and the plum fabric collection went to the delightful Karen Warloe. The Plane kit fabrics with Friskers snip scissors went home with the charming Penny Lawrence and the Beautiful Basket with red and black fabrics with the long Friskers scissors went to our wonderful Linda Bueshing.

The lucky members who received a thank you gift were Dana C., Dolores R Jones and Connie Hall.

Again, thank you for all your support over the past few years. Marsha Daines takes over this month and will do a wonderful job I am sure.

Happy New Year and happy quilting,

*Debbie Williams and Ellie Smith*

## JOIN THE IFFI GROUP!

The 2017 IFFI Group has ended and Kathy De Chellis was our \$90 winner! Congrats to all who entered the IFFI challenge and finished those projects. There were at least 50 projects finished!

Look for Pamela Skaggs in January for the new year sign-ups. Start thinking about those 10 projects, that you would like to finish in 2018 and bring your list. It is still just \$10 to participate.

Thanks,

*Joyce Wilkinson*

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our guild rocks! We have been able to touch so many lives this past year because of all of you!

Members are participating in record numbers, attending the community service work nights ready to participate. We have been blessed with quality fabric donations that have been turned into kits for pillowcases, quilt tops, placemats, etc. Thank you for picking up items at the back table.

This coming year we will be adding the Domestic Violence Center of Santa Clarita to our donation list. We will be donating pillowcases to them. Here are our donations for 2017:

- Turtle Camp received 13 twin bed quilts and 63 take home quilts this year!

- Cal Vet /VA received 3 bed quilts and 6 lap quilts.
- Habitat for Humanity is going to receive 26 large quilts at close of escrow (tbd). We originally thought this would happen in December.
- The Senior Center received the following and were so thankful for the items. They couldn't believe how beautiful they were!
  - Placemats- 350
  - Shawls- 23
  - Wheelchair blankets-25
  - Lap blankets- 3

We are well on our way to providing 256 pillowcases to The Painted Turtle Camp in 2018.

We have contacted Henry Mayo NICU to see if they would like small quilts. More info in January.

We will have all kinds of kits available in January and through the year for you to enjoy. We have put together flannel receiving blanket kits to be sold in the boutique at Cowboy Poetry Festival and the upcoming quilt show.

Thanks again for all you do,

*Dana Montague and Carol Carter*

## **BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

Wow, what a great group of blockers! There were 38 members that worked on the block of the month projects and 220+ blocks and rows were completed, plus two of the wheelchair quilts were finished. Many little Thank-you gifts were drawn for and Patty Vergon was the winner of our Cityscapes Wall hanging and I can't remember who won the Pansy wall hanging/table runner, sorry. It was a crazy. night.

Be sure to check out the Thomas Fire Victims block above...

In January I will have kits made-up, with blocks that you can take home and sew together to make the quilt tops from our blocks, so we can get the tops to the quilters to quilt. In February we will have a new block.

Each blocker that made at least one block received a yoyo ribbon award, look for them at our next meeting. You can receive one too when you join us for 2018 block party and make one block more is always welcome. Two of our blockers made over 20 blocks each!

See me at the January meeting to pick up a kit to complete our quilt tops.

*Joyce Wilkinson*

## MINI-GROUPS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Contact</i>	<i>Meeting Information</i>
<b>Super Star Quilters ***</b>	Patti Voyles 259-6198	Meets first and third Tuesday 7 p.m. - rotating member's home
<b>Cut-Up Mini Group (full for now)</b>	Joyce Wilkinson	Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month
<b>Monday Mavens ***</b>	Kris Dolan 296-7573	Meets first and third Mondays 9 am to 3 pm (We lunch at La Cocina) Call to verify location
<b>The Tuesday Evening Quilters***</b>	Carolyn Walker 661-296-0402 New members please call first for instruction and directions.	Meets every Tuesday evening at 5:45 PM Greenbrier Estates East Mobile Home Park – Recreation Room 21301 Soledad Canyon Rd.

\*\*\* indicates membership is open. If you want to attend a meeting, we recommend calling to be sure that nothing has changed since this listing

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**Things to Remember:**

- ❖ **Next meeting, January 11<sup>th</sup>**
- ❖ Initial sign-in sheet at the door
- ❖ Verify your contact information.
- ❖ Wear your name tag
- ❖ Bring your Sweet Treats
- ❖ Bring Show and Share quilts

**This Month's Calendar:**

January 11, 2018 7:00 PM

Monthly Meeting

Santa Clarita United Methodist Church

26640 Bouquet Canyon Road

Saugus, CA.

January 18, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Business Meeting

Newhall Public Library



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[www.scvquiltguild.org](http://www.scvquiltguild.org)

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