

Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Guild

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

Valentine's Day Feb 14

President's Message

January's meeting certainly got 2015 off to a great start. Don Beld is so knowledgeable and so willing to share with us. We had our first 2015 Executive Board Meeting last Thursday. Attendance was awesome. The room at the Library was filled with so much energy and promise for the new year. We have so many wonderful volunteers this year!!! We still need a Facilities Chairperson, Historian, and Librarian. Please let me know if you will take up this challenge to serve your guild. I know you'll meet new people and have fun doing it. We need a Bylaws Committee to review and refresh the Bylaws. You can look them over on our website. Let me know if you can serve on this committee. Your input is ALWAYS appreciated as we need varying points of view.

We will continue to meet at my home every Monday through January and February to make goodies for our Boutique at the Home and Garden Show in April. Please come help.

<u>President's Message (con't)</u>

Barbara Montejo will have sign-up sheets for both the Cowboy Festival and the Home and Garden Show. These are fantastic opportunities for our Guild and you know you will have fun if you come out to play with me!!! I am heading down to what my sisters and I call "Quilt Camp" at **Road to California**. Hope to see you there.

Kris

Treasurer's Report

January 2015

Checking Account beginning Balance as of January \$ 3,938.52 1,2015 **INCOME-** Deposits 01/13 Ways and Means \$ 315.00 01/13 Ways and Means \$ 5.00 01/13 Membership/Sponsorships \$ 120.00 Total Deposits \$ 440.00 **TOTAL BALANCE \$ 4,378.52 EXPENSES** 01/08 Ck # 1233 Programs \$ 337.95 01/08 Ck # 1234 Holiday Party \$ 63.53 01/08 Ck # 1235 Ways & Means/Holiday Party \$ 43.13 01/15 Ck # 1236 Newsletter \$ 15.53 **TOTAL EXPENSES** \$ 460.14 CHECKING ACCOUNT BALANCE AS OF 01/15/2015 \$ 3,918.38

PROGRAMS

Happy New Years from your new programs committee. Gerry Hogan and I (Linda Buesching) are excited to roll out the new year.

February is community service month, everyone come prepared to socialize and take home some kits to work on.

In **March** we are celebrating our 25th Anniversary! I expect everyone to be there.

April's meeting is a work meeting to prepare for the **Cowboy Festival** and the **SCV Home & Garden Show**. A very busy month.

May 14 is our first scheduled speaker Sylvia Davis, we will be having a workshop with her on May 16.

Gerry and I welcome your input on future activities for programs, please email us your ideas or slip us a note at a meeting

Many things are happening so get ready for some fun and lots of volunteer hours. This is your guild and it is only as good as your participation.

Linda & Gerry

<u>PROGRAMS (con't)</u> Sylvia Davis' Biography



Biography

I have been a "crosscrafter" almost all of my life. My mother taught me how to crochet, knit, and sew when I was 6 years ald. These crafts continue to be a source of joy throughout my life. I discovered quilting, and all the

other crafts went to the back of the closet in 1993 when I joined the African-American Quilters of Los Angeles.

I have served as Membership Chairperson, Vice President, Newsletter Editor and my favorite -- Program Chairperson for the A.A.Q.L.A. Guild. I enjoy teaching quilting, organizing mystery quilts, exchanges, challenges, swaps, round robins, B.O.M., and arranging for visiting speakers for the enjoyment and education of the Guild membership.

My quilts have been seen at PIQF, Road to California, the African-American History Museum, the Riverside Museum and Simply Quilts. I have provided lectures & workshops for more than 30 Guilds. Currently, I have the pleasure of spending Wednesdays teaching in the Southbay Adult Ed program. Recently, I published the first of a series of quilting patterns.

I strive to find inspiration in the weirdest of places (like my bathroom floor, sashiko designs, and my doodles). Then I encourage my fellow quilters to "stretch" into new and exciting projects.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

We will be pulling a winner for the Block of the Month at the Feb. meeting. Hope you have a chance to make a block.

Barbara Montejo

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

Welcome to a wonderful year of serving many worthy organizations.

Our February guild program is community service sew night. We will have kits for placemats, turtles, lap quilts as well as items that need completion. You may bring your machine and sewing notions or pick up items to work on at home and enjoy the evening visiting with fellow quilters.

Our guild has a team of point people for every project we support. The team will be meeting in the next couple of weeks to discuss plans and project goals for 2015.

Helena Woodworth- SCV Senior Center supported with placemats for Meals on Wheels recipients, shawls as well as lap quilts. Measurements for placemats finished size 18.5 X 13.5 inches. Shawls 24 X 60 inches, lap quilts 52-56 X 64-68 inches. Turtle pillows for the Painted Turtle Camp. Pattern available from The Painted Turtle Camp or you may pick up a kit from the community service table in the back of the meeting room.

Lola Dyroy- The Painted Turtle Camp supported with Twin bed sized quilts and lap quilts. Measurements

For twin bed quilts approx 60-62 X 80-82 inches lap quilts 48-56 x 56- 64 inches. Youth up to 17 years of age attend the camp for seriously ill children.

Patti Voyles - California Veteran's Administration and The Veteran's

Administration supported with twin bed sized quilts and large lap quilts as well as wheelchair quilts. Measurements twin size 60×80 inches large lap quilts 54 X 68 inches approx.

Wheelchair quilts 44×52 inches.

Both of these organizations have requested aprons/bibs for meal times. 98 percent male population.

COMMUNITY SERVICE (cont)

No point person as of yet however we do have a pattern. If you are interested in point on this please contact Dana Montague or Helena Woodworth.

Kris Dolan - SCV Habitat for Heros supported with both Twin sized bed quilts and large lap quilts. Measurements are Twin size 60 X 80 inches large lap 54 X 68 inches. Approximate an inch one of the way or another won't make a difference. Stephanie Johnson- Under the bridges and on the streets - outreach to the homeless men and women living in their cars. Supported by lap quilts made up from sturdy fabric not really good for our other projects. Denim etc.

Measurement 54 X 60 inches or so.

Dana Montague - Cat mats for the Castaic Animal Shelter and Pillowcases for million pillowcase challenge.

Please contact me for supplies.

Thank you all for picking up and returning items at our table in the back of our meeting room. We have LOT'S of donated fabric as well as

batting for these projects.

From January meeting, we took in 5 pillowcases; 1 shawl; 22 placemats; 1 lap quilt (embroidered) and 4 twin quilts.

Thank you from Community Service Dana Montague - mdlsmontague@sbcglobal.net 818-642-3072

Helena Woodworth - hwoodworth2003@yahoo.com

<u>HOSPITALITY</u>

"Valentine's Day" Dream up some LOVE themed food... redwhite-& pinks!

Be creative Food H-N / Drinks O-U

Thank You Kathy Foster grademan@hotmail.com

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<u>MEMBERSHIP</u>

We are off to a great start for 2015! We have three more new members. I would like to welcome, Kathy Littleton, Sharon Dralle, and Rita Paul. I would also like to thank members who have so promptly paid their annual dues at January's meeting. Just a reminder dues are \$35.00 or if 65 and older, \$30.00. Remember, if you want to be included in the membership directory, dues must be paid by March. The same applies to associates (associates dues are \$50.00). If you are unable to attend a meeting within the next 2 months you can mail me a check. My information is in the directory. Make checks payable to "SCVQG".

Also, Newsletters are sent to members via email. If you do not receive an email or there is any change with your email address, let me know as soon as possible. The newsletter can always be found on the guild website.

Lastly, I would like to remind everyone to please wear your name tag. I myself, am guilty of not wearing a name tag. It is especially helpful to newer members to get to know everyone. Name tags can be purchased for \$10.00 or if you are creative (which all our members are) make your own!

Thank You, Rita Gershon

**************Mini Groups**********

Saturday Quilters ***

Mary Beth Will 323-387-2260 Meets last Saturday of Month 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. at church behind Goodwill. Attendees split \$50 fee and share snacks.

Super Star Quilters ***

Patti Voyles 259-6198 Meets first and third Tuesdays 7 p.m., rotating member's home

Cut-Up Mini Group (full for now) Joyce Wilkinson Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month

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

WAYS AND MEANS

We are off to a great start...Our theme for our baskets this year is going to be Pincushions, so look for a great pincushion in each of the raffle baskets. Ella George's beautiful Red and White quilt was won by Delores Roux Jones., Helen Mera won the homespun basket and Patty Vergon won the quilting books. Our thank-you gifts went to Kat Bellue and Mari Johnson...and we brought in \$213!!

Thanks to all who have donated to the Ways and Means. We have been able to put together some awesome basket this last year and hope to continue this year. Watch those sales and pick up a fat quarter or two for our baskets. Remember if you or your mini group would like to put together a basket we will be happy to except it. Last year we had a casserole carrier with a real cake for one of our raffles...it was great!

February look for a great baby basket for all those spring and summer babies!

Thanks, from your Ways and Means Girls,

Joyce, Kathy, Bunny and Mary Beth

2015 Bookmark Error:

Please correct the wrong date for the March meeting, our 25th Anniversary. It should be Thursday, March 12th. PLEASE correct.

<u>COUNCIL NEWS</u>

How do you as a current or prospective guild member feel about workshops? Do you like variety in workshops, new skills or new teachers? These were all discussed as part of the January Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds meeting. How would you feel about opening the workshops up to non-members for an increased fee? They would be encouraged to join the guild in order to save money and reap the benefits of membership. Would charging the same flat fee for each workshop over the course of a year seem a better deal? Do you have contacts in other guilds whose workshops you admire or wish you could have at our guild? Do you feel that there is not enough information about a workshop in advance of its date?

As part of the presentation at the Council meeting, these subjects were all discussed along with different guilds' solution to the questions. It was suggested that the signups start in December for the following year and payment was due at the time of signups. Wait lists would be part of each workshop. To offset the no-refund policies, if an emergency arose and a member could not attend, the person next on the waiting list would be attending and would reimburse the member who could not attend. Supply lists would be given two to three months in advance, allowing budgeting time to purchase fabric, patterns or tools.

COUNCIL NEWS (con't)

Suggestions for alternates to the planned design for the workshop would be presented at each monthly meeting. New or different fabrics, a table runner or wall hanging instead of a whole quilt are just a couple of ideas. Explanations of the design for the workshop

would also help to build enthusiasm and perhaps erase doubts that a beginning quilter might have. The day of a workshop could be changed as well to partner with nearby guilds to help curb costs and bring in talent that the guild may not be able to afford when sponsoring as a single guild.

Some of the benefits of the workshop could be opportunity to spend time one on one with the teacher. Also, taking the workshop would be like a mini-retreat; a day to sew; interact with other quilters and meet new people as well. Gift certificates could also be sold by the guild for workshops for those who want to give that special gift.

Why not give these ideas some thought and start a discussion at the February meeting. If you'd like to bring up ideas and opinions, please let me know by email prior to the February meeting and I'll start a discussion that the whole guild can participate in. My email address is <u>catball6@yahoo.com</u> and I always welcome your input and ideas.

Kat Bellue

First Vice President/SCCQG Representative.

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CUSTOM LOGOS TEAM UNIFORMS TACKLE TWILL SHIRTS CAPS JACKETS JACKETS APRONS & BAGS PATCHES FERSONALIZED GIFTS

SCVQG Block of the Month

Jan. - Feb. 2015

Summer Solstice

Technique:Pieced

Size- 12 ½" x 12 ½" unfinished

Fabric- white on white and red



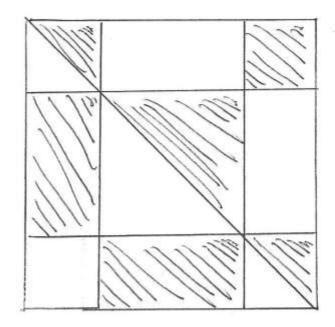
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- Cutting- white on white 1 67/8" sq. cut on the diagonal
 - 2 3½"x6½"
 - 1 37/8" sq. cut on the diagonal

1 3 1/2" sq.

- 1 67/8" sq. cut on the diagonal
- 2 3½" x 6½"
- 1 37/8" cut on the diagonal
- X 3 1/2" sq



Number of pieces-12

Things to Remember:

- Next meeting, February 12.
- Business meeting is February 19
- Read about changes to Block of the Month Entry
- Initial sign-in sheet at the door
- Verify your contact information.
- Wear your name tag
- Show and Share quilts in February

February 12, 2015, 7:00 PM Monthly Meeting Santa Clarita United Methodist Church 26640 Bouquet Canyon Road Saugus, CA.

February 19, 2015, 6:30 PM Business Meeting Newhall Library, Heritage Room



Check out our website: <u>www.scvquiltguild.org</u> WOW! See the newsletter online!

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This Month's Calendar: