Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Guild

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From Our President

February was a great meeting. We unveiled our beautiful Opportunity Quilt, "Sunset in a Tuscan Garden" while we all ate garlic bread! Now that's Italian! Also, we welcomed the Antelope Valley Quilt Guild with their lovely Opportunity Quilt. Next month, the Tehachapi Quilt Guild will visit our meeting and Susie Bakman will go to theirs with tickets for our quilt. If you know of another guild with a quilt to raffle, let's invite them to visit too.

I'm back in the swing of offering monthly "tips". This month I handed out a few wallpaper rollers to use instead of a hot iron. The best part of it, it doesn't turn itself off every five minutes!!! If anyone has a good tip, let me know. It's so fun to share these little discoveries with everyone.

Our Community Service Committee has so many interesting projects going on. Please pitch in to help reach the goals. Your kind assistance can make a tremendous difference in someone else's life. Let's grasp that opportunity, while we count our own blessings.

The Board Meeting for February was held at Green House Café on Bouquet Canyon Road. It was a pleasure to enjoy dinner together while we worked out our guild business. We are moving the monthly board meeting permanently to the Green House Café. Please come join us at 7:00pm on Thursday, March 15, 2007. Your ideas and inspiration help to guide your guild. We need you to roll up your sleeves and jump in to help us continue to offer the many services we have all enjoyed these many years.

Hugs all around, Kris

Block of the Month

I was on my way home to eat dinner before the Feb. meeting when I was involved in a traffic accident and spent the evening instead at Henry Mayo Hospital. I had hand surgery on my left hand (I'm left handed of course) on Friday at Kaiser. I'm doing fine just won't be able to sew for awhile. Eddie Moore won the lovely blocks this month.

Do stop by the table at the March meeting and I will show you the sample block.

The block for April is called split nine patch and is cute. As usual any questions give me a call. Barbara Montejo 661-670-0293

Treasury Report – February, 2007

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Starting – Checking Bal	1233.78	
Expenses: 2006 Holiday Pgm	-40.00	
Speaker Exp – Jan	-20.00	
Staples (newsletter)	-120.29	
Web Site Fee	-107.40	
Margrit Hall (speaker)	-339.00	
2007 Op Quilt Tickets	-53.04	
Income: Membership	+1928.00	
2007 Op Quilt	+350.00	
Workshops	+30.00	
Ways & Means	<u>+82.00</u>	
Ending – Checking	2944.05	
CD's	+7056.12	
TOTAL	10,000.17	

If you have any questions, please call. Anne Watts, Treasurer

Hospitality

Thank you to everyone that brought the wonderful drinks and snacks in February. Remember, snacks are "finger food" that doesn't require utensils. For March, let's have members with last names starting with W-Z bring drinks and S-V bring

snacks. How did you like having snacks available during the whole meeting, not just at break? Stained Glass Quilt Class

On Saturday, February 17th twenty one of our guild members plus four "teachers" met at Millie's clubhouse and enjoyed a day among the flowers.

What a joy watching each flower develop according to the amazing fabrics used, and the personal choices each lady made.

Watch for a bouquet on stage during the show and share portion of our March meeting when everyone displays their work.

Volunteer teachers; Gerrie Edgington, Ruth Grossnickle, Anne Watts were there to advise and together we raised \$240 in donations to our guild's general fund. Special thanks go to Millie Ballace who arranges for our use of her clubhouse, and to everyone that made it such fun.

I never dreamed I would be teaching this class, so my question to you is, "What could you teach for the guild?"
Susie Bakman

Membership News

Please welcome our new members Wendi Lancy, Carle Kouri, Carol Wiersma, Gladys Yeater, Dana Montague and Marian Lorraine. We are very happy you joined.

Congratulations to Ellie Smith, Dana Montague and Wendi Lancy for winning the monthly door prizes. Thanks you Donna Chipperfield for donating the prizes.

It's time to renew your membership. Associates (Sponsors) pay \$50. Regular dues are \$25, and seniors (55 and over) pay \$22. Make checks payable to 'SCVQG'.

If you haven't paid by March 17 (when the April newsletter is going out for printing), you will be removed from the distribution listand the directory.

If you can't come to the meeting, call or email me to make other arrangements for payment. Please let me know of changes of home/email address, home/cell phone number, etc. I will have a list of all the members, for you to

check that your information is up to date. Don't forget to sign in at the membership table, so we can have a head count of all attendees, and for a door prize ticket for a chance to win one of our prizes. Thanks a bunch, Adva Price, Membership Chairperson 298-1385

Veterans Quilt Project

for this project.

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A big thank you to the following members for donating to the VA Project so far this year:

Merrilyn Lee – 1 quilt

Cheryl Maylis – 2 quilt tops

The community service ladies gave me an assortment of blocks for future quilts

The quilts will be given to the local VA Hospital at the Sepulveda Out Patient Care Center in San Fernando Valley and also to the VA Hospital in Westwood which is an In Patient Care. The San Fernando Guild is in contact with a representative of the Daughters of the American Revolution who is the lead volunteer

The injured veterans who are sent home to heal are given a case worker. The case workers put in the requests for quilts for their patients who are having trouble assimilating back into their normal lives. They are working on a database that will identify those who have earned a Purple Heart to be sure that they get guilts, but until that is set up, any injured veteran from the Iraq or Afghanistan war is getting a guilt if he or she is being treated at the above two locations. They estimate that 2000 military people will be coming back to our area and most of them come back "injured" in some way either physically or Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Of the latter, the most severe cases are getting the guilts for now.

The quilts are no larger than twin sized. They can be lap sized also or large square suitable for someone in a wheelchair. They don't have to be complicated patterns. They don't have to be red, white and blue.

Don't forget, if each member made just one quilt, Santa Clarita Quilt Guild could donate over 100 quilts to the Veterans Project in 2007.

Pictures of donated quilts and more information will be posted on our very own website at www.scwquiltguild.org
Thank you,
Sandy Paullin
spaullin@ca.rr.com

Community Service

We held our community service sewing day Sat. Jan. 27th. One of Millie's neighbors attended, her name is Leticia. Leticia is 11 years old and worked with Mary Danaher, Dana Montague's mother. These two first time sewers completed their first quilt top together to donate to Turtle Camp. Along with Dana and I others in attendance included; Millie Ballace, Sylvia Cox, Penny VanDyke, and Judy.Polintan. Dana finished a guilt top and Judy guilted both of these for us. We will be bringing some of the finished projects to the guild meeting. We also completed 1 quilt for the homeless and will be working on more utility guilts for the homeless Monday March 12th at Millie's. The meeting will be in the small rec. room off Rainbow Glen, we will meet from 9:30am -1:30pm.

Some of our members have been working on a Senior Wheelchair Project and are still in need of some quilts approximately 40" x 48. **Looking ahead- Dates to put on your calender:** We have planned to meet the second Monday of each month in the small rec room at Millie's from now through June. 3/12, 4/9, 5/14, 6/11Hrs. 9:30-2:00

We look forward to our regular 3rd. Saturday of each month as well as adding the 4th Saturday of the month. Hopefully this will give our members more flexibility.

Dates for fourth Saturday's are 2/24, 3/24, 4/28, 5/26, 6/23. Hours are 10:00 -3:00 with a break around noon to enjoy our potluck lunch. **Needs:** Batting, scraps as well as bigger pieces and any yellow and pink fabric. We can also use any extra pins, clamps etc. We are offering large pieces of fabric for you to purchase at the guild meetings which will directly benefit the purchase of much needed

supplies. These fabrics are 60" wide and are

anywhere from 4- 6 yards in length. They are great for backing and will be sold at \$20.00 for 4 yards and \$25.00 for 6 yards, (that means you get one yard free.

If anyone has a question or wants to volunteer their time or energy please call us or see us at the meetings.

Dana Montague - 295-0877 Helena Woodworth 257-2572

All About Appliqué - March Program

Cathy Van Bruggen began sewing by hand at a young age while watching her mother create costumes. Later, she was hired by Catalina Swimwear as a production manager and sample maker. Unable to work outside the home while raising five children, she designed custom bridal wear. In 1970, she developed a family business called The Outfitters, a retail chain for women's clothing. When she retired in 1995, she began quilting as a hobby. By using timesaving techniques in quilt making, she developed Appliqué the Easy Way. She enjoys creating botanically correct appliqué featuring flowers, birds, and woodland creatures.

Cathy has a great website, where you can view her gallery www.cathyvanbruggendesigns.com. She also features a variety of original patterns and fabrics that correspond with the various seasons, as well as other nature settings. I look forward to seeing all of you and learning more about the art of appliqué in March. Helene Younger Program Chair

Show and Share

Please bring your latest projects to share with members during our monthly Show and Share. Don't be shy, you took the time to create a quilt, so why not share? Some members are beginners all the way up to advance quilters. I'll be there to take pictures and post on our web page. I will be creating a 2007 Historian Photo Album too. Please don't forget to sign the Approval Document with me, to give SCVQG permission to post your Show and Share picture(s) on our web site,

www.scvquiltguild.org. All Show and Share pictures will be in the new 2007 Photo Album. If you look at the current 2007 Show and Share pictures, you will see that I'm just figuring out how to use me camera of 3 years. I only captured ½ of your quilt or part of your quilt.... Its all a learning experience. I promise to get a full picture in March of all quilts that are shown.

Thank you, Sandy Paullin spaullin@ca.rr.com

Fat Quarter Monthly Drawing

Eddie "The Lucky Lady" Moore won the fat quarters at the February Meeting. She has a whole selection of hearts and birds to work with now. For March, please select fat quarters that help us celebrate National Nutrition Month or Women's History Month. Food and Ladies, should be fun. For each fat quarter you bring to the drawing, you enter your name on a slip of paper for a chance to win them all.

Susie Bakman, Fat Quarter chairperson

Sunset in a Tuscan Garden

The 2007 Opportunity Quilt sales were "kicked off" at our February meeting with great enthusiasm. The quilt, named "Sunset in a Tuscan Garden," hung beautifully while freshly grilled garlic bread was served reminding us of the Italian theme. It was designed and sewn by members; Susie Bakman, Glenna Beaver, Gerrie Edgington, Ruth Grossnickle, Carmen Recinos, Carolyn Walker, and Anne Watts. The lovely machine quilting work was donated by Donna Chipperfield. The quilt was modified from a Slice and Dice pattern and made with fabric donated by guild associate member, Boothill Patches.

It was on display at Loving Stitches on Friday, February 16, and Saturday February 17, and is traveling to the Tehachapi Quilt Guild for their March meeting and the Antelope Valley Quilt Guild in the near future pending arrangements. Tickets are two for \$5.00, or \$3.00 each. Members are invited to purchase their initial packet of 12 tickets for \$25.00.

The March meeting will feature a special drawing from member's names that have paid for their packet. The prize is a beautiful assortment of 18

bright hand dyed Marcus Brothers fat quarters donated by guild associate, Loving Stitches. The sales of our annual opportunity quilt provide a large portion of our guild's annual income. Please be creative and help us find ways to promote this sale and reach the top.
Susie Bakman
2007 Opportunity Quilt volunteer

SCVQG Block o April 200 Split Nine P

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