

Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild
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Kaleidoscopic Voices

President's Message



I hope everyone had a nice Mother's Day! I am finishing up quilting projects and getting ready for my South

American adventure to Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia. Debbie will be filling in for me for the May and June meetings. Please lend her a hand setting up and tearing down. I will posting my adventures on Facebook where there is internet.

**Meetings are held
on the third
Wednesday of
every month at
1:00 p.m. at Lemon
Grove Masonic
Lodge, 2590 Main
Street, Lemon
Grove, CA 91945**

**Doors open at
12:30 p.m.**

**(We meet on the
2nd Wednesday in
December)**

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**This month our meeting is
at the Lemon Grove
Masonic Lodge. The
meeting will be a
presentation by Eddie the
Sewing Machine
Repairperson.**

**Doors open at 12:30 pm,
meeting starts at 1 pm.**

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

5/21—Eddie the Sewing Machine Repairperson

6/4—Board meeting on Zoom

6/18—Shelly Swanland, Cathedral quilts and her embellished quilts

7/2—Board meeting on Zoom



7/16— Member spotlight Pat Gailband and Judy Shepard

8/6—Board meeting on Zoom

8/20—Ann Turley—*An Unseemly Event*

FIELD TRIP

Field Trip Tuesday July 22nd

We are planning a field trip to Textile Collections, , a family-run wholesale fabric distributor in Downtown Los Angeles with over 30 years of experience in quilting cotton fabrics. They normally only sell by the bolt, but they are opening their doors to select visitors (like Quilt Guilds!) to purchase by the yard from their flat fold selection which is currently several thousand bolts. They sell minky normally at \$6.87/yard if you buy the bolt it could go as low as \$4 -6/yard if the whole bolt is bought. If interested in purchasing by the yard, it would be 25% more \$5-\$7/yard. You can go to their website www.textilecollections.com and set up an account—no resale number is needed. We will continue sign ups at the May and June meeting.

NEWS FROM OUR PROGRAM CHAIR

Robyn Phelps

2025 Calendar

May 21

Eddie the Sewing Machine Repairperson

June 18

Shelly Swanland, Cathedral quilts and her embellished quilts

July 16

Member spotlight Pat Gailband and Judy Shepard

August 20

Ann Turley

An Unseemly Event

September 17

Leah McComas

Driving in the dark: My journey in Fiber Art

October 15

Philanthropy Sew-in

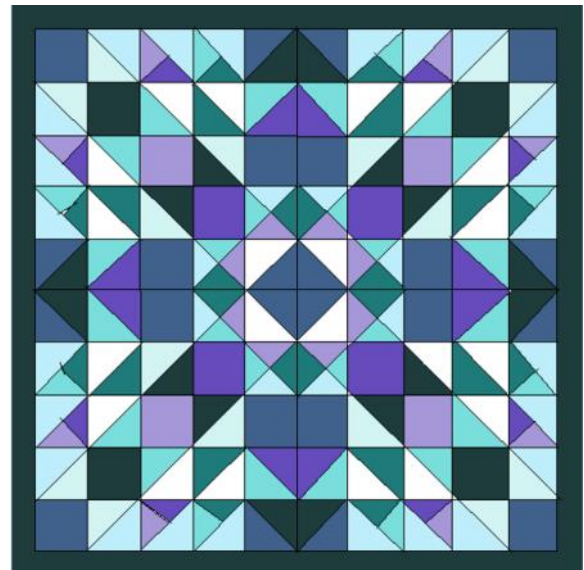
November 19

Kristie Naranjo

The Scrappy Applique

December 10

Christmas Party.



DID YOU KNOW:

Quilting is both a creative outlet and a craft with a rich history. It's a form of artistic expression that allows individuals to explore their creativity through fabric, patterns, and techniques. Quilting can be a therapeutic practice, fostering mindfulness and providing a space for personal reflection and storytelling.



MAY 2025 PHILANTHROPY

Kaleidoscope Friends

Please give a round of applause for our members who donated philanthropy quilts at our April meeting: Melanie Ellsworth, Linda Fox, Diane Hamann, Anna Lancia, Lola O'Leary, and Suzannah Richardson. Thank you !!!



Prescott Arizona Veterans' Home

We donated 68 quilts last month to: the Veteran's Home in Chula Vista, and Ronald McDonald House. Hooray for us!!! Thanks to all who sewed these quilts.

Marlene Abel is going to make a road trip to Prescott Arizona in October and she is looking forward to delivering quilts to the veteran's home there in memory of Billie Wade.....a much loved and admired member of our guild. Billy grew up in the quaint mining town of Jerome, AZ, and went on to serve our country. She had a special place in her heart for the veterans in Prescott, as they were sort of out-of-the-way of public attention. And Marlene has a special place in her heart for Billie – who taught her to sew. Hopefully we can fill Marlene's trunk with quilts for “Billie's Boys (and Girls)”. Keep those sewing machines whirling!

Marilyn Carnes (roseway@cox.net),
Marilyn Helkenn, Mary Weflen



Marlene filling her trunk with quilts (2022) for a trip to Prescott Arizona Veterans' Home.

FROM THE TREASURER

The Guild has enabled Zelle payments! If you wish to use Zelle, please remember the following:

- You will need to set up Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild as a recipient.
- Use the email address **kqg1987@gmail.com** to send the payment. If the system does not confirm that the email address you entered belongs to Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild, double check and make sure you entered it correctly. **YOU CANNOT GET YOUR MONEY BACK IF YOU SEND IT TO THE WRONG EMAIL ADDRESS.**
- In the Notes section, make sure you enter what the payment is for: Dues, Opportunity Quilt, Retreat, etc.
- The entry on your bank account will be your receipt, although I will try to acknowledge all payments.

-Diane Hamann, Treasurer

OPPORTUNITY QUILT

2025 OPPORTUNITY QUILT

This year's opportunity quilt tickets will be available at the check-in table at this month's guild meeting. Be sure to pick up your tickets as you sign-in at the meeting – remember, Opportunity Tickets money isn't due until October. I look forward to giving out the remaining tickets this month and possibly coming home with an empty ticket box.

Sue Bennorth



NEWS FROM OUR PROGRAM CHAIR

This month's program is Eddie: the sewing machine repairperson. I have heard he does a great program so please join us!

Workshop:

Phyllis Cullen

September 11 at her studio in Vista

This is her layered portrait class, you can do people or animals

Cost is \$55.

No sewing machine or iron needed!!

There are still a few openings, I will take signups at the next meeting.

Robyn Phelps



ALL THINGS FALL QUILT RETREAT



Kaleidoscope's Quilt Retreat will start Thursday, August 28 at 4:00 p.m. and end Sunday, August 31 at 2:00 p.m. at Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center in the beautiful Temecula wine country. The total cost is \$540 which includes lodging, Thursday dinner plus breakfast, lunch and dinner Friday and Saturday, and Sunday brunch. We will be taking the fourth payment of \$100 this month and a final payment of \$140 in June.



We are looking forward to getting into the spirit of fall whether it be Fall in general, Halloween or Thanksgiving themed. Most of all we are looking forward to seeing happy quilters sewing away, inspiring and enjoying each others company. And it wouldn't be a quilting retreat without playing Left, Right, Center. This year the committee will be providing the fat quarters!!!



- Judy Shepard & Pat Gailband

SEW AND TELL



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BOUTIQUE NEWS

Building Our Boutique Bounty

We are off to a good start as so many of the To-Do kits were taken by you to be constructed at home. There are a few more kits for the microwave bowl and stemware cozy available.



I know there are ideas to build up the boutique floating amongst you. If you would like to suggest an item, please make a sample (or more) and bring it to a meeting.

Thank you all for your time and thread.

Melanie Ellsworth

2025 MEMBER CHALLENGE

ARE YOU READY FOR A CHALLENGE?

Kaleidoscope Challenge Quilt 2025 - Houses Around the World - Everyone Needs a Home

Just a gentle reminder that you still have time to decide what you would like to do and then create your entry.

The quilts will be displayed at the Kaleidoscope Quilt Show in October. There will be information later about the turn-in time and place.

You need to know that quilts will have to conform to size, having a perimeter of no more than 180 inches.

They can be any shape but must have 3 layers, a top, batting and backing. No hanging sleeve is needed.

Entries are limited to one per member.

Looking forward to seeing everyone's creation. If you need help or have questions please let me know.

Glen Baker, 619-823-9249 or email at gglenb@aol.com.



Quilt by Roxanne Knight

KALEIDOSCOPE QUILT GUILD

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 2025

Balance, April 1, 2025		\$20,867.04
<i>Includes Petty Cash</i>	\$100.00	
<i>Includes Prior Retreat Deposits</i>	\$4,840.00	
<i>Includes Prior Workshop Deposits</i>	\$0.00	
<i>Includes Boutique Float</i>	\$195.00	
Income		
Memberships	\$125.00	
Guests	\$15.00	
Opportunity Quilt	\$155.00	
Workshops	\$275.00	
Retreat	\$2,380.00	
Boutique	\$0.00	
Total Income		\$2,950.00
Expenses		
Check #2281 LGMTA—April Rent	-\$100.00	
Check #2282 K. Diamond—Hospitality	-\$50.00	
Check #2284 J. Whitney—Boutique	-\$70.24	
Check #2285 P. Cullen—April Program	-\$350.00	
Total Expenses		-\$570.24
Balance, April 30, 2025		\$23,246.80



Don't Forget!

**Kaleidoscope
Quilt Show**

Saturday, October 18th, 2025

(Countdown—119 days after our May Meeting)



MEETING MINUTES

Kaleidoscope Quilt Guild Regular Meeting April 16,2025

The meeting was called to order at 1 PM by Peggy. She reported that she will be on vacation next month and Debbie will conduct the meeting. If she is well when she returns (the night before the following meeting), she will be here for that meeting. If she is not, Debbie will conduct that meeting also.

Membership- Debbie said that we need to get pictures of new members who joined last month for our directory as well as new members from this month. Other members may get their pictures retaken if they are not happy with them. Only our members see the pictures in our directory.

The treasurer reported that at the beginning of the month we had \$19,951.41 in our treasury. Approximately \$5,000. of the money in the treasury is deposits for the retreat. Consult Diane for the balance amount of the treasury at the end of the month.

Programs and Workshops-

April- Phylis Cullen- It Is All About The Face

May-Eddie the sewing machine maintenance and repair person

June - Shelly Swanland--Cathedral Window and Embellished Quilts

The President needs help for 2026 with different jobs in the guild.
The contracts for programs are almost finished. Need help with other Guild jobs. See Peggy to volunteer for various jobs.



July 22 is the date for the Guild trip to the Garment District in Los Angeles. The store sells cottons and minke.

2025 challenge--Houses Around the World-- Everyone needs a Home. 180 inches around the quilted piece is the limit.

Retreat--Pat and Judy-- booked for August 28-31st. Total cost for members \$540.

Philanthropy-- 60 quilts were distributed recently. Quilts for Billies Boys need to be turned in in September. All sizes and colors are welcome.

Opportunity Quilt-- Sue needs volunteers to go with her to various guild meetings to sell tickets.

Quilt Show-- Volunteers will be needed for set up and tear down jobs. Melanie has volunteered to be in charge of the boutique at the quilt show. We are going to make microwave bowl covers.

Hospitality-- Will be asking for refreshment volunteers at the next meeting.

Mary Weflen
Secretary

CLASSIFIED ADS

Are you looking to part with something sewing related? Perhaps you know of someone who is. If you would like to have something posted here you can send your article to me and a picture of the item if possible, along with your asking price (make sure to mention the best way to contact you). The cost is free. Send your article to:

kaleidoscopenewsletter01@gmail.com

Services



Help Wanted

Our Guild is Looking for a new Program Chair for 2026. This is Robyn's last year as Program Chair as she prepares to move out of the area at the end of this year.

The programs for 2026 are already scheduled, but we need someone to take over next year to coordinate speakers, workshops, and schedule programs for 2027.

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Friday, May 16, 2025, 5-7pm
San Diego Mesa College 44th Annual Golden Scissors Fashion Show
<https://www.sdmesa.edu/calendar/index.php?eID=8895>

San Diego People of Color
"Our Juneteenth Quilt Show"
Saturday June 21, 2025 10 am – 4pm
Chula Vista Presbyterian Church
940 Hilltop Drive, Chula Vista, CA 91911
Cost is \$5



Saturday, June 28th thru Sunday, July 6th, 2025 10am – 4pm Daily.
JULIAN WOMANS' CLUB – HERITAGE QUILT SHOW –
Top floor at Julian Town Hall (Corner of Highway 78/79 and Main Street)

Open to the public and free of charge
<http://www.julianwomensclub.org/event/heritage-quilt-show-2/>



July 10-13 && 17-20
2025 SoCal Quilter's Run
quiltersrun.com

Wednesday, August 13th from 10am - 12pm
ELEANOR BURNS SHOW - World Famous quilter, Eleanor Burns will present her annual show.
Reservations are required – Cost is \$30.00 per person.
For information on making the reservation visit
julianwomensclub.org



Did you know?

While there's no direct relationship between quilting and living longer, quilting can have positive impacts on mental and physical well-being, which can contribute to a better quality of life and potentially longevity. Quilting can be a relaxing and mindful activity, reducing stress and muscle tension, and even helping with pain management. Additionally, quilting engages the brain, potentially improving memory and cognitive function.



“The only place housework comes before quilting is in the dictionary.”

Refreshments for our May Meeting:

Snacks:

**Robin Pickett
Glen Baker**

Beverages:

Melanie Ellsworth



May Birthdays

Janelle Hickey	5/1
Robyn Phelps	5/9
Michelle Lawrence	5/21
Judy Shepard	5/26
Mary Margaret Kissel	5/31

If you have any questions or comments regarding the content of the newsletter or would like to submit an article or classified ad, please contact me at

kaleidoscopenewsletter01@gmail.com

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Following Quilt Shops offer Classes

Check out their Website

<https://www.sewhut.com/classes.htm>

<https://www.cozycreativecenter.com/classes.htm>

<https://www.paradisesewing.com/>

<https://quiltinaday.com/pages/classes-schedule>

myquilterscottage.com

<https://www.grandcentralquilts.com/test>

Block of the Month

I thought I would try something new. Every month I will include a block of the month. Pick a theme and choose which blocks you want to make. These are by Riley Blake Designs and are available free online. The difference here is that every month I will be choosing blocks from different years. The size of the blocks are 10" x 10" finished.

This month's Block of the Month is the Tilt-A-Whirl

April 2025 Block of the Month

April's Block of the Month was the
Lady of the Lake

March 2025 Block of the Month

March's Block of the Month was the
Scrappy Churn Dash

February 2025 Block of the Month

February's Block of the Month was the
Moab Block

January 2025 Block of the Month

January's Block of the Month was the
Glint Block

December 2024 Block of the Month

December's Block of the Month was the
Windmill Block

November 2024 Block of the Month

November's Block of the Month was the
Sundial Block

October 2024 Block of the Month

October's Block of the Month was the
Pinwheel Star Block



Local Quilting Supply Shops

Rosie's Calico Cupboard
7151 El Cajon Blvd.
San Diego, CA 92115
619-697-5758

Sew Hut
4226 Balboa Ave.
San Diego, CA 92117
858-273-1377

Cozy Creative Center
756 Jamacha Rd.
El Cajon, CA 92019
619-670-0652

Paradise Sewing
13242 Poway Rd.
Poway, CA 92064
858-679-9808

My Happy Place
2405 Main St. #4
Ramona, CA 92065
760-654-3060

Quilt In A Day
1955 Diamond St.
San Marcos, CA 92078
760-591-0929

Grand Central Quilt n Stitch
100 N. Rancho Sante Fe Rd,
Suite 118
San Marcos, CA 92069
760-295-0446

Inspirations Quilt Shop
27350 Valley Center Rd., Ste B
Valley Center, CA 92082
760-751-9400

Quilter's Paradise
304 Enterprise St, Ste. E
Escondido, CA 92029
760-738-9677

El Cajon Sew & Vac
1077 Broadway
El Cajon, CA 92021
619-442-2585

Sewing Machines Plus
713 Center Dr.
San Marcos, CA 92069
760-739-8222

Quilter's Cottage
131 E. Fig St., Ste. #6
Fallbrook, CA 92028
760-723-3060

Mosaique Quilts and Crafts
222 E. Broadway
Vista, CA 92084
760-842-4884

Fringe Fabrics
3457 El Cajon Blvd
San Diego, CA 92104
619-230-5442

Material Happiness
4168 Poplar St, Suite L
San Diego, CA 92105
619-289-7802

La Mesa Sew & Vac
5346 Jackson Drive
La Mesa, CA 91942
619-698-2972