



Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Guild

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

March Quilting Madness

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a wonderful turnout at the last meeting. I have been having sooo much fun socializing with everyone. If you have been having fun like me, be sure to come to the March meeting for we will have lots of time to socialize.

Community service committee works very hard and many hours to keep us helping in our community. I thank every one of them and all of you members that help them.

See you in March.

Donna



BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Linda Busching was the winner of the fat quarters for her donation of blocks in February. Congratulations, Linda.

The block for March -April is a very easy block with just 2 fabrics-red and white. Do give it a try. Community Service appreciates your efforts.

Cowboy Festival

I will start taking sign ups for working the Cowboy Festival at the March Meeting.

The Cowboy Festival will be Sat. April 26 and Sun. April 27. Please join us for a fun day there.

Barbara Montejo 661-670-0293



PROGRAMS

Howdy, almost-springtime Quilters,

Wendy Mathson's speech and workshop were, simply put, super great! If you missed either one, well, oops... What a treat for those of us who were able to be present.

The March meeting will be community service, so please pitch in to help our various causes. There are plenty of things needed to be done so you can choose to match whatever skill level or fun spot you have. Every tidbit of work is appreciated.

And for April, don't miss Zena Thorpe, an international master quilter, followed by Meet the Teachers in Carson, an exciting event that's like a mini quilt show. (Car pool, anyone?) May will be Anelie Belden followed by her workshop on flip and stitch Dresden plates. Please don't delay in signing up as soon as possible (by the March meeting) for us to avoid cancellation of this workshop. You can find more information about these programs and links to speakers on the guild's website.

Have you decided about the California State Parks quilt challenge for its 150th anniversary? The early bird entry has a deadline of March 20 with other entries through to September. So if you don't already have in your wonderful stash a quilt or wall hanging that is a representation of one of the state parks, just go for it. We'd love to see your entries at a show and share. And when you enter one of your quilts, don't forget to include that you are a member of this guild; you, your quilt, and your guild will become a part of California history. Wow! (More info on our website.)

The final installation of the somewhat mysterious quilt-along was posted last month;

PROGRAMS (cont)

this month is a continuation of the final phase. Please register your quilt with us before the end of April (forms at the Programs Table), and watch this newsletter for more info about showing and prizes.

Speaking of anniversaries, our guild will be 25 years old in 2015, a big milestone! We will soon be kicking off a series of remembrances that should be fun, intellectually stimulating, and informative. Key word is fun, of course. The capstone will be an anniversary tea in March, 2015. Let's start to party, quilters! (Sample quiz: in what year was SCVQG first launched?)

And on a sad note, due to budget constraints, we are forced to discontinue workshops by national speakers for 2015. Their prices have continued to rise, and the guild's income has not kept pace with that. We've had great workshops, but turnout has been low, thereby not even coming close to covering the expenses. This in itself is a mandate not to have celebrity workshops any longer. We apologize to those quilters who have faithfully supported (and enjoyed) the guild workshops. You know, our guild is one of the best bargains around. Membership is affordable, the workshops are steals, and who can put a price tag on fellowship? But this guild, like others, is a volunteer guild; have you done your fair share?

As we set up the programs for next year, we will do our best to engage quality speakers and be creative in designing in-house workshops for your enjoyment. WE NEED YOUR HELP: if you have a talent that you would like to share (and there are lots out there!), please offer your services. We will cover expenses and do all of the work for you so that all you have to do is present. Stop by the Programs Table to get an info sheet.

Patsy and Gabrielle, your Programs Com't Co-Chairs

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Cool! We collected a quilt for disasters, a couple of quilts for Turtle Camp, a quilt made just for the Senior Center (thanks to our visitor, Kathy Eiben), some Turtles, cat mats, and placemats along with scrap fabric and batting pieces. Thanks for all your hard work and donations. Also, we had a great response from members taking items home to finish at this meeting. It's all deeply appreciated.

Now, March is our Community Service night. Our guild will receive a visitor from one of the organizations we donate to each year. Our mystery speaker will give a brief talk about the services it offers to the community. Yes, it is our "Chat and Scat" night. If you don't want to bring your machine, please help us by taking an unfinished project from the back, finish it up, and return it at a future meeting. At that time you will become eligible for a special drawing which we plan to do on a quarterly basis. Please remember to fill in your name on the tickets. Due to Community Service falling at the time we would have a drawing, we will have it instead in April.

If you are bringing your machine, please remember to bring your typical supplies (thread, scissors, cutting board, rotary cutter, etc.). We have items that need binding sewn on, binding that needs to be sewn together, and items that need a second look in regards to loose threads that might need to be trimmed off, etc. We have quilts that need quilting too. If you prefer to sew by hand that evening bring those supplies instead.

COMMUNITY SERVICE (cont.)

Thank you everyone for your participation regarding Community Service, whether it is a sew night or not.

We have reserved the clubhouse(s) on Soledad Canyon Road, in Parklane Estates one day a month through November. Those dates are listed on our website on the calendar page. Friday March 21, in the big clubhouse, Friday April 19, in the small clubhouse. Please feel free to join us and work on your own project or one of the guilds. Please contact one of us 3 or 4 days ahead of time and we will bring it for you.

If you need to contact us regarding anything, please do not hesitate to do so
Dana Montague 661-295-0877
Helena Woodworth 661-257-2572
Stephanie Johnson 661-257-1349
Lola Dyroy 661-296-6790

UFO CHALLENGE

Sorry to miss the February meeting and a big thanks Jeannie Honadel for stepping in as my co-challenge partner. Jeannie tells me we have about 6 new sign ups and a number of other people took sheets to complete.

Looking forward to seeing what everyone accomplishes in 2014

Eddie Moore and Jeanie Honadel

Ways and Means

We are off to a great start...January meeting we sold 98 tickets for our Valentine and Winter baskets! Don't fret if you didn't win the Valentine basket we will have one for February too, along with a surprise basket and a Shamrock themed basket. Save those nickels and dimes!

The Cut-up mini group donated the Valentine basket last month and Rhea Felter donated the Winter basket... Thank you, thank you.

The Cut-up mini group, courtesy of Rhea Felter again, are doing the Valentine Basket this month. Patty Vergon is donating the Surprise Basket and Rhea, Joan Bole and the Cut-ups are doing the Shamrock Basket.

We will be passing around the sign-up sheet again to give others the chance to donate a basket or items for Ways and Means baskets. We already have signs up for a couple of months...Yea!

If you would like to sign-up to do or add to a basket here are some guide lines.

New, nearly new items only, something you would like to receive. Fabric should be cut to a usable size. 5" squares, 2.5" strips, fat 8th, $\frac{1}{4}$ yard, fat quarter, half yard etc. Ironed and folded neatly please no edges from previous projects. It is OK to use your stash, but try to give something that will coordinate with each other or give to Ways and Means to use at another time.

Ways and Means (cont.)

The fabric can have a theme, flowers, food, transportation, Americana, 30's, fall, Holidays, animals, gardening etc.

You can also just choose a color, black/white, red/white, golds/browns or all plaids, checks or dots...the combinations are endless. Books, patterns, tools, hot pads, pin cushions or other new handmade items are welcome. Books and patterns should be new or gently used. Please no copyrighted copies of patterns, books or magazines.

Ways and Means would be happy to assemble your basket if you feel you can't or don't want to. Or you can just donate items for us to put in the baskets we make up. Give us a call and we will pick up your items or you can bring them to the meeting.

You won't want to miss a meeting as we will have some wonderful baskets for the raffle and even quilts and wall hangings to add to the fun.

Thank-you for your support.

Your Ways and Means girls...
Joyce Wilkinson 661-753-7865
Kathy Butler 661-255-2963



MEMBERSHIP

It was sure nice to see everyone at the last meeting. We had 68 members at the meeting and 12 guests, what a great turn out. As you know we will continue to collect membership dues at the March meeting. It is also important that you come to the March meeting to update your personal information for the 2014 Directory. If you cannot make it to the meeting please email me any changes that need updating. My email is dophindeb@aol.com

I will need those changes no later than March 29th and The directory will be printed and handed out at the April meeting. We should also have new membership cards for you at the March meeting so hope to see you there.

Debbie and Rita

WEBSITE

We are adding more information to the website as time passes. As mentioned, the California challenge will be on the front page. Our mystery challenge can still be found, but click on the link to find it. Also, more information about our own schedules will be available on the calendar page. Community service/personal project sewing days, meeting dates and the food schedule for our meetings will all be found in this area. Check them out! If you are a board member, that means our chair people, please check the "officers" page and make sure your name and email are correct. I am looking for job summaries to add to this page too. Click on the "community service" link to see their description and hopefully give you some ideas!

Patti Voyles, webmaster

HOSPITALITY

Welcome to March, along with Saint Patrick's Day this month is our Guild's 24th Birthday, how about Birthday or Saint Patrick's Day goodies?

See everyone at the meeting.

Food - Last Names starting with J to M
Drinks N to R

Your Hospitality Committee

Good news! In the future, if you need to check the list for Hospitality each month you can check the website, under Calendar.

Patti will be putting the list for the rest of 2014 there.

UPDATE ON NON-PROFIT STATUS

I have spoken with our evaluator at the IRS again. She requested I send in the information about our changes to the bylaws to include specific wording relating to our being a 501(c)(3) organization. She also wanted more data on when we began. This information will allow us to deal with the issue of our lack of incorporation while the IRS feels we did. We have called the California Secretary of State's office and found that we were never incorporated in their records. The IRS feels it was done in 1990 which was our first year. This issue needs to be settled as it affects our tax status for periods that fall into the reinstatement application. I am hoping that I will have better news before the next meeting! Data requested for compliance has been faxed to her and I am now waiting on her response.

Patti Voyles

Turtle Pillows Needed for This Year's Campers!

In just a few short weeks we will welcome the first campers back to The Painted Turtle. This will be our first on-site camp session since the devastating Powerhouse Wildfire last June. Campers will soon be back in the woodshop, casting lines at the fishing hole, and making new friends. Just in time for The Painted Turtle's 10-year anniversary - a decade of serving more than 30,000 children and families!

Hundreds of Turtle Pillows were lost in the fire last year, and we need your help to make sure this year's campers get to take home one of these beloved camp souvenirs

Comfort for Children with Serious Medical Conditions

The Painted Turtle gives children with serious illnesses a unique medically-supported camp experience that fosters personal growth, self-confidence, and possibility. Each bed at camp is covered by a homemade quilt, and each camper returns home with a stuffed turtle pillow and a lap quilt or afghan as mementos of their magical time at The Painted Turtle.

Call Jackie at 661-724-1550 or [email](#) for a **free Turtle Pillow Pattern**.



*******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

The Tuesday Night Group ***

Carle Kouri 661-252-0741
21303 Soledad Canyon, Saugus
Greenbrier East Mobile Home Park
Recreation Center 5:45 p.m.

The Cut-up's Group (full)

Joyce Wilkinson 661-753-7865
24181 Matthew Place, Newhall
Meets the 4th 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**

By-Law Changes

The by-law changes that have been requested are documented in the paperwork instructions for the form we mailed in to have our non-profit status reinstated. The law requires specific wording to indicate what type of 501(c) organization we are, and, give that we are a (c)(3), what type of non-profit status are we claiming. We must also add very similar wording to the dissolution clause. Our purpose is both educational and charity work. They are emphatic that we must keep within the meaning of the law for all of this and not add to it. Proposed changes follow this paragraph. We need to vote on this in March. If you have any questions, please feel free to email/call me!

Patti

Affected Articles in the By-laws currently read:

ARTICLE II – Purpose

The purpose of this Guild shall be to stimulate an interest in quilts, to promote and advance the art of quilting, to conduct educational programs and services in the design techniques and preservation of quilts and quilting and to promote quilting in philanthropic endeavors.

ARTICLE III – Non-Profit

This Guild shall be non-profit and no part of its assets shall be used to benefit any individual member, but shall be used exclusively for the purposes of the Guild.

ARTICLE XI – Dissolution Clause

In the event of a dissolution, any and all properties owned by the Guild shall be distributed only to organizations which qualify as nonprofit under the Internal Revenue Code of the U.S. Government, and as the Executive Board selects as recipients.

Amendments to the articles have been italicized next.

ARTICLE II – Purpose

The organization is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

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Upon the dissolution of this organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

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SCVQG Block of the Month

March and April 2014

Red Spring Star

Technique-Pieced

Block Size-12 ½" x 12 ½"

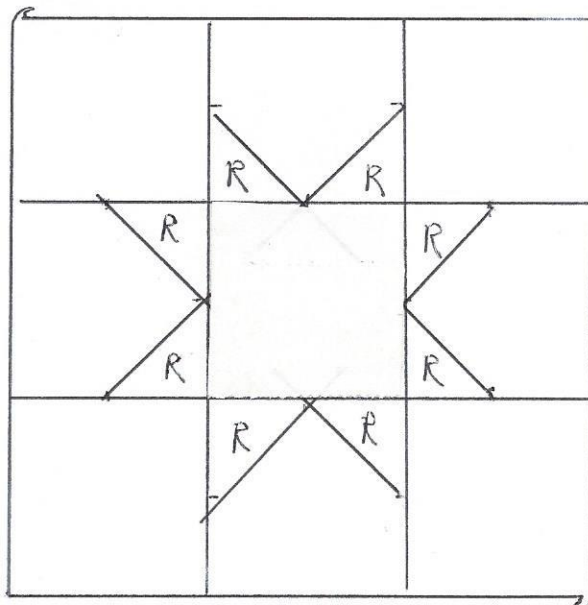
Fabrics- white and red

Cutting- white 9 4 ½" squares

Red 8 2 ½" squares

Construction-sew the red squares on the white squares in the snowball technique.

Total pieces-17



Things to Remember:

- ❖ *Next meeting, March 13th.*
- ❖ *Business meeting is March 20th*
- ❖ *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 March**

This Month's Calendar:

Mar. 13, 2014, 7:00 PM Monthly Meeting
Santa Clarita United Methodist Church
26640 Bouquet Canyon Road
Saugus, CA.

Mar. 20, 2014, 6:30 PM Business Meeting
Newhall Library, Heritage Room

Mar. 21, 2014, Community Service Day
Millie's Big Club House

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