



Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Guild

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

From Our Co-Presidents

Don't you just love these rainy days this year? What a great excuse to stay inside and quilt. And the hot chocolate of course! Even though we may get more showers in March, spring will be coming soon bringing new inspiration. There is the Bargello workshop to and watch for information about the Quilts of Valor project with a fun friendship star block. There are so many projects and ways to be involved.

Thinking about the Long Beach show? We started a list of those interested in going. Maybe we can form carpools. I heard one group is checking out the schedules for the Metro link to the light rail line to Long Beach.

We are still looking for a volunteer or volunteers to start on the plans for the Opportunity Quilt for 2009. Starting now will give us plenty of time to explore options and not have to rush. Grab a friend and give it a try.

A reminder that all members are welcome to attend the Board meetings, third Thursday of the month at the Greenhouse Café at 7 pm. We welcome your ideas, suggestions, comments and involvement.

Come join us!

Happy Quilting

Dana Montague and Carol Moore

please stop at the Scholarship table at the guild meeting and pick up an application.

Treasury Report – February, 2008

Starting Checking Bal	5,705.48
Expenses: 2007	
Quilt Show – Rent	-728.00
Expenses: 2008	
Newsletter	-71.58
Speaker – February	-299.50
Membership	-28.50
Wksp Prsntr – Hotel	-10.37
Comm Svc – Batting	-127.15
Post Office Box	-70.00
Income:	
Membership	+876.00
Ways and Means	+63.50
Workshop	+470.00
Ending – Checking Bal.	5,779.88
CD's	7,276.69
	\$13,056.57

Last month I reported the total profit for the quilt show was \$4,008.00. However, the rent was \$572.00 less than expected so the profit was increased to \$4,580.00.

Anne Watts, Treasurer 262-6420

Awatts2@socal.rr.com

Scholarships

One of the perks of membership in the SCVQG is the opportunity to apply for up to a \$50 scholarship to take a Quilt class.

After taking the class and fulfilling one of the options to return something to the guild you will receive the scholarship money. For all the details

Block of the Month

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What an incredible response to the block of the month in Feb. There were almost 200 blocks to

divide up between the winners-Sherryl Zurek, Anita Liebman, Gabrielle Leko and Connie Davis. The block for April is also an appliqué block with a small tulip, leaves and a stem. While it's not as easy as the heart it is still very simple. I'm looking forward to seeing all the Spring Windmills at the March meeting.

Barbara E. Montejo 661-670-0293

Membership News

Sixty members turned out for the February guild meeting.

Two new members joined us. Please welcome Peggy Whitney and Amy Brougher. We are very glad to have you.

Most members have turned in their membership dues by now. Many thanks! Everyone else... please send your payments to my home address by the end of month. (my address is in the directory, or email me). At the beginning of March I will start assembling the new directory and I will need the most current update on the membership.

Annual membership fees: \$25 regular membership, \$22 for age 55 and over, \$50 for Associates/Sponsors (includes an ad in the newsletter).

Thanks

Adva Price

Membership Chair

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Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds (SCCQG) Information

The SCCQG maintains a web site which has an ongoing list of upcoming quilt shows and events. Please visit their site www.sccqg.org for the current listing.

Hospitality

Thanks to Gloriann Meramble, Debi Wilkins, Rose Mary Johnson, Carolyn Karren, Susan Hull, Gerry Hogan, Roberta Nicholson, Jeanne Moat, Connie Hall, Barbara E. Montejo, Carle Kouri, Anita Liebman, Carmen Recinos, and Dana Montague for all the Valentine goodies.

Food S thru V..... Drinks W

Corned beef Cabbage Rolls or Hot Cross Buns....March is offering us two holidays to chose from this year. What foods can you offer us that are dear to your heart (but not to your pocket book)? Green beer I think is out. Hot limeade?

Caryl Jo

Hospitality Volunteer

Saturday Sewing Circle

Guild members are invited to join our sewing circle hosted by Millie Ballace on the third Saturday of each month at the large clubhouse in the Park Lane Mobile Estates. Bring whatever project you are currently working on that UFO you never seem to have time to finish.

Bring what ever you would like to eat for lunch or join in on our potluck.

Phone Dana Montague 661-295-0877 or Helena Woodworth 661-257-2572 for potluck info.

March Program

Barbara Dieges will be our featured lecturer on March 13th, speaking on Twisted Bargello Quilts and more. On Saturday, March 15th, we will have her workshop, learning how to make a twisted bargello quilt. There was a sample quilt at the February meeting. If you are interested, the class will be \$30 and you can contact Gerry Hogan 661-296-1998 for more info or to sign up. This is an intermediate class, lots of fun!

If you would like to see a gallery of quilts spun off of this pattern visit www.bdieges.com look under "gallery".

AD Hoc Bylaw Committee

Due to a concern raised at the business meeting, I've been tasked to gather a committee together to discuss a possible amendment to our guild bylaws regarding the sharing of elected positions. I need at least 2 board members (elected or committee chairs) and at least 3 general guild members.

This committee will be formulating a recommendation to present at the next business meeting.

If you are interested please contact me right away. We will meet on Thursday, March 6th at 7pm, place to be determined. Email is the BEST way to reach me: pvfleischer@hotmail.com (put the word QUILT in the subject of your email) If you do not have email, please call me at 661-255-

0132 and leave a voice message.

THANKS!

Paula Fleischer

So. California Council of Quilt Guilds Meeting

I attended the January 26, 2008, Southern California Council Meeting in Orange County and the topic was Leadership. We had the business meeting first then the Quilt Guild representatives were separated into groups.

Each group had to discuss how they felt the Chairpersons: President, Program chairpersons, Treasurers, Secretaries and Newsletter Chairpersons could promote interest in their quilt guilds and how to inspire memberships in Guilds. After about a half hour after discussions, a representative from each group gave a brief summary of what the brainstorming inspired.

Briefly, Presidents should take a personal approach, encourage members, make it known the purpose of the guild and operate with a team approach. Program chairs should make sure the guild has good contracts that covers all situations and protects all parties. If the speaker has their own contract, have the speaker sign both contracts, some guilds pay their members to lecture and teach and guilds should share speakers. Treasurers are to be honest and good skills at bookkeeping. Secretaries should have good note taking skills, listens and be able to sift out information and should ask for motions in writing. The Newsletter chairperson should have a calendar of events listing the happening in the guild and quilting world and it is most important to inform and keep considerations for people that are not computer oriented.

Believe me the meetings go by so quickly. I get to meet great people and the Guilds that host the meeting usually give a list of eating places and quilt places in the area. Not only do I get to learn something about the quilt world, I get detailed maps of the interesting spots in the areas. On April 19 2008, the host guild will be Citrus Belt Quilt Guild and the topic will be Volunteer Dynamics. I've got lots of room. What to come? Give me a call.

You're roaming Quilter,
Gerry Hogan

Thread Information

The following is an excerpt is used with the permission of Superior Threads.

Q. When changing a spool of thread on my sewing machine, is it best to clip the thread close to the spool and then pull the thread out downward through the needle rather than pulling it upward?

A. That is probably the better way, but not absolutely necessary if you are using a very good quality thread. A loosely twisted, low quality thread pulled backwards through the machine may cause problems but a smooth, tightly twisted quality thread will not cause damage.

Thread Selection Guide

What thread should I use? Instead of words, this new chart says it all. An easy-to-follow illustration will take you from start to finish. Our new THREAD SELECTION GUIDE helps in choosing the right thread for each project. I think you will really like this chart. Individuals, guilds, stores, and teachers have permission to copy it. Copy and paste this link into your browser

http://www.superiorthreads.com/includes/pdf/Superior_Flow_Charts.pdf

or access it from our home page

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Check out our Thread Selection Guide.)

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Contact Rhea Fetter
661-252-3121

Ruth Ward 251-4064
Meets every other Wednesday 10 AM

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

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Friday Friends ***

See Caryl Jo or Cherrie Maylis
Meets 2nd & 4th Fridays
7 PM Shadow Hills Presbyterian Church
10158 Johanna Ave. Sunland

S.E.W.U.P.'s

A Quality II 255-1870
25864 McBean Parkway, Valencia
Meets Tuesdays at 10 AM

Sisters in Stitches

*** Groups noted in this way welcome new members.
Always call first in case meeting details have changed

Super Star Quilters ***

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

TGIF at Night ***

Patti Voyles 259-6198
Friday 7 PM at A Quality II
25864 McBean Parkway, Valencia

The Tuesday Night Group ***

Susie Bakman 251-2222
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