



Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Guild

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

From Our Co-Presidents

April Showers bringing May flowers? Lets hope so. Any season is good for quilting but Spring seems inspirational because of all the new colors. Have you ever noticed how the new growth is a different color from the existing plant? Sometimes it is just a lighter green but sometimes yellow and sometimes red before it matures to green. Right now with everything at different stages, there are so many shades and tints. From the flowering trees in white and pinks to the bright yellows and oranges of the ice plant and poppies, you can find every color. Lots of colors give me lots of ideas for new projects. The UFO’s can wait until next winter, can’t they? Hope you’ll be with us to hear what Claudia Blodget-Lye has to tell us about color. The first week was hard after we sprung ahead and started daylight savings earlier this year but now I am really enjoying having the extra light in the evening. I hope you are feeling inspired too! Let’s plan fun new activities. Look through this newsletter for some new things. Check out the Help Wanted column for jobs that the guild needs to fill. Think about volunteering. Also bring your ideas and enthusiasm and join us at the Board meetings. Do you have a skill you could share? Maybe you have a great tip you’d be willing to share. Together we can do so much more. Here’s to Spring and new beginnings!
 Dana Montague and Carol Moore
 Co-Presidents

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

Treasury Report – March, 2008

Starting Checking Bal	5,779.88
Expenses	
Newsletter	-78.60
Speaker – February	-483.00
Workshop	-425.00
Webpage	-50.00
Rent – Church (3 months)	-601.80
Comm Svc – Fabric	-45.97
Income:	
Membership	+544.00
Ways and Means/Mags	+102.00
Donation to Comm Svc	+20.00
Workshop	+210.00
Ending – Checking Bal.	4,971.51
CD’s	<u>7,276.69</u>
	12,248.20

Please call me if you have any questions.
 Anne Watts, Treasurer 252-6420
 Awatts2@socal.rr.com

Block of the Month

The winner at the March meeting was Bonnie Weber. ~~Congratulations, Bonnie~~
 The block for May will be a little different. All the blocks made will be donated to the Quilts of Valor Project. For every block you make your name will be put in the bag to win a prize. We will have some fabric available at the April meeting but you can use your own fabric too. Please use white for the background. Lets see how many blocks we can gather for this good cause.

(just because I love them), your favorite Spring food and spring water too. Dandelion tea anyone?

Caryl Jo

Hospitality Volunteer

..... *The Block Auction is coming in July*.....

Please start your search and bring your orphan blocks, UFO's, and unloved stash to the guild meeting. This may be the best auction yet!

Membership News

Wonderful turn-out at the March meeting - 70 members! Lovely to see you all.

Congratulations to the members who won the door prizes kindly donated by our speaker Barbara Dieges.

Please make sure you sign in, so I can have a head count, and give you a raffle ticket for a chance to win a door prize.

Quilt shops usually give guild members a 10% discount when they show a guild membership card.

If you need a card, please let me know. The cards are filled in individually and handed out annually per membership year (January thru December).

Due to lack of time the directories were not ready last month as planned. You can pick up your copy at the April meeting.

Thanks

Adva Price

Membership Chair

adva_p@yahoo.com

Community Service

Dana and I want to thank the ladies that attended the Monday Meeting at Millie's and helped make quilts for the Homeless project "Under the Bridges & On the Streets". We had a great time and fun doing this project. We have received several thank you notes for the ones we donated earlier in the year.

Again thank you Lola, Carrie, Judy, Sylvia, Yvonne & Millie. We'll meet to finish these on April 7th. I'm also accepting donations of warm clothing and blankets for this project and will deliver them at the same time.

Everyone is welcome, you do not have to be a Guild member in order to participate, just someone who likes to have fun and do for others. We just ask that people call and let us know they are planning on attending so we can be set up to accommodate them. Everyone brings their own snacks or whatever they want to eat.

The other project planned for 2008 is for The Painted Turtle Camp. It is their 5th year and They need quilts: They can use all sizes, but the most popular are:

Lap Size 35" - 40" wide x 45"-50" length

Bed Size 60" wide x 80" length

Full Size Aprons (with bibs) to be used during messy and fun activities and at the baking center sized for adults and older campers ages 10 and up. THESE MUST BE WASHABLE. Please give me a call if you have any questions.

Several ladies from the guild and myself went to the camp last year and we were very impressed and found out that we had been very misinformed on many things about the camp. The families do not get charged for this camp. It is run almost totally on donations of both time and medical staffing services.

Please check www.Paintedturtle.org for more information I am considering doing a raffle quilt for them later this year. Anyone interested in helping please contact me @ 661-257-2572. I need help with a pattern, planning, assembling etc. The other thing some of us are doing is blocks for the Quilts of Valor. I have information on this on my computer and if anyone wants it they can email me at Hwoodworth2003@yahoo.com and I'll forward this to them.

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

Many thanks to Barbara Spencer, Bonnie Weber, Anne Watts, Helena Woodworth, Mattie Spurlock, Chris Wong, Connie Viner, Debi Wilkins, Lois Stucker, Ellie Smith, Connie Weber, and Anita Liebman (whose contribution came from the East coast!)

Food Y-Z & C through G Drinks A & B

Deviled Eggs from all those dyed eggs-Yum, Carrot/pineapple orange Jell-O for that tired bunny or Nasturtiums and baby greens salad, Pickled beets

Community Service will have quilts at the next meeting that need to be quilted, binding sewn on, etc. Some of these are for Turtle Camp and others for various projects during the year, again if you will give me a call or email I'll be glad to bring whatever so we can get these done and delivered. All help will be appreciated. Anyone having any other suggestions for projects please let me know. I want to thank everyone for the time and work they put in supporting Community Service all year long. Helena Woodworth & Dana Montague
Community Chairperson and my Helper
Hwoodworth2003@yahoo.com

Thanks for the Memories ♥♥♥

It is hard to believe, but I have been doing your newsletter for 3 years. I have learned a great deal and met so many of you personally as we worked on articles, worked out details and solved problems. Our recent transition to e-mail delivery went pretty smoothly, thanks in large part to your willingness to work with me as I figured things out.

Patti Voyles will be taking over the newsletter for the guild beginning in May. You will be in very good hands as Patti did the newsletter before I did and really knows the "ins and outs" of the process. After reading this message, if you have any question regarding the newsletter, you can reach Patti at pvoyles1@netzero.net or her home phone, 661-259-6198.

I am not going anywhere, I will still be here serving the guild in other ways. Find me and say "Hi".
Susie Bakman

April Program

Our speaker for the April 10th meeting will be Claudia Blodget-Lye. Claudia owns 5 Heart Quilts and Fabrics located in Tehachapi. Her quilt shop is known as "the bright one".

Claudia will be speaking to our guild about all things color, including how to make the color selection process a bit easier as well as color wash quilts. She will have her 5 Heart Twisted 4 Patch pattern available for sale as well as fabric in 1/2 yard cuts.

Claudia and her husband Gary, " the quilting cowboy" would enjoy meeting our members over dinner at the Greenhouse Cafe in the back room at 5:30PM.

If you have any question, call Dana Montague.

2008 Guild Program Calendar

May 8	Sylvia Davis	Stash Reduction
June 12	Nancy Rink www.nancyrinkdesigns.com	Applique
July 10	Quilt Block Auction	
August 14	Tammie Bowser www.tammiebowser.com	Quilted Photography
August 16	Tammie Bowser Class	Quilted Photography
September 11	Game Night	
October 9	Nancy Mayer "Featuring One of Our Members"	Trunk Show
November 13	Jake Finch www.jakefinchdesigns.com	12 Steps to Recovering Money from your Fabric Addiction
December 11	Holiday Party	(We need a committee or a mini group to volunteer for this)

Let Your Imagination Fly!

The Great American Re-Purpose Challenge has begun. What you may ask is that?

Our members are being challenged to make something from textiles purchased at a local charity thrift store and turn it into something useful and creative. Turn a blouse into a pillow, a jacket into a teddy bear, a tablecloth into a purse, or, well, you get the picture.

No stash allowed, not even for embellishments, but don't worry, you have until August 14, 2008 to finish you challenge.

You can get all the details at the meeting and there are flyers on our information table.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with one of us. We are the 2008 Challenge Volunteers!

Extra! Extra! Extra! Read all about it!!!

Help Wanted

SCV Quilt Guild has openings for the following positions:

Historian-Show and Share: Encourage members to bring Show and Share items. Photograph them as well as events that the guild participates in and record them in a scrapbook for posterity.

Program Chair 2008 We are in need of a member to be the point person for the speakers and programs for the remainder of the year. These can be found on the web site.

Program Chair 2009 We would like to begin planning for the 2009 year with the Meet the Teachers program SCCQG held in July, 2008.

Workshop Coordinator 2008 and 2009 This member works with the Program chair to secure sign-ups for the workshops, keeps class lists, collects the fees, coordinates lunch if needed and turns monies in the treasurer an organized fashion.

Committee or Chair to plan and complete the 2009 Opportunity Quilt.

Associate Member Liaison Maintain communication between SCVQG and it's Associates/Sponsors. Send renewal letters. Work with Membership chairperson at renewal time.

Publicity Publicizes our Guild's Activities

Hospitality Bring paper goods to the Guild meetings. Help set them out and assist with clean up after the meeting. You will need to be able to store one tote in between meetings.

Round Robin Each participant turns in a center block and any fabrics they would like used in their quilt. The bags are passed from q1quilter to q1quilter for four months and the finished top is returned to its owner.

Arbor Day 2009 Organize the making of a quilt to be donated at the City of Santa Clarita's Annual Arbor Day Event.

If you would like additional information on these duties, please contact Dana Montague mdlsmontague@sbcglobal.net phone 661-295-0877, or Carol Moore carol_colquhoun@yahoo.com phone 661-296-7651.

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

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

Lavonne Davidson 251-9795
Meets every other Wednesday 10 AM

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

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 ***

Mary Perez 661-263-7668
21303 Soledad Canyon, Saugus
Greenbrier East Mobile Home Park
Recreation Center 5:45 p.m

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

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