



# SANTA CLARITA VALLEY QUILT GUILD

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*Our mission is to stimulate an interest in quilts, to promote and advance the art of quilt making, to conduct educational programs and services in the design techniques and preservation of quilts and quilt making; and to promote quilting in philanthropic endeavors.*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thank you to Dana Montague and Debbie Ackerman who coordinated the speakers for the June Community Service program. I did not realize how many resources there are in the SCV community helping individuals. It warmed my heart to know how the Guild is supporting their efforts. I hope you felt the same, and will think of them as you sew the many projects for their benefit.

I have many items of importance to share with you this month:

### **SHORT TERM COMMITTEES AND OPPORTUNITIES:**

July brings varied and important opportunities necessary to support the Guild.

❖ **Nominating Committee:** To create a slate of officers (President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, Treasurer and Secretary) for election in November. Per Bylaws, the guild is looking for someone to volunteer at a general meeting to head that committee. Please reach out to Marcia Dains if you are interested.

❖ **Bylaw Review:** Per Gabrielle L., Parliamentarian

It's that time of year again to create a Bylaws Review Committee. It is a very easy and small group which examines the Bylaws and Standing Rules for accuracy, changes, or enhancements. The process includes one or two in-person meetings with the rest by email or texting. If you are interested in learning more about our Guild from this perspective, please contact me, Gabrielle L. (I'm in the directory) this week so we can set up our meeting times and agenda.

We also examine and discuss any comments or questions brought to us from you, the membership. So, if anyone has any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us so we can include them into our agenda.

- ❖ **Budget Analysis:** Determine fixed yearly operating expenses of the Guild and the standard sources of income. Make recommendations to cover deficit (if any) or how much over operating costs would be needed/desired for other projects. (See Penny Lawrence, Patti Voyles)

As Patti Voyles stated "This may not sound like an exciting process, but it can be very productive with more voices. We haven't picked a time, but we need to do it this July. If you are willing to assist or want more info about what we are doing, call, text or email one of us."

- ❖ **Exploratory Committee for Quilt Show Venue:** What is out there (10,000 sq. feet) that would support a Quilt show with vendors and boutique? What have other Guilds paid for their venue? How much would it cost for a 2-day event? (See Darlene Stump)
- ❖ **Contact and Bring Friends:** The Trash to Treasure event will have so much to offer that the more buyers the better. Not only will there be the treasure hunt for fabric, patterns, notions, kits, quilt tops- there will be an awesome auction (with stories worth the cost of admission) of vintage and new quilts and kits. July 13<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm at the Methodist Church
- ❖ **Invite Friends to Guild Meetings:** We love to have visitors and hopefully new members.
- ❖ **Reach Out and Say Hello** to visitors and new members. We are a friendly group!

May you continue to have Happy Quilting with Happy Quilters

Marcia Dains

## PROGRAMS – TRASH TO TREASURE / AUCTION

The July 13th guild meeting will be our new Trash to Treasure/Auction event. We have already collected some fabulous items for the auction, and more are coming in. Finished products, such as quilts, wall hangings, quilt tops, quilt kits, fabric stacks, sewing tables, etc., will go up for auction. **Any additional auctions items, I will need no later than July 11th.**

Start setting aside those items you feel will contribute to a great night of fundraising! For items being placed on the table for sale, such as: fabric, notions, storage, etc., please price them and bring them the night of the meeting, ready to sell. Fabric collections can be tied together, put in plastic bags or containers, and priced. Please price a saleable amount. Larger amounts of fabric can be priced separately, i.e., \$5-\$8 for 4 yards of fabric. What would you pay for your donation?

Members will be able to purchase the Trash to Treasure items you bring as soon as they are set up. Auction will begin after the opening of the meeting. Please bring your checkbook, credit card or cash...if you bring cash, please bring small denominations as we will not have the ability to make a lot of change.

To participate in the auction portion, please register at the check in table if you would like to bid on an item(s) and get your auction paddle. A list of the auction items will be available, so you can keep track of what you would like to bid on.

Block Auction Check-in Starting at 6:30pm

Joyce Wilkinson  
Trash to Treasure/ Block Auction  
Chairperson

**PROGRAMS – LINDA SULLIVAN – PLEASE SIGN UP!!!**

**WONKY PIECING AND EASY APPLIQUE**

**\*\*ZOOM\*\* FEE \$40 FOR WORKSHOP**

**August 12, 2023**

**9am-1pm**



Linda Sullivan, co-owner of Colourwerx, has over 25 years of experience as a professional quilter and is known for her use of bright colors and bold designs which are showcased in this puppy project. Linda's tips and tricks for applique and quilting make this course fun, easy, and versatile. Pattern included with course!

Relaxing & Super Fun Time!

WONKY PIECING & EASY APPLIQUE

Choose to Make Mini ModDog, ModCat or ModFish



Students will love how liberating and fancy free these improv, slash 'n sew projects are! With no exact 1/4" seams to follow, and tons of tips and tricks from Linda, students will learn the basics of fun improv/wonky piecing and

never worry about being exact again! She'll also teach students the beginning basics of fusible web machine ppliqué with these easy to stitch shapes! Students may choose to make either a ModDog, ModCat or ModFish!

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

I hope you enjoyed our community service presentation at the June meeting as much as I did. Featured speakers showcased five organizations serving residents of the Santa Clarita Valley:

### ❖ **Santa Clarita Valley Senior Center**

Our guild members have crafted items for the Senior Center for many years now to include placemats, lap quilts and shawls to warm our senior neighbors. Diana Sevanian, R.N. the coordinator representing the Senior Center spoke about how much joy our gifts bring to the recipients. Diana encouraged our guild members to look into the many programs offered at the center.

### ❖ **R.I.S.E.**

R.I.S.E.- the acronym for Reach-Invest-Supply-Empower was represented by Meghan Simpson. They interface with several nonprofits to assist families in the foster care system. R.I.S.E. works to supply a store-front where individuals can select a variety of items that best meet their needs. Our guild has donated several quilts to this worthy cause.

### ❖ **Finally Family Homes**

Finally Family Homes, assists foster youth aging out of the foster care system become self-sufficient young adults. Jacquelyn Vasantachat explained that these individuals range from 18-24 years of age and are engaged in continuing education and job training. Finally Family is engaged in building tiny homes and would love volunteers.

### ❖ **SCV Pregnancy Center**

The guild has gifted the SCV Pregnancy Center with new baby bundles consisting of a baby quilt, receiving blanket, burp cloth, and a bib crafted by our members. Luz Machado talked about the wrap around services offered by the center. The center serves women medically, as well as emotionally in all walks of life.

## ❖ Penny Lane Centers

Our very own Vickie Reti spoke about the organization that employs her; Penny Lane Centers. The founder of Penny Lane had a vision of a variety of walk-in services to assist youth that may be experiencing unstable housing, as well as assistance with family reunification, and those in foster care. The Guild has recently given quilts.

Hope you were as encouraged as much as I was.  
Dana Montague

## COMMUNITY SERVICE – SCV SENIOR CENTER & PREGNANCY CENTER

At the June meeting, we had 45 completed placemats turned in for the SCV Senior Center. Great job!! Looks like everyone is really working on their one placemat a month challenge. Remember, if you complete the orphan block challenge, that will count as well!! We also had 10 placements turned in that will now need binding. We received one baby quilt top. We could really use baby receiving blankets for our bundles for the pregnancy center if you are looking for a new project. We also could use some lap quilts and shawls for the senior center

Winners of the community service drawing were:

- ❖ Carol Carter
- ❖ Barbara Montejo
- ❖ Lourdes Isaacson

Congratulations and Keep on Quilting!  
Debbie Ackerman

## GUILD CHALLENGE – ORPHAN BLOCK CHALLENGE

We started this challenge at the June meeting. Due to the Trash to Treasure auction at the July meeting, we are extending this challenge through August. You can pick up a kit for this challenge at the Community Service table. The kit includes a piece of batting, two orphan quilt blocks (an orphan quilt is a quilt block that has no home and we will give it a home in a placemat) for the front and back of a placemat and two strips of fabric for binding. You will need to add a small amount of fabric from your own stash to complete the placemat.

Should you accept this challenge, you will turn in a completed placemat by the September meeting for a chance to win a \$10.00 gift card to Rye Canyon. Yes, it must be complete (with binding) to win. Oh yes.... there will be other prizes too.

Have fun and happy quilting.  
Debbie Ackerman

## IFFI (I FINALLY FINISHED IT)

IFFI is officially "Closed". Each time you finish a project, bring it to the next guild meeting for show and share. Please check in with me for your tickets. Your tickets will be entered into the drawing which we will have at our December meeting. There will be a separate drawing for any project that has a label.

Finish those projects!  
Joyce Wilkinson

## COMMUNITY SERVICE – CAL VET FIELD TRIP

A big thank you to everyone who has been finishing quilts of all sizes; wheel chair quilts, and even a few crocheted items. I was able to speak with Pamela White about our bringing a donation, which would include a visit. She is on vacation during the month of July, but said that August was open. Those I have spoken to felt week-day would be best - about 10:00am. I am currently offering August 16th (preferred) or August 23rd. We would be going for 2-3 hours. Carpooling is also a good idea, and I need volunteers to drive! I can bring 4 others in my car.

The Cal Vet home recently has had to close several of their units due to both deaths and a staff shortage. It has made it harder for them to keep up with the programs. When we talked about being able to visit the vets, Pam made the suggestion that we actually take quilts to vets in some of the units. Her only warning was that they would LOVE to talk with you. It would mean as much, or more than our gifts. She says they can't believe that we are still bringing them items. Why would these women care so much about them? The number we hand out would depend on how many of us are going. She has student volunteers who can manage any that are not distributed while we are there.

Due to the fact that our upcoming meeting is Trash to Treasures, we won't have a formal table set up, but I will take anything you bring back and make sure you get your tickets for the drawing. I will have some items that need finishing in my car: 3 quilts (2 larger) for binding, several quilts that need labels, some vests that need a small amount of work to be finished (buttons, velcro, pocket tabs) with what is required marked on each one.

The Monday Mavens have more than doubled our contribution for this visit, with some additional ones after this list was made. THANK YOU!

### **VA Quilts total 18**

4 bed quilts 57x98,  
60x90, 60x72 (2)  
7- 38 x50  
2- wheelchair  
2- 36x46  
1- 37x48  
1-50x61  
1- 48x48  
Total 18



Looking forward to you meeting some of the people that give me the energy to want to continue doing this year after year. My father was career Air Force through some interesting times, on Guam as one of pilots who could be flying a bomb to Japan, in the Berlin airlift - and my brothers were born in Munich, part of the Rocket program that led to Glen and others walking on the moon, on the F104 project. Those are the ones we know about. I am sure that many of you have family who is also military. They and the families give up a lot to serve. For me, it is an honor to do what seems such a small thing.

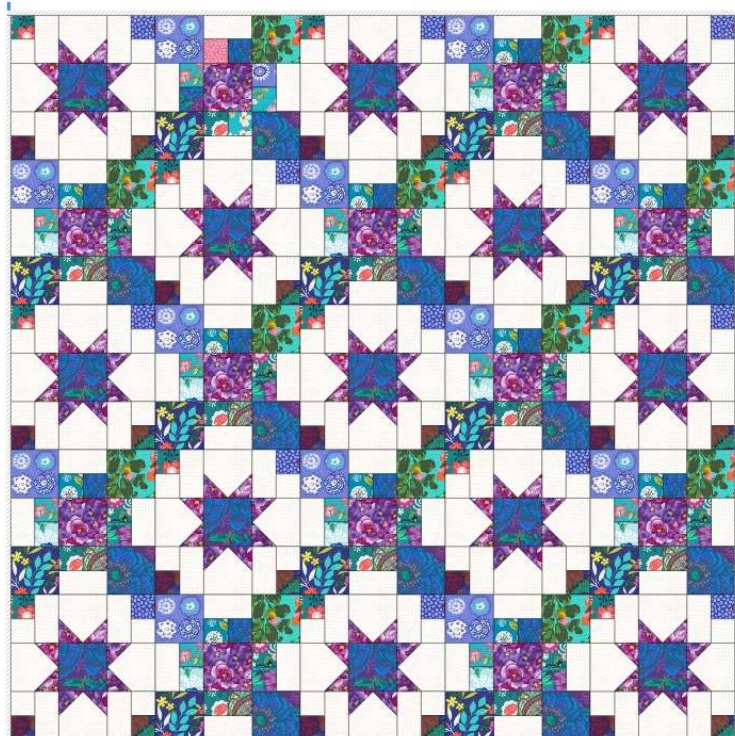
Patti Voyles

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

The May and June blocks are continuing for July. Remember the May block is “Stars” and the June block is “Chains” and they will work together to create some very striking quilts. The instructions are located on the Guild’s website. If you have any questions or problems, please reach out to me. With the July meeting being the “Trash to Treasure” meeting, I will not be collecting the completed blocks. Please make sure to have them done and returned at the August meeting!

In the May and June Newsletters I’ve shown the complete design in black and white so that we wouldn’t get tied to a particular color palette. Check out another way to look at the design – in blue/purple/green!

Darlene Stump



## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We have a total of 82 members to date.

I have received our membership badges from Brian, so you can pick them up in the meeting. If you need one come see me there. They are \$11.00 each with a magnet back.

If you have not renewed yet, please bring the form from the website or get one at the next meeting. We are taking cash, check and credit card. If you are renewing and have special request such as no pictures or no last name, please note it on your form. Also, if you want to receive the newsletter by mail, you must pay \$14.00.

Membership Chair  
Sara-Anne Nelson

### Happy Birthday to our July Ladies:



- July 12 – Linda Kussoy
- July 19 – Jamie Cato
- July 20 – Jean Carter
- July 26 – Jude Mohon
- July 28 – Jolie Robinson
- July 28 – Makena Parks



## HOSPITALITY

People with last name letters, A-F please bring snacks for the July general meeting.

*Dolores, Kendra, and Julie*

## 2023 PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

Jan 12	Connie Sitar: Art Quilts
Feb 9	Melissa Lee- Pilates Stretch / Kathleen Dolan -Ergonomics
Feb 18	Connie Sitar Workshop – Art Quilts
March 9	Kathryn Pellman Lecture and Trunk show
March 11	Kathryn Pellman Workshop –Paper dolls for grown ups
March 18	Melissa Nilsen - Binding Workshop
April 13	Doryce Fitzgerald - Sew Powerful presentation
May 11	Critical Importance of a label for your quilt
May 6	Sew Powerful Workshop
June 8	Community Service Night
<b>July 13</b>	<b>Trash to Treasure (formerly known as Block Auction)</b>
<b>Aug 10</b>	<b>Game Night</b>
<b>Aug 12</b>	<b>Wonky Piecing and Easy Applique ** VIRTUAL**- Linda Sullivan</b>
<b>Sept 14</b>	<b>Sewing Notions - Bring your favorite sewing aide and explain why you love it.</b>
<b>Oct 12</b>	<b>Kim Brownell – Trunk Show</b>
<b>Oct 14</b>	<b>Kim Brownell Workshop - Quilted Jigsaw Puzzles</b>
<b>Nov 9</b>	<b>Brandy Abernathy- T-shirt Quilts</b>
<b>Dec 14</b>	<b>Holiday Party</b>

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer's Report  
May 2023

	<b>Bank of America Checking</b>		
	<b>Beginning Balance as of 5-1-23</b>		<b>\$ 31,193.65</b>
	<b>Deposits and Other Credits</b>		
1-May	Home & Garden Boutique	\$ 197.00	
1-May	Home & Garden Boutique	\$ 263.90	
1-May	Petty Cash	\$ 200.00	
1-May	Home & Garden Oppority Tickets	\$ 90.00	
1-May	Home & Garden Oppority Tickets	\$ 86.00	
1-May	Home & Garden Boutique	\$ 400.86	
12-May	Boutique&Sales Tax	\$ 20.00	
12-May	Sewpowerful Donations	\$ 195.00	
12-May	Ways & Means	\$ 169.00	
12-May	Membership & Opportunity Tickets	\$ 50.00	
12-May	Opportunity Tickets	\$ 60.00	
12-May	Opportunity Tickets-Valley Quilters	\$ 83.00	
15-May	Membership,Opportunity Tickets&Square	\$ 53.47	
			<b>\$ 1,868.23</b>
	<b>Total Deposits</b>		
	<b>Withdrawals &amp; Other Debits</b>		
11-May	Doryce Fitzgeralds	\$ 19.13	
	<b>Total Withdrawals</b>		<b>\$ 19.13</b>
	<b>Ending Balance on 5-31-23</b>		<b>\$ 33,042.75</b>

Penny Lawrence  
Treasurer

## MINI-GROUPS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Contact</i>	<i>Meeting Information</i>
<b>Freedom Mini Group</b> (Currently Full)	Joyce Wilkinson	Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month
<b>Monday Mavens ***</b>	Melissa Nilsen	Meets 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays at Melissa’s house and 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Mondays on Zoom – everyone is welcome to the Zoom sessions. Contact Melissa for the Zoom link. Space limited for the in-person sessions. Must RSVP to Melissa.
<b>Stitch n’ Chat ***</b>	Carol Carter	Meets 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at Darlene’s house. Space limited, must RSVP to Carol.
<b>Quilters in the Park ***</b>	Kendra Geiger	Meets every other Friday, 11:15am – 1pm, at Central Park near the restrooms closest to the dog park. All are welcome.
<b>Saturday Sewing at Sara’s</b> ***	Sara Nelson	Meets the 3rd Saturday of the month, 10:00am – 1pm at Sara’s Multi-Purpose Room. Must RSVP to Sara.

\*\*\* indicates membership is open. If you want to attend a meeting, we recommend calling the contact to be sure that nothing has changed since this listing.

## STITCH N’ CHAT MINI GROUP – OPEN TO EVERYONE

This mini-group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 9:30am-12:30pm and is open to everyone. We try to showcase a different quilting technique at each meeting and then put those techniques to use in creating items for the guild’s community service projects. It’s perfect both for those members who want to improve their quilting skills and experienced quilters with tips to share. Fabric is supplied; just bring your sewing machine, neutral thread, rotary cutter, and scissors/snips.

At the July 20th meeting, we will be making small turtles for The Painted Turtle Camp (Paul Newman’s organization that provides a camp experience for children with medical and handicap issues). These small turtles are distributed to the children in the hospital that can’t come to camp.

Please RSVP to Carol Carter [scvquiltguild@gmail.com](mailto:scvquiltguild@gmail.com)

Carol Carter



## SATURDAY SEWING AT SARA'S

Calling all Quilters who want to sew and enjoy each other's company. Especially if you work Monday through Friday. We are holding our next Saturday Sewing at Sara's Place on **July 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

We will meet at 26705 Bouquet Canyon Rd. In the Multi-Purpose Room, at 10am till 1 or 2pm. Everyone will work on their own projects.

Please bring a long extension cord, your sewing machine and project.

Lunch or a snack, and drinks for yourself.

I will make sure there is a cutting board and iron and board.

Please let me know in advance, so I will be on the lookout for you as all doors are locked on the weekends. Drop off your gear at the main door, and park around the building in guest parking (you can park in the white zone).

This is not a teaching class. We are all working on our own projects. If you have questions, you can ask anyone, or if you want an opinion, we all have them.

## SARA'S MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM LOCATION INFO

For all events and workshops being held at: Sara's Multi-Purpose Room - Bouquet Canyon Apartments - 26705 Bouquet Canyon Rd, Saugus

The Complex is located across the street from the church we hold our monthly meetings. The room is spacious offering a nice venue to hold our workshops. Parking is very limited, so we recommend carpooling, and drop off your sewing machines and supplies at the multi-purpose room before looking for parking. Participants can park in the Bouquet Canyon Plaza shopping center next to the apartments. There is parking available by the Trek Bicycle shop and a short walk across the bridge into the apartment complex. Please bring your lunch and drinks with you. As an option, there are several fast-food places close by.

## WAYS AND MEANS

Ways and Means is happy to announce the lucky winners of the June 2023 Raffle Baskets:

- ❖ Floral Delight                      Stephanie Poss
- ❖ More Kaffe Collection              Julie Cook
- ❖ Bag 'o Batting                      Margie Pinkers
- ❖ Timeless Treasures                Vickie Reti
- ❖ Paddington Bear                      Kendra Geiger

Ways and Means will not have a raffle in July due to the Trash to Treasure event. We will be back in August with some outstanding prizes.

Thank you for supporting the SCVQG.

Laura Hawkins, Rita Percer, Barbara Schnepf

## WEBSITE

Check out new content under the photo drop-down page one to view our June Show and Share and speakers. Also, there is a featured section on different videos highlighting quilting techniques.

Carol Carter  
Web Mistress

2023 OPPORTUNITY QUILT

Pinwheel Parfait





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## OUTSIDE VENUE OF INTEREST

The Guild received notice that the Pasadena Museum of History is currently featuring an exhibit “Community Stitches: Quilt Designs & Stories” until September 10, 2023. There are over 60 quilts spanning 180 years of quilt making. It is curated by Arlene Stevens and Leah Zieber from the California Heritage Quilt Project. The Guild had Leah Zieber as a speaker prior to the pandemic and she was very informative and personable. Check out the website [pasadenahistory.org](http://pasadenahistory.org) for special dates and times for curated tours and/or presentations. What an awesome field trip.

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### *Things to Remember:*

- ❖ Wear your name tag
- ❖ Sign-in sheet at the door
- ❖ Bring your Trash to Treasure items
- ❖ Reach out to Guest and New Members
- ❖ A-F bring snacks

### *This Month's Calendar:*

- ❖ **General Meeting: Thursday, July 13th**  
Trash to Treasure Sales/Auction Check-In: 6:30pm  
Auction starts at 7:20pm  
at Santa Clarita United Methodist Church  
26440 Bouquet Canyon Rd, Saugus, CA
- ❖ **Business Meeting: Cancelled in lieu of committee meetings**



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