



# 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

Welcome, Welcome, Welcome!

I can't begin to tell you how happy I am to see so many members at each meeting and that the Guild is adding new members each month. Thank you for all you do for the Guild, and the Community Service projects. At the June meeting you will be able to meet members of the Community Service Organizations and hear how all your efforts help the population they serve.

I wish we could create more time for the members at the meetings to have time to get to know each other as I know the 15-minute break just is not enough. But that is why I encourage to you to attend one or more of our "mini groups". Although each has its own personality, the constants are laughter and the opportunity to visit and learn from one another.

MONDAY MAVENS meets the first and the third Monday from 9 am to 12:30. The ladies who gather work on their own projects or sometimes group projects, which can be led by anyone in the group who has an idea. Some bring machines and others help press, cut, or yes even unstitch! Melissa Nilsen or Doryce Fitzgerald (summer months) would be the contact person.

STITCH N' CHAT (or the reality is CHAT N' STITCH) meets the 3rd Thursday at Darlene Stump's home from 9:30 to 12:30. To RSVP however, contact Carol Carter. The intent is to learn or revisit a technique with application for a personal or a community service project.

FREEDOM QUILTERS meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at Joyce Wilkinson's house, 10am - 2pm. Members usually work on community service projects for the guild. It's

currently full as the space is limited, but you can let Joyce know you're interested when a spot opens.

QUILTERS IN THE PARK is every other Friday from 11 to 1:30 at Central Park by the restrooms nearest the dog park. Bring a chair, something perhaps to eat, and Show and Share. It is so delightful and visiting is the KEY. Kendra Geiger is the contact.

SARA'S SATURDAY SEWING - This is new to meet the needs of those members who cannot meet during the week. It is the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Senior Apartments across from the church where the Guild meets. This is a bring what you want to work on event!! Just a regular sewing bee..... contact Sara Anne Nelson for details.

VOLUNTEER FOR EVENTS: Long Beach Quilt Show, Future Boutiques, Fabric sale, Jinglefest, Treasurer Audit etc.....

Make sure you check the calendar at the end of the newsletter for specific dates and times. I hope I will be able to spend more time with you at one or more of these gatherings.

Marcia Dains

## PROGRAMS – JUNE MEETING

Our June program will focus on community service, featuring some of the organizations we currently support, as well as some of the organizations we have supported in the past.

We are planning to have representatives from the Senior Center, Finally Family, as well as R.I.S.E. as guests to explain ways each organization assists members of our surrounding area.

This is a night that we hope all members will pick up an item to complete to support our leaders of community service.

Hope to see you all there and thanks for all you do!

Dana Montague – Community Service  
Carol Carter - Programs

## PROGRAMS – JULY MEETING (TRASH TO TREASURE / AUCTION)

Next month, the July 13th Guild Meeting, will be our new Trash to Treasure/Auction event. Each of us will collect saleable items. This includes, fabric, notions, storage, etc., 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?

Finished products, such as quilts, wall hangings, quilt tops, quilt kits, fabric stacks, sewing tables etc., will go up for auction. Those items I will need no later than July 11<sup>th</sup>. I will make up a list of the auction items, so you can keep track of what you would like to bid on. 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. Start setting aside those items you feel will contribute to a great night of fundraising!

Joyce Wilkinson  
Trash to Treasure Chair

## 2024 OPPORTUNITY QUILT WORKDAY

If you are interested in helping out on the 2024 Opportunity Quilt, we will be meeting at Sara's Multi-Purpose Room in the Bouquet Canyon Apartments, 26705 Bouquet Canyon Rd, Saugus on Saturday, May 27th, 10am - 2pm. We'll be making applique flowers.

Fabric will be provided. Bring your sewing machine, neutral thread, rotary cutter, fabric scissors, a turning tool such as a "Purple Thing", travel iron & mat if you have one, lunch/snacks, and a drink. We'll show you how to make Dresden flowers, or you are welcome to bring your own design for flower petals. Flowers will be 7-10". Thin backing fabric will also be provided for turning the flower petals.

Please let me know if you're planning to come so we can set up.

Thank you,  
Melissa Nilsen  
2024 Opportunity Quilt Chairman

## 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.

## PROGRAMS – SEWPOWERFUL PURSE

Thanks to everyone that participated in our Purse party. The response to the presentation was overwhelming, and all of the purse kits taken. Luckily, I made more and have about 30 left if you feel inspired to make another purse or two.

We had a good turnout for the purse class and everyone was successful. So far 134 purses have been turned in. Please bring your finished purses to the June meeting. I'm hoping to beat last year's total of 209 purses. We can do it!

Doryce Fitzgerald



## GUILD CHALLENGE – CANDY BAR BLOCK

Thank you for playing the Candy Bar Block Challenge. For the June meeting, we will have a presentation of the blocks and a little “Name that Block” game. See you all then.

Judy C., Gabrielle L., Barbara S

## GUILD CHALLENGE – ORPHAN BLOCK CHALLENGE

Now that we are well on our way for the one a month placemat challenge, and the candy challenge has been completed, it's time for a new challenge.... “The Orphan Block Challenge”. At the June and July meetings, you can pick up a kit for this challenge. The kit will have 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 in August for a chance to win a \$10.00 gift card to Rye Canyon. Yes, it must be complete to win. Oh yes. there will be other prizes too.

Have fun and happy quilting.

Debbie Ackerman

## LONG BEACH QUILT SHOW

We have decided to show our wonderful opportunity quilt at the Long Beach Quilt Show. Darlene Stump will spearhead ticket sales. If you have signed up to white glove, I will be contacting you to set up your volunteer time. If you would like to help out, please contact me or talk to me at the June meeting.

Doryce Fitzgerald  
Quilt Mom

## COMMUNITY SERVICE – SCV SENIOR CENTER & PREGNANCY CENTER

At the May meeting, we had 26 completed placemats, 16 more that will need binding and 2 placemat tops turned in for the Senior Center, as well as 1 completed shawl and lap quilt.

For the Pregnancy Center, 2 completed baby quilts and 2 quilts that will need binding, and 1 quilt top turn in.

Thanks to everyone for working so hard on these projects. Congratulations to Jerri S., Brandy and Barbara Montejo. the winners of community service drawing.

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

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

It is fantastic that so many of you are taking the provided kits for Block of the Month and returning them in a timely manner - thank you! Wait until you see the tops made from the March and April blocks. They look fantastic, and you should all be proud of yourselves!!

In working with the blocks from the last few months, I want to reach out to some of you who are overdoing the scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. I think I may have scared you because now I am seeing seam allowances that are  $\frac{1}{8}$ " which leads to a block that is a bit too large. So, I have removed the word "scant" from the instructions to help with this overthinking.

Remember that for May and June we are doing two blocks that work together to create a cohesive pattern. Because so many of you have been utilizing the kits, we are doing two

totally different color palettes. This month is the Chain Block which will connect the star blocks from last month. It is a fairly simple block that will really set off the star blocks. \*\*\*Please note that if you take a kit with the blue to coral colors, you will notice a pin in the top colorful 4 1/2" Square. This should become your center square. Then when the blocks are arranged there will be a color flow across the quilt.

What is the first thing you should do when you open your kit? Verify the size and number of pieces to the instructions. If something is off, please let me know. I am not perfect!

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions,  
Darlene Stump

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We have a total of 81 members to date.

We have new members - Stephanie Marx and Beatrice Scott.  
Please welcome them at the next meeting.

I have received our membership badges from Brian, so you can pick them up at the meeting. If you need one, come see me at the membership table. 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 June Ladies:

June 5 – Vickie Reti  
June 10 – Rhea Fetter  
June 16 – Joyce Wilkinson  
June 30 – Sara-Anne Nelson



## HOSPITALITY

People with last name letters, R-Z please bring snacks for the May 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
<b>June 8</b>	<b>Community Service Night</b>
<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 April 2023

	<b>Bank of America Checking</b>		
	<b>Beginning Balance as of 4-1-23</b>		<b>\$ 31,622.60</b>
	<b>Deposits and Other Credits</b>		
14-Apr	Membership & Opportunity Tickets	\$ 100.00	
14-Apr	I Finally Finished it	\$ 100.00	
14-Apr	Ways & Means	\$ 245.00	
17-Apr	Member, Opp Tick,Badges& Sq fee	\$ 123.49	
24-Apr	Opportunity Tickets-Cowboy Festival	\$ 170.00	
24-Apr	Boutique & Sales Tax C.F.	\$ 459.00	
24-Apr	Boutique, Opp T,Sales Tax& SFee C.F	\$ 957.24	
24-Apr	Boutique & Sales Tax C.F.	\$ 277.32	
25-Apr	Petty Cash	\$ 200.00	
25-Apr	Boutique & Sales Tax C.F.	\$ 265.00	
25-Apr	Opportunity Tickets-Cowboy Festival	\$ 70.00	
	<b>Total Deposits</b>		<b>\$ 2,967.05</b>
	<b>Withdrawals &amp; Other Debits</b>		
12-Apr	Golden State Storage A123	\$ 2,400.00	
13-Apr	Jean Carter	\$ 42.38	
13-Apr	Penny K-Lawrence-Petty Cash	\$ 200.00	
13-Apr	Melissa Nilsen	\$ 73.16	
20-Apr	Penny K-Lawrence-Petty Cash	\$ 200.00	
20-Apr	Sara Ann Nelson	\$ 305.42	
20-Apr	Carol Carter	\$ 175.04	
		\$ 3,396.00	
	<b>Total Withdrawals</b>		<b>\$ 3,396.00</b>
	<b>Ending Balance on 4-30-23</b>		<b>\$ 31,193.65</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 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

Our next Stitch n Chat is scheduled on Thursday, 6/15, from 9:30am-12:30pm at Darlene Stump's home. Leading us in different appliqué techniques will be Marcia Dains and Lorraine Quintero. Emphasis will be on the creation of stems and leaves and their application on a project. Both hand and machine appliqué will be demonstrated. Lots of different ways and you can find what fits you.

There is space in the garage for spray basting quilts too, if you just want to stop by for that. Please RSVP to Carol Carter if you would like to join us as space is limited. Phone number is in our directory or email her at [scvqquild@gmail.com](mailto:scvqquild@gmail.com).

Carol Carter & Melissa Nilsen

## WAYS AND MEANS

Ways and Means is happy to announce the winners for the Raffle in May.

- |                              |                  |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| #1 Friendship in Bloom quilt | Joyce Wilkinson  |
| #2 Le Petit Bistro           | Stephanie Marx   |
| #3 Mythical Jungle           | Barbara Montejo  |
| #4 Kaffe Fassett Collection  | Judy Jones       |
| #5 Kona Breeze               | Brandy Abernethy |

In June, you will have an opportunity to win a lovely collection of florals, a children's quilt kit with polyester batting, or a large cut (90 x 120) of Warm & White batting.

Thank you for supporting the SCVQG!  
Laura Hawkins and Rita Percer



## WEBSITE

For your viewing pleasure, I have added photos from the May's Show and Share. (You can find them under the photo drop down page 1). For those that were unable to join our May lecture on the "Critical Importance of Labels", you will find the PDF on the home page. (You can find it about 3/4 of the way down the page).

Included in the PDF is our farewell to Kris Dolan who is moving to North Carolina. Monday Mavens had made her a personalized quilt of all the positions that she spearheaded for the guild along with her favorite places in SCV. Check out her label that was put on the quilt. We did photos of each member of Monday Mavens (another idea for a memory label). We will miss Kris and wish her good luck, new adventures, new friends and a new quilt guild to join.

Carol Carter  
Web Mistress

2023 OPPORTUNITY QUILT

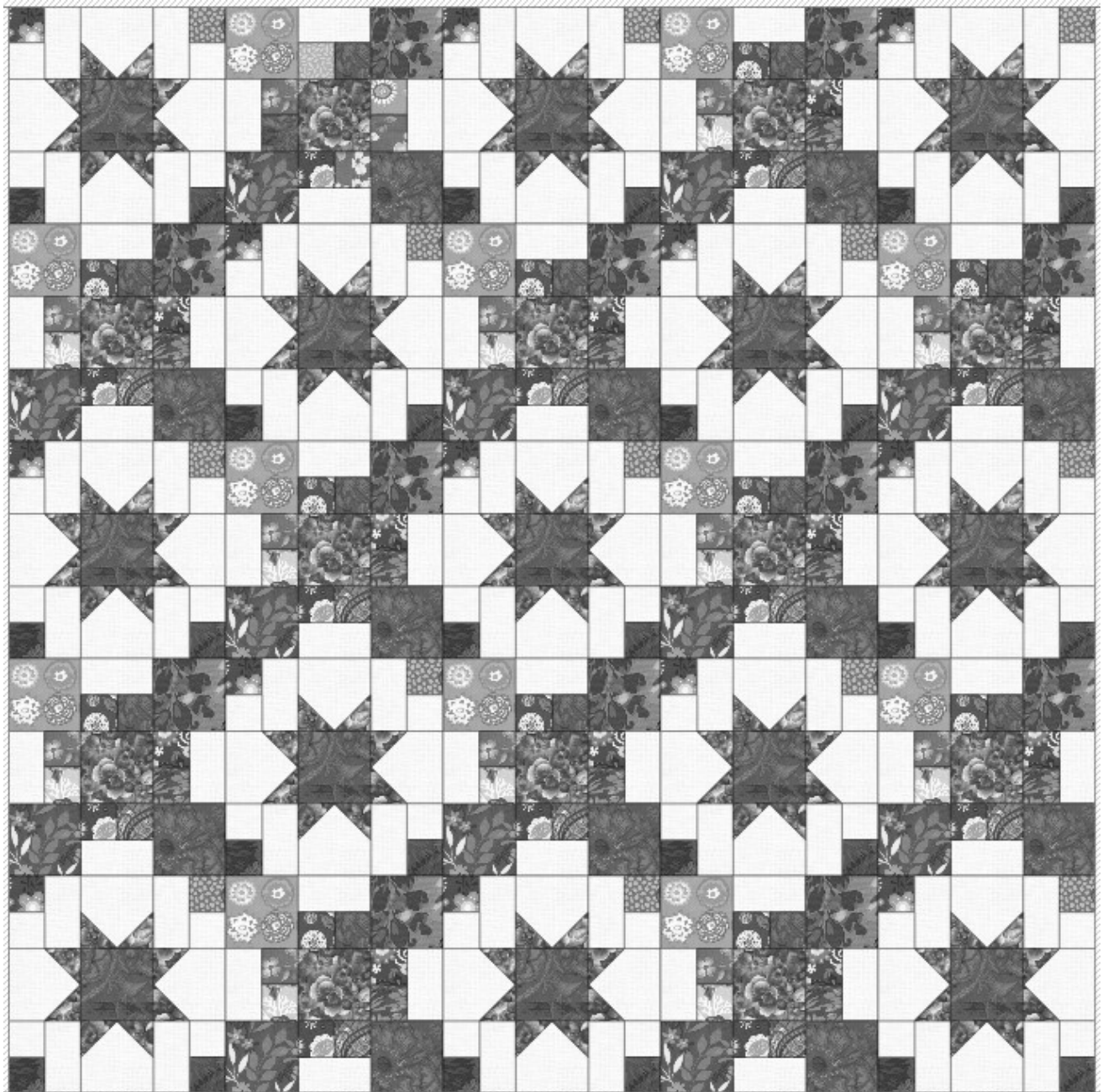
Pinwheel Parfait



## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Last month we made the star blocks, and this month we'll make the chain blocks. When we put the top together, we'll alternate those blocks to get the design below.

For a 60 x 60 quilt (no borders) you'll need 13 Star Blocks and 12 Chain blocks.  
Layout: 5 x 5 blocks.



### Chain Block

Your block should be 12.5" UNFINISHED. Finished Size (once sewn into the quilt) is 12".

*(aka the blocks that go between the stars to connect them altogether.)*



For each block, you will need:

<u>Fabric/Color</u>	<u>Cut Size</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<b>White fabric</b>		
- Rectangles	2 1/2" x 4 1/2"	4
<b>Colorful Fabrics</b>		
- Center & Corner Squares	4 1/2" x 4 1/2"	5
*** For the kits with blue to coral colors, one of these squares has a pin in it to mark the square that should go in the center***		
- Small squares	2 1/2" x 2 1/2"	8

#### USE 1/4" SEAM ALLOWANCE

Step 1



- Using 2 small Colorful squares, with right sides together, sew together. Press seam in one direction.
- Using above and a white rectangle, with right sides together, sew long edge of rectangle. Press seam toward white.
- Repeat to create 4 units.

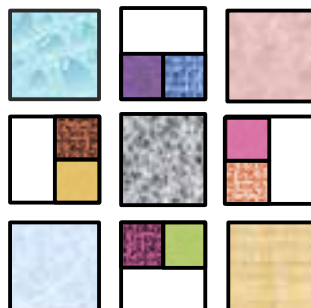
Step 2



#### Combine Units

Step 4

- Follow layout placement and sew together in rows. If using the \*\*\* blue to coral colored kit, note the square with the pin and place that square in center.
- Press middle row seams toward center and top and bottom row seams toward the outside.
- Nest seams of rows together. Press seams.



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### *Things to Remember:*

- ❖ Wear your name tag
- ❖ Sign-in sheet at the door
- ❖ Bring your Show & Share Quilts
- ❖ R-Z bring snacks

### *This Month's Calendar:*

- ❖ **General Meeting: Thursday, June 8th**  
Social Hour: 6:30-6:50pm  
Meeting starts at 6:50pm  
at Santa Clarita United Methodist Church  
26440 Bouquet Canyon Rd, Saugus, CA
- ❖ **Business Meeting: Thursday, June 15th**  
Meeting starts at 6:30pm  
Marcia Dain's residence or via zoom



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