



# SANTA CLARITA VALLEY QUILT GUILD

*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

History of Quilting, continued...

As mentioned last month, early American settlers could not afford to simply discard things when they wore out; necessity required they carefully use their resources. Therefore, when blankets became worn, they were patched, combined with other blankets, or used as filler between other blankets. These were not carefully constructed heirlooms, rather they were functional items for the sole purpose of keeping people warm. Only in later years, when fabrics were being manufactured in America and were more affordable, freeing women from the work of making their own yarns and fabrics, did the more artistic type of quilting become more widespread.

In the 100 years between 1750 and 1850, thousands of American quilts were pieced and patched, and many of them are preserved. Many of these quilts were so elaborate that years were spent making and quilting them (remember Marguerite Heinisch from 2019?). It is no wonder they are cherished as precious heirlooms and occupy honored places in homes and museums (Note: The Smithsonian Institute has a collection of 500 quilts that covers a 250-year time period – I recommend a visit!). Those early quilts provide a glimpse into the history of quilting as well as the history of the United States.

Whole cloth quilts, broderie perse, and medallion quilts were popular styles of quilts made during the early 1800s. The whole cloth quilt, also known as counterpane, is usually made of single pieces of material on the top and back, and the decoration is obtained by means of padded or corded quilting in more or less elaborate design.

The applique quilt, or "laid-on" quilt, usually has a top made of whole cloth with smaller pieces of contrasting fabrics cut into shapes or forms that are applied or stitched down. These quilts were considered more elegant than the humble pieced type. Applique for quilting came into favor around the mid-1700s and reached its climax about 1850. Only the wealthy could afford the expensive imported fabric and had the leisure time for this type of quilt making that displayed the fine needlework of the maker.

A particularly popular style of quilt in the early days of quilting (through the early 1800s), was the Medallion quilt, which was made in a style that had actually been brought to America

from Europe by the colonists. This type of quilt -- a central motif surrounded by multiple borders -- offered endless design possibilities for quilters, who could use patchwork, applique, embroidery, either alone or in combination.

Next month – the advent of American fabric manufacturing and Civil War quilts! See you all at the Tina Curran presentation in February!

*Sue Bennorth*

## PROGRAMS

Until we can meet in person again, we will continue to have meetings, guest speakers and workshops via Zoom.

February 11, 2021 - Guest speaker – Tina Curran of Art Quilts by Tina Curran - *My Excellent Adventure as a Quilter* -- Trunk Show.

February 13, 2021 – Zoom workshop “At the Beach” - \$40.00. Class size is limited to 35 people, so send in your check to the PO Box ASAP, as it will be first-come-first-serve.

This quilt features an aerial view of a beach scene. Each umbrella is sewn and then appliquéd on top of a block of four beach towels (with sand in-between them). The blocks end up in the quilt at 6-1/2" x 6-1/2". This quilt finishes at 31" x 38-1/2". Of course, with additional blocks and/or increasing the size of the blocks, it could be as big as you like.



Not sure if you want to do a workshop via Zoom? It is lots of fun and you don't have to pack up your sewing machine and guess which tools you might need. Stay in your own space and the workshop comes to you. The November Zoom workshop by Elizabeth Eastmond was a huge hit with all who attended!

*Vicki Reti*

## **FEBRUARY MEETING - SHOW AND SHARE – SEND YOUR PHOTOS!**

We as a guild are so enjoying the quilts and other sewing projects that our members have sent the last two months. If you can't attend, we can still see your work with comments. Please think about sharing something you have finished in the last year, or something close to your heart (it is Valentine's month after all). Please provide the following information:

Your name, Title (if you had one) and a few sentences that tell us about the item - pattern source, help, classes, color choice, why you picked this one - anything you might tell us at guild meeting - and of course a picture. These can be mailed to Marcia Dains and/or Patti Voyles by the Sunday before the meeting. Our emails and phone numbers (if texting) will be included in an email blast reminder.

*Patti Voyles*

## **FREE LONG-ARM QUILTING TABLE**

I have a long-arm quilting table but decided against getting long-arm machine. If anyone wants it for free, contact me at Bonita.krall@hotmail.com

*Bonita Krall*

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Our guild is excited to serve so many fabulous organizations again this year. All of the following is accomplished by our wonderfully giving guild. We can't thank you enough for your valuable donations of your time and materials!

For many years, Guild members have crafted a wide variety of items for The Painted Turtle Camp. We will again be crafting twin bed quilts, take home snuggle quilts, pillow cases, turtle pillows, and aprons for the campers this year. Are you wondering what is The Painted Turtle Camp? While we can't take a physical tour this year because of the pandemic, you can take a tour online on their website: <https://www.thepaintedturtle.org/who-we-are>

We are planning on once again gifting the SCV Senior Center with lap quilts and shawls, and placemats for meal recipients and volunteers. Your BOTM blocks will be crafted to bless Veteran organizations. Once blocks are completed, they will be made into twin-size bed and lap quilts. The SCV Pregnancy Center has been enjoying a gift pack for new families consisting of a baby quilt, receiving blanket, burp cloth and a bib, and we are continuing to make those items this year.

Items will be available for pickup on both on Patti Voyle's and Carol Carter's front porches. Be sure and contact these ladies prior to pick up.

Thank you for all you do! Contacts below.

The Painted Turtle Camp: Dana Montague  
SCV Pregnancy Center: Debbie Ackerman  
SCV Senior Center: Carol Carter  
Veterans Center: Patti Voyles

*Dana Montague*

## COMMUNITY SERVICE – PREGNANCY CENTER

Happy Valentines Day to you all. If you need a break from your red valentines projects, how about a baby quilt? I have many baby quilts that need binding. If you are able to help, please text or call me. I can bring them to you, drop them off at Carol Carter's, or you can pick them up from my porch - just let me know. I also have kits for making receiving blankets, bibs, burp cloths, and quilt tops. I have 8 completed bundles ready to take over to the center and hope to do that this week. If you have any completed items please return them as soon as possible. My number is in the directory.

Thanks so much!

*Debbie Ackerman*

## COMMUNITY SERVICE – SENIOR CENTER

I have place mat kits (flip and sew style) ready for pick up. I'll have them on my bench by my front door.

Thank you for all your help in working on this project.

*Carol Carter*

## COMMUNITY SERVICE – VETERAN'S PROJECTS

Thank you so much for all of the work that has been returned in the last two months. I have several bed quilts and wheelchair or lap size quilts that have been finished. I am joyfully handing out backing and batting to those who ask. Sneak peeks have let me know that the Monday Mavens are doing some beautiful quilts along with a few others they inspired.

As always, I do have kits, spray basted small quilts and large bed quilts (for long-arm) in the boxes on my front porch. With the impending rains, I have pulled the boxes away from the outside edge and stack some of them. I am putting new labels on them so you can find the one you need. There is a return box as well to help keep your work out of the elements.

I am planning a trip to the Cal Vet facility after the March Zoom Meeting. Thank you again for making this possible.

*Patti Voyles*

## **BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

Block of the Month is excited about creating new blocks this year to produce various sized quilts for our local veterans, one of our community service endeavors. WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In order to have enough blocks, we are providing you with new patterns bimonthly AND putting together precut “fabric kits” from our storage stash for you to pick up and sew together! The kits are available on the porch of Carol Carter’s home – just give her a call first. Of course, you can also use fabrics from your personal stash. We are also willing to deliver or pick up the blocks.

Also, plan on joining us on Zoom at the March 11th guild meeting for a Block of the Month tutorial and Sew – Along. There will be a new pattern and more kits available. Check for more details in the next newsletter!

BOTM patterns are always on our website: <https://scvquiltguild.org/block-of-the-month>. We welcome any pattern at any time.

Call if you have any questions. Our phone numbers are in the directory. THANKS for your sewing support! 😊

*Linda von Mohr & Melissa Nilsen*

## **IFFI CHALLENGE**

The IFFI Challenge is off to a good start. Members are signing up and listing those projects they wish to finish this year. Be sure to print out the form that is near the bottom of this newsletter, fill it out with your unfinished projects, and mail it to me with your \$10 check made out to the guild, SCVQG. Let me know when you finish a project in person or a photo via email or text and I will put your tickets into the drawing that we will do in December. Remember 2 guild members will share the pot this year!!

*Joyce Wilkinson*

## MEMBERSHIP

### YOUR 2021 DUES MUST BE PAID BY FEBRUARY

If you haven't yet renewed your membership for 2021, please mail your check to:

PO Box 802863 Santa Clarita, CA 91380-2863

General Members \$55, Seniors (age 62+) \$50, Associate Members \$70

The Membership Form is included at the bottom of the newsletter. If your address, email, and phone number haven't changed, you can just send in your check. Otherwise, please print the form and include with your payment.

We had 14 quilters renew during the month of January, plus one new member - warmest welcome to Michelle Tavares! This brings our current 2021 membership to 56.

Happy February birthdays to:

Feb 01 - Dolores Roux-Jones

Feb 02 - Karen Nelson

Feb 12 - Sherry Martinelli

Feb 14 - Judy Chaffee

Feb 15 - Erin O'Brien

Feb 15 - Joan Spellman

Feb 26 - Pamela Patterson



We need someone to step up to help with membership this year. Job description: attend the board meeting once per month, make occasional phone calls to members when questions arise, and help out at the membership table once we are able to meet in-person again (fingers crossed...). If you are interested in joining the Membership Committee, please contact Leslie.

I hope you're all staying healthy and quilting often!

*Leslie Wright*

## SCVQG 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PINS

In honor of our 30th anniversary last year, our Guild had commemorative pins made, and they are beautiful. If you'd like to purchase one (or two or three), please call or email Gabrielle with your reservation. They are \$6 each, cash or check. Purchase 3 or more, and I'll deliver! (My numbers are in the directory.)

By the way, I also have the whimsical pins (Where Quilts and Friendship Grow) from last year's cancelled quilt show; they are \$3 each. Such nice collector items! Call me.



Gabrielle Leko

## SCCQG COUNCIL MEETING - BUSINESS MEETING NOTES

Sandy Scott reported that they had no more information on quilts for fire victims so they are discontinuing the support at this time. If it changes, we will be notified.

Road to California has gone digital. Classes were held online with pre-registration and they had filled. Lectures were open until 24 hours before. They were posting digital views of different aspects of the show including judging (may still be available). The judging was of 104 quilts and includes the judges' comments. If you ever would consider entering a quilt, this could be useful in terms of what they are looking at. Ron said they are planning on continuing this in the future. You can still check out the website at <http://www.roadtocalifornia.com> now and see what is available. They have a list of vendors if you need to find something and the previous two years of winning quilts (2019, 2020). They are planning on using this website in the future.

SCCQG newsletter deadline is Feb 1st. Articles from guilds would be about events or things we have in next 3 months. Minutes from this council meeting will be included.

Treasurer report - changes in 1099 will be included in newsletter.

Insurance - if your contracts are not up to date, the insurance is not good. Please send a copy of the contract to SCCQG. Question - does it cover potential infection with COVID? No, it is not possible to determine and it comes under what insurance considers "pathogens" which

are not insured against. If you are holding something in someone's home, it is normally handled by the homeowner's insurance. From her knowledge of industry practice, if you are hurt at a show - you aren't necessarily covered. If you are hurt due to a negligent placement of an item, the site responsible for that action would be the one who was talked with. If you are having a mini-group meeting, it would be the homeowner.

Our president and treasurer should have received emails before this meeting with updates.

Programs - Meet the Teacher, the April 10th meeting will be virtual and information about the meeting is on the website. Each teacher will still be limited to a 2-3 minute quick speech about their offerings. They are publishing a schedule to help you check in for someone you are specifically interested in seeing.

This was the end of the business section. The speaker notes were sent to our president and programs chair for use in developing programs for us. At the end of the meeting there is a guild show and share about events occurring in the next three months. This could be a show (none right now) or opportunity quilt sale announcements. When the meetings are in person, they do accept a few of the quilts with the ability to sell tickets. When we have a show again, there is also a place at the beginning to put envelopes with the flyers for each member guild to hand out. This can be done earlier than 3 months. Everyone was encouraged to check out the council website <http://www.sccqg.org> to see what information is available.

*Patti Voyles*

## WAYS AND MEANS

Dear Quilting sisters,

Ways and means has six amazing baskets for our next meeting. Unfortunately, we are not sure when the meeting will take place.

We are certain that you have Valentines patterns and some delicious fabric to make a quilt, runner, or placemats. We would love to see all of your amazing work at our next show and share.

We are looking forward to your brilliant Valentine creations.

Hoping that all of you are healthy and safe! Happy Sewing 🧵❤️💜💛

*Rita, Linda, and Millie.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Here is the Treasurer's Report for December 2020:

**Bank of America Checking**

**Beginning Balance as of 11-30-20** \$25,427.63

**Deposits and Other Credits**

14-Dec **Membership & Opportunity Tickets** \$535.00

14-Dec **IFF** \$80.00

14-Dec **Boutique** \$65.00

14-Dec **Petty Cash- Opportunity Tickets** \$20.25

17-Dec **Membership & Opportunity Tickets** \$355.00

30-Dec **Community Service-Spray baste** \$44.10

**Total Deposits** \$1,099.35

**Withdrawals & Other Debits**

14-Dec Carol Carter \$55.55

14-Dec Sue Bennorth \$40.00

14-Dec Joyce Wilkinson \$149.00

14-Dec Patty Vergon \$40.00

**Total Withdrawals** \$284.55

**Ending Balance 12-31-20** \$26,242.43

*Penny Lawrence*

## WEBSITE

The 2021 Membership Renewal Form is now on the home page of the website: [scvquiltguild.org/](http://scvquiltguild.org/) to make it easier to find. Or keep scrolling to see it here in the newsletter.

Photos of Joyce's president quilt can be found on the website under Photos menu item, or click here to go straight to it: [scvquiltguild.org/page-1-1](http://scvquiltguild.org/page-1-1). You can see the beautiful finished

quilt, along with different quadrants. There are also close-ups of all the individual blocks lovingly created by members. Everyone was so creative! Please view. Thank you to all who participated. And, thank you Jean Carter for photographing the quilt and putting names to each of the individual blocks. The photos look so good!

*Carol Carter*

## **HOSPITALITY**

**Will be back as soon as we are allowed!**

*Dolores, Kendra, and Julie*

# IFFI CHALLENGE



## IFFI Challenge

Sign-up for the “I Finally Finished It” Challenge. The cost is \$10. List 10 quilt projects you want to complete in 2021. Take a picture of your completed project and send it to Joyce Wilkinson or show it at a show and share via Zoom or in person. Joyce will then check off your project and put your name in for the drawing at our December 2021 meeting. You will receive 1 ticket for a small project (lap size quilt or smaller), or 4 tickets for a large project (twin size quilt or larger). This year, there will be **TWO member winners** who will share the pot 50/50.

*List and fee must be received by Joyce via mail or in person by March 11, 2021*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*My wish list of quilting projects to complete this year is:*

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

2021 IFFI Chair: Joyce Wilkinson - email, home address and phone # are in the directory

# MEMBERSHIP FORM



## SANTA CLARITA VALLEY QUILT GUILD

### MEMBERSHIP FORM – 2021

Mail to: PO Box 802863 Santa Clarita, CA 91380-2863

RENEWAL

NEW MEMBER

ASSOCIATE MEMBER

### PLEASE PRINT:

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

I am RENEWING my membership, and my information has NOT CHANGED from last year.

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE with AREA CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL # with AREA CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTHDATE: MONTH \_\_\_\_\_ DAY \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE with AREA CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

Your preference for a charity if the Guild does a donation \_\_\_\_\_

YES  NO Permission to print and/or post photos of you or your quilts

\*\*Note: Monthly Newsletters are sent VIA EMAIL to save postage.

PLEASE MAIL THE NEWSLETTER TO ME (an extra \$10.00 fee must be paid to cover the postage)

### MEMBERSHIP TYPE - Check One:

#### *General Membership*

- General \$55
- Seniors \$50 (age 62 and older)

**Dues must be paid by the FEBRUARY guild meeting.**

#### *Business Membership*

Includes an ad for 1 year in the newsletter & website.

- Associate Members \$70 (voting rights)
- Business Membership \$50

Dues now include \$20 for our opportunity quilt. You may sell your tickets if desired.

You may pay with a check payable to SCVQG. Please mail to the guild's PO box (address at top).

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ CASH: \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK #: \_\_\_\_\_

## 2021 PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

Jan 14	Zoom Meeting with Show N Share!
Feb 11	Speaker: Tina Curran - "My Virtual Trunk Show" via Zoom
Feb 13	Workshop via Zoom: "At the Beach" with Tina Curran
March 11	Zoom Meeting with Sew-along & Block of the Month tutorial
April 8	TBD
May 13	TBD
June 10	TBD
July 8	TBD
Aug 12	TBD
Sept 9	Speaker: Elizabeth Eastmond - via Zoom
Sept 11	Workshop via Zoom: TBD with Elizabeth Eastmond
Oct 14	TBD
Nov 11	Speaker: Mel Beach - "Challenge Yourself" via Zoom
Nov 13	Workshop via Zoom: "Free Styling-Spiraling" with Mel Beach
Dec 9	TBD

## FEBRUARY BLOCK OF THE MONTH -



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

For each block, you will need:

<u>Fabric/Color</u>	<u>Cut Size</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Blue-1*	2.5" x 6.5"	4
Blue-2	2.5" x 6.5"	4
Blue-3	2.5" x 6.5"	4
White or Off-white (solid or small print)	2.5" x 2.5"	8

\*Use at least 3 different fabrics – can be any color. Or, you can be totally scrappy and use 12 different fabrics. Just separate them into 3 piles of 4 strips each.

### SEW ALL SEAMS AT 1/4"

#### Step 1:



Step 1

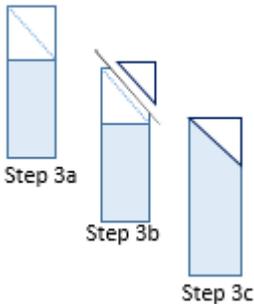
Draw a line corner to corner on the back of all 8 of the White 2.5" squares.

#### Step 2:

Set aside the 4 Blue-2 strips. These will be the middle piece of each sub-block.

#### Step 3a:

On the remaining 8 strips (4 of Blue-1 and 4 of Blue-3): Place a white square, right sides together, at the top of a blue strip, with the **drawn diagonal line starting in the TOP LEFT corner**. *This is important! If you turn it so the drawn line is on the opposite diagonal, you won't get a pinwheel in the center of your finished block.* Sew on the drawn line.



#### Step 3b:

Cut 1/4" to the right of the stitched line.

#### Step 3c:

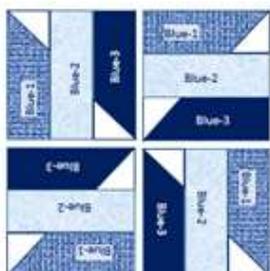
Fold back the white triangle and iron flat.

#### Step 4:

Assemble 4 identical sub-blocks. Each will use one Blue-1, one Blue-2, and one Blue-3 strip. Lay a Blue-1 on your sewing machine right-side up, and with **the white triangle at the top**. Set a Blue-2 on top of it, right-sides together, and sew along the right edge. Open and iron towards Blue-2. Then set a Blue-3 right sides together with Blue-2, making sure **the white triangle is at the bottom**, and sew along the right edge. Open and iron towards Blue-2. The sub-block should be 6.5" square. Repeat with the remaining strips to make 4 identical sub-blocks.

#### Step 5:

Sew the 4 sub-blocks together as shown. Rotate each sub-block so that the Blue-3 strips touch in the center to create a pinwheel. The completed block should be 12.5" square.



Step 5

1 completed block:



If you sew the blocks together with no sashing, you get pinwheels at each joining of blocks. Here's a mockup of how it would look when lots of blocks are sewn together, assuming all blocks have a set of light, medium, and dark blue strips, and they're sewn in the same order.



2021 OPPORTUNITY QUILT: "STARRY SEAS" - 88" X 88"



Do you know someone who would like to win this quilt? We now have opportunity quilt postcards you can mail to friends or family inviting them to purchase tickets. Contact Melissa Nilsen to arrange drop-off or pick-up of postcards.

## MINI-GROUPS

<b>Name</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Meeting Information</b>
<b>Super Star Quilters ***</b>	Patti Voyles	Meets first and third Tuesday 7 p.m. - rotating member's home
<b>Cut-Up Mini Group</b> (full for now)	Joyce Wilkinson	Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month (currently not meeting)
<b>Monday Mavens ***</b>	Kris Dolan	Meets every Monday (meeting via Zoom for now)

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

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*Things to Remember:*

- ❖ *Next meeting: February 11, 2021, 6:30 PM*
- ❖ *Via Zoom – get the app at  
zoom.us/download*

*This Month's Calendar:*

*Zoom General Meeting  
Thurs, February 11, 2021, 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM*

*Zoom Business Meeting  
Thurs, February 18, 2021, 6:30 PM to 8:00  
PM*



Check out our website:

[www.scvquiltguild.org](http://www.scvquiltguild.org)

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