



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 Fall!

Oh, what fun we had at game night - just how many quilt blocks are there??? Thank you to Patty Vergon and Sherryl Zurreck for organizing and leading the event. What I love most about that program is the time to actually talk to other members in a relaxed setting. Of course, the ice cream sundaes were an added bonus; thank you Dolores and Kendra.

Little did I know that the topic of my August newsletter article (The Quilt Index) would be a foreshadow for September. Our speaker, Arlene Stevens is the President of the California Heritage Project and will undoubtedly make reference to it as a way to learn about quilts through the ages and how you can make yours a part of quilt education and history. Even today, I was watching a speaker on the internet who spoke about Baltimore Album Quilts, and she referenced the Index. It is becoming an often-referenced tool. (Quiltindex.org) The September program is going to be so enlightening.

September is a VERY busy month with the fabric sale on Saturday, September 23rd at Joyce's home on Cross Street in Newhall. We have sent out fliers via email and encourage you to print it off and spread the word. We have so much more than quilting fabric that would be perfect for Halloween costumes, theatrical costumes or set design. The more shoppers the better. There will be a sign-up sheet again for workers at the September 14th general meeting.

Looking ahead already to January and the Road to CA. We have received notice that there will be a Southern California Council of Quilt Guild Exhibit this year. Please read Darlene Stump's article for further details how our Guild will be participating. We will be showing our 2024 Opportunity Quilt and selling tickets. It is never too early to check your calendars to volunteer to white glove at the show.

The August Business meeting went very well and we learned a lot about the availability of Quilt Show venues. Parks, schools, churches, wedding venues were explored and rentals started at about \$3,000 up to \$17,000 for the Piru Mansion for the weekend. (We had to dream a bit!) Much more discussion needed as to if, when, and who is willing to take on the Chairmanship of the event. But the point was to see where it could happen. Thank you, Darlene, Laura, and Joann for doing the research.

The financial committee gave their findings and bottom line, the activities that we are currently spearheading are bringing in the money we are spending for essentials and programs. Always a good thing! We did decide that we would not sell Opportunity Quilt tickets at the Long Beach Quilt Show next year, but instead visit other guilds in the area for that purpose. The side benefit of that is that we could hear other speakers, learn how other guilds works, and meet other officers/quilters. Be thinking of what guilds you would like to visit and volunteer to sell raffle tickets. Stay tuned for more options.

Thank you again for all you do and may you always have”
Happy Quilting with Happy Quilters,

Marcia Dains
President

MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND SPREAD THE WORD!!!

Many important events coming up for you to attend, in addition to the mini-groups.

Sept 11	8:30 am	Fabric Sorting For 9/23 Sale - Marcia Dain’s home
Sept 14	6:30 pm	General Meeting
Sept 22	Morning	Fabric Sale Set Up - Joyce Wilkinson’s home
Sept 23	8:30 am	Fabric Sale Set Up
	10am – 2pm	Fabric Sale by the Pound and Boutique
Sept 28	6:30 pm	Business Meeting ** please note change **
Nov 11	8:30 am	Jinglefest Boutique Set Up - Central Park
	10:00am -5pm	Jinglefest Boutique Workers - Central Park
Jan 17-20	Rd2Ca	Need White Glove Volunteers

PROGRAMS – CALIFORNIA HERITAGE QUILT PROJECT

Arlene Stevens is the President of the California Heritage Quilt Project (CHQP). She will speak about the importance of the project... what they do, history, future.

The mission of the California Heritage Quilt Project was established at its inception in 1984 and remains relevant to this day.

- To seek out and record the history of California quilts and quiltmakers.
- To foster conservation and preservation of California's quilt heritage.
- To increase public awareness and appreciation of quilts.
- To encourage the art of quilt making.

Arlene also is a quilt appraiser. Arlene is only able to view up to 3 quilts this night. Please bring your quilt at 6:30pm. Arlene can talk to you after her presentation. If you are interested in having a written appraisal of your quilt, Arlene charges \$65.

Please let Carol Carter know if you are interested in this service @ scvquiltguild.org
Come and enjoy this informative lecture.

Carol Carter
Programs

WORKSHOP – LINDA SULLIVAN – WONKY PIECING

What a fun workshop. Here are a few finished projects:



Vickie Reti



Carol Carter
Programs

Vickie Reti



IFFI CHALLENGE

Hello, hello... We will be back on track with IFFI at our September meeting. Be sure to see me at the meeting to record your finished projects you have been working on all summer. Please share them at show and share. Bring a picture of any projects you had to give away while we were on hold.

Only 2 ½ months left to get them done!!

Quilt on!!

Joyce Wilkinson

ORPHAN BLOCK CHALLENGE

The orphan block challenge to make a placemat will come to an end at the September meeting. Also, prizes will be handed out at this meeting. So far, 19 placemats have been completed from this challenge. Members can still turn in challenge placemats at September's meeting and participate in the prize drawing for a \$10.00 gift card to Rye Canyon Supplies Shop.

Debbie Ackerman

SEW POWERFUL PURSE PROJECT

I brought 2 packed boxes of 430 purses to the UPS store from the Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Guild. Thanks to everyone who participated this year. I am overwhelmed by the support from our guild and friends of the guild. A special thanks to the two Dianes, friends of guild member TinaMarie who sewed 200 purses after hearing about the project. You are all AMAZING!

Doryce Fitzgerald

COMMUNITY SERVICE – SCV SENIOR CENTER & PREGNANCY CENTER

In August, we had 61 completed placemats turned in. I think that might be some kind of a record. We also received 8 placemats that will need binding and 7 completed shawls for the Senior Center.

For the Pregnancy Center, two completed baby quilt tops, and one completed baby quilt were turned in.

Congratulations to our four winners in the community service drawing last month. Remember to get tickets for items you turn in for community service. We have a drawing each month and at our holiday party in December we will have a drawing from all the tickets collected throughout the year, for a \$25.00 gift card.

Thank you again for all your hard work

Debbie Ackerman

COMMUNITY SERVICE – SCRAPS, SCRAPS, SCRAPS

What do I do with them? I have made a crumb quilt -- (Don't like them). I have made several designs of scrap quilts, but my stash of scraps continues to grow. Those are also not my favorite as they do not feed my creative juices. I have heard some throw away their scraps, but I have a hard time doing that and feel it is wasteful.

So, I have a solution. Dog beds. Some shelters are very grateful for them. It is very simple to make a quick pillow type block leaving a 6" opening on one end and keep adding scraps until it is full. Size of the pillow can be anywhere from 18" x 18" to 30" x 30" of heavy dense fabric and needs to only contain fabric and thread.

As an alternative, save the scraps in a large bag and bring them to me. Or, I can get you a "pillow" to put your scraps in. Then, when the pillow is full, bring it to me.

I still keep large scraps but this makes me feel better about letting go of smaller scraps or bits and pieces. It is surprising how quickly the pile adds up.

I would love to hear from others if you have other suggestions of what you do with those little bits and pieces.

Submitted by Jeanne Bretthaer

A little about Jeanne, who joined the guild in January 2023. When you see her, please introduce yourself and say Hello.



I have been quilting for Project Linus since 2018. I also crochet afghans for Linus. I have been crocheting them since 2005 or 2006. I have made probably 500 quilts and more than that in afghans all about less than 42" in size. I like making simple children's quilts, focusing on theme material. I also make crochet prayer shawls.

I love traveling. I have been married 54 years, have 2 grown children and 6 grandchildren. Four of our grandchildren are here in Santa Clarita and we are very involved with them. They are 22, 20, 18 and 16.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

You ladies have outdone yourselves! We have created two more gorgeous quilt tops that I am excited to show at our meeting. And, when the Guild received a call for quilts from Road2CA (Road to California Quilt Show) through the SCCQG (Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds) asking each Guild to submit a quilt showcasing "Community," I thought of these quilts. One of our BOM quilts with blocks created by so many of our members then donated to our community would be a perfect example. But we have some beautiful options, so we will be taking a simple hand vote at our meeting.

We are continuing the August Block "Underground Blues" for September and I'll create more kits to give out at the meeting. The overall design has the blocks on point and the desired twin size takes a lot of blocks! But we can do it!!

If anyone took a kit and you are afraid of making the cuts to 10 1/2" please see me. I'll bring my rotary cutter, mat, and ruler so we can do it together.

Please feel free to call, text, or email me with any questions.

Darlene Stump

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We have a total of 85 members to date.

We have new member - Maria Chittum. Please welcome her at the next meeting.

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 September Ladies:



Sept 4 – Debi Wilkins
Sept 15 – Melissa Nilsen
Sept 25 – Jerri Stoyanoff
Sept 26 – Deena Franco
Sept 26 – Jeann Bretthauer
Sept 27 – Kathy Foster



HOSPITALITY

G-Q please bring snacks

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
July 13	Trash to Treasure (formerly known as Block Auction)
Aug 10	Game Night
Aug 12	Wonky Piecing and Easy Applique ** VIRTUAL ** - Linda Sullivan
Sept 14	Arlene Stevens- California Heritage Quilt Project - documenting and entering your quilts in the Quit Index
Oct 12	Kim Brownell – Trunk Show
Oct 14	Kim Brownell Workshop - Quilted Jigsaw Puzzles
Nov 9	Brandy Abernathy- T-shirt Quilts
Dec 14	Holiday Party

TREASURER'S REPORT

**Treasurer's Report
July 2023**

	Bank of America Checking		
	Beginning Balance as of 7-1-23		\$ 27,265.01
	Deposits and Other Credits		
10-Jul	Opportunity Tickets-LBQS-Square	\$ 43.53	
11-Jul	Petty Cash LBQS	\$ 200.00	
11-Jul	Opportunity Tickets-LBQS	\$ 136.00	
14-Jul	Workshops	\$ 240.00	
14-Jul	Petty Cash Trash to Treasure	\$ 200.00	
14-Jul	SewPowerful Donation	\$ 30.00	
14-Jul	Trash to Treasure& Sales Tax	\$ 487.75	
14-Jul	Trash to Treasure& Sales Tax	\$ 880.50	
17-Jul	Trash to Treasure& Sales Tax&SQ fee	\$ 1,133.99	
18-Jul	Membership & Opportunity Tickets	\$ 35.00	
	Total Deposits		\$ 3,386.77
	Withdrawals & Other Debits		
1-Jul	Penny K-Lawrence-Petty Cash	\$ 200.00	
1-Jul	Carol Carter	\$ 149.90	
18-Jul	Linda Sullivan	\$ 400.00	
	Total Withdrawals		\$ 749.90
	Ending Balance on 7-31-23		\$ 29,901.88

Penny Lawrence
Treasurer

MINI-GROUPS

Name	Contact	Meeting Information
Freedom Mini Group (Currently Full)	Joyce Wilkinson	Meets the fourth Tuesday of each month
Monday Mavens ***	Melissa Nilsen	Meets 1 st and 3 rd Mondays at Melissa’s house and 2 nd and 4 th 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.
Stitch n’ Chat ***	Carol Carter	Meets 3 rd Thursday of each month at Darlene’s house. Space limited, must RSVP to Carol. We try to showcase a different Quilting technique at each meeting and then put those techniques to use and creating items for the Guild community service projects.
Quilters in the Park ***	Kendra Geiger	Summer Heat Hours: Meets every other Friday, 9:30am – 11:30am, at Central Park near the restrooms closest to the dog park. All are welcome.
Saturday Sewing at Sara’s ***	Sara Nelson	Meets the 3 rd Saturday of the month, 10:00am – 2pm 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.

WEBSITE

Please review website for updates on events and photos. <https://scvquiltguild.org/>

Carol Carter
Web mistress

WAYS AND MEANS

Ways and Means would like to announce the lucky recipients of the August Basket Raffle.

Summer Breeze	Doryce Fitzgerald
Fanciful Cats	Barbara Montejo
Vintage Blues	Judy Woodings
Tickle Me Pink	Jeanne Bretthauer
Bloom Where You're Planted	Brenda Musser

Barbara and I have some great baskets to offer for September. We have 2 Halloween themed baskets, 2 Fall themed baskets, and 1 Kaffe Collection basket for some lucky people to win.



Thank you for supporting your quilt guild,

Laura Hawkins and Barbara Schnepf

2023 OPPORTUNITY QUILT

Thanks to all the ladies that volunteered at Long Beach, we sold \$188 worth of tickets.

Remember you can still buy tickets for yourselves, friends, and family. Tickets are available at guild meetings. If you need a lot, please contact me ahead of time so I can bring plenty.

Doryce Fitzgerald
Quilt Mom

Pinwheel Parfait



By Janine Burke

BLOCK OF THE MONTH



Here is a perfect block to practice your 1/4" seams. Being off by "just a little bit" when multiplied over several seams can add up quickly.

You will be strip piecing contrasting strips together and then cutting them into two blocks. Your block should be **10 1/2"** square UNFINISHED. Finished Size (once sewn into the quilt) is 10".

For 2 blocks, you will need:

Fabric/Color

Two contrasting fabrics. One strip of each:

- Strip of 2" x 22"
- Strip of 1 3/4" x 22"
- Strip of 1 1/2" x 22"
- Strip of 1 1/4" x 22"
- Strip of 1" x 22"

1. Using one of each strip width from two contrasting fabrics, lay out your strips as shown, going from wide to narrow with one fabric, then fabric 2 interspersed from narrow to wide. Take a close look to make sure they are in correct position.
2. Sew together in pairs, pressing seams open. (May press all one direction.)
3. Sew the pairs together, pressing seams open. (May press all one direction.) Take a close look that design looks correct. It is very easy to get this wrong.
4. **Measure the width of your strata. It should measure 10 1/2". If not, please take a closer look at your seams to find where you can make adjustments.**
5. **When you get your pieced strips to measure 10 1/2"**, cut your strata into two blocks of 10 1/2". (I like to lay pieced strips on a cutting mat, lining up on a horizontal line and having the left side going to the

Fig. 1



Fig. 2

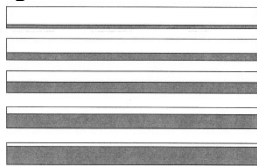


Fig. 3

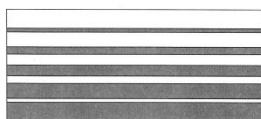
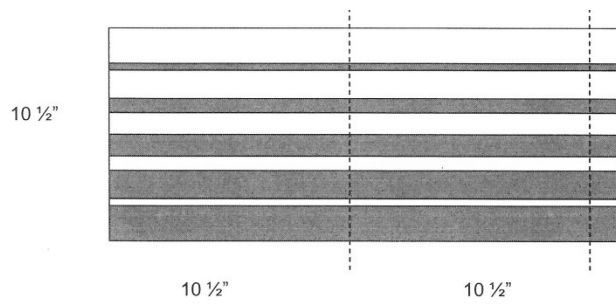
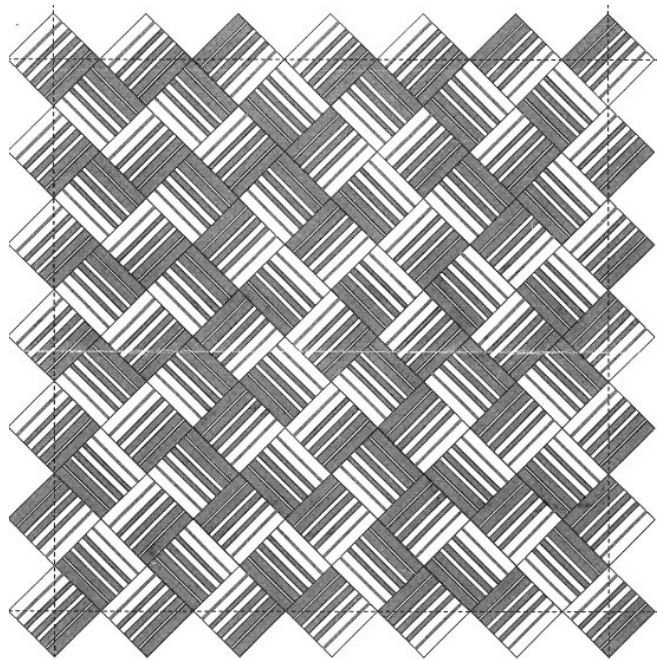


Fig. 5




edge of the mat. Then I use my rotary cutter to cut vertically on the "o" and then the "10 1/2"). Then continue without moving and cut at the 21".)



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- ❖ Wear your name tag
- ❖ Sign-in sheet at the door
- ❖ Bring Show & Share Item
- ❖ Reach out to Guest and New Members
- ❖ G-Q Bring Snacks

This Month's Meeting Calendar:

- ❖ **General Meeting: Thursday, September 14th**
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: September 28th**
Meeting starts at 6:30pm
Marcia Dain's Residence
**** Note Change ****



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