

Simi Valley Quilt Guild Newsletter

PO Box 940098, Simi Valley, CA 93094-0098

November 2018

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Happy Holidays

Let's Get Our Party On!!!

We will have wonderful food, delicious desserts and maybe you could win one (or more) of the fabulous raffle items! The silent auction will run exactly as it has all these many years. Bring your items, and set them up on the tables around the room. Remember to take home anything that is not lovingly purchased by someone else in the guild. If you wish to donate a quilt for auction, please let me know ahead of time, and bring it to the meeting. All proceeds benefit the guild and our ongoing efforts to share this craft with our community.

Let's make some memories!

Silent Auction

While pulling out Christmas presents bought all year long, we also come across items we had to have and have never used. Notions we couldn't live without, fabric bundles we knew would make a wonderful quilt, items we were gifted, but had two of already. Gently used items could go from not-yet-trash to someone else's treasure! Bring them all to the Silent Auction! All proceeds go to the guild.

The Treasurer will be hosting a table at the December Holiday meeting. Anyone who does not already have other plans is welcome to join me at the table. I will have a raffle basket, which will be **Snowman-themed**. Any contributions to the raffle basket are welcome. Please contact me if you would like to be part of the Snowman Table! The table seats 8 total, so 7 others are cordially invited to join in. If we have more, we will push two tables together! If you have any battery-operated candles, please bring them for the center of the table.

President's message

Happy Holidays, All. May you have a Family-full, Joyous December and Happy, Healthy New Year!

Quilting (except for presents) may be taking a break for the next month or so, but, I am anticipating a New Year of sewing. I look forward to being shut in my quilt room after all the traveling even as I get my fill of visiting. And don't forget food. I am certainly getting my fill of food. How about you?

Which brings us to our December meeting — featuring **FOOD** and visiting with our fellow quilt members. We are going to have many desirable raffle baskets to win as well as the silent auction. Think **PRESENTS** as you wander around the room. Quilting presents, of course, although there will be good stuff to share with others on your list.

As a present to me, could you wear your Holiday finery? I totally love seeing Christmas decorations wandering around the room. We are all the best **DECORATIONS** of the season.

Piece Out Sisters and Brothers,

Chris M.



Lynn Slosson

November Meeting

Many thanks to our speaker, **Norah McMeeking**, who was able to fill-in for the scheduled speaker, who had to postpone her visit with us until 2019.

Norah brought both a slide show and a trunk show to share with us. Her book, *Bella Bella Quilts* and its two following titles were well represented in the items she displayed.

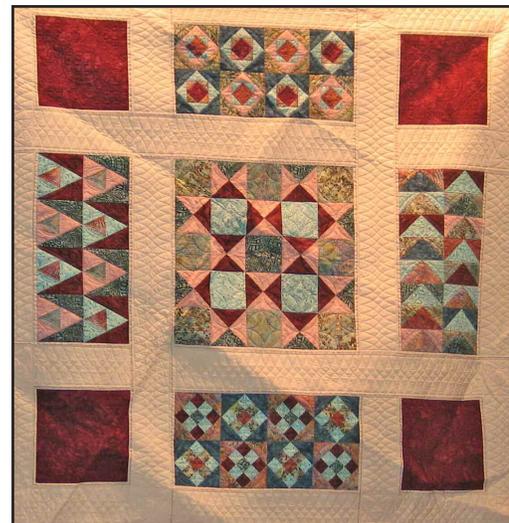
Norah's website is **bellabellaquilts.com**. She wrote: It was my destiny! I'm descended from printers, sign painters and seamstresses (in alternating generations!). As soon as I met a sewing machine in Mrs. Regan's Home Ec. class, I was "hooked" and started making my own clothes and doing the family mending. I studied Graphics at the Rhode Island School of Design and went to work in publishing and advertising.

When I moved to central Illinois I saw my first quilts on a visit to the Chicago Art Institute and knew I had to learn how to make them. My first teacher taught me to do everything by hand, but I soon had two small children and my quilting output amounted to a small stack of blocks. Later on, in California, I discovered that some people made quilts with my old favorite, the sewing machine. I was shown a rotary cutter. I never looked back.

Now, when I'm up late quilting, alone at my machine, I think about my grandparents and how inevitable it was that I become a quilter. The perfect marriage of graphics and sewing – I am a happy woman.



Two of Norah's quilts



Congratulations to all the lucky Winners for November

Item	Donated by	Won by
Quilt Labels and Scruffy the Tugboat	Dawn Daymude	Nancy Haley
Batik Fabric bundle	Pat Bonnell	
Wool Kit	Sue Singer	
pattern	Evelyn Heim	Dottie Clark
Fabric Bundle and Quilting gloves	Evelyn Heim	
Scarf	from Anna's Boutique	Tamara Rihel
Table Runner – Poinsettias	Opportunity quilt by Becky Berg	Dawn Daymude – Yahoo!!!
We took in \$99.00 this month – thanks everyone!		

Quilt Show News!!!

Thank you all for participating honestly in the discussion about the future of our guild. Many ideas and opinions were shared, as well as a bit of history. Membership decided with a 2 to 1 vote, that we will continue having quilt shows as a major source of revenue for the guild. Those who voted Yes were asked to sign up for a position on the Show Committee. We have some openings, and remember, mini groups can take on these positions, and not everyone is required to be at every Quilt Show meeting.

Quilt Show 2020 Committee

Admissions	Anne Sidell
Awards	Kathi Vanderluit
Boutique	Debbie Delahunt
Show Breakdown	?
Door Prizes / Treasure Hunt	?
Kitchen	Becky Berg
Show Layout & Setup	?
Programs / Signage	Sharon Mountford
Quilt Auction	?
Quilt Return	Chris Carpenter
Quilt Take-In	Phyllis Jones
Raffle Baskets	?
Show Chair	Dawn Daymude
Show Co-Chair	KerriJo Hansen
Treasurer	Lynn Slosson
Treasurer Helper	Carol Stine
Vendor Chair	Angie Kirk
Vendor Co-chair	Susie Bird
Volunteer Chair	?
White Glove	?

This means we will continue to rent the storage unit, however we will clean it up a bit and discard items that are no longer useful.

Dawn Daymude

The Talent Within

We are starting a new program called "The Talent Within". We are going to be scouting out members who would like to teach a workshop for our Guild members. We think we have some pretty talented people in our Guild! We'll be looking for members who'd like to share their expertise! This will start in April! More info to follow.

Becky Berg

Sunshine and Shadows

It was good to see Louis Hansen at the November guild meeting. We are happy to relate that he has now fully recovered from the effects of the spider bite.



We send healing wishes to Mya Aronson and Marcie Chin who both have had knee replacement surgeries.

Editor's note: Both ladies are trying to cope with the pain of the surgeries and to do the exercises required for recovery – not easy jobs! We wish them well.

*Marcie Chin, Corresponding Secretary
805-527-8142 ... geographyqueen@att.net*

Fabric Clearance Sale

The boxes of fabric left over from Mya Aronson's Stash Sales at Lynn Slosson's home have been returned to Mya's house. She needs to clear it out and is making appointments to have you come to further lighten her stash – the sooner the better!

Price is \$1/pound of fabric, \$5 minimum.

Cash only.....Bring carry bags

Call Mya at 818-963-1308

Give her new knee time to get to the phone or leave your phone number for her to return you call.

Opportunity Quilt

Traditionally, we make an Opportunity Quilt a year prior to the quilt show with plans to pull the winning ticket on day 2 of the show. We try to have it ready for Road to California in January. If we are having our show Autumn 2020, then it stands to reason that if we wish to have an Opportunity Quilt, it should be ready by January 2020. That gives us over a year to plan, execute and finish a wonderful Opportunity Quilt.

Normally a few designs are submitted by members or mini groups, and the guild votes. Then usually a mini group takes on the role of organizing the making of the quilt. Do we have a volunteer mini-group? I heard a few people at the October meeting talk about this subject and wanted to put it out there. Let's plan on talking about it in January, 2019.

Treasurer's Quarterly Report

Beginning Balance on July 1, 2018	\$32,795.81
Income:	
Dues	\$858.00
Retreat Fees	\$3,640.00
Ways and Means	\$301.00
Library	\$7.75
Quilts N Force	\$18.50
Interest	\$1.48
Other Income	\$2.00
Total Income:	\$4,828.73
Expense:	
Newsletter	\$10.01
Taxes and Fees	\$20.00
Insurance	\$368.50
Admin/Office (postage)	\$20.00
Membership	\$42.91
Guild Meetings	\$1,354.56
Retreats, Apr-18	\$1,948.00
Retreats, Nov-18	\$2,948.00
Total Expense:	\$6,711.98
 Balance on October 30, 2018:	 \$30,912.56



*Another quilt by Norah McMeeking
shown at the November meeting*

Joint Fiber Arts Auction

We are Still a Go! There have been a few changes that I hope you will all be pleased with. First and foremost, there will be no quilt entry fee. There will be no size or design restrictions on submissions. There will still be a juried acceptance, and we want to see only your best work. There is still an 80/20 split, and as this is a joint venture, we are hoping to receive approx 20-30 quilts per guild.

Auction Date: Saturday, May 4th, 2019; 6pm – 9pm
Airtel Plaza Hotel & Conference Center
Van Nuys
Admission fee: \$25.00
Submissions must be received by March 1, 2019

There will be a flyer available for you to share this event with friends and neighbors, community groups and local businesses. Pre-admission sales will be through the website, and we will provide you with that link in a couple of months.

Dawn Daymude, Ways & Means
805-304-2381
simiquiltr@gmail.com



Silk Bird

Wearable art by Marty Ornish,
rescheduled for the February meeting.

Anne's Cyber Corner

While some of us are still busily sewing and trying to finish last minute gifts and décor for Christmas, Chanukah, or maybe the Solstice, it will soon be time to start thinking about taking down the decorations, packing up the lights and menorahs into storage for the year and getting ready for a new year and all the joys of Spring.

One way to do this for us quilters is to start thinking about projects for the season, turning our thoughts from the rich, deep colors of the winter holidays toward pastels and brights depicting the return of Spring. Time to dig out the softer colors from our stash and making something new. Here is a page that shows a myriad of projects for the upcoming season:

<http://www.allpeoplequilt.com/holiday-quilts/spring/fresh-spring-quilts>

Scrolling through the pages I saw several patterns I'd love to make. Loved the Garden Paths on page 7 (love chain quilts!), Bee Happy on page 9 (fun and pretty applique), Bright Bits Mini on page 13 (a simple log cabin block with large 4-patches in the center), Chickens in the Coop on page 39 is TOO cute!... there are so many great ideas and patterns here, and all the patterns are available free on this site.

For those who get inspired by great eye candy and want to 'figure it out' and do their own thing, here's a page with some great ideas for Spring quilts:

<https://www.pinterest.com/allpeoplequilt/spring-quilts/?lp=true>

A great way to see lots of quilting ideas for Spring is to Google 'spring quilting projects' and click on 'images'. You'll see some great ideas there. Some will link you to a pattern for sale, while others show you free patterns to download. And some are just eye candy and inspiration... See something you like? Make your own pattern for it or something close, and make it your own.

<https://www.google.com/>

I know we have members who are very skilled at drafting or creating their own patterns. Pull out some graph paper or EQ8 and make it up and make it yours. Let's see some great spring projects at show and tell over the next few months.

Pray for blue skies and some showers too, but only light rains for California, as we don't need to deluge the burn areas!

Happy Holidays - Anne



2	Tamara Rihel
4	Paula Wirtz
6	Judy Ragan
11	Carol Hawk
12	Beverly Harsh
18	Becky McBride
22	Marlene Dorn Jane Lythans
27	Donna Paschal
29	Marianne Blevins
30	Bobbie Northrup

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Pine Needles Quilt Guild

25th Annual

*Wrightwood Holiday Home Tour
and Boutique*

December 1, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm

Advance tickets \$15

Day of tour \$18

For tickets call: Joy Agnew @ 760-954-8177

Road to California

Ontario Convention Center

January 21-27

Details

<http://www.road2ca.com>

Transportation

Donna Paschal and Marlene Dorn have drivers who are willing to provide transportation to guild functions to any member needing it. Please call Donna or Marlene to arrange a lift.

2019 Guild Meetings

- 1/10 Leah Zieber
Tiny Treasures – Antique Children's Quilts
- 2/13 Marty Ornish
Tattered Splendor – Ruined Quilt Couture
- 3/13 Quilts'n Force sew-athon
- 4/ 10 Helen Young Frost
Quilters' Magic Show – Lots of Tricks for Better Quilts
- 5/ 8 SVQG Challenge 2019 Reveal
- 6/12 Becky McDaniel
Trunk Show – My Appliqué Journey
- 7/10 Latifah Saafir
Curves
- 8/14 Free Sew
- 9/11 Pat Blair
A Painted Path to Quilting
- 10/9 Susan Wade
An Artistic Journey
- 11/13 Linda Ballard
"What If I...?"
- 12/11 Holiday Party

SVQG meets on the second Wednesday of every month at the Simi Valley Senior Center, 3900 Avenida Simi, Simi Valley. Meetings start at 7:15 pm. Visitors are always welcome for a \$5 fee.

SCCQG Challenge

**at Road to California,
January 23-27, 2019.**

If you entered the SCCQG Challenge, you should be hearing very soon from the committee. Only one entry per person is being selected.

Time Table

December 1, 2018

Notification letters will be mailed by this date. Accepted entries will receive instructions for quilt shipment.

January 14, 2019

Accepted quilts must be received by New Quilts of Southern California for exhibition. Quilts may not arrive before January 14 nor later than January 18.

January 23-27, 2019

New Quilts Exhibit at Road to California, Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, CA.

January 29, 2019

Quilts will be shipped/returned to participants

Help the Guild by Shopping AMAZON.COM

You may choose to have a portion of your purchases benefit the Simi Valley Quilt Guild when buying items thru Amazon. Please do the following:

Type in <https://smile.amazon.com/> from your web browser. Once the page has loaded, bookmark it so that it is available whenever you want to shop. Log into your Amazon account.

Go to your Account settings and find 'Your AmazonSmile'. Click on this and select a charity to support. If you don't find us on their lists, you may type in Simi Valley Quilt Guild. We thank you for thinking of us!

Scrappy Churn Dash

January Block Party

Approximately 13"

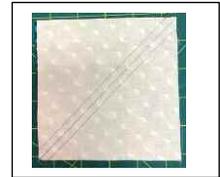
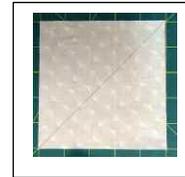
Fabric required:

5 – White on White 5" squares

4 – color of your choice 5" squares (only one color)



Draw a diagonal line on the backs of 2 of the WoW squares
Place the WoW, right sides together, with the colored squared
Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the line on both sides of the line 2x's



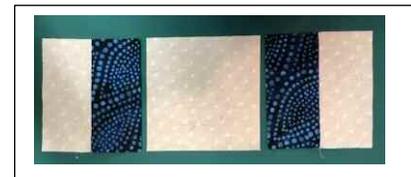
Cut on the drawn line and press to the dark. Square to $4\frac{1}{2}$ "
You will have 4 half square triangles



Place 2 of the remaining WoW squares on the 2 remaining
color squares

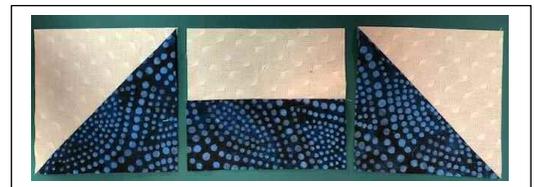
Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " on two opposite sides as shown

Cut down the middle as shown Press

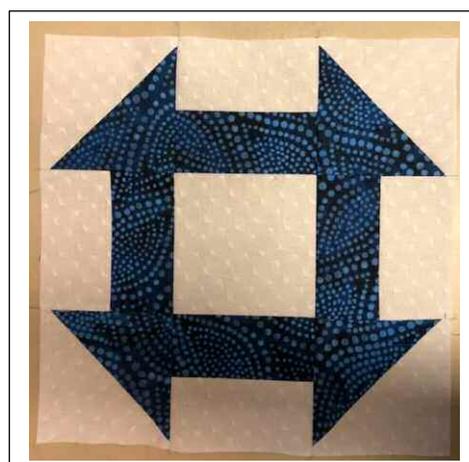
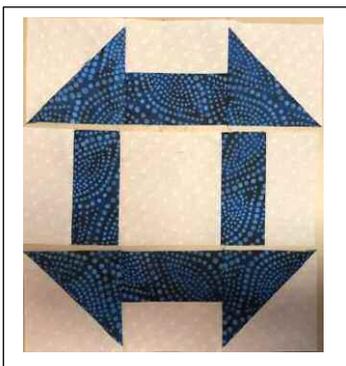


Place the remaining WoW square in between to of the
Color/WoW pieces and sew as shown. 2 x's Press

Place two Half Square Triangles, as shown, and sew together.
Repeat and Press

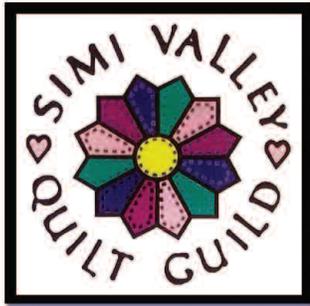


Place the rows, as shown below, and sew together. Press. **DO NOT TRIM**



Fat Quarter Scramble

Winter Themed



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Don't Forget

Name Badge

Show and Tell

Baskets, silent auction items

Table decorations

For your dinner contributions:
please bring a dish according to

your last name:

A-F Main Dish

G-M Desserts

N-Z Sides

Plan to arrive at 6:30 pm!!

Area Quilting Stores

Quilty Pleasures
1742 E. Los Angeles Avenue, Ste A
Simi Valley, CA 93065 805-581-1577

Candy's Quiltworks
8549 Reseda Blvd.
Northridge, CA 91324
818-349-SEWS (7397)

Cotton and Chocolate
1772 Avenida De Los Arboles, Unit E
Oak Brook Shopping Center
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362
805-241-0061

Baron's (still sells machines)
22635 Ventura Blvd.
Woodland Hills, CA 91365
818-224 2746

Roxanne's, 919 Maple Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013
805-566-1250

Jo-Ann's Fabrics
2242 Tapo Street
Simi Valley, CA 93063 805-522-0434

Jo-Ann's Fabrics
19819 Rinaldi Street
Northridge, CA 91326 818-832-6045

Jo-Ann's Fabrics
1516 Moorpark Rd.
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
805-496-2116

Kingdom Sew & Vac
8923 Reseda Blvd.,
Northridge, CA 91324 818-993-8933

Kingdom Sewing Center
1790 E. Los Angeles Avenue
Simi Valley, CA 93065 805-579-1571

Quilt 'n' Things
2411 Honolulu Avenue
Montrose, CA 91020

The Quilt Emporium
4918 Topanga Canyon Blvd
Woodland Hills, CA 91364
818-704-8238

The Fabric Shoppe
Las Posas Plaza
642 Las Posas Road
Camarillo, CA 93010 805-383-7183

The Quilter's Studio
1090 Lawrence Dr #101 & 102
Newbury Park, CA 91320
805-480-3550

FABRIC town U.S.A.
2686 E. Main Street
Ventura, CA 93003 805-643-3434

Super Buzzy
1794 E Main St.
Ventura, CA 93001 805-643-4143