



Simi Valley Quilt Guild Newsletter

PO Box 940098, Simi Valley, CA 93094-0098

January 2019

January program

President's Message

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2018-2019

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Mini-groups

Phyllis Jones and

Deborah Delahunt

Retreats

In a Pinch Mini-Group

Hospitality

Barbara Jones

Quilts 'n Force

Leah Zieber is a quilt historian and quilt maker from Temecula, CA specializing in Antique

Reproduction Quilts from the nineteenth century. Her reproduction quilts

have been exhibited across the country and most recently published in *Stars: A Study of 19th Century Star Quilts and In War Time: A Study of Civil War Era Quilts 1850-1865*.

Leah has worked closely with several Southern California collectors cataloging, managing and independently researching their textile collections. Her own collection of antique quilts and related textile items spans one hundred and eighty years and she shares her knowledge of American quilt history using her collection in lectures and workshops.



*Tiny Treasures
Antique Children's
Quilts*

Her talk on January 9 is an antique quilts trunk show on children's and doll quilts. Step into the secret world of children and their dolls. Through antique and vintage quilts, trade advertising and images you will learn the important role children held in the American household and the significance their tiny treasures still hold today.



Good-bye 2018.

Hello 2019.

Where did the year go? I know I did a lot of sewing, but so many more quilts are still waiting.

I'm rather jet-lagged as I write this. We got back from Vietnam last night. For those of you who don't know, my oldest got married last week. His wife's family is Vietnamese. The wedding was absolutely lovely. The family is wonderfully warm and welcoming. The groom was glowing.

As soon as I've finished unpacking, I will get back to my sewing machine. It's been hard to be away from it the past few weeks. Before I left, I tried to get the bags and boxes of all my current projects out where I can find them. To tell you the truth, I can't remember all of them. Seems as if I have more than one pile of blocks from quilt retreat that want attention. Then there is the "therapeutic" just-to-be-sewing scraps I used to medicate my pre-travel anxiety. Also the really ugly left-overs from eye-spy quilts with all the amputated animal parts and barely-recognizable picture bits. Maybe I should start with the blocks of solid pastels. They might be easier on my eyes as I try to adjust to my new eye-glass prescription.

You thought my new hair-cut was an image changer? Just wait 'till you see my new glasses! Now, if I could just drop 50 pounds.... Somehow that New Year's resolution never quite works out.

Here's to a New Year of fabulous quilts and wonderful friends.

Chris M

December Report

The Holiday Raffle and Silent Auction went very well this year. I brought in quite a few bundles of fabric (donated by Mya Aronson), and all but one tiny bundle went to other quilting homes.

We took in \$1,096.00 in cash and checks and another \$40.00 in credit card payments. More importantly, I think everyone had a good time at the party. I really enjoyed hosting a table, and had some great conversations with everyone at the table.

Thank you to Dawn Daymude for keeping everything on track during the evening.

Lynn Slosson, Treasurer



Where Did It Go?

In case you are wondering what happened to all those goodies we left under the tree at the Dec. meeting ... wonder no more.

It just so happened that the Saturday after our meeting The Samaritan Center had a Christmas party for their clients (the homeless) and all those toys and food played a big part in making their party a lot happier. Hope this makes you as happy as it made me to deliver a little joy.

Phyllis Jones

Candid Shots at the Christmas Party





Road to California

Ontario Convention Center
2000 E Convention Center Way
Ontario, CA 91764

Registration

\$16 for a multi-day pass
No single-day tickets
Available on line at rod2ca.com

Show Hours

Thursday January 24th through the 27th 2019.
Thursday - Saturday - 9:00AM-5:30PM
Sunday - 10:00AM-3:30PM

Registration Desk

January 21st through January 27th 2019.
Monday..... 7:30AM-4:00PM
Tuesday 7:30AM-4:00PM
Wednesday..... 7:30AM-8:00PM
Thursday - Saturday ... 7:30AM-6:30PM
Sunday 7:30AM-9:00AM

*Don't miss the SCCQG sponsored
New Quilts of Southern California*

Sunshine and Shadows

Continued healing wishes go out to Marcie Chin who is still on the mend following knee replacement surgery.

Not to be outdone, Sharon Mountford took a header off her front porch and skidded to a stop on the driveway, while trying to rush off to a funeral on the 27th. The driveway shows no signs of damage. Sharon on the other hand has a dandy black eye and facial cut, and is sporting an 8" blue fiberglass cast on her left hand and wrist – all to immobilize the left pinkie.

Please send all S&S messages to:

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



Quilt Challenge

It's 'Quilt Challenge' time again! The theme for this year's Challenge will be: **"Life's a Beach"**

I will be taking sign-ups for the Challenge at the January/February Guild meetings. The Challenge will run from February through April. The reveal will be at the May meeting.

Think ANYTHING beach/ocean related. Pieced, appliqued....any technique.

48" x 48" maximum. No minimum.

Use your imagination and have fun!!!

Any questions: Becky Berg 805-501-9729

Block Party for February

There is no pattern for Block Party in February. I want you all to make your favorite heart block.

It can be pieced or appliqued. Keep the hearts red and pink ... but you don't HAVE to use white on white!!!

The size of the block is to be 12" finished.

Any questions: Becky Berg 805-501-9729

Membership Report

November

One rejoining member:

Janet Anderson

B/D April 20

11990 Haven Crest Street, Moorpark CA 93021

H: 805-529-7206

C: 805-660-7206

We had 3 guests in attendance:

Irene Garcia, Virginia Norlock and Christe Agruso.

December

One rejoining member:

Joan Sergey

B/D Dec.6

76 Taxco Court, Simi Valley CA 93065

H: 805-338-6542

Guests in attendance were:

Don Heim, Cheri Gutierrez and Allison Pascua

SVQG 2019-2020

January is a good time to start thinking about the future of our guild and how you might fit into a leadership role. We have elections in March. Our President, Vice-President and Treasurer have reached the two-year term limit and need to be replaced. This past year we functioned without an elected Programs person and an appointed Parliamentarian. Many of the people serving in other positions would not mind taking a break because they will be working on the Show Board. Where might you want to contribute? None of the positions requires a great time commitment. Take a look at the list on the first page of the newsletter to see your choices.

Chris M.



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*

Guild Workshops

Recently we welcomed Norah McMeeking to our guild as a speaker. Several of our members signed a list saying they were interested in taking one of her workshops. I am sorry to say that the fees she would charge for a two-day workshop were too prohibitively high and I didn't feel we would be able to get enough members to sign up. Perhaps one of our members bought one of her books or patterns and after learning Norah's techniques, would be willing to teach the rest of us. Look for new workshops being offered in the new year. We would love to have our members teach a workshop and share their expertise.

Judy Ragan, Workshop chair

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



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.

Anne's Cyber Corner

Quilting is an art as well as a craft ... as such, we quilters are all inspired by what attracts our eye and makes our hearts sing ... Each of us has different tastes and we gravitate to making what makes us happy, or makes the recipients of our quilts happy. One might like civil war fabrics and designs, another might like modern quilts in various tones, from stark black and white, to ultra brights ... someone else might be inspired by traditional piecing and yet another by applique in one form or another.

The internet is a wonderful place to find inspiration for any quilter, you just have to know where to look. The first place is Google (or whatever search engine you prefer).

For those inspired by Civil War quilts and their history, a Google search pulled up this fascinating article: <http://www.quilting101.com/styles/civil-war-quilts>.

Friends can also steer you towards interesting websites. Our President, Chris, sent me an email about Temperature Quilts. I'd never heard of these, but found the post so cool (no pun intended) ... <https://us10.campaign-archive.com/?u=4224939ca1c6bee2032ef0dce&id=d8b7789695>.

Check out Curated Quilts at <https://curatedquilts.com/> – while this is a magazine, they hold a challenge every few months. The current challenge is curves, and they provide a color palette to use and size limit, leaving the quilters free to create within those boundaries. While this challenge is almost over (ends Jan 3rd), many quilts have already been entered and are up on the site to be perused. Beautiful and each is so unique! And of course, if you are inspired to join one of their challenges, just bookmark the site and keep an eye out for the next one.

And as much as it takes us away from our sewing machines and our computers, I highly recommend taking a walk, look at the shapes and colors around us ... the grace and power of an ancient tree, the curve of a leaf, or the color and shape of a flower ... all are great inspiration. Look on line, but look around at life too. May the new year bring you a fresh, new perspective. Have a wonderful 2019!!!

National Quilt Shows

Have you thought about attending a big national quilt show? Here are some dates for 2019.

American Quilter's Society QuiltWeeks

AQS QuiltWeek events are held in multiple cities across the country. These events make an indelible mark on the fiber art community by offering the largest cash prizes for quilters in the country – \$462,500 total awards in 2019, thanks to our generous sponsors! In addition to displaying the contest quilts at each event, attendees can enjoy a variety of special quilt exhibits from around the world. Each event also features workshops and lectures with top quilting instructors, and a huge Merchant Mall with vendors offering the latest machines, fabrics, and other tools used in quilting.

2019 Locations

Daytona Beach, FL
February 27–March 2, 2019

Lancaster, PA
March 27–30, 2019

Spring Paducah, KY
April 24–27, 2019

Grand Rapids, MI
August 21–24, 2019

Fall Paducah, KY
September 11–14, 2019

Then there is the biggie in Texas,
where size matters most!

Quilt Festival Houston
November 4-11, 2019

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.



Rides Available

2019 Guild Meetings

- 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



- 1 Jean Calderon
- 6 Betty McPeters
- 13 Marlyn Cooper
- 20 Gil Melgoza
- 24 Bonnie Panattoni
Beverly Preston
- 25 Sherri Keeler
- 27 Julie Shipley
- 28 Linda Telford
- 30 Janet Stull

Quilts 'N Force donations

A donation of 20 quilts has been given to the folks of Paradise, CA, a town where several thousand residents have lost their homes in the recent fires. Thank you to all of our members who donated cash to help pay for the cost of shipping the quilts.

Another donation of 15 quilts was made to a local gathering site for families who lost or suffered extreme losses in our recent Woolsey fire. A big thank you to all of our guild members who continuously donate their time to make quilts to give to those who have a need for some warmth and caring.

Speaking of those who donate their time to make quilts to give to those who need them, in March at our annual Sew-In we will be giving some special prizes to those who have been donating their time and regularly donated quilts throughout the past year.

TIP FOR JANUARY: It is time to turn in those kits you have been hoarding since last March's Sew-In.

Barbara Jones & Judy Ragan for Quilts 'n Force

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!

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.

Scrappy Churn Dash

January Block Party

Approximately 13"

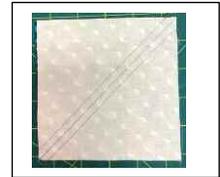
Fabric required:

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



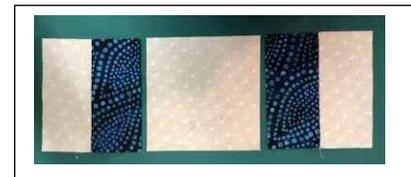
Cut on the drawn line and press to the dark. Square to $4\frac{1}{2}$ "
You will have 4 half square triangles



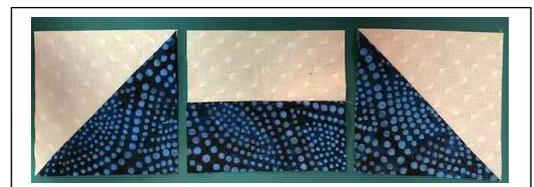
Place 2 of the remaining WoW squares on the 2 remaining
color squares

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

Cut down the middle as shown Press

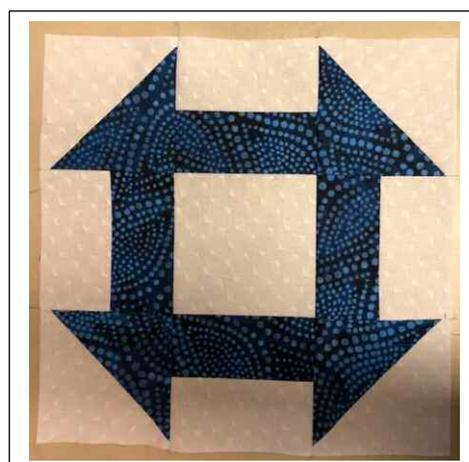
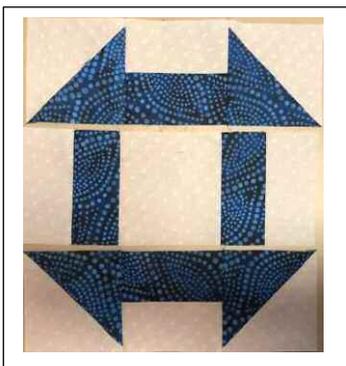


Place the remaining WoW square in between to of the
Color/WoW pieces and sew as shown. 2 x's Press



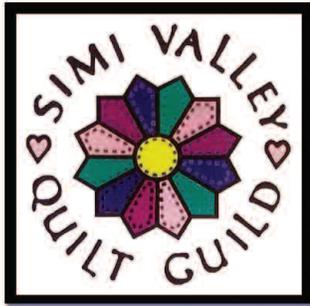
Place two Half Square Triangles, as shown, and sew together.
Repeat and Press

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

If your surname starts with R-Z,
Please bring refreshments

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