



# Simi Valley Quilt Guild Newsletter

PO Box 940098, Simi Valley, CA 93094-0098

March 2019

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2018-2019

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*Quilts 'n Force*

## Quilts 'N Force Evening

March 13, Wednesday ... 6:30 pm

Calling all quilters who like to piece, to baste, to quilt & to bind!

We will have it all and you will earn REWARDS to boot!

"'Tis more blessed to give than to receive." I believe it, do you? It makes me feel good, doesn't it make you happy to give?

Each group is asked to bring their sewing machines, iron & ironing surface, and cutting tools. If you are not with a group, ask the Quilts 'n Force committee which group needs help and you can join them, but please bring your own cutting tools & machine if you wish to sew. Every group will provide their own sewing machine/s.

The Quilts 'n Force committee will have kits and a pattern available for you to piece a top or you may bring your own kit/s to sew. The committee will also have batting available for your project. All kits will have backing fabric in the kit

and binding, too. If you still have one of our kits from last year, please bring it to finish or turn it in for someone else to finish and then you may take another kit to work on. We love to receive finished quilts too!!!

We will be providing 49 kits to Alice Redondo to give to her church to give to the kids going to visit their parent in one of the prisons. Laurie Maas' group will be doing an equal amount, also, for Alice and her committee. So let's get busy and Slice, Stitch, and Seal!

You may take kits home to work on, if you promise to return them within a few weeks or sooner.

If you would like to join our Quilts 'n Force group, we meet on the 2nd and 4th Fridays at Quilty Pleasures from 10 am – 3 pm. Please call Judy Ragan, 805-527-2196 and leave a message with your phone # to let her know you plan to come.

*The Quilts 'n Force Gang: Judy Ragan, Linda Manchester, Valerie Gallereto, Janet Anderson, Barbara Jones, Donna Weiss and Sue Singer*



At the February meeting Quilts 'n Force showed three quilts recently donated for charity distribution,

and encouraged everyone to come to the March meeting to complete more of the tops already donated or to assemble new tops from the kits they are assembling.

# February Program Report

## "Tattered Splendor: Ruined Quilt Couture"



Marty Ornish, and her most helpful husband, brought us the guild program in February. They projected pictures of many of Marty's elaborate clothing/costume designs and brought a mannequin clothed in one of the designs. In addition there were many elegant small quilts composed of bits and pieces of tattered quilts, old lace, and embroidered handkerchiefs, embellished and embroidered, which were passed around for closer examination.



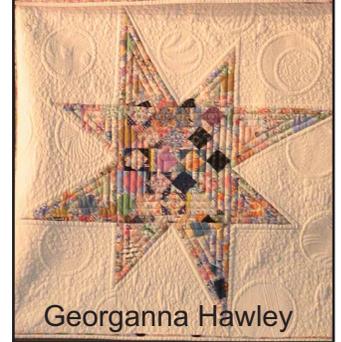
## Show and Tell Quilts



Chris McDonald



Tina Kesselring



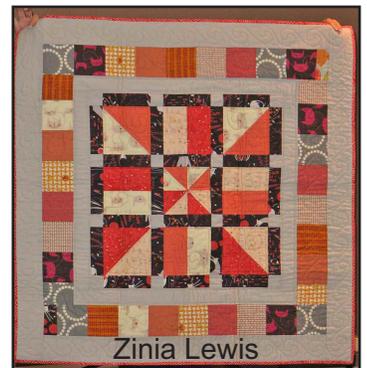
Georganna Hawley



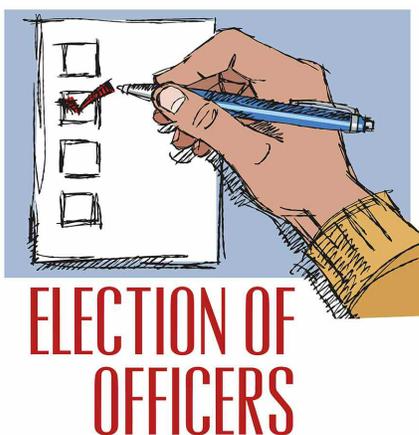
Kathy Blecha



Carol Stine



Zinia Lewis



## March Business Meeting

At our March program, we will have our vote about amending the by-laws so that Lynn can stay on as Treasurer. Amendment shown in red

*Section 4.3 Terms of Office. No elected officer shall serve in the same office for more than two consecutive terms, a term being one year, with the exception of the Treasurer.*

AND we have elections for new board members. Phyllis Jones has taken on the job of Parliamentarian for the month and will be seeking nominees for various board positions.

If you can see yourself undertaking something new, please give Phyllis a call.

## 2019 Guild Meetings

- 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

## Membership Report

We were glad to have Tina Kesselring visit again in February. She shared a quilt for Show and Tell.

## Quarterly Financial Report October - December 2018

### Income

Program Income	
Membership Dues	25.00
Workshop fees	80.00
Retreat Fees - Nov	435.00
Ways and Means	
Monthly Raffle Quilts	<u>1,296.0</u>
Total Program Income	1,836.00
Other income	
Interest	1.48
Amazon Funds	11.81
Total Other income	<u>13.29</u>
Total Income	1,849.29

### Expense

Operations	
Corresponding Secretary	15.00
Newsletter	20.55
Storage space rental	486.00
Administration/Office	<u>120.00</u>
Total Operations	641.55
Programs	
Membership	50.47
Guild Meetings	
Speaker's fee	375.00
Room rental	467.60
Travel and expenses	<u>105.88</u>
Total Guild Meetings	948.48
Retreats	
Retreats-Nov	<u>2,002.00</u>
Total Programs	<u>2,950.48</u>
Total Expense	3,592.03
<b>Net Income</b>	-1,742.74

## Balance Sheet - 31 Dec 2018

Checking	\$9,835.57
Savings	<u>19,530.87</u>
Total	29,365.87

## President's Message

What percentage of quilters would you guess are scrap quilters? scrap collectors? just plain scrappy? I'm guessing a fairly high percentage. I certainly am. I'm getting better in that I can now throw away fabric that is just plain poor quality. (Except for a few - several - pieces that could come in handy to check a quilting pattern or stitch tension on.)

I've been following several blogs that are doing the Rainbow Scrap Challenge. The participants sew up their scraps of a specified color each month. They make blocks of their choice to be saved until there are enough for a quilt. This sounded like a great idea to keep from being overwhelmed by the scrap bins. As it turns out, even a whole quilt doesn't make much of a dent in the scraps.

At one of the retreats, I spent the whole weekend cutting scraps into tidy little squares and rectangles. It's taken me I don't know how many quilts to use them up. You saw at the last guild meeting the ugliest of them in my gum wrapper quilt. The strings are another story.

What's a quilter to do? I can't resist all those pretty bits and pieces. Trying to work with just a few fabrics at a time is way too boring. I guess the reason I love scrap quilts is that each step of the design requires choices and creativity. And each scrap quilt is unique, rather like my fellow quilters.

*Happy Scrapping, Chris M*

## Transportation

Donna Paschal has drivers who are willing to provide transportation to guild functions for any member needing it.



Please call Donna to arrange a lift – 805-403-2805

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



## The 2019 Quilt Challenge

We have 20 members signed up for the Challenge!! If you're like me, you haven't started!! I have so many ideas for one, I can't decide! If you need ideas.... look up 'beach quilts images' on-line and you will see all kinds of ideas. How about crayons??!! You could also paint a scene and then quilt it!!

Remember, your FINISHED quilt is due at the May Guild meeting. I can't wait to see what everyone has come up with!

There will be prizes!!! Any method or combination of methods you want to use! You can embellish a panel! Appliqué, fuse, piece etc. – any method!! You are only limited by size – 48" x 48" is the largest.

The Challenge is really fun. Ask anyone who's participated in the past.

Use your creativity!

Remember, it's a challenge ... so stretch!

If you have any questions: Becky 805-501-9729

There will be PRIZES!!!!



## March

### BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Beverly Atkins
- 8 Diane Dunnell
- 9 Becky Berg
- 10 Silvana Temple
- 14 Chris McDonald
- 15 Marcie Chin
- 19 Dorothy Fee
- 23 Evelyn Heim
- 26 Kathryn Blecha
- 28 Jenny Baird  
Dawn Daymude

## Fiber Arts Auction

We are gaining speed and momentum revving up to those final weeks prior to the Auction! We have received approximately 40 quilts, only 9-10 from our guild. We need more items to make this a spectacular event, and to raise money for our guild.

All artwork must have a label. Wall hangings must have a sleeve or method for the buyer to hang their purchase. Please call me and I will arrange to pick up as many quilts as you wish to donate.

Auction Date:

Saturday, May 4th, 2019; 6pm – 9pm  
Airtel Plaza Hotel & Conference Center  
Van Nuys

Admission fee: \$25.00

Dawn Daymude, 805-304-2381  
[simiquiltr@gmail.com](mailto:simiquiltr@gmail.com)

**The entry form was included as a separate PDF file with the February newsletter.**

## Sunshine and Shadows

We send get well greetings to Alice Redondo as she recovers from her recent hip replacement surgery.

We offer our concern and caring thoughts for the husband of Judy Ragan. He is in a care facility and Judy hopes that a change in medication will help his liver function so that he may return home soon.



Please send all S&S messages to:

Marcie Chin, Corresponding Secretary  
805-527-8142 ... [geographyqueen@att.net](mailto:geographyqueen@att.net)

## Quilt Show News!!!

Dawn Daymude has assembled a great Quilt Show Committee. There are still several open positions. Look at the list and see where your talents could be used most appropriately.

### 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	Beth Bastian
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	?



## 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!

## Anne's Cyber Corner

Time marches on and here it is March already! Speaking of 'time Marching on,' one of the things that all of us as quilters struggle with is time management. How do we balance all the necessities of life and still have time to indulge our passion for quilting? Here is a link to a short video that might help:

[https://www.ted.com/talks/laura\\_vanderkam\\_how\\_to\\_gain\\_control\\_of\\_your\\_free\\_time](https://www.ted.com/talks/laura_vanderkam_how_to_gain_control_of_your_free_time)

Or perhaps check out Sherri's thoughts on her blog 'A Quilting Life':

<https://www.aquiltinglife.com/2016/11/time-management-for-quilters.html/>

Barbara at bbquiltmaker has some good ideas as well: <https://bbquiltmaker.blogspot.com/2014/01/time-management-for-quilters-part-1.html>

A few take-aways from all of these is basically to have a plan, have projects ready to work on in short time spans and try out Bonnie Hunter's leaders and enders project method.

I know I talked about Block of the Month programs last month... but there are some great free Quilt Alongs (or QALs) going on... While they are already underway, the patterns remain free to download and use, so here's a few to check out, download and work on at your leisure:

You can find lots of them, past and present here: <http://www.quiltalong.net/> or just try googling 'quiltalongs 2019'.

A couple I particularly like for this year are both Harry Potter quilts, very different but both lots of fun, and both easy piecing that can be done by quilters of any skill level:

Kelli Fannin's quiltalongs, past and present are wonderful... her Harry Potter quiltalong that is going on right now is particularly fun. You can find the link to all her quiltalongs (current and past) here: <https://www.kellifanninquilts.com/p/sewalongs.html>

Sew Fresh Quilts also has a Harry Potter quiltalong this year at <https://sewfreshquilts.blogspot.com/p/harry-potter-quilt-along.html>

## The Talent Within

As you all read in the last Newsletter, I am looking for teachers!! I know we have plenty of talented people out there!

Would you like to share your talent/knowledge with other members of our Guild? You can donate the class fees to the Guild or split 50/50 with the Guild. Please contact me if you're interested in teaching a class. I will get the sign up sheets and the venue. All you have to do is teach!!

*Becky Berg 805-526-0986*

## Opportunity Quilt

Debbie Delahunt has agreed to oversee the construction of our next Opportunity Quilt. The plan is to have the quilt ready to exhibit at Road to California in 2020. The participants in the Spring retreat will begin work on the blocks, but the pattern designs will be available at the next guild meeting so that everyone can participate.

There are several different layouts from which to choose. Seen below is one block. It was decided at the last meeting to use batiks.

Come to the meeting in March and pick up a pattern!

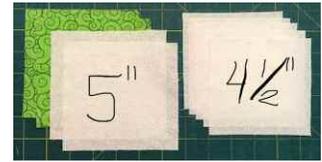


# Scattered Pinwheels

March Block Party  
12" finished

For this block, you will need: White on White fabric & Green fabric

Cut: WoW – 2 @ 5" x 5", 5 @ 4 1/2" x 4 1/2"  
Green – 2 @ 5" x 5"



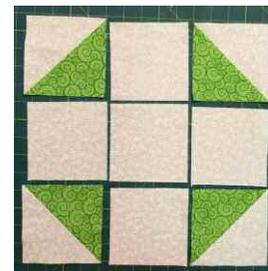
Draw a diagonal line on the back of the two green 5" x 5" square as shown



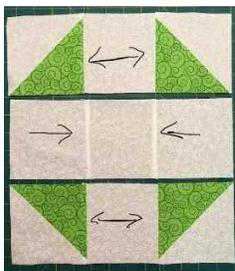
Sew a SCANT 1/4" from the line on both sides.  
Cut along the drawn line  
Press towards the Green



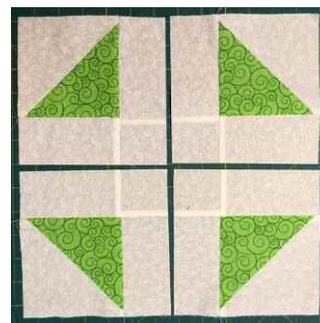
Lay the pieces out before sewing.



Sew the top, middle and bottom rows  
Press seams in the direction of the arrows

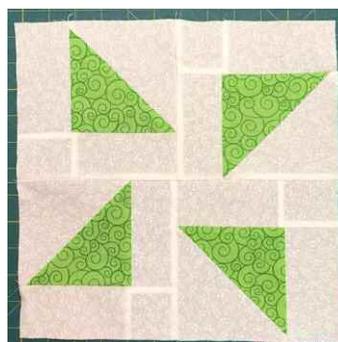
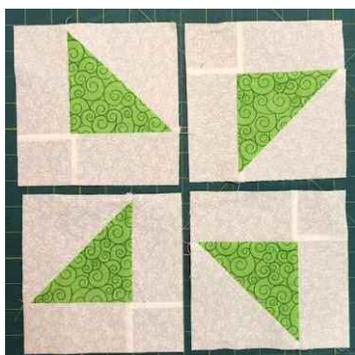


Sew the Row together and press  
CUT down the centers as shown



Now, turn each piece 1/4 turn as shown  
Sew the rows together

Finished Block



# Another Disappearing Pinwheel

April Block Party 12" finished

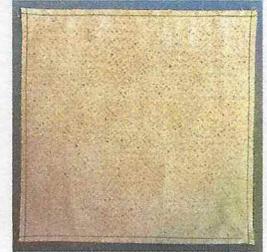
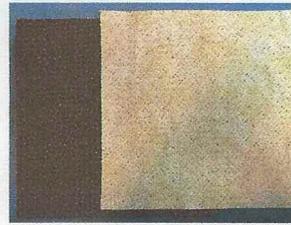
## Fabric:

1 – 10" square of light to medium Beige

1 – 10" square of medium to dark fabric, small print

Think Kim Diehl fabrics

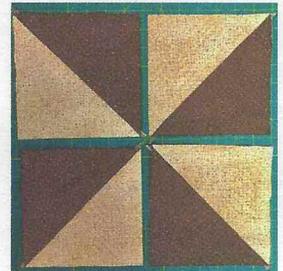
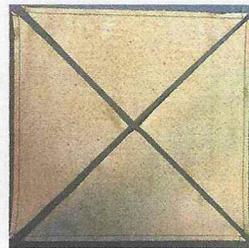
Place the 2 fabrics rights sides together and sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " all around the edge



Cut Diagonally, corner to corner, both ways

Open and press towards the dark fabric.

Arrange the squares as shown at right

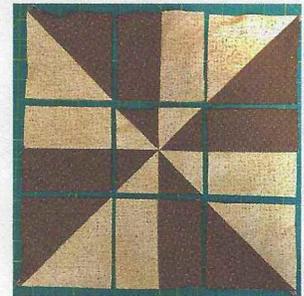
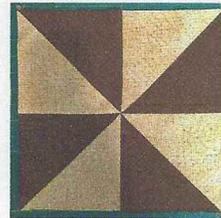


Sew the squares together to form a pinwheel

Cut  $2 \frac{1}{8}$ " on both sides of the center seam

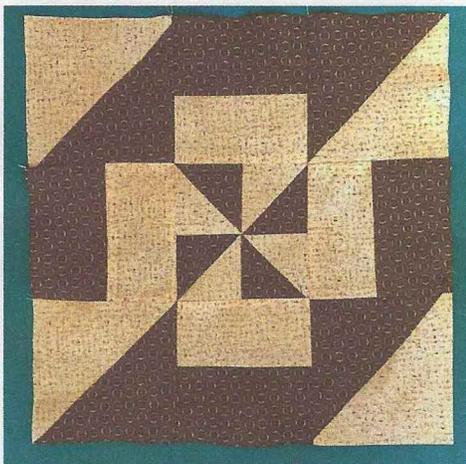
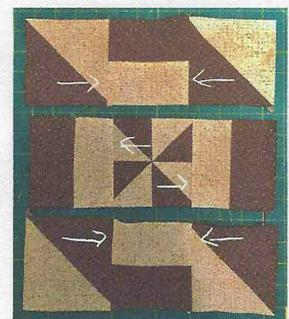
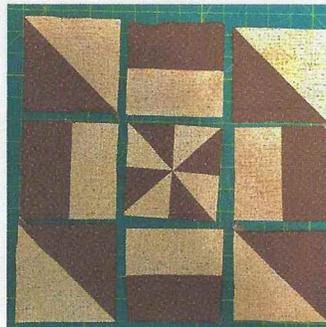
Repeat on the other center seam

As shown on the right

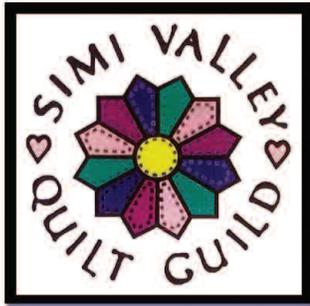


Rearrange the squares as shown on the right

Sew the rows together and press in the direction of the arrows.



Fat Quarter Scramble  
Spring Florals



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## *Don't Forget*

Name Badge... Show and Tell  
Sewing machine and tools

If your surname starts with D-J,  
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

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