



Simi Valley Quilt Guild Newsletter

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September 2019

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Quilts 'n Force

September Speaker

Patt Blair

A Painter's Path to Quilting

Having begun her art path painting oils, then watercolors, Patt's quilting art focuses largely on life images, especially the simple ones. She says ... the ones



with heartwarming or powerful messages. Most of Patt's work includes a being with a heartbeat. She says, "It seems to give life to the work." This lecture includes slides and samples of Patt's pathway into art quilting. Patt addresses the application of traditional art media into quilting, new materials developed for quilting, tips and examples of machine quilting techniques that support the message in the quilt top, and finally, some ways to finish and hang quilts intended for wall display.

Valley Quiltmakers Guild (SF Valley day guild) is having Patt give her "Mixed Media" workshop on Friday, September 13 at 9:00 am in Northridge. Enrollment can be done on-line through their website: valleyquiltmakersguild.com.

Regional Quilt Show

Dawn Daymude has been representing the SVQG in discussions among several local quilt guilds about the possibility of forming a coalition of guilds to have a regional show, much like the Seven Sisters show, held at the Madonna Inn in San Luis Obispo.

Four guilds have been involved in the current discussions (SVQG, Ventura Modern, Camarillo Quilters, and Coastal Quilters) and others have been invited to join the discussions. Dawn has sent all of the pertinent documents to our Board for review. This review is scheduled to take place before the September Guild meeting. If the Board approves the plan, it will be presented to the membership in September for discussion and review. Then a vote on whether to commit to the plan will be taken in October.

The Talent Within

I'm looking for members who would be interested in teaching a class. Do you have something you'd like to share? A method you are excited about? Remember, you can be paid or donate your time to the Guild. Several members have volunteered already. What could you add?

Becky Berg, 805-526-0986

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 – 805-304-2805.



Rides Available

August Door Prize Winners

<i>Prize</i>	<i>Donated by</i>	<i>Winner</i>
Pattern and Embroidery Kit Thread Organizer	Phyllis Jones Ronna Chezem	Kerri-Jo Hansen
Pattern, The Knook Kit & Baby Quilt Panel Stumpy Santa	Phyllis Jones Ronna Chezem	Janet Stull
Nippers Quilt Kit	Dawn Daymude Kathi Vanderluit	Tamara Rihel
<i>Opportunity Quilt</i>	<i>Donated By</i>	<i>Winner</i>
Chop Block	Kerri-Jo Hansen	Donna Paschal

August Show and Tell



At the August meeting, Vicki Frederick shared her work with Forever Found, an international organization finding victims of human trafficking and helping them live successful lives in freedom. To this end they run homes here and abroad. Our guild will endeavor to contribute 30 bed-sized quilts to the home in Ventura this Fall.

Mya Aronson was given the hand-pieced quilt top above. She donated it to Quilts 'n Force and agreed to have it quilted and donated to Forever Found for their big annual fund-raising auction.

Cheri Gutierrez shared two quilts which she has made and donated to Forever Found. If you have appropriate-sized quilts or tops which you could donate, please talk to the Quilts 'n Force team.



More August Show and Tell



Dawn Daymude's second aqua quilt for her daughter



Chris McDonald's newest scrap quilt



This layer-cake project uses every bit of the required number of 10"x10" squares



Sharon Mountford shared a family heirloom quilt and some heirloom embroidery which she made into a quilted hanging.



Sunshine and Shadows

Mary Brewer – In Memoriam

We were saddened to learn that Mary Brewer, the longtime quilting teacher and charter member of our guild, passed away on August 18, 2019. Mary passed on her love of quilting to everyone she could, through her patience and joy of teaching. Her legacy will live on in the hundreds of lives she touched for the better.



Please send all S&S messages to:

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

Nearby Quilt Shows

Information about these shows is available on the SCCQG website, under Events.

August 31-September 1

Busy Bears Quilt Guild of Big Bear Lake
Mountain Treasures XXXI Annual
Labor Day Quilt Show
Big Bear Middle School

September 21, 2019

Quilt Rooms and Gardens Tour
Conejo Valley Quilters

October 3-5, 2019

Orange Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival
OC Fair & Event Center
88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa at The Hangar
Free admission

Oct 5, 2019

Old Town Temecula Quilt Show and Auction
10:00 to 4:00
Old Town Temecula
41000 Main Street, Temecula, CA



September
BIRTHDAYS

10 Deborah Delahunt
12 Jake Finch
15 Alexis O'Neill

Upcoming Guild Meetings

9/11 Patt Blair, A Painted Path to Quilting
10/9 Quilt-O
11/13 Linda Ballard, "What If I...?"
12/11 Holiday Party



Quilts 'n Force Update

In last month's newsletter you will remember I said we were going to fulfill a request from Forever Found for 30 quilts for teenage girls that have survived trafficking and that we were low on quilts for that age group. I am happy to inform our membership that we will be able to meet that goal. We received several quilts at the July guild meeting and were able to find several in our shelf full of quilt tops waiting to be quilted. The request was for twin size or full size and we have included some lap size to meet our goal. But, if you are working on one for this charity, please complete it as we still have until October/s guild meeting to meet our goal and we can put the lap size quilts back into our stock. Our thanks to everyone who is helping with this short-time-frame request. Angie at Quilty Pleasures has signed on to help allowing anyone to come work on their quilt for this charity on any Wednesday in September, no fee to the shop. And, I believe she was going to donate some fabric too!! So all we need are stitchers with a pattern in mind!

As I mentioned above, we have a shelf full of tops that would be happy to be quilted and given to a child to love rather than just sitting on our shelf. Do we have some wonderful members who would take a couple and quilt them for us? Some or most, I think, are on the smaller side. We do have a very, very large quilt that needs quilting,..... as I remember it is already basted,..... but we are asking for help in quilting the smaller quilts. We have a new order of batting and have some kits ready for one of you to quilt. Thanks again to everyone who helps.

Judy Ragan, speaking for the Quilts 'n Force Team

Quilt Rooms and Gardens

The Conejo Valley Quilters are presenting a Quilt Rooms and Gardens Tour on September 21, 2019. On the tour are five beautiful homes displaying quilting studios, garden tours at three of those homes, and displays of quilts. The sixth location is Pederson Hall at Ascension Lutheran Church in Thousand Oaks, where you will see more quilts, enjoy refreshments, and shop at our boutique.

Tickets will be on sale at your September meeting, on line at the CVQ website, or at the following locations:

Quilty Pleasures in Simi Valley

Cotton & Chocolate in Thousand Oaks

Quilt Emporium in Woodland Hills

The Fabric Shoppe in Camarillo

Pederson Hall at Ascension Lutheran Church

(only on the day of the event)

We hope to see you there!

*Any questions call Judy Heitz 818-439-1950 or
Monica Sayre 818-917-0389.*



Anne's Cyber Column

Studies say that 10% of the population is left-handed ... which means 10% of quilters are probably left-handed as well. I found this blog while searching the web. You'll find pages of hints and tricks to make life easier for lefties here:

<https://alefthandedquilter.blogspot.com/>

I'd like to talk for a minute about Facebook. I know some folks are reluctant to use it, either because it is a great drain on time, or because of security fears. Like anything else, you can always set a timer and walk away when you've spent your allotted time on it, ending the time sink fears... and it is as secure as you want to make it. Your security level is whatever you set it at on Facebook, and you are free to not share any personal information on the site.

That said, there are some great resources for quilters on Facebook... our fellow quilters are always so generous with their ideas and assistance! There are many quilting groups on Facebook where we can go for help in a pinch... Ever wonder which of two

fabrics go best with the others you want in a quilt at 2 in the morning? Or what would make the better border for your latest quilt? Why not post a photo in a Facebook group and wait for the ideas to come pouring in? Groups such as Quiltville's Open Studio (you don't have to be a scrap quilter OR a true Bonnie Hunter fan to join here and become part of this huge community of friendly quilters!) or groups like My Hobby is Quilting are a wonderful resource and a place to meet and connect with other quilters.

Quiltville:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/291023511046957/about/>

my hobby is quilting:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MyHobbyIsQuilting/about/>

Ever had a machine problem in the middle of the night with no repair shop open to help you? Try Facebook! Whatever your machine, there is probably a group to help talk you through fixing all but catastrophic failures (and sometimes even those!). Here are a couple I've found useful, but just do a search on Facebook for your own machine and you'll probably find a group perfect for you:

For Bernina 700 series machines:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Bernina7SeriesOwners/about/>

For Singer Featherweights (221 and 222)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SingerFWGroup/about/>

One more month left 'til Fall is upon us ... cooler temperatures and autumn colors all around us ... Until then, stay cool!

Peace, out. – Anne

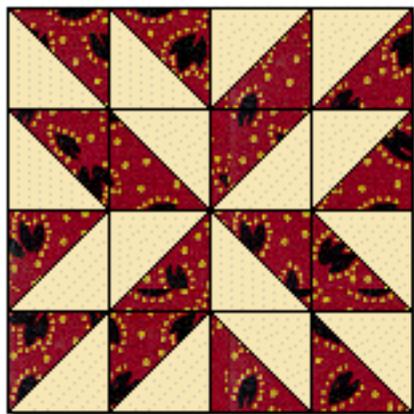
Camarillo Shelter Dog Beds Project Needs You!

Please bring used pillow cases for the making of pet beds for the Camarillo Shelter. These will be stuffed with fabric and batting scraps and sewn shut, so please (in separate bags), also bring any scraps you have that are too small to use or no longer of value to you. I will pick these up at the curb after our next meeting on September 11th.

Thanks – Anne Sidell

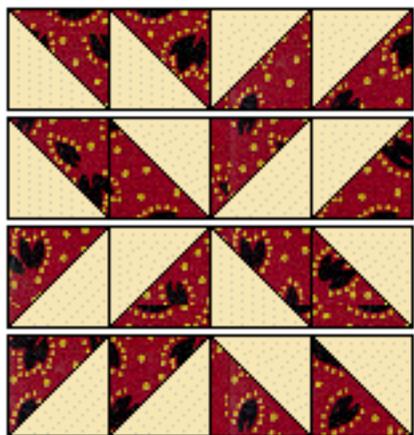
September Block of the Month

ANNIE'S CHOICE



*Well...I guess we know why THIS was Annie's Choice, don't we!
Look how fast and easy!! :o)
Phyllis*

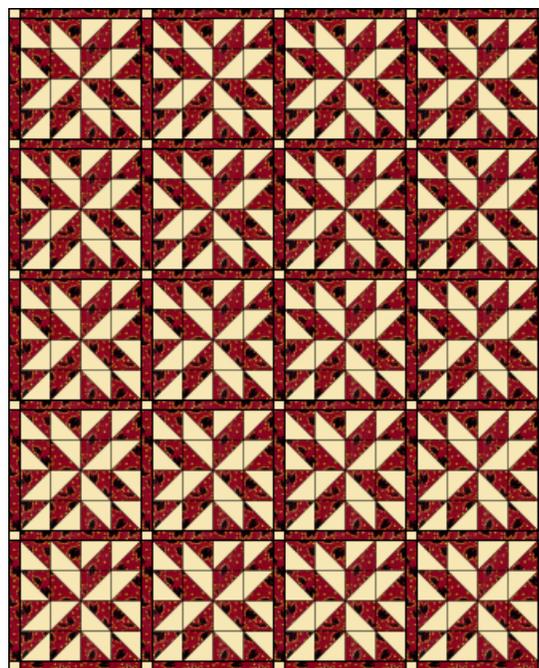
Fabric needed ... Fall print and beige:
one strip each 3-7/8" by 31"



We'll speed piece this one! Stack your two strips of fabric, with right sides together and all edges aligned. Mark the 3-7/8" squares and then mark the diagonals in the direction shown. Sew 1/4" away from the marked diagonal lines, starting in the upper left corner and sewing in one continuous seam to the upper right corner. Then pivot it and sew back the other way on the other side of the line. Now cut this apart ON the marked diagonals and at the 3-7/8" square marks. This will give you sixteen half squares. Press seam allowances towards darker fabric. These should measure 3-1/2" square.

Piece the block as shown in the diagram at left, by first making rows, and then sewing the rows together to make the block. Be sure to alternate directions when pressing seams to avoid bulk.

This makes a 12" finished block. When 20 blocks are set with narrow sashings and cornerstones, you have this top.



*Fat Quarter
Exchange for
September:
Fall Leaves*

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Ocotber Block of the Month

As your block party chair, I have decided to do a retro block.

This was an October block many years ago in our guild.

Does anyone remember it?

Can you place the year?

It makes a 6" block.

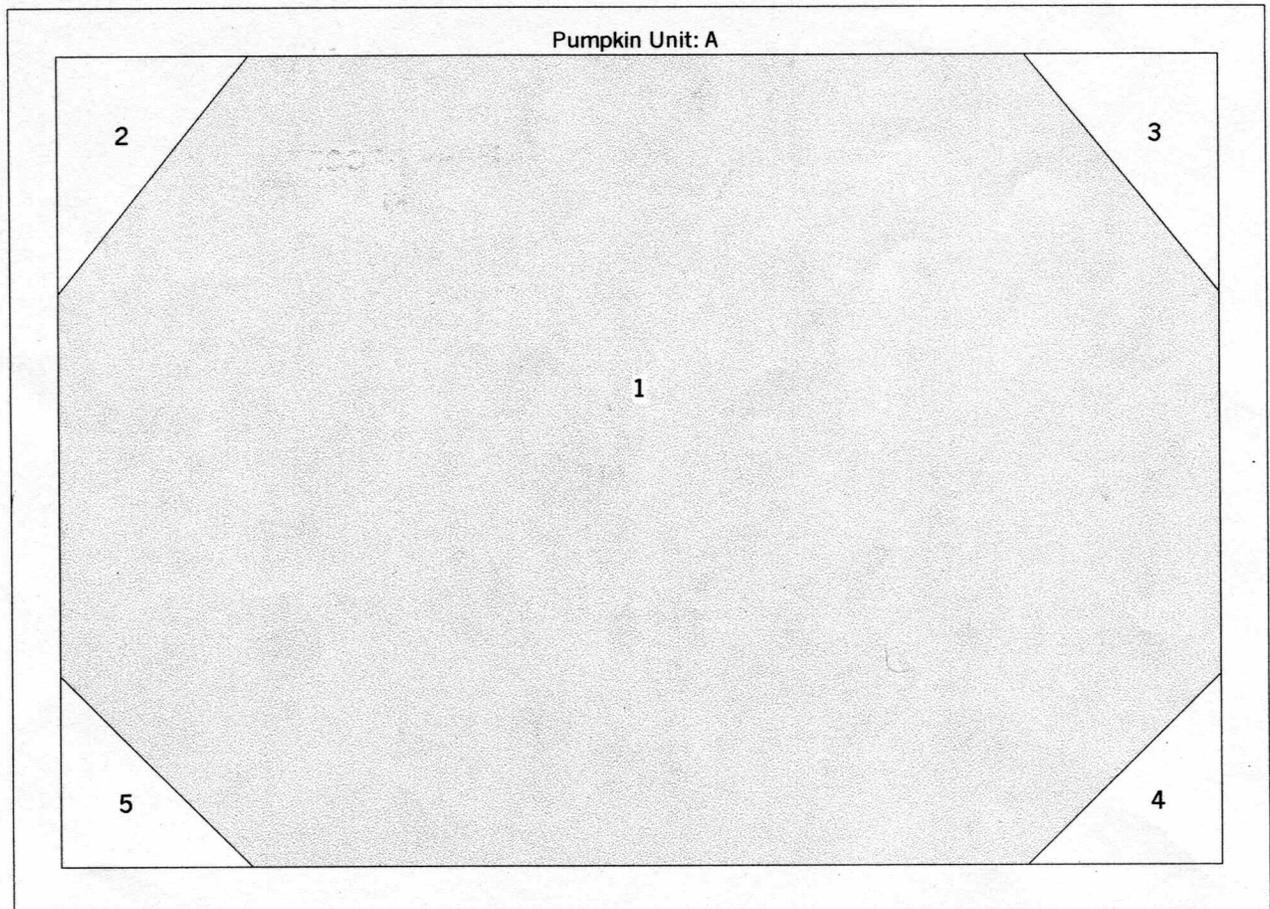
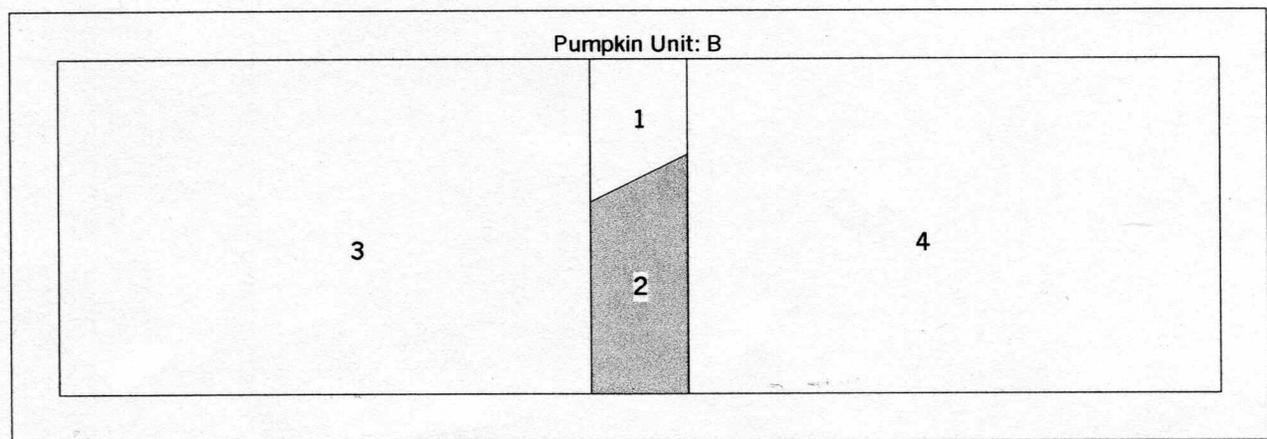
Phyllis Jones



**Goons and
Goblins are in
the air; Pumpkin
carving time is
here! So trick or
treat in your
stash and help
create the
PUMPKIN PATCH!**

Easy paper piecing. Design your pumpkin in orange shades or Halloween novelty fabric. Use brown or green for stem. Use a complimentary background.

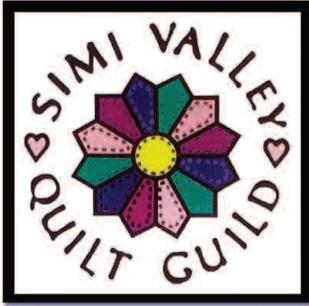
Paper-pieced Pattern for the October block



1. Cut pattern from paper just past the outer lines
2. Make sure that your material extends past the outer lines.
3. Use a large needle in the sewing machine
4. Use a small stitch, at least 14 stitches to the inch
5. Do not tear paper off the finished block.

Caution:

If you receive your newsletter electronically, make sure that the pattern prints out as a finished 6" block. If not, pick up a hard copy of the pattern at the September meeting.



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Don't Forget

Name Badge

Show and Tell

September Block Party
Annie's Choiced

Fall leaves Fat Quarters

Last names beginning with K-P,
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

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.