



# Newsletter



“Change is inevitable, growth is intentional”

VALLEY QUILTERS – MEMBER AQS

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## *President's Message*



Your Quilt Show Team will be handing out Opportunity Quilt tickets and advertising flyers at the August meeting. Remember that it is your responsibility to pay for these tickets. We appreciate your prompt payment—oh and don't forget to bring your address labels with you so you don't have to write your name thirty times!

At the recent board meeting, I suggested that we enlist the assistance of friendship groups to assist the guild when necessary. I spend a good deal of time pondering the possibilities of boosting the participation of guild members. Simply asking for volunteers has been a pointless waste of breath. Therefore, I thought friendship groups might be a source to help with tasks that need doing. Let me explain. First, this proposal has no impact on your group's normal meetings or activities. Second, I don't need to know who is in your group or where you meet. All I am asking for is your help. Since your group knows one another well, and one can assume you enjoy one another's company, it makes sense that if members of your friendship group volunteered to assist the guild, it would be far more enjoyable to be with friends rather than doing it alone. This also provides the opportunity to go to lunch and shopping—two of our favorite activities.

At the August Guild Meeting, I am going to make this plea again. I am optimistic that there will be volunteers to sell additional Opportunity Quilt Raffle Tickets. The quilt must be taken to various venues such as quilt shows, quilt stores, craft shows and/or guilds and placed on display, and this requires 3-4 volunteers to set-up, sell and take down the quilt. Usually this is at a local location for one day. **Linda Card has more dates and details about these activities.** I know this is a sacrifice of your personal time, but is it also your opportunity to

repay the guild for all of the enjoyment you receive by being a member. Please consider donating your time to help.

Perhaps this is an appropriate time to remind all guild members both experienced and new that we have obligations to fulfill:

- ✓ We are a working guild, and our guild members are **expected** to volunteer for positions and activities to help operate the guild and its community programs other than the quilt show.
- ✓ Members are required to
  - volunteer time to help organize and setup the yearly Quilt Show, **and** volunteer to work 3-4 hours each day of the show on Friday and Saturday to help in a variety of areas;
  - complete two community security quilts each year that are donated to hospice, local police and other community service organizations (all materials are provided by the guild);
  - sell or **purchase** opportunity quilt tickets (\$25) to help fund student scholarships.

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### Quilters Calendar

**August 15 & 22 No Yakkers, Valley Wide Closed**

**August 23** VQ Guild Meeting 9:30 am  
Seven Hills Clubhouse, Debbie Gordon and  
Patty Sherwin guests

**August 29** Sew In at Valley Wide

**Aug. 31- Sept. 3** San Diego Quilt Show

**Sept. 3 & 4** Mountain Treasures Quilt Show

**Sept. 5** Labor Day

**Sept. 7** Maze Stone Mystery Quilt Reveal,  
Simpson Center, 9:30 am

**Sept. 12** VQ Board Meeting, Needle  
Yakkers

**Sept. 19** Needle Yakkers

**Sept. 26** Needle Yakkers

### Programs

Lu Majerus, 1st Vice President  
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Hi Stitchers

We will have Debbie Gordon at our meeting this month giving us history of quilts and quilt makers. We will also have Patty Sherwin, local fabric vendor: bring your \$\$, because I know you will not be able to resist adding to your stash. Next month will be our luncheon, but also we will have Primitive Gatherings as a vendor so you can enjoy local shopping again. Both vendors should be great inspiration for Christmas giving projects.

I will start sign-ups for October workshop with Lenie Bosman this month also.

### **Membership**

Nancy Alaksin, 2nd Vice President  
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Hi Valley Quilters!

I can't wait to see you all at the guild meeting. I am looking forward to meeting our prospective new member Vannarin Warner at the August meeting. I am still working on a master roster for Valley Quilters. I am trying to keep an accurate record of our current membership, while adding new members as they join. If you have not given me your current information (address for both home and email, home and cell numbers and you birthday), please do so as soon as possible. This may not seem important to you all, but for membership to create the spreadsheet I am working on for the Board it is needed. Many thanks to Marianne Crouch for helping me in my time of need. See you all on the 23rd.

### **Sunshine & Shadows**

Madelyn Flynn  
951-672-7232

The following members are experiencing health issues and/or medical procedures:

Wanda Souza - surgery 8/25  
Hap Carter - health issues  
Midge Kincaid - health issues  
Madelyn Flynn - medical procedure 8/23  
Jeani Campbell - flew back to Dad, took a turn for the worst  
Nancy Alaksin - back surgery, looks great

Please send any sunshine or shadows information to my email:  
madelyneflynn@gmail.com or call.

### **Hospitality**

Lori Mathis  
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### **August Snack List**

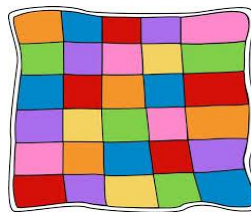
Sue Leuschen	Linda Wayment
Carol & Chuck	Brenda Naragon
Kathleen Jones	Veronica Batiz

Thanks to all for the good food and wonderful help.





**Philanthropic**  
Kathleen Jones 909-238-8553  
Linda Oles 951-330-8849



Security Quilt Report  
for July/August 2016

Valley Wide will be closed on **August 15 and August 22.**

We will have our **Sew In on August 29** and are looking forward to a great turn out of Valley Quilters. It is a lot of fun and many quilters make the work go faster.

We have given away 27 quilts during July and August. The quilts went to Hemet Police Dept. Center Against Sexual Assault (C.A.S.A.), Hemet Center for Change, and Path Life. Thanks everyone who helped in any way.

If you have scraps or extra material and would like to make the top (or for that matter the whole quilt) for a security quilt; it is 1 1/2 yards times the width of the fabric. Once in awhile we give away smaller quilts. We would love to have you share your fabric and quilting skills with the kids and seniors. They love the quilts and will enjoy anything you make.

**Show & Tell**  
Elsie Bratcher 951-929-5610

Please bring your quilts, we want to see what you are doing!

**July show & tell:**

Mary Fidler	2 quilts
Johnnie D'Alessandro	
Carol Anderson	Quilt top & story
Joan Torbett	Mystery Quilt
Suzanne Wade	Illusions
Charlene Bowman	Faire's
Lyla Stigall	Friendship from 1989
Nancy Witt	Wall Hanging



"Happy Birthdays"

August 2016

August 2	Joann Gregory
August 10	Hortencia Roesler
August 11	Jeani Campbell
August 19	Mike Yeager
August 25	Nancy Alaksin

**Needle Yakkers**  
 Betty Barney 927-9739

Needle Yakkers meets every Monday morning at 9am at Valley Wide Recreation Center, to yak, quilt, tie security quilts or bring your own project. If you are a new or newer member wanting to find out more about quilting, help with a project, or want to find some new friends, come to needle yakkers. All members of the guild are welcome.

The 2018 Opportunity Quilt is on the frame ready for all hand quilters to work on.

Sharon Schamber's appliqué stabilizer is available for purchase at \$2.00 a yard.

**Fat Quarter Fun**  
 Jeani Campbell 951-925-9966

Congratulations July winner Betty Barney.

August	Beachy fabrics
September	Home spuns
October	Shades of orange, of course....and or stripes
November	teals and tans
December	dark blues
January	Children's prints
February	Primitive prints

"If you're always trying to be normal, you'll never know how amazing you can be."  
 Maya Angelou

### **Quilt Show Chair**

Linda Card  
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The opportunity quilt was at the Big Bear Quilt show August 5 & 6. It was a great show and our quilt had many people stopping to take a close look at the quilting and buying tickets. A big thank you to John and Joan Dorr for helping out by sitting with the quilt.

The opportunity quilt tickets will be available and passed out at our August guild meeting. Please stop by and pick yours up.

We have been invited to bring the quilt to Maze Stone's guild meeting on September 7th. This meeting is the mystery quilt reveal so we should have lots of interest in the quilt. I hope to see many of you at this meeting. We are scheduled to have our quilt at Sewn Together in Norco September 24th for the Reindeer Run. I will pass around a sign-up sheet for you to help with the sale of tickets.

### **Quilt Show Boutique**

Marianne Crouch &  
Veronica Batiz

If we have anything for boutique, please leave it in front of Marianne's garage door or bring to our guild meeting day.

### **SCCQG Representative**

Diane Best  
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Howdy to Valley Quilters  
Here's what's happening around us.

#### **Aug. 31-Sept. 3**

San Diego Quilt Show  
San Diego Convention Center  
sandiegoquiltshow.com

#### **September 3 & 4**

Mountain Treasures Quilt Show  
Big Bear Middle School  
busybearsquiltguild.com

#### **Sept. 9-11, 16-18 & 23-25**

Bead Shop Hop  
sclbsa.com

#### **September 10 & 11**

Quilter's Etc. "Arts and Flowers"  
Anderson Recreation Center  
124 W. Walnut Ave., Lompoc

#### **September 17 & 18**

Simi Valley Quilt Show  
Rancho Susanna Recreation Center

#### **Sept. 22,23,24**

Reindeer Dash  
monicasquiltandbead.com  
brochure

#### **October 1 9:30 A.M.**

SCCQG Meeting  
Community Presbyterian Church  
San Juan Capistrano



**Mystery Quilt 2016  
Carol and Chuck Anderson**

1. 39 members signed up for the "Mystery Quilt 2016"
2. 39 members paid the total of \$4.50.
3. All of the Mystery quilt clues and instructions have been handed out or emailed. Please bring your completed quilt to our August 23 meeting. We will reveal your handi dandy mystery quilts **AND** vote for the top three favorites.
4. Please let your local Holmes and Watson detective team know if you are bringing your mystery quilt! Will you please email, text, or call us if you are participating by bringing in your mystery quilt. That way I'll know how many quilt racks and or tables need to be set up ahead of time!!!
5. Looking forward to our Mystery Quilt reveal at our Valley Quilters guild meeting on the 23rd!!!

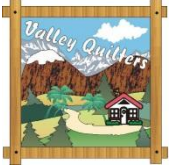
**Featured Quilter  
Mary Myers**



**Unclaimed Quilt?**

Does anyone recognize or know who the owner is of this quilt? We would love to return it to the proper owner. Please contact Barbara Bradford with your information.

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**Remember to bring to the August Meeting:**  
Name Badge and Show & Tell Items,  
Beachy Fabric Fat Quarters, Security Quilts, and  
your own mug for coffee/tea

Valley Quilters meet at 9:30 AM  
On the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, at  
Seven Hills Clubhouse  
3050 Jacaranda Way  
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