



# Newsletter



“Change is inevitable, growth is intentional”

VALLEY QUILTERS – MEMBER AQS

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## *President's Message*



Did you know that each president must choose a theme for her/his presidency, and a character that is shown in the newsletter? Well, neither did I. I questioned the idea of a theme—what exactly does that mean; what is the purpose? I have never heard a guild president identify their theme, and how that relates to their objectives to improve and expand the potential of Valley Quilters. Well, the response I received was troubling. I was violating and diminishing the importance of tradition. We have always done it this way; just do it and don't question its value or validity. Actually in hindsight, I appreciate this interaction because it illuminated a deep-rooted, systemic philosophy that I will identify as a mistrust of anything that challenges the guild's norms. So I chose what I believe is a valuable and challenging idea.

“Change is inevitable; growth is intentional.”

So, this is my theme, my direction, my goal. We are a great guild that is aging, and we are not taking advantage of the experience, talent and potential of our members because we do not want to change what we do. As my theme implies, the world will change regardless of our persistence to avoid its influence. Whether we, as a guild, flourish and maintain our remarkable accomplishments depends on our ability to adapt to a new environment and begin doing business differently.

Barbara Bradford  
President

## Quilters Calendar

**March 21** Needle Yakkers  
**March 22** Valley Quilters Guild Meeting 7 Hills Clubhouse 9:00 am  
**March 23** Workshop with Kathy Cardiff  
**March 28** Sew in Valley Wide Needle Yakkers  
**April 4** Needle Yakkers  
**April 11** Needle Yakkers and Board Meeting  
**April 18** Needle Yakkers  
**April 25** Needle Yakkers  
**April 26** Valley Quilters Scholarship Brunch, 7 Hills Clubhouse 9:00 am

## Programs

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This month our meeting is on March 22, with Kathy Cardiff presenting a lecture on wool appliqué. Then on Wednesday, March 23 the workshop will be making a Cottage Clutch, which is a wool appliqué project. I will bring the sample to the meeting to show in case anyone missed it. Due to cancellations, we still have spaces for additional attendees. Don't miss this opportunity for a taste of wool appliqué in a small project; it would be the perfect gift for a friend who loves sewing, quilting, or needlework.

No lecture or workshop in April, but it's not too early to start planning for a fun workshop on May 25: Stitch and Flip technique, Dresden Small & Simple. Sign up at the April meeting

## Membership

Nancy Alaksin, 2nd Vice President  
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Hi Valley Quilters!

We have 100 members of our guild as of the last count.

We have a new member Joann Gregory. Joann's information is in the new yearbook. Please be sure to say hello at our March meeting on March 22nd.

Don't forget to inquire about the new yearbooks. I have a lot to talk about so be sure to be there.

Thanks

## 2016 Honorary Member

Marianne Crouch recognized our new Honorary Member, Joan Door. Joan was thrilled to be given this honor. Thank you for your hard work.

### **Sunshine & Shadows**

Madelyn Flynn  
951-672-7232

Please send any sunshine or shadows information to my email: [madelyneflynn@gmail.com](mailto:madelyneflynn@gmail.com) or call.

In memory of Marie Lawrence, she passed away on March 1st, an absentee member.

### **Philanthropic**

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

We gave 7 Security Quilts to the Hemet Police Department early in March.

A "Sew In" is planned for March 28 from 9am to Noon. Coffee, water and tea will be available. Please bring a snack to share. We will have quilt kits that will be ready to sew and material ready to cut into kits. Please come and have a good time completing quilts to give away for both children and adults. Your help is very much appreciated.

### **Hospitality**

Lorie Mathis  
March Snack List

Johnnie D'Alessandro	Mickie Grant
Linda Brown	Carol & Chuck
Diane Elms	Elsie Bratcher
Cleta Colston	Becky Bashaw
Joan Dorr	

### **Scholarship Brunch List**

#### **Breakfast dish**

Jan Patton	Linda Snider
Sandra Daugherty	Debbie Campbell
Brenda Naragu	Charlene Bowman
Diane Best	Barbara Bradford

Joan Dorr

#### **Muffins & Bagels**

Helen Mitchell	Elsie Bratcher
Peggy Cordilla	Barbara Ragan
Cathy Parker	Chuck & Carol
Cleta Colston	Kathy Vitzmeyer
Nancy Smith	

#### **Fruit**

Mary Goodwin	Mary Myers
Mary Fidler	Shirley Mykris
Bev Wallace	Joan Torbett
Jenelle Pickett	Judy B
Mickie Grant	Kathy Barbay

#### **Juice (apple, orange, cranberry)**

Sue Leuschen	Madelyn Flynn
Nancy Witt	Roberta Plains
Wanda Souza	Linda Oles
Lola Beaty	Linda Card
Janie Currey	Nancy Alaksin

#### **Devil Eggs**

Veronica Batiz	Kathleen Reinders
Becky Bashaw	Marianne Crouch
Rosalie Reed	Juergen Roesle



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

"Happy Birthdays"



March 2016

- March 3 Pat Newsom
- March 12 Evelyn Eilers
- March 13 Charlene Bowman
- March 18 Bonny Tucker
- March 20 Doris Rogers
- March 21 Midge Kincaid
- March 28 Yvonne Pope

**Show & Tell**

Elsie Bratcher 951-929-5610

Please bring your items for the March meeting. We want to see what you are doing!

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|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Jenelle Pickett | Ducks Galore          |
| Joan Torbett    | Barn quilt            |
| Suzanne Wade    | 3 quilts from 1 ruler |
| Linda Snider    | Mystery quilt         |
| Shirley Mykris  | Calendar quilts       |
| Sue Leuschen    | Panel quilt           |
| Mickie Grant    | Baby quilt            |

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



Our fat quarter draw will be a little different this year. Just to mix it up a bit we are going to give ALL fat quarters to one lucky lady. That will give the winner the opportunity to make a whole quilt from what she gets. Please remember to use only quality fabrics (the kind you would like to get).

Since I don't think you can do quilt related things without m&m's, there will be a package in each basket along with a book or magazine. I know some of these are open for interpretation. Just have fun with it.

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| March     | green and gold                                |
| April     | pastel yellows and pinks                      |
| May       | Cinco de mayo colors (fiesta)                 |
| June      | Patriotic prints                              |
| July      | Christmas prints - red                        |
| 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

**SCCQG Representative**

Diane Best  
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Howdy to Valley Quilters

Here's what's happening in April thru June.

April 9- SCCQG (Southern Calif. Council of Quilt Guilds) is holding its annual Meet the Teachers Show at the Carson Community Center, 801 E. Carson St. Carson, Ca. guild members are invited to attend and preview what the teachers are offering for classes. Hmmmm, might be interesting.

Best of the Valley Quilt Show  
April 8 at McDermont Field House  
365 N. Sweet Briar, Lindsay, Ca

El Camino Quilter Quilt Show  
April 15 at QLN Conference Center  
1938 Avenida Del Oro, Oceanside

Quilting By the Sea  
April 22, 23 at Ventura County Fairgrounds  
10 W. Harbor Blvd. Ventura

Antelope Valley Quilt Show and Auction  
May 21 at Antelope Valley Fairgrounds  
2551 W./ Avenue H. Lancaster

Southern Calif. Quilters Run

June 16-19 and 23-26  
Go to [quiltersrun.com](http://quiltersrun.com) to download the stores and dates. This is also a nice listing of most of the quilt shops in So. Calif.



**2016 Ribbon Winners**

**Large Pieced**

- 1st Jacquie Buchanan
- 2nd Rose Rhoads
- 3rd Yvonne Pope

**Hand Quilting**

- 1st Rosalie Reed
- 2nd Kathy Votzmeyer
- 3rd Kathy Votzmeyer

**Small Pieced**

- 1st Marvel Dorf
- 2nd Cleta Colston
- 3rd Rose Rhoads

**Edge To Edge**

- 1st Lynette Harlan
- 2nd Nancy Williams
- 3rd Mario Salaga

**Hand Appliqué**

- 1st Karen Brandt
- 2nd Barbara Ragan
- 3rd Jeani Campbell

**Free Motion Custom**

- 1st Karen McTavish
- 2nd Diane Best
- 3rd Mary Ann Olsen

**Machine Appliqué**

- 1st Cleta Colston
- 2nd Janelle Johnson
- 3rd Lorie Mathis

**Comp.Asst.Custom**

- 1st Diane Best
- 2nd Chuck Anderson
- 3rd Diane Best

**Mixed**

- 1st Joan Torbett
- 2nd Joan Torbett
- 3rd Jeani Campbell

**Best of Show**

- Cindy De Wall
- "Fairy Waters"

**Innovative/Art**

- 1st Cindy De Wall
- 2nd Phyllis Binkley
- 3rd Linda Piraino

**President's Choice**

- Jacquie Buchanan
- "Blue Leave"

**Miniature**

- 1st Barbara Bradford
- 2nd Mary Myers
- 3rd Cindy Link

**Judge's Choice**

- Jeannie Lindbergh
- "Jennifer's Modern"

**Hand Embroidery**

- 1st Kathy Votzmeyer
- 2nd \_\_\_\_\_
- 3rd Belia Burgess

**Viewers Choice**

- Jacquie Buchanan
- "Blue Leave"

**Machine Embroidery**

- 1st Louise Mierzwik
- 2nd Alice Novak
- 3rd Marion Jonker

**Show Chair Choice**

- Jacquie Buchanan
- "Blue Leave"

**Group**

- 1st Rosalie Reed
- 2nd Mickie Grant
- 3rd Nancy Witt



Security Quilts Tied at the quilt show.



Our new Board for 2016/17



Snack Time at February meeting

**Valley Quilters**  
**c/o Clea Colston**  
**590 Olazabal Dr.**  
**Hemet, CA 92545**



**Remember to bring to the March Meeting:**  
Name Badge and Show & Tell Items,  
Green & Gold 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  
Hemet, CA  
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