

# Newsletter



**"Quilters affect eternity.  
They can never tell where their influence stops."**



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President's Message



Have you ever heard of Adult ADHD. Well, I think I will diagnose myself and say I have this symptom. I started decorating the day after Thanksgiving and have not completed it as of writing this article as I keep getting distracted and on to another task. I looked at my schedule and am still trying to figure out how I plan to get all done on my calendar. I'm sure that I am the only one with these thoughts. My brain says "Quilting is more fun! Just escape to your happy place!" Then I remember that there are many things that must be accomplished, so I look at that long list and begin to tackle the things to be done.

Now, we should, "Take a breath and stop to enjoy what part is decorated, enjoy fellowship of your family and friends and just remember what the season is all about." I have put some of my Christmas quilts around my house so I can enjoy seeing them and others that see them can enjoy them as well.

We have a lot of things happening in our guild as well. Our guild membership renewal is currently happening. We need to get these renewals as soon as possible as we need to know what volunteer position you would like to make our guild a success.

WOW, our quilt show is only 2 months away and the train has started. We have lots of quilt applications received and all the committees are ramping up to accomplish the task of inspiring others to want to learn the art of quilting. Please remember to sign up for several slots to make our show successful. It takes a village to make our show a success.

During this season, there are many people that have limited family around and it can be hard for them to maneuver through the holidays. If you know of someone that is having a hard time during these holidays, please think about sending them a card saying you are thinking of them.

Grace



### Programs

Mary Myers 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

**December** - Our Christmas luncheon with The Canyon Lake Choraleers coming to entertain us.

**January**- Can you believe it's Quilt Show time! January we will be spending time with all the different ways you can help make our Quilt Show the BEST ever.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me. 951-445-1745

### Christmas Luncheon

Deanna Coleman

Olive Garden will be catering our Christmas lunch.

2 red sauces, 1 white sauce, spaghetti and fettuccine, sausages, meatballs, and chicken; salad and breadsticks  
Hope to see you there!

### 2025 Valley Quilters Retreat

Mary Myers

March 3-6, 2025

Retreat is coming very soon, March 3, thru 6th 2025. It is our reward for working so hard on the Quilt Show. **Your balance is due by February 25th.**

**The amount due is \$398.00.** I am starting a waiting list. If anyone would like to be on that list, please let me know.  
951-445-1745

### Mini Quilt Raffle

It's MINI time everyone!!!

Let's keep the "mini quit raffle going!

Nancy Alaksin & Cheryl Enyeart

### Quilters Calendar

- Dec 16 9:00am **Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
- Dec 17 9:30am **VQ Guild Meeting** - Seven Hills/**Christmas Luncheon/Program**
- Dec 23 **No Needle Yakkers**-Valley Wide
- Dec 30 **No Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
- Jan 6 9:00am **Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
- Jan 7 **Mini Workshop/Heart Pattern**, 9:00am to 2:00pm Valley wide, Back Building
- Jan 8 **Pricing**, Sharon Brewers house, 8:30am - 11:30am
- Jan 13 9:00am **VQ Board Mtg** Valley Wide-Front building
- Jan 13 **No Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
- Jan 20 9:00am **Needle Yakkers SEW-IN** Valley Wide
- Jan 27 9:00am **Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
- Jan 28 9:30am **VQ Guild Meeting** Question/Answer 2025 Quilt Show

### List of Upcoming Quilt Events

Road to California, January 22-25, 2025  
See web site link below for more information  
<https://online.roadtocalifornia.com>  
Valley Quilters 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show, February 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
See link below for more information  
<http://www.valleyquilters.org/index.html>



## December 2024

|        |                 |
|--------|-----------------|
| Dec 5  | Carol Bassford  |
| Dec 7  | Sue Leudchen    |
| Dec 10 | Linda Wayment   |
| Dec 14 | Nancy Witt      |
| Dec 15 | Lylia Stagall   |
| Dec 15 | Lupe Torre      |
| Dec 16 | Sharon Brewer   |
| Dec 16 | Elaine Smith    |
| Dec 23 | Elaine Geometti |
| Dec 27 | Lisa Whaley     |
| Dec 29 | Suzanne Wade    |
| Dec 29 | Linda Darling   |

## January 2025

|        |              |
|--------|--------------|
| Jan 14 | Pat Spurgeon |
| Jan 16 | Joan Dorr    |
| Jan 18 | Linda Gunn   |
| Jan 18 | Ann Nicholas |
| Jan 18 | Diana Fish   |
| Jan 28 | Lori Frazier |

### Door Prizes

Diana Fish

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all our December people and a **MERRY CHRISTMAS** to all. Please remember your wrapped birthday present to add to our door prize table. Tickets are 7 for 5\$ and monies collected help pay the rent. When we work together, we all win. **Have a safe and Happy Holiday season.**

### Mini Workshops

Kathy Smigun

Meri Walker will be teaching us to make a fun heart quilt in January. Please mark your calendars for January 7, from 9am to 2pm, to join us at Valley wide and make this quilt. See you there!

We have no workshops scheduled after this one. Please bring your fun ideas to us so that we can schedule another mini-workshop for April!

### It's Membership Renewal time for 2025-26

Membership renewal is upon us for the 2025-26 year. Can you believe it?? Not me!

Membership cost is \$30.00. Please print the membership form from the link in the email or go to our website [valleyquilters.org](http://valleyquilters.org).

For the few members that are unable to print the membership form I will have a few forms available at our December 17th guild meeting.

Just put your signed membership forms and money in an envelope and turn them into me. Also, we need to have a signed waiver form on file each year, so please sure to sign that form as well.

Thank You!  
Lorie Mathis  
Membership Chair

## **2025 Quilt Show Acquisitions**

Mary Myers and Sue Roberts

Now that your quilt application has been turned into Mary and Sue for the 2025 Quilt Show there are some important dates to remember, as far as when to drop off your quilt(s) and when to pick them up.

Quilt entries need to be **dropped off** at

Valley Wide Recreation Center

901 W. Esplanade St, San Jacinto, Ca 92586

**Wednesday, February Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Between 8:30am and 11:30am**

Quilt entries will need to be **picked up** after the show

**Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**At 4:00pm**

**Quilts will not be released without the receipt you were given on Wednesday**

Mary and Sue would like to thank all of you who submitted quilts for our 2024 Quilt Show.

## **We Need your Quilting Donations**

Sharon Brewer

Don't forget as you are cleaning your sewing room to donate any quilt related items to be priced and sold at 2<sup>nd</sup> Time Around.

I can be contacted at

[clintsharon76@yahoo.com](mailto:clintsharon76@yahoo.com) or drop off at

2830 Jasmine Circle, Hemet

Thanks!

## **SCCQG**

Sally Hill

### **Quilts for Mountain Fire Victims**

The Camarillo Quilters Association is heading up a project to offer a free, homemade quilt to all people whose homes were destroyed in the recent **MOUNTAIN FIRE 2024** that burned down over two hundred homes in Camarillo, Somis, and Santa Paula.

The guild is requesting new quilts, lap size and bed size, which they will distribute at recovery events coordinated with Ventura County agencies.

Please contact [Patrice4CQA@yahoo.com](mailto:Patrice4CQA@yahoo.com) for further information. Camarillo Quilters Association, P.O. Box 347, Camarillo, CA 93011

## **2025 Quilt Show Baskets**

Johnnie D'Alessandro

**I need your help!**

The Guild needs **NEW** donated items for our 2025 Quilt Show Opportunity Baskets. Items will be accepted October 2024 thru January 2025. If you would rather donate thru your friendship group, I will need the baskets by January 2025.

Remember, new items only.

Any questions, please give me a call.



## Needle Yakkers

Philanthropy Projects

Comfort Quilts and Pillowcases

Jan Lawrence

We meet every Monday. **Except Board meeting days** or unless Valley Wide is closed for the holidays.

Valley Wide Regional Park

901 W. Esplanade Ave

San Jacinto, Ca. 92582

in Mobile #1

(Building behind the tennis courts).

Park in the back parking lot for easy access.

There is a ramp around the back. Sew, bring your machine and projects, let's sew!

**Mondays from 9AM to 12PM**

Remember to bring any completed comfort quilts and pillowcases to the meetings.

**Next Sew-In's**

**January 20, 2025**

**Counts as of December 2024**

Quilts 230. Pillowcases, 142, Dolls 97, Receiving Blankets 59. I am very proud of all the members who have participated in Needle Yakkers this year. If you haven't participated there is always next year! Everyone is always welcome to Yakkers. Thank you for all your Support!

## Sunshine & Shadows

Leslie Weidner

A Thinking of you card was sent to Max Plains, \$25 scholarship donation in the memory of Roberta Plains. Sympathy card was sent to Ronda McCord, Shirlyn Yates and Norm Buchanan for the loss of his wife and our long time guild member, Jackie Buchanan.



## Fat Quarter Fun

Edna Hornkohl and Vannarin Warner



December

Fat Quarter:

Stripes

## Philanthropic Quilt Tickets

Kathy Smigun

The Quilt Show and drawing of the lucky ticket to win the philanthropic quilt is coming soon! Thank you to the seventy guild members who have returned their ticket stubs and payment for their tickets. There is still time for you to turn yours in, if you haven't taken care of this obligation. Please help by contributing funds to the scholarships that we offer to community graduates to continue their education.

## 2024-25 Challenge

Nancy Witt

Please bring your **challenge quilters gift to this month to the December luncheon**. Wrap it like a present with the winner's name on the outside.

Please be prepared to give your present you made to the named quilter in front of the stage so that everyone can see the gift you made. This is a gift you made with love, and we all want to see the gifts. Plus, I want to take a group picture.

Hugs and Merry Christmas,  
Nancy Witt.

# Rose Rhoads & husband, November Quilts of Valor Highlights



## November Show and Tell

Kathy Ray

| <u>Name</u>                        | <u>Quilt Description</u> | <u>Quilter</u> |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Marianne Crouch                    | Aborigny Fabric          | Self           |
| Christmas Tree Class W Janell Lamb | Various                  | n/a            |
| Diana Fish                         | QOV #1-2-3-4.            | Self           |
| Grace Ward                         | Patriotic Poppies        | Self           |
| Mike Yeager                        | Seasonal Silhouettes     | Van Warner     |
| Judy Bjorklund                     | Flag Wall Hanging        | Self           |
| Elaine Geometti                    | BOM/Yoga Quilt           | Self           |
| Elaine Smith                       | Red, White & Blue        | Self           |
|                                    | Dr Seuss                 | Self           |
|                                    | BOM                      | Self           |
|                                    | Scraps                   | Self           |
| Leslie Weidner                     | Paper Dolls Quilt        | Self           |
| Kathy Smigun                       | Leaf Quilt               | Self           |
| Lori Frazier                       | Quilt                    | Lori Mathis    |

If you have something to share, please post on our Facebook page at **Hemet Valley Quilters** or bring to our next guild meeting, so that all can see.

## 2025 Quilt Show Decorations Needed

Candy Pellechio

With the Quilt Show quickly approaching, we all need to find decorating items you can loan to the guild to help decorate the show space. Pictures of a few items I have already received are below. Fake house plants or small fake trees can also be good. Items should be little. All contributions should be marked with masking tape or a tag with the owner's name and phone number.

Items need to be delivered and checked in no later than Thursday prior to the show and should be picked up after the show. You can also email me pictures of what you intend to loan the guild for the show.

Thanks for helping make the show a great one!

Please let me know if you have any questions.

[cepellec@gmail.com](mailto:cepellec@gmail.com)

908-601-4540



## New Friendship Group(s) Challenge

Suzanne Wade, Friendship Group Coordinator

May you all enjoy the Holidays to the fullest possible with friends, some of whom may be included in your Quilting Friendship Group and with your family whether near or far.

This is the time of year where we sometimes work frantically to finish our last minute projects or fill the house with the aromas of delicious cookies and goodies. Either way, we're in the spirit of giving, of warmth, of love and relaxing (in the end).

May this holiday warmth carry you through the winter and give you a break before once again we're on our toes and doing the deeds in preparation for our annual Quilt Show in February.

May we have another profitable year in 2025 - our show, and our friendships.

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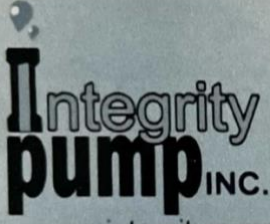
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**Remember to bring to the  
December meeting:**

Name badge, Show & Tell items, Fat Quarter: Stripes, \$20 value or more birthday gift, if it's your birthday this month. Any completed Comfort Quilts. Finally, money for 2025-26 Membership Renewal, Opportunity ticket funds, door prize tickets and Challenge Project.

**Valley Quilters Guild meets at  
9:30am on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each  
month (arrive a little early, if you  
want to visit before the meeting  
starts).**

**Location: Seven Hills Clubhouse  
3050 Jacaranda Way  
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**Website: [www.valleyquilters.org](http://www.valleyquilters.org)**