

Newsletter



"Quilters affect eternity.

They can never tell where their influence stops."



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President's Message



Life's Hiccups.....How do we handle them? Well, we can focus on the negative or look for the positive. Barry and I were blessed by our grandsons asking to go back to Mississippi to visit our relatives. Of course, one only wanted to fly (LOL) and the other two realized it was a road trip. Now that we have two 15 ½ year olds and a 9-year-old, getting a motel room that had two queens, and a hide a bed is difficult to do online. They want you to have two rooms if you have more than 4 people. Then you have the two 15 ½ year olds that are so entitled that they do not want to share a queen bed. (I think back to double beds when I was that age.) Across the United States, one only ate chicken strips and the other only a bacon cheeseburger.

We left on Tuesday with 2 and were to pick up the third child in New Orleans on Friday. Hiccup.... We stopped at a rest stop to use the facilities where they were washing the windows and concrete porch with soapy water. Everyone passed through before me to go inside and my feet go out from under me, and I went splat.... my thoughts....what if I have broken something and have to go to the hospital...we have to be at the airport in 4 hours to pick up third grandchild....we are in east Texas where we don't know anyone....then I said to myself....are you hurt....I did land on my side and there is a little pain, but I can walk so I'm good and blessed nothing is broken. We then went to the airport and picked up third grandson and ventured on to South Mississippi.

More Hiccups.....don't know about you, but I am around my grandsons quite a bit but have forgotten what it was to have them full time to be the person in charge. The original two brought new tennis shoes to a rainy muddy countryside. Now I'm off to the store to buy crocs. Next, I didn't realize the hollow legs they have and how much they snack and three personalities that do not like the same food or snacks. Good think they have stores to shop. Trying to balance meals when we are at family homes that are providing food trying not to hurt feelings as someone doesn't care for what is being put before them. Thank goodness for PB&J sandwiches.

My least favorite hiccup was laundry. They changed clothes 3 times daily. I did more laundry in the three weeks with them than I do in 3 months for Barry and me.

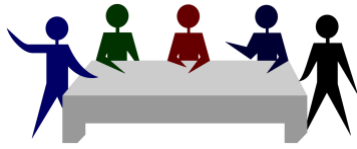
If asked, 'Would I do it again?', "ABSOLUTELY!!!" They were able to play with cousins, go fishing, go swimming, shop at a unique store called the Lucky Rabbit, do a swamp tour, (one went to the Manning Passing Academy) and visit with relatives that they would not be able to get to know. They were able to feel the love of extended family, as well as we made many memories that you cannot replace with an I phone, games or gift cards, and will be with them for many years to come.

Programs

Elaine Geometti
1st Vice President

July - Unseamly Affair presently by Ann Turley

August- Lori De Jarnett is presenting quilts from the past. Lori will also have items for sale the day of her presentation and on her website prior to the August guild meeting.



Mini Workshops

Mary Myers

I am happy to say the workshop for August 5 is full. The big bag workshops for October 7. I will have sign-up sheets at this month meeting being taught by Diana Fish learning machine appliqué. The price for a mini workshop is five dollars. What a deal.

Quilting Donations

Sharon Brewer

I am out of town until August. Please do not leave any donations on my front porch.

See you when I get back!



Quilters Calendar

Jul 21	Needle Yakkers Valley Wide
Jul 22	9:30am VQ Guild Meeting Ann Turley/An Unearthly event (Mystery Interaction)
Jul 28	9:00am Needle Yakkers Valley Wide
Aug 4	9:00am Needle Yakkers Valley Wide
Aug 5	9:00am Mini Workshop/Raw Edge Applique Valley Wide Back building
Aug 11	No Needle Yakkers Valley Wide
Aug 11	9:00am VQ Board Mtg Valley Wide-Front building
Aug 18	9:00am Needle Yakkers Valley Wide
Aug 25	9:00am Needle Yakkers Valley Wide
Aug 26	9:30am VQ Guild Meeting /Lorie De Jarnett/Quilts inspired by the past.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

July 2025

Jul	7	Juergen Roesler
Jul	7	Karen Van Hoosear
Jul	17	Deb Mitchell
Jul	18	Linda Brown
Jul	22	Carol Miller
Jul	22	Linda Snider
Jul	23	Mary Myers
Jul	24	Charlotte Hamade
Jul	25	Lu Majerus
Jul	26	Linda Card
Jul	29	Ginny Anderson

August 2025

Aug	2	Penny Beaulieu
Aug	6	Kendra Vito
Aug	6	Gloria Barela
Aug	10	Hortencia Roesler
Aug	14	Tawnya O'Herron
Aug	19	Mike Yeager
Aug	20	Suzie Barron
Aug	22	Karin Pavolvsky
Aug	25	Nancy Alaksin
Aug	30	Amy Mora

Door Prizes Diana Fish

To all our members who celebrate their birthday this month we hope you had a great HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

Please remember to bring in a wrapped gift worth about \$20.00, to the door prize table before 9am.

Bring it in early or late, we depend on these items to raise money for our guild.

Donations of new handcrafted sewing related items are also welcomed

Tickets are sold at \$1.00 per single and 7 tickets for \$5.00 with monies raised going to our general fund.



2027 Opportunity Quilt Cindy Link

Thank You to all the members who picked up a square for the 2027 Opportunity Quilt. Be sure and read all the instructions include in the zip lock bag.

Squares are due back to me at the July Guild Meeting.

SCCQG

Meri Walker

Nothing to Report.



Needle Yakkers, 9:00am to 12:00pm

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.

Thank you for all your Support!

Hospitality

Deanna Coleman

Lisa Whaley and I are working on a special project for the September Birthday Luncheon and need your help. We are looking for pictures of guild members and activities, especially from the 80s, 90s, and 2000s. **We would like to have these by the August meeting.** If you would be so kind as to go through your albums, maybe you know previous members, it would be greatly appreciated. Labeling them with names and dates, if possible, would be wonderful. Also, if you have any Fat Quarters you would like to donate that would be great, as well!

Friendship Groups

Donna Casoli

I am requesting that each Friendship Group please provide me with the following information so I can create a list of existing groups.

Group Name

Group Main Contact

Approximate Number of Members

City where meetings are held

Open or Closed Group

We have so many talented quilters sharing their ideas and love for our craft. Your groups can be an inspiration to others wanting to ask questions, join or start their groups!

Thank you,

Donna Casoli, djcasoli50@gmail.com

Valley Quilters Quilt Show 2026 Committee Chairs

Kim James Quilt Show Chair

951-237-5496

Opportunity Quilt

Amy Mora

Acquisitions/Programs/Judge

Mary Myers & Sue Roberts

Quilt Tickets

Lupe Torres

Vendors/Door Prizes

Diana Fish

Opportunity Baskets

Johnnie D'Alessandro & Linda Card

Decorations

Candy Pellechio

Comfort Quilts

Jan Lawrence

2nd Time Around

Sharon Brewer

Consignment

Janet Swindell & Pat Spurgeon

Kitchen

Charlotte Morton, Nancy
Alaksin
& Carol Miller

Publicity

Virginia Peckham

Announcer

Judy Adams

Volunteer Job Sign-Up

Nancy Witt & Penny Beaulieu

Featured Quilter

Kathy Barbay

List of Upcoming Events

Summer Fun on the 2025 SoCal Quilters Run

July 17th-20th

Thursday-Saturday 9:00am to 6:00pm

Sun 10:00am to 4:00pm

For information: QUILTERSRUN.com

Fallbrook Quilt Guild

Quilted Treasures Quilt Show

November 7-8, 2025

10:00am to 4:00pm

For Information: fallbrookquiltguild.com

ROAD2CA 2026

January 21-24, 2026

For Information: www.road2ca.com

Trips

Becky Miller

There will be a sign-up sheet for the **Hoffman Fabric Tour, Friday, October 17, at the July meeting.** Space is limited to 35. I know this is far in advance. Mark your personal calendar now so you won't miss this opportunity. You may cancel later.



2026 Valley Quilters Retreat Mary Myers

We are getting excited for the new Oak Glen Retreat coming up October 13. I will be collecting money for the final payment at the July & August meetings. Final payment will be at the September Guild meeting at that meeting. Kathy Barbay will be collecting the money. The balance is \$285. Our March retreat at the Nunnery still has openings we would love for some of our new people to get to come and join us. It's a great time to get to know people and sew with all your new friends. The price is \$600.

If you have any questions about the retreats, please contact me.

Thanks Mary Myers

Myers244@gmail.com or 951-445-1745



Fat Quarter Fun

Judy Adams & Candy Pellechio



July

Fat Quarter:

Fall Colors

June Show and Tell

Janet Swindell

<u>Name</u>	<u>Quilt Description</u>	<u>Quilter</u>
Barbara Mages	Cat Beach	Self
Donna Casoli	None	N/A
Linda Bretton	Silent Night	Self
Kathy Silva	Rustic Garden	Self
Liz Lehner	Flower	Self
Mini Workshop Group	Various	N/A
Lorie Mathis	N/A	Self
Becky Miller	Graduation Quilt	Diana Fish
	3 Hawaiian Pillows	Doris Miller (mother)
Elaine Geometti	Dog Quilt	Self
Sandi Sheridan	Aloha Shirts	Self
Ann Nichols	Quilt of Valor	N/A

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.



Membership

Lorie Mathis

Our membership is at 101 members.

Please welcome:

No new members for June

Mini Quilt Raffle

It's MINI time everyone!!!

Let's keep the "mini quit raffle going!

Nancy Alaksin & Cheryl Enyeart



Sunshine & Shadows

Leslie Weidner

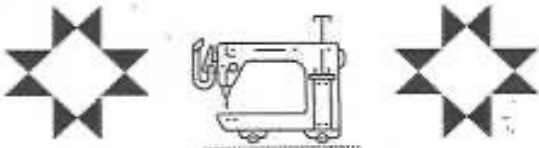
Sympathy to: Jesse and Cory Van Eman for the loss of their wife & mother, Wendy.

Get well to: Linda Card for hip replacement surgery.

Thank You to: Sonia Alamina for donations from her mother's boxes of sew & craft materials.



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Becky Miller has published two books.
Hoosier Daughter is an early life memoir told in short stories.
Cat-astrophic: the Totally Varnished Truth About Cats is a delightful "tail" for all cat lovers.
Available on Amazon. or directly from Becky.

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**Remember to bring to the
July meeting:**

Name badge, Show & Tell items, Fat Quarter: Fall Colors, \$20 value or more birthday gift, if it's your birthday this month. Also, any completed Comfort Quilts. Finally, money for 2025-26 Opportunity Tickets (\$25), \$120.00 deposit, if you plan on attending the 2026 Retreat, Mini Workshop \$\$, and door prize ticket money.

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

**Location: Seven Hills Clubhouse
3050 Jacaranda Way
Hemet, Ca.**

Website: www.valleyquilters.org