

South Bay Quilters Guild

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President's Corner

I've been quilting for many years now and early on, it was drummed into my head to make labels for everything I made. In the beginning I used fabric markers, then I moved on to embroidery, but the real epiphany came with printing them on the printer-ready fabric. I could easily put all the info I wanted, even photos if it was relevant. The thing I hate, though, is that the fabric is so hard to needle. I would end up stabbing myself and getting really frustrated. One night, I was facing 2 labels to sew on and not looking forward to it. Lying next to them on the table were leftover facing scraps. The light bulb finally went on after probably 10 years. I sewed the scraps around the label like a border and then I had an easy time sewing on that label. An old dog CAN learn new tricks!

By the time we meet again, the quilt show will be behind us, but right now everyone is working really hard to get everything in place. If you find you have some extra time, I'm sure Julie has a million little tasks that need to be done. Something everyone can do is to help spread the word. E-mail your friend circle, invite your neighbor or even mention it to your hair dresser. You'll never know where you'll find that closet quilter and it will be a fabulous show.

Alex and Donna

Guild Meeting

St. Andrew's
Presbyterian Church
301 Ave D, Redondo
Beach

**February 20th,
2018**

Doors open 6:00pm
Meeting at 7:00pm

Viewer's Choice Awards!


Hospitality

Refreshments will be served at the guild meeting at 6:30pm.

Let them eat CAKE!

Cake shall be served at the meeting.

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Upcoming Workshops & Speakers

Melanie Dreike & Sue Glass

Welcome to February! It is the month of love and personally I love that our show is in February. As you are all busily getting your quilts ready with the last-minute binding, sleeve and labels with visions of viewer's choice ribbons. Let's reflect a bit on our January meeting. Mike McNamara was fantastic, and we are so happy to hear that so many of you enjoyed his time with us. I have a photo that has yet to be released as I wanted all of you to enjoy it first. Hopefully it brings a smile to your face.



Our co-presidents Alexandra Tsubota, Donna Bowker with Megan Tsubota

At our February meeting we will be showing off Viewer's Choice winners, so we will not have a speaker. March brings us Jacquie Gering who will be joining us for a lecture, "You'll Know a Modern Quilt When You See It" and two workshops; "Slice & Insert" and "Scrappy Improvisation" (see the workshop article for location of workshops). Long Beach Modern Quilt Guild, our co-hosts will be joining us for our lecture and workshops. Please greet them and make them feel welcome. Hopefully we will also see visitors from other guilds!

See you soon!

Melanie Dreike, melaniedreike@gmail.com or 310-214-2175

Upcoming Workshop News

Workshop Information:

March Workshops with Jacquie Gering:

The **March 21** workshop "Slice and Insert: and the **March 22** workshop "Scrappy Improvisation" have filled. We are taking names for a waitlist for each of these workshops so see Sue Glass at the workshop table to add your name to either list. No payment is required until we can offer you a seat in the workshop.

A reminder to those taking the workshops: We are offering lunch each day for \$12, and we need your order with payment by March 1. We strongly recommend you order a lunch with us or bring your own as there are few places to get lunch close to the TCAC Rec Center. No lunches will be available for purchase at the workshops. Email Sue or visit the workshop table in February if you need a lunch form.

The March workshops will be held at the Torrance Recreation Center Auditorium. Private Source Quilting will set up their booth to provide any supplies you might need. Guild members are welcome to shop either day.

April 18, 2018 – Shirley McGuire will bring her expertise to share on the topic of "Felting, Reclamation, & De-constructing Wool for Applique." She will have three small projects for class participants to work on during the class to help us learn her techniques.

Class fee is \$50.00.

There is also a **kit fee of \$20** payable the day of the April workshop. The kit includes all materials needed to complete the three small projects presented in class.

May 16, 2018 – Beading Embellishment with Lisa Walton. Lisa says: "Just what you need – another obsession! This one-day workshop will teach the basics of bead embroidery and variations including attaching cabochons. The sampler made in class will be the starting point for many wonderful future projects as well as a piece of art in itself. As an added bonus you will also make a beaded button using your new-found beading skills."

Class Fee is \$50 with a kit fee of \$25 payable the day of the workshop.



Happy Valentine's Day!!

Quilt Show 2018- Julie Limbach Jones- "CONTRAST" Feb. 17-18,2018
Quilt show website: sbqg2018quiltshow.weebly.com

We are set for an exciting show with a new look! We have a new show layout this year and hanging more quilts than we have in a long time. The food court will feature BBQ salads and sandwiches with other goodies. We will have our first consignment booth, a new location for auction quilts, and more! Preview the menu on line and submit pre-orders at www.mkt.com/gse/

Please double check your acceptance letter for instructions on preparing your quilt for hanging and **drop-off/pick-up information**.

You should have already received your first **staffing reminder** email and a follow-up will come 3 days before your shift. (Those without email will receive a phone call or letter). Friday workers, we will have a pizza break in the food court area about 6:00pm. Saturday and Sunday workers, please be sure to check in at the Garden Room before your shift starts.

Morning workers, free coffee is available in the food court if you show your badge (before 10am).

Remember to stay in your area until your relief arrives so we are always covered. And please be courteous and **follow the instructions** of your area's chair. Even if you've done the job before, there may be new procedures.

If you have not yet turned in your **Opportunity Quilt ticket** stubs, money and unsold tickets, please return them to Nancy Jengo ASAP. We need to have all sold tickets in the drum for the drawing! While you are at the show this year, note what you like, suggestions for improvement and your overall impressions. I would love your **feedback** so we can continue to improve our show.

Our **wrap-up** meeting will be the **February** Guild meeting just 2 days after the show closes. We won't have our financial data finalized yet, but we will be celebrating our show, honoring the committee who worked hard to bring the show together, awarding Viewer's Choice ribbons and presenting the Opportunity Quilt to the winner. And there will be **cake!**

Please don't hesitate to call me 310.413.4316 over show weekend for any questions or issues and have a great time!



TRAVEL -Eva Killingsworth

What a wonderful trip we had to Road to California on January 20th! Many thanks to all our participants for being so cooperative and timely, especially where carpooling and punctuality were concerned. You were and are an awesome group!

QuiltCon (a Modern Quilt Guild presentation) will be held in Pasadena, Feb 22-25, the week after our own show. Stephania Bommarito still has a few seats available on her van for Saturday, the 24th, and one of our members is looking for a ride on Thursday. Please let me know if you need a ride or are willing to take a passenger. Stephania is also accepting passengers for the Friendship Square Quilt Guild Quilt Show on March 10 in La Habra.



2018-02 Findings February

1. Here are posts from the same day on two different blogs, showing quilts with houses and buildings. The first is from a guild challenge:

<https://funwithbarbandmary.blogspot.com/2017/11/2017-bsq-quilt-show-part-2.html>

And the second shows two large quilts displayed in Houston, one by Swiss quiltmakers, the other by Mexican quiltmakers:

<https://gladiquilts.wordpress.com/2017/11/22/november-22-2017-my-quilt-is-in-quiltmania-magazine-pics-from-a-special-exhibit-in-houston/>

2. WW BOM This simple block from Em's Scrapbag is made with 2.5" strips. The blocks finish at 6" and have a bright parallelogram on a light background. You could use many 2.5" x 6.5" scraps of red, blue and gold, and a variety of lights for the backgrounds. Set the quilt 8 blocks by 13 blocks to get 48" x 78". Make the binding from even more 2.5" scrap strips. The first photo on this page shows a finished quilt (click to enlarge):

<http://emsscrapbag.blogspot.com/2017/11/thankful.html>

Em's tutorial is here:

<http://emsscrapbag.blogspot.com/2017/10/a-little-healing-sewing-with-tutorial.html>

3. Elizabeth Eastmond shops for fabric in Tokyo:

<https://opquilt.com/2017/11/23/shopping-for-fabric-in-tokyo-part-i/>

To see the other posts about her trip, at the bottom of each page, beneath the "Enter your comment" box, click the link with the arrow pointing to the right.

4. Gayle from Mangofeet cut her own rotary templates in the custom shapes she needed:

<http://mangofeet.blogspot.com/2016/09/glitter-glitter-everywhere.html>

Be sure to read the comments. One commenter suggested an Olfa tool, probably their "Plastic/Laminate Scorer".

5. I use a couple of vintage sewing machines, the models I learned to sew on as a child in the 1940s. I belong to the Vintage Singers Yahoo Group. A member said, "When turning a corner, it makes a diagonal stitch instead of having the stitches at a sharp right angle to each other."

Bill, the moderator, replied, "Common problem for many operators, Karen. The problem is that you are turning the fabric in the middle of the hook trying to grab the loop, so it turns the loop away from the hook and drops that stitch. The trick is to make the turn before the loop starts to form. To do this, do not sink the needle way down. Just lower the needle until the point is in the fabric, raise the foot, turn the corner, lower the foot, and THEN take the needle the rest of the way down/up to complete the corner stitch."

While practicing walking foot quilting with my Viking (my seldom-used youngest machine aged 25 years), I was getting diagonal stitches when I used Needle Down at a corner. I tried Bill's hint, using the hand wheel to lower the needle just enough, instead of using Needle Down, and it works perfectly.



Community Services- *Nadine Kirk & Jenifer Briggs*

Community Services has so much important information to share, more information will be on the next page!

SANTA ROSA FIRE VICTIMS. Thank you again to everyone who has helped with pillowcases, quilts and quilt blocks for the Santa Rosa Fire victims! The group Happiness is a Warm Quilt is continuing to distribute quilts and pillowcases. As of the most recent delivery over 1,000 pillowcases had been given out to schools, and they ran out of pillowcases at the last school they visited; there are still more schools for them to visit. Over 100 quilts have been distributed, and there is a wait list, especially for larger queen/king size quilts.

THOMAS (VENTURA/SANTA BARBARA COUNTIES) FIRE VICTIMS. Road to California donated a booth to the Ventura Modern Quilt Guild. Here is a summary, edited from their email through SCCQG:

- The booth at Road to California was an unqualified success! Thank you to all those who contributed to the project.
- Over 130 visitors signed in (and many who preferred to remain anonymous).
- Road patrons donated *hundreds* of blocks, 40 tops and 75 *finished* quilts!
- Road vendors brought bolts of fabric, yardage to make backing, a full bolt of batting and patrons brought partial bolts.
- Generous quilters provided \$1250 in cash donations, to be used for more batting and printing labels.
- Tin Lizzie allowed the use of their long arm machines to quilt two Thomas Fire quilts during the show.
- There were numerous leads on long arm quilters willing to help. This stage may prove to be a big challenge: getting all these tops quilted. If you know of any long arm quilters who could help quilt a few of the quilts for VMQG please ask them to contact Georganna Hawley at communications@venturamodernquiltguild.com.
- VMQG is hosting Sew-Ins in the Ventura area on Saturdays and Sundays through February. If you can help, please contact Georganna at the email address above.
- VMQG also received the names of many individuals and families impacted by the fire and mudslide.
- Your help with this project has been invaluable. We've also talked about how we can help others responding to a disaster response. It's been, and continues to be, a learning experience like no other any of us have had.

The VMQG website (www.venturamodernquiltguild.com) has a couple of pictures of completed quilts posted in their blog section. Please also visit the **Superbuzzy Quilt Shop in Ventura** website for more details on how you can help. <http://www.superbuzzy.com/help-the-thomas-fire-victims.htm>

Here is an update on what our members are doing to help:

SANTA ROSA FIRE VICTIMS:

- We have 63 more pillowcases ready to deliver, adding to the previous deliveries of 7 quilts, 5 crocheted baby blankets and 146 pillowcases.
- The first SBQG group quilt (red hearts and blue log cabins) is being quilted.
- **Last call** for blocks for the second SBQG group quilt (same heart block as the first quilt but using flower fabric) -- **please bring your completed blocks to the February meeting.**



Community Services Continued – Nadine Kirk & Jenifer Briggs

THOMAS FIRE VICTIMS:

- Pam Overton coordinated very productive workshops at AAA Sewing & Fabric to make Perkiomen Valley Blocks (thank you to Pam, AAA and all the attendees!). Some kits were available to make the blocks, and instructions for the block are posted on the Guild website.

Community Services will continue to collect pillowcases and finished quilts for both groups of fire victims. We will also collect completed blocks for the Perkiomen Valley Block.

QUILTER AVAILABLE FOR CHARITY QUILTS. Reminder: Our member Kellie Rollo-Fireman has kindly offered to do quilting on her new long-arm machine FOR FREE on charity quilts! Kellie can be reached at: Kelarcher501@gmail.com or 310-948-3330. Thank you Kellie!

We also have fabric for Wounded Warrior quilts, backs for WW quilts, and batting available. Please let Arlene Zobrist, Nadine Kirk or Jenifer Briggs know if you need batting for a WW or RMAQ.

Thank you for all that you do to help those in need, it is much appreciated.

Philanthropy Nominations. Each year we ask our members to nominate local charities that will be considered for philanthropy awards from the Guild budget. Nominated charities are not restricted exclusively to the South Bay area, but we do encourage members to consider charities that support our local communities and those where our members reside.

Nominations will be accepted from February to the close of the April guild meeting. The Philanthropy Nomination form is posted in the Member's Only section of our website and is attached to this newsletter. As required by our Guild bylaws, nominated charities must be IRS-designated non-profit organizations. Members who wish to submit a nomination must provide the completed Philanthropy Nomination form **and** provide **either of the following with their form:** a copy of the organization's IRS letter of designation or their tax ID number.

In order to be accepted for consideration, the completed Philanthropy Nomination form **must also include the following information**, which is highlighted on the form:

The name of a contact at the organization, their address, telephone, and e-mail address (if possible). This information is used by the Guild treasurer in reporting Guild donations to the IRS and the state.

A description of what the charity does for the community and how donated funds will be used.

We will compile a list of the nominated charity organizations, along with a description of their activities, for review by the Board and inclusion in the May newsletter. The membership will vote on the nominated charities at the May Guild meeting, and the voting results will be presented to the Board at the June Board meeting. At that time, the Board will review the voting results and determine which charity(ies) will receive funds from the Guild budget. If multiple charities are selected, the philanthropy budget (as determined at the May Board and Guild meetings) will be allocated by the Board based on the voting preferences of the Guild. The Board's recommendation will be presented to the Guild at the June meeting and the Guild will vote on the final award amounts.

Please send completed Philanthropy Nomination forms to nadinekirk@socal.rr.com and hermosabriggs@gmail.com, or turn them in to Jenifer or Nadine at the Guild meeting. Contact either if you have any questions.



*Intra-Guild -
Stephania Bommarito & Red Winter*



UFQ Jungle (Un Finished Quilts)

Now that our 2018 quilt show will have come to fruition and the winners will have been announced, we are all figuring out the next quilt(s) to make. One cool solution is to locate the Un-Finished quilts in your studio. The UFQ Jungle Challenge is still open for all members to sign up. The logical step to ensure these quilts are completed is to bring in your UFQs list to the meeting. The UFQ form is found at the Intra-guild table. Once you finish UFQs, (including top done, quilted & bound) bring them in to receive an “It’s really finished!!!” coupon. All quilts, including Wounded Warrior quilts, Read-me-a-quilts, workshop projects, or any other quilt projects, are candidates for the points. It’s not too late to join in with fellow members in the jungle. June is the month when there will be a drawing for a grand gift presented to a participant. What??? It’s a marvelous mystery; only the jungle animals know what it is!



SBQG Kingdom of Quilted Creatures!

The February is our quilt show celebration meeting. Thus, the Creatures are going to kick back so they can applaud the hard of the guild to make the show such a success and the many winning quilts. All patterns will be available again at the March meeting.



Zoo work

Where are the February Zoo Creatures Found? – The Asian continent is where we find incomparable animals who will be appearing at the Intra-guild table.



Kingdom of Quilted Creatures Mission – All the animals have an enchanting idea of what to do with the all appliqué patterns that have been appearing at the meeting this year. Everyone from the cats to the armadillos are planning on appearing in colorful ways with the help of all our guild members. At the March meeting, they will share their new mission. It’s going to be a BiGGie!!!

Would you like to be a Quilt Guild Friendship Ambassador?



Carolee Schuegraf has offered to invite new members and those who come to the meeting alone to sit with her. She’s asked Pat and Marie at the Membership Table to steer those people to her seat. Are you willing to do the same? Volunteer by telling Pat and Marie where you are sitting! Perhaps introduce your seat mates to a few others in the Guild or explain a little about some of the tables around the room. We want our Guild to be warm and friendly to newcomers and those who don’t yet know many members. Thank you for considering extending a helping and welcoming hand!

Quilts for Wounded Warriors

Arlene Zobrist 310-543-5302



This lovely patriotic quilt was donated by Martha Smith of Whittier, and it is the 50th quilt for wounded warriors that she has made and brought to us. In addition to all 50 being different designs, Martha's trademark is putting an interesting and colorful backing on each quilt. Some of the backs are so pretty that I suspect the warrior will use it as the front. She has had each quilt professionally quilted and delivers them to me personally. Kudos to Martha for her patriotism and generosity!

We often get donations of fabric and batting, so please don't hesitate to contact me if you need backings or batting. We currently have a large roll of 80/20 batting, and I also keep some precut to the size of our warrior quilts. If you need help

with the quilting, one of our guild members has a new long-arm machine and has been generously donating her services for our community services quilts. Hope you can stop by our display at the quilt show to see all the wonderful outreach work done by our guild.

Requirements:

Size: 48" by 78" (stretcher size)

All cotton (including batting, 80/20 acceptable)

Appropriate patriotic theme/design

Optional: Pillowcase, 20"x30", coordinating fabric



Read Me a Quilt- Julie Maas

We are off to a great start for the year, there were 5 quilts turned in at the January meeting! Many thanks to Karen Rakita (3 quilt and book), Bonnie Tigner (quilt and book), and Nadine Kirk (quilt, pillowcase and book). The CASA members are very appreciative of everyone's generosity and efforts for the foster children, who range in age from infants/toddlers to 21 years old.

The Read Me a Quilt Program is an ideal opportunity to play with fabric and try out new ideas and easy patterns to make quilts that look more complicated than they are. As a reminder, the quilts should be sized to wrap around a child (large or small, young to high school age/early adulthood). A good starter size for a young child is 40"x48" (a setting of 5x6 blocks, or 30, 8" blocks, or a panel with borders), or 50" x 60" for an older child. Quilts are welcome up to a generous lap-size (or twin for young adults). And check the Guild website for books that are available to inspire you and to donate.

We will have more RMAQ projects at the Community Outreach booth at the Show.

Please contact Nadine Kirk for more detailed information, or any help, at:
nadinekirk@socal.rr.com or 310/328-6552 (home) or 310/730-3402 (cell).

Thank you again for your continued support of CASA/RMAQ!

The Comfort Project

Submitted by Mary Shadbourne, Coordinator

mshadbourne@socal.rr.com 310.612.4180 talk or text

The Comfort Project is part of SBQG Community Services.

Yes, we're having a sweatshop this month! Please join us.

SWEATSHOP INFORMATION: The second Tuesday of the month, February 13, 2018. This is the only two hours during the month that we can come together and sandwich 60 or more comfort quilts, assembly line style. If you're new to the guild, sweatshop is a perfect place to meet other members in a smaller group setting. Check it out. Levy Adult School, 3420 West 229th Place, Torrance, 7 to 9p, Room 6, just off the south parking lot, close to the office. A few of us will be there to greet you. No quilting skills required! Items to bring to sweatshop (all optional):

- Scissors for trimming
- A chopstick for turning
- Your sewing machine for sewing around pinned quilt sets.

There will be no silent auction items for the February meeting. Hopefully, you'll have satisfied your auction fever at the quilt show Sunday, 2/18/18 at 1pm. Come one, come all!



Sunshine & Shadow



Sunshine - Our Quilt Show is just days away!!

Shadow -It is with sadness we are informing you that former member Ruther Tanner passed away on January 28th.

Reminders for the Guild Meetings

- * Your Badge
- * Your Show and Tell Items
- * Your Read Me a Quilt and/or Wounded Warrior Quilt Donations
- * Finished Comfort Quilt tops or tied quilts
- * Your donation to the St. Andrews Food Panty (Fruit and meat canned goods)
- * Cake will be provided.
- * Bring your checkbook or your credit card to pay for your membership renewal, silent auction winnings, and future workshops
- * Bring a little cash to cover library raffle tickets.

Happy Birthdays!

February

1 Robyn Wilkes
 4 Mary Jane Jewell
 6 LaVerne Owen- Barakat
 8 Mary Ann Santos
 13 Ethie Wilson
 14 Linda Chow
 15 Red Winter
 15 Donna Berardo
 16 Anne Wallace
 18 Alex Tsubota
 20 Nancy Payne
 22 Rita Wagstaff
 25 Lenna Harnett

SBQG Quilt Show / Profit & Loss Jan 1-29, 18

			Jan 1 - 29, 18
	Income		
		Opportunity Quilt Pattern Sales	180.00
		Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales	1,273.00
		Vendors	315.00
	Total Income		\$ 1,768.00
	Expense		
		Acquisitions	378.12
		Hanging	13.49
		Money boxes - set up cash	5,540.00
		Printing -Op Quilt Pattern	100.94
		Total Printing	100.94
		Security	750.00
	Total Expense		6,782.55
Net Income			\$ (5,014.55)

Guild Calendar - February

Feb 6th, 2018	Quilt Show Committee at Sizzler near intersection of Sepulveda and Maple – Dinner at 6:00. Board Meeting to follow. All members welcome to attend
Feb. 20 th , 2018	Guild meeting at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 301 Avenue D, Redondo Beach, Doors open at 6:00 pm. Meeting begins at 7:00 pm

Treasurer- Pam Overton

January 2018		
	Ordinary Income/Expense	
	Income	
	Amazon Earnings	11.67
	Auction at Mtg to Benefit Guild	306.00
	Christmas Dinner	25.00
	Guest Fees	20.00
	Interest Income	0.10
	Membership Dues	135.00
	Trip Fees	155.00
	Workshop Fees	284.00
	Total Income	936.77
	Expense	
	Door Prizes/Awards/Gifts	60.93
	Hospitality	32.81
	Insurance	10.00
	merchant fee	109.99
	Newsletter	95.39
	Postage/Delivery	108.00
	Programs / Workshops	
	miscellaneous (meals, etc.)	14.00
	Speaker Fees	500.00
	Speaker Travel	351.78
	Workshop Room Rental	1,200.06
	Total Programs / Workshops	2,065.84
	Room Rental	300.00
	Travel	410.00
	Treasurer Expenses	21.94
	Website	266.86
	Total Expense	3,481.76
	Net Ordinary Income	-2,544.99
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- Road to California, Saturday, January 20, 2018 – San Diego departures only
- Temecula Quilt-Away Retreat – February 22-25, 2018 - SOLDOUT
- 2018 Quilt Adventure – St. Louis and Paducah, September 10-15, 2018

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