



Santa Monica Quilt Guild

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No meeting on April 1

President's Comments

Hello Quilters!

So sorry to report that our April meeting must be cancelled. Hopefully we can reschedule Dora in the future. We will let you know about May.

Philanthropy Sewing Night was a grand success! Remember all those 9 Patches you made? Most are now sewn together and quilted. I have 3 that I will photograph and send to Emily for the website. Since we have no meeting, send her photos of how you are spending your time or any charity quilts you've finished. Show and Tell!

Regarding our fabric sale at the Council Meeting April 18, that has been cancelled, too. Rescheduled for September 12. Put that date on your calendar.

Keep calm and quilt on!

Kennalee

President – Kennalee Mattson

Program

As you know, we have cancelled the April guild meeting because of the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic. With everyone sheltering at home, we have lots of time to work on some of the UFOs we all have lurking in our sewing rooms. I certainly have my share, but we thought wouldn't it be fun to work on a project together and share what we're doing on our website and on Facebook. So far our little group is 14 strong. Actually, the "little group" has expanded to three guilds – SMQG, SBQG, and Westside and we are now approaching 40 people! They have been given the fabric and cutting requirements and will begin receiving the sewing steps shortly. There's still time to join us. SMQG is hosting the cost of \$6 per person. All you have to do is select your fabrics from your stash or take advantage of the Sewing Arts Center online sale (40% off). Watch our Facebook page and website for real-time progress updates! It's not too late for you to join in!

We're working with Dora Cary to reschedule her visit to SMQG. Sue Rasmussen is our scheduled May speaker. We hope by then to be out from under "social distancing" but we're taking a wait-and-see approach. Sue is planning to present a trunk show of her work and her lecture, *A Desperate Housewife's Quilt Journey*. She is also offering a half-day workshop, Quilting 101A – What You Need to Know! The workshop is scheduled for Wednesday before the guild meeting. Contact Aileen Cooke to sign up for the workshop.

Program Chairs- Aileen Cooke and Pam Overton

Ways & Means

As you know, there will be no April Guild Meeting. This would be a great time to either clean out your sewing area and/or finish some UFO's. So far, I've managed to put bindings on 9 quilts and started working on my own version of a project I saw on Pinterest (Perla).

Stay well, stay healthy and we hope to see you all at our May Guild Meeting.

Perla Rothenberg, Keiko and Ron Tapp

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QUILTCON 2020

The Modern Quilt Guild held its annual show (Quiltcon) in Austin, Texas in February. Inspiration was everywhere, including old and new trends. Amish quilts (a major source of design for modern quilts) demonstrated clean design using only a few basic colors. New trends were large cross-stitches on top of piecing, and big quilting stitches with thick thread.

One of my favorite quilts was "Justice Everywhere" by Vasudha Govindan. She used squares of hot pink to spell out a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King in Braille. The quote is "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere".

In addition, she used trapunto (two extra layers of wool batting behind the pink squares) to raise the design so that it could actually be read by touch. Part of why I liked this quilt is the excellent color contrast between the hot pink squares and the black background. While the minimalism of the graphic design appealed to me, reading the explanation of the quilt touched my heart.

The legendary classes at Quiltcon allow everyone to study with the top teachers. That's one of the major benefits of going to an important show. Since I had limited time, I only signed up for lectures. The lecture by Teresa Duryea Wong opened my mind to minimalism in the rest of the art world, and gave me ideas about how to keep my own designs to the essentials while still having an impact on the viewer.

To see more quilts from Quiltcon, check out the Los Angeles Modern Quilt Guild page on Facebook. All of the photos I took are in the Quiltcon 2020 album, and I took close-ups of outstanding examples of quilting as well.

The next Quiltcon will be in Atlanta, Georgia in 2021. When I visit, I'm planning to see all the Martin Luther King historical venues. Plus, I'm looking forward to seeing the latest trends.

Submitted by Betsy Barker

Vice President

Thanks to all of the members who submitted 4 & 9 Patches to create quilts for charity at our impromptu Sew-In at the March meeting. We will have created at least 10 quilts for philanthropic distribution. Folks had some fun and got very creative with the blocks and we have some very nice looking quilts for gifting. Thanks to all of those who showed up and participated.

SCCQG Representative News: The Council meeting has been cancelled. See the President's message for details.

Vice President – Olivia Carnahan

Website

I continue to update the website for your viewing pleasure. Let me know if there is anything specific you would like to see on it.

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Webmistress – Emily Watts

Birthdays – April

Jo	Hearn	1 April
Bobbie	Blake	15 April
Ron	Tapp	22 April
Sylvia	Henry	27 April

Meeting Minutes

SMQG General Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2020

Quilt guild members gathered beginning at 4:00 pm to work on philanthropy quilts. The philanthropy night was moved up from June due to the fact that the evening's speaker had to cancel her presentation. The business meeting was called to order by President Kennalee Mattson at 7:05 pm.

Olivia Carnahan moved and Pam Overton seconded a motion to approve the February 2020 general meeting minutes as published in the March 2020 newsletter. Bobbie Blake moved and Olivia Carnahan seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as published in the March 2020 newsletter. Both motions were approved.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Sally Madigan reported the guild now has 56 members.

Vice President: Olivia Carnahan reminded members of the April 18 Council meeting. Members are needed to help sell fabric for our guild. Details are in the newsletter.

Newsletter: No report

Hospitality: Betsy Barker and Sheila thanked all who brought refreshments.

Philanthropy: Luann thanked those who came for philanthropy night. The food bank donation items for April will be canned goods.

Ways and Means: Due to the philanthropy sew-in, there were no fabric/magazine sales or raffle.

Website: Emily Watts was not at the meeting, but Kennalee reported that she now has the membership list on the website with members only access. Kennalee passed out the password information to those present.

Programs and Workshops: Pam Overton indicated that Dora Cary will be the speaker at the April 1 meeting with a workshop the following day.

Show and Tell: Members who shared their quilts and projects were: Kennalee Mattson 2 philanthropy quilts and strata quilt from the Rob Appell workshop; Olivia Carnahan and Luann Jaffe also shared their strata quilts from the Rob Appell workshop. Anne Wallace shared a table runner and quilt she made from a set of vintage quilt blocks.

The business meeting concluded at 7:20 with Kennalee making donated fabric available for those members present to take with them. The philanthropy night continued until 9pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Veronica Gray

Philanthropy

Thank goodness we made rather large delivery to both Ronald McDonald House and Aviva a little more than a week before things got so bad here. Now I have more room in my sewing room for all the quilts that I'm planning to finish. We hope everyone is doing their best to obey all the rules and doing well. Maybe you are finishing already started projects and keeping busy.

Luann Jaffe and Bobbie Blake

Selected Upcoming Southern California Events

Many near-term quilt shows and events have been cancelled or postponed. As we learn about them, we will pass the information on to you.

Guild Calendar - 2020

To sign up for a workshop, please contact Aileen Cooke or Pam Overton

While we're all staying at home for the time being, your Program chairs are busy working to fill out our calendar for this year and next with interesting speakers.

If you find yourself poking around on the computer, go to www.sccqg.org and check out the teachers and their website. See anything that interests you? Any suggestions?? Email us!

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Lecture	Workshop
May 6	Sue Rasmussen	A Desperate Housewife's Quilt Journey	Quilting 101A – What you need to know
June 3	TBD		
July 1	Pot Luck		

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- Temecula Quilt-Away Retreat – April 27-30 - **CANCELLED**
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