



# Santa Monica Quilt Guild

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## Meeting - Wednesday, June 6

### President's Comments

I just returned from a week in New Mexico where I was inspired by Native American and Spanish Colonial designs. Now my head is bursting with ideas for quilt designs. Native American, geometric designs translate so well into quilt patterns. I rarely use commercial patterns; preferring to use graph paper and colored pencils to work out a design. I love solving puzzles; after all taking a quilt design from idea to construction is just solving a puzzle. There is such satisfaction when it all comes together.

Coming together in celebration of a master quilter, and her work, is the idea behind our gathering on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. As we honor centenarian Kathryn Small, we also celebrate the work of the late Mary Ellen Hopkins and her "Crazy Ladies". Many of Kathryn's quilts will be on display. Kathryn and her family will be participating in the celebration.

Invite your family and friends to this event to be held at the LDS Church @3400 Sawtelle Blvd, LA 90066, free admission and plenty of parking. For your convenience the flyer will be attached to the newsletter.

I was honored to be asked to present a program and trunk show at the June meeting. I view this as a chance to say thank you to the Guild for the wonderful learning opportunities it has provided.

Over the years, I have learned so much and made so many wonderful friends and I have been privileged to serve on the board. It's time for me to show the results of all my years with Santa Monica Quilt Guild.

I hope to see you all on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and at the June 6<sup>th</sup> Guild Meeting.

*President - Maureen Gardner*

### Program

Don't forget the reception for Kathryn Small on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

On June 6<sup>th</sup>, our speaker will be our own Maureen Gardner, talking about her own quilt journey, and a trunk show of her quilts. I hope this will be the start of a trend of our own members showing us their body of work.

In August, we have something unique to us. On August 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be having a half-day workshop and our guild meeting on the same day! The workshop, by our speaker Linda Sullivan, from Colorwerx, will be the "Wonky Piecing, Easy Applique" Mod Dog technique, that can be a pillow or a quilt. The workshop will be from 12:30 to 5p.m. and then our usual evening meeting at 7p.m. Our speaker will be Linda Sullivan from Colorwerx, with a very colorful trunk show. Both the meeting and the workshop class will be in the Fireside Room.

On September 5<sup>th</sup>, our speaker will be Lyn Mann, whose topic will be "When Life Gives you Scraps".

In October, Jean Impey will be speaking on "Finding Your Passion and Running with it". I might mention that Jean is giving a workshop in September for the Westside Quilters.

*Program Chair - Sue Barrett*

### Vice President

By popular demand (of the participants) we are extending the SMQG UFO challenge to October! We are excited to report that this project has been so inspirational to some that we have decided to extend the good works for a few more months. Please go through your UFOs finish something and bring it to share with us at the June meeting.

Also starting in June I will be accepting the start of a series of block requests for the January Sew In. I will give you a new block to do every month so that by January seven different types of blocks are submitted to create a larger block which will look like a whale! It's no tale! Seven different blocks in seven months will create one whale block to be put together for kids quilts in January. The first block for June is an 8-1/2 inch pastel colored

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## Vice President (continued)

block made up of 4 2-1/2 inch strips. The colors I am looking for are light blue, light pink, light turquoise, pale yellow, pale chartreuse, lavender, etc. I will have a sample of the June block and the July block at the next meeting. If you have any questions please feel free to email me at [liv4quilts@aol.com](mailto:liv4quilts@aol.com)

The next Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds meeting is in July. See their website for details.

In August we will have our next take-away table. So go through a corner of your sewing room and bring at least a shoe-box of stuff you aren't using. Summer is a good time to sort and get rid of stuff you no longer have an interest in or stuff you just don't need any more. Let it go!

*Vice President – Olivia Carnahan*

## Philanthropy

We're finishing several of the quilt tops that were put together at our retreat in March. We've also received some slightly used clothing suitable for AVIVA's clients to assist them in feeling more confident as they interview for jobs. One of their goals is to help them become self-supporting members of our communities. So if you are cleaning out your closet or come across something in good condition that you are no longer wearing, please remember that AVIVA is always welcoming our donations. We are hoping to continue to be able to donate unused toiletries (from your hotel stays) to the Ronald McDonald House.

And, of course, quilts are always welcome so keep quilting.

*Luann Jaffe and Sandy Ray*

## Membership

As promised, we are sending corrections to the roster in the newsletter, to keep you up to date on changes. There are two corrections this month--you might want to make a note of them!

Bobbie Blake's new email address is::

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

Eric Oda's correct email address is:

[eoda1259@hotmail.com](mailto:eoda1259@hotmail.com)

It would be a good idea to check your own information in the roster, if you haven't already done so. We hope to pass along an accurate list to the next membership chairs.

See you in June! *Allison Leong and Sheila Cummins*

## Hospitality

Those with last names beginning with **M thru R**, please remember to bring a sweet treat or savory snack for refreshments.

*Your Hospitality Team – Aileen Cooke, Stephanie Wexler*

## Ways and Means

Ways & Means is back for June. If you have anything you would like to donate please bring it to the meeting to the Ways & Means table.

As usual, magazines are 25 cents each, books \$1. Door prize tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Thank you all for supporting Ways & Means.

*Perla Rothenberg, Keiko &, Ron Tapp*

## 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 – Kennalee Mattson*

## Birthdays – June

<b>Lani</b>	<b>Hee</b>	3-Jun
<b>Phyllis</b>	<b>Gordon</b>	12-Jun
<b>Patti</b>	<b>Post</b>	12-Jun
<b>Maureen</b>	<b>Gardner</b>	16-Jun
<b>Allison</b>	<b>Leong</b>	22-Jun

## Meeting Minutes

SMQG General Meeting, Wednesday, May 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm.

A new member, Emily Watts, introduced herself.

There were no guests.

Maureen talked about the party for Kathryn Small on June 2, and asked members to sign up to bring refreshments, and to help set up.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Jenny Kraft made the motion, and Mary Lloyd seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's report as given in the newsletter. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Kennalee received a round of applause for her work on the fabric sale at Meet the Teachers. Approximately 1,000 yards of fabric were sold, which raised \$3,000.

Olivia talked about this evening's donations, and said she put them out on the table for anyone to take. She plans to do this exchange three times a year. The next time will be in August.

Allison said that the guild now has 62 members. She also said that a revision to the directory would be

emailed soon with corrections to some email messages.

Ways and Means didn't have a sale due to the exchange planned by Olivia. Keiko said that she brought homemade strawberry jam for the raffle prizes.

Philanthropy asked everyone to clean out their closets and donate clothes for interviews. Shoes are accepted, and men's clothes too.

Hospitality was thanked for organizing refreshments.

Sue Barrett talked about upcoming programs. She gave out 40 surveys, and received 11 back with 2 more by email, which was a high rate of return. She is reviewing the surveys to plan the calendar.

In June, we will have a trunk show of our president, Maureen Gardner's work.

For July there will be no meeting due to the July 4 holiday. There will not be a potluck dinner this summer.

August will be Linda Sullivan from Colorwerx. Sue would like to do a half-day afternoon class before the August meeting. Linda offers a class called "Mod Dog" that is half-day, and is an appliqué technique. Please note that we will be in the Fireside Room at the church for this meeting.

September will be Lyn Mann, and there will probably be a workshop.

October will be Jean Impey, who will talk about "Finding Our Passion".

For Show and Tell, Jenny Kraft shared a charity quilt called "Bath Time". It is a donation for a fundraiser for the Quest camp in Northern California. It's a safari camp where everyone sleeps in tents, and kids get to feed the elephants.

Mariana shared an appliqué quilt. She also shared 2 quilts made of strips, one green and the other blue.

Kennalee shared a completed UFO with yellow chain blocks she started 13 years ago.

Lani shared a UFO quilt with fat quarters from Hawaii. She started it in 2012, and finished it at the retreat.

Alison shared a blue and pink UFO that she began years ago. It was a mystery quilt so she had no idea that it would turn out to be so big.

There was a break at 7:40pm, and then Keiko announced the raffle prize winners.

Frances Moore gave a trunk show of quilts she has made over the years. She teaches free-motion quilting, so she also showed excellent long-arm quilting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by Betsy Barker,  
Recording Secretary

**Remember to:**

- **Wear your badge or pay a fine! Don't let your "no badge" fines eat into your fabric budget!**
- **Philanthropy – Bring your philanthropy donation items**
- **Hospitality – Those with last names beginning with M thru R, please bring a sweet treat or savory snack.**

## Selected Upcoming Southern California Events

<b>June 2</b>	Join us as we celebrate our very own Centurion – Kathryn Small. See the enclosed flyer for details.
<b>June 2-3</b>	Beach Cities Quilt Guild Quilt Show, SOKA University, 1 University Drive, Aliso Viejo, CA; Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4; Merchant Mall, refreshment vendor; Auction, Saturday 1 pm; general admission \$10; no strollers.
<b>June 9-10</b>	Santa Clarita Valley Quilt Show, Sat 10-5; Sun 10-4; William S. Hart Park, 24151 Newhall Avenue Santa Clarita; Admission: 1 day \$10 donation, 2 days \$15 donation; vendors, door prizes, food, silent auction.
<b>June 23-24</b>	<a href="#">Seven Sisters Quilt Show</a> kicks off our 11th year with <a href="#">Quilts of the Central Coast on June 23 &amp; 24, 2018</a> at the <a href="#">Alex Madonna Expo Center in San Luis Obispo, CA</a> . We will be showing approximately 300 quilts made by members of six central coast quilts as well as 40 quilts made by our youth members from the ages of 5-18. We will have 44 vendors from all over the state and new this year will be quilts for sale made by our local quilters. Doors open at 9 a.m. both days; admission is \$10 for a 2-day pass with free parking and a shuttle to the doors.  There lots of fun things to do in and around San Luis Obispo and we hope to see you in June!

## Guild Calendar - 2018

To sign up for a Workshop, please contact Susan Barrett.

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Topic
June 6	Featured Member: Maureen Gardner	Trunk Show
<b>July 4</b>	<b>No meeting – Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July</b>	
August 1	Linda Sullivan - Colourwerx	Trunk Show
August 1	Linda Sullivan – workshop	Mod Dog – 1:00 to 4:00.
September 5	Lyn Mann	
October 3	Jean Impey	
November 7	Nadine Kirk	Trunk Show
December 5	Holiday Pot Luck	

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# Kathryn Small

## Quilter & Centenarian

### Quilt Show and Celebration

June 2, 2018 from 2pm – 4pm

Free Admission and Free Parking  
Refreshments will be served

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
3400 Sawtelle Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90066

Sponsored by the Santa Monica Quilt Guild

A native Angeleno, Kate Small was born one hundred years ago in the City of Angels and spent most of her life here. She did leave to get her Bachelor's degree at Berkeley and then to Kentucky, to marry her fiancé, Ted Small, as he was about to head out to serve as a fighter pilot during World War II.

Over the years, Kathryn raised three children, helped Ted create a haute couture women's clothing business under the name of Edith Small, and became active in many community organizations. She also followed her creative instincts and learned many crafts, one of which led her to the most satisfying – quilting.

One day in the 1980s, on her way home from a welding class (yes, welding), where she created artworks with a blowtorch - Kate stopped at a donut shop in Santa Monica. She spotted a shop nearby with a sign overhead that read "Crazy Ladies and Friends." Her curiosity led her to what became her passion for the rest of her life. It was a quilt store, owned by an inspirational teacher and author, Mary Ellen Hopkins. Within 2 days of her first class, Kate had a quilt top done and she was on her way. Blow torch gone, sewing machine front and center!

In the fifteen years she worked at and hung out at the store, she developed a very distinctive style of putting fabrics together that others would not have tried. She is known for using unusual fabrics in unusual ways. When Mary Ellen would order a print that everyone would gasp in horror at, Kate would smile, take it home and bring it back a few days later in a finished quilt top which was fantastic! Needless to say, the fabric flew out of the store as others dared to use it. This was Kate's intended plan, after all.

Her quiet wit and creative mind have kept her active and productive all these years. Besides quilting, she still does the Sunday New York Times crossword puzzle – in ink!

Kate's quilts can be seen in several of Mary Ellen's books (particularly "Log Cabin Notebook" available from Amazon) and in a new photographic book of her entire collection created by her son-in-law, artist David Em ([www.davidem.com](http://www.davidem.com)).