



Santa Monica Quilt Guild

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Join us for a Zoom Meeting on Wednesday, April 5

President's Corner

This month I was inspired by our Sew-In meeting and the energy of our members. There were many polka dot strips donated in bright colors. I made a polka dot top in jelly roll fashion for the FMC prayer quilt. They are not exact 2.5" strips but with a little fudging –maybe a wider seam here and a slightly narrower one there and readjustments made after ironing the top, when the seam looked like 1/16". There are still many strips left for pick up at our July hybrid meeting (tbd).

Sorry to those unable to come to the meeting. We filled the "alcove" of Simkins Hall with busy and merry noise; we worked from 3:30-8:30 and made several tops for the prayer group, and sandwiched quilts for our other donations. To those working from home, we have numerous orphan blocks that may inspire a philanthropy quilt or two. These will be available at the next in person meeting. Mariana will be accepting all donations and we look forward to a later report.

I am still inspired as I need to finish my great-nephew's graduation quilt. I think I have the design and fabrics under control and will finish it soon. I also took another top for machine quilting and that will need binding when it is done. I am making slow progress I think but it is moving forward.

See you at the April meeting!

*FYI The church prayer group is looking for tops (not quilts) in the 40" x 50" minimum and 45" x 60" maximum.

President – Aileen Kuda-Cooke kudacooke@gmail.com, text me anytime at 310/739-6222

Program

Our speaker this month is Tina Craig who will be zooming to us from Rhode Island. Tina's presentation is titled "Swaps, Bees & Raffles: The Joy of Group Projects". Tina will be showing us some of her favorite group quilts (and some that are not so great) as she shares tips, tricks, and best practices for group quilt success. Tina and her quilts were featured in the most recent edition of Quiltfolk. For more about Tina, check out her website: seaside-stitches.com

Program Chair – Laurie Reyen



News from the New Friendship Group

The new mini-group has been meeting and getting organized. We started with a few zoom meetings and now have had a few in-person meetings. We have met in Santa Monica and a Starbucks in Mar Vista and this month (the 3rd Thursday, afternoon) we will try Marie Callendar's. Send me an email and I can email or text the details to anyone. Don't think because you belong to one group you can't join another. Someone I knew belonged to three mini-groups. There's a lot to learn in quilting and a small group will speed you along or continue the long learning curve. I'm still learning new ways after many years.

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Membership

The Guild's membership stands at 61. Thank you all for your support! Our new member event is in the planning stages--stay tuned for details to come.

Membership - Sheila Cummins

Vice President

Spring is here and hoping for a little warmer weather soon. I am usually a cold person with very cold toes in winter. I thought when I went through menopause that I would finally be warmer more of the time. That didn't really work out though, I am still mostly cold. The only time my toes have been warm in the winter is the one winter that I was pregnant.

On a more quilty note, this quarter's SCCQG meeting on April 8, Saturday will be Meet the Teachers. This will be all on Zoom. Many teachers will be making a short presentation of what they can teach us whether in person or on Zoom. It will be an excellent way to check out some new teachers and make suggestions on whom you might like to hear or see at one of our guild meetings. Register to participate on the SCCQG website. You'll be sent a link to join in. The MTT portion of the meeting will be from 10-12 PM with break out rooms to follow. I have heard about some very interesting teachers when I have participated in the past. Please help the guild by tuning in and making some suggestions. You don't even have to be there for the entire presentation. You might happen upon someone great even if you only tune in for a short time.

For suggestions, email to Laurie Reyen or any of the board members who would be happy to accept suggestions and pass them along.

Happy Stitching

Vice President – Allison Leong

Website

Please email photos of your finished quilts and works-in-progress to Emily (wattsejw@gmail.com) to

post them on our website and social media accounts, Facebook and Instagram, for "at-home show & tell."

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. www.santamonicaquiltguild.org

Webmistress – Emily Watts

Show and Tell

Please send your Show and Tell photos to pam@travelingquilters.com no later than Monday, April 3.

Zoom meeting link

The Zoom link will be sent along with the newsletter.

Birthdays - April

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

Philanthropy

Our March sew-in meeting was very successful. Fifteen people showed up during the 5 hour time slot we had at the Santa Monica Methodist Church and the time just flew by. We ended up with 4 quilt tops for the church's "prayer quilts", 2 baby quilts for the Venice Family Clinic, and several placemats for Meals-on-Wheels. We got to meet two new members who showed up to help and everyone had a good time.

We will continue to collect quilts of any size throughout the year for our charities, as well as just quilt tops that are no bigger than 45" by 60" and no smaller than 50" by 60". If you have any quilts to donate please call me at +14248770839 or send me an Email at mdavanzo123@yahoo.com.

Philanthropy – Mariana Davanzo

SMQG General Meeting Minutes

Our March meeting was a Sew-In at the church and not a formal meeting so no minutes were taken.

SMQG Schedule of Events

Your Program chair is busy working to fill out our calendar for the coming year with interesting speakers. As always, your input/feedback/suggestions are welcome. Please contact Laurie Reyen to let her know your thoughts.

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Lecture	website
April 5	Tina Craig,	"Swaps, Bees and Raffles: the Joy of Group Quilts",	www.seaside-stitches.com
May 3	Eleanor Levie,	"Not Just for Mother's Day",	www.eleanorlevie.com

Date	Speaker/Teacher	Lecture	website
Selected Upcoming Southern California Events			
April 8	SCCQG Meet the Teachers, go to www.sccqg.org to register		
April 14-15	<p>Best of the Valley Quilt Show, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, 26th Best of the Valley, A regional Show of Quilts and Cloth Dolls, McDermont X, 365 N. Sweet Brier * Lindsay, CA 93247 * (559) 562-3326; www.mcdermontfieldhouse.com</p> <p>FEATURED ARTIST: LESLIE SOBIERALSKI</p> <p>Judged and Juried Quilt Show with over \$5000 in cash awards; Cloth Dolls; BOTV "Tell Me a Story" Challenge Quilts; Sacred Threads 2022 Traveling Exhibit; LARGE Vendor Mall; Quilt Appraisals; Big/Little Quilt Sale; Special Categories for Quilters 80 and older & Quilters Under 18; Viewer's Choice Awards; On-site Food</p> <p>General Admission: \$10; Children under 12 free, when accompanied by an adult</p> <p>Call (559) 936-2204 for group rates. For more show or entry information go to www.botvquilts.com or contact Suzanne Kistler, Show Chairman (559) 936-2204</p>		
May 12-13	<p>Chula Vista Quilters Guild, Friday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Saturday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, Bayview Orthodox Presbyterian Church, 505 East Naples St., Chula Vista, CA 91911.</p> <p>The Chula Vista Quilters Guild is proud to announce the return of our Annual Quilt Show and Vendor Mall! Plenty of free parking available in church lot and on East Naples St.</p> <p>Over 150 creations on display, along with our Boutique, Sew and Craft Booth, Basket Raffle and tickets for our 2023 Hand-quilted Opportunity Quilt, "Crowning Beauty"</p> <p>\$5 donation requested for admission to defray show costs (cash only)</p> <p>We are also excited announce the return of a Special Exhibit of the Hoffman Challenge!</p> <p>For more info, contact Kathy Cadwell at kathryn.cadwell@sbcglobal.net; Stay tuned to QuilterzNooz for further information</p>		
May 6	Orange County Quilters' Guild, Quilts in the Garden, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, Liwanis Land Park, 9840 Larson Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92844		
May 13	<p>North Cities Quilt Guild Mother's Day Luncheon; 11:30 am to 2:00 PM, Yorba Linda Presbyterian Church, 198301 E. Yorba Linda Blvd., Yorba Linda.</p> <p>Tickets may be purchased from Susan Lee; please contact her at 703-200-3703.</p>		
May 20-21	<p>Antelope Valley Quilt Association Quilt Show and Auction, Saturday, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; Sunday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm; Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, Va am Pavilion, 2551 West Avenue H, Lancaster, CA</p> <p><i>Featured Quilter: Lynell Rodio; Vendors, Boutique & Demonstrations; Vintage Sewing Machine Exhibit; Auction Sunday at 12:30</i></p> <p>Admission: \$10.00 for the weekendFree admission for spouses/partners & children under 12 ****FREE PARKING***; www.avqa.org</p>		

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