



Santa Monica Quilt Guild

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Join us for a Virtual Zoom Meeting on September 7

President's Corner

I hope our members have all begun their STASH organizing under the influence of our August speaker, Carol Wilhoit, who had an impressive collection. We had a previous speaker who said she didn't have a stash, pause for shock, she had a STABLE, stash beyond life expectancy.

Quilters have no need of guilt for their collection, be it STASH or STABLE. During the early pandemic, 2020 when we started making mystery quilts, we couldn't go shopping yet managed to make nice quilts with fabric on hand. That's the value of a collection. I found I could use my stash, make quilts, and not shop. Some smart quilters may have gone online to get the "right fabric" but maybe bought just enough for the project. In my past I have shopped for a border fabric and later I changed my mind and chose another. Well, there are no returns on cut fabric so into the stash it goes.

Along the path to quilting I took a class taught by Piecemakers, Orange County, to make braided rugs. The first ones were of cotton and made me slightly crazy. I had some fabric given to me and started asking for more. I tore sheets up and shopped at the F & S remnant barrel, not wanting to pay more than a \$1/yd. A modest 3 x 4-foot rug could use up 25 yards. Yardage was better than fat quarters as 3 1/2 "strips are used. That early rug is more than 33 years old and has worn through in places, but the holes reveal new fabric under the holes. I stand on it every day at the kitchen sink and the slight worn look is OK for this utility rug. Fortuitously, I used some poly blends and the color (red and blue) of those has held up among the other faded cottons. The braid is laced between strands so there is little wear on the structure the way commercial rugs that are topstitched together.

I made a few other cotton rugs then a braided wool rug. So, I started collecting dress weight wool yardage and clothes that could be used (pants and skirts but not shirts). I finished one that is still in use, maybe 5 x 6' but have another one I should just declare finished so I can start another one. Wool makes a wider braid so the rug goes a bit faster than cotton and has more cushion.

I think sorting out the stash can happen next month. If you are ready to move fabric out, there is a nonprofit in Pasadena www.remindersspa.org that can take fabric and tools for their classes. Some of you may know of LA Goal in Culver City that can also use fabric for their classes. And at our in-person meeting, we will have our FREE table. Remember we are still making placemats for local Meals on Wheels. Those orphan blocks and unfinished class blocks can make nice placemats.

I am sorry to say that due to a family memorial the day after the guild meeting, I will miss this in person meeting. I hate to miss the meeting but have reliable board members to help run the meeting.

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

Program

Our speaker for September is Susy Nash . Susy will be in person with us and will be presenting a trunk show of her Collage Quilts. Susy is a certified Laura Heine Collage Quilting instructor. Susy describes the collage quilting technique as a "combination of a jigsaw puzzle and paper dolls". Sounds fun! Examples of Susy's work can be seen at her website <https://crazyaboutcollage.com>.

We are starting to work on filling out our roster of speakers for the coming year. Please let me know if there is anyone on your wish list.

Program Chair – Laurie Reyen

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Fabric Sale - Saturday, October 1 - 10 am to 2 pm

Be sure to mark your calendar for Saturday, October 1, from 10 AM to 2 PM for our gigantic, awesome fabric sale at 3744 Wasatch Ave, Mar Vista, CA. Please share this information with your friends in the sewing community – crafters, quilters, etc. Bring a friend, bring some relatives, bring a clan because there's enough fabric to please all. It's all \$2/yd (no, that's not a typo!) and you don't NEED it but you will WANT that pretty yard of fabric. You won't see it again after this sale. Cash or checks only, please.

Can you help with set-up, sales during the day, take-down? Please contact Kennalee to add your name to the list of "worker bees." We have a lot of boxes of fabric to move, set up, and sell!

Kennalee Mattson, kennaleem@aol.com

French General Visit

Ten of us had a great time visiting French General on August 14. They've notified us that we can schedule another visit anytime we want. We're guessing that the treasures we purchased (see them in show and tell) made for a great sales day for them! A win/win for all! And . . . French General is just a short ride away from Pasadena where we had a wonderful lunch. It was a fun day!

We'll try to schedule another visit soon!

Vice President

Labor Day is just around the corner and I think a good day to quilt or make a plan. Start the fall by getting one of those ideas that have been rumbling around in my head and make it happen! Time for a commitment.

My bigger sewing machine has been in the shop since early August because it would randomly not turn on. (sometimes it would and sometimes not). Luckily when I took it to the shop, it did not turn on. Turns out the machine needs a new "power board" which of course needs to be ordered. Still waiting for the part to come in. UGH!! Meanwhile I am sewing on my smaller machine however the throat area is also smaller and it is more difficult to quilt my quilts. You know how my quilts usually turn out larger than smaller. I have 2 pinned waiting to be quilted and another top ready. 2 babies are getting bigger waiting for their quilts. I might have to tackle stuffing the quilt into the smaller throat. I hate waves and wrinkles on the back of the quilt from a shifting quilt sandwich. Is this considered a first world problem? I'll manage.

Meanwhile, have made more placemats, those definitely can be quilted on the smaller machine. Are we almost to our goal yet? *Vice President – Allison Leong*

Show and Tell

If you have items to share for Show and Tell, please send your show and tell photos no later than Sunday September 4 to pam@travelingquilters.com.

Zoom meeting links

We have set up the guild meeting zoom link as a recurring meeting. We will also use the same link for any Sew-Ins and Happy Hours. The link will be included in the email with this newsletter. We'll also send a reminder on Monday night.

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

Nominating Committee

The committee presented the slate of nominees for the 2002-23 Board:

President:	Aileen Cooke
Vice-President:	Allison Leong
Treasurer:	Kennalee Mattson
Secretary:	Lani Hee (board meeting) and Veronica Gray (general meetings)

Programs/Workshops:	Laurie Reyen
Newsletter:	Pam Overton
Philanthropy:	Marianna Davanzo
Membership:	Sheila Cummins
Ways and Means:	Perla Rothenberg, Keiko and Ron Tapp

Website:	Emily Watts
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Many thanks to the Nominating Committee and those who have agreed to serve on the 2022/2023 SMQG Board. The membership will vote on this slate of officers at the September meeting.

*Nominating Committee - Sally Madigan,
Sheila Cummins, Yoshi Nickerson*

SMQG General Meeting Minutes – August 3, 2022

SMQG Quilt guild members on Zoom for its August 2022 general meeting, which was called to order by president Aileen Cooke at 7:00 pm. Guests attending were: Colleen Abeyta (Veronica's sister), Catherine Baxter (retired Santa Monica High School Vice

Principal), Michelle Cooper (Long Beach quilter and guild member and also member of the Long Beach Modern Guild), Diane Harris (previous guild speaker and the "Stash Bandit"), and Vivian Ramirez (Santa Monica quilter). "

Business Meeting:

The President, Aileen Cooke, called for approval of the July 2022 Minutes and Treasurer's report as published in the August 2022 newsletter. Both were approved by acclamation.

At this point in the meeting, Laurie introduced the evening speaker, Carol Wilhout from Illinois. Her lecture,

"Get Your Stash Together: Organization for Quilters" was well received and garnered many positive comments and questions.

Committee Reports:

Nomination Committee: The committee (Sally Madigan, Sheila Cummins, Yoshi Nickerson) presented the slate of nominees for the 2002-23 Board:

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Newsletter: Pam Overton

Philanthropy: Marianna Davanzo

Membership: Sheila Cummins

Ways and Means: Perla Rothenberg, Keiko and Ron Tapp

Website: Emily Watts

Additional nominations were opened to the membership present, especially for co-chairs for Programs, Philanthropy and Newsletter. None were offered. The slate will be published in the September newsletter and a vote from the membership will be taken at the September meeting. Aileen thanked the committee for their diligence and hard work.

Membership: No report.

Vice President: Allison encouraged those who watched the Global Quilt Connection on July 30/31 to let the Program Chair know if any of the presenters would be interesting speakers at future guild meetings.

Newsletter: No report.

Philanthropy: Placemats will be delivered to West L.A. Wheels_next_week_Inglewood Meals on Wheels will accept 140 placemats, so members were encouraged to continue making placemats to the dimension of 14x18 inches.

Program and Workshops: In Laurie's absence, Aileen said the September speaker will be Suzy Nash and she will be an in-house speaker. It will be a hybrid meeting.

Ways and Means and Hospitality: No report.

Website: No report.

Corresponding Secretary: Jennie was asked to send a thank you note to Sewing Arts Center for their generous donation of fabric for the July philanthropy sew in.

Old Business: Aileen reminded members who would like to visit the French General Store in Los Angeles on August 13 to contact Kennalee. Space is limited.

The guild zoom social hour will be dark for August. Board will select date and time for September at the August Board Meeting.

Show and Tell: Members who shared quilts were Betsy Barker, Aileen Cooke (notions), Luann Jaffe, Allison Leong.

Door Prizes: Members who won door prizes were: Marilyn Vredroe, Perla Rothenberg, Yoshi Nickerson, Sue Barrett, Marianna Davanzo, Aileen Cooke.

The meeting was adjourned by president Aileen Cooke at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Veronica Gray

Birthdays - September

Virginia	Marshall	10-Sep
Kennalee	Mattson	10-Sep
Julie	Marquez	14-Sep
Suzanne	Toji	14-Sep
Laurie	Risk	21-Sep
Betsy	Barker	21-Sep
Yoshi	Nickerson	26-Sep
Judith	Hartman	27-Sep

Philanthropy

It has been a pleasure serving on the board for the last many years. You have helped us meet our goals by all of your generous donations. We are still working on completing our commitment to Meals on Wheels and need approximately 300 more placemats. We have supplied many of the West Side Meals for Wheels facilities and have one more to complete

our goal. So far we have donated 750 placemats to the various facilities and they have all been so appreciative. The size again is 14" x 18" and you get to use whatever fabrics you want. We also have one more batch of quilts and toiletries for the Ronald Mc Donald House.

Thank you all again for your generosity.

Luann Jaffe and Bobbie Blake, Philanthropy Co-Chairs

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
October 5	Noreen Skiles	Use It All: You Paid for It	
November 2	Veruschka Zarate	Finding Pride and Joy in Quilting	Prideandjoyquilting.com
December 7	Elizabeth DeCroos	Pojagi – from ancient Korea to modern Canada	www.epidastudio.com
January 4	Irene Blanck	My Journey in Quilting	www.fousonquilts.com.au

Selected Upcoming Southern California Events

September 13	El Camino Quilters Silent Auction and Mega Sale, 9:30 – 12 noon, Faith Community Church, 2700 Rancho Pancho, Carlsbad, CA. Visit their website to view the list of auction items. https://www.elcaminoquilters.com ; Open to the Public — Free Admission; Cash & Major Credit Cards Accepted
September 17-18	Friendship Square Quilt Guild Quilt show, Alive with Color – Take 2. Saturday, 10-5, Sunday 10-4. La Habra Community Center, 101 W. La Habra Blvd., La Habra, CA. Admission \$8.00. Visit their website for more information: http://www.fsqq.org/
September 24-25	Coastal Quilters Guild of Santa Barbara & Goleta, 12 th Biennial Quilt Show – Harvest of Color – a Member's Showcase Quilt Show; Saturday, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm, Sunday, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Warren Hall, Earl Warren Showgrounds, Los Positas & Calle Real, Santa Barbara, CA; over 200 traditional, modern and art quilts, boutique and merchant mall. Pre-sales tickets, \$10, available July 2022. Tickets at door \$12. Good for both days. Information at www.coastalquilters.org as it becomes available. Free parking. Questions now? Email cqgshow@coastalquilters.org .

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