



Message from our President

Greetings,

Now that the beginning of the year is here, we are full of great new ideas for our guild. We briefly discussed in January, the Sewing Room Tour and at this time we are trying to confirm a date with seven members from VQG and SFVQA volunteering their homes to have for a fabulous fundraiser. More information will be presented at the February meeting.

The guild also is starting a new fundraiser with a sale of quilts in February. Only a few quilts each month will be available by one or two members. The quilts will have a set price and if someone wants to purchase the quilt, a high percentage of selling price will go to the member and

the balance will go to the guild. It is a win, win situation for all.

The Quilting in The Valley Show is May of 2017 and both the day and night guilds are preparing to set up a Steering Committee to head up this function. Many of the positions are filled and at the February meeting I will announce what positions are still open. Everyone please think of a creative name for our show and both guilds will vote on the title for this event.

Happy Days of Sewing and always "Fight On"!!!
Mary Peterson

February Lecturer, Sandra Bruce "Material Matrix"

February 11, Thursday, 9:30am

She began her love of sewing about age 8 on a treadle machine. She has advanced through the years with a working collaboration with friends. She began her quilting business in 2010 to combine her love of illustration, lettering and quilting. She has been an illustrator for 32 years and a long arm quilter and is really just doing what she loves all these years, but

with a different tool. She loves incorporating writing into her quilting and drawing images that echo the motifs in fabrics.

Sandra lives in Grass Valley, California and belongs to the Pine Tree Quilt Guild. She now teaches workshops and classes. See her website at www.Sandrabruce.com.

2015-2016 Calendar

FEBRUARY 2016

- 11 Lecture - Sandra Bruce "Material Matrix"
- 12 Workshop - Sandra Bruce "Wake Up Cup"

MARCH 2016

- 10 VQG Trash and Treasures
- 11 Philanthropy Sit & Sew

APRIL 2016

- 14 Lecture - Margarete Heinisch "Trunk Show"
- 15 Quilt College

MAY 2016

- 12 Lecture - Cara Culati "So you want to Make an Art Quilt"
- 13 Workshop - Cara Culati "Voluptuous Applique Design"

JUNE 2016

- 9 Lecture - Jean Impey "Trunk Show"
- 10 Workshop - Jean Impey "Garden Party/Raw Edge Applique"

JULY 2016

- 14 Lecture - Sue Nickels "Made by Machine"
- 15 Workshop - Sue Nickels "The Finished Edge"

AUGUST 2016

- 11 Philanthropy
- 12 Philanthropy

SEPTEMBER 2016

- 8 Lecture - Anelie Belden "Hawaii Designs"
- 9 Workshop - Anelie Belden "Jelly Roll Split Blade Dresden"

OCTOBER 2016

- 13 VQG Luncheon

NOVEMBER 2016

- 10 Lecture - Jacquie Gering "Re-thinking Quilting"
- 11 Workshop - Jackie Gering "Creative Quilting with the Walking Foot"

DECEMBER 2016

- 8 VQG Holiday Party

Up-Coming Shows

- **February 13 & 14, 2016 - South Bay Quilters Guild Show**, Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3330 Civic Center Dr, Torrance. www.southbayquiltersguild.org
Email: sue.glass@verizon.net
- **February 18-21, 2016 - Quiltcon**. Pasadena Convention Center. Vendors, lectures, workshops, and demos. For information visit quiltconwest.com or email Heather at heather@themodernquiltguild.com
- **February 27 - March 6, 2016 - San Diego Cruisin' Quilters Shop Hop**. www.cruisinquilters.com
- **March 3-5, 2016 - Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival**, Fairplex in Pomona, 1101 West McKinley Ave, Pomona. www.quiltcraftsew.com
- **March 5 & 6, 2016 - Desert Guilds Quilt Show**, Palm Springs Pavilion, 401 S. Pavilion Way, Palm Springs. www.desertguildsquiltsow.com
- **June 4 & 5, 2016 - Sea of Quilts** - SOKA University Gym, 1 University Dr, Aliso Viejo, CA. Hours, Sat 10-5pm, Sun 10-4pm. Tickets are \$10. There will be a merchant mall and auction.

So much material sew little time

Workshops fees \$35 for members
\$40 for non-members.
9AM to 3:00PM

Church Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
10123 Oakdale Ave, Chatsworth, 91311

Decreasing Scale of Dues

The Board discussed and approved a decreasing scale of Dues when a new member joins the Guild in a month other than October. (October is the start of our year and everyone pays \$35).

	Billing by Month		Billing by Month
Jan	\$26	July	\$8
Feb	\$23	Aug	\$5
Mar	\$20	Sept	\$2
Apr	\$17	Oct	\$35
May	\$14	Nov	\$32
Jun	\$11	Dec	\$29

Library

The Library will be open for February meeting. We will have donated quilting books for sale; these will be placed on Library table. As always you are welcome to visit our Library closet and check out books.

Library Co-Chairs
Diane Stinson and Jean Della Monica

Growing old is mandatory...
but growing up is optional...



February Birthdays

Marsha Drennen	2/1	BJ Addis	2/15
Jill Tovey	2/6	Barbara Belman	2/15
Joyce Zaslov	2/6	Linda Troutman	2/17
Gina Siembieda	2/8	Linda Stone	2/18
Joan Curtis	2/9	Francine Landau	2/21
Alice Yuwiler	2/9	Renee Colin	2/25
Ann Carrigan	2/11	Judy Leonard	2/29
Karena Reid	2/13		

PIF Blocks

We had a wonderful initial response to the new block "Too hip to be Square". All the pre-cut strips and centers went out, and all the directions. This block will run until April so you have time to submit tons of blocks! Contact me with questions at Bartolomea@aol.com (yes it is an aol address-it's on so many accounts I can't give it up). See directions on page 5.

PIF Block Coordinator
Liz Bartolomea

UFOs to IFFIs Challenge

Our "IFFI" challenge for this year was launched at our January, 2016 guild meeting. Several members requested entry forms in order to begin the challenge. "IFFI" stands for "I FINALLY FINISHED IT". Those are UFO'S, unfinished objects, that you started in 2015 or before that have not been completed. If you did not get those projects completed this will be another opportunity to finish them and qualify for a chance to win 50% of the money we collect. The guild will receive the other 50%. The entry fee will be \$10.00. The rules for the challenge are listed on the attached form and will be available at the "IFFI" or "UFO" table at the meetings. Any questions please call: Cheryl Cederquist or Dru Volk

IFFs Co-Chairs
Cheryl Cederquist, 661-294-1090
Dru Volk, 818-892-2606

Membership

Hi Ladies. Well my time in office is quickly coming to a close. But I must say it has been a PLEASURE to be your membership chair. You are all such lovely, caring people, I couldn't ask for a better bunch! Still, looking forward, you have the pleasure of working with Wanda Reeves who will do a bang-up job in this role I am sure! Anyway on with Business...

The New Member luncheon will be held on 2/18 at 11:30 at Jeri Bowen's house. All new members who joined after February 2015 are encouraged to let me know if you don't receive an invitation to this luncheon before that date!!

The Rosters are out! If you haven't picked yours up, remember to get it at the February meeting.

We had a new member join at the January meeting:

Sue Merrell
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Granada Hills, Ca. 91344
818-363-1035
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Membership, Chair
BJ Addis

Philanthropy

The Hilltoppers Auxiliary of the Assistance League of LA invites you to visit our newly remodeled "Foster Children's Resource Center", on Saturday, February 6, 2016, 3pm to 5pm at 19441 Business Center Drive, Unit 101, Northridge. Refreshments will be served. RSVP 818-886-3516.

We started out the new year, 2016, with a bang! You turned in 70 completed pillowcases, 6 finished quilts. Thank you all!

The March workshop, March 11, will be a Philanthropy Sew-In.

Philanthropy Co-Chairs
Debbie Hebner and Joan Moore

Mini-Groups

We have a new member who would like to join a mini group! Are there any mini groups that have an opening? Or are some of you interested in starting a new group? Let me know! For more information, see me at the guild meeting or give me a call at 818-404-4083

Mini-Groups
Sally Nelson

Quilters' Philanthropy Playday

February 15, Monday, Presidents' Day
9:30 to 3pm

St. James Presbyterian Church in Tarzana
19414 Ventura Blvd, Tarzana 91356

We welcome everyone to come and participate in making items for our many philanthropic efforts. You may also bring your own project.

We hope you will bring your sewing machine as well. We will have a few demonstrations of techniques for you to share or try. We hope you will find time to join us for a little while. Bring a friend.

Jan Lauritzen (818) 341-4506,
Jan Livingston C (818) 4390831,
Hannah Almstead C (818) 426-8236

Hospitality

Thank you to those of you who brought refreshments to our January meeting. We had a nice variety of goodies. Everyone seemed happy.

Those of you whose last name begins with Y, Z or A, please bring refreshments to our February meeting.

Thank you.

Hospitality, Co-Chairs
Robbie Eben, Jan Ryden and, Kathy Calagias

Ways and Means

Hi Quilters,

Here we are in the middle of winter and Betty and I thought we'd liven up the Ways and Means table a bit by adding a MYSTERY BOX. Not only is it full of stuff, but it includes a gift certificate to Candy's for mucho \$\$\$\$. OK, it's not for a million, but almost when it comes to shopping for fabric. I know you'll love the box. So come by with some \$1 bills or \$5 bills and take a chance. YOU'LL BE THE ENVY OF YOUR FRIENDS!

Ways and Means, Co-Chairs
Betty Vandevort, Hazel Wetts

Quilters for Others

Think LOVE. Think helping. Think of coming to Quilters for Others on WEDNESDAY February 24th from 9:30 to 2pm at St. James Presbyterian Church, 19414 Ventura Blvd. West of Tampa on the south side of the street.

You may bring your own project or help us design and create quilts, placemats, and loving articles for our many deserving recipients. Lunch is near by, or bring your own. You may bring a machine, but it is not necessary because we will have all the materials for you to tie or help make quilts. You need not be a guild member to join our happy hands. Bring a friend. See you on the LAST WEDNESDAY of the month.

Linda Deckard, Jan Lauritzen, Jan Livingston
Quilters for Others

Thinking of You

Margo Yang is recovering from emergency surgery and is doing well. Ted Yang will update us on her recovery. Cards and emails would be appreciated. Please keep them in your prayers.

Margo Yang
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Corresponding Secretary
Jill Tovey, sewscraps1@gmail.com
818-360-0061

Quilt Mom:

Hello Ladies,

On February 13th we are showing our new opportunity quilt at the South Bay Quilters Guild. The show is in Torrance at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center. Please see me at the February Quilt meeting if you would like to help. We need a few more to sign up to help sell the tickets. Please call me (818-404-4083) or see me at the next meeting. Thanks .

Quilt Mom
Sally Nelson

New PIF Block

The "Too HIP to be Square" block

Material for one block

Background color (1) 4 ½ inch strip, selvage to selvage or (2) 4 ½ inch strips from a Fat Quarter

Cut strip(s) into (2) 12 ½ inch pieces

(2) 4 ½ inch pieces

Center color (1) 4 ½ x 4 ½ inch square

Material for an entire Lap Quilt (20) 12 inch blocks (4 x 5 array or 48 inches by 60 inches)

2 ½ yards of assorted of background colors (approximate) to make (20) 4 ½ in strips

½ yard of contrasting center color 3 strips or ¼ yard for 2 strips. (Cut (18) 4 ½ inch squares from two strips and the remaining (2) centers from an accent color.)

(A border could be added to enlarge the quilt size or the quilt can be made with 30 blocks.)

Sewing the block

0. Be sure your seam width is set to a true quarter inch.

1. Sew one 4 ½ background square to each side of center square.

Press toward background strips.

2. Sew each 4 ½ by 12 ½ strip to each side of strip in step 1.

Press toward 12 ½ inch strips.

3. You are done...you get to do it again!!



Sewing a quilt

Place 20 blocks in a 4 by 5 array. If the direction of the long strips is alternated, you will only need to align block seams.

Sew blocks together. Quilt or tie "as desired".

PIF will accept blocks, tops, completed quilts, good thoughts...and advice in small doses.

Bartolomea @aol.com

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Money, Money, Money

Valley Quiltmakers Guild Treasurer's Report December 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

12-1-15 Beginning Checking Balance **\$7,616.10**

INCOME:

Membership Dues \$394.00
Workshops 255.00
Ways & Means Spotlight Drawing 1,773.00
Ways & Meeans Spotlight Drawing (Donor Share).. (608.00)
Opportunity Quilt 2015 186.00

Total Income \$2,000.00

EXPENSES:

Bank Charges 12.00
Newsletter 36.30
Hospitality (Christmas Party) 75.11
Gifts 100.00
Opportunity Quilt - 2016 294.60
Rent - Meeting site 200.00
Taxes (refunded) (10.00)
Workshops - housing 303.84

Total Expenses..... \$1,011.85

12-31-15 CHECKING ENDING BALANCE **\$8,604.25**

SAVINGS BEGINNING BALANCE **\$4,627.03**

Interest Income \$0.12

SAVINGS ENDING BALANCE \$4,627.15

HY LIQUID SAVINGS BEGINNING BALANCE **\$25,658.16**

Interest Income \$1.31

HY LIQUID SAVINGS ENDING BALANCE \$25,659.47

11-30-15 TOTAL ASSETS **\$38,890.87**

Increase (decrease) over 1 year ago **(\$149.66)**

Increase (decrease) over 1 month ago **\$989.58**

Respectfully submitted by Janyce Waldbaum, Treasurer
December 31, 2015

Thank You to our Generous Sponsors

Please remember to support our local Quilt Shops!

Baron's Sewing Center, Inc.

22635 Ventura Blvd.
Woodland Hills, CA 91364
818-224-2746
www.baronsewfab.com

Candy's Quiltworks

8549 Reseda Blvd.
Northridge, CA 91324
818-349-7397
candyquilts1@aol.com

Cotton & Chocolate Quilt Co.

1724 Avenida de Los Arboles, Unit E
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362
805-241-0061
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DKLA

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Kyle, TX 78640
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Montrose, CA 91020
818-957-2287
linda@quiltntthings.com

Quilt Emporium

4918 Topanga Canyon
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Quiltn' for You

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661-753-7865
quiltnforyou@gmail.com



And attitude is the one thing that we always, in every circumstance, have control over...



Valley
Quiltmakers
GUILD

P.O. Box 589
Canoga Park, CA 91305-0589
Regular Meetings, Second Thursdays
9:00 am Fellowship; 9:30 am Meeting
United Methodist Church
9650 Reseda Boulevard
Northridge, CA 91324-2017

VALLEY QUILT GUILD
2016 Great American Quilt Challenge
TURN YOUR UFO'S into IFFles***

Rules for the Challenge

NAME _____ E-mail _____

1. Pay the Guild a \$10 entry fee (cash or check)
2. Turn in your list (below) of UFOs that YOU are challenging YOURSELF to finish.
3. Bring your finished quilt(s) to the next meeting for "Show & Share" and get checked off for the credit toward your IFFI(es).
4. We are accepting COMPLETED quilts only (to include the top, the quilting and the binding).
5. One (1) TICKET FOR SMALL QUILT, such as BABY, WALL HANGING OR TABLE TOPPER
Two (2) TICKETS FOR LAP and TWIN SIZE (machine quilted)
Four (4) TICKETS FOR LAP and TWIN SIZE (hand quilted)
Three (3) TICKETS FOR QUEEN and KING SIZE. (machine quilted or tied)
Five (5) TICKETS FOR QUEEN and KING SIZE (hand quilted)
6. The more participants we have, the bigger the pot. The winner gets a cash prize of fifty (50%) of the entry fees collected. (The other (50% goes to VQG treasury).
7. You may add to your list, or join any time between January & November, 2016. To add to your list, fill out a "Challenge Addendum form". To join, complete the form and pay the \$10 entry fee.

MY LIST OF UFOs to turn into IFFles
Please provide name/brief description of each UFO.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

For additional items, you may add a second sheet with name and date or write on the back.

*UFO=Unfinished quilt project that has been started prior to December 2015 (not new projects started for this challenge).

*IFFI=I FINALLY FINISHED IT111

Questions? Call or Email Cheryl Cederquist or Dru Volk. Find contact info in VQG roster.