Newsletter



"Quilting carries a long history of Community and Social engagement; as empathy for those in need and as affection for those we love."

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President's Message

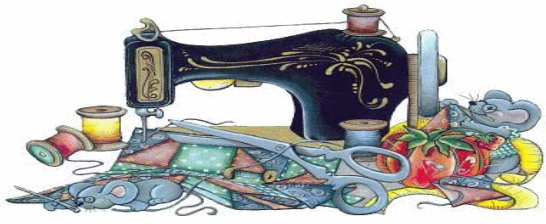
Dear Valley Quilters,

For me, August always brings two emotions – dread because it gets too hot, and the joy of anticipation of my birthday! I'm not really sure why I get so excited about getting another year older, but there you have it. (Of course, I like to celebrate August as my "Birthday month!") Maybe I just like the attention I get from friends and family, or maybe I just use it as an excuse to buy my myself presents, mostly fabric!!

We have another birthday coming up in September—The Valley Quilters Guild! Born on September 1, 1981, Valley Quilters Guild was organized by some ladies who wanted to share their craft and promote local interest in quilting. Thay had a quilt show, met monthly and developed many lifelong friendships, much as we do today!!

I hope you all take advantage of every opportunity to get together and fellowship this month, whether it is Needle Yakkers, a friendship group, a pricing party, or Guild meeting! Grab a friend and have lunch afterwards! Let's celebrate each other and the Valley Quilters Guild!!

Happy Quilting!
Ama Mora



2026-27 Program Happenings!
Sally Hill

August 25th Guild meeting:
Our speaker for our August Guild meeting will be Linda Sullivan from Colourwerx.

Her Lecture will be – Got Colour? Linda will discuss the basics of colour theory, demonstrate colour concepts, mood boards and share tips and tricks on how to find colour inspiration in everyday objects to inspire, infuse and ignite the colour in your next quilting project.
Linda Sullivan has over 25 years' experience of the quilting industry. Along with her husband, they have designed and published quilt patterns, authored books, designed fabric collections, teach nationally and own and operate a quilt shop in Palm Springs.
Linda Sullivan will have Patterns and Fabric for sale at the Guild Meeting in the back of the room

Colourwerx Workshop Wednesday, August 26th there will be our workshop with Linda Sullivan at Valley Wide. It will be the Wonky and Curvy Cosmos workshop. This workshop is full. It will be from 9am-3pm. I have sent emails to all that have signed up. (check your Junk Mail) If you have not received an email from me, please contact me.

September 22nd Birthday potluck, we will have the vendor-Carrie Wilson from Fantabulous backings. So, if you need backing for your quilt for the Quilt Show, this would be a good time to get it!

Sally Hill – Programs 2026-2027



Quilters Calendar

Aug 17	9:00am **Sewin Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
Aug 20	**Pricing,** Sharon Brewer's house, 8:30am to 11:30am
Aug 24	9:00am **Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
Aug 25	9:30am **VQ Guild Meeting/**Linda Sullivan Colourwerx/Got Colour
Aug 26	9:00am-3:00pm **Workshop** Colourwerx Wonky & Curvy Cosmos Valley Wide Back building
Aug 31	9:00am **Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
Sept 7	**No Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
Sept 14	9:00am **VQ Board Mtg** Valley Wide-Front building
Sept 14	9:00am **No Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
Sept 21	9:00am **Needle Yakkers** Valley Wide
Sept 22	9:30am **VQ Guild Meeting/**Guild Birthday luncheon/Fantabulous Backings/High Desert Quilters



August 2026

Aug	2	Penny Beaulieu
Aug	6	Gloria Barela
Aug	10	Hortencia Rosler
Aug	14	Tawnya O'Herron
Aug	19	Mike Yeager
Aug	20	Susie Barron
Aug	22	Karin Pavlovsky
Aug	25	Nancy Alaksin
Aug	30	Amy Mora

September 2026

Sept 11	Van Warner
Sept 12	Kathy Barbay
Sept 12	Sally Hill
Sept 12	Ronda McCord
Sept 16	Lyn Vasquez
Sept 18	Diane Best
Sept 23	Rebecca Blosser
Sept 23	Joy Tanith Cervin
Sept 26	Leslie Weidner

Door Prizes
Diana Fish

For all our members whose birthday lands in -August a great big Happy Birthday and I hope your day was great one.

I so enjoyed being with all of you at our last meeting. Wayne is doing well after his surgery which means I will be with you for our August meeting as well.

Don't forget to bring your wrapped birthday gift to the door prize table before 9am if possible. If you forgot last month or will be away, bring it in any way. We need your door prize to raise monies for our General Fund. New sewing related donations are always welcome, And I have some to add as well.

It's 7 tickets for $5.00 or $1.00 each

Have a great day and I will see you at the Guild meeting on August 25.



Mini Workshops
Pat Newsom

2026-27 Upcoming Mini Workshops

October 14th Scrap Busting by Meri Walker

January 13, 2027, more to come

Each Class is only $5.00 from 9am till 2pm at Valley Wide in the back trailer. I will have a sign-up sheet for the first class at a future guild meeting. Come and join the fun.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

Thanks, Pat. 951-505-8214

Mini Quilt Raffle
Kathy Ray

It's MINI time everyone!!!

Let's keep the "mini quilt raffle going!

Please sign up to provide a Mini Quilt.



We Need your Quilting Donations

Sharon Brewer

Don't forget as you are cleaning your sewing room to donate any quilt related items to be priced and sold at 2nd Time Around.

Next Pricing is Thursday, August 20th

I can be contacted at clintsharon76@yahoo.com or drop off at 2830 Jasmine Circle, Hemet

Thanks!



Needle Yakkers, 9:00am to 12:00pm

Philanthropy Projects

Comfort Quilts and Pillowcases

Next Sewin is Monday, August 17th

We meet every Monday. Except Board meeting days or unless Valley Wide is closed for the holidays.

Valley Wide Regional Park
901 W. Esplanade Ave
San Jacinto, Ca. 92582
in Mobile #1
(Building behind the tennis courts).

Park in the back parking lot for easy access.

There is a ramp around the back. Sew, bring your machine and project, let's sew!

Mondays from 9AM to 12PM

Remember to bring any completed comfort quilts and pillowcases to the meetings.

Thank you for all your Support!

Retreats

Mary Myers

Lutheran Glen retreat is coming soon, November 9 -12 2026.

As of today, there has been a cancellation. If you would like to be part of this retreat, call me ASAP.

The final payment is due by the September Guild meeting. You may pay me your final payment of $290.00 anytime.

This is a great time to get to know each other and let your creativity flourish. It is a small room so sorry to say we will not be able to bring our sewing tables. But everyone has their own table so you can spread out your *stuff*.

The food is great. If you have a dietary issue, please let me know.

Vina de Lestonnaac

March 1-4-2027

This is a first-class retreat center in the wine county of Temecula. Yes, it is more money but worth it when you get to be with friends. No cooking or dishes, that is really nice and you must eat 3 meals a day. Ha Ha!!

The total cost for all this is $600.00. There is still space for you and bring a friend.

Mary Myers

951-445-1745



2029 Opportunity Quilt
Amy Mora

I am looking for one or more quilters who are interested in the making of the 2029 Opportunity Quilt. You would pick out the quilt, purchase fabric, coordinate guild members in making the blocks and put it together and get it finished. There is a budget of $800, and all proceeds of ticket sales go towards scholarships. A worthy endeavor!

Please contact Amy Mora if you are interested!

Sunshine & Shadows
Pat Newsom

Nothing to report



2027 Quilt Show Chat
Kim James

For the August 25th guild meeting we will hear from Janet Swindell with Consignment, Jan Lawrence with Comfort Quilts and Mary Myers with Acquisitions as they will share what their positions represent and how volunteers within the guild are needed to help enhance both the Quilt Show and our Guild.

It has been a highlight for me to hear such nice comments from the guests who attend our quilt shows. They comment on how friendly valley quilters guild is to everyone.

Valley Quilters Guild Happy Birthday Luncheon

We have our annual Birthday Potluck Luncheon coming up this September 22nd. The sign-up sheet will be available at the August 25th guild meeting. Start Thinking about what you would like to bring! Hope to see loads of great food!

Also, Fantabulous Backings and High Desert Quilters will be there at our Birthday luncheon!!

High Desert Quilters is a group founded to do all charity work. There are 24 members that make and donate hundreds of quilts, pillowcases, filled Christmas stockings and adult bibs every year. They cheerfully accept quilting fabric and cash donations for the purchase of kid's fabric.



2026-27 Philanthropic Quilt Ticket Sales
Lupe Torres

Please come and see me at the August 25th Guild Meeting to pick up your 2027 philanthropic raffle tickets. Each member receives 30 tickets for $25 to either purchase or sell to others. All money received will be awarded in scholarships for the 2027 year.

Thanks, Lupe



Membership
Lorie Mathis

Our membership is at 104 members as of the July guild meeting.

Fat Quarter Fun

Judy Adams & Candy Pellechio



August

Fat Quarter:

Halloween

Pull Tabs

Becky Miller

The yellow basket will be at the guild meeting in August. Please save pull tabs from your soda cans for the Ronald McDonald House in Loma Linda. It's important for kids and their families.



July Show and Tell

Susie Barron

Name	Quilt Description	Quilter
Sally Hill	Cowboy & Christmas Quilt	Self
Mini Workshop class	Seahorse or Elephant	N/A
Sandi Sheridan	UFO- 2 quilts	Self
Meri Walker	Challenge/Quilt Class	Self
Jan Lawrence	UFO-Valentine	Self
Deanna Coleman	UFO-Patriotic	Self
Cheryl Enyeart	Trip Around World & Southwest Quilt	Karen Gehing
Becky Miller	Jacobs Ladder	Marianne Crouch
Kim James	United & Patriotic Quilt	Marianne Crouch
Judy Adams	Banner	N/A

If you have something to share, please post on our Facebook page at **Hemet Valley Quilters or** bring to our next guild meeting, so that all can see.



2026-27 Challenge

Suzanne Wade, 2026 Challenge Chair

Challenge Update/Accounting

I feel like I should document what I have so far regarding the challenges this year. Since there is an award for each one, I want to be fair to those participating. IF, HOWEVER, my accounting is IN ERROR, I hope you will be kind enough to correct me!!!

Challenge One – the half-yard quilt:

Mary Walker
Barbara Mages
Sue Roberts
Joan Dorr
Pat Spurgeon
Janet Swindell
Carol Miller
Kim James
Sally Hill
Grace Ward
Lupe Torres
Linda Gunn
Lori Mathis
Kathy Smigan
Norma Murguira
Lyla
Anita
Susi Barron
Amy Mora
Suzanne Wade

Challenge Two – UFO's/PINS – Finished

Mary Walker – 3
Sandra Sheridan – 5
Jan Lawrence – 1
Charlotte Hamade – 3
Kim James – 2
Linda Gast – 3
Deana Coleman – 1
Becky Miller – 1
Cheryl – 1
Judy Adams – 1
Amy Mora – 3

Thank you for your attention to detail. Suzanne Wade gltangl@verizon.net 951-380-1210 (cell)



Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sale Destinations

Carrie Dixon/ Meri Walker

Upcoming Opportunity quilt ticket dates

October 13th - 6:00pm? Modern Quilt Guild, Long Beach
Need volunteers

January 13th, 2027 -Temecula. Need volunteers

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these events or need more details, please text Carrie Dixon at 815-848-2205 or Meri Walker at 909-645-3229

Remember, the funds made from the quilt sales go towards scholarships for students.



US Vets program

Hello my fellow quilters.
I've contacted the homeless vets. department at March Airforce Base. She was so excited to hear that our guild members are willing to help where needed. The following are items needed for their everyday living:
nonperishable food, clothing, toiletries and most important QUILTS. Each veteran will receive a quilt that they can use if staying at the facility or graduating to the outside world. The US Vets is a program to help our veterans get off the streets and supply them with counseling, mental health assessments, meals, job placements and most important housing. Not only are they serving Riverside County but also San Bernadino County. This facility is currently housing approximately 140 veterans, females and families. They are waiting on grants and funding to expand their facility to accommodate more in need. It is a well-organized program and always in need of help from organizations like us.
So, please, each month donate something of the above and I will see to it that they get it.
Quilts can be any size and color. From laptops, for those in wheelchairs, twin size for the single veteran and queen for the families.
Jan and the yakkers will be donating some quilts also.
THANK YOU, hope you can help me with this project.
Kathy Ray

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Remember to bring to the August meeting:

Name badge, Show & Tell items, Fat Quarter: Halloween $20 value or more birthday gift, if it's your birthday this month. Also, any completed Comfort Quilts. Finally, $25 for your 2027 Opportunity Quilt Tickets and $30.00, Mini Workshop and door prize ticket money.

Valley Quilters Guild meets at 9:30am on the 4th Tuesday of each month (arrive a little early, if you want to visit before the meeting starts).

Location: **Seven Hills Clubhouse**
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Hemet, Ca.
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