

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



Saving for a Rainy Day?

As I get older, I see how much stuff I have accumulated and I wonder, do I really like all of this? Perhaps I get comfort from the things of my past, or maybe I have memories that are attached that I cannot release.

My mother loved the Dollar Tree and 0.99 Cents Only stores and would give me trinkets from these places. She is gone now, so maybe I hold onto these things because she gave them to me. Their value is in the giver, not the gift.

I want to downsize and remove clutter. My sewing room needs it too! I have fabric scraps from when I started quilting. The fabric is not particularly pretty, or even my style. Why do I keep this? I rationalize by saying to myself that I might need it someday. Truth is, I think I am just hoarding. I need to let it go and make room for the new!

I recently purchased an Acu-Go cutter to help me cut down my scraps to a more manageable pile. I make strips, squares and triangles then sort by style, value, color, etc. I have already made one quilt out of 2 1/2-inch squares and given it to Needle Yakkers! Fabric that I know I will never use goes to 2nd Time Around. It's taking some time, but I am making progress!

If this inspires you to go through your stash, remember to give unwanted fabric and sewing items to our 2nd Time Around. Sharon Brewer is happy to receive your donations and the money raised goes towards supporting the Guild. Win-Win!!

Happy Quilting!



2026-27 Programs
Sally Hill

May 26 Guild meeting, we will have Longarm Quilt Speakers. If you have any questions about Long Arm Quilting, bring them to the meeting to share.

June 23 Guild Meeting, we will have the Batty Lady speaking about different kinds of batting. She will also be bringing some batting to sell.

Sally Hill



Membership
Lorie Mathis

Our membership is at 100 members.

Mini Quilt Raffle
Ann Nicholas

It's MINI time everyone!!!
Let's keep the "mini quilt raffle going!
Please sign up to provide a Mini Quilt.



Quilters Calendar

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| May 18 | 9:00am Needle Yakkers
Valley Wide |
| May 25 | Memorial Day- No Needle Yakkers Valley Wide |
| May 26 | 9:30am VQ Guild Meeting /Marianne Crouch,
Long arm Quilters Lecture |
| June 1 | 9:00am Needle Yakkers
Valley Wide |
| June 8 | No Needle Yakkers Valley Wide |
| June 8 | 9:00am VQ Board Mtg
Valley Wide-Front building |
| June 15 | 9:00am Needle Yakkers
Valley Wide |
| June 22 | Needle Yakkers Valley Wide |
| June 23 | 9:30am VQ Guild Meeting /Alicia Campbell,
speaker & Vendor "The Batty Lady" |
| June 29 | Needle Yakkers Valley Wide |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May 2026

May 7	Kathy Ray
May 8	Cleta Colston
May 9	Barbara Mages
May 11	Jeri Ciraolo
May 15	Janet Swindell
May 20	Beverly Wallace

June 2026

Jun 3	Judy Adams
Jun 5	Charlotte Morton
Jun 6	Candy Pellechio
Jun 8	Jeananne McGough
Jun 8	Pam Verberg
Jun 12	Meri Walker
Jun 16	Sandra Daughy
Jun 17	Reggie Smith
Jun 18	Grace Ward
Jun 28	Ann Meuse
Jun 28	Winette Miller
Jun 29	Linda St Jean
Jun 30	Donna Casoli

Door Prizes

Diana Fish

Happy Birthday to all our members whose birthday lands in May.

Hope you all enjoyed your special day.

Please remember to bring your wrapped present to our door prize table, before 9 am. If you forgot last month, bring it in. Or if you missed your birthday month, bring it in anytime. New sewing related donations welcomed anytime. I have a few surprises to add.

Tickets sold are 7 for \$5.00 or \$1.00 each. Monies raised go into our General Fund so we can pay the bills.

Have a great day, and I will see you at the Guild meeting.



Mini Workshops

Pat Newsom

2026-27 Upcoming Mini Workshops

So far, I have 2 mini workshops planned.

October 14th Scrap Busting by Meri Walker

January 13, 2027, Collage Art by Sandi Sheridan. More details 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!



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

**Philanthropy Projects
Comfort Quilts and Pillowcases**

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.

So far this year is what the guild has donated to various organizations!!

136 Quilts
50 pillowcases
20 bears
39 Dolls/Dogs
14 Receiving blankets

Thank you for all your Support!
Jan Lawrence

Retreats Mary Myers

LUTHER GLEN RETREAT November 9 - 12, 2026

I am so happy to report that the email first to sign up was a success. We had 16 sign up and one on the waiting list. The final pay will be October Guild Meeting.

VINA de LESTONNAC March 1 - 4, 2027

I am excited to say we have 16 ladies ready to go to the Nunnery next year. We have room for a lot more to sign up. So, ask your friends. **After the first of the year, I will open it up to nonmembers. We have room for 8 more ladies.** For the new ladies this is a great way to get to know others in the Guild and have a great time. We work on our own projects and another way to finish those UFO. Just come and have fun with us. If you have any questions, please contact me at 951-445-1745



2026-27 Challenge
Suzanne Wade, Chair

NOW IT'S TIME - SHOW US YOUR STUFF!!!

Your first item listed on the Challenge Two sheet (UFOs or PINS) are due to be shown at the MAY meeting. I have many of the sheets with which to verify your expected finished item, so please give it a good old fashioned Hemet Quilters Guild Try!

You will have until JULY before you are to show another finished UFO/PINS - I am keeping track of the items you list.

IF you are confused as to what PINS are, they are: Projects I Never Started (but wanted to do). These will be listed also and shared the same as the UFOs. Whoever finishes the most will win.

The Half Yards of the fabric have been consumed, but if as many as four members would also like to participate, I can collect the money and place the order for the additional fabric, otherwise I will consider Challenge One to be complete with the competitors and look forward to our December meeting for the Reveal!!

I hope all of the Mothers in our group had a fulfilling Mother's Day whether with their children, or remembered by them with cards, flowers, or meals or gift cards, or any other sign of recognition for your efforts on their behalf.

If you have any questions, you can email or call Suzanne at
q1tangl@verizon.net or 951-380-1210

CHALLENGE

**2026-27 Philanthropic Quilt
Ticket Sales**

Lupe Torres

Please come and see me at the May 26th 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



2026 Scholarship Brunch Highlights



Fat Quarter Fun

Judy Adams & Candy Pellechio



May
Fat Quarter:
Patriotic

Upcoming Events

2026 So Cal Quilters Run

July 9-12 & 16-19

Thurs - Sat 9:00am - 6:00pm

Sun 10:00 am - 4:00pm

Quiltersrun.com

#socalquiltersrun2026

Road to California 2027

January 20-23, 2027

Ontario Convention Center Way

Ontario, Ca 91764

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.

I can be contacted at

clintsharon76@yahoo.com or drop off at 2830 Jasmine Circle, Hemet

Thanks!



Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sale

Destinations

Carrie Dixon

Upcoming Opportunity quilt ticket dates (provided by Meri Walker)

Carrie Dixon and Meri Walker will be selling opportunity tickets at the Family Picnic at Estudillo Heritage Park on **May 25th**. Come enjoy the family Atmosphere.



April Show and Tell

Susie Barron

<u>Name</u>	<u>Quilt Description</u>	<u>Quilter</u>
Joan Dorr	Arabesque Quilt	May Ann Olsen
Sally Hill	Snowman Table Runner	Self
	Civil War Square	Self
	Purple Flower	Self
Charlotte Morton	Quilt kit	Grace Ward
Linda Gunn	Last Years BOM	Dawna Batson
Suzanne Wade	Bricks and Stones	Self
Lorie Mathis	Truck Quilt	Self

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.



Sunshine & Shadows

Leslie Weidner

Get well to: Diana Fish

Get well to: Linda St. Jean's husband for the fall that broke his ankles

Sympathy : Linda St. Jean



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Becky Miller has published two books.
Hoosier Daughter is an early life memoir told in short stories.
Cat-astrophic: the Totally Varnished Truth About Cats is a delightful "tail" for all cat lovers.
Available on Amazon. or directly from Becky.

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**Remember to bring to the
May meeting:**

Name badge, Show & Tell items, Fat Quarter: Patriotic \$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, Membership renewal form 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
3050 Jacaranda Way
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