



December 9th Program



Quilters Holiday Party

December 9th, 2019 at 6 pm - 10 pm

Encino Balboa Golf Course Banquet Hall

“Joyous Giving ”

- *Raffle Baskets
- *Door Prizes
- *Live Entertainment
- *6" Charm Square Fabric Exchange
- *
- *NO FOOD DONATIONS



Next Newsletter
February Edition
 Deadline is Friday
 January 17th, 2020 (midnight)

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I can't believe 2019 is drawing to festive end. Looking forward to 2020 and all the awe and wonder it has in store for each of us. As we head into the holiday season may we all reflect back on 2019 and remember all the good we have done; while pondering what we can do in 2020. You will be receiving a few emails that require your vote on some matters that are time sensitive. Please keep an eye out for them. We will be bringing back some of activities that you mentioned in the president survey. Have a fantastic rest of 2019 and I hope you get to spend time with those whom bring you joy and happiness.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Freed
SFVQA President

Vets Quilt Project

Hi all. We have had another very successful year!! We have donated many beautiful quilts (exact number not available right now) and I have a great stock of pillows ready for delivery to the VA hospital in WLA when they need them. Thank you all for your donations of quilts, fabric and monetary donations all of which keep our work going.

REMINDER WE WILL NOT MEET IN DECEMBER!!! We will resume our work parties on the Third Tuesday in January and every month thereafter.

Again, Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your continuing support of our project and our wonderful and deserving veterans.

Happy Holidays to all.
Karen

SOCIAL MEDIA

For those of you on social media please like our Facebook Page, follow us on Instagram at SFV_Quilt_Association, and look for our private group on Facebook. For more information on how to find us on social media please email Melanie Jocson at melaniejocson@att.net. We are also looking for our members to share photos in our discussion group. We are also looking pictures of member's work that we can post on the social media. We want to share our talents with others.

Quilter for Others December/January

2019-20

Our adjusted November meeting is scheduled for December 4 at the usual place, St James Presbyterian Church at 19414 Ventura Blvd, Tarzana. It is west of Tampa on the south side of the street. The January meeting is the normal last Wednesday of the month, January 29th. We meet from nine thirty to about three.

Come when you can.

We welcome all sewists to help make kid quilts, placemats, pet beds, and to help design, cut, and create the many philanthropic items we donate. If you are making something of your own, please join us and have a good time with your friends, and let us encourage you with your own project. Lunch can be purchased nearby.

We hope to see you there.

Linda Deckard, Jan Lauritzen, Jan Livingston

DATES TO REMEMBER:

December Board Meeting will be at 5:50 p.m. at the Holiday Party

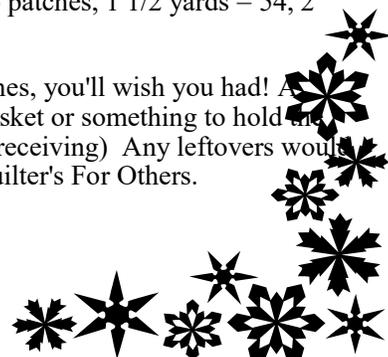
January Board Meeting will be January 28 at 6:30 p.m. at Prince of Peace. This will be an extended Board Meeting

Holiday Fabric Exchange

Here's how!

- ☼ Wear a 6" x 6" fabric patch to your name tag.
- ☼ Bring 6" x 6" patches to exchange - ALL THE SAME FABRIC that you are wearing.
- ☼ Prior to dinner, mill about the room, introduce yourself to others and trade a fabric scrap with them.
- ☼ How many squares to bring? That depends upon how many you want in return.
- ☼ One yard yields about 36 patches, 1 1/2 yards = 54, 2 yards = 72.

If you don't bring any patches, you'll wish you had! A helpful hint is to bring a basket or something to hold the fabrics you are giving and receiving) Any leftovers would be perfect donations for Quilter's For Others.



January 13th, 2020 Program

Mike (Mac) McNamara



Mac grew up in New England and made his first quilt in 1976. He likes to discuss the people, ideas, and things that have influenced his quilt designs. He places personal messages into each quilt using symbols, visual puns, and metaphors. His quilts can be seen from Hawaii to Cape Breton Island, including one that lives in the Museum of Fine Arts collection in Boston.

An English major, his degree gave him a love of the metaphor, symbolic irony, the zeugma, and other writing tools that he translates into his quilt imagery. His second degree is in Art History giving him an appreciation for iconic imagery, signs and signets that represent an emotion, a person, or a place, a person, or an emotion. For example, an anvil can be read as hard-hearted; a set of teeth can signify St. Appolonia; or an oak tree can mean Connecticut.

Mac likes to make quilts using free-form curved piecing, a mix of color values, and produce a finished look that seems to say, "Hey, some kids made this!"

Program Committee: Gayle Armstrong, Elaine Boulay, Judie Goldstein, and Tova Sobel

SECRET VALENTINE

If you would like to participate in a secret valentine exchange please sign up at the January meeting. You will need to submit your name for a drawing which will be done at the break. The exchange will take place at the February meeting. Please make sure you will be at both meetings. I hope you will join in on the fun

MEMBERSHIP TEAM

We are looking for a few members to join a group to discuss different methods on how we can increase membership. If you are interested please email Kim at kim4sports@gmail.com. I look forward to hearing from those interested. We will set up a meeting the first part of January.

Expert Quilting by Doug Sobel (quilthero.com). Contact Doug at 818-999-9808 or doug@quilthero.com. Doug quilted the 2019 Opportunity Quilt "Razzle Dazzle".

WORKSHOPS

Happy Holidays from the workshops people! Before you know it the New Year will be here. We encourage you to sign up now for the classes coming up in 2020. That being said, we do not want you to miss out on signing up for the "Magic Square Reinvented" workshop with Mike McNamara on January 12, 2020.



Mike got involved many moons ago when Sylvia Einstein (q.v.) showed him a block made by cutting a square in half twice - it had no name but had magical properties. He has been using it ever since. This version is a variation of the original Magic Square because we'll be cutting up blocks made from the strips.

The block is called Steps to the White House (q.v., Encyclopedia of Pieces Quilt Patterns by Barbara Brackman). We have the supply list to pick up when you pay for the class. The cost is \$35.00. You can pay by check, cash or charge. There will be some pre-cutting fabric homework to do before the class.



Come join us for the workshop class with Trudy Smith on February 9, 2020, Mock Hand Applique by Machine where we will make this "Funky Flower" shown above.

Trudy is so excited about sharing her love for making this flower. What Trudy loves about this class is when she teaches you this new technique you do not have to practice it to get good at it. It's learning the technique on your sewing machine with the special thread, needles and what stitch. The block you will make is a perfect project for your first try. You can use it to make a pillow or a label or just to learn the technique and keep it as your sample. One thing different that she uses in her technique is that she loves to use rubber cement.

Everyone will receive a kit in class at no additional fee. The goal is for everyone to finish this block in class and Trudy says we will all be able to. The challenge is on. This workshop will be held at Quilty Pleasures in Simi Valley. Cost of the class is \$45.00 and you can pay by check, cash or charge. There is some homework to be done but very little. Pick up the supply list so you know what you will need.

MEMBERSHIP

We had 65 members at last month's meeting, and we welcomed 1 new member and 4 guests!

New Member's Info:

Ailette Bright, 1421 N. Lima Street, Burbank, CA 91505
818-331-3128 - abright71@gmail.com

We continue to hand out rosters so for those who haven't received it yet, pick yours up at the holiday dinner. Remember to check your information once you receive it and let us know of any corrections required. If you missed it, we have a bunch of missing members on the roster. If you notice your information is missing, please do not fret, at some point soon an email will go out with the full roster.

Attn: Minigroups! If you are looking for new members to join or if you are a member who is looking to join a minigroup, let the membership committee know! New and existing members are always coming up to the table asking about minigroups. We would like to connect everyone together!

THIMBLE TOWNE RETREAT 2020!

It's been a long time coming but we've finally got a retreat back on the calendar. We've got a lot of interest, so send in your \$25 deposit as soon as possible to hold your spot.

Here are the details!

- Dates: 8/7-8/9/2020.
- Sewing hours are 7:00am to 10:00pm Friday and Saturday and 7:00 am to 3:00pm on Sunday.
- Meals are provided for dinner on Friday, lunch and dinner on Saturday and Brunch on Sunday.
- Every person has there own 4 ft table. Cutting and ironing stations are around the room.
- Thimble Towne offers a 10% discount to retreat attendees. And they have secured a discounted price at the Holiday Inn Express located approximately a mile from the retreat center.

Cost: \$175/person

There will be a \$25 deposit due ASAP.

Checks payable to SFVQA to:

Melanie Jocson

16726 Jersey Street

Granada Hills, CA 91344

paypal "friends and family" to melaniejocson@att.net

I will also accept credit cards, cash or checks at upcoming meetings.

Also, if you are on Facebook be sure to join our group on Facebook and chat amongst members between meetings.

We get to share with each other what we're working

on. [https://www.facebook.com/groups/sfvqa/?](https://www.facebook.com/groups/sfvqa/?ref=bookmarks)

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Quilt on!

Mary Flacco and Melanie Jocson (melaniejocson@att.net)

QUILT SHOWS COMING UP - 2020

Road to California 25th Anniversary Show
Ontario, CA January 23 – 26, 2020
Discounted tickets for bus groups of 30 or more.

Valley Quilters Guild 40th Annual Quilt Show
San Jacinto, CA February 7 & 8, 2020.

South Bay Quilters Guild Ruby Celebration Quilt Show
Torrance, CA February 15 & 16, 2020

Three Guilds Desert Guilds Quilt Show
Palm Springs, CA March 6 & 7, 2020

Friendship Square Quilt Guild Alive with Color Quilt Show, La Habra, CA March 14 & 15, 2020

Glendale Quilt Guild Glendale Quilt Show
Glendale Civic Auditorium March 28 & 29, 2020

Antelope Valley Quilt Assoc.
Quilt Show & Auction Glorious Southern California
Lancaster, CA May 16 & 17, 2020

Quilts of the Central Coast, Multi-Guild Regional Show
Seven Sisters Quilt Show, San Luis Obispo, CA June 27 & 28, 2020

International Quilt Show
Long Beach Convention Center July 9-11, 2020

TREASURER'S REPORT - October

As of 11.14.19

Income

Retreat 2020 - deposit	200.00
Opportunity Quilt - 2019	50.00
Donation	20.00
Holiday Dinner	1,120.00
Membership - Dues	40.00
Ways & Means	72.00
Workshops	535.00

Total Income **\$ 2,037.00**

Expense

Bank Fees - Square	13.93
LifeHouse Church - set up	80.00
LifeHouse Church - rent (6 months)	1,100.00
SCCQG - liability insurance members	485.25
Holiday Dinner - deposit	492.00
Newsletter - printing	29.85
Programs - lecture fee	250.00
Workshop - room rental	100.00
Workshop - lunch teacher	20.17

Total Expense **\$ 2,571.20**

Balance in checkbook as of

November 14, 2019

\$35,535.77

Road to California bus

Saturday Jan. 25th a bus will leave from Our church to "Road to Ca" - leaving at 8:30am

And departing the show at 3:00pm.

The cost which includes your admission and driver tip Is \$14.00 cash.

I will be collecting money at the holiday dinner.

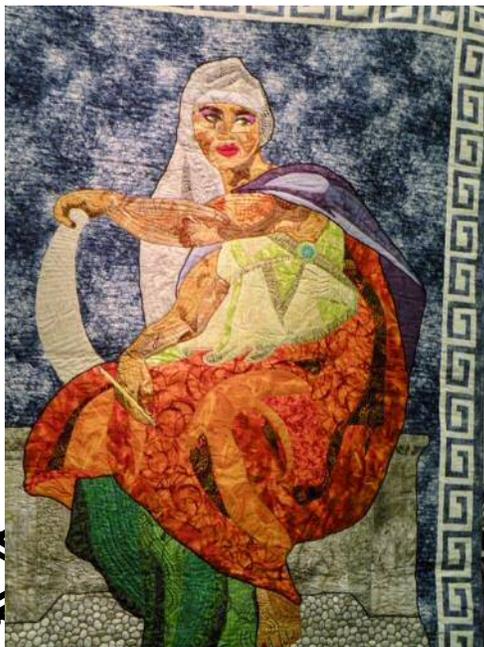
Please rsvp to me if you will not be at the dinner but wish to ride the bus.

Looking forward to another fun show!

Rosalie Glickman
roglickman@gmail.com
818-414-0743



OPPORTUNITY QUILT - 2019



December Birthdays

- 12/6 Karen Van Den Brink
- 12/10 Sue Merrell
- 12/12 Lorene Robbins
- 12/15 Kathy Milbrand
- 12/17 Barbara Montejo
- 12/20 Penny Van Dyke
- 12/29 Mindy Schultz



January Birthdays

- 1/ Pat Hill
- 1/4 Corinne Zajac
- 1/8 Laura Beck
- 1/9 Marty Boles
- 1/14 Donna Hovartos
- 1/18 Theresa Terhar
- 1/27 Jan Lauritzen
- 1/30 Jan Hazlehurst

SHOW AND TELL



MEET YOUR BOARD

SFVQA Workshops Debi Drake & Donna Colleran



Two peas in a POD or better yet the double DD'S. We have been friends for more than 30 years and have lasted more than most marriages these of days. I needed a chili cookoff partner and my best friend found her for me. Yep that's Donna. We met in a bar over drinks and the rest is history. We both are California natives and enjoy camping, playing games, putting puzzles together, chili cookoffs and now quilting. Here we are today as the workshop people and yes, I roped Donna into being in Workshops with me and the rest is history in the making.

We joined the SFVQA because we wanted to learn more about quilting and gain more knowledge from sharing the art with others. We both love putting the quilts together from beginning to end and yes that means quilting it on our longarm machines. Binding drives me nuts, but I got over that by trading work (lol). Not Donna, she does her own binding.

So now it's time to tell you a little about each of us and our backgrounds.

Debi Drake: Just celebrated my 21 years to a wonderful man who is my rock. Donna dared me to go on-line to a dating site to find someone. Well it worked, I found Jeff. We have one son who has done more traveling than both of us. As for my career, I was in accounting right out of High School to pay for my apartment and go to college. Soon after that I became a Volleyball Official because I loved the sport. Accounting by day and Officiating by night. After 30 years I retired from officiating but still do some accounting.

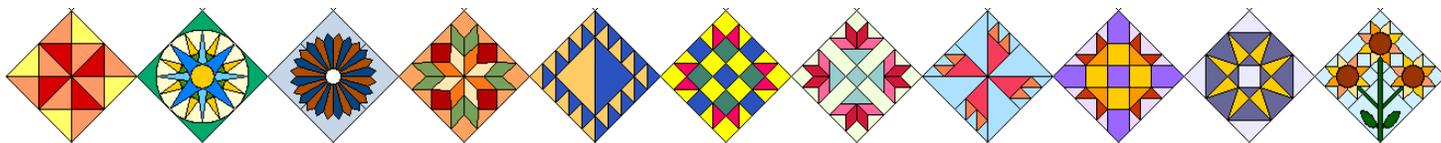
Now what does one do with all this creative energy and time? Yep, you guessed it, Quilting. Hook, line and sinker. I remembered a quilt I started 16 years ago, and I put it in the closet because I just could not figure out how I wanted the borders to go. A good friend of mine teased me about that quilt and the challenge was on to get it done. Took that quilt out of the closet 5 years ago and finished it with the help of a person at a quilt shop. That quilt is now in our new motorhome.

Donna Colleran: She and Ed just celebrated their 22 years of marriage. Donna had a childhood like most kids dreamed of. She was raised in Redondo Beach and loved to surf. She was the true California girl. Sun, surf and parties! Now you know why we were good chili partners and friends, we loved going out and causing trouble. I called it having fun and we continue to enjoy one another's company.

With all this fun going on, Donna had to find a way to support the fun. She worked in the Military Electronics business for 45 years. Yep, that is how she met Ed. One job just was not enough so she had a second job in the sewing industry making Motorcross Racing leathers, safety equipment and VW Van accessories. Talk about a creative world!

Then she retired and 5 years ago she was like me looking for something new to sink her teeth into. Quilting was the answer and it has taken over her life. When she travels, she and Ed find almost every quilt shop to check out. She supports as many as she can.

THAT'S OUR STORY AND WE BOTH ARE STICKING TO IT! CONTINUE TO LIVE, LAUGH AND LOVE".



SFVQA QUILT COLLEGE. NAME _____

Quilt College is a gift to the membership from the Association and the generous members who will have donated their time and expertise. All are welcome at no cost. In order to ensure that the day runs smoothly you must fill out and return this form no later than the January meeting. From the list below, select the **6** classes that most appeal to you and rank them from 1 to 6 in order of preference (1 being first choice). Every effort will be made to give you the classes you most want, but each class will only be taught twice during the day, so it might not be possible to get your top 4.

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| _____ 1. T-shirt and Memory Quilts | Laurie Bird |
| _____ 2. Beginning Quilting Tricks | Elaine Boulay |
| _____ 3. Curly Bearded Santa | Jeanne Huebert |
| _____ 4. Binding Variations. | Sandy Jewett |
| _____ 5. Disappearing 9-Patch | Jan Livingston |
| _____ 6. Paper Piecing | Paul Neumann |
| _____ 7. Machine Quilted Filler Patterns | Sue Rasmussen |
| _____ 8. Making Continuous Bias Strips | Lorene Robbins |
| _____ 9. Intro to Machine Embroidery | Lorene Robbins |
| _____ 10. Skinny Borders and Quilt Facings | Rita Streimer |
| _____ 11. Adapting a Photo for Applique | Karen Van Den Brink |
| _____ 12. Leather, the New Cotton | Doug Sobel |

Return this form to Marty Boles by the January meeting. You can bring it in person or mail to 10501-2 Larwin Ave., Chatsworth, CA 91311.

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Save the Date!

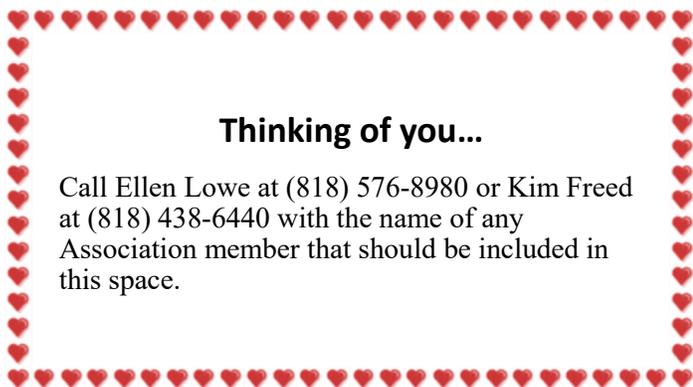
Quilt College will be held on Presidents' Day, February 17, 2020 at the ST. James Presbyterian Church, 19414 Ventura Blvd., Tarzana. Registration will start at 9:00AM and classes will begin at 9:30. Lunch will be from 11:00 to 12:30. You can bring your own or eat at any of the various fast food restaurants nearby. Classes will then continue from 12:30 to 2:00. Water and coffee will be provided throughout the day.

San Fernando Valley Quilt Association



Meetings

2nd Monday of every month, 6:25 P.M. Social
 7:00 P.M. Meeting
 LifeHouse Church, Natterstad Hall
 18355 Roscoe Blvd.
 Northridge CA 91325-4104



Thinking of you...

Call Ellen Lowe at (818) 576-8980 or Kim Freed at (818) 438-6440 with the name of any Association member that should be included in this space.



REMEMBER

- ◇ Do come early and sign in
- ◇ Bring a friend or two
- ◇ Do greet someone new and make a new friend
- ◇ Do wear your Name Tag
- ◇ Set your Cell Phones on vibrate
- ◇ Do wear a smile and be friendly
- ◇ Bring your Block of the Month
- ◇ Bring quilts for Show and Tell

Executive Board

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Karen Van Den Brink.....	818-344-8470
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Sandra Jewett.....	818-363-1968
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Donna Colleran.....	805-338-0062
Debi Drake	805-501-1232

Extended Board

Block Party	
Lynn Lowe	661-250-1040
Equipment/Storage	
Jan Livingston	818-360-3429
Hospitality	
Martha Guzman	818-799-3213
Library	
Lorene Robbins	818-700-8106
Newsletter/Web Site	
Lois Christianson.....	818-888-7248
Philanthropy	
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Jan Lauritzen.....	818 341-4506
Linda Deckard.....	818 352-5057
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Karen Van Den Brink	818-344-8470
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Elaine Boulay	818-363-2387
Ways and Means	
Robin Shafer.....	818-370-7331