



AVQA News

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Ordinary Fun

Please join us this month for a celebration of the growth of the Antelope Valley Quilt Association and the quilting industry for over 35 years. We will be sharing banana splits during our break and want to encourage each of you to take the time to get to know more about our tablemates. For our program, we will have four panelists who share what quilting has meant to them over a ten year period.

Rita Duggins - our founding president of the AVQA. Rita retired from a nursing career both as a teacher at Antelope Valley College as well as home and hospital nursing care. Rita, her husband, and children moved to Lancaster in 1957. She and a few friends decided to form their own quilt guild after annually mounting a quilt show for another group. Rita said the purpose of the guild from its inception to present day has always been philanthropy and education. Her specialty is making wearable art and small quilts, which are usually given as gifts.

Mary Brewer has a passion for teaching after trying four other careers. When she taught her first class in 1975, she knew that was where she belonged. She has been blessed to teach in California, Colorado and Germany. Her mother, Alma, tells of Grandmother Ollie giving Mary scraps of fabric to sew to paper at the age 3. Mary's specialty is teaching students to combine odd sized orphan blocks to make one-of-a-kind quilts. Her special joy is making 40-60 crib quilts each year with her students, giving them to battered women's shelters. Mary enjoys receiving letters, books and patterns from students who themselves have begun to teach and publish, continuing the thread.

Linda Kerston is also a founding member of AVQA and has been quilting since 1976. She has become an expert hand appliquér, winning many award, while lecturing and teaching. All her quilts are made by hand. She was inspired in the sewing arts by both grandmothers and her mother. Her mother designed and sewed clothing for the movie industry. Linda began knitting at age 5 and crocheting at age 10. Her passion is to make at least 3 bed sized quilts each year completely by hand. Linda continues to teach classes. She says you can never get too much information. Keep learning and use your skills to design your own quilts.

Joe Filich moved to Lancaster in 1973 continuing a successful career in electronics. He worked on several projects including the Minuteman One and Two Guidance Systems and Apollo Re-entry System, the B-1 space shuttle, B2 and many other radar and guidance systems. He was challenged by his wife Evalyn to begin quilting and has enjoyed quiltmaking for over 10 years. Joe has entered shows and won awards. Joe's work in the AVQA is service oriented, working always for the good of the guild in many capacities.

There will be no teacher's dinner, but you are welcome to join us as a group at the Texas Cattle Company at 44206 10th St West in Lancaster at 5pm before the meeting. The Crazy Quilt workshop will be on Saturday, October 15th. See page 3 for all the workshop information.

Guild Information

Next Guild Meeting: Thursday, October 13, 2011
 Location: Lancaster United Methodist Church
 918 West Ave J, Lancaster CA

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, October 18, 2011
 6:30pm at Bolts in the Bathtub

Membership Dues 2011/12

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Roster	Michelle Johnston	274-9020
Veterans' Quilts	Betty Putzka	947-0979
Web Site	Sue Jacobsen	946-2201

AVQA 2011-2012 Additional Key Positions

Challenge	Sandy Huszar	264-4441
Sunshine	Joe Filich	942-4138
Holiday Party	Ku'ulei Arredondo	944-9075
SCCQG Rep	Vicki Brown	269-8144
Door Prizes	(vacant)	

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Hospitality:

We are having banana splits!!

Check page 11 and bring the item you signed up for.

~~Thanks, Sew n Sews Friendship Group

President's Message

Ku'ulei Arrrdondo has volunteered to do the Holiday Party. Thank you very much. I would like to thank everyone for the support that you have given this year. You have made my job so much easier to do.

The Friendship circle "Material Girls" has volunteered to Door Prizes for October. They would like to challenge other friendship circles to step up and take the challenge for other months. Any Friendship circles up to the challenge?

In October, we will be getting a history of quilt making from our own guild members and an ice cream social. It should be a fun night.

See you at the guild - *Jamie*

Crazy Quilting Basics Workshop

There is still room in the workshop on Saturday, October 15 to learn the basics of crazy quilting. Corinne Gurney will be teaching tatting, silk ribbon embroidery and basic embroidery stitches used in traditional crazy quilting as well as the different threads available. Cheryl Nieman will be teaching machine quilting that can be used in crazy quilting. Mary Brewer will be teaching you how to sew the foundation block together and how to make a needlecase. The cost is only \$15.00 which includes the kit to make the needlecase.

For the tatting class, please bring a tatting shuttle (preferably one with a hook on one end), for the embroidery, an embroidery hoop. We will provide you with the needles and some floss and ribbon. If there are some things you want to bring to personalize your case, please do. The class will be at Sierra Toyota at 43301 12th St West, Lancaster and will start at 10:00am.

Opportunity Quilt for 2012-2013 Donations

We are still taking donations for the Crazy Quilt we will be making for the 2012-2013 opportunity quilt. We are looking for velvets and silks in jewel tone colors. If you are not sure of what jewel tones are, think emerald, sapphire, ruby and amethyst colors. We are also looking for leftover trims, buttons (no shanks, please), beads, hankies, appliques, charms or motifs. This is your chance to have a part in the quilt. We are also taking sign-ups for people who want to help work on the blocks. There are different ways to help, so see Mary Brewer and Corinne Gurney at the guild meeting to see where you can contribute.

~~ Corinne Gurney



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Holiday Party

I'm volunteering to set up the Holiday Party in December with Patty Keene and Becky Oliver to help it run smoothly. We have reservations for December 8, 2011 at the Green House Cafe in Lancaster. There will be seating for 50 - 60 guests. It will be held from 6:00 - 9:00 pm. The cost is \$21.00 per person which includes dinner with dessert and door prizes! The menu includes: 3 of Signature Pastas, 2 salads, French bread & butter, soft drinks, tea & coffee and of course, dessert. I will take payments & sign-ups at the October and November meetings. Or you can contact me at 661-944-9075.

We will be playing games so please bring 3 fat quarters: one batik, one black & white and one holiday. If you have any questions, please call me.

~~ Ku'ulei Arredondo



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AVQA PROGRAM CALENDAR

October 13, 2011	Mary Brewer – “Ordinary Fun”
October 15, 2011	Workshop – Crazy Quilting and other techniques
November 10, 2011	Make it and Take it Night--Christmas Gifts and Projects
December 8, 2011	Holiday Party
January 12, 2012	Margaret Tate – “Inspirations from Fabric
January 14, 2012	Workshop – Simplified Appliqué
March 8, 2012	Lyn Mann, <i>website - http://quiltsbylyn.com/</i>
March 10, 2012	Workshop – TBD

Upcoming Quilting Events

Oct 1 & 2 The Flying Geese Quilters Guild presents “A Harvest of Quilts” at SOKA University, 1 University Drive, Aliso Viejo, CA. Admission \$8, Saturday 10-4 Sunday 10-3:30. FMI: www.HarvestOfQuilts.com.

October 8 Orange Grove Quilter's Guild presents 2011 Auction and Tea at Garden Grove United Methodist Church, Acker Hall, 12741 Main St, Garden Grove, CA. Preview at 11, auction starts at 1. Admission \$7 includes free parking, Presale tickets \$5. FMI: bonnieguild@hotmail.com.

October 15 & 16 Citrus Belt Quilters presents Harvest of Quilts at Yucaipa Community Center, 34900 Oak Glen Road, Yucaipa, CA. Admission \$8, Saturday 10-4, Sunday, 10-3. FMI: www.citrusbeltquilters.org.

October 22 High Country Quilters Guild presents Craft Fair and Quilt Exhibit at Rancho Village, 39360 Fairway Drive, Palmdale, CA. Free, Saturday 10 – 4.

October 22 5th Annual Locust Street & Rosamond Quilters Quilt Show at Masonic Lodge, 2872 Diamond Street, Rosamond, CA. Free, Saturday 9 - 5. FMI: Linn Stone 2 661-256-6911.

October 22 & 23 Quilters by the Sea Quilt Show 2011 "Sea to Sea" at National Guard Armory, 2200 Redondo Ave., Long Beach, CA. Donation: \$7.00 one day or \$10.00 both days, Saturday 9:30-5, Sunday, 10-4. FMI: <http://quiltsbythesea.com/quiltshow.html>.

November 4 & 5 Fallbrook Quilt Guild presents Hand-Crafted Treasures at Fallbrook Presbyterian Church, 463 S. Stage Coach Lane, Fallbrook, CA. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$2 for children 3-12, Friday & Saturday 10-4. FMI: <http://www.fallbrookquiltguild.com/>.

February 18 & 19 South Bay Quilters Guild Annual Quilt Show at the Torrance Cultural Art Center, Madrona and Torrance Blvd., Torrance, CA. Saturday, 10-5, Sunday 10-4.

March 3 & 4 The Friendship Square Quilt Guild presents "A Garden of Friendship Quilts" at the La Habra Community Center located at 101 W. La Habra Blvd., La Habra, CA. Admission \$6, Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4. FMI: www.fsqq.org.

April 13-15 Best of the Valley Quilt and Doll Show in Lindsay, CA. Admission \$10 (\$15 3-day pass), Friday and Saturday 10-5, Sunday 10-4. FMI: www.botvquilts.com.

April 21 Santa Clarita Quilt Guild Quilt Show at Kateri Faith Center- Slattery Hall, 22508 Copper Hill Drive, Santa Clarita, CA. FMI: http://www.scvquiltguild.org/Quilt_Show.htm.

May 5 & 6 TLC Quilters Quilt Show 2012, "A Grandmother's Flower Garden" at Covina Woman's Club, 128 S. San Jose Ave., Covina, CA. Saturday 9:30-5, Sunday 10- 4.

Quilt Show News - We will be having three store fronts; one will be for vendors, one for quilt display and the other for a crafters mall. Auction quilts will either go in with the quilt display or crafters mall. On the crafters mall they will be able to rent one or two tables. In the crafters mall everything will be handmade only. We have also reduced the vendor's fee by \$50 per booth. Since we are paying a lot less at the Lancaster Marketplace than we did at the Fairgrounds we decided at the board meeting to pass some of the savings down to our vendors.

We are also planning a car show along with the quilt show. We are able to use the parking lot east of Harbor Freight for the car show at no cost to us. We will be having six Raffle Baskets this year. Also we will be going out to businesses to ask for a donation of gift certificates. We will have a letter with our nonprofit number on it for anyone who can help us, please let me know.

Bra Challenge: I will have more information and details at the October meeting. For every item made and donated to challenge will receive a chance to win \$50. Any questions or suggestions please email or call me.

~~ Sandy Huszar, 2nd Vice President

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Treasurer's Report

20-Sep-11

Beginning Bal.			
	8/1/2011	Checkbook	\$ 9,504.87
Expenses			
		Sue Jacobson Website	\$ 187.99
		Ann Copeland Speaker	\$ 85.00
		Sue Purdy Speaker	\$ 450.00
		Saylor's Sandcastle Spring Retreat	\$ 50.00
		Corine Gurney Workshop	\$ 425.95
		Corine Gurney Reimb. Supplies	\$ 270.71
		Michelle Johnston reimb supplies	\$ 107.67
		Bohns Printing Tickets	\$ 181.28
		Susan Handley Workshop	\$ 700.00
		Inspiration at Big Bear Fall retreat	\$ 1,450.00
		US Postal Service PO Box	\$ 76.00
		LUMC rent	\$ 120.00
		LUMC rent	\$ 120.00
		Budget Storage 1 yr storage	\$ 1,404.00
		Greenhouse Café 2011 Holiday Party	\$ 50.00
		Bank Fees/ Returned Checks	\$ 43.80
		Expenses	\$ 5,722.40
Income			
		Advertising	\$ 150.00
		Bus Trips	\$ 405.00
		Dues	\$ 1,380.00
		Opportunity Quilt	\$ 140.00
		Retreats	\$ 575.00
		Workshops	\$ 285.00
			\$ 2,935.00
Current Balance			\$ 6,717.47
		DWS Investments	\$ 15,144.74
			\$ 21,862.21

OCTOBER FAT QUARTER RAFFLE:

Remember **ORANGE** was chosen for the fat quarter drawing. You get one chance, for each fat quarter you bring. Remember no more than 5 fat quarters.

~~ Thank You, Joe Filich



Veteran's Workshop:

The Veteran's Workshop has been moved to the first Tuesday of the month. Come join us on **Tuesday, October 4th** for the Vets Workshop from 10am to 3pm at Bolts in the Bathtub.

~~ Betty Putzka

The Pearblossom Chamber is hosting their annual Duck Races on Sunday, October 2nd. They have tables available for \$40 and you can bring a shade. The tables are for anybody that would like to sell any gifts, crafts, games or food. For details they can contact the Pearblossom Chamber @ 661-944-1201 for more details.

Sunshine: I've not heard, of any problems, from our members, for this month.

~~ Thank You, Joe Filich



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Membership: We had 53 members and five guests in attendance for the September meeting. Pick up your roster when you sign in at the October meeting. Don't forget to wear your name tag!

~~ Michelle Johnston and Sandy Jo Ellis

**Antelope Valley Quilt Association
General Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2011**

President Jamie Harrington brought the meeting to order at 6:35.

The August guild meeting minutes were approved as reported in the newsletter.

1st V.P. - Programs Corinne Gurney welcomed the speaker, Sue Handley, and said Sue's workshop would be a week from Saturday. Corinne reviewed the upcoming speakers and programs: Mary Brewer will present the October program and the workshop on crazy quilting will be led by Mary and Corinne. Workshop cost will be \$15.00. A "Make It and Take It Night" is planned for November. December's program will be a holiday party. In January, Marguarette Tate will speak. Corinne will have samples from Marguarette next month. In March Lyn Mann will give a lecture entitled "Head for the Border."

President Jamie Harrington asked if there were any questions or concerns that anyone wanted to ask or address.

2nd V.P. - Quilt Show Sandy Huszar talked about the bra quilt challenge. She said you can Google "Artful Bra" for ideas. The funds raised will go to somebody for mammograms. She's thinking about having a 50's-type car show at the same time as the quilt show. A question was asked about the proceeds from the challenge. Sandy said the challenge auction would be separate from the auction we always have to raise funds for the guild.

Friendship Circle chairman Karen Stenback announced that there are two new circles and asked anyone who wants to join a friendship circle to come sign up and get a goodie bag.

Membership chairman Michelle Johnston announced the visitors and new members and did the name tag drawing.

Librarian Corine Cudney said EQ7 is going slowly. The first block of the month will be "The Brazilian" from the book, Scrap Basket Surprises by Kim Bruckett. Corine showed sample blocks.

Opportunity Quilt Promotion chairman Sandy Jo Ellis has opportunity quilt tickets for members to purchase and sell. She also has tickets for a \$500.00 certificate from Bolts in the Bathtub.

Opportunity Quilt Design chairman Mary Brewer said she wants to make the opportunity quilt a whole-guild project. She asked everyone to hunt for fabrics for the background and for buttons (without shanks), beads, and charms for embellishment. She also asked everyone to sign up to piece the background, embellish, or embroider. (And be sure to sign up to bring banana split ingredients for the October meeting.)

Veterans' Quilting chairman Betty Putzka showed a quilt that the group had finished and said there are 13 more ready to go to Landstuhl Hospital.

Sunshine chairman Joe Filich did the fat quarter drawing. Twenty-four fat quarters were brought. Karen Picard won. Next month's color is orange. Joe announced that Nancy Wolfsberger had emergency gall bladder surgery. Pat Stauning is home recuperating from knee replacement surgery. Jan Donner is having shoulder surgery on the 13th.

Linn Stone is organizing the Rosamond Quilt Show to be held October 22 at the Masonic Lodge.

President Jamie Harrington asked for someone to volunteer to chair the Door Prize committee.

Show and Share

- Jennifer Munroe showed her quilt, quilted by Lisa Shaff.
- Joe Filich showed his bargello quilt made up of 1695 3" squares. Quilt size is 117"x72".
- June Brown showed two quilts, one quilted by Sue Handley.
- Karen Picard showed quilts she made for her mother and her son.
- Corine Cudney showed pillowcases she's working on for Christmas presents and a block holder project done in her friendship circle.
- Sandy Borowiak showed her quilt.
- Judy Plauster showed a black and white quilt with fruit, a black and white four-patch quilt, and another quilt she made at the retreat.

- Betty Ziarnick showed her small version of the black and white four-patch.
- Sue Hartman found a quilt at the consignment shop on Lancaster Blvd. She purchased the hand-pieced and hand-quilted quilt for \$20.
- Jamie Harrington showed her quilt.
- Mary Brewer asked the members who completed their tops from the August workshop to show their work.

Ku'ulei Arredondotalked about the Pearblossom crafts festival.

Door prize drawing.

Sue Handley's lecture.

Meeting adjourned 8:28.

~~ Respectfully submitted, Kathy Judkins

**Antelope Valley Quilt Association
Board Meeting Minutes—September 20, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Jamie Harrington, President. Board members in attendance were Jamie Harrington, Tammy Boyd, Corinne Gurney, Sandy Huszar, Kathy Judkins, Michelle Johnston, Joe Filich, Sue Hartman, Ku'ulei Arredondo.

President Jamie Harrington said that Sue Jacobsen has informed her that guild forms are on the web site (www.avqa.org). Jamie asked if there were corrections or additions to the August board meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

1st V.P. - Programs Corinne Gurney said that Don Beld will be our speaker in April. His lecture will be "Quilts of the Civil War." Corinne is still working on February. She has samples from Marguarette Tate.

President Jamie Harrington said that they had a good class at Sue Handley's. Everyone enjoyed it. Sue taught pineapple and string/spider web quilts.

1st V.P. - Programs Corinne Gurney said she is looking for a couple of people to teach a "Make It and Take It" on November 10. Sandy Huszar volunteered to demo a snowman brooch. Corinne and Joe are doing demos.

2nd V.P. - Quilt Show Sandy Huszar said she went to Lancaster Marketplace and arranged to lease Units 116 and 114. (We had 116 at this year's quilt show.) Unit 116 is 8,000 square feet and will be used for the vendors. Unit 114 is 4,000 square feet and will house the quilts and quilt auction. There is a third unit available that is 2,800 square feet and is a possibility for a crafter's mall should the guild want to sponsor one. Rent and air conditioning for the three buildings is \$2,750.00. Sandy said that she has found out that we can have a car show, so people who can organize it are being contacted. Sandy discussed giving discounts on booth prices. She also discussed raffle baskets. Consensus was that we should have six themed baskets. Sandy said we can ask for gift certificates for the baskets at restaurants we frequent.

Sunshine chairman Joe Filich said that Jan Donner's shoulder surgery went well, and that Pat Stauning is doing well.

Treasurer Tammy Boyd presented the Treasurer's report. Our beginning balance was \$9,504.87. Expenses were \$5,722.40. Income was \$2,935.00. Current balance is \$6,717.47. Investment account balance is \$15,144.74.

Ku'ulei Arredondo has volunteered to organize the holiday party on December 8. It will be held at the Greenhouse Cafe in Lancaster. The room holds 60 people. Dinner will be a signature pasta buffet. Cost will be \$21.00 per person plus fat quarters for prizes. Patti Keene is helping Ku'ulei with the planning.

2nd V.P. - Quilt Show Sandy Huszar added a comment regarding the bra quilt challenge. She said that she wants to keep the proceeds from it here in the valley.

Membership chairman Michelle Johnston said there were 53 members and 5 visitors at the September guild meeting. We have a total of 105 members. She had member rosters for the board and will have them for members at the next meeting.

Newsletter chairman Michelle Johnston announced that articles are due on Friday.

Jamie asked Corinne about door prizes. The Material Girls circle is doing the door prizes in October, and they are challenging the other friendship circles to volunteer to do door prizes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

~~ Respectfully submitted, Kathy Judkins

WHO'S BRINGING WHAT FOR THE BANANA SPLITS

BANANAS (6) – Bea Wheeler, June Brown, Sue Hartman

HALF GALLON ICE CREAM – Joe Filich (STRAWBERRY), Sandy Smith
(CHOCOLATE), Dorothy McCoy (VANILLA), Judy
Plauster (NEOPOLITAN)

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SUGAR FREE COOKIES (12 OR MORE) – Betty Bundy

COOKIES (12 OR MORE) – Barbara Zamora-Athy, Nancy Wolfsberger, Debbie
Cowlen

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CHOPPED NUTS – Sharron Dalton, Muriel King

WHIPPED CRÈME – Lordes, Linda Lowe

SUGAR-FREE WHIPPED CRÈME – Mary Brewer

STRAWBERRY TOPPING – Sandy Huszar

CHOCOLATE TOPPING – Sue Hartman

CARMEL TOPPING – Marion O'Donnell

SUGAR-FREE CARMEL TOPPING – Mary Brewer

PINEAPPLE TOPPING – Sandi Borowiak, Patty Frozina

BUTTERSCOTCH TOPPING – Vivienne Eal

COCONUT – Anne Tyska, Maggi Weitzel

SPRINKLES – Stan Dalton, Ku'ulei Arrendondo



2011-2012 Newsletter

Submission Dates

Please note the following dates for submission of newsletter articles

- October 21, 2011
- November 18, 2011
- December 16, 2011
- January 20, 2012
- February 17, 2012
- March 16, 2012
- April 20, 2012
- May 18, 2012

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