

# AVQA News

# Antelope Valley Quilt Association

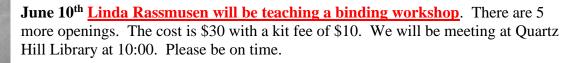
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# **JUNE Program**

**June 8**<sup>th</sup> will be the changeover meeting for all officers. All officers are asked to attend.



**July 13** Our own Cheryl Nieman will be discussing the use of rulers for the quilter. **July 15** Cheryl Neiman will be teaching a "Flower Power" table runner. These workshops are always packed with information and lots of tips. I have sent out a supply list for the class to all who have signed up. Al's Vacuum and Sewing is ordering the rulers, so you can get the rulers there. Thanks, Sue Leone. We will be meeting at Quartz Hill Library at 10:00 sharp.

We are going dark for August. Too HOT!



September 14 Welcome Back Tea -- "Mad Hatter's Tea" will be the theme. We will serve iced tea and water. Think about bringing a plate of nibbles to share. We are wearing Tea Hats again. Maggie and Peggy might come up with some fun games that are related to the theme, too. Don't forget your teacup and saucer. We are asking friendship circles to donate a table decoration in the theme that will be raffled off. September 16 Workshop TBD

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# **Guild Information**

**Guild Meeting**: Thurs, June 8, at 5:30 p.m. Location: United Methodist Church. Times are

subject to change.

918 W Ave J, Lancaster, CA 93534

**Board Meeting**: Tues, June 13, at 5:30 p.m. Greenhouse Café, Lancaster, Patio Room

**Membership Dues:** \$50.00, or \$60.00 if newsletter is delivered by USPS. This price includes Opportunity Quilt tickets.

#### **AVQA 2022-2023 Executive Board Members**

President Donna Roberts
1st VP Pat Crook

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Stephanie Shuping/Peggy Vachon

Secretary Carolyn Lundie Treasurer Dixie Bahr Parliamentarian Nette Louton

#### **AVQA 2022-2023 Committee Chairs**

Challenge Nette Louton & Pat Crook

Door Prizes Kathy Greene
Fat 1/4 Drawing Nani Johnson
Friendship Circles Carla Wolf
Historian Diane Grooms
Holiday Party the Board members
Hospitality Jan Hall & Terri Moss

Library Corine Cudney
Membership Peggy Campbell
Newsletter Peggy Vachon
Opp Quilt Design '24 VACANT
Opp Quilt Promo Dixie Bahr
Philanthropic Kathy Judkins
Publicity Kathy Judkins

Retreats Sherry DeLano Scholarship Evelyn Tiede/Jamie Harrington

SCCQG Rep Vicki Brown
Sunshine Peggy Campbell

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#### **Happy June Birthdays!**

2 Fran Bianchi 9 Jan Hall

2 Sydney Looper 19 Ginger Woltosz 7 Judy Miller 23 Vicki Brown

If we've missed your birthday, please let the Membership Chair know, and have a great birthday!!!

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This will be my last President's Message as my two years of holding this office is ending. It has been quite an experience, what with Covid covering most of that time with only Zoom meetings. It's been fun and I want to thank each and every one that has been on the Board, especially Pat Crook, who filled in for me so many times. I know that the incoming board will do a wonderful job, and I am looking forward to being a member and supporting them and hoping that every one of you will do the same.

It's awesome that the last event that occurred during my tenure was a fantastic Quilt Show put on by all the awesome members we have. It was so much fun, and it wouldn't have happened without all the hard work done by so many of you. A big thank you to Peggy Vachon and Stephanie Shuping for leading this production. Everyone I spoke to, be it a vendor, a member, or an attendee, all said it was an amazing show and they were so glad we finally were able to have a show.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the next meeting. Have a wonderful summer. Your President, Donna Roberts



Dear Arnie and Lynell,

Your generous donation made it possible for us to have a quilt show this year. Thank you so much!

With love and gratitude, Members of the Antelope Valley Quilt Association

## Announcements:

### Hospitality

If your last name starts with A-C, please bring a refreshment or snack of some kind to share with your fellow members.

#### Fat Quarter Drawing

Bring 1-5 fat quarters to enter the monthly drawing and have a chance to win a whole basket of yummy fabric. The color for the June drawing is BLACK & WHITE.

#### Observations while watching the Judging

Police your threads.

Binding, binding, binding. Make sure it is stuffed and watch your corners, because the judges will look at them.

Have a place for your eyes to rest, or know where you want your audience to look or focus.

Make sure you square up the inner area and then the finished quilt before you put on binding.

Points. Wow, the points need to show and the corners need to match.

Watch the tension on your machine. I know we hate picking out stuff, so watch the tension.

You can piece with different colors. I haven't before, but I will now. If you can see the threads between the pieces, move to a thread that will not show.

When binding, use a thread that matches your binding and use a blind stitch. Don't wash show quilts before the show. It takes the sheen off the fabric.

Don't wash, dry, or store your show quilts in scented places.

Kits are the same as block of the months. If you get the fabric with the pattern, they are judged only on the technical piecing because the pattern and the fabrics were picked for you. Hmm ... interesting. This is something that should be mentioned on the quilt entry form.

Original works should be judged separately because they are original. This should be mentioned on the quilt entry form.

A pattern that you get out of a book and that you pick the fabric for is fine, but the book or quilt designer should be mentioned unless you really change it up and make it your own.

Antique or vintage blocks are not copyrighted unless you are using them out of a book which uses them in a certain quilt.

All of the quilts were beautiful. I would like to quilt like this someday. I just thought people like me would like to know some of the things judges look at. Maybe work on one at a time, and then when it is the best you can do, move to the next. Don't you love quilting?!! Nette Louton



#### QUILT SHOW RAFFLE BASKETS

We have had a great Festival of Quilts!! Special thanks for all who contributed raffle baskets. Thanks to our Friendship Circles: Small Wonder, Sew Crazy, Bits & Pieces and the Art Group. Thanks, too, to Yvonne Rodriguez, Pat Stauning, Peggy Campbell, Maggie Konik and Peggy Howard, Diane Grooms, Nette Louton and Pat Crook for their baskets. We had 15 phenomenal baskets!

We want to thank Fox Field and Foxy's Landing Restaurant for their support in allowing us to promote our Opportunity Quilt in April and May. Thanks also to Nikki Abramson of Simply Quilted (661-943-8317), for professionally quilting four auction quilts. They were beautifully brought to life.

A HUGE thanks to Stephanie and Peggy for a wonderful show! We are all so full of gratitude for all their hard work! AVQA's Festival of Quilts came together beautifully thanks to their leadership, energy, vision, tenacity, and patience. It is amazing what can be accomplished by working together! Thanks to you all!

Kathy Greene AVQA Door Prize/Raffle Basket Chair

# QUILT SHOW Thank you

First, thank you to everyone who contributed to the quilt show. It took all of our members and many family members, and all of you turned out in full force. All of your contributions are much appreciated. Preliminary expense numbers are hovering around \$7300, but not all items have been reimbursed. We received cash donations to help defray costs of \$3760. Please look for more final numbers next month. If you need reimbursement for expenses, go to AVQA.org and download/print a check request form, complete the form, attach your receipts, and submit to our Treasurer, Dixie Bahr. If you incurred expenses that you don't plan to seek reimbursement for, please email or text Stephanie Shuping what the expense was for and

the dollar amount so that we can have a complete accounting of our expenses for future planning. It's very important that you do this by June 8, 2023, as our fiscal year ends on June 30, 2023.

Stephanie Shuping, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP



## **Publicity**

Thank you so much to everyone for helping promote the quilt show! Special thanks to Michele Cameron for purchasing advertising for the show on Facebook!

I posted photos of most of the quilts in the show on our private Facebook group page, Antelope Valley Quilt Association, and on our public Facebook page, AVQA Festival of Quilts. However, I didn't get pictures of the last row of quilts because I didn't start in time, and those had already been taken down. If you had a quilt in the show that wasn't posted on Facebook, would you either send me a photo of it or bring it to the next meeting so I can take a picture of it?

Kathy Judkins, Publicity Chairman

### **Philanthropic**

Philanthropic quilters and Bits and Pieces will meet on Saturday, June 3, from 10:00 to 3:00 at Harshfield Terrace, 6709 Columbia Way, next to Mayflower Gardens in Lancaster. I will bring several projects to work on, but you are welcome to bring your own projects.

Last week I took 9 quilts to the Women's Clinic of the Antelope Valley and 22 quilts to the Children's Center. This week I took 12 quilts to the Palmdale Sheriff's Station to go in the cars for children who are being removed from bad situations. I also gave small cuts of flannel and a couple of larger pieces to Easter Seals for their adult sewing class. Their current project is making baby quilts, burp cloths, and receiving blankets.

Thank you to everyone who has been working on the quilts during the last 3 years and to the Lake Hughes Women's Club members who have donated so many quilts. Special thanks to Terri Moss's sister, Linda Martin, who made numerous quilts to go into the sheriffs' cars.

Kathy Judkins Philanthropic Chairman

## Newsletter

Deadline is **Sunday June 18, 2023**. Please do not forget to send me your articles. Thank you, Peggy Vachon, Newsletter Chair

#### Parliamentarian

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This is the important for all outgoing as well as incoming members. Meaning? All board members new and outgoing need to be there. Please read this. Outgoing officers need to bring your **book, sign it in** and your keys and sign them in

Incoming officers need to check out the book for your office and check out the appropriate keys. We are still looking for a 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. This is the Ways and Means committee. This person or persons oversees all fundraising and the running of the quilt show or auction or boutiques. Meaning? Don't do fundraising unless you talk to the appropriate people.

#### WORKSHOP with KENA QUILTS

Valley Quiltmakers Guild has invited us to join them in a workshop with Kena Tangi Dorsey on June 9<sup>th</sup> in Northridge from 12:00-5:00 PM. In this workshop you will learn to make a portrait quilt by using a photo of your favorite selfie or other portrait to create a template and pattern to design a rawedge applique quilt.

No sewing machines are necessary, but there is HOMEWORK to do before the class. You will receive the homework and supply list when you register. The cost is \$45.00. Please go to valleyquiltmakers.com to register. You can see Kena's work at kenaquiltstudio.com