



AVQA News

Antelope Valley Quilt Association

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MAY PROGRAM



***** *The Quilt Challenge "My Happy Place" due on May 8th* *****

Finished pieces will be displayed anonymously at the May AVQA meeting. Members will vote on a viewer's choice which will be awarded at the end of the meeting. After the voting has taken place, each maker will show and share their quilt and explain their 'Happy Place' and any innovative techniques they learned/used in their project. There will be an opportunity for any who cannot attend the meeting in person to submit their challenge quilt early. (Contact Carla or Maggie.) I'm looking forward to seeing the finished quilts.



May 17th Beginner Rope Workshop with Nette Louton

In this beginner rope class, you'll learn the basic techniques to create your own personal rope bowls. These bowls can be used to help with organization or stylish home decor. They also make great gifts! Sign up and supply list available on May 8th.

June 14th Introduction to Quilting - Make & Take with Maggie and Nette

Tutorial for Beginners. Sign up at the Poppy Festival. Kit Fee

***Where: Quartz Hill Library *** When: 10am-2pm

Guild Information

Guild Meeting: Thurs, May 8. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., meeting starts at 6:00. In person at Lancaster United Methodist Church, 918 W. Avenue J.

Board Meeting: Tues, May 13, at 5:30 p.m. in person at Peggy Campbell's sewing studio.

Membership Dues: \$50.00, or \$60.00 if newsletter is delivered by USPS. This price includes 24 Opportunity Quilt tickets.

AVQA 2024-2025 Executive Board Members

President	Pat Crook
1 st VP	Maggie Konik
2 nd VP	the Board
Secretary	Robynn Frame
Treasurer	Lynn Aguirre/Stephanie Shuping
Parliamentarian	Donna Roberts

AVQA 2024-2025 Committee Chairs

Challenge	Carla Wolf
Door Prizes	Kathy Greene
Fat 1/4 Drawing	Nette Louton
Friendship Circles	Carla Wolf
Historian	VACANT
Holiday Party	VACANT
Hospitality	Betty Putzka
Membership	LeRae Humphrey/JoAnn Gonzalez
Newsletter	Peggy Vachon
Opp Quilt Design '25	Sue Jacobsen/Terri Moss
Opp Quilt Promo	VACANT
Philanthropic	Kathy Judkins/Terri Moss
Publicity	Kathy Judkins/Robynn Frame
Retreats	Sherry DeLano
Scholarship	Jamie Harrington
SCCQG Rep	Vicki Brown
Sunshine	Peggy Cruz
Travel	Nancy Walker
Web Site	Peggy Vachon

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Happy May Birthdays!

4 Carlie Schmidt	16 Sue Leone
15 Peggy Campbell	21 Jackie Stawinski

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There is a lot going on behind the scenes these days. The quilt was shown at Tehachapi Mountain Guild (wow, what a guild) and made \$85.00. The quilt was also shown at Santa Clarita Guild (what fun) and made about \$100.00. We had the boutique and quilt ticket sale at the Almond Festival. Was it windy? Answer: YES, and we took the booth down early. It was the whole quilt blowing down that was the final blow. Nette says thank you to all of the helpers.

You will be seeing a couple of new informational articles in the newsletter.

Hopefully you will see them each month. It's a surprise, so look for them and let me know what you think.

We will have a boutique at the Poppy Festival (inside the building). We are using these events to sell items of course, but also to let people know that our guild is here and we want new members. We had brochures printed to help people remember us.

We will have a small workshop for beginner quilters to make a mug rug on June 14th. The workshop will have a fee of \$5.00 to introduce them to quilting. They will get a small kit that will make a disappearing 9 patch mug rug at the workshop.

We are still in need of people to fill jobs for the guild. We will talk about them at the next guild meeting.

Membership is coming open soon and with that a new opportunity quilt, "Vintage Lace" by Lo and Behold Stitchery. Our colors will be different, sage background. This is the 25-26 Opportunity quilt.



Thank you for all of your time and attention to our guild. If you have anyone interested in joining the guild, please have them come to a meeting.

Stay Inspired, Pat



Antelope Valley Quilt Association General Meeting Minutes – April 10, 2025

President/Pat Crook called meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Secretary, Robynn Frame.

Minutes/Pat Crook asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the March guild meeting. There were no corrections. She asked for a motion to approve the minutes as posted in the April newsletter. Motion made by Lynn Aguirre, seconded by Fran Bianchi. Motion carried.

Welcome/Pat Crook: Welcome! We have discussed reducing the business meeting side and to do more show and share, sharing new techniques and socializing at our guild meetings.

1st Vice President/Programs/Maggie Konik: Our speaker for the evening was Tammy Silvers on zoom. Upcoming activities: May 8, the quilt challenge is due. Please bring your entry in a bag and hand it to Carla. The theme is “My Happy Place.” June is the officers’ changeover.

Treasurer’s Report/Lynn Aguirre & Stephanie Shuping: From now on we will post a condensed check activity report in the newsletter. Please call if you have any questions.

Festivals/Pat Crook: We will be attending the Almond Blossom Festival, Saturday, April 12th, from 11:00 – 8:00 and Sunday, April 13th, from 11:00 – 5:00. We will also be attending the Poppy Festival on Friday, April 25th through Sunday April 27th. A big thank you to all those who signed up to work at the festivals. Almost all spots are filled.

Parliamentarian/Donna Roberts: We have the following for the officers. President: Pat Crook, 2nd VP: Debbie Rifkin, Secretary: Robynn Frame, and Treasurer: Lynn Aguirre. Donna asked for a motion to approve these officers. Motion made by Sherry DeLano, seconded by Stephanie Shuping. Motion carried.

Membership/Opportunity Quilt Tickets/LeRae Humphrey/JoAnn Gonzalez: There were 31 members and 1 new member in attendance. Kathy Greene won the membership drawing.

Retreats/Sherry DeLano: Final payment for our Big Bear Retreat is due next week.

Challenge/Carla Wolf: Your finished piece is due at the May meeting. A 20 x 20 piece of “My Happy Place,” \$5.00 to enter.

Door Prizes/Kathy Greene: The beautify spring basket was won by Donna Roberts.

Fat Quarter Drawing/Nette Louton: Nani Johnson won the fat quarter drawing and chose orange for the May drawing.

Philanthropic/Kathy Judkins/Terri Moss: Our meeting will be on the 1st Saturday of April at Harshfield Terrace.

Sunshine/Peggy Cruz: A card will be sent out to the family of Sue Jacobsen.

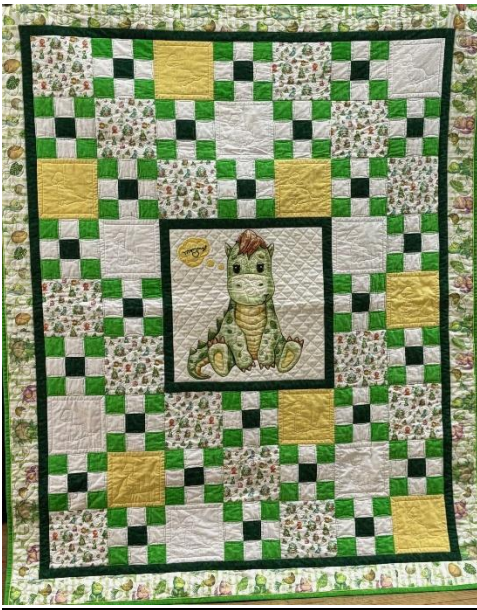
New Business: *Our beloved Sue Jacobsen has passed. You can find her obituary on Legacy. Her Memorial Service will be held on May 3, 2025. Hope you can all make it.*

We presented Nani Johnson a quilt that the guild members made for her in appreciation of her being our Past President.

Announcements: The next board meeting will be held Monday, April 14, 2025, at Peggy Campbell's sewing studio at 5:30 pm.

Show & Share: We enjoyed the quilts presented by these members: Sharon Hayes, Robynn Frame and Donna Roberts.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Antelope Valley Quilt Association Board Meeting Minutes April 14, 2025

President/Pat Crook called meeting to order at 5:52 p.m. The meeting was held at Peggy Campbell's Sewing Studio in Lancaster. Robynn Frame, Secretary.

Attendance: Lynn Aguirre, Pat Crook, Robynn Frame, Maggie Konik, Nette Louton, Donna Roberts and Kathy Greene.

Minutes/Pat Crook requested a motion to approve the March 2025 board meeting minutes as published in the April 2025 newsletter. The motion was made by Donna Roberts, seconded by Lynn Aguirre. Motion carried.

1st VP/Maggie Konik: The Challenge is due at the May guild meeting. "My Happy Place" is the

theme for the quilt. Bring your quilt in a bag and hand it off to Carla. She will display them for the guild to vote on. June is the officers' changeover. July, Cheryl Nieman will hold a workshop on using the basic ruler for quilting.

Treasurer/Lynn Aguirre & Stephanie Shuping: Checking account is reconciled, \$5,202.82 in checking, Money Market is \$20,194.48 for a total of \$25,397.30.

Parliamentarian/Donna Roberts: Donna Roberts will continue as parliamentarian for now, when not in town she will be on zoom.

Festivals: It was decided to leave the Almond Blossom Festival because of high winds. The flyers printed were beautiful.

Committee Reports: Some have been looking at other quilt guilds' newsletters. Some of them have a list of Friendship groups with phone numbers.

Old Business: Quilt frames will be removed from Dixie's garage and trashed.

New Business: Will check out the Church of the Nazarian on L8 and W 30th as a possible site for our meetings. A Beginning Quilters Make and Take class will be offered on June 14 by Nette Louton. Please come out and help with this class. Kits for a mug rug will be offered for \$5.00 including the materials. This will be for those 16 +. Nette has donated a Longaberger basket with 30's fabric which will be raffled off at some point in future. SCCQG has asked all guilds to submit entries into the California State Fair. The deadline is May 15. The fair is July 11 through 17. It would be nice if everyone in our guild entered a quilt into the AV Fair, September 24-28.

There is a change of date for the Bits and Pieces/Philanthropic meeting for May. It will be May 10th at 10:00.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46.



Quilt Challenge

The **Happy Place** quilt challenge is due at the **May 8th** AVQA meeting and you have a whole month to finish your entry. I am looking forward to seeing all that you have done. Here are a few final details.

1. Please be sure your name is on the back of your quilt. It doesn't need to be a fancy label, just something to identify you as the maker. Your quilt will be assigned a number for the Viewer's Choice selection process and your name will not be visible.
 2. Please arrive early to the meeting and bring your quilt concealed in a bag. Bring it to me in the back of the room. I will display the quilts on a table for viewing.
 3. After the "judging" has taken place, you will pick up your quilt and we will do a show and share of these quilts. Please tell a little bit about what your happy place is and discuss any techniques you used to make the quilt. Please limit your talk to about 2 minutes.
 4. When the show and share of the challenge quilts is completed, I will announce the winner. There is a very nice prize.
- There is still time for you to finish your quilt. If you are struggling, try to simplify your design. If you set aside just an hour a day, 5 days a week until the meeting it should be doable. I would love to have this challenge be a success for all of you.

If you have questions, text me, call me, email me. My number is in the guild roster. Carla Wolf

Opportunity Quilt Tickets

The drawing for the current opportunity quilt is at the guild meeting on May 8th. All guild members purchased 20 tickets when they renewed their membership. If you haven't been to a guild meeting

Announcements:

Hospitality

If your last name starts with **O-Z**, please bring a refreshment or snack of some kind to share with your fellow members at the May meeting.

Newsletter

The deadline for the next newsletter is May 18, 2025. Please do not forget. Thank you!
Peggy Vachon, Newsletter Chair

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 May drawing is **Orange**.



to pick your tickets up, please contact Peggy Campbell as soon as possible so you can arrange to receive them and fill them out as soon as possible.

Keep us alive

California State Fair is in need of quilts. The Quilt section of Home Arts will be cut out if they do not receive many quilts this year!

Entry Deadline

All entries must be registered online, an image of your entry uploaded, and entry fees paid, at <https://calexpos.fairwire.com> by 11:59 pm May 15, 2025. Late entries will not be allowed.

If you are having a problem, PLEASE text Nette Louton and we will get you registered. I will bring my computer to Guild on May 8 also. Bring digital pictures.

Philanthropic

The Philanthropic Committee and Bits & Pieces Friendship Circle will meet at the guild sew-in on March 10 at Quartz Hill Library.

The administration and staff at the Children's Center want you to know how much the children love the quilts we donate to them. Patty Kniesel at the Women's Clinic of the AV tells me the women who receive our quilts are so touched that we would make something so special for their babies. The women at Care Net are similarly touched by our donations. Thank you to the machine quilters, the kit makers, the people who take home quilts to assemble or bind or who come to our meetings to make and attach bindings or make backings or sew tops together.

Kathy Judkins and Terri Moss, Philanthropic Committee Co-chairs

AVQA Friendship Circles

Please check with contact person for location and more information. All contact phone numbers are listed in your roster.

Sew Crazy meets the 1st Tuesday of each month from 10a-1p. Contact person Peggy Campbell

Pins and Needles meets every Wednesday 10a-2p. Contact person Donna Roberts

Creative Arts Quilters (focus on Art quilt projects) meets 2nd Tuesday of each month from 11a-2p Contact person Carla Wolf

Bits and Pieces (Philanthropic quilts) meets 1st Saturday of each month 9a-3p Contact person Kathy Judkins.

BYOP (Bring your own project) 1st Wednesday of each month 530p-730p Contact person Pat Crook

Philanthropic Quilts for Seniors. Contact person Terri Moss

Thank you, Carla

