

# AVQA News

## Antelope Valley Quilt Association

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## **AUGUST PROGRAM**

## There is no general meeting this month.

We are working on filling our months with speakers and workshops. If you have ideas, please talk to Nette.

September: Welcome Back Tea. There will be prizes for wearing a hat, wearing gloves, and bringing your cup and saucer to this event.



October: TBA

November: Janis Rivera

December: Party will be held in January. December is Dark

January: Peggy Vachon

## **Guild Information**

Guild Meeting: Thurs, Sept 11. 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, Sept 16, 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 2025-2026 Executive Board Members**

President Pat Crook 1st VP VACANT 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Debbie Rifkin Robynn Frame Secretary Lynn Aguirre Treasurer Donna Roberts Parliamentarian

#### **AVQA 2025-2026 Committee Chairs**

Challenge Carla Wolf **Door Prizes** Kathy Greene Fat 1/4 Drawing Maggie Konik Friendship Circles Kathy Greene Historian **VACANT** Holiday Party **VACANT** Hospitality **VACANT** 

Membership LeRae Humphrey/

Kathy Nowell

Newsletter Peggy Vachon Opp Quilt Design '25 Nette Louton Opp Quilt Promo **VACANT** 

Philanthropic Kathy Judkins/Terri Moss

**Publicity** Kathy Judkins **VACANT** Retreats SCCQG Rep Vicki Brown Sunshine Peggy Cruz Nancy Walker Travel Web Site Peggy Vachon

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#### **Happy August Birthdays!**

2 Janis Rivera 25 Maggie Konik 27 Pat Crook 12 Lois Rose

19 Sharon Haves

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

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We are starting a new year with the theme, "See your Value." It takes time and energy to belong to a guild that is for building art and expressing your feelings. We stand together to reinforce ideas, when people are down or need help to get started again. This guild has always been there to lift up every member and show them how valuable their contribution is. Everyone's contribution, be it time, mug rugs, quilting, binding, participating in workshops, coming to the monthly meeting, yes, Vicki, even bringing your peanut butter cookies, is truly valued by the guild as a whole. In the new year we would like to see you find a challenge and work towards conquering it.

Debbie is our 2<sup>nd</sup> VP and fundraising chairman who is always busy with new ideas to keep us afloat. I am sure you heard that all our monthly bills have gone up. Debbie, we value you for taking your time to bring funds in. Debbie is always receptive to new ideas. Feel free to contact her.

We have been looking for a new, affordable, monthly meeting venue and a venue for the quilt show. The church is raising the rates on our space. We are in negotiations for price and amenities. This will be announced before the next meeting in September. Thank you, Lynn, for staying on top of this.

Don't forget the deadline for the fair entries is August 26. The Tehachapi Mountain Festival is August 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. We still would like to have more volunteers, more quilted donations, and quilt kits. Please contact Nette or Pat if you can donate items or help with volunteering.

Please congratulate Carla Wolf for showing a quilt in Road to Virginia.

Thank you for all your contributions and helping the guild succeed. Keep quilting and having fun!!
Pat



**Antelope Valley Quilt Association** 

#### General Meeting Minutes July 10, 2025

**President Pat Crook** called the July meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. The meeting was held at Lancaster United Methodist Church. Kathy Judkins acting as secretary for Robynn Frame.

**President Pat Crook** welcomed everyone to the new meeting place in the foyer of the church. She said there is still room in the class that Cheryl Nieman will be teaching on Saturday. Next month

we won't have a meeting, but we will be participating in the Tehachapi Mountain Festival.

Minutes/Pat Crook asked for any corrections to the minutes from the June guild meeting as posted in the July newsletter. There being none, she asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Lynn Aguirre made the motion to approve, and Nette Louton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report/Pat Crook** asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as published in the July newsletter. Nani Johnson made the motion to approve, and Debbie Rifkin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer/Lynn Aguirre presented the 2025-26 Fiscal Year Budget. She said we're deleting budget items for President, historian, travel, and library. We are budgeting \$11,250 for the quilt show, which will include Ways & Means and Publicity. There was a motion to approve the 2025-26 Fiscal Year Budget. Harriet Spann seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

2nd VP/Quilt Show/Ways and Means/Debbie Rifkin: Debbie has checked many venues for the quilt show. The AV Banquet Hall at the outlet mall on Valley Central Way in Lancaster is 5,000 square feet. Some members talked about problems that have arisen when we have leased at the outlet mall in the past. Debbie will investigate further.

Nette Louton and Pat Crook: We will have a boutique at the Tehachapi Mountain Festival, Saturday, August 16 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, August 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets for the 2025-26 Opportunity Quilt will be sold. Members are asked to donate quilts to sell. Nette is the point of contact. Debbie won't be there, but she is lending us her tent to use for the boutique.

Grace Chapel will also be having a Christmas craft event in the fall.

**Hospitality:** Pat thanked the members who have stepped up to do the job of Hospitality Chairman until someone volunteers for the position.

#### Membership/LeRae Humphrey & Kathy

**Nowell:** LeRae introduced new member Patty Milano. Tonight's attendance is 31. Membership drawings were won by Lynn Aguirre and Hope Overgaard.

**Door Prizes/Kathy Greene:** Drawings were won by Nette Louton and Peggy Campbell.

Fat Quarter Drawing/Maggie Konik: Drawing was won by Debbie Rifkin. Debbie chose fall for the September meeting color.

Friendship Circles/Kathy Greene explained what a friendship circle is and told members to check their newsletters for more details on when and where the circles meet.

**Opportunity Quilt Design/Nette Louton:** The top is done. Terri Moss is going to quilt it. Nette showed a photo of the quilt. The dimensions are 72"x72". It will debut at the Tehachapi Mountain Festival.

#### Spool Block of the Month/Nette

**Louton:** Members brought their blocks to show. June's block was the 4-square. July's block was the flag. August's block will be the log cabin. Nette said she bought several copies of the book, *Sew Scrappy Spools*, for \$13.50 each from the Fat Quarter Shop.

Patriotic Group/Nancy Walker: Nancy said that she has been making blocks for the Quilts of Valor organization every month throughout the year. She mails them to Quilts of Valor in September. She gave kits to members who requested them and asked everyone to return them at the September meeting.

#### Philanthropic Committee/Kathy

Judkins: Meetings are usually the first Saturday of the month at Harshfield Terrace. Please check the newsletter and our group Facebook page for changes or cancellations. I have kits from Peggy Campbell that you can take home to sew. Terri Moss couldn't be here tonight, but she has issued a challenge to take a panel from her collection and add borders to make a quilt. We will donate these to be sold at the boutiques we will be doing. If you need fabric for the borders, give us a call and we

will find some for you. Please turn in the quilt tops at the September meeting.

**Announcements:** There will not be a board meeting this month. We will have a board meeting in August.

**Show and Share:** Peggy Vachon, Cheryl Nieman, Peggy Campbell, Gillian Ray, Corine Cudney, Hope Overgaard, Pat Crook.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.





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Board Meeting Minutes
There was no Board meeting



# Announcements: Hospitality

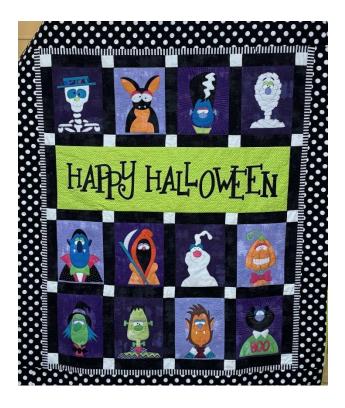
If your last name starts with O-Z, please bring a refreshment or snack of some kind to share with your fellow members at the Sept meeting.

## Newsletter

The deadline for the next newsletter is Aug 24, 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 colors for the Sept drawing are Fall Colors



### AVQA Friendship Circles

We have two new Friendship Circle groups in the planning stages.

**Veteran's Quilt Friendship Circle** will meet in the Boulder's Recreation Room. The day and time has yet to be determined. Contact Nancy Walker if you would like to be a part of this circle and a part of the planning and goal setting process.

**Philanthropic Quilts for Seniors** This is our newest Friendship Circle and is still in the planning stages. Contact Terri Moss if you would like to be a help in making this Friendship Circle a reality.

**Sew Crazy** meets the first Tuesday of every month from 1-4 pm. Peggy Campbell is the contact person.

**Pins and Needles** meets every Wednesday from 10 am to 2 pm. Contact Fran Bianchi.

<u>Creative Arts Quilters</u> meets on the second Tuesday of the month from 11 am to 2 pm. The

focus of this group is Art Quilt projects. Contact Carla Wolf.

**BYOP**, also known as Bring your own Project, meets the first Friday of every month from 3-6 pm. Contact Nette Louton or Pat Crook.

**Bits and Pieces** This group meets the first Sat of every month at Harshfield Terrace located at 6709 West Ave M in Quartz Hill. We meet at 10 am and work until 2 pm. All are welcome as this is AVQA's Philanthropic outreach. Kits are provided. For more information, contact Kathy Judkins or Terri Moss.

Contact the assigned person for further information. Phone numbers are in the AVQA roster.
Thank you. Kathy Greene, Friendship Circle
Chairman





### **Philanthropic**

The Philanthropic/Bits & Pieces meeting at Harshfield Terrace is scheduled for Saturday, August 2nd, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.. If you plan to attend, please let me or Terri Moss know so that we can let you know if we have to cancel. We'll be sewing panel quilts; quilts for babies, children, and teens; and our own projects. Kathy Judkins, Philanthropic Co-chair

#### **Opportunity Quilt**

The opportunity quilt is pieced and at Terri Moss's for quilting. Then comes binding by Peggy Vachon. Then the label by Cheryl Nieman. Thank you to all who helped to get this ready for the debut at the Tehachapi Mountain Festival.

### <u>Door Prize Raffle</u>

Thanks for your continued support of the Door Prize Raffle. The proceeds from your generous contributions go towards Programs as well as other needs within the General Budget. September's Door prize theme is All Things Pineapple.

Raffle Tickets
1 for \$1
6 for \$5
12 for \$10
24 for \$20 See you in September.

Kathy Greene, Door Prize Chair

#### Quilt Show

Great news! We have secured a venue for next year's Quilt Show! The dates are May 22-24. Looking for volunteers to be part of the quilt show committee. Let me know if you would like to be part of putting on a great quilt show next year. Meeting times can be discussed when we have committee members ... We need to get started quickly. There is a lot to do.

Text or call me if you would like to join the committee. Check the roster for number.

I have included a link to the venue so you can check it out! AV Banquet Hall, https://www.avbanquethall.info/

Thank you, Debbie Rifkin, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Ways and Means

