



AVQA News

Antelope Valley Quilt Association

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SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

September 11th: Welcome Back Tea. There will be prizes for wearing a hat, wearing gloves, and bringing your cup and saucer to this event.

Please provide an RSVP by September 5th to Nette by text so we can have enough and not too much. As of now we have approximately 40 members.



Our sew-in on September 13th will be at Harshfield Terrace from 10:00 to 2:00. This would be a great time to finish anything you are entering into the fair.

October: Surprise Speaker

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
1 st VP	VACANT
2 nd VP	Debbie Rifkin
Secretary	Robynn Frame
Treasurer	Lynn Aguirre
Parliamentarian	Donna Roberts

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
Retreats	VACANT
SCCQG Rep	Vicki Brown
Sunshine	Peggy Cruz
Travel	Nancy Walker
Web Site	Peggy Vachon

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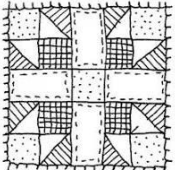
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Happy September Birthdays!

1 Marilyn Hendrix	15 Gloria Thomas
12 Yvonne Rodriguez	20 Stephanie Shuping

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy September, Fall Y'all!! We just finished our first boutique of the year. The Tehachapi Mountain Festival was fun and we had very nice weather. Thank you, Maggie and Henry; Donna and Jim; Sharon and her son, Chris; Lynn and of course Kathy J and Jim for your help. We had a few members drop by to say hi. Oh yes, I forgot Ryan and Steve. You will get the numbers at the next meeting.

We are supporting the fair this year with our quilts. The deadline for the entries is August the 26th, you enter online and pay \$3.00 per entry. LeRae has mentioned that the fair thinks that lack of participation means that they can eliminate the quilt category. Let's show them we are here and want to have quilts shown.

September is the Welcome Back Tea. Please wear a hat and come ready for fun. We will have the annual hat dance, prizes and some baskets to win. The guild will be providing iced tea, water and bite-sized savory and sweet treats. You will provide an RSVP to Nette by text. This is a way for the guild to say thank you for all the hard work you do to keep us going. Some of you give time, some quilts, some education, and some give it all.



Antelope Valley Quilt Association
Board Meeting Minutes
August 6, 2025

President/Pat Crook called meeting to order at 5:42 p.m. Meeting was held at Peggy Campbell's Sewing Studio in Lancaster. Robynn Frame, Secretary

Attendance: Pat Crook, Lynn Aguirre, Debbie Rifkin, Robynn Frame, Nette Louton, Donna Roberts, Nancy Walker, Kathy Judkins, and Kathy Greene.

Welcome and opening remarks/Pat Crook:
Welcome to the official new year. The theme for the year is "Know the Value of Your Quilts as Artists and to Show the Value to Others". As we move forward, we need people to step up and be involved. The board is taking on other jobs and cannot continue to do that. Please consider becoming involved in the group.

1st VP/VACANT – Behind the scenes, Nette is helping Pat with programing. September 11th will be our annual Welcome Back Tea. You will receive a raffle ticket for wearing a hat, gloves and bringing a teacup. Please RSVP to Nette by September 4th. Saturday, September 13th bring a project to finish to the Quartz Hill Library, 10:00-2:00. October 9th meeting will have a surprise speaker. There will not be a workshop in October. November 13th meeting will feature Janis Rivera. December, no meeting. January 8th meeting will feature Peggy Vachon discussing embroidery, and on Saturday, January 10th there will be an after-the-holidays party. At the February 12th meeting, Diana Carna will talk about quilted coats, and on February 14th she will give a workshop on making quilted coats. At the March 12th meeting, Jenny Lion will talk on free motion quilting. April 9th meeting will be our annual Quilt Challenge. May 14th meeting we will get ready for the Quilt Show.

2nd VP/Debbie Rifkin: Debbie is working on signing up for the Grace Chapel Boutique on November 14th and 15th. She is also looking into having a fundraiser at Panera Bread on October 9th. The Quilt Show will be May 22nd-24th.

Treasurer/Lynn Aguirre & Stephanie Shuping:
A \$2,000 check was given to the AV Banquet Hall for the Quilt Show. Lynn needs to know if she needs to get insurance for the Lancaster and Quartz Hill libraries.

Publicity/Kathy Judkins: I will submit the opportunity quilt to be displayed at Road to California 2026. More information to follow. Will work on getting the flyers made for our quilt show. We will take them to the Veterans Home and Mayflower Gardens. The opportunity quilt tickets will cost around \$175 for 2,500.

Festivals: We will have a booth at the Tehachapi Mountain Festival, August 16th and 17th. We will be in booth 79. We want to have a booth at the Poppy Festival again next year.

Committee Reports: Patriotic Friendship Circle – There are 34 veterans in Palmdale, would like to make each a quilt. A lap quilt or twin size. If interested, contact Nancy Walker.

Old Business: Opportunity Quilt is done. Peggy Vachon is putting a sleeve on it. Terri charged \$15 for the quilting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05.



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 Sept 21, 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.

Creative Arts Quilters 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 Committee and Bits & Pieces Friendship Circle will have a sew-in at Harshfield Terrace on Saturday, September 6, from 10:00 to 2:00. Work on projects we provide, or bring your own project to work on. Everyone is welcome. I need to know if you are coming, so please RSVP to me or Terri no later than Thursday, September 4.

Kathy Judkins & Terri Moss, Co-Chairs

R2CA

The Road to California quilt show will be held January 21-24, 2026, at the Ontario Convention Center. Quilt guilds have an opportunity to display and sell tickets for their raffle quilts. To be accepted, we must meet the following service requirements:

Ten volunteers to work 2-hour shifts of white glove service. This is the most fun volunteer job for many. You learn about the quilts you're taking

care of, and you get to interact with quilt show attendees and sometimes the people who made the quilts. White glove volunteers receive a free entry wristband.

One volunteer to help hang the contest and special exhibits for one full day on Monday or Tuesday for a minimum of 8 hours. This is the most physically demanding job. The volunteer receives a free entry wristband to use on any day of the show.

Four volunteers to sell tickets the day our quilt is displayed. This is a job for those who are outgoing and enjoy promoting our opportunity quilt. Road will provide complimentary passes for these volunteers the day the quilt is displayed.

Please sign up at the September guild meeting. Feel free to call or text me if you would like to reserve a time to do one of the volunteer jobs.

Kathy Judkins, Opportunity Quilt Promotion helper

Door Prize Raffle



September's door prize is all about pineapple. The winner will receive 3 yards of pineapple themed fabric, a pineapple platter, pineapple spatulas, a

pineapple quilt pattern and a couple of hand towels, not pineapple themed. 😊 Tickets are one for \$1.00, 6 for \$5.00, 12 for \$10 or 24 for \$20. See you in September.

Quilt Show

I'm excited to share a few updates with you!

🌟 Vendor Applications

Vendor applications for next year's quilt fair have officially been sent out. If you know of any vendors who may be interested in participating, please let them know or connect them with me.

🌟 Quilt Committee

A few people have already expressed interest in being part of the quilt committee—thank you! If you'd like to help out as well, please reach out to me. We'd love to have more hands and ideas as we plan.

🌟 New Fundraising Dinners

Starting in **October**, we'll be meeting at local restaurants before our regular guild meetings as a way of raising funds for the guild. Our first fundraiser will be at **Panera Bread on 10th Street in Lancaster**. Please invite your friends and share online so we can spread the word. It's a simple (and delicious!) way to support the guild. Look for more information as we get closer to October.

Debbie Rifkin

2nd VP Ways and Means