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June Guest Speaker: Linda Wagner

Lecture: "Make Mine Scrappy"



Linda Wagner has been making quilts for over 35 years and teaching quilting for over 25 years. Owning her first sewing machine while in third grade, Linda began making doll clothes before moving on to making clothes for herself and other family members. Linda's first quilt was made using Eleanor Burns techniques that included ripping strips (this was before the rotary cutter was invented). Things took off at warp speed after joining a quilt guild. For this lecture Linda will share her love of scrap quilts with quilts that contain 100-400 or more fabrics. She will include insight into border decisions, design choices and impact of quilting on the finished product. Linda teaches the way she would like to be taught and always has extra quilts shown only

in her workshops. Have quilts will travel!

NEXT MEETING:

Saturday June 10, 2017
1:30 pm – 4 pm
Pleasanton Middle School
5001 Case Ave.
Pleasanton, CA

Find us on Facebook 

Don't Forget:

- **Your Name Tag!**
- **Quilts to share**

Upcoming Speakers

- July – Mel Beach
- August – Ashley Nickels
- September – Meri Vahl

President's Message

Being a quilter can be magical. Start with pieces of fabric, spools of thread, and imagination - end with something beautiful and useful. One thing that doesn't happen by magic, however, is the smooth operation of the guild. We invite all members to make a stronger connection with AVQ by volunteering. Whether the task is small or large, for a day or a year, on the board or in the field, your contribution is of vital importance. In return, the guild offers a chance to make new friends, find support for your artistic endeavors, learn new skills, and open yourself to unforeseen opportunities.

As it happens, there are several board positions available. Please call or email me to discuss the details. While you are at it, ask about signing up for a shift at the Alameda County Fair. The money you earn can go to AVQ (thanks to Jeanne Brophy for arranging this easy fund-raiser!), and you get free tickets for the fair (and parking). The detailed instructions from Jeanne are in this newsletter, but the short version is go to www.alamedacountyfair.com, click on enter, click on volunteer for us, choose your post, and make sure you have the money sent to AVQ. From what I can see, working in the buildings is a lot like white-gloving. For a sit-down job, try the information booth opportunities. The job listings have reasonably complete descriptions.

Finally, thanks to Chris Sagan for putting together this newsletter for one more issue past her two year tenure. The next newsletter will depend on someone volunteering to be the editor for 2017-18. If you can use Word, you can be the newsletter editor. I hope to hear from you soon!

Make quilts - make art - make magic!

~ Lani Longshore, AVQ President

Sadly, Linda Schmidt lost her son on May 7th. A "Celebration of Life" memorial service for Justin Schmidt will be held Saturday, June 17, 2017, 10:30 A.M. at St. Raymond's Catholic Church, 11555 Shannon Ave, Dublin followed by a potluck feast at the Hall. If you'd like to come, please bring a dish to share to be part of his Farewell Feast. Please RSVP Linda by Jun 10th. In honor of Justin, please wear the vibrant colors of life, light and love to the service. Complete details are on her Facebook page.



Workshops: 2017-2018 New Skills and Ideas

We have an exciting list of workshops to offer you this upcoming year. Take time and go to our website and see what's scheduled. Decide what workshops you want to take and reserve your seat now. If you need to cancel you will get a full refund 90 days in advance of the workshop. Don't be disappointed so sign up now. On the website you will see the speaker and class topic and even the supply list. Classes currently are \$50 and you may pay by cash, check or credit card. www.amadorvalleyquilters.org/speakers.

June 11, 2017 Linda Wagner "Gidgets and Gadgets" at Livermore Library 12:00-4:45pm NEW HOURS



Techniques, techniques and even more techniques.

Make a small quilt or stretch and put everything you learn from this technique class and make a quilt your favorite size. Some of the techniques: Triangle in a square, four-at-a-time Flying Geese, triangles from strips the size you would cut squares or rectangles. Multiple methods for all techniques. Lots of demos, tips and gadgets to give you options when you quilt. **\$5 Notebook fee.**



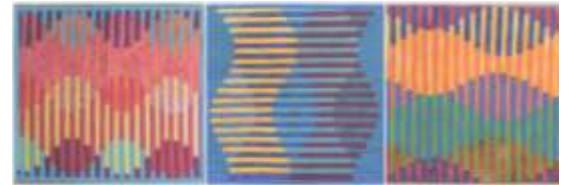
Check website for supply list. Livermore Library, located at 1188 S. Livermore Ave. Livermore, Ca.

******* Note: New location for Workshops effective July 2017 *******

July 9, 2017 Mel Beach

"Intriguing Interleave Quilts" at Bothwell Arts Center

You will unlock the fun and intrigue of Interleave quilts. This workshop will reveal all the secrets behind creating the illusion of curves and transparency. Best of all, these Interleaves are assembled using a "quilt-as-you-go" technique, so your unique Interleave quilt will be pieced and quilted at the same time. **Check website for supply list.**



August 13, 2017 Ashley Nickels

"Basics of Modern Machine Quilting" at Bothwell Art Center

In this class, you will learn basic machine quilting techniques and gain insight into creating a modern composition on your quilts. This would be a great class to learn new techniques and try them out on a Community Quilt. It's a win-win. CQ gets a completed quilt and you get to practice your quilting. Give it a try.

Check website for supply list.

September 10th	Meri Vahl "Layered Landscapes"
October	In-house program TBD
November 12th	Alexandra Vonburg "Free Form Piecing"
January 14th	Jenifer Dick "Starburst"
February	In-house program TBD
March 11th	Peggy Martin "Jelly Roll Jive"
April 15th	Christine Barnes "Luminosity"

To sign up: stop by the Workshop Table or contact Audrey Hutchinson, Workshop Chair.



Block of the Month

June's Block of the Month is called "Next Door Neighbor". It showcases hot colorful batiks on a floral white background.

~ Maya Madhavan and Kathy Proctor, BOM Co-Chairs



May's In-House Program

Last month's in-house program featuring 10 of our own members sharing techniques that they enjoy and find useful was a smashing success. It was so well received that we plan on doing it again October'17 and February'18. If you have any questions on one of the sessions you attended or even one that you missed, feel free to contact the presenter:

Linda Zetterholm Nelson	English Paper Piecing
Audrey Hutchinson	½" Square Triangle Techniques
Gretchen Crozier	Flanged Borders
Linda Schmidt	Dealing with Difficult Threads
Maya Madavan	Shiva Paintstiks
Susan DelBoccio	Batting Scraps to Make Bags
Sue Stephenson	Paper Piecing
Jeanne Brophy	Maximizing the Outcome for your Professionally Quilted Items
Coleen Kafoure	Quilt-as-you-go Technique
Charlotte McConkie	6-Minute Circle

Alameda County Fair - June 15 to July 9



Raffle for Community Quilts - I am the liaison for the Alameda County Fair and I am looking for volunteers to sell raffle tickets. The funds will go to Community Quilts. You get tickets to the Fair and parking passes. You wear your regular clothes and get to talk about AVQ and we will have a sewing machine there to demo sewing. A few blocks will be made for CQ, so this is a win-win for everyone. Dates are every Wednesdays and Thursdays: 6-21, 6-22, 6-28, 6-29, 7-5 and 7-6. We also may get Fridays but this has not been determined yet. Bonus--we are the only quilt guild selling raffle tickets for a quilt.

VOLUNTEERS working for the Fair benefit AVQ!

This year the Fair has gone digital for volunteers to register to work at the Fair. It is so simple, even I could do it. Here's what you do:

1. Go to www.alamedacountyfair.com and click on **ENTER** (it's in red on the left side of screen)
2. Move cursor to **JOIN** at top of screen; on drop-down menu, click on "**Volunteer Program**".
3. Click "**CLICK HERE TO VOLUNTEER WITH US!**" then "**Fill in an application**" and follow directions.
4. The building with the quilts is building C but you can volunteer anywhere you like.

Your job in building C is as a monitor. Make sure folks aren't touching the displays and answer questions. Most of the questions are "where are the bathrooms?" You get to talk to a lot of really nice people. There are chairs for breaks. Details of what is expected of you for every area is on line. Need help, call me and I will walk you through it. The guild makes \$4 an hour for morning shifts and afternoon/evening shifts make \$5 an hour. You get a tee shirt, goody bag, and tickets and parking passes for the days you work. And you get bonus tickets to visit the Fair when you are not working. It's great fun, so join me at the Fair and make money for the guild.

~Jeanne Brophy, Fair Coordinator



Quilts of Valor

At our lovely Quilt Show in Livermore we presented three Quilts of Valor on April 22nd to:

- Jeff Harvey: U.S. Navy with rank of Store Keeper 2nd Class (E-5). He went on to serve 28 years with various law enforcement in the Bay Area. He received a AVQ quilt.
- Nicholas Albert: (pictured below left) U.S. Army 101st Airborne for two tours in Iraq and the rank of Sergeant E-5. He then continued to serve in the Army reserves.
- Vikki Sarasua: Marine Corps deployed Operation Iraq Freedom with rank of Staff Sergeant. Vikki received Mary Ann Soby's quilt. She's pictured here (below right) with Mayor John Marchand and MaryAnn Soby.



On April 29th we presented a Quilt of Valor at the Veterans Memorial Hall to Dan Crocker (pictured on left), Navy WWII. He worked flight line as Mechanic Mate doing preflight checks. This was Dan's 91st birthday and he was not expecting a QOV. Was he surprised! He received a quilt that Audrey had quilted.

While we were at the meeting about fifteen American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars stood up and told us they had received a Quilt of Valor and where. They shared how they use the QOV and how special the quilts are to them. With the support of the Guild this program has evolved and grown, we have touched many lives and healed some hearts. This program has given me great joy and I thank you all for the support you have given me and this wonderful program and I know that you will continue to support Audrey Hutchinson as the new chair.

I would like to thank the wonderful VFW Post 7265 of Livermore for all the work they did at our quilt show. This is a wonderful group of men.

Upcoming Presentations:

May 29th Memorial Day, eight Quilts of Valor to VFW Post 7265 at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Livermore. 12-2PM all invited.

June 22nd, 20th & July 6th Alameda County Fair 1:30PM Gazebo by Building C. Nominate a Veteran to receive a QOV Come join us every Monday 10:15AM to 4PM at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Livermore. VFW Post 7265 would like us to fill the hall with quilters!! Please bring your lunch.

~Bonnie Schwegerl, former QOV & Rookie Quilt Program Chair



Community Quilts

We received 45 quilts in April and 75 quilts in May. There were also 174 quilts distributed to various agencies in May.

Quilt Kits Available:

Please stop by the Community Quilts table to pick up a kit to quilt. Our kits include a quilt top, batting, backing, fabric for the binding and a label. The kits vary in size from baby to adult and the dimensions of the quilt are shown on the front of the kit so you know what you are taking. There is no deadline for returning the completed project.

Just a reminder, if you plan to make a quilt for community quilts, the guild will provide you batting. Please contact one of our members listed below to make arrangements to get the batting you need.

Pat Hove - Castro Valley
Audrey Hutchinson - Dublin
Linda Ballou - Livermore

Judy Peterson - Pleasanton
Diane Escobar - Pleasanton

~ Donna Fay Bower, Community Quilts Co-Chairs

Membership

The 2017-18 membership drive will begin at the July guild meeting. Dues remain \$40 for the year. The following chart was created by Audrey Hutchinson and distributed at the last monthly guild meeting. It shows the breakdown of the budget per member. Our costs are \$86.46 per member per year and our dues are only \$40. What a deal!

AVQ Expense Category	Annual Expense	Per Member
Membership related expenses	\$1,850.00	\$6.45
Program **	\$9,500.00	\$33.10
Meeting Space rent & insurance	\$5,600.00	\$19.51
Community Quilts	\$1,000.00	\$3.48
All other expenses not itemized	\$3,837.00	\$13.37
Website & email services	\$328.00	\$1.14
Storage facility	\$2,700.00	\$9.41
Total cost	\$24,815.00	\$86.46
Shortage paid by reserves	\$13,335.00	\$46.46

**Program costs are approx. \$3 per member for each meeting

Excluded - Opportunity Quilt & Quilt Show expenses - approx \$23,000

The 2017-18 Directory will be printed to include any changes in contact information up to and including September 30. Stay tuned for details on how to renew, make changes, or enlist new members.

~ Chris Sagan, Membership Chair

For Sale by AVQ

Several quilt display frames for \$20 each cash only. These are the frames we used to display quilts at the general meetings. Approximate size: may be raised to 8ft in height and approximately 8ft in width. Each comes in a black travel bag. Available from Audrey Hutchinson

**AVQ Board Members** June 2017-May 2018

ROLE	NAME
President	Lani Longshore
Co-Vice Presidents	Carole Annas & Karen Loughrige
Secretary	Pat Elam
Treasurer	Becky Callahan
Block of the Month	Maya Madhavan & Kathy Proctor
Community Quilts	Donna Fay Bower
Display Blocks	Susanne Green
Historian	Barbara Grimes
Hospitality	Inta Faulk
Library	Maureen Hall
Membership	Chris Sagan
Newsletter	OPEN
Opportunity Quilt 2018	OPEN
Parliamentarian	Victoria Shore
Program 1	OPEN
Program 2 Co-Chairs	A.Hutchinson, T.Kalashian, C.McConkie
Publicity	Joanne Lenigan
Quilt Show 2019	OPEN
Quilts Of Valor & Rookie Quilts	Audrey Hutchinson
Retreat	OPEN
Travel	OPEN
Webmasters	Kim Jagger, Rebecca Robb, M.Garrison
Welcoming	OPEN
Workshops	Audrey Hutchinson, MaryAnn Soby

AVQ Committee Members

ROLE	NAME
Budding Beginners	OPEN
Fair Coordinator	Jeanne Brophy
Silent Auction (May 2018)	OPEN
Ways and Means	Sandi Fisher

AVQ Web Links

AVQ's website: www.amadorvalleyquilters.org

Facebook page for guild members: [Amador Valley Quilters](#)

To look at the library's book list sorted by title, author, or subject, visit: [AVQ Library List](#)



June 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 10am Cut-ups 7:30pm Progressives	2	3
4	5 10:30am-4:00pm Quiltinators & QOV (Livermore VFW)	6 10am Challenge	7 10am-3pm Quiltinators (Dublin Library)	8	9	10 1:30 pm AVQ Meeting
11 12pm AVQ Workshop	12 10:30am-4:00pm Quiltinators & QOV (Livermore VFW)	13 10am Over the Hill	14 6:30pm Valley Girls	15 10am Out-of- the Boxers 10am Scrap Happy Traders	16 10am Sew'n'Sews	17
18	19 10:30am-4:00pm Quiltinators & QOV (Livermore VFW)	20 Newsletter Deadline 10am BYOC 6:30pm AVQ Board Mtg	21	22 6:30pm Bag People	23	24
25	26 10:30am-4:00pm Quiltinators & QOV (Livermore VFW)	27	28 10am – 2pm Handmaidens 1:30pm Technigals 6:30pm Modern Quilt Group	29 10am Livermore Flying Geese	30	

QOV = Quilts of Valor

Livermore VFW = Veterans Memorial Building, 522 South L St, Livermore, CA 94550

Dublin Library - Community Room, 200 Civic Plaza, Dublin, Ca 94568

For more information on the FRIENDSHIP GROUPS listed above, click here: [AVQ Calendar online.](#)

Quilt Shows and Activities in the Area & Beyond

Saturday, June 3, 2017 10:00 AM - Sunday, 4 04:00 PM

[Wine Country Quilt Show and Craft Sale](#)

Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building

1351 Maple Ave

Santa Rosa California 95404

Moonlight Quilters of Sonoma County

Saturday, June 24, 2017 9:00 AM - Sunday, 25 4:00 PM

[Seven Sisters Quilt Show](#)

Alex Madonna Expo Center at Madonna Inn

100 Madonna Road

San Luis Obispo California 93401

Old Town Quilt Shop



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