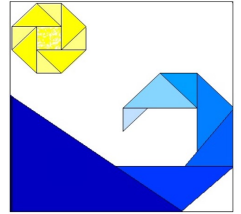


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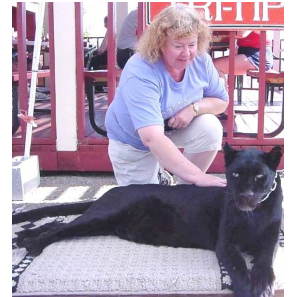
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IN MEMORY OF ALICE FINKELSTEIN AND SUE LAMKEY



Alice Finkelstein passed on March 15th, 2024.

The memorial is April 13th, 2024 at 11:00 am. It will be held at the Emmanuel Reformed Church located at 15941 Virginia Ave, Paramount, CA 90723. Here is a [link](#) from her Facebook page to RSVP if you plan to attend.



Alice

I first met Alice at a class I was leading at SewVac in January 2020. We were working on Jen Kingwell's Gypsy Wife quilt pattern. She made all the blocks and then appliquéd them to the background in lieu of piecing them in! Two years later we ran into each other at the LA County Fair. It was super seeing her work on display and all those ribbons year after year, too. I particularly loved her crazy quilt carpet bag (2022 I think). Alice has left a hole in the needlework community. We'll miss her.

Kate Weber

Sue

Sue Lamkey passed away on March 24th. As of right now, we do not know if or when her services will be. If we hear something we will let you know.

She was a member of QBS for about 10 years or more after moving here from the San Francisco area. Sue was active in the guild for several years, including Workshop Chair for 2 years and did 2 years of Block of the Month. She also participated most Sew Saturdays. For many years, Sue was in charge of Sew So Late and donated quilts to the guild charities. Our condolences to the family.

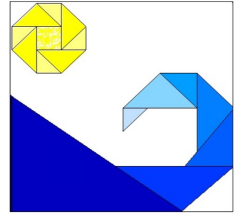
Sincerely,
Dr. Deb Belcher

Both of these ladies will be missed greatly but always in our thoughts.

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By Brandi Kelly Contreras

April showers bring May flowers! Not sure how many showers we may get, but seems like we have had our fair share already! I, for one, am looking forward to some sunshine and flowers.

I would like to say a special Thank you to all our wonderful Board members who stepped up to help with March guild meeting. Unfortunately, our speaker and member Alice Finkelstein had to cancel due to health issues. We have since learned of her passing. Please see our special announcement for more information. Alan lead the meeting as I couldn't attend. They all did such an amazing job, and we are all grateful to have such an amazing team.

Not sure if you have noticed, all the activities that your board is coming up with to help you work on that stash of fabric that you are storing up for a special project. Seems like every time we meet, they find more ways for us to enjoy each other's company. Look into these projects and join the fun.

This month I encourage you all to attend our meeting as we will be holding the drawing for our Opportunity quilt "Stepping into Spring". If you have not had a chance to get your tickets, this is the time! A special shout out to Cathe Hagerman-Beizer for doing a wonderful job of boosting the sales for this terrific fund raiser. She and all her helpers have done a

tremendous job selling those tickets. I just hope the winner is present so we can all share in the joy of winning.

And if that isn't enough to bring you to the meeting, how about a trunk show by Signe Kaleel. Yes, a little inspiration goes a long way. And if you can attend the workshop on quilted postcards that you can mail, I would highly recommend it. Signing up is easy on our website. Just think, you are learning while supporting your guild and showing your appreciation for our teacher Signe Kaleel. So many benefits - come join us April 13th.

Now on to the pressing news: Our own Jo Melis has donated a beautiful Micky/Minnie quilt. We will be displaying it at all our meetings from May to April 2025. It will be available if someone is going to another location and is willing to sit with the quilt during that visit and sell tickets. We will be posting a photo of the quilt online with instructions to come to the meetings or contact a member for tickets.

We are looking for a volunteer to control the tickets and take it up and down for each meeting beginning in May. Please contact me if you are interested.

quiltersbythesea@gmail.com

Thank you for your support and I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on the 11th.

Special points of interest:

- In memory of Alice Finkelstein
- Our own Signe Kaleel is doing the Program and Workshop.
- Lots of Show and Tell.



By Alan Calgaro

April's speaker will be our own member Signe Kaleel. She will be sharing her quilting stories with us through a Trunk Show of her projects.

Signe will also be teaching her technique for quilted post cards at the workshop on Saturday April 13th.

Trunk Show



By Carollynn Machado-Guarino

Community Relations [CR] donations are off to a great start with our first quarter's donation of almost 100 quilts and afghans. Please check the status board on the table for the most accurate count and a description of the charities we support. We have donated to other charities in the past and have a committee to consider additions and terminations. Please send an e-mail to Carollynn (see roster) if you have any suggestions, comments, or questions.

The written description of Our Participation Raffle process is available at both the membership and CR tables detailing the months when Gift Certificates will be available. Every meeting at least one gift will be awarded. Get your name in as often as possible. Last month Randy Miller won both the gift

certificate for the Library's item and a Long Armer Service gift certificate. Joyce Allen is this month's generous provider of the service. Looking forward to another great quilt at Show and Tell.

Remember to come to Sew So Saturday with donations to increase your odds of winning. Let's see how many tickets we can draw from this month. They all go into the drawing for the Long Armer services gift in May when two will be drawn. Be one of the 5 winners for these services.

Please come to the table to deliver your donations. Also pick up quilts in progress, as well as labels, color catchers and clear bags for those who pre-wash their donations. If you need batting, please contact Kathy Peysar, who is kindly storing the batting.



We make great things happen when we work hand in hand.



WORKSHOPS

By Kate Weber & Janet Dietzman

Remember!

Signing up on the interest sheet does NOT mean that you are registered for the workshop!

You are not registered until you pay.

NEW! NEW! NEW! Quilt Registry: Need help getting your quilt(s) registered into the Quilt Index? We'll have someone available to help at every workshop. We are limiting the number of quilts that can be registered each workshop. Sign up at the Workshop Table for a quilt registration "appointment." No fee. Contact: Tish G.

APRIL

April 13 –
Workshop
\$35



Quilted Postcards with Signe Kaleel

Make postcards that can be mailed through the US Postal Service! Create a collection you can use throughout the year to celebrate the special people in your life.

Kit fee: \$5

MAY

May 11 –
Workshop \$35



Tree Wall Hanging - Advent or Seasonal with Kim Snow

There's no time like the present to get a head start on your holiday decorating with this easy and festive Tree Wall Hanging for Advent, or make a seasonal one for spring or fall with your favorite colors. This class is fun and fast paced so you can actually leave with a finished top! The prairie points on this project make it unique and allow for your own creative flair. There are lots of opportunities to give your tree personality using colors and embellishments. This pattern is Charm Pack friendly but can also be a scrap-buster. Finished size is 26" by 36".

JUNE

June 8 -
Workshop
\$35.00



Long Arm Studio
Field Trip

Visit HandiQuilter© Educator Lori Brothers' long arm studio in Santa Clarita. Find out details about how she became an educator for HandiQuilter© and now travels across the west to give free motion demonstrations and classes.

Get the inside scoop about how her studio is designed and organized to suit her inner quilter.

**Sign up soon
and
sign up often!**

By Carol Juardo & Dorothy Foral



Jo Melis

For donation.



Jo Melis

Pattern drafted from a quilt I saw online. For donation to charity.



Jo Melis

This was from a Connecting Threads kit. I made it for charity.



Kate Weber

Kate worked magic with her pink & brown UFO titled "Auburn FOL"

Intraguild Block Of the Month by Alan Calgaro

Don't forget to make and bring your April "Fill Your Basket" quilt block. You can use the basket template to make additional blocks - up to 4 for the raffle. There will be a new block pattern introduced for May at the General guild meeting on April 11th.



Thanks to all the participants!
Without your beautiful quilts there would be no Show & Tell.

Block of the Month





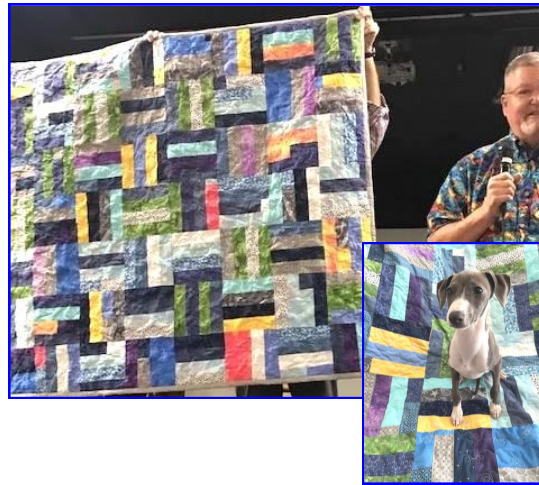
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Melody Doukenick

“Rabbits”

Long Arm quilting by Michelle O’Connon



Brad Dumm

Brad Dumm made this quilt for his new puppy. An Italian Silver Greyhound just 8 weeks old. Long/arm design "Paws" by Madeline Serna



Lori Davies

“Flower Garden”

She bought this kit at So, Cal, Quilt Run many years ago. She is so happy to complete this difficult and intricate quilt with so many tiny pieces. Wonderful work, Lori.



Sandy Szladek

"Halloween Pumpkins"

Sandy’s class of sewing students made these pumpkins from a Robert Kaufman jelly roll. She finished & modified it & added the borders. It was Long arm quilted by Annette Morales.



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Sandy Szladek

“Irish Chain”

From a Connecting Threads Kit 2023. She did wonderful work on the border flowers. Long armed by Annette Morales.



Nancy Toussaint

Nancy found these 12 block of the month orphans at "The Garage" and gave them a home. Amazing what a person can find at the garage. The original creator would be so proud.



Nancy Toussaint

“I Spy Quilt”

Nancy collected 86 different block prints for this quilt. She is donating it to a special child. Long Arm stitching by Annette Morales.



Dorothy Foral

Dorothy also found this children's panel at "The Garage". She used her scraps as borders and sashing, hoping to make some child very happy by donating to our Community Relations.



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Linda Fowler

"Purple Posies"

Linda made this wonderful quilt for her daughter who resides in New York and Loves Purple! She made it at our Winter Retreat and it was long armed by Annette Morales.



Edyth Henrickson

"Square in a Square"

Edyth designed this colorful quilt and it was long armed by Annette Morales. Edyth's quilts are always Amazing!

From Our March Themed Section - Anything GREEN



Margo Taub

"Beautiful 4 Leaf Clover" placemat



Kate Weber

"Auburn FOL Quilt"

Kate designed, quilted and long armed her fabulous quilt. It was a UFO project, finally finished.



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Alan Calgaro

Alan is displaying his fabulous quilt. The front design combines to make up 2 different patterns. The backing is a totally different design. So "Super Cool".



Brad Dumm

Brad's king sized quilt in greens worked perfectly for our March themed quilts. Sorry it was cut off, but it was Huge!



Dorothy Foral

"The Mystery Quilt"

Dorothy calls her green design "The Mystery Quilt", which is the name of the pattern. This is the 3rd time she has used this pattern. She plans on making it 2 more times for Community Relations. Long armed work by Christy Close.



Kathy Peysar

Kathy beautiful quilt full of Lucky Green Shamrocks really rocked our March Theme. Welcome back Kathy - we all missed your smile.



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Lyndell Darby

Lyndell and her Lucky Shamrock table runner.



Mimi Murray

"Green Monster"

Mimi's wild quilt. Great combination of colors.

Opportunity Quilt By Cathe Hagerman-Beizer



**2024 Opportunity Quilt
"Stepping Into Spring"**

This beautiful quilt top was donated by Linda Monsen and quilted by Joyce Allen. "Stepping Into Spring" is queen size (89"x 89") and the pattern ("BlockStep") and Moda fabrics are both by designer Robin Pickens. The drawing for the quilt will be held April 11, 2024; tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Winner need not be present to win. Tickets are available from QBS members or by contacting Cathe Hagerman-Beizer, Opportunity Quilt Chair via email (see roster for contact info).



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April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Board Meeting	3	4	5	6 Sew So Saturday
7	8	9	10	11 General Meeting	12	13 Workshop
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Sew So Saturday
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 Sew So Saturday
28	29	30 Board Meeting				

Schedule of Events

- **Board Meetings** are at Carolynn's home starting at 6:30.
- **Sew So Saturdays** are at Carolynn's home and are subject to change. **9am to whenever.**
- **General Meeting** is at Arbor Road Church* in the Fellowship Hall Basement at 7pm - doors open at 6:15pm. The program this month is **Signe Kaleel with a Trunk Show.**
- **Workshop** is at Arbor Road Church*, Room A-110 from 9am to 3pm. This month is **Signe Kaleel with Quilted Postcards.**

Carolynn's personal information is in the guild roster.

Upcoming Events

May

- 04 Sew So Saturday
- 09 General Meeting
- 11 Workshop
- 18 Sew So Saturday
- 25 Sew So Saturday

June

- 01 Sew So Saturday
- 04 Board Meeting
- 08 Sew So Saturday
- 13 General Meeting
- 15 Workshop
- 22 Sew So Saturday
- 29 Sew So Saturday



Kristy Chillington	Apr 01
Melinda Bartlett	Apr 06
Dr. Deb Belcher	Apr 07
Ruth Cox	Apr 11
Brenda E. Biggart	Apr 18
Terry Gutierrez	Apr 18
Wendy Scott-Dillon	Apr 22
Stephanie Ivey	Apr 25
Nancy Jordan	Apr 25
Barbee Tidball	Apr 25
Madeline Serna	Apr 29

* Arbor Road Church, 5336 E. Arbor Road, Long Beach, CA 90808

Sew So Saturday

Come and enjoy sewing, knitting, or any hand or machine work you want to do. No obligations to work on any quilt project. Shop from the wall of free fabric with smaller and larger pieces. Also drop by with a charity donation, fill out a ticket, or just say howdy.

Saturdays from 9 am to 5 pm:

April 6

April 20

April 27

You can find Carolynn's address in the roster. Carpool if possible. Let's keep her neighbors friendly.



Free Project



With the school year ending soon, these cosmetic cases would make nice teacher gifts.

<https://sewcanshe.com/2018-10-19-diy-cute-corners-cosmetic-case-free-sewing-pattern/>

If you see a FREE PROJECT on the internet, and you think the guild members might enjoy it, please send the link to quiltersbythesea@gmail.com. Thank you.



Hospitality by Joyce Allen

Each month we are asking that a portion of our membership bring goodies to the guild meeting. No, we are not asking you to prepare dinner for all of us! Just nibbles enough for a dozen or so.

Nibbles can be cookies, chips, fruit, and so forth. Yes, store bought is just fine.

Don't stress, just take your turn. Thanks.

April – last names beginning with H - J



Huge Fabric and Quilting Supply Sale

Estate and Quilt Shop Closeout

Date: Saturday April 6th, 2024

Time: 8am

Location: 2711 Stanbridge Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90815

Panels - Kids, Animals, Flowers and more

Fabric by the yard - Kids, Military, Animals, Flowers, Sports, and more

1/4, 1/2, and scraps material cuts

SALE

Quilt Index Registry

By Tish Granillo

We have beta tested the process for registering quilts into the Quilt Index. A "Thank you" to Terry Gutierrez for being our willing guinea pig with two quilts to register. The first quilt took us two hours and included re-entering data we thought we'd lost. The second quilt took 35 minutes! What a difference experience makes! You can see Terry's quilts in the Index by following these links:

<https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=fullrec&kid=51-148-386>

<https://quiltindex.dev.matrix.msu.edu/view/?type=fullrec&kid=51-148-388>

We learned quite a bit and I hope the process will become easier and quicker. It's called a practice for a reason. I encourage everyone to register their quilts into the Index. Yours could be next! You can definitely register your quilts on your own. I am here to help those that may think they can't do it on their own and would like support.

Here's what we discovered while registering our first two quilts:

-Forms must be filled out completely before sitting down to input the information. Measure your quilt, write up your quilt history, take pictures if you can, put all the pertinent information on paper first so we can just data enter and clarify information. If you need to call cousin Sarah in Chattanooga for relevant info, please do it ahead of time.

-Photo size matters! The quilt photos must be sent as a "small" image in your email. I learned this the hard way. I submitted one quilt three times before I figured out it was the large photos that were not allowing me to complete the submission. I lost the info and had to re-enter all the information.

-Registering your quilt is an important process and I am committed to help anyone that wants the help or guidance. I'm in this for the long term. It was so sweet to document quilters' stories and to help share their craft with future generations. It makes my heart smile to help you tell your quilt stories.

Please see me, Tish Granillo, at the next guild meeting to sign up your quilts (limit two quilts per quilter—to start). I will enter them into the Index during our regularly scheduled workshops. I'll bring submission forms for those that can't print them at home. **Happy**

Quilting! 🧵 🪡

Studio Tour by Alan Calgaro

Start thinking about the photos of your "Quilt Studio Tour" show that will be our program in October. When you have the photos and your description/stories about your sewing space ready, email them to me (see roster for Alan's info).





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text preferred



Many of our guild members have allergies so **please do not wear perfume/cologne** to the meetings. Your cooperation in making our gatherings a pleasure for all is much appreciated.

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- ☺ Pack your Show & Tell items.
- ☺ Bring a friend.
- ☺ Bring change for the raffle.
- ☺ Bring your projects from previous workshops.
- ☺ Bring goodies if it is your turn.
- ☺ Bring your own coffee cup.
- ☺ Wear your name badge.
- ☺ Come early and sign-in.
- ☺ Silence your cell phones.
- ☺ Make a new friend and introduce yourself to one of our many new members and guests.
- ☺ HAVE FUN - AND LOTS OF IT!!
- ☺ Clean up your area as you leave.
- ☺ Drive safe.

Open Sew

These are not QBS events, this is For Your Information only.

El Dorado Senior Center (2800 Studebaker, Long Beach) does have a quilting room set up every Wednesday, 9am-1pm. Room comes with irons and ironing boards, otherwise take your own stuff. Plenty of big tables for spreading out projects.

Burns Community Center (5510 Clark Ave, Lakewood) has a room set aside for quilting with tables on the last Wednesday of the month, 9am-1pm.

Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds by Dr. Deb Belcher

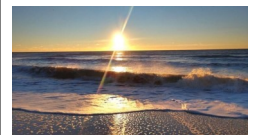
Meet the Teachers is scheduled for April 13, 2024 online. Thanks to the feedback from some of last year's SCCQG Reps, the breakout rooms are going to be open longer—a very appreciated change. Also, there are several positions available to participate on the SCCQG Board. Any questions go to the SCCQG website.

Use this [link](#) to register for Meet the Teachers

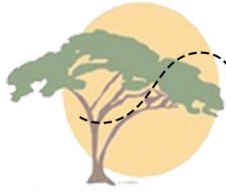
Sunshine and Shadows by Dr. Deb Belcher

Alice Finklestein and Sue Lamkey passed away. Our condolences to their families. Brandi's back is improving after a long haul with pain and recovery. I am very pleased to report that I got an excellent mammogram report on my right breast and will be starting the regular yearly mammograms 6 months from now. In addition, after a year of issues with my left eye, it is finally cleared up and I am scheduled for the cataract surgery I had to cancel a year ago.

If you have something to report in Sunshine or Shadows, please contact me (contact info in the roster).



Here's what's happening at our sister guild -



Acacia Quilt Guild of Orange County



Programs

<https://www.acaciaquiltguild.org/meetings>

Workshops

<https://www.acaciaquiltguild.org/workshops>

Membership by Charlotte Lee & Melody Doukenic

Thank you to all that have renewed their membership!!! The new roster will be coming soon!!!



"In the world of membership, collaboration trumps competition, for together we can achieve great things." - Unknown

Interesting Sewing Facts

This is from the Sew So Easy Page - <https://so-sew-easy.com/interesting-sewing-facts/>



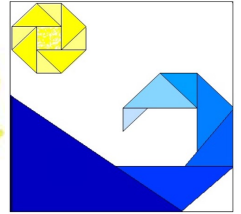
Finding a Use for Fabric Scraps: 50 Ways to Love Your Leftovers

Thank you Jo Melis for sending in. I am sure our members are going to love it.

<https://www.quiltingdaily.com/finding-a-use-for-fabric-scraps-50-ways-to-love-your-leftovers/>



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GENERAL MEETINGS are held the **2nd THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH** unless otherwise stated in the newsletter and/or posted on the [Calendar](#) page of our [website](#).

Doors open at 6:15 pm, Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.

Arbor Road Church, Downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, 5336 E. Arbor Road, Long Beach, CA 90808

BOARD MEETINGS are held 9 days before the General Meeting at 6:30 pm unless otherwise stated in the newsletter and/or posted on the [Calendar](#) page of our [website](#). The location rotates among board members.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is the **Wednesday after the General Meeting**. Please email articles in MS Word format to: QuiltersByTheSea@gmail.com

As a reminder, we like to keep your information correct and updated in the Membership Roster. If you have any changes to your information as it appears or if you have updates, please email them to quiltersbythesea@gmail.com.

This guild is organized for educational and charitable purposes. Its objective is to further quilting excellence through education and travel, and to promote quilting in a philanthropic manner. This corporation does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to members thereof and is organized for nonprofit purposes. Annual dues are \$40.00 and shall be payable at or before the January general meeting. Membership shall be prorated if paid at or after the July general meeting and shall be half the full annual dues.

Reminder: visitor/guest fees are \$5.00 for in person meetings. Fees may be waived by the President or the Vice President of Programs only. Visitor Fees are generally waived when we do not have a paid speaker for that evening.