

AVQA News

Antelope Valley Quilt Association

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APRIL PROGRAM

Happy Spring, Everyone!

April 10th, Interrogating Your Quilt: Tamarinis by Tammy Silvers (zoom lecture)



Don't be nice about it – force that fabric to talk to you! Get the real info on how it can work for you to help you achieve your "quilt" vision. This humor-laden lecture focuses on getting the most from your fabric choices and how fabric can (and does) influence the finished quilt! Supported by plenty of quilt examples from my retinue of quilts – good and bad!

April 12th TBD ... It is possible we will have a booth at the Almond Festival **or** an All-guild Sew-in at Harshfield Terrace, 10am-2pm.



Guild Information

Guild Meeting: Thurs, April 10. 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, April 15, 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

1st VP Maggie Konik

2nd VP the Board

Secretary Robynn Frame

Treasurer Lynn Aguirre/Stephanie Shuping

Parliamentarian Donna Roberts

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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

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Opp Quilt Promo VACANT

Philanthropic Kathy Judkins/Terri Moss Publicity Kathy Judkins/Robynn Frame

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Happy April Birthdays!

2 Sylvia Darroch 20 Brenda Simoni 6 Pamela Ruddick 26 Gillian Ray 8 Peggy Cruz 29 Sonia Frehn 11 Sandra Smith

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

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hey quilters! Welcome to Spring!!

The speaker on Thursday said she hopes you get "one thing about the lecture." I found her very interesting and took more than one thing away. I hope you did also. Remember that it is a journey, not the end goal. Thanks, Maggie, for finding someone so knowledgeable about color.

It is that time of year and we are looking for new officers. Donna is looking for replacements for 1st VP, Programs, and Parliamentarian. I will be looking for replacements for some committees. Please consider volunteering to help this guild run smoothly. Many hands make light work. New ideas from people help to make us stronger and grow. This is like a town. Things need to change every so often. We will be changing up the meetings. We want you to have more time to socialize and share ideas. Please bring your projects, finished or not, or a new technique that you have learned to show and share at the next meeting.

Your Board worked hard this year to make the Quilt Show happen. Unfortunately the Fairgrounds has priced us out. I really appreciate your support in deciding to cancel the quilt show. What do you think about doing something different next year? This is still in the talking stage, so please let someone on the board know if you have any ideas.

We have two big fairs coming up in April. The Almond Blossom Festival is on April 12th and April 13th. Also, we have been accepted to be at the Poppy Festival on April 25th to April 27th. We will need people to sign up and work the booths for both events. We need items to sell at the boutique, and we will sell our opportunity quilt tickets. Please consider selling extra tickets for the opportunity quilt. An extra \$10.00 or \$20.00 worth will help this fundraiser be successful. The two festivals are a great way to get our name out there, recruit new members and sell tickets for the quilt. Have a wonderful month.

Stay Inspired, Pat





Antelope Valley Quilt Association General Meeting Minutes – March 13, 2025

President Pat Crook called meeting to order at 6:09 p.m. at Lancaster United Methodist Church.

Minutes/Pat Crook requested a motion to approve the February 2025 guild meeting minutes as published in the March 2025 newsletter. Motion was made by Lynn Aguirre and seconded by Nancy Walker, Motion carried.

1st Vice President/Programs/Maggie Konik: Our speaker for the evening was Lea McComas on zoom speaking to us about "Color Theory". Upcoming activities: March 15, Quilt sew in at Quartz Hill Library, 10:00 – 2:00. April 10, our speaker for the guild meeting is Kathy Silvers, April 12, Quilt sew in at Harshfield Terrace, 10:00 – 2:00, and on May 8 the quilt challenge is due. The theme is "My Happy Place".

Treasurer's Report/Lynn Aguirre & Stephanie Shuping: It was decided to move the monies for the retreat into a separate account to make the balance of the account show the accurate amount we have in our account.

Quilt Show: Since we have received only two venders for the quilt show and the fairgrounds is

charging us \$8600.00 dollars which would take all the funds in our account, a motion was made to cancel the quilt show for this year. Maggie made the motion and Robynn seconded the motion. 16 people voted with 16 yes and 0 no. The motion carries to cancel the quilt show.

Parliamentarian/Donna Roberts: It is time to start thinking about having new officers installed for the next year. Come out and volunteer. Maggie Konik is retiring as 1st VP, so we are in need of someone to take her place. This job could really use two people and can be a lot of fun while also getting to meet new people. We also need a 2nd Vice President which also could really use two people. And Donna Roberts is retiring as Parliamentarian, so we are looking for a new parliamentarian.

Membership/Opportunity Quilt Tickets/LeRae Humphrey/JoAnn Gonzalez: There were 17 members in attendance and 11 on Zoom. Lynn Aguirre and Robynn Frame won the membership drawing.

Retreats/Sherry DeLano: We have 9 signed up to go on our retreat in Big Bear, August 24 – 27. You still have a chance to sign up as they will hold it open for a for a couple more months. You can either attend 3 or 4 nights, Sunday through Wednesday, cost \$552, or Monday through Wednesday, cost \$412. This is a great way to really get to know other members in the guild and have a lot of fun and laughs. Sign up with Sherry DeLano.

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 St Patrick basket was won by Pat Crook. The Sewing Machine was won by LeRae Humphrey.

Fat Quarter Drawing/Nette Louton: Gillian Ray won the Fat Quarter drawing and chose yellow florals for the April drawing.

Opportunity Quilt Promotion: The quilt was taken to the Ridgecrest Quilt show and we sold \$140.00 worth of tickets. It was also taken to the Bakersfield Train Show where we sold \$65.00

worth of tickets. The question was asked of the train people, if a train quilt was made would they raffle it off. Their answer was yes. If you can think of any place to sell tickets for the quilt, you are welcome to take the quilt there.

Philanthropic/Kathy Judkins/Terri Moss: We received a note from Patty Kniesel thanking us for the 12 quilts we donated.

New Business: An application has been submitted to set up a booth at the Poppy Festival in April. We will hear from them by Tuesday if we are accepted.

Announcements: The next board meeting will be held on March 18, at Peggy Campbell's sewing studio at 5:30 pm.

Show & Share: We enjoyed the quilts presented by these members: Kathy Nowell, Gillian Ray, Corine Cudney and Peggy Campbell.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m. Minutes submitted by Robynn Frame, Secretary.



Antelope Valley Quilt Association Board Meeting Minutes -- March 18, 2025

President/Pat Crook called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. The meeting was held at Peggy Campbell's Sewing Studio in Lancaster.

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

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

1st VP/Maggie Konik. We had about 7 people at the March sew-in. In April our speaker will be Kathy Silvers.

Treasurer/Lynn Aquirre & Stephanie Shuping: The retreat money was moved from the operating budget into its own account. The account was reconciled. Kathy Judkins had asked if we should create an account with a new company to get Warm & Natural batting at a discount rate. First, we will ask Al and Sue if they will give us a discount.

Parliamentarian/Donna Roberts: We need someone to step up to take on the positions of 1st Vic President and 2nd Vice President as well as Parliamentarian. The storage unit fits everything except the quilt stands. Henry has offered to pick up and dispose of the quilt stands.

Quilt Show: There will not be a quilt show this year. We will get a booth at the Poppy Festival on April 25 through 27, and an application will be submitted for the Almond Blossom Festival on April 12 and 13. We will try to get a booth at the Fair and we will attend the Church Boutique in November.

Committee Reports: It has been asked if we can get more information on the friendship groups. It is suggested we have a mini retreat, maybe in Lancaster.

New Business: Some members have suggested changing our meetings and not having so much business, but doing more show and share or "I learned a new technique," etc. Try something new.

The church has asked if we could go back to using the long tables instead of the round tables. Will let them know we would like the round tables.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32. Minutes submitted by Robynn Frame, Secretary.



Announcements:

Hospitality

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

Newsletter

The deadline for the next newsletter is April 20, 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 April drawing is Yellow Florals



Parliamentarian

We will be voting for the new officers this month. We have had 4 positions filled but still have 2 that are needed. Please consider filling one of those vacancies. It would be really helpful to have a full board for this next year. If you are interested, please contact one of the Board members. See you in April!

Nominations for 2024-2025

President Pat Crook

1st VP Needed

2ndVP Debbie Rifkin

Secretary Robynn Frame

Treasurer Lynn Aguirre

Parliamentarian Needed



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 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.



Philanthropic

The Philanthropic Committee and Bits & Pieces Friendship Circle will meet on Saturday, April 5, from 10:00 to 2:00 at Harshfield Terrace, 6709 Columbia Way. All guild members and visitors are welcome to join us. We will have kits for making quilts, fabric for making backings, quilts to bind, and fabric and patterns for making craft boutique items. Please bring the supplies you'll need for sewing and/or cutting.

We donated 17 quilts to the AV Children's Center, Women's Clinic of the AV, and the Palmdale Sheriff's Station in March. Thanks to everyone who helped!

Kathy Judkins, Philanthropic Co-chairman

