



# Camarillo Quilters Association

## Quilting in Ventura County since 1980

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### President's Message

Greetings, Quilters! I hope you are in the midst of a busy, and satisfying, holiday season and looking forward to the new year.

We had a wonderful December gathering-enjoying the generosity we share with one another, both in the form of the many quilts we gave to local charities, and in the delicious food we ate at our last meeting. Thank you to everyone who made that terrific morning possible, especially Sandy Puchlevic and her crew, Jane Aiello, and Yvonne Brydson, who organized the décor and pot luck.

Recently I was reading through one of my favorite quilt magazines, *Quiltmaker*, and happened upon a short article by Vanessa Lyman. It is about setting intentions for one's quilting in 2020, and I thought this is a very good idea. Normally, I am just trying to work through the projects on my sewing/cutting table, to clear space for more projects! Or, someone is having a baby, and I need a baby quilt very soon, so I work on that.

The article recommended putting a little more thought into the process than that. Here are some of the tips Vanessa shared about setting intentions for 2020:

- Decide which projects are the most important to you and work on those first.
- Clean out your sewing area so you have room to work.
- Go through your stash and get rid of fabrics that no longer make you smile.
- Learn new skills, by taking classes or watching on-line videos.
- Shop for new fabrics, books, and patterns that inspire you!

We have a program starting in January that might help us all in this area. Maribeth Benedict is heading up this UFO (UnFinished Object) challenge. Bring a list of your projects-in-progress to the January meeting and give it to Maribeth. There is a one-time fee of \$5 per person to participate. As you complete the projects throughout the year, bring them to show her, and receive an opportunity ticket for each completed project. The more you finish, the better your chances of winning a prize! And you'll be working your way through your projects! A win-win!

Blessings to you all as we start our new year,

*Barbara Witman.* President

#### Welcome to Our Newest Members!

Cheri Preciado - Newbury Park

Connie Heagy - Oxnard

Doris MacLaren - Oak View

Lucinda Bendavid - Camarillo

# Speakers & Workshops

January 2020 (Community Center Auditorium, Camarillo)

**Peggy Martin** <http://www.peggymartinquilts.com/>



## Jan 14– Lecture "Adventures in Color"

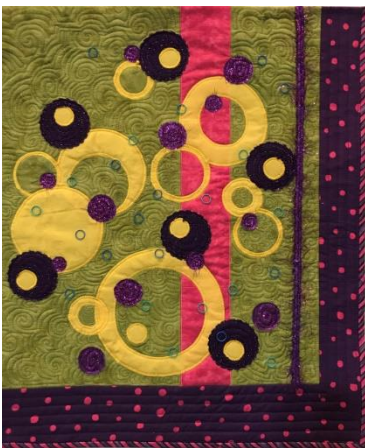
Color is often the first thing we notice in a quilt, affecting our response to it in an emotional way. Free up your own creativity in your quilts by learning the importance of "value" as well as color and by looking at a variety of strategies and approaches to working with color in new ways.

Jan 15 – Workshop "Winged Star" - Create blocks and borders with a feathered-star look using this fast, fun technique. Triangles are sewn together, cut apart and re-pieced to form a variety of blocks and border designs.

\$ 45 members, \$ 80 non-members

February 2020 (Community Center Auditorium, Camarillo)

**Janett Rice**



## Feb 11– Lecture "Off the Straight and Narrow"

Janett has been sewing for 50 years, and started quilting with traditional bed quilts. Then she discovered art quilts, which has now become her passion. She believes that the addition of curves and circles on your quilts can soften the look of an artistic creation and add liveliness.

## Feb 12 – Workshop "Creating with Curves and Circles"

Cringing about sewing curves and circles? Master sewing curves, curved strips, and circles - techniques that are surprisingly easy to learn.

\$45 members, \$80 non-members



## QUILT SHOW 2020

Friday April 24, 10-5 pm and Saturday April 25 9-3pm

Updates from Sandra Darata, Quilt Show Chair

Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday and a Bright New Year.

- Our Quilt Show tickets will be available for purchase at the January meeting for \$10.00, or you can buy a Gala ticket for \$35 to enjoy the show early (see article below).
- Maria Ring is still accepting your boutique donations through the March meeting.
- Our quilt photographer will be available at the January and February meetings. If your quilt is ready to be entered in the show, please bring it to be photographed. Also bring a self-addressed stamped envelope for the photo to be mailed to you.
- If you plan on entering quilts in the show, you will need a pillow case for each quilt. Are your pillow cases ready? If you need help stop by quilt show table.
- The last day to turn in your challenge quilt is the March meeting. I have one already! Thank you!
- Please pick up advertising cards to send to friends and post to bulletin boards in your area. You could also drop some off at your local hair dresser, coffee place, and doctor's office or church bulletin board. Let's spread the word about our wonderful quilt show!

Please come visit the Quilt show table at our meetings if you are unsure of what is needed, deadlines, and all the exciting ways you can help us put on a great Quilt Show!

## CELEBRATIONS!!

A BIG "Thank You" shout-out to all you quilters who have already donated items for the 2020 Quilt Show "Celebrations" table. Our box of wonderful items includes placements, table runners, wall hangings, and mini-minis in a variety of themes, occasions, holidays and color ways.

As a reminder, there are no restrictions on the size, color, or theme of your quilted items. If you love chickens or cats or dogs, or maybe batiks, we would love to see something in those fabrics. We encourage diversity and creative design!

You can stop by the table near Membership and see what your fellow quilters have accomplished and maybe get some ideas.

Thank you again for your contributions and "Happy Quilting".

Jan Hunter and Pat Hibner

## **A Ruby Jubilee Celebration!**

CQA members, family and friends are invited to join us for a morning of celebration.

Not just any celebration but a 40-year celebration!

Special event ticket packets go on sale January 14<sup>th</sup> at the general meeting for only \$35

Win this at CQA's Ruby Celebration on April 24<sup>th</sup>!!



Your special ticket will allow:

- ✧ Early entry to the show on Fri April 24
- ✧ The boutique will open early for shopping
- ✧ A continental breakfast will be provided
- ✧ Two days admission to the show
- ✧ And an exclusive opportunity to win this Beautiful "Christmas Cactus" quilt!

(Your chances of winning are based solely on the number of event tickets sold.)



*The Seaside Stitchers' presentation of quilts in November*

If you would like to join a small group, contact Jane Aiello (check directory for my info) or email [info@camarilloquilters.com](mailto:info@camarilloquilters.com) or better yet, find me at the general meeting. Let's talk!

## UFO CHALLENGE

**MARIBETH BENEDICT** [meriquilter@yahoo.com](mailto:meriquilter@yahoo.com)

- Starting in January, submit a numbered list of UFO's with your name on top. Your list should describe the color or theme, approximate size, and type of each item. Remember to keep a copy for yourself!
- Starting in February at the general meeting, bring in your completed UFO and a *one-time* \$5 check made out to CQA. Receive a raffle ticket each time you bring in a completed UFO from your list.
- Cash prize drawings will be in December. The more completed UFO's, the better your chances!!

### Example UFO List:

Maribeth Benedict	UFO Challenge	
1. Blue/white	Crib	Patchwork Quilt
2. Purple/pink	Queen	Bargello quilt
3. Red/Green	4 ea. 20"x15"	Patchwork Placemats
4. Multi-color	Lap	Applique Quilt
5. Pastel	Wall	Art Landscape quilt
6. Black/beige	King	Yo-Yo quilt
7. Fall Theme	Wall	Felted Applique
8. Multi-color	Queen	Baltimore Album quilt

## Block of the Month - STARS



November- Sarah's Choice



December - Star Crossed



January- Amish Star

Happy New Year Camarillo quilters! I'm wishing you a prosperous new year filled with many *completed* UFO's. Remember they may be worth money, making a star quilt is a start!

The new directions will be posted on the CQA website by the New Year. I hope you enjoy.

**Jonette Duchai**  
Block of the Month

## **Volunteers needed**

We are in need of a few volunteers to be part of our "coffee crew" at the general meeting.

Volunteer now and have the opportunity to work alongside our veteran volunteers for the next few months in coffee setup, service and take down.

Your helping hands will be greatly appreciated!

Email [info@camarilloquilters.com](mailto:info@camarilloquilters.com) to submit your name or questions.

## **Love Dogs? Love to Quilt? What a Great Combination!**

If you like furry friends, and have quilting scraps – have we got a program for you! A small group of volunteers within CQA will combine your fabric scraps to make beds for animals in our Ventura County Shelters. Please bring your cotton fabric scraps and gently used, clean pillowcases to our monthly meetings for drop off at the curb, or just inside the entry doors to the Pleasant Valley Community Center. Our "dog bed lady" Margaret Booker, will take them to her home, where they are cut into small pieces and stuffed into the pillow cases. Volunteers are always welcome to help cut up the fabric and sew the dog beds closed. If you would like to help, please contact Margaret Booker at 805-650-1515.

## **Cranberry Crumb Bars** (submitted by Barbara Whitman)

**12 servings**

### **Ingredients:**

1 ¼ cups flour	1 egg, lightly beaten
¼ cup old-fashioned rolled oats	½ teaspoon vanilla
¼ teaspoon baking powder	¼ cup toasted pecans, roughly chopped
1/8 teaspoon kosher salt	1 ½ cups (8oz) fresh or frozen cranberries, divided
1/3 cup plus ¼ cup sugar, divided	¼ cup apricot preserves
½ cup cold unsalted butter, cut into cubes	

Lightly spray an 8-by-8-inch baking pan with cooking spray. Line bottom and sides with parchment paper, leaving a 2-inch overhang on 2 sides, spray paper. Set aside.

Combine flour, oats, powder, salt, and 1/3 cup sugar in a bowl. Using a pastry cutter, cut butter into flour mixture until fine crumbs form. Add egg and vanilla and mix until dough begins to come together. Transfer ¾ cup flour mixture to a bowl; stir in pecans. Press remaining mixture into the bottom of prepared pan.

Set aside ½ cup cranberries. Pulse remaining cranberries in a food processor until finely chopped, 10 to 15 times; transfer to a bowl. Add preserves, ½ cup whole cranberries, and remaining ¼ cup sugar; stir to combine. Scatter evenly over bottom crust. Top with pecan mixture.

Bake at 375 degrees until golden brown, 30 to 35 minutes. Transfer pan to a wire rack and cool completely. Use overhanging paper to transfer to a cutting board and cut into 12 bars.

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**★ Side of Parking Lot!!**



**CAMARILLO QUILTERS ASSOCIATION**

<http://www.camarilloquilters.org/>

**Facebook: "Friends of the Camarillo  
Quilters Association"**

**Pleasant Valley Community Center**  
**1605 E Burnley Dr. Camarillo, CA 93010**

**Doors open at 8:45 a.m.**

**Meeting starts promptly at 9:30 am**

**Cell Phone Quiet Zone - No Perfume Zone**