



Camarillo Quilters Association

Quilting in Ventura County since 1980

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President's Message

On a day in May of 1980, a small group of ladies met at a home of a Camarillo resident to talk about starting a new community interest group for ladies who were interested in quilting. That was the home of **LeOra Stevenson**, and that group were the founders of our now Camarillo Quilters Association. It was a high honor that LeOra could share with us some of her life adventures last month at our July General Meeting. She was very impressed how CQA has grown in the 38+ years since its inception, as well as how CQA has such an impact on our Ventura County with all of your generosity of donations of quilts and other handmade items to those in need.

Here are some quotes I found on the subject of generosity and how I feel they pertain to you, the Camarillo Quilters.

Jose Figueroa writes: *"You can always choose to be generous with your time. Yes, we all have responsibilities to family and work. But if we were to be honest, it is quite possible that we waste a lot of time that could be used to help others."*

I feel that quilters are very generous with their time. Look at all of your creations of beautiful quilts and other handcrafted items that are created!

Chip Ingram pens: *"The greatest way to learn the genius of generosity is to practice it in real time with others."*

I feel that everyone should be in a small group, spending a few hours per week or month with others talking, or sewing, or cutting, or cooking or eating together. [There is information about our Small Groups on the CQA website.](#) There are **currently eight open small groups looking for new members**. Check it out to see if one is right for you.

Mark V. Ewert says: *"Generosity can have many expressions, including care, time, skill, intelligence, gifts and money. I believe that one cannot omit any of these without curtailing them all."*

I feel that all of the above expressions are common to you, as a quilter.

Winston Churchill expresses: *"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."*

This quote is thought provoking.

A quote from Fred Rogers: *"The greatest gift you ever give is your honest self."*

This one is for you , **Kathy Adams!**

Jonal Beck, President

Speakers & Workshops

September 2018 (Community Center Auditorium, Camarillo)

Shirley McGuire <http://www.ez-woolworks.com/>



September 11 ~ Talk "Wool Applique and Trunk Show"

Shirley will talk about how to do wool applique, reclaim wool for applique use, dyeing wool, and needle felting.

September 12 ~ Workshop - "How to do Wool Applique" Your kit will make a pincushion, wool dryer balls, and a soap container.

\$ 45 members, \$ 80 non-members

October 2018 (Community Center Auditorium, Camarillo)

Heidi Stagno <http://www.ez-woolworks.com/>

October 9 ~ Talk
"It's not a Quilt until it's quilted"

October 10 ~ Workshop
"How to quilt that quilt top". Build your sewing machine skills to get those quilt tops done.

**\$45 for members and
\$80 for non-members**



FALL SHOWS

September 15 – 16, 2018 "Harvest of Color Quilt Show" Coastal Quilters Guild of Santa Barbara & Goleta. 10:00-5:00 pm both days. Over 200 Traditional, Modern & Art Quilts, Quilting Demonstrations, Boutique & Merchant Mall. Earl Warren Showgrounds, Los Positas & Calle Real, Santa Barbara, California

September 20 -22, 2018 "The Wild West", San Diego Quilters Guild 37th Annual Show. Thursday, Friday 10 – 6pm, Saturday 10-5pm. San Diego Convention Center Hall G & H, <http://www.sandiegoquiltshow.com>

September 27 -29, 2018 Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival, 4th Annual. Free Seminars, door prizes, huge vendor mall, quilt displays. 10am-5pm Thur & Fri, Sat 10-4pm. Orange County Fairgrounds, [88 Fair Drive](#) exit off 405 Fairview

September 27, 2018 Kaffe Fasset Lecture, Slide Show and Book Signing. With co-designer Brandon Mably. Alcazar Theater, Carpinteria. 7pm. \$55. Workshops Friday and Saturday. <http://www.roxannequilts.com/>

October 13, 2018 High Country Quilters Guild Craft Fair and Boutique. 10-5pm, Acton Community Clubhouse, 3748 Nickels Ave., Acton (Palmdale area)

October 27, 2018, Ventura County Handweavers & Spinners Guild "Harvest Show & Sale". Demos in weaving, spinning and fibery things. Vendors and boutique. 9am-2pm at Studio Channel Islands, 2222 Ventura Blvd, Camarillo. www.VenturaWeaveSpin.com

A Glimpse of the Past - from our CQA Newsletter - May 1984

The Flying Geese mini group (**Connie Armstrong, Jenny Carr, Janet Hersey, Marie Shinneman, Dorothy Trahan, and Janet Curtis**) are currently meeting at the home of Janet Curtis. The pattern of the quilt they are working on was found in the literature of the 1976 Bicentennial Committee of the National Quilting Association.

The 'Geese' recently acquired some 'Goslings'. **Sandy Holt, Janet McKinnon, Katherine Moule, and Patty Schaffer** wanted to learn about quilting as a group at a frame and asked if they could meet with the Geese for a few months. They were shown the techniques, questions were answered, and opinions given about the pros and cons of various methods, battings, and how to handle the different problems of quilting around a frame with a group. They got better acquainted and all had a good time.

As found by **Sharon Norbutas**

"Sometimes our quilt guild meetings just get silly!"



Thank you **Pamuela** and **Alison** with Mike McNamara, our guest speaker for the July meeting.

Photo submitted by Phyllis Curlee to the "Friends of Camarillo Quilt Guild" Facebook page

CQA Welcomes Our Newest Members!

Dena Miskel - Somis
Denise Newton - Camarillo
Pamela Parker - Camarillo

Photographing Quilts During Show & Tell

When sharing during the Show & Tell portion of CQA's meeting, you and/or your quilts will be photographed for historical records, promotional purposes and possible advertising.

Should you wish to opt out of photographing, please state so at the podium BEFORE showing your item(s).

Thanks.

Lost & Found Update

The Lost & Found Box runneth over! Most items have been there from or before the May general meeting. Sweater, jacket, stapler – anything sound familiar? Any item not picked up by the end of October's meeting will be placed in a donation box.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH - September

It's that time again. Back to school for the kids and back to working on our "Neighborhood". Many of you have shown an interest in our "**Be My Neighbor**" theme for this years Block of the Month. We are greatly encouraged by your enthusiasm!

We started the "Be My Neighbor" quilt in June with the "Charm Square" house. And then the "Scrap-Happy House" for July. For those of you that were not able to participate in June and July, you can find the picture and patterns posted on our website. (www.camarilloquilters.com) If you are not sure how to print from your home computer, there are **step by step directions** that you can pick up at the BOM table. Only, a limited amount of copies of the BOM can be picked up at the table. (**This is for those members who do not have access to a printer.**)

If you want to participate in a "Be My Neighbor" quilt, it is not too late. Come join the fun. The neighborhood welcomes "new" neighbors. All you need to do is come by and sign-up with your name and email address. I will be sending out email messages to help you along the way. You can also reach us by sending us an email. The addresses are listed below.

Please won't you be our "Neighbor"?

Kathy Adams

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Murielle O'Brien

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September BOM

[Houses from 5" Charm Squares](#)



October BOM



The Comfort Givers at work



Perusing the Comfort Givers stash of fabric!

A CQA Small Group Profile – Comfort Givers

The small group the **Comfort Givers** grew out of CQA's Sew-In(s) from the 1980's. The Sew-In(s), held once or twice a year in the afternoons after CQA's general meetings, were workshops for sewing, basting, tying and binding quilts for charity. We were lucky to have **Jenny Carr Kenny** as the head cheerleader and grand organizer of people, fabric, and patterns. During these gatherings **Sarah Beth, Connie, Pat, Vikki, Martha, Sharon, Phyllis, Janet and many more** all patiently walked us through each step of the quilt making process with special emphasis on making a proper secured knot for tying quilts. Many long time members will be able to add the last names to this list of CQA's early movers and shakers.

Well.... we do not tie quilts anymore and the small group the **Comfort Givers** was created to reorganize these efforts. They dedicate a copious amount of time working, tempered with friendship and a commitment to service, to organizing our charity.

If you have not read our Community Statement on our website lately, it deserves rereading. Through CQA's entire membership efforts, lead by the **Comfort Givers**, we give away over 300 quilts each June and December. Currently, there are about two-dozen banker's boxes and a few mega tubs of quilt tops ready to baste and machine quilt. Each month produces a wagonload of quilts to bind. This small group is closed for membership but as CQA general members, we are all encouraged to support these ambitious efforts. Each of us can help in maintaining our long and rich history of giving.

Let's all give a helping hand and extend a heartfelt THANKS to the **Comfort Givers**.

A Thank You Letter from a Very Grateful Grandma.....

"Hi All you precious ladies in the Camarillo Quilters Association 😊just want to send you a pic of my granddaughter Gemma receiving comfort and warmth from one of your quilts that you donated to VCMC. Gemma is battling leukemia and I am so touched by the lovingkindness of you precious ladies. Not sure you see the receiving end of your hard work and compassion but here you go. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you do to help the kids who are so sick. I pray Jesus bless you mightily for your love
from a grateful Gammi ..."

Dear Camarillo Quilt Guild -

"My family and I are currently living at Rain in Camarillo. The quilts we received when we got here say "made with love by Camarillo quilters association".

I wanted to reach out and say thank you. The quilts really look and feel like they were made with love. I have one in particular that I am absolutely in love with. It has many different shades of browns and reds that just makes me feel wonderful.

It warms my heart so much that you all take so much time, patience and love to craft such lovely art. I love that we will have something special to take with us when we finally leave here. It will be A reminder of where we were and that even though we had fallen on hard times, there are always people who care and one day I hope to pay that forward.

Thank you again and God bless,
 Alexandra "

<p>Art & Jenny's Sewing Center Ventura, CA 93001 805-643-8536 www.artandjennys.com</p>	<p>Kingdom Sewing Center Simi Valley, CA 93065 805-579-1571 www.kingdomsewing.com</p>
<p>Candy's Quiltworks Northridge, CA 91324 818-349-7397 www.candysquiltworks@sbcglobal.net</p>	<p>Roxanne's A Wish and A Dream Carpinteria CA 93013 805-566-1250 www.roxannequilts.com</p>
<p>Cotton & Chocolate Quilt Company Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 805-241-0061 www.cottonandchocolate.com</p>	<p>The Quilt Emporium Woodland Hills, CA 91364 818-704-8238 www.quiltemporium.com</p>
<p>Fabric Town, USA Ventura, CA 93003 (805) 643-3434 http://fabrictownusa.net/</p>	<p>The Quilters Studio Newbury Park, CA 91320 805-480-3550 www.quiltersstudio.com</p>
<p>The Fabric Shoppe Camarillo, Ca 93010 805-383-7183 www.homespuncomarillo.com</p>	<p>Quilty Pleasures Simi Valley, CA 93065 805-581-1577 www.quiltypleasures.org</p>

Tell Them You Love Them!

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**Please park on the East Side
of the Rec Center !!! ★**



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