

Valley Quilt Guild

Serving the Yuba-Sutter Community

August 2026 Newsletter

President's Message

Greetings Fellow Quilters,

After enduring the recent heat wave, this cooler weather is much appreciated. We must admit though that the scorching days forced us inside and gave more time for sewing. It also gave more time for cleaning and organizing our sewing spaces, but thank goodness that urge passed quickly.

Although a little cooler, it is still summer and August brings us the very popular **Ice Cream Social on the 26th**. This is held at St. Andrews Church at 1390 Franklin Road in Yuba City. A fun night is planned along with yummy ice cream sundaes. Rumor has it that there may also be a famous, or infamous, singing artist for entertainment. We hope to see all members coming out ready to have fun.

In closing, we would like to take this opportunity to give a huge shout out to the previous guild officers. They not only gave much time and energy to our guild, but they have also been extremely helpful in the transition of new officers. Thank you ladies for all you have done, and continue doing, for Valley Quilt Guild!

Sincerely,

Leann and Cheryl, Co-Presidents

** You know when you buy vegetables and you forget about them and they get slimy and make your fridge stink?
... Fabric doesn't do that :)*

Ice Cream Social — August 26!

Join us for our annual Ice Cream Social at our August 26th general meeting! Come enjoy a sweet treat, good company, and all things quilting. We hope to see everyone there! This is held at St. Andrews Church at 1390 Franklin Road in Yuba City.

Membership

Hi Guild Members! Current membership is up to 101 members (including 2 affiliates, 1 junior member and 9 lifetime members). If you are not among this number keep in mind that the August meeting (the Ice Cream Social) is the cut off for maintaining your spot on the roster and to keep receiving the guild newsletter. Eileen will have forms at the meeting or you can download one from valleyquiltguild.com. See you there! Eileen

Programs, Classes & Sew Days

Classes and Sew Days are held at Fremont/Rideout Conference Center, 9:00–3:00 unless otherwise stated.

Date	Event	Details
AUG 26	Ice Cream Social	
SEP 12–13	Bishops Pumpkin Farm	Opportunity Quilt — sign-ups at July & August meetings
SEP 30	General Meeting — Sew Happy Memories	Gail & Kinney Tennis
OCT 1	Class: Scrappy Applique® \$40	Gail & Kinney Tennis — Fremont Rideout Conference Center — sign-ups at July & August meetings
OCT 28	General Meeting — Lectures: Never Enough Quilts & Elevating Your Blocks	Pat Thompson
OCT 31	Class: Paper Piecing method by Jen Kingwell's Point Addis block	Pat Thompson – Fremont Rideout Conference Center — sign-ups at Aug. & Sept. meetings
NOV	No meeting	
DEC 3	Christmas Party at the Yuba City Moose Lodge Family Center	205 S Walton Ave, Yuba City, CA 95993
JAN 28	General Meeting – Wacky Organizing	Kim Brownell
JAN 30	Free workshop on Valentine Heart Block (or quilt), especially for newer quilters	Heather Chambers – Fremont Rideout Conference Center — sign-ups at Oct. & Dec. meetings
FEB 25	General Meeting – Member sharing	

Upcoming Workshops

The last two workshops in 2026 will be held from 9 to 3 at the Fremont/Rideout Conference Room in Yuba City.

Scrappy Applique® Workshop — Oct 1

Certified Instructor: Gail Tennis (sewhappymemories.com — see Shop, then Scrappy Applique for info). Must sign up no later than the Ice Cream Social! \$40 class fee.

Jen Kingwell's Point Addis Block Workshop — Oct 31

Instructor: Pat Thompson, an affiliate member of our guild — her shop is Friends Around the Block, 211 8th Street, Colusa, CA 95932 (friendsaroundtheblock@outlook.com). She will have samples at both the Ice Cream Social and the September meeting. These blocks are paper pieced using Jen Kingwell's Point Addis method. \$40 class fee, held at the Fremont Rideout Conference Room on Halloween!

Chains of Love Workshop — Jan 30

This workshop is aimed at newer quilters, including budding junior members, and features making a heart block just in time for Valentine's Day. We no longer have a quilt store in either Yuba or Sutter County that offers quilting classes, but more seasoned quilters are of course welcome. At our last sew day, we had a nice combination of newer and more seasoned quilters, and it was fun seeing the advice and alternate ways of making blocks or quilts.

Upcoming Quilt Shows 2026

Dates	Show / Venue	Location & Hours
Sep 4–5	Mountain Quilt & Craft Guild Country Store Ponderosa Community Center	Brownsville, CA Fri & Sat 10–4
Sep 12–13	Quilt Patch Bishop's Pumpkin Farm 1415 Pumpkin Lane	Wheatland, CA Open at 9am – free admission
Sep 18–19	Sonora Quilt Guild Motherlode Fairgrounds 220 Southgate Dr	Sonora, CA Fri & Sat 9–4
Sep 26–27	Flying Needles Quilters Guild Yolo County Fairgrounds 1250 E Gum St	Woodland, CA Sat 10–5, Sun 10–3:30
Oct 3–4	Mother Lode Quilter's Guild 18 Main Street	Sutter Creek, CA
Oct 9–11	River City Quilters' Guild Scottish Rite Center 6151 H Street	Sacramento, CA Fri–Sat 10–5, Sun 10–3
Oct 16–18	Mountain Heirloom Quilt Faire 2465 Gun Club Rd	Angels Camp, CA 10–4 all days
Oct 17–18	Ridge Quilters Guild Paradise Elks Lodge 1100 Elk Lane	Paradise, CA 10–4 both days
Nov 7–8	Annie's Star Quilt Guild Silver Dollar Fairgrounds 2357 Fair Street	Chico, CA Sat 10–5, Sun 10–4
Nov 13–14	Pioneer Quilt Guild Mahaney Fitness Center 1545 Pleasant Grove Blvd	Roseville, CA Fri 10–5, Sat 10–4
— 2027 —		
Apr 24–25	Pine Tree Quilt Guild Nevada Co Fairgrounds	Grass Valley, CA Sat & Sun 10–4



Fabric Estate Sale!

Organized by Jenny and her daughter, selling fabric from her late mother Sharon Jenkins's collection (approximately 100 boxes — large, medium, and small pieces and scraps).

\$5 per pound

August 22–23 • 8am–3pm
6016 Coyle Ave, Carmichael

Community Service

Thank you to all the members who contributed to Community Service. It does take a village and our team is amazing in all the work they do to get ready for our members to do their part.

Thank you to our Community Service teams who work tirelessly every month to sort, to find backs for quilts, to cut batting and then to be at the Community Service table every month to hand out projects to the members. Thank you **Barb and Gail Gilmore** and **Helen Sousa**. Thank you **Wanda Horn** for helping on the work days and to **Terri Johnson** for tirelessly choosing, washing, packaging and delivering the quilts to the Cancer Center and Dialysis. It certainly is a community effort.

— Diane Leighton, Keeper of the Goods

A Little Quilting Humor



"If you get chilly, use that crazy quilt."

Board Meeting Minutes — August 10, 2026

Monday, August 10, 2026 · 9:30am–10:34am

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Room C · 1390 Franklin Blvd., Yuba City, CA

Attendees: Leann Weldon, Co-President; Cheryl Gaines, Co-President; Delaina Watson, Co-1st Vice-President; Cindy Romo, Co-1st Vice-President; Kathleen Soga, Secretary; Verlaine McCaslin, Treasurer; Cooky Amarel, Parliamentarian/Fair Liaison; Jan A. Thompson, Quilt Show Treasurer; Eileen Milligan, Membership; Terry Nugent, Newsletter; Sharon Easter, NCQC & QGNQ Representative; Linda Matsumoto, Sunshine; Barbara Smith, Past 1st Vice President.

Call to Order: Called to order at 9:30 am by Cheryl Gaines. Meeting adjourned at 10:34 am.

July 2026 Minutes Approved: Motion by Leann Weldon, seconded by Linda Matsumoto. Unanimous approval.

Treasurer: Verlaine McCaslin provided an update on banking signatures. Account balances (FY2627, July 2026–June 2027): Checking \$22,447.20 · Savings \$9,385.65 · Fair Equity \$2,529.89 · Quilt Show \$6,000.00.

Old Business: All banking signatures collected.

New Business:

Cal Trans Meeting Room: Date and payment discussed. Colleen Pelfrey is handling; was not in attendance.

Internal Audit: Being handled by Cooky Amarel.

Christmas Party: Cooky Amarel moved to hold the Christmas dinner at the Moose Lodge. Delaina Watson seconded. Unanimous approval.

Google Folders: Use of Google Folders by board members is under consideration; will be revisited at a later meeting.

2027 Quilt Show Budget: Minor changes from last year reviewed by Jan A. Thompson. Cooky Amarel moved to approve, Delaina Watson seconded. Unanimous approval.

Ice Cream Social: Cheryl Gaines proposed the guild purchase their own ice cream scoops (already in budget). Eileen and Colleen will bring ice cream and toppings. Terry Nugent will organize raffle gifts. Delaina Watson and Cindy Romo will accept game suggestions.

Upcoming Programs (VP Cindy Romo):

Sep 30 — 'So Happy Memories' lecture by Gail & Kinny Tennis

Oct 1 — Scrappy Applique class at Rideout Conference Center

Oct 28 — Patt Thompson lecture

Oct 31 — Jen Kingwell Point Addis class at Rideout Conference Center

November — No meeting

December — No meeting; Christmas Party Thursday, December 3rd

January 2027 — Kim Brownell, 'Wacky Organizing'; new quilter class by Heather Chambers at Rideout

February 2027 — Member sharing

Community Service: Diane Leighton not in attendance.

Membership: Eileen Milligan reported 100 members have paid dues to date.

Opportunity Quilt: Cost vs. ticket sales when visiting other guilds discussed. Ongoing. Sandra Torres coordinating.

Adjournment: 10:34 am. Next Board Meeting: Monday, September 14, 2026, 9:30am, St. Andrew Church Room C.



Affiliate Members

(click on the image - it links to the website)



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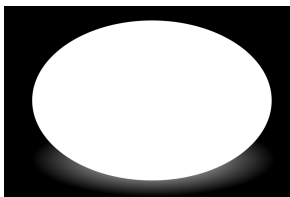
*Friends Around the Block
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Linda Ballard & Co
530-547-3461



Melissa & Mom Quilts
480-244-2490

Website

The guild website is accessible to all members. You will find member information, upcoming events and other useful information. In addition, the newsletter is posted on the website every month, under the member information tab. If you are having difficulty receiving the newsletter by email, it is always available to you on the website.