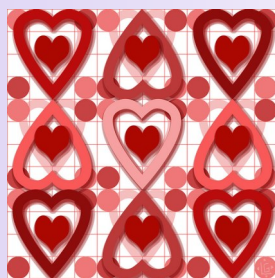


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Our speaker at February guild meeting is a very famous quilter who has a fantastic website showing the 5 books she has written about sewing outside the box, which is actually the title of two of her books. Her name is Mary Lou

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years, but travels around the United States and teaches to guilds and quilters from all areas. She truly is and inspirational quilter, and I cannot wait to see her quilts in person. I have not gotten to speak to her yet -- I imagine she might be getting ready for Road to California. But I don't know, of course. I am going to look for a booth with her in it there just in case. I hear she has an infectious sense of humor, so I know I will like her immediately. I'm sure we will all enjoy her lecture and her quilts. Be prepared the have a wonderful time at guild meeting next month. And for the members lucky enough to go to her workshop, I envy you the great time you undoubtedly will have.

Thanks from your 1st VP, Marc Joost

Yes you heard right...Mary Lou Weidman is coming to Valley of the Mist Quilt Guild!!! Yippee. I have a waiting list for this class if you are interested please email me and I will gladly put you on the list! In this workshop we will be learning how to quilt outside the box and make our Hoity Toidy Houses! I can't wait. Check out Mary Lou at <http://www.marylouquilt designs.com/>

March we will be working on Mini Landscapes with Ann Scott, this workshop is [Saturday March 14th](#). I have a few people signed up already so don't wait and miss out on this great workshop. Read Ann's blog and see her work at <http://fiberdesignsbyann.com>



## President's Message

Happy Valentine's Day everybody! Celebration is our theme for the year and February is the month that celebrates love, bringing with it hearts, flowers and lots of luscious chocolate. Well, we have some "sweet" surprises in store for you "sweethearts" at the February meeting. Wear red in honor of Valentine's Day and get a chance for a special door prize. (If you forget and don't wear red, there'll be a little something sweet for you, too.)

Been thinking a lot about our guild and about how giving and dedicated our members are. In most organizations 20% of the people do all of the work. No so at Valley of the Mist Guild. We average about 110 members annually. To just run this organization there are 50 bylaw-designated positions that need filling every year. Add to that the number of you who serve on committees like the quilt show, opportunity quilt making, philanthropy, membership, hospitality, Quilter's University, brown bag, door prizes, show and tell, etc. we are closer to 100%.

You are one awesome group and should be very proud. So much good comes from your hard work and contributions: babies are covered with love in neonatal units, families in need are warmed with love under your philanthropy quilts, abandoned animals have a soft place to lay their heads on pet beds you made and small struggling local charities get much needed financial support from the donated cash earned from the quilt show. What you do is truly inspiring...**it is love in action.**

So, this Valentine's Day, **we celebrate and salute YOU.** You are appreciated...those of you out front in leadership positions and those of you who work so diligently undercover behind the scenes. This I know for sure; there wouldn't be a guild without each you...and what a great guild we are! Thank you.

I hope and pray that you have lots of fun this year. Enjoy each other and enjoy your quilting. You deserve it!

Much love, hugs and appreciation,  
Shirley

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Income & Expense Report – jan 2015

Starting Balance 1/1/2015	\$26,244.09
Income:	
Membership Dues	1,045.00
Member ship - other	690.00
Monthly Mini	13.00
Merchandise	95.00
Workshop Income	680.00
Total Income:	2,523.00
Expenses:	
bank charges	12.68
Hospitality	65.02
Newsletter	14.00
prizes awards	25.00
Speakers - Lectures	300.00
Speakers - Lodging & Travel	425.50
Speakers - Meals	58.80
Speakers - Workshop Fees	300.00
special event - tour group	181.86
temecula quilt show	43.80
treasurer exp	8.32
Total Expense:	1,434.98
NET INCOME	1,088.02
Ending Balance 1/31/2015	\$27,332.11
Submitted by: Pat Jordan, Treasurer	



## JANUARY 20th TOUR GROUP

On Tuesday, January 20th, Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild hosted a reception for over 50 quilters from all over the world who were on a Country Heritage Road To California Tour. The Temecula Valley Convention & Visitors Bureau asked us to help with this in the hopes that it could become an annual event.

We met quilters from as far away as Australia & The Netherlands, and as close as our own SoCal and many places in between...Canada, New York, Florida, Colorado, Louisiana, Ohio, Wyoming & Texas to name a few. We share the same love of quilts & fabric arts, so we all became fast friends! We had light refreshments for them, as well as a complimentary fat quarter, our display of quilts, and showing of the video of last year's quilt show & July 4th parade. We spoke to them about our guild, answered many questions and learned about where they were from. We were gifted with some Australian fabric packs (look for these in Merchandise) and a new book, *Streaks of Batiks*, for our library by one of the tour group members, Sandra Holzer. What a delightful group they were and in turn we received many compliments for our hospitality.



A HUGE thank you to my helpers for the day...Shirley Brown, Gloria Bachmann, Marci Schaffer, Marlene Oaks, Rita Dominguez and to the members who allowed me to display their beautiful quilts.  
Cheri McDowell

## Membership News

Hi, I would like to welcome our new members who joined us last month. Ellen French, who is a returning member after several years, Edith, Nicholson, Margaret Varho, Lynn Harm, Patricia Ogden, Cheryl Bennett, Nancy Bridgeman, Glenda Hasseler, Cindy Dockerty and Rochelle McNeely. We are glad you have joined us and if you have any questions about the Quilt, please to not hesitate to ask one of us.

If you haven't renewed yet, please to so at the next meeting. I will have more forms (sorry I ran out last month). Membership fee is \$30.00. I will be working on the new Membership Directory soon and you need to renew to be in the directory.

Thank You,

Jane Ward

Membership Chair

**Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild**

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**Membership Form**

Dues are \$30 for the year, January 1 through December 31. Our January meeting is the renewal deadline. Please fill out the form below and either mail it to the Guild (Attn: Membership) or turn it in at the next meeting along with your payment. Make checks payable to **Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild**.

You must have a completed membership form included with your dues payment.

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(This address will be used to email your newsletter.)

May we use photos of you and/or your work on our website? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

How would you rate yourself as a quilter? Beginner \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in joining a friendship group? YES NO

What type of programs or workshops would you like to see offered? \_\_\_\_\_

New members, please tell us how you found out about the guild: \_\_\_\_\_

**Guild Participation:**

\_\_\_\_ Serve as an elected or appointed official, or in an auxiliary position. Please indicate areas of interest below.

Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

And/or:

\_\_\_\_ Serve on any standing or special committee.

Quilt Show Committee, Philanthropy Committee, Opportunity Quilt Committee, Membership Committee.

Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Members are requested to sell or purchase \$20.00 worth of Opportunity Quilt tickets, participate in the work of the Guild, and the work of the Quilt Show each year.

If you have any questions, please go to our website ([valleyofthemistquilters.com](http://valleyofthemistquilters.com)) or contact a Board member. You can also write to us at the address above.

Payment:	
Membership card:	
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Roster:	

## Quilt Show Participation

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

All members of the Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild are asked to help make our annual quilt show successful. The following list includes the most common choices available for quilt show participation. If you have another idea, please contact the Quilt Show Chairperson. This form will be submitted to the Quilt Show Chairperson.

\_\_\_\_\_ Work on Quilt Show Committee: attend monthly committee meetings,

\_\_\_\_\_ Help plan and execute the quilt show

\_\_\_\_\_ Work a minimum of 3 hours at or toward the Quilt Show

\_\_\_\_\_ Make and donate a quilt larger than 24" x 24" for the Quilt Show Auction. (This may be done as a group project friendship group or others.)



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## BOARD POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Kudos to **Rita Dominguez**, who stepped up to man our **Guild Library!** She would like helpers. The plan is to get new rolling carts & have 2-3 members bring a couple of carts each to meetings. They will be lighter weight & easier to transport. The books need to be purged and some new purchases made, so it should be a fun job this year! **Please contact Rita if you want to be a helper.** Kudos also to **Diana White** who will be our new **SCCQG rep.** this year. Contact her if you wish to attend a quarterly meeting with her.

### Open Positions are:

**Monthly Mini:** This is a sit down job at guild meetings 8-9 months of the year,

# Celebrating Lee Hart



First quilt

Lee was born in Chicago where she lived her first 28 years.

She earned a degree in Medical Lab Technology, and worked in hospitals in Iowa for 40 years.

Lee in front of a quilt she won in San Diego and placed on her wall.



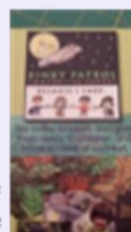
Lee says that she has always had a fascination with crafts and arts. In high school she knitted and began framing pretty fabrics in hoops. Her mother helped her make wool pleated skirts, but she did not truly get into sewing until she came to California. However, in the 70's she did make some stretch and sew pants in preparation for her extensive trip to Europe. She spent over 3 weeks exploring the historic places there and was especially fond of the Louvre and D'Orsay.

Two summers she took classes at the Art Institute of Chicago. She said, "The inner craving to do craft and art and sewing always amazes me."

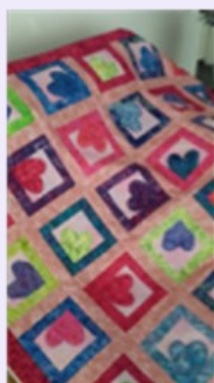
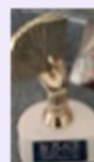
In 1983 she left Iowa and moved to the San Diego area, leaving two boys in college. The boys soon moved West too. She found a free adult education craft class and that led her into a quilt class. Lee says she had fantastic teachers in San Diego. She was an active member of the Canyon Quilters in San Diego for many years. In a group of 8 quilters, she participated in making a "Storm at Sea" quilt for the library, which they raffled and received over two thousand dollars.



Her daughter in law got her back into sewing garments with requests for costumes for the grandchildren. To the left is one of her grandchildren with the lion costume she made for him when he was a little boy. Lee said, "I'm all about children!" In keeping with this, she loves her work in Binky Patrol, and speaks with wistfulness about the days she worked with New Alternatives, helping new mothers. She has a heart for philanthropy and is very proud and happy about our group and what it does

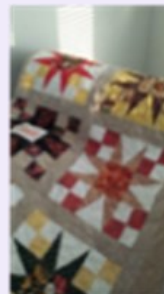
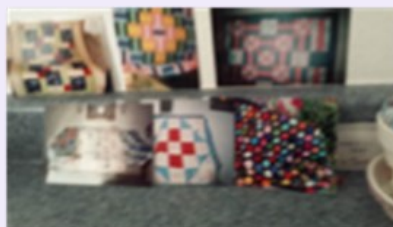


Although Lee can paperpiece, do applique and other techniques, she prefers to piece. She also loves Bridge and shared her trophy.



Lee followed her son and his family to Temecula and happily got involved in Valley of the Mist. She has 2 sons and 3 grandchildren. She has made them all quilts, and is just now finishing a heart quilt for her granddaughter who helped make it. See it on the left.

Some more of Lee's quilts.



If you would like to nominate a member to be celebrated, please email Marlene Oaks [sewingatlightspeed@yahoo.com](mailto:sewingatlightspeed@yahoo.com)



## BROWN BAG

Just a reminder that our Brown Bag event is coming up in June, and I will be collecting your gently used and new items at our guild meetings beginning at February's meeting. I will be collecting until our May meeting. Now is a good time to go through your sewing rooms, clean out, reorganize and donate those items you are no longer using. Thank you all, in advance, for your help. Remember, this is our biggest money maker for the year! Let's make it spectacular!

Dear Members of the Opportunity Quilt Committee, (and any others who would like to help make the job easier), I will be holding a meeting at my home Saturday, February 7th, at 10:00 AM for any and all interested in participating on the Opportunity Quilt Committee. Please bring some ideas for what you think might be a successful raffle quilt. We will be choosing a pattern for approval of the Board at their next scheduled meeting, and then planning an excursion to select and purchase the fabric and pattern, if necessary. Hope to see you there.

Shelley Wilson

## BYLAWS REVISION

Our bylaws require a review for revision every 3 years.....its TIME! As Parliamentarian, I am chairing a committee that needs to consist of at least 4 guild members. I would like to start in February and ask you to consider joining me!

We will meet at least 1-2 times in upcoming months and much of the work can be done via emails. No experience necessary, just reading, discussing & implementing any changes needed. Please let me know if you are available to help in this worthy & needed part of our wonderful guild!

Your appreciative Parliamentarian, Cheri McDowell [951-302-7107](tel:951-302-7107)

North Cities Quilt Guild in Yorba Linda will be bringing their opportunity quilt to our meeting in February. I will be taking our opportunity quilt to one of their meetings in the near future. If you could spare a dollar or two to buy a ticket for their quilt it would be appreciated. We like to support our sister guilds. I will have packets of 24 tickets for our opportunity quilt for all the new members who joined in January. We encourage our members to sell or buy \$20.00 worth of tickets as a fundraiser for our guild. The tickets sell for \$1 each or 6 tickets for \$5, thus 24 tickets for \$20. You have until the quilt show [on October 3rd](#) to get the ticket stubs and the \$20 back to

Please stop by the merchandise table to check out our beautiful monthly selections. We will be putting together beautiful baskets that any quilter would love to win! January's baskets were just lovely and stuffed full of generous amounts of fabric and notions. We started the year out with a bang and brought in \$95.00. We had three lucky winners; Margaret V, Gail L. and Val R.

Congratulations to our winners and we thank you for supporting the merchandise table.

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 7 tickets for \$5.00.

Stop by in February to check out all the goodies! Good Luck!

Thank you,  
Lynn Korito

## SECRET PAL CORNER

We got a late start this year but will have everyone matched up and ready for the March meeting. Just fill out the form below and bring it to the February meeting. Plus, we are going to start "Secret Pal Corner" beginning with our April newsletter. If you want to thank your secret pal or just say something special you can send it via email to Catherine Buckingham or Newsletter editor at [xoxoctb@gmail.com](mailto:xoxoctb@gmail.com)

### Quilt Show News

Hello Fellow Guild Members! Our 17th Annual Old Town Temecula Outdoor Quilt Show will be on Saturday, October 3, 2015. It seems like October 3<sup>rd</sup> is a long way off, but it will be here before we know it. I hope that you will begin to plan on which of your quilts you will show, how you can help with the quilt show, and perhaps plan on making a quilt for one of our two auctions. Our quilt show committee will be having its first meeting on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 at the Grace Mellman Library. If you would like to serve on the committee, it's not too late. Please contact me if you would like to join us.

Thank you,  
Pauline McCauley [lvtoqlt@mac.com](mailto:lvtoqlt@mac.com)

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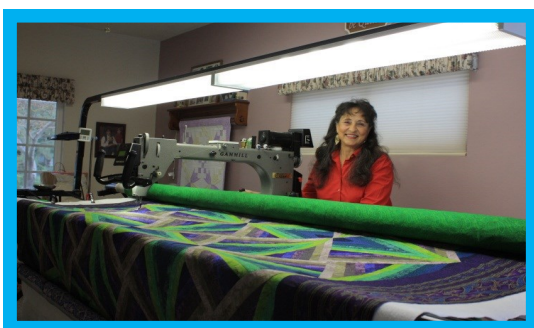
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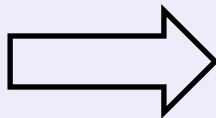
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### Meeting Information:

**January meeting  
01/13/2015**

at 7 p.m.

Social Time 6:30 PM

All sewers welcome

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### Reminders:

- Bring door prize & refreshments if this is your birthday month
- Board Meeting Jan 19 at 6:30 pm  
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- Think about joining a Friendship Group if you're not in one.

- Get your articles in by the 20th of the month in order to make the newsletter

Rob Appell will be here in April. Rob will be showing us the "nuts and bolts of machine quilting". So if you want to know how to machine quilt or want