

Baste & Banter

It's February... Happy Valentine's Day

Hello Valley of the Mist Quilters. Hap

Hoping this newsletter finds you all well and safe.



I've really enjoyed the recent rain as it is so needed in our parched Southern California. In the aftermath, I have gaped in awe of the beautiful snowcapped mountains that stand so majestically above the Temecula Valley. We are fortunate indeed to live in such a beautiful place and, to have so many lovely quilting friends. Quilters are givers who love what they do and share with open hearts.

That's how I see all of you. Blessed to know you. As a guild we are going to move into a direction where we get to know each other better with home visits and a "Getting to Know You" feature at every meeting. Starting this month with Lupe Barker. Stay tuned.

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MEETINGS

We are still not sure when we can meet at the CRC. The last word was that it might open when Riverside County comes out of level "purple" and even then, capacity will be limited. We were also notified that there is construction going on that may further affect our ability to meet. Soooo... as soon as we get warmer weather, we'll find a way to meet outdoors.

Beginning now, VOTMQG will start meeting online with Zoom meetings at our regular monthly times; the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm. Our first will be on Tuesday, February 9th at 6:30 pm. This is intended to be a time where we check in and chat with each other. I have a request that you take this time to show us the quilts you've been working on. Would also love to see your Valentine quilts. Here is the link. You will also be sent the link again by email. You can join the call on your phone, tablet or computer. You can click on from here or copy into your web browser. Looking forward to seeing you then.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85038810151?pwd=RFp2eTAzanlONE9OSWZDb1FQNXhPdz09

ONLINE QUILTS SHOW CALL FOR ENTRIES

Spring Quilting Festival Official Sponsors, Judges, and Presenters Announced! View email in browser.



Click Here To Enter The Quilt Competition Official Rules, FAQ, and for More Info!

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FREE WORKSHOPS

Please watch for email from VOTMQG as we will be sending you links to many online classes by great quilt teachers and there will be no charge. To view, you will just need to click on the link. They will all be on YouTube. If you missed last month's video, please go back and watch for a free pattern and a great teacher.

MEMBERSHIP

Its' that time of year again. Please complete the attached membership form and mail a check for \$15 if you were a member in good standing in 2020 or \$30 if you were not a member in good standing in 2020. Mail to the address on the form. We will also be getting PayPal so you can pay online. Info to come.

Goodbye for now. See you on the 9th Best wishes and hugs, Shirley

Happy Birthday to All . . .

Lynn Stuck February 6 Lynn Sutphen February 8 Cheri McDowell February 10 Mary Billings February 13 Gretchen Bryant February 14 Deanna Carpinelli February 16 Elaine Turner February 22 Carol Nanfito February 26 Char Baker February 27



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Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild

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Membership Form (Rev. 2/1021)

Dues are \$30 per year, January 1 through December 31. \$15 in 2021 if you were a member in good standing in 2020. **Our March meeting is the renewal deadline**. Please fill out the form below and mail it to the Guild (Attn: Membership) along with your payment. Make checks payable to Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild.

Please be sure to submit this completed membership form included with your dues payment.

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Block of the Month

Block of The Month 2021: Block #2

Okay – here's our February block. Shelly saw a picture of a block like this and decided to figure out how to make it. This originally was a paper pieced block, but here is our version. To get started, here are the fabrics you need: your focus fabric, a coordinating fabric based on the colors in the focus fabric, and two neutral color fabrics. Pick ones that contrast with each other. (Neutral colors include black, brown, grey, white, and shades or hues of these.) Remember, all our blocks end up 12.5" X 12.5" (a 12" finished block.)

Also, the Guild's website and Facebook page should have a post directing you to the YouTube instructions for this block.

Cut list -- For one block

At least 5 strips (minimum 1 of each fabric) -- 18" long. With five strips, you need a total width of all strips to equal 12", so when sewn together along the long sides, you will have a 10" wide piece. You can use more strips, but you will need to recalculate how much total width you need by adding .5" for each additional strip. If you are not accurate on your seams, wait to determine the width of your last strip until you sew the others together.

You will also need another piece of one of your fabrics, most likely one of the neutrals, approximately 7" square. Wait to cut that until near the end.

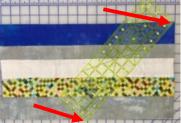
Assembling the block: Use a guarter inch seam

- Sew 18" strips together along the long side. You can pick the order. Try to keep one end straight. Press to the darker fabric. Make sure your assembled piece is at least 10" by 18". Don't make it too much wider than the 10" as it doesn't help.
- Lay your 10" X 18" piece in front of you like in photo 2. Place a ruler at the
 top corner and at the bottom line it up with 13.5". Cut off the triangle in the
 lower right (this triangle is called triangle 1.)
- Now use a ruler to make a 90° angle as in photo 3 and cut off the triangle in the lower left corner (triangle 2.)
- The remaining piece is rotated clockwise so the 90° angle becomes the bottom left corner. The hypotonuse (long side) of triangle 1 becomes the right side, and the hypotonuse of triangle 2 goes against the now upper edge of triangle 1. See photo 4. Adjust the placement of triangle 2 as in the photo and check that the height at the top right corner is at least 13 inches. Sew triangle 2 to triangle 1 and press.
- After sewing, lay this piece back in position and measure the amount of fabric needed to fill the space between triangle 2 and the piece in the lower left corner. You should be able to cover it with half of a 7" square or less. Cut a square of the fabric you are using and sew it to the open edge of triangle 2. Trim off the extra as in photo 5. If you are making two blocks, this trimmed piece can be used in your 2nd block.
- Sew the pieces together along the diagonal and press. It helps to check the size of the block with your 12½" square up ruler. Adjust the placement of the pieces before sewing.
- Now to square it up. Use your 12½" X 12½" square up ruler, place it over the block. Make sure there is fabric under all parts of the ruler and trim to 12½" X 12½" –wonky is okay!



Adriane Ridder & Shelly McNeely Block of the Month Coordinators





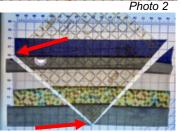
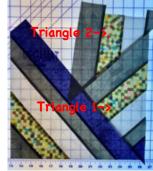


Photo 3





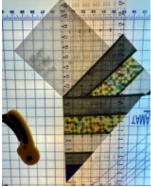


Photo 5

Round Robin Mystery

Round Robin Mystery 2021: Month #2

Instructions to date:

Month #1: Make a block as described in the January 2021 Block of the Month.

New instructions: This month's instructions are pretty simple, but feel free to interpret them creatively. Add fabric to only two sides of your round #1 block to make the block 16.75" square. This round must also incorporate something from nature, be creative or be minimal, it is up to you.

If you are having trouble visualizing, we are doing a YouTube video each month where we are showing how we are implementing the instructions – but you can certainly do it differently.

Adriane Ridder & Shelly McNeely Round Robin Coordinators





Philanthropy

PHILANTHROPY CONTINUES.....

but we do need more help. Let's face it, we always need your help! While we are pretty happy to have 2020 behind us, the sad fact is that there is no shortage of need for quilts and pillowcases or places to donate them. Despite not being able to meet as a group since March (or was it February?), Philanthropy has turned out to be pretty much the only bright spot in the guild during the time of COVID. Throughout the last eleven months, a core group has continued to work, mostly alone, to produce quilt tops, get them quilted and bound and given away. I would like to really shout out heartfelt thanks to Maryruth Wilson, Gloria Bachmann, Candy Florey-Barnes (who wasn't even in the guild last year!!), Merrilyn Lee (who ALSO isn't in the guild), Cathy Cochran, Lupe Barker, and Lynn Korito. Gloria, in particular, has sewed like a madwoman, and Maryruth has quilted like another madwoman. Lynn has stored, sorted, picked up, and delivered.

Already in 2021, Lynn has delivered knitted caps (the Colony Yarnsters made and donated a ton of knitted caps to us), quilts, and pillowcases to both US Vets up at March ARB, and to the Loma Linda VA Women's Program. ...

**We currently have about 45 pillowcase kits ready to be sewn, and we will be kitting even more in the near future.

**Do you have unquilted quilt tops in your sewing room that you would prefer not to finish? PHILANTHROPY WOULD LOVE TO HAVE THEM!

We recently received about a dozen finished tops (but unquilted) from guild member Carol Meichtry. Lovely work, lovely tops. We assembled backs and batting and binding and finished them up and most have been delivered to people who really needed a lovely quilt. If you have quilt tops hanging around from years ago that you set aside to get quilted later, and then forgot about, or your taste changed, whatever the reason—if you want to unload them on us, we are happy to take them.

**BABY QUILTS! We have received baby quilts from several of our guild members, and heart many of you are working on some others. OUR DEADLINE IS NOW APRIL 30. We need to deliver our load to the Loma Linda VA Women's Program by then so our quilts can be given to the many



Philanthropy

lady vets/moms who will be a part of their annual Mother's Day Baby Shower. So if you're working on something, please be mindful of our time constraints. And thanks for participating! If anyone really loves making baby quilts (and let's face it, they make us feel good), please feel free to continue making them! There's no doubt going to be another Baby Shower in May of 2022, so we're happy to stockpile more for the next one! I mentioned this effort to a lady whose friendship group always makes one or more twin size quilts a year for us to give to March, and she was very excited about the baby shower project. And she's not in our quild either!

ONE LAST THING/REMINDER, which has nothing really to do with philanthropy, but it does have to do with guild: please send in your guild membership renewal. Print the membership form, fill it out, and mail it in. If you're renewing from 2020, it's only \$15. I would rejoin, even at \$30, for the sake of the guild. Considering how much money I spend on fabric, \$30 is really a piddly amount! Shirley Brown is doing all she can to keep guild hope alive, so let's support her and help keep the guild afloat!

**Twin size minimum size for a March Vet bed quilt is $64'' \times 80''$. A vet quilt can be wider and longer than that, but 64×80 is the minimum.

Thank you for your help,

Ellen French, Lynn Korito and Ida Colvin Philanthropy



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Our Meeting Location

Community
Recreation
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30875 Rancho
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Temecula, CA

Exit the 15 Freeway at Rancho California Rd. and go East. Go to Ynez Rd. and turn right. Go to Rancho Vista Rd. and turn Left The CRC is approximately 1.5 miles on the righthand side.

Everyone Welcome!

