

# You're invited to a picnic saturday, May $15^{\text {th }}$ at noon til 2 pm 

 at Adrianne's, shelley's, \& Kristine's home in MurrietaThey have a beautiful home in LaCresta, Murrieta. It's a picturesque large property with plenty of room outside so we can finally get together. (Social distancing and mask: your option.) Here are the details.

- Bring your lunch and beverage. We'll supply chairs, paper plates, napkins, etc.
- Bring guests who are interested in learning more about the guild. (Please, no kids or pets as the property is not suited for them.)
- Carpool if you can.
- Bring quilts if you want to share.
- Bring a sweater or jacket as a breeze can come up in the afternoon.
- There will be door prizes.
- Membership table. Elaine will be there with membership cards and 2020 membership booklets. You will be able to renew your membership on the spot.

I will email you the address prior to the day. As our newsletter is put online, we don't want to share their address with anyone other than guild members.

## Regular Monthly General Meeting:

Our next zoom meeting will be on Tuesday, May 11 @ 6:30 pm https://us02web.zoom.us/i/83639484867?pwd=NG91czFSaSsyNIdmZGtwMFIwUXd1QT09

Please renew your membership and get involved.

There are many ways to participate and you are needed! If you haven't yet rejoined just complete the membership form and bring it to the picnic.



Mark your calendar...

## Outdoor Quilt Show <br> Saturday October 2, 2021 <br> old Town Temecula

This will be the $22^{\text {nd }}$ outdoor quilt show, and we are hoping it will be the best yet. We'd like every member to get involved. Here's how:


## Join the Committee

Next meeting is May $14^{\text {th }}$ at 10:00 at Between Stitches. We'd love to have you join us. Can't make the meeting? Email Maryruth Wilson and I'll keep you in the loop about all the Quilt Show planning.

## Plan to Display a Quilt

Show off all your COVID lockdown accomplishments and let us show your quilt in the show.

## Put a Quilt in the Auction

This is a major fundraiser for the Guild, and "Mac" McNamera has agreed to be our auctioneer again this year. You can donate a quilt to the auction (we LOVE that), or ask to receive a portion of the proceeds back (to buy more fabric?).

## Make something for the Boutique

The 2019 Boutique brought in almost two thousand dollars. Your handmade items can be donated to the boutique, or you can elect to receive a portion back. Ornaments, tote bags, microwave soup bowls etc. have all been good sellers in the past.

Contact Maryruth Wilson with questions.


## Block of The Month 2021: Block \#5

Our block this month is an improv version of the Friendship Block. The idea of the block is that each group of four squares represents four friends holding hands.
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 - you decide where to use each of the four fabrics
Fabric 1: Eight 4" squares
Fabric 2 \& 3: Four 4" squares
Fabric 4 (strips): Sixteen 6" strips that are between $3 / 4$ " and $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " wide -- 90 " total, scraps work good for this.

## Assembling the block: Use a quarter inch seam

- Press the 4 " squares on both diagonals. Align a ruler $3 / 8$ " from one diagonal using the press mark as a guide. Cut off this small triangle (photo 2.) Repeat for each 4" square. Sew a 6" strip to the edge of each of the larger pieces. Press seam open.
- Refer to photo 3. Use the press mark you made on the other diagonal and line up the point of the small triangle with press mark and align the cut edge with the other side of the strip just sewn on. Sew this seam and press seams open.
- Now we want you to trim just the inner edges of these squares which are the edges you just sewed together. Make a mark at the 3.5 " point on two adjoining edges of a ruler that is at least 4" square. (See photo 4). Line up these marks with the inner edge of the strip you sewed into the square. Make sure your block extends under the ruler to be at least 3.5 " square and trim the two edges with seams.
- Divide these new squares into four groups with two squares of fabric 1 and one each of fabrics 2 \& 3 in each group. Arrange the groups into 4-patches in a pattern that pleases you. The first photo shows one possible arrangement, but keep in mind the small triangles should all point to the middle of each 4-patch. Sew together each 4-patch by sewing each row of two together and pressing center seams in opposite directions, then sew the two rows together, nesting the the center seam.
- Now arrange you 4-patches as you like. Try different arrangements to get your favorite. After you decide your arrangement, we want you to trim just the inner edges that will be sewn together. Use a 6.5" square up ruler as shown in photo 5. Only trimming the two edges gives you more trimming options at the end. Sew together horizonal rows. Press the seams in opposite directions. Nest the center seams and sew the final seam. Press.
- Now to square it up. Use your $121 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12 \frac{1}{2}$ " square up ruler, place it over the block. Make sure there is fabric under all parts of the ruler and trim to $12^{1 / 2}$ X $12^{1} / 2^{\prime \prime}$. You can make it wonky or not, it is your decision what you like best.

We think this block would make a beautiful quilt mixed with large versions of the block that are just one 4-patch.
Adriane Ridder \& Shelly McNeely
Block of the Month Coordinators


Photo 4


Photo 5

## Round Robin Mystery 2021: Month \#5

Instructions to date:
Month \#1: Make a block as described in the January 2021 Block of the Month.
Month \#2: 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.

Month \#3: Make two blocks following the instructions for the March 2021 Block of the Month. Cut these blocks in two diagonally so you have four triangles. Add the triangles to the four sides of your round robin block from February. This should give you a block approximately 24 " square.


Month \#4: Add a border to no more than two sides of your block. Incorporate triangles into this border in some manner. The final size of you quilt at the end of this round is approximately 24 " $\times 34$ ".
New instructions: Make the Block of the Month block for May 2021. This is a 4-square block - don't sew the four squares together. Use these four squares as cornerstones in the $6.5^{\prime \prime}$ border you add this month. The size of you quilt at the end of this round is approximately $36^{\prime \prime} \times 46$ ".

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


May Member Birthdays

| May 4 | Pat Jordan |
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| May 5 | Ellen French |
| May 7 | Jane Taylor |
| May 9 | Bonnie Pelle |
| May 14 | Debra Bourke |
| May 17 | Glenda Hassler |
| May 24 | Darlene Weist |
| May 25 | Kay Catalano |
| May 25 | Lynn Korito |
| May 26 | Catherine Buckingham |
| May 26 | Adrianne Ridder |

## BABY QUILTS DELIVERED!

## Greetings Guild Members!



In late April we were able to deliver 60 handmade baby quilts and another assortment of 60 changing pads and burp pads to the Women Vets Program through the Loma Linda VA. Our contact there, Lisa Roybal, was thrilled to receive them, and we know the new moms who benefited were probably pretty happy also. Thank you very much to everyone who helped in this effort. It's a nice change from bigger quilts, so we've decided we will try to donate more baby quilts there for next year's baby shower too. Of course, we got a finished baby quilt in right after they were all delivered, so it will be seed for next year's collection! So keep 'em coming, if you're so inclined.

Lynn and Ellen spent some time in April at the storage unit, cleaning and organizing our fabric and working in a fabric donation from former guild member Karen Osborne. We have some very nice fabric corralled in color bins. We also have a big bin of batiks and a couple of fat quarters. So if you're up for making us a batik quilt or something that utilizes fat quarters (Yellow Brick Road, anyone?), or whatever, do let us know. We would be happy to meet you at the storage unit and let you pick fabric to use. The unit is at Ranpac Self Storage (formerly CubeSmart) on Elm Street just off Jefferson, in Murrieta.

We will, of course, continue to kit pillowcases. After reviewing some pillowcases that were serged rather than French seamed, we've decided we just like the French seams better. They look better and will definitely wash and wear better. So going forward, French seams and a tacked down accent strip, please. Many of you are doing the accent strip so it is sewn down but doesn't show-bravo!! That looks great! However, if you prefer to just topstitch it down at the end, that is fine too.

We sure wish we could say when Philanthropy will be able to meet in person again, but so far, the Assistance League is still not letting any groups meet in their room. We're hoping for June, but really, who knows? As soon as AL gives us the all-clear, we will send out an email blast, okay?

Meanwhile, thanks so much, as usual, to all of you who have continued to help us make others' lives a little brighter, whether by making tops for us to finish us, or completing quilts, or binding, or making pillowcases. We very much appreciate everything you do.

With gratitude,
Lynn Korito, Ida Colvin and Ellen French, Philanthropy


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Thank you to everyone who worked to organize the storage unit. The countless hours spent in support of all of us does not go unnoticed.

We appreciate every hour spent.
Thank you.


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## 2020/21 Continuing Board Members

## POSITION

Elected Positions:
PRESIDENT
1st VICE PRESIDENT
2nd VICE PRESIDENT
TREASURER
SECRETARY
WAYS and MEANS

## Appointed Positions:

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## MISSION STATEMENT

Formed in 1990, Valley of the Mist Quilters Guild is a non-profit charitable, educational and social organization in the Temecula Valley. We promote the knowledge of, and appreciation for, all aspects of quilting and fiber arts with an active philanthropy program.

## Our Meeting Location

Community
Recreation Center 30875 Rancho Vista Rd. 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!


