



Camarillo Quilters Association

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Can you relate? Calling a company for information only to listen to a recording, then punching a few numbers to get to your location, only to have to wait on hold for a half an hour or more? Frustrating! The same is true, when reading and filling out documents that require the sophistication of a lawyer to understand what needs to be done! I get frustrated with our complex life and its challenges in this year of 2020.

I have felt challenged with how complex things can be. I have found myself asking "Did my grandparents have to face the same challenges?"

During the Great Depression, my grandmother lived in a small rented cottage for a summer with her 4 children all under the age of 6. Her husband was away working a seasonal job as a lumberjack in the Canadian wilderness. My grandmother provided for herself and for her children by cooking and baking on a wood burning stove, chopping wood for the fire, and walking to town when she needed to purchase supplies.

She had no washer and dryer, or modern appliances. But she did have electricity. This, I know because she used a Featherweight in this small cottage to sew her children's clothing and probably her own.



Both of my grandmothers were accomplished sewers, but I am not sure if either one sewed quilts. It's very likely they both made a few quilts for their personal use. Certainly, any number they made would surely pale in contrast to the great number of quilts that our CQA members crank out for themselves and especially for our Comfort Givers Charity Quilts. During this time of COVID-19 isolation, there are many CQA members who have contributed materials, time, and energy into producing Comfort Giver Quilts. Our quilts bring warmth to those experiencing their own challenges. Thank you for using your time and talent for this worthy cause.

My and your grandparents faced extreme hardships during their lifetime. They overcame those hardships with hard work, sacrifice, and determination. They simply did what they had to do not knowing any difference. I am thankful for my life at the present, even though I still find myself saying, "My grandparents did *not* have to do this", but maybe it should be, "My grandparents didn't get to do this!"

Stay safe, stay well, and keep on quilting through these extraordinary and difficult times.

Jonal Beck,
CQA, Co-president

VIRTUAL CQA MEETING JULY 14 VIA ZOOM!

CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR DETAILS!

<https://zoom.us/>



MEMBER NEWS

CQA Officers for 2020-2021:

Co-Presidents	Jonal Beck/Barbara Witman
Vice-President	Joey Strait
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Standing Committee Leaders 2020-2021:

Block of the Month	Marita Clark
Comfort Givers	Sandy Puchlovic
Communications	Cynthia Arnold
Facilities	Judy Cannon
Historian	Jane Aiello
Library	Linda Wilkinson
Member Hospitality	Sandy Cornelius
Membership	Pat Hibner
Newsletter	Jodie Solorio
Seaside Quilt Festival	Sandra Hiebert-Darata
Quilt Show	
Small Groups	Lynne Woods
Speaker Contracts	Maribeth Benedict
Speaker Hospitality	
Travel	Donna Clark
Ways & Means	Kathy Adams
Website	Jennifer Rapacki
Workshops	Andrea Ramirez

Next CQA Board of Directors Meeting: July 13, 2020 @ 9:30am via Zoom.

CQA LIBRARY

Until we can meet in-person please keep track of your checked-out CQA library books.

CQA members are encouraged to request new book titles to be purchased for the library.

2020 CQA Workshops

September - [Jenny Lyon](#): Traditional Quilting

October - Cindy Myers: Stepping Stones

November - [Jean Impey](#): Twinkle Quilt Pattern

CQA Retreat

CQA retreat is scheduled for Nov. 3-5, 2020 at the Poinsettia Pavilion in Ventura. The retreat is a go! We already have 24 people indicate they would like to attend. Of course, things may change due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Quilt Show Ticket Refunds

Any remaining Quilt show ticket refunds will be returned at next in-person CQA meeting. You will be Returned tickets value was applied towards annual membership dues if requested.



So, I completed June and July BOM. Have been busy with UFO's and grateful for CQA.
--Cindy Arnold

MEMBERSHIP DUES

We would appreciate it if you could send your membership check for \$35 to CQA, P.O. Box 347, Camarillo, CA 93011. If there is a new address, phone number, or e-mail address, please add a note telling us what it is, so we can reach you if necessary.





MEMBER NEWS



NEW RULES FOR UFO QUILT CHALLENGE

1. Via **email only** NO texts, submit a list, or add to existing list your quilted UFO's. Put your name and phone number on top of list.
2. When we meet again pay a one-time \$5 cash or check made out to CQA. A raffle ticket will be given for each completed quilted project that is on the list. Photos will be accepted, if needed.
3. Cash prize drawings in December. Winner does not have to be present to win.



EXAMPLE OF MY UFO LIST

Maribeth Benedict (805) 246-5238 meriquilter@yahoo.com

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|----------------|-------------|---------------------|
| 1. Blue/white | Crib | Patchwork quilt |
| 2. Purple/pink | Queen | Bargello quilt |
| 3. Red/Green | 4 @ 20"x15" | Patchwork Placemats |
| 4. Multi-color | Wall | Appliqué Art quilt |

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

You will only need to make one block each month that you will keep. Choose a color theme of your choice. At the end of the year make the quilt to keep or donate.

All blocks are 12 inches finished.

As you make your blocks, email a photo to Jennifer, our Webmistress, who will post the progress on a BOM Gallery page.

Click here to go to the BOM page:
<https://camarilloquilters.com/blocks/>

If you have any questions, contact Marita Clark at maritaneedscoffee@yahoo.com

SCCQG 2021 Special Exhibit Call for Quilts!

The Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds (SCCQG) is requesting quilts for their January 2021 Road to California special exhibition, "Sharing Our Quilts".

Deadline for entries:
November 1, 2020

Entry form, pictures, and a self-addressed stamped envelope must be received and postmarked no later than Thursday, November 1, 2020.

Questions may be sent to Stephania Bommarito by email
quiltwizard1024@gmail.com

Please go to the SCCQG website for more information.

<http://www.sccqg.org/>
https://media.rainpos.com/5738/call_for_quilts_sharing_our_quilts_rev.pdf



SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS

Miss you all! The Orchid Building has been closed and of course group meeting prohibited therefore we are going to have a virtual lecture **July 14** and a virtual workshop on **July 15**.

We will provide an email blast with information regarding sign-up, fee, supply list, and prep work. Or call **Andrea Ramirez**, Workshop Chair @ (805)368-6467 with any questions.

We are in the process of bringing this all together for you, to spark a new interest after our long quarantine.



July 14 & 15 Virtual LECTURE & WORKSHOP LATIFAH SAAFIR

Will be speaking on “How many ways to sew a curve” and teaching “The Glam Clam Quilt” using her special ruler.

Website: latifahsaafirstudios.com

To sign up: Call/Text **Andrea Ramirez** (805) 368-6467 or email

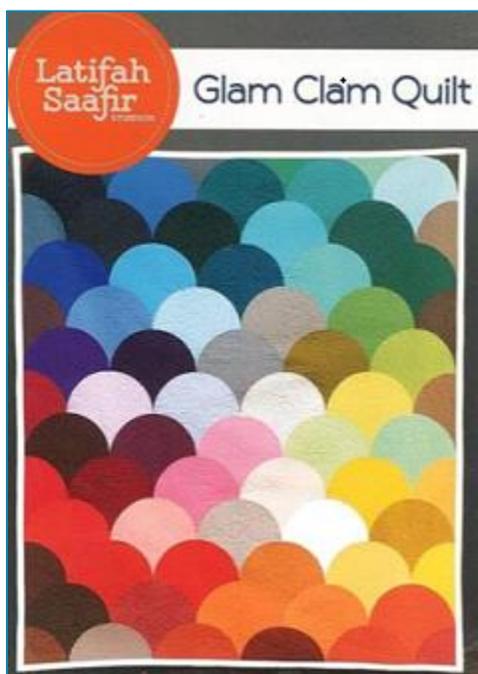
baja2sun@yahoo.com

Fee: \$20

You will then receive a supply list, design suggestions, and a discount code to order a ruler and pattern from Latifah directly.

Location: Your Home Via Zoom

Time: Starts 9:30am



Be sure to invite a friend!



SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS

AUGUST-NO MEETING-NO WORKSHOP

We are planning the September workshop in hope that the COVID-19 rules will allow us to meet in person!



September 9th WORKSHOP

JENNY LYON

“Fearless free motion fills and frills”

Jenny is back again, great teacher, to help us improve our free motion quilting. She will be demonstrating more than the basic stitches.

Website: <https://quiltskipper.com/>

To sign up: Call/Text **Andrea Ramirez**
(805) 368-6467 or email

baja2sun@yahoo.com

Fee: \$45, Supply list will be sent to you.

Location: Orchid building

Time: Set-up 9:00am, starts 9:30am

1 person per table, Hand sanitizer provided, Bring mask





SMALL GROUPS

Some CQA small groups are meeting. Doris McLaren, smiling, as she shows off her finished quilt at the Ojai Quilters Anonymous show and tell.



Doris McLaren with Ojai Quilters Anonymous.
Photo and comment submitted by Lynne Woods

Comfort Givers July 2020

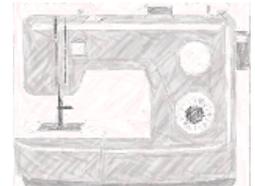
Finished is the Word!

The Comfort Givers group is meeting now, but we divided into Monday and Friday groups. We follow all protocol, using masks and watch our distance from each other.

In the past I was happy to tell you to do what you liked doing, piecing, quilting, bindings, now *finished* is the word of the day, *finished* is good, *finished* is wonderful, *finished* is perfect!

We miss seeing our quilting **friends** each month, so stay safe and hope to see you in the near future and remember "*finished*" is the word.

Comfort Giver,
Kay McLaughlin



CQA Labels are Now Available!

It has been suggested that labels be made available to our members so that they may complete quilts to be donated to Comfort Givers. These quilts may be turned in at our future in-person meetings.

If you need printed CQA labels, please contact Jonal Beck.

The labels may be picked up at either of 4 residences in Camarillo, Ventura, or Simi Valley,

OR at The Fabric Shoppe located at 642 Las Posas Rd. Camarillo.

The store hours are:

10 AM – 3 PM Tuesday- Saturday.

(Please wear a mask, and there's a limit of customers in the store).





“What is That?”

By Barbara Witman



Our son had been a cub scout and boy scout throughout his school years, in the Wolf Patrol. At 16, he was working very hard on his Eagle Scout project. During that summer, my husband, our son, and I took a long driving trip to Oregon and Washington. I took a few projects with me to keep my hands busy while my husband drove.

One of these projects was a fusible applique design by Toni Whitney – a beautiful wolf head. The project had about a thousand tiny pieces and 4 dozen different fabrics. I had done the fusing at home, and spent hours in the car, cutting the many little shapes, and bagging them into small plastic bags to keep them organized.

Every once in a while, our son would pop up from the back seat, and ask, “What is that you’re working on, Mom?”

I would reply, “Oh, it’s just another one of my projects.” Later, he refined the question to be,

“What is that shape going to be?” And very quickly, I would have to make something up, like, “I think this is part of the rocket ship.” or “This piece is going to be a toilet.”

I think he had caught on part way through, because his questions became more and more detailed, and my answers became more and more absurd. Eventually, he decided this was the “weirdest quilt Mom has ever made.”



Barbara Witman's Gift to her son.

In the fall, he dutifully finished all the Eagle Scout requirements, and I made a gift of the wolf quilt. It hangs in his room even now. When I look at it, I am filled with pride for his accomplishment and I remember that wonderful vacation we shared.

Love Barbara's quilt check out the designer's website:
<https://www.toniwhitney.com/>

Your new 2020-2021 CQA board continues to work for you during these troubled times.



Photo and comment submitted by Jane Aiello

Using Social Media

During the recent shelter-in-place orders, I have found myself using social media in new ways. I have used it to stay connected to the quilting community. In a time where public health demands, that we stay apart, I really miss our in-person meetings.

I've been visiting our Friends of Camarillo Facebook (FB) page more regularly. You can always find other members there who are willing to share quilting information, a kind word, or a joke!

I try to remember to check my email more often. CQA email blasts are more important than ever to get up to date information on CQA business and updates.

I encourage you to try Zoom if you haven't already. I used Zoom for the first time at our virtual June CQA Board meeting!

Jodie Solorio, CAQ Newsletter Editor



SUMMERTIME FAVORITES!



The World's Best Garlic Bread!

My family loves to grill in the summertime, and we especially love grilled garlic bread. Here is our favorite garlic bread spread, which makes The World's Best Garlic Bread!

The World's Best Garlic Bread!

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise (not light mayo)
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/2 cup grated Romano cheese
- 5 cloves garlic, minced

Mix all ingredients. Spread on baguette which has been sliced lengthwise. Wrap in aluminum foil. Bake at 375 degrees for 20 minutes. Uncover and broil or grill for a few moments until it is golden brown.

(This spread lasts a long time in the refrigerator and can even be frozen! Keep it handy so you can have garlic bread anytime!)

Recipe submitted by Barbara Witman



Yummy Internet Fad for Coffee Lovers!

Dalgona Coffee is Korean whipped coffee. This recipe creates a frothy iced coffee drink. Instant coffee is not my everyday go-to coffee but it's all the coffee you need for this recipe.

- 2 Tbsp Instant Coffee
- 2 Tbsp Sugar
- 2 Tbsp boiling water
- 1 c. Milk, or half and half, or other milk substitute-we will use this last.

Ice

Makes 2 servings.

1. Mix instant coffee, sugar, and hot water into a bowl, whisk together, once sugar is dissolved whip with an electric mixer until stiff peaks form.

The mixture will be shiny & resemble a whipped meringue. (Warning! Resist the temptation to taste! It is a concentrated mixture without milk. Ask me how I know!)

2. *In a large mason jar or oversized cup. Mix ice, milk, and Dalgona Coffee mixture, shake/stir until well mixed. Pour into serving glasses. Makes 2 strong, frothy, icy delicious coffee drinks! Milk to coffee mix can be adjusted to taste.

*TIPS: Keep ratio 1:1:1 for coffee, sugar, and hot water if increasing or decreasing recipe.

This is my addition to the recipe. Most images will show a layered drink. That's too difficult to mix. This method is much easier.



CRYPTID CREATURE QUILT CHALLENGE



Let's have a cryptid creature quilt challenge! Oh, those mysterious creatures! So hard to prove they exist!

What's a cryptid? A cryptid is an animal, creature, or monster that is thought to exist but no proof of its existence has ever been found!

The Loch Ness Monster, Abominable Snowman, and the Chupacabra are a few examples! They are usually based on folklore and vary by culture. They can be creepy or cute. Our creature quilts will be featured in our September/October 2020 newsletter.



Here's the challenge:

Rule #1 Have some fun and let your imagination go!

Rule #2 Create a quilt based on the theme.

Rule #3 Use materials you already have.

Rule #4 Include at least one technique you've always wanted to try.

Photos are Due August 29, 2020 or sooner! This is a virtual challenge.

Send your photos to jsolorio2003@gmail.com please include your name, quilt title, and describe new technique used.

A FEW MORE QUILT CHALLENGES

Road 2 California has 3 quilt challenges for 2021:

<https://www.road2ca.com/index.php>

Conspiracy Theory:

<https://online.roadtocalifornia.com/userfiles/file/2021/Conspiracy%20Theory%20Quilt%20Challenge.pdf>

Twins:

<https://online.roadtocalifornia.com/userfiles/file/2021/Twins%20Quilt%20Challenge.pdf>

Souvenir Fabric:

<https://online.roadtocalifornia.com/userfiles/file/2021/Road%20to%20California%20Souvenir%20Fabric%20Challenge.pdf>

Cherrywood Fabrics:

Princess Diana:

<https://cherrywoodfabrics.bigcartel.com/product/diana-challenge-bundle>

The National Quilt Museum:

William Shakespeare:

<https://quiltmuseum.org/education/contests/new-quilts-old-favorites/>

