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President's Message

This year is flying by so fast! September already. Not sure I'm ready for the soon to be here holidays!

We've been busy over the last three months providing quilts to fire survivors through a variety of events. We do have a small supply of quilts on hand and will continue to seek out events where we can provide quilts. However, the need seems to be dwindling. If your guild has quilts for fire survivors, please hold them for the time being. If we find more large events coming up we'll get the word out. Please know that your efforts to provide comfort to the fire survivors is very much appreciated.

Using the money collected at Road to California in January, we continue to provide gift cards to Fire Survivors in both the Eaton and Palisades fire areas. In addition, we reached out to Palisades High School (now temporarily located in Santa Monica) and have donated \$1,000 to their Sewing/Textile program for much needed supplies and tools for the students to use.

We hope you enjoyed the July meeting and discussion of sales tax, raffle registration, and more. We recorded the meeting and the link is posted in the Program Notes section. Many thanks to Nancy Vaughn (Quilters Piece Corps member) who took the time to "clean up" the recording and edit it a bit.

By now your President, Treasurer and SCCQG Rep have heard from the insurance team regarding renewal of ongoing certs. That process has closed, and the information has been sent to the insurance company. The renewed ongoing certs for your meeting and workshop locations will be issued and distributed early in October. Thank you to the Insurance Cert Renewal Team (Kate Weber, Pat Pruehl, Nancy Vaughn, Marian Mapes, and Kate's friend Janet Dietzman). The task was far less challenging this year with a team to split up the work.

I hope you will join us for the October meeting. Caryn Payzant, Social Media Consultant, will once again share her ideas on how to use Social Media and your website to full advantage.

Last but not least, we are looking for someone to chair and/or moderate the 2026 Meet the Teacher Event in April. It doesn't involve a lot of work and that work happens in the

month prior to the event so it's a short-term position.
See you at our meeting in October.

Pam Overton
SCCQG President

Thanks to SCCQG

SCCQG received a nice thank you card (below) from one of the fire survivors.

Dear President, Board and members of the Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds,

I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude for the generous grant received through the Camarillo Quilters Association as part of your support for quilters affected by the Mountain Fire disaster.

Your kindness and generosity means more than words can fully express. In the wake of such loss, this grant not only helps in a practical way, but also serves as a powerful reminder of the strength and compassion of the quilting community. Knowing that SCCQG stands behind those of us who have been impacted is both comforting and deeply encouraging.

Thank you for the work you do, and for extending your hearts and resources to help quilters rebuild and continue creating.

*With sincere appreciation,
Pamela Roberts Lindsay*

SCCQG Nominating Committee

The following positions will be filled for the SCCQG fiscal term of 2025 – 2027: Treasurer, Membership, Insurance Liaison, and Parliamentarian. Nominations have been reviewed by the board and will be presented to the general membership at the October 2025 meeting for approval.

We thank the returning officers for their continuing commitment, and Kate Weber for stepping in to assume the position of Insurance Liaison and the huge renewal process this year.

Treasurer – Diane Bonner – South Bay Quilters Guild (incumbent)
Membership – Patti Pruel – South Bay Quilters Guild (incumbent) and
Andrea Terry – Glendale Quilt Guild
Insurance Liaison – Nancy Vaughn, Quilters Piece Corps of Victor Valley
Marian Mapes – Beach Cities Quilters Guild (incumbent)

Marian Mapes
SCCQG Parliamentarian

Road to California 2026 - Call For Entries

SCCQG 2026 Special Exhibit Road to California Quilters Conference January 21-24, 2026

What is *home* to you? How do you quilt *home*?

Group and individually made quilts accepted for consideration.

Quilts of all styles and techniques are welcome so long as they fit the requirements below.

Entry requirements are as follows (please read carefully):

- The quilt must have been finished in 2025/2026 and be in good condition.
- Size: perimeter should not be larger than 240" overall and no smaller than 60" overall. Items that don't meet this criterion may be accepted and may be folded for display purposes.
- Embellishments must not protrude more than ½" from the surface of the quilt.
- The quilt must be made of fabric and quilted either by hand, or machine, or both.
- It must be constructed of three layers and bound or closed around all quilt edges.
- Quilt/hanging must have an attached 4" hanging sleeve (basted or safety pins allowed).
- Entrant must be a current member of an SCCQG Member Guild or an Affiliate member.
- Enter by email. Entries must include a separate digital **jpeg** photo named as follows: entrant's last name_(underscore)name of quilt_(underscore)guild initials.jpeg. For example: "Weber_clubby_QBS.jpeg" Each entry must have a short paragraph describing how the entry represents the theme. (The Exhibit curator reserves editing rights.)

Online entry form at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1W8jpx12PnBCmlgyodBWgDZDrxUESM1NBO8kWgFJVND8/edit>

Timetable

December 26, 2025 (Friday) All entry forms and photos due.

Entries need to include a current email address for confirmation of receipt. See instructions above. Photos may be of the quilt flimsy (unquilted top), so long as the quilt is finished upon submission and arrives on time.

January 9-19, 2026, Deadline for exhibit drop offs at various locations.

*Entries may be dropped off at several locations in lieu of shipping.

----See FAQs on following page for locations and "NLT" dates----

**All entries are required to have a 4" hanging sleeve. Sleeves may be basted or safety pinned in place.

***Entries must be fully contained in a cloth bag or pillowcase with contact information.

January 21-24, 2026, Quilts will be displayed as part of the SCCQG "*Stitching a Community Together*" Exhibit at Road to California, Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, California.

January 24 – February 12, 2026, Quilts will be returned according to prior arrangements. SCCQG will not ship quilts to owner. Unclaimed quilts will be donated to a charity.

Questions: SCCQGRD2CA@gmail.com

SCCQG and Road reserve the right to reject quilts not suitable for hanging.

Frequently Asked Questions and Other Info

- Hanging Sleeves – You tube has several videos on how to make a hanging sleeve. I like [this one](#).
- Quilt containers –Your quilt entry needs to be fully contained in a cloth bag (a pillowcase for example). Why? The quilts are packed in suitcases and plastic crates until they arrive at the convention center. Quilts fall out of too small shopping bags and quilts that are rolled don't pack into a suitcase well. If you haven't noticed in the past (good!), the pillowcases and bags are pinned to the back of your entry so they are handy when the exhibit is dismantled. It's difficult to pin through stiff plastic carriers. Your contact info on the outside of your quilt bag makes it easier and faster to sort and return quilts. I will make an effort to contact you if your quilt doesn't get picked up, so your info needs to be on the case.
- Hanging the exhibit - Want to get a preview of the show? Join us on Monday, January 19 at 9:00am at the convention center and help hang this exhibit. You may also volunteer to hang other exhibits (after SCCQG's is hung!) and see more quilts "up close and personal." You will be charged for parking-but get a receipt (electronic and text me a copy) and you can be reimbursed.
- Haven't heard back if your quilt has been accepted? – Please wait until December 30 and then email if you still haven't received any notification. I admit it, I'm human and may have missed yours. Nag me, please!

The following are options on the entry form.

Drop Off – The Batty Lady (**Norco**), and Roxanne's (**Carpinteria**) have graciously agreed to collect quilts. Their deadlines are January 9, 2026, for The Batty lady and January 14, 2026, for Roxanne's. Quilters By the Sea guild meeting (**Long Beach**) January 8, 2026 (6:30-8:30pm) is also a drop off location. You may also drop off entries at private residences in **Laguna Woods** and **Bellflower**. If you choose this option, you will be given their contact info to arrange your drop off. Finally, upon confirmation with the curator, entries may be dropped off at the **Ontario** Convention Center on Monday, January 19, 2026, by 9:30am, please. (You could stay and help us hang the exhibit, too!)

Pick Up – If you are at **RD2CA** on Saturday at closing time (4:30pm), please help dismantle the exhibit and take your entry home with you! Won't be there? Do you have a friend who can pick it up for you? Can you pick up someone's entry for them? Let us know their names and quilts will be released. Please pick up from the **Batty Lady**,

Laguna Woods and Bellflower by January 31, 2026. Quilts can also be picked up at the February 12, 2026 Quilters by the Sea guild meeting. *There is no pick up scheduled for Roxanne's at this time.* If you know someone going in that direction after the close of RD2CA, let us know their contact info and we'll try to set that up. By arrangement, I am willing to meet up in the Ventura Blvd vicinity to return quilts.

Kate Weber - Curator
2026 Road to California SCCQG Exhibit

Website

Thanks to all those who send information about their guild's activities for the SCCQG calendar. Always remember to include name of event, date/s, time, place, address, and other description of the event, including a phone number. A PDF flyer may be used but it is easier to have a Word doc with all the information.

Thanks for all the opportunity quilt photos that have been sent, and we look forward to more quilts (provide information about the quilt name, size, when the drawing is and any special information about the quilt).

Send your input me at info@sccqg.org.

Sandy Scott
SCCQG Webmaster

Programs October 2025

Our next Program brings back one of our favorite presenters, Caryn Payzant, Social Media Consultant. Watch out, she has been known to go out and look at our websites before the meeting! This year, her presentation is:

“Are you really being seen on Social Media?”

She will discuss the importance of having a consistent, relevant social media presence that attracts new members and keeps current members coming back to your sites.

This presentation will:

Review current social media trends.

Help you choose the right platform(s) for your guild (Instagram, Facebook, X, TikTok); and

Offer tips and tricks for the most popular social media sites.

**Guilds are encouraged to send in their specific questions by September 30th to be included in the presentation. **

Any questions, comments, or suggestions should be directed to programchair@sccqg.org

Liz Pickering
SCCQG Program Chair

Membership

A gentle reminder:

We strongly urge you to consider filling out the last **option** on the Membership Renewal form or Officer Update form by entering a single guild email contact to appear on the website. This will be the only email seen on the very public SCCQG website.

This will reduce the chances of personal emails being caught up in phishing or being harvested by bad actors. Again, this email will be the only one visible on the website.

Still important:

We need each officer's email preference for receiving important communications from SCCQG via Constant Contact. Please continue to add these personal emails in the **upper section** of either the Membership form or the Guild Officer and Meeting Update form.

Any member changes to officers in your guild should be input on the membership page in the Guild Officer & Meeting Update Form. Fill out the form for each office that has a change. This is the best way to keep your guild officer list updated.

Officer Updates will only be accepted through the website at <https://www.sccqg.org/membership-info.htm>. Please **do not send** this information via email to either membership@sccqg.org or info@sccqg.org.

Renewal Date:

The membership renewal process will begin September 1.

In line with the fiscal year, checks will not be cashed until October 1.

Pat Pruel

SCCQG Membership Chair

Insurance

Renewing The SCCQG Insurance Policy

(Yes, it's THAT time of year,...again.)

We are working to renew the SCCQG policy for the next policy year (September 30, 2025-September 29, 2026). Previously the SCCQG Insurance Liaison has done all the work to get the renewal forms and contracts updated for 65+ guilds and forwarded this to the insurance carrier. Last year she spent more than 150 hours getting this done! (Thank you, Monica!) Too much at one time for a volunteer! This year we have a Renewal Team in place to work with you.

Each team member has about 12 guilds to work with. Getting certificates updated has been going well. While I write this article about 65% of the guilds ready to go, and we expect everything will be sent in on time to the insurance carrier. We did have difficulty reaching some guilds because contact information had not been updated! Please check your SCCQG contact info.

In the meantime, your events continue to be scheduled and your venue needs an

insurance certificate. Go ahead and submit it (go to: Insurance and scroll down to the online form). Insurance for events after September 29 cannot be issued until the SCCQG policy is renewed. We have a procedure to send these requests to the insurance carrier at the beginning of September so your event certificate can be issued as soon as possible after the policy is renewed. Let your venue know this so they don't think you're being flaky.

Kate Weber

SCCQG Insurance Liaison (2024-2025)

Treasurer's Report - April 1, 2025 - June 30, 2025

Starting Balance - \$70,715.86

Income

Ins Certificates - \$430.00

Ins Premiums - \$1,281.00

Interest Earned - \$1.76

Late Fees - \$30.00

Membership - \$140.00

MTT Income - \$45.00

Voided Check - \$250.00

Total Income - \$2,177.76

Expenses

SCCQG Disaster Fund - Fires - (\$500.00)

Gift Card for Fire Survivors - (\$800.00)

Notions for Fire Survivors - (\$62.67)

Meetings - Zoom Fees - (\$219.63)

Website Hosting/month - (\$228.00)

Total Expense - (\$1,810.30)

Net Income - \$367.46

Ending Balance (6/30/2025) - \$71,083.32

Diane Bonner

SCCQG Treasurer

Treasurer's Report - Proposed Budget 2026

PROPOSED SCCQG BUDGET FOR 2025-2026 - V.2					
		2024-2025 Budget	2024-2025 TYD Actual	Difference (Actual- Budget)	Proposed 2025-2026 Budget
Oct 1, 2024 - August 10, 2025					
Income					
	Donations @ Road-Fire Survivors + SBQG (Road Fund)	0.00	4,988.00	4,988.00	0.00
	Ins Certificates	2,000.00	2,120.00	120.00	2,200.00
	Ins Premiums	44,000.00	46,010.00	2,010.00	48,000.00
	Interest Earned	4.00	5.63	1.63	6.00
	Late Fees	300.00	155.00	145.00	150.00
	Membership	6,000.00	5,860.00	140.00	6,000.00
	MTT Income	390.00	300.00	90.00	300.00
	overpayment	0.00	6.25	6.25	0.00
	Total Income	52,694.00	59,444.88	6,750.88	56,656.00
Expenses					
	Accounting/Tax Filing	0.00	184.95	184.95	200.00
	Constant Contact - email (pay in Sept)	378.00	431.00	53.00	450.00
	Disaster Fund - Fires - checks to Guilds (Charity)	500.00	1750.00	1,250.00	\ Total spent 2,077.71
	Storage Bins-Road-Fires		157.41	157.41	
	Printing-Road-Fires		170.30	170.30	
	Government Fees	45.00	50.00	5.00	50.00
	Honorariums	500.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
	Insurance (pay in Sept)	45,000.00		45,000.00	50,000.00
	Quilt Exhibit @ Road2CA	120.00	114.25	5.75	120.00
	Road 2 CA Fire Fund				\ Total spent 2,862.67 - 2,125.33 Left
	Gift Card for Fire Survivors (Road Fund)		2800.00	2,800.00	
	Notions for Fire Survivors (Road Fund)		62.67	62.67	
	Storage w/ SMQG (pay Sept/Oct)	250.00	300.00	50.00	300.00
	Website Hosting				
	Like Sew/Rain now Quilt Software - hosting /yr	844.00	748.74	95.26	850.00
	Network Solutions - Website Total of 3 products:				
	Domain Name renewal - 5 yr - exp. 12/39/2029	194.95			
	Private Registration - 5 yr - exp. 1/12/2030	74.95	299.07	299.07	300.00
	Domain Privacy & Protection - 1 yr - exp. 9/29/26	29.17			
	Zoom Fees	350.00	329.58	20.42	350.00
	Total Expenses	48,286.07	7,647.97	40,339.03	52,870.00
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		4,407.93	51,796.91	47,089.91	3,786.00

Diane Bonner
SCCQG Treasurer

SCCQG Meeting Minutes

SCCQG General Meeting July 12, 2025 On Zoom

Board Attendees: Pam Overton, Jean Kuper, Pat Prueel, Kate Weber, Marian Mapes, Sandy Scott

Meeting started at 10:00am

Pam Opening Remarks regarding Zoom format

- Meeting will be recorded
- When speaking, please remember to provide your name and guild name
- Please mute yourself unless you wish to speak
- To unmute quickly, just hold down the space bar on your computer
- Questions? Please put them in the chat to everyone

Greetings

- Welcome Everyone! Great to see so many of you for another SCCQG Zoom meeting.
- Going forward SCCQG will continue holding its quarterly meetings via zoom
- Many thanks to the Virtual Team that is helping today

Approval of January 2025 minutes

- Are there any corrections to the minutes of the January 2025 meeting?
- Hearing no corrections or additions, the minutes are accepted as printed in the newsletter

Announcements

- Mountain Fire distribution has ended
 - Fire Survivors – We continue to receive and distribute quilts to
 - Churches
 - Local groups
 - Is your guild distributing quilts? If so, where? Can you use more?
- o **Robin:**
- An event is coming up in Altadena that we are collecting quilts for. On July 20 they are honoring a family that had 30 members that lost their homes in the Eaton fire.
 - In September, another block party will honor those who stayed behind and saved their neighbors' homes

Officer Reports – Summary

- Programs – Liz Pickering (not available) – Pam reports that Caryn Payzant will be talking about social media in October
- Membership – Pat Prueel – Current 104 guilds are members. Membership drive begins in October.
 - Each guild should assign ONE person to send in membership forms and officer updates. She has been getting duplicates.
- Parliamentary – Nominating Committee – Marian Mapes
 - Present slate of officers:
 - Treasurer- Diane Bonner
 - Membership- Pat Prueel
 - Insurance Liaison-Nancy Vaughn
 - Parliamentary- Marian Mapes
- Newsletter- Dawn Lindelin deadline – August 1
- MTT 2025 – Looking for a volunteer to chair the 2026 MTT
 - A short description was given
- Insurance - Kate Weber
 - Our insurance policy period is Sept 29 to Sept 29 each year
 - She will be sending out a renewal to see if the info on the insurance form is still accurate. The info should be edited as needed.
 - It will come out in August and needs to be addressed immediately.
 - If there is an event that occurs in October that will be addressed once the renewal is complete
 - Make sure if the contract says “Additionally Insured” you need to send a copy of the contract with the request.
 - Send info and questions to Insurance@SCCQG.org
- Update - SCCQG Road to CA exhibit for 2026 – Kate Weber
 - Theme is: “Home is ...” Anything that makes you feel like home!
 - Size should measure no more that 260 inches around the perimeter
 - More info to follow
- Website – Sandy Scott
 - She can put up opportunity quilt info if you send it to her
 - Calendar info can also be added
 - Info@SCCQG.org

We suspended the business meeting and went directly into the program at 10:34am

Meeting Program – Quilt Guild Money Matters Continued

- Sales Tax – Presented by Fred Duenas CPA and retired CA State BOE employee
- Raffle Registration - Pam Overton
- Annual Reporting Requirements – Pam Overton
- Allow time for questions and answers

Business meeting continued

Bogus Emails – Update

- Has your guild provided a “generic” contact email for your web page?
- It will help cut down on the spam emails.
- There may be a way to automatically forward messages to the proper recipient.

Closing of Meeting

- Thank you for joining us today. I hope that you have benefitted from our discussion. Please share this information with your guild by including an article in your next newsletter.
- Please review SCCQG Website, Newsletter and emails for information regarding future SCCQG meetings.
- Our next General meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2025

Meeting adjourned at 12:02 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Kuper

SCCQG Recording Secretary

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