



# Southern California Council of Quilt Guilds

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## President's Message

Thank you to our Program Chair, Liz Pickering for an interesting and informative discussion of using Square for guild business. The recording (which includes Q&A after the talk) is posted on the website (Program Notes).

We've received a lovely "Thank You" booklet from the Altadena Order of the Phoenix group. Over the past 16 months they have distributed many, many quilts from SCCQG guilds. While we cannot share the pictures, we can share some of the many comments and "Thanks you's" from those who received quilts.

*"Thank you for helping to make our temporary house feel more like a home.*

*Thank you so much for using your incredible talents + gifts to provide the beautiful quilts to our group. We treasure having a piece of art in our home that feels so full of love. Being a sewer myself and having lost many meaningful pieces, I love owning something that I can tell someone poured many many hours of themselves into. Thank you!*

*We really appreciate the three quilts we received. We had lost 12 handmade quilts when our house burned down in January 2025.*

If your guild was one of the many that donated quilts to the Altadena fire survivors, we can send the "thank you book" to you to share with your guild. Just let me know!

If you missed Caryn Payzant's talk on Social Media and "how to", the recording is posted on the website. Go to Program Notes on the home page. It's worth watching. Lots of great ideas!

One of our Membership Chair's, Pat Prueel has decided it's time to step down effective immediately. She and Andrea Terry have been doing a great job. We're looking for one or more people to step up and help Andrea with the renewals coming up next month and with ongoing maintenance of the membership information. There is a comprehensive manual available to help bring new membership team members on board. It's a big job but many hands can make it less so. The database is managed in Excel so familiarity with that application is helpful. Pat has assured us she will help Andrea mentor any new membership team volunteers. Let us know if you can help.

And, our current treasurer, Diane Bonner, has also determined that it's time to step down. We're happy to report that the board has approved the appointment of Mia Strike, current treasurer for the South Bay Quilters Guild, to serve as SCCQG Treasurer through the balance of Diane's term (October 2027). Note that your checks will now go to Mia Strike. The mailing address has been updated on the website.

The insurance cert renewal process began early in August. Please watch for correspondence from the Insurance Coordinator, Nancy Vaughn.

A reminder for all communication with the SCCQG board, please remember to give us your name, your guild name, and a phone number and email address where we can reach you. If we know which guild you represent, that will help us help you!

See you in October, Pam

**Pam Overton**  
**SCCQG President**

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## **Membership**

The SCCQG website is a great resource for program and workshop teachers for guilds. The Affiliates page provides links to their websites.

A reminder to guilds to fill out the Officer Update form on the SCCQG website when you have changes. Please check to make sure your information is accurate. For minor changes (not changes to officers), contact [membership@sccqg.org](mailto:membership@sccqg.org).

**Andrea Terry**  
**SCCQG Membership Co-Chair**

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## **Parliamentarian - Nominating Committee & Standing Rules Changes**

At the July 11, 2026, Quarterly Meeting, the membership voted to approve the changes to the Standing Rules as proposed by the SCCQG Board. The Standing Rules will now read as follows:

### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNCIL OF QUILT GUILDS STANDING RULES**

(As provided for in bylaws Article VI, Section 1f.)

2) Assessment for pro-rated insurance premium. The Member Guilds participating in the SCCQG Insurance Liability Policy shall pay a premium of \$6.00 per member of their guild.

3) Insurance certificate fees. Insurance certificate fees shall apply to each certificate requested/issued.

a) No rush (requested 30 days or more prior to the event/need date) - \$20 per certificate

b) RUSH (requested less than 30 days prior to the event/need date) - \$35 per certificate

The Nominating Committee has presented the slate of officers for review and approval at the October Quarterly Meeting. The slate is as follows:

President – Pam Overton

Program Chair – Patrice Lambourne

Secretary – Jean Kuper

Newsletter Editor – Dawn Lindelin

Thank you to Pam, Jean and Dawn who have agreed to continue for another term.

The board voted to appoint Mia Strike to fill the remaining term of the Treasurer.

Thank you to Diane Bonner and Liz Pickering for their service on the board

**Marian Mapes**  
**SCCQG Parliamentarian**

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## **Programs**

We generated a lot of questions at both our Special Meeting about Social Media in June, and at our How to use Square presentation in July! To see the videos, check out Program Notes at the bottom of the [SCCQG.org](http://SCCQG.org) homepage.

For our upcoming October meeting, we are pleased to welcome Aleeda Crawley, soon to be President of the Empire Quilters Guild in New York City, and a former Board President of both the Modern Quilt Guild and Quilt Con. Her presentation, aptly entitled “Ants!” will focus on how many hands can achieve astonishing results. She will discuss how to engage and retain volunteers, and share her experiences as an enthusiastic volunteer in quilt guilds.

As this is likely my last newsletter article as Program Chair, I wanted to express my appreciation to my Board members, and to all of you who attend our meetings, I truly enjoyed being part of the Board. Please feel free to send presentation suggestions to [programchair@sccqg.org](mailto:programchair@sccqg.org)

**Liz Pickering**  
**SCCQG Program Chair**

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## **Website**

Thanks to all those who send information about their guild's activities for the SCCQG calendar. Always remember to include date, time, place, address, and other description of the event.

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 and when the drawing is). Send your input me at [info@sccqg.org](mailto:info@sccqg.org).

**Sandy Scott**  
**SCCQG Webmaster**

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## SCCQG R2CA Banner

In 2024 SCCQG displayed a banner as part of our exhibit at RD2CA. Each member guild was invited to add their logo to the banner.

I'm pleased to announce that 8 more guilds have sent in their logos to be included. 65 guilds are represented.

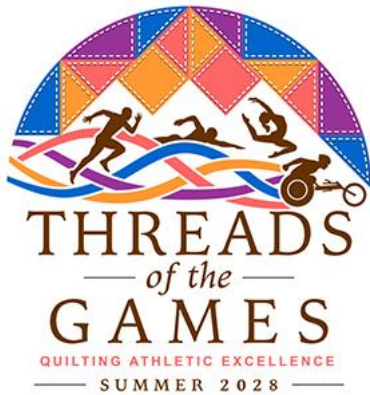
However, there are over 100 guilds in our council! If your guild is missing from the banner, it's not too late to add your logo before the 2027 RD2CA. Finished block size is 8" x 8". It should be like a miniature quilt with batting and backing and some quilting (hand or machine). No binding needed; use the 'birthing' method. Send to K.Weber, 9547 Walnut Street, Bellflower 90706-5719.



**Newest Logos**

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## Threads of the Games



## A Special Quilt Exhibition Celebrating Athletic Excellence & Artistic Craftsmanship

Threads of the Games is an upcoming international quilt exhibition that celebrates the powerful intersection of athletic spirit, global unity, and textile artistry. Created by a coalition of Southern California Quilt Guilds, this premier event will showcase high-caliber quilts that capture the movement and emotion of world-class sports throughout Los Angeles during the Olympic and Paralympic Games in 2028.

Whether your passion lies in traditional patchwork, modern design, or intricate fiber art, Threads of the Games invites you and your guild to participate in this unique celebration.

### Three Challenges for Quilters

|                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                      |
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| <b>The Miniature</b><br>High-impact design in exactly two feet square. A uniform format that makes every design decision count double. | <b>The Guild Lottery</b><br>Enter the draw, get one random Olympic or Paralympic sport, and sew a single collective 65" x 85" masterpiece. | <b>The Open</b><br>Freeform to 85" x 85" (340" around), hung tall or wide. Narrative, conceptual, gloriously unruly. |
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### Call for Entries & Participation

Theme: Summer Olympic and Paralympic sports, athletic excellence, sportsmanship, the global games, athletes, Olympic history, venues and competition.

Techniques Accepted: Piecing, appliqué, art quilting, modern, traditional, hand/machine quilting, and mixed media.

Entry Portal open July 14, 2027 - September 17, 2027

Exhibition Goals: Highlight the incredible talent within the quilting community and local quilt guilds and share our passion for quilting with the global community.

Visit [www.ThreadsOfTheGames.org](http://www.ThreadsOfTheGames.org) for complete details.

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## July Minutes

### SCCQG General Meeting July 11, 2026 Held on Zoom

Meeting was opened at 10:00 am

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
- June 27 mtg with Caryn Payzant has been is on website
- Don't forget to list your events on the website

## Officer Reports

- Secretary: Minutes from January approved with no corrections
- Treasurer – Report
  - o In the June newsletter
- Parliamentarian – Marian – Nominations and Voting on Standing Rules changes.
  - o President; Program chair, Remainder of Treasurer term still needed
  - o Pam on changes
    - § Raise to \$6.00 per member from \$5.00
    - § Charges for Certificate raised from \$10.00 to \$20.00; Updated to be those requested for those with at least 30 days of lead notice
    - § Urgent requests moved to those made within less than 30 days
    - the fees was raised from \$25.00 to \$30.00
    - § **Pam motion, Marian 2<sup>nd</sup>** that we approve these changes
  - 36 yes votes out of 48 registered guilds
- Membership – Membership renewal for Member Guilds and Affiliate begins in September. The renewal registration forms will go live in September. Just a reminder that checks for fees paid will be held until October 1 if they arrive sooner than that.
- Newsletter – Deadline for submissions is August 1. We'd love to hear about any special projects your guild is working on.
- Meet the Teachers: Needs a chair for the event next year
- Insurance – Cert renewal information will go out soon to the affected guilds. Please note the deadline and respond promptly.
  - o Nancy not here, But Pam reminded everyone to look out for info coming soon
    - SCCQG Road- (Olivia)
  - o Info will be in the September Newsletter
- Program – Liz Pickering
  - o Programs – October topic is volunteers (Alita Crawley from New York)

## Special announcement

- Threads of the Game quilt exhibition (Jeff Warner)
  - o First of its kind exhibition
  - o Coming during the Olympics
  - o Local guilds invest \$500 to get the show started. For your sponsorship and gets a spot in the exhibition if the guild already has a sports themed quilt
  - o Anything left at the end of the games goes to the sponsoring guilds
  - o Entry submission will be late next year.
  - o sizes needed 30 x 30" to 65 x 85"
  - o Is available to come to guilds to discuss
  - o President@threadsofthegame.org is email address

- The meeting adjourned at 10:34 am
- Respectfully submitted by Jean Kuper, SCCQG Secretary

**Jean Kuper**  
**SCCQG Secretary**

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## **Treasurer's Report - Year to Date**

October 1, 2025 - August 19, 2026

Starting Balance - 10,786.13

### Income

Ins Certificates - 2,473.25

Ins Premiums - 47,155.25

Interest Earned - 4.49

Late Fees - 180.00

Membership - 6,330.00

MTT Income - 330.00

Total Income - 56,472.99

### Expenses

Disaster Fund - Fires - \$ to Guilds - 500.00

Gift Card for Fire Survivors (Road Fund) - 800.00

Government Fees - 50.00

Honorarium - 500.00

Misc. - 91.70

Network Solutions - Privacy & Protection - 74.95

Statement of Information - 20.00

Storage - 300.00

Web Email (Constant Contact) - 568.40

Website Hosting/month - 760.00

Zoom for meetings - 311.88

Total Expense - 3,976.93

NET Income - 52,496.06

Ending Balance - 63,282.19

**Diane Bonner**  
**SCCQG Treasurer**

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## **Proposed 2027 Budget**

| PROPOSED SCCQG BUDGET FOR 2026-2027 |  |                                                             |  |                     |                         |                                 |
|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
|                                     |  |                                                             |  | 2025-2026<br>Budget | 2025-2026<br>YTD Actual | Proposed<br>2026-2027<br>Budget |
| Income                              |  |                                                             |  |                     |                         |                                 |
|                                     |  | Ins Certificates                                            |  | 2,200.00            | 2,473.25                | 3,125.00                        |
|                                     |  | Ins Premiums                                                |  | 48,000.00           | 47,155.25               | 54,670.00                       |
|                                     |  | Interest Earned                                             |  | 6.00                | 4.49                    | 5.00                            |
|                                     |  | Late Fees                                                   |  | 150.00              | 180.00                  | 200.00                          |
|                                     |  | Membership                                                  |  | 6,000.00            | 6,330.00                | 6,500.00                        |
|                                     |  | MTT Income                                                  |  | 300.00              | 330.00                  | 0.00                            |
|                                     |  | <b>Total Income</b>                                         |  | <b>56,656.00</b>    | <b>56,472.99</b>        | <b>64,500.00</b>                |
| Expenses                            |  |                                                             |  |                     |                         |                                 |
|                                     |  | Accounting/Tax Filing                                       |  | 200.00              | 0.00                    | 200.00                          |
|                                     |  | Constant Contact - email (pay in Sept changed to July)      |  | 450.00              | 568.40                  | 570.00                          |
|                                     |  | Government Fees (50=DOJ, 20=CA)                             |  | 50.00               | 70.00                   | 70.00                           |
|                                     |  | Honorariums                                                 |  | 250.00              | 500.00                  | 500.00                          |
|                                     |  | Insurance                                                   |  | 50,000.00           |                         | 60,000.00                       |
|                                     |  | Misc. (Flowers)                                             |  | 0.00                | 91.70                   | 0.00                            |
|                                     |  | Quilt Exhibit @ Road2CA                                     |  | 120.00              | 0.00                    | 120.00                          |
|                                     |  | Storage w/ SMQG                                             |  | 300.00              | 300.00                  | 0.00                            |
|                                     |  | Website Hosting                                             |  |                     |                         |                                 |
|                                     |  | Like Sew/Rain (now Quilt Software) - hosting \$76/mo        |  | 850.00              | 760.00                  | 912.00                          |
|                                     |  | Network Solutions - Website Total of 3 products:            |  | 300.00              | ~                       | ~                               |
|                                     |  | Domain Name renewal - 5 yr - exp. 12/39/2029 (\$194.95)     |  | 0                   | 0.00                    | 0.00                            |
|                                     |  | Private Registration - 5 yr - exp. 1/12/2030 (\$74.95)      |  | 0                   | 74.95                   | 0.00                            |
|                                     |  | Domain Privacy & Protection - 1 yr - exp. 9/29/26 (\$29.17) |  | 29.17               | 29.17                   | 30.00                           |
|                                     |  | Zoom Fees                                                   |  | 350.00              | 311.88                  | 350.00                          |
|                                     |  | <b>Total Expenses</b>                                       |  | <b>52,899.17</b>    | <b>2,706.10</b>         | <b>62,752.00</b>                |
|                                     |  | <b>NET</b>                                                  |  | <b>3,756.83</b>     | <b>53,766.89</b>        | <b>1,748.00</b>                 |

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