



A Quilter's Heart is made of Love and Creativity

CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD & TEXTILE ARTS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Quilting Friends,

One of the things I love most about our guild is that it feels so much like a quilt itself—made up of many different colors, styles, stories, and talents, all stitched together with care. Each member brings something special, and when we come together, we create something so beautiful.

Quilting has a wonderful way of reminding us that progress does not have to be perfect. Sometimes the pieces do not line up exactly as planned, a color choice surprises us, or we find ourselves unpicking a few stitches and trying again. But that is part of the process—and part of the joy. With every project, we learn, grow, and discover new possibilities. The same is true for our guild. Every meeting, workshop, and conversation gives us a chance to encourage one another, share what we know, and celebrate creativity in all its forms.

I also want to thank everyone who gives their time, energy, and heart to make this guild such a welcoming place. Whether you help behind the scenes, bring quilts for show and tell, lend a hand at events, or simply offer a kind word to a fellow member, you are helping keep this community vibrant and inspiring. Those small acts of generosity truly matter.

Let's keep sharing our ideas, our enthusiasm, and our love of quilting. Every stitch tells a story, and together we are creating a wonderful one.

Renee Jeske

2026 PROGRAMS and EVENTS

Upcoming Meetings, Speakers and Workshops:

May 13th Guild Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

This month we will be treated to a Fashion Show in collaboration with the Emeritus Fashion Program, led by Marla South. Marla's students from her Beginning Sewing Class and her Art as Fashion Class will model and show their creations. Our meeting will begin at 1:00 then at 1:30 we will invite fashion show guests to join us for snacks and show. If you were at last year's Fashion Show, you know how good it was and so much fun! We hope to see you there! As always, refreshments and a free raffle follow the presentation.

No Show & Tell this month.

May 18th Club Expo 2026 10:00 – 1:00pm Clubhouse 5

This is an opportunity for the Crazy Quilters to promote our Guild and hopefully encourage others to join us as members.

ON-GOING AND FUTURE

June 10th Guild Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

Grace Errea is our guest speaker. She will also be teaching a workshop on Saturday June 13th in CH4's Quilting Studio, 9:30am – 3:30pm. The fee is \$40.00. Please contact Renee Jeske to reserve your spot for this really fun learning experience.
rfurkids@yahoo.com or 949-328-0071

Friendship Group - Thursdays 1:00 – 3:30 Quilting Studio

The Thursday Friendship Group continues to meet every week to work on quilts for Bonanza and donation quilts. Such a wonderful opportunity to socialize with other quilters and learn a new technique. And it's all FREE!

Maybe you have a special technique. Think about sharing it in a future class. Any type of textile art can work.

Please contact Renee at rfurkids@yahoo.com with questions.

MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to all of you who have paid your annual dues. We currently have about 70 members. If you haven't yet renewed your membership, please send your check of \$40.00 made out to Crazy Quilters Guild to Deb Stewart, 5344 Bahia Blanca W Unit C, Laguna Woods, CA 92637 or bring your check with you to our next meeting.

PHILANTHROPY

Philanthropy continues to be a big part of the vision and mission of the Crazy Quilters. We will be making 100 placemats for Meals on Wheels. We're also gearing up to make pillowcases for CASA. Materials are provided. Please contact Joy Kerr 714-306-0400 or 2020Kjkerr@gmail.com with any questions or comments.

50 "Little African Dresses" were made from fabric donated by Guild members. Mary Henderson provided the pictures with thanks to Guild members.



Honor Quilt Nomination Form

The Crazy Quilters of Laguna Woods would like to recognize our Laguna Woods veterans with quilts to honor their service. If you would like to nominate a veteran to receive a patriotic quilt, please complete the attached form and return it to the address given on the bottom of the form. [Honor Quilt Form](#)

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Treasurer – The Guild is desperately in need of a new Treasurer. Mary McAdera has been doing this job since 2019 and needs to train her replacement by the end of this year. The job is not that difficult and takes approximately 10 hours/month. Some months more, some months less. If you can say “yes” to the following, you can do it! Have a checking account? Write checks? Deposit to account? Record checks & deposits? Reconcile account? Not necessary, but helpful to have access to a computer. Please contact Mary McAdera @ 949-205-561 or mary@mcadara.com to go over the duties of the Treasurer.

Do you love a party? The Guild is looking for a couple volunteers to help coordinate our August Birthday Party and December Holiday Party. Let Renee know if you're interested at rfurkids@yahoo.com.

HOSPITALITY

If you would like to volunteer as an additional helper at the General Meeting, please contact Carol Charlton to volunteer for this fun position. 949-246-1723 or ccc45@comline.com

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

If you are aware of one of our Guild members who could use a friendly note letting them know we're thinking of them, please let us know by contacting Barbara Davidson at 949-239-4657 or Davidsonbarbara983@gmail.com.

QUILT ROOM

Quilt Room Hours are Monday 9:00am – 4:00pm, Tuesday and Thursday 1:00pm – 8:00pm. During these hours a quilt room Supervisor is available to help you with any questions you may have about sewing or quilting. Our resident supervisors include Nancy Allen, Mona Bonbright, Ruth Naomi Buck, David Cavanaugh, Linda Dunnigan, Donna Karbach, Betty Khzouz, Brenda Rader.

LONG-ARM QUILTING

Always wanted to learn how to use a long arm quilting machine? Babs Schwartz is currently training in 2-hour sessions. If you would like to learn, please contact Babs at 310-363-3655 or Petlwing@yahoo.com to schedule or for more information.

EDUCATIONAL TIDBITS

Wondering about a technique? Mona Bonbright's Tidbits have been indexed on our website for easy access to a specific topic. This month's tidbit covers the use of a quilter's clapper for pressing fabric, quilt blocks and seams.

OTHER NEWS



Crazy Quilters present a special quilt to Laguna Woods Mayor Annie McCary, our city's first black mayor.

Open House style fabric sale @ \$5.00/yard on May 28th and 29th. Address and hours will be announced in an email blast closer to the date so mark your calendars. You won't want to miss this one!

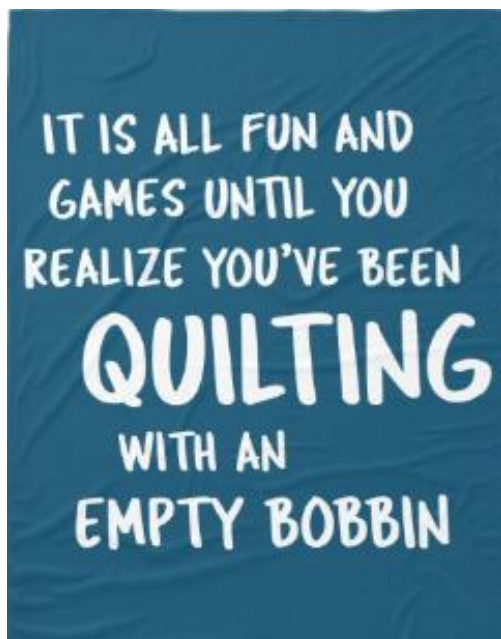
Quilter's Run happening July 9 – 12 and July 16 – 19. Thursday – Saturday hours are 9:00am – 6:00pm. Sunday hours are 10:00am – 4:00pm. [Click here](#) for more information including participating stores.

[BOWERS MUSEUM](#) presents The American Quilt: Cloth and Commerce. The exhibit explores how the materials, dyes, and techniques used in quilt making reflect centuries of economic shifts and technological innovation. Quilts will be on display May 23 to August 30.

Bowers is only 16 miles from Laguna Woods in Santa Ana, an easy drive with dedicated parking lot across the street. Gather your quilting friends and form a carpool for a fun afternoon at Bowers! It's a beautiful Spanish Revival building with many other excellent exhibits, an on-site restaurant (new) and, of course, a gift shop. [BOWERS](#) is open Tuesday to Sunday, 10am-4pm. 2002 North Main Street, Santa Ana, 714.567.3600.

The 2026-2027 Hoffman Challenge has been announced. "Coffee Shoppe" is the theme featuring beautiful browns. Details can be found [here](#).

Orange Grove Quilters Guild is holding their 2026 Quilt Show on Saturday, September 19th from 9:00am – 4:00pm at Christ Lutheran Church, 760 Victoria St., Costa Mesa. Tickets are \$10.00 at the door.



May Birthdays

<i>Paulette (Polly) Biggs</i>	<i>May 5</i>
<i>Agness Hubbard</i>	<i>May 9</i>
<i>Deborah Stewart</i>	<i>May 9</i>
<i>Mary Lopata</i>	<i>May 11</i>