

Quilting is a Work of Heart!

CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD & TEXTILE ARTS

Dear Fellow Quilters,

Welcome to autumn! While the rest of the world treats spring as the season of fresh starts, we quilters know that fall is when our true creative year begins. Many have been working all year towards the Bonanza event on November 7th & 8th. I am so proud to be the President of this Guild and to see how much generosity, compassion and truly giving from the hearts of so many for the others whom they have never met but knowing it will mean so much to a stranger just knowing someone made this just for them.

As the days grow shorter and the crisp evening air sets in, there is a natural invitation to head back into our sewing rooms. Autumn mirrors the very art of quilting itself. It is a season of rich, warm palettes—burnt oranges, deep plums, golden ambers, and rustic browns. Just as nature drops its leaves to prepare for what is ahead, we gather our scraps, select our fat quarters, and begin piecing together comfort for the colder months.

This season brings so many wonderful reasons to create. Many of us are already planning our holiday gifts, cutting into new patterns inspired by summer travels, or looking at our baskets of UnFinished Objects (UFOs) with a renewed determination to turn those loose blocks into completed masterpieces.

Remember that every quilt we make is a story stitched with patience and intent. Whether you are working on a vibrant scrap quilt, a cozy table runner, or a piece meant to bring comfort to someone in need, your hands are crafting warmth and joy.

Let us use these coming months to inspire one another, share our passion for fabric, and celebrate the beautiful community we build together, stitch by stitch. Remember you can find much inspiration and community just coming by the Quilting Studio during their open hours. I know I have found many new friends and a real sense of belonging just becoming a member of this guild 2 years ago.

Happy Stitching!

Your President,

Renee Jeske

Upcoming Meetings, Speakers and Workshops:

October 14th Guild Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

This month our guest speaker is from one of the non-profits that we donate to. Diane Garner from the Pregnancy Resource Center will explain to us their mission and accomplishments.

Another non-profit we support is CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate). David Cavanaugh will be speaking about CASA and the donations we send to them early December each year. This year they'll receive 250 pillowcases. They are all done and ready to go thanks to our guild's volunteers and Linda Dunnigan who organized it all.

Also on the agenda is the election of our Board of Directors. Current nominees are:

President - Renee Jeske
1st VP of Programs and Workshops - Janice Simmons
2nd VP Memberships - Deb Stewart
Secretary - Barbara Davidson
Treasurer - Julie Wyman
Philanthropy - Donna Karbach
We will be voting by a show of hands.

Remember to bring your creations (finished or in process) to share at our Show & Tell especially items made in recent workshops.

ON-GOING AND FUTURE

November 7th and 8th Bonanza Clubhouse 4

This great annual event is almost here! Bonanza is a wonderful opportunity to see the fabulous creations made by Village artists and craftspeople. There will be music and food available to purchase. If you are a seller, the new Sales Ticket will be available at the October meeting or you can download a copy from the website: Sales Ticket Form.

Mary Crompton is leading the effort to create 2 baskets to raffle at Bonanza and is collecting donations for the 2 themed baskets. One is an Italian themed basket and the other is a Baking themed basket. Please contact her if you have something you would like to donate to one of the baskets (i.e. as bottle of wine, pasta, sauce or a baking tool or something along the lines of a baking theme.) Her email is mpcrompton@gmail.com or 949-325-5703.

November 11th Guild Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

Lisa Elston is the speaker at the November general meeting. She is from Saddleback Emeritus program and will be sharing more ideas in the Textile arts program.

December 9th Guild Holiday Party 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

We will be celebrating the holidays with a catered lunch, games and prizes at the general meeting. Please join us and celebrate the season with friends and other quilters, sewist, needlepoint artist, crochet artist and knitters at this special event.

Thanks to wonderful Guild members who continue to share their time and talents, we're able to offer the Free classes listed below.

Mondays 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Patriotic Block Class for Honor Quilts. This class lead by Karen Henriksen is gaining more volunteers but we still could use more. Karen has pre-cut all the fabric and is ready for you to come and sew them into a block. Please stop by the Quilting Studio to help sew a block for a really good cause.

Tuesdays 1:00pm to 4:00pm

3 Yard Quilt Class. Come to learn and have fun with Linda Dunnigan.

Thursdays 1:00pm to 4:00pm

English Paper Piecing Class. In this class you'll learn from Janice Simmons to sew half hexagons and discover how easy and enjoyable EPP can be. Let Janice know if you want to attend so she can have supplies ready for you and let you know what to bring. monitor2maven@comcast.net

Mark your calendar for these terrific fall activities and come join us. Contact Janice Simmons for more information. 559-573-5126 or monitor2maven@comcast.net

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

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 76 members. Dues for 2027 remain at $35.00. You can pay them now through the end of the year. Send check 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. No cash please.

PHILANTHROPY

Philanthropy is a key part of the vision and mission of the Crazy Quilters. Please contact Donna Karbach 650-278-1949 or dkarbach2000@gmail.com with any questions or comments.

Honor Quilts

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

HONOR QUILT



Bill McMaster's Honor Quilt, Designed and pieced by Ruth Naomi Buck.
Proudly displayed in his den, where he spends most of his time, according to his wife Sylvia.

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Have you enjoyed getting a Fat Quarter Birthday Lollipop at one of our meetings? Hope you'll consider taking on this minimal time commitment job. Requirements are: Attendance at monthly general meeting to hand these out and willingness to make the FQ Lollipops from fabrics in the Quilting Studio. You will be taught how to do these if you need help.

If you would like to help out at the Bonanza event, contact Renee. There will be a sign-up sheet at the general meeting on Wednesday.

Do you love a party? The Guild is looking for a couple volunteers to help coordinate our December Holiday Party. Let Renee know if you're interested.

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

Open Studio hours are:

Mondays 9:00am – 4:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays 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. Many thanks to our resident supervisors include Nancy Allen, Mona Bonbright, Ruth Naomi Buck, David Cavanaugh, Linda Dunnigan, Donna Karbach, Betty Khzouz and Gigi Santor.

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

Enjoy Mona's TidBit of the month, *Tips for a Better Quilting Outcome*. Remember there is always lots you can learn in the catalogue of Mona Bonbright's educational TidBits on our website. Mona's TidBits.

OTHER NEWS

Sugar Plum Festivals offer unique shopping adventures. They feature seasonal artisans, timeless antiques, exceptional cottage crafters, chic & unique fashion designers, bakers and candy makers. There are workshops available with fees. Admission is free.

Woodbridge Village Center, 4600 Barranca Parkway Oct. 1-4, Nov. 19-21, Dec. 3-12.

OC Fair & Event Center, Costa Mesa Nov. 6-8 (Parking is $15.00).

Quilt Passion Pop-Ups in Lake Forest

Hosted by Curiosity Quilt Studio at 22672 Lambert Street, Unit 601, Lake Forest.

Saturday, October 17 • 10 am–12 pm
Thursday, October 22 • 10 am–12 pm
Monday, October 26 • 1–3 pm

Stop by to see what's new, bring your latest quilting challenge for a consult, and enjoy a little time talking quilts.

Open Studio at the Sewing Party October 17, 10:30am – 1:00pm.

Sewing Party started as a brick-and-mortar store in Laguna Hills, but is now exclusively online. Irvine address and directions provided upon scheduling appointment.

Click here for more information and to schedule appointment.

Quilt Stories January 13th 1:30pm Clubhouse 7

Do you enjoy birding, embroidery, exploring, nature, photography, quilting, RV-ing or travel? Hosted by our Guild, author Sylvia Ranney Gallagher will be talking about all those things and displaying some of her hand-embroidered, hand pieced, hand quilted 8' x 8' quilts. $5.00 donation. Refreshments. RSVP to Donna Karbach.

Road to California Quilters Conference and Showcase 2027

January 20 – 23. Ontario Convention Center, 2000 E. Convention Center Way, Ontario

Visit their website for details.

A Peace Tapestry is a nationwide community art project that celebrates shared humanity, and the power of many individual voices coming together. You're invited to create a fabric square inspired by the themes of peace, hope, courage and love. Visit their website for more information.



October Birthdays

Babs Schwartz	*10/4*
Lisa Kagan	*10/11*
Linda Robertson	*10/11*
Janice Simmons	*10/23*