Board Meetings:

1st Wednesday of the Month
1:00 pm, Clubhouse 4 (knitting room)

General Meetings:

2nd Wednesday of the Month (Dark in July)
1:00 pm, Clubhouse 7
-- Check-in starts at 12:30 --

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CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD Susan Keller 5542 Avenida Sosiega W, Unit B Laguna Woods, CA 92637

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CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD - February, 2017



FEBRUARY PROGRAM - By Marily Stone-Benjamin - Vice President, Programs

February is the time to honor all the new members who have joined us since last March. Pat Clark (Membership Vice President) will conduct the program because Mom and I will be on a quilting cruise to Hawaii and not be here for the meeting.

This is always a fun meeting and a time to get to know new members and make new friends. I remember last year when I was honored as a new member and felt so important and so welcome.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - By Vanda Bresnan

2017 started off with lots of promise especially with our first speaker, Sandy Corbin, who is a local quilter. As usual, she showed her quilts with interesting techniques and much to the attendees delight will be demonstrating it for us at one of our workshops.

Also, 2017 has given us another wonderful quilt show at Road to California which I believe was attended by at least 75% of our Guild membership. Quilts were unbelievable and inspiring and captured such detail and expression as this cat.



In February we will be welcoming our new members. If you are a 2016 <u>NEW</u> member, please come and introduce yourself. Hopefully all of us "old" members will come and give them a very proper welcome on February 8th. See you then!

MEMBERSHIP - By Pat Clark - Vice President

Total members: 85

New members: Johanna Christensen, 3045 Via Serena S, Unit P, 949-387-9422, B/D 6/5,

jswe1422@aol.com

Candyce (Candy) Cottier, 701 Avenida Sevilla, Unit C, 949-505-3404, B/D 8/11, cottierbraude@gmail.com

Judith Karabeluik, 5370 Punta Alta, Unit 2E, 484-332-6482, B/D 1/29, grammiejudi@aol.com Jean Selner, 2119 Via Puerta, Unit U, 817-781-4950, B/D 7/24, 3655selner@gmail.com

<u>Directory Updates</u>: Jarry Myers (phone no.) 949-981-1245

Pam Williams, 5481 W. Torrance Blvd., Apt. 351, Torrance, CA 90503, 949-472-8379 (home), 310-683-0866 (cell), pmwdbe@outlook.com

Facebook: 196 likes

https://www.facebook.com/pg/CrazyQuiltersLagunaWoods/likes/?ref=page_internal

I posted (in the members projects album) some pictures of items that members made during the holidays. Pictures from our general meetings are on facebook. Here are some pictures from Road2CA--more posted on facebook.







February Birthdays

MCLAUGHLIN, CANDY	2/1
HOUGHTON, FLORENCE	2/2
JALOWIEC, SUE	2/4
CLARK, PATRICIA	2/10
CHARLTON, CAROL	2/11
COUT, ANN	2/11
EVERETT, LOUISE	2/18
MANNING, JUDY	2/20
FLORES, EVELYN	2/21
BURGENER, PAT	2/24
MCCOY, JOANNE	2/25
RITER, SHARI	2/26
CAUDILL, JUDY	2/27



Please be advised that the New Member Recognition Luncheon has been canceled due to lack of interest and funding issues. Any new member (from March 2016 thru January 2017) who attends the February meeting will be recognized. If you are one of the new members

(Ann Ainsworth, Vicki Bennett, Audrey Bowman, Judy Caudill, Johanna Christensen, Candyce (Candy) Cottier, Sue Jalowiec, Dorothy Jeffries, Judith Karabeluik, Judy Manning, Mina McPhee, Sue Prince, Jean Selner, Jane Warthen), and plan on attending in February, please call or text me at 562-430-7115 and come prepared to share an item(s) that you made. This is not limited to QUILTS, just anything that you have done yourself. Also, tell us how you became interested in quilting as well as a little about yourself in general. Thank you new members.

Door Prize winner: Mary Bushnell. Monthly Mini winner: Vicki Nardonne





BLOCK OF THE MONTH - By Nancy Allen

First, I wrote a rather caustic comment about how few make the B.O.M.s each month. Then I rethought it. Either you like to participate or you don't. Simple as that! I am so happy and grateful for those who do. I'm especially thankful for those who show pride in their work with nice straight 1/4" seams with no twists.

Our November block (Squares and more Squares) was quick and easy and although it was holiday time, my sewing machine kept beckoning to me. As the result, with your help also, we have two large quilts. Hopefully, the second one will be finished in time to show at our February general meeting.

Not yet planned the block for February, but with magazine in hand and the closet full of fabric, I'm sure there is a fun quilt there.

BLOCKHEADS - By Nancy Allen

The stray strip of the kit we've been working on has surfaced and is now waiting its space in the placement. This quilt my even win a place as an opportunity quilt, especially if the appliquers have any ideas on the subject.

Deb Stewart's block got a good start--a fun large block we cut apart and rearranges. Few were there to participate in January. I expect more to join in as we settle into the new year.

Come sew with us. The quilt room is open Tuesday evenings 4:00 to 8:00 pm and Thursdays, 1:00 to 8:00 pm. Bring your own project or sew for philanthropy. Your choice. See you in the quilt room.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS - By Susan Keller

The Quilt Therapy friendship group all participated in the creation of the quilt pictured below. Laurie Tate provided the pattern and selected the fabrics (mostly batiks). Thanks to Lynda Guthrie for giving Laurie the backing. Cosmic Quilting is going to quilt it. The quilt will be donated to Firehouse 22.



Please submit inputs for the newsletter to me by the 20th of the month.

MAGAZINES - By Betty Khzouz

Dear members if you have some quilting magazines that are dated after 2010 and are complete, could you please donate them to the club for other members to buy them. This way we will recycle and get inspired.

You could bring them to the next meeting or I will be glad to come and get them. Thank you so much. Call me at 949-461-0620.

SHOW & TELL - By Mary McAdara

In January we had three members and one friendship group who showed off their handiwork.

Our first presenter was Judith Karabeluik who displayed three of her outstanding art quilts. The first quilt was entitled "Means Berks County to Me," and depicted an old stone house dating back to the 1600 or 1700's. Her second quilt, "Let A Smile Be Your Umbrella," illustrated the lyrics to the tune of the same name with figures walking to the theater in the rain in Brooklyn, NY. Her third quilt called "Portrait of two of My Grandchildren," depicted two children on the beach at Dana Point. Judith is a new member of the guild and spends half her year in Pennsylvania. Welcome Judith.

Our second presenter was Pat Burgener who has been a quilter for only one year and a

member of the guild for one year. Pat's "Mystery Quilt" was done as a therapy project. I think we may all be able to relate. I know I certainly can.

Our Third member, Marily Stone-Benjamin, showed off the adorable teddy bear she made out of mohair. She is taking a class on making teddy bears and said that the cost of the mohair is \$300 a yard. It took her 1/4 of a yard to make her bear and she plans to make a bigger one in the future.

Six of the members of Ann's Cut Ups friendship group (Carol Charlton, Betty Khzouz, Helen Bazuin, Linda McNamar, Pat Lange, and me) displayed the many "Reach for Recovery" Tote Bags that they made from a pattern donated to them by one of our past speakers. The bags are to be to donated to women going through chemotherapy for breast cancer in honor of their founder, Ann Saindon, who passed away from that same disease last year.

WORKSHOP - By Jeanne Stone

On February 24, 2017 we have Linda Nelson demonstrating silk ribbon embroidery. This is a beautiful skill to learn and Linda does a beautiful job with it. We will have Club House 2 from 9 am to 3 pm with lunch included.

You do not have to buy the silk ribbon as Linda will supply it to you. There may be one or two things such as a needle that you have to bring and Linda will tell you when you make your reservation. Nice - you don't have to bring sewing machines.

The cost is \$15 in a check payable to Crazy Quilters Guild. Sign up and enjoy learning a new skill and have a nice lunch with friends. For questions, call Jeanne Stone @ 949-837-4595.

Upcoming Events

QUILT EXHIBIT

Linda Easley, Chairperson (559) 593-3850 <u>lequilts67@att.net</u>

Crazy Quilters is going to have a Quilt Exhibit on September 2, 2017 from 11am to 5pm at Clubhouse 2. This is your opportunity to display a quilt, wall hanging, clothing items, purses, dolls, etc, for the entire community to view. You can sell your quilts if you wish.

We are a guild of many different quilting styles and skill levels. EVERYONE who wants to display anything will have at least one item displayed. This is not a juried exhibit and all styles and skill levels are welcome whether it be original designs executed to show quality, pre-printed panels turned into quilts, or quilts made from kits--all are welcome. We will be limited by space so not all entered items will be able to be displayed. When the registration forms are distributed, you'll be able to list the things you want to show in the order of the priority you want them displayed.

We will have lunch, snacks, and dessert available for sale with the help of one of our local youth groups. There will also be a quilt appraiser available for verbal and written appraisals. This service will be open to the entire community, so let your friends (who have new and old quilts) know that this will be available for a very reasonable fee.

Tables will be available for \$25 for any members who wish to sell their own items. The members will be responsible for their own product pricing, setup, display, and sales. They will keep all the proceeds without having to give a percentage to the Guild. A table can be shared with one other member only.

Here is a list of the expected committee needs.

- 1. Setup
- 2. Registration
- 3. White glove (security)
- 4. Lunch
- 5. Admissions
- 6. Raffle baskets Jeanne Stone, Chairperson
- 7. Take down
- 8. Quilt returns
- 9. Quilt display racks Linda Nelson, Chairperson

We'll need everyone's help to make this a success. A detailed description of each committee will be at <u>all</u> of the next general meetings along with sign-up sheets. Pat Clark will be the one to see about signing up. Buddy up with a friend to decide what you would like to do. Two heads are always better than one.

This will be our main fund raiser for this next year. More precise info will be coming in each month's newsletter. LET'S MAKE THIS THE BEST FUND RAISER WE'VE EVER DONE!

CALL FOR ENTRIES from Fayetteville, North Carolina Tarheel Quilters Guild

The Tarheel Quilters Guild will be holding its biennial Quilt Fest and (judged) Quilt Show on April 7 & 8, 2017. Entry fees are \$10 per quilt or you may enter three quilts for \$25. There is no limit on the number of quilts you can enter. The deadline for submissions is February 20th, 2017.

Entry Forms, the Category List and Quilt Show Rules can be found on their website http://www.tarheelquiltersguild.org, choose the "2017 Quilt Show" tab. Questions? Contact them at QuiltFest2017@gmail.com

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