## **Board Meetings:**

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

## General Meetings:

2<sup>nd</sup> 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 NEWSLETTER - October, 2017



## **OCTOBER PROGRAM** - By Marily Stone-Benjamin - Vice President, Programs

At our October meeting, Kaari Meng, designer and owner of French General, will give a lecture and inspirational talk on the French General Lifestyle, including fabric design, inspiration and how she built a business based on her passion of color, antique French textiles and traveling to France.

Kaari has been designing quilting fabric for Moda for the past ten years as well as running a creative workshop in Los Angeles which features her love of textiles. Every summer she takes a group of women to the South of France for a week of creative immersion – they visit the flea markets and farmer's markets, learn to cook with a French chef, drink the local wine and spend their afternoons stitching.

The pop-up shop and quilts will also be available for presentation. The pop-up shop features the yummy French General fabrics.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - By Vanda Bresnan

October begins the last three months of our year. As you may recall, the new Bylaws we passed earlier this year put us on a calendar year for dues and elections. For your dues, I am sure your Membership Vice President will have her request out for your dues SOON! As a reminder, you just received six months free of dues.

For elections, past president Linda McNamar is the chair of the nominating committee. If you are interested in any position please contact Linda at 949-768-5621 or lindamcnama@yahoo.com. Volunteers are ALWAYS appreciated.

What a fabulous Quilt Exhibit planned and executed by Linda Easley and Ann Ainsworth. We basically broke even on money but from what we learned, our next endeavor should be profitable. We received numerous accolades. Our member vendors really gave us an assortment of handmade items to buy. There were approximately 30 members who showed their quilts. Mickie Charleston was the featured quilter who provided numerous quilts from her first to her last. Great presentation!

Guess what? It is Bonanza time again. Nancy Allen and Candy McLaughlin volunteered to chair the event.

Last but not least, Marily Stone-Benjamin volunteered to chair our Holiday luncheon.

For September, our program was to showcase quilts that we made or was an antique. Plus we got to eat the leftover nonperishable food from the Exhibit (chips, soda and cookies).

#### **MEMBERSHIP -** By Pat Clark - Vice President

Current Membership: 92

#### **New Members:**

Jerra Lynne Beckhart, 2369 Via Mariposa E, Unit 1D, B/D 11/13, 949-540-9703, jerralyn1@gmail.com

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#### Renewal:

Judy Moore, 803 Ronda Mendoza, Unit B, B/D 6/23, 949-468-7375, judynelsonmoore@gmail.com

## October Birthdays

Jeanne Jacobson	10/3
Harriet Schmitt	10/5
Josie Johnson	10/19
Mickey Charleston	10/20
Alexandra Martin	10/23
Mary Castillo	10/28
Mary King	10/29



#### **BLOCK OF THE MONTH - By Nancy Allen**

Can't wait to get all those "RUSTY CHUNKS" back and get the sashing on. You'll be surprised at what a pretty quilt they will make. At this writing, getting October block ready. A little more detailed this month, but not difficult.

Watch those 1/4" seams all the way to the end, trim those threads and press.

See you all at the general meeting.

**BONANZA -** By Nancy Allen and Candy McLaughlin

Important DATE!

Bonanza time is upon us November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. A week earlier this year due to Veterans Day

falling on the weekend after, So get those sewing machines "smokin."

Something new this year: We must pay GRF \$10.00 per table, or \$120.00 as we have 12 tables. The cost will be divided among each member selling. The more members putting items in the show, the less it will cost each of us.

Non-residents can deliver their items to my home on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> or Thursday November 2<sup>nd</sup> (before noon). Give me a call at (949) 830-5513 so I can get you cleared at the gate.

Remember: Handmade and nonbreakable only. Knitted, crocheted, cross stitched or sewn, and of course QUILTED! Waiting to see your beautiful wares.

#### **CLUBHOUSE 4 QUILT ROOM - By Nancy Allen**

The "Store" (as it has been known) is being disbanded. Marilee and Lynda spent many days and hours sorting and arranging, pressing and folding. They made sure all pieces are a fat quarter or more in size.

We now offer them to all members at **NO COST**. Use them for your own projects as well as philanthropy or whatever. We will not bring them to you. You must come to the Quilt room to make your selection. The quilt room is open Thursdays from 1:00 pm until 8:00 pm. and Tuesdays from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

#### **EDITOR'S COMMENTS - By Susan Keller**

Please send newsletter inputs to me by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Every effort is made by me to send the newsletter on the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month to ensure that all members receive it at least two weeks before the general meetings.

When the guild has events (parties, quilt shows, workshops, etc.), please contact the person who volunteered to handle the event. Contact information is always included in the details of the event.

The guild provides directories for its members and everyone should have received one. If your contact information has changed, let Pat Clark know.

As of this newsletter, there are nine (9) members who do not have e-mail addresses and must receive a printed copy of the newsletter. There have been several occasions when a change or update needs to be communicated quickly. If you've changed your phone number, please contact Pat so she can update the roster.

## **MISCELLANEOUS - By Mary Lee Turner**

Twenty-one years ago, my husband and I tried this recipe we found on a piece of Christmas fabric. We loved it so much we sought out more of the fabric so we could include the recipe

as a block on each of the Christmas quilts we were making as family gifts.

At the September Guild Meeting I was given a fat quarter of the gingerbread fabric on a cream background. Until then I had only seen it on red or blue. Clearly this was a receipt that wanted to be shared. Fabric can be so inspirational! Enjoy!



#### Grandma's Gingerbread

Cream 1 cup each – soft oleo, brown sugar Add: 1 cup of molasses and 3 eggs Sift together:

- 4 cups flower, 2 teaspoons Soda
- 1 teaspoon ginger, 1 teaspoon salt,
- 1 teaspoon backing powder

Mix dry ingredients with molasses mixture Roll on lightly floured surface and cut with Cookie cutters

Bake on lightly greased cookie sheet at 350

#### PHILANTHROPY, CLUBHOUSE 4 - By Jeanne Stone

Lynda Guthrie has been the lead supervisor of our philanthropy projects at club house 4 for a few years and did an awesome job. Now Lynda is not able to work because of a case of double vision where she must rest. I agreed to fill in for Lynda until she is well or until the end of December – whichever comes first.

I had a meeting at the September 14 session of the philanthropy quilters to discuss what they want to do. The ladies that work there wanted some tools that we don't have, but probably could get. They voiced some concerns that can be taken care of and we will do that. It was a good meeting and everyone said that they would pitch in to help fill the void with Lynda gone.

My job will be to keep track of where the quilts are, send them to long arm quilters and get them delivered to the charitable recipients.

October is usually the time of year that Lynda sends quilts to the Long Beach VA Hospital. I am trying to keep things on schedule, but need help. The ladies in the quilt room at Club House 4 are great at putting the quilts together, but not many are able to drive to Long Beach.

If any of you could make the trip and perhaps take one or two ladies with you for the delivery, it would really be appreciated.

Here is the thing. When I delivered them I had to go into the room to give the quilt to a patient and talk to him/her. So I am asking for a talkative driver. These people love the quilts and keep asking "why are you giving this to me"? What they really like is someone who is sitting down and talking to them. Could you do this? They gave so much, please think about giving a few hours. If you are able to, please call me @ 949-837-4595.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT - By Candy McLaughlin

Door Prize: Carol Charlton. Congratulations!

#### August, 2017 Financial Report

General Checking \$8,311.79 Philanthropy \$1,004.22 Savings Account \$502.00 Petty Cash \$12.75

TOTAL \$9,830.76

# **Upcoming Events**

#### Workshop

Quilting Basics - Mickey Charleston (Instructor)

Two sessions: October 20 (9 am to 12:30 pm) and November 17 (9 am to 12:30 pm)

\$30 for both sessions - Limited to 12 attendees

Clubhouse 2

Contact: Jeanne Stone 949-837-4595

Quilt In A Day
October 24, 2017
Leaving at 7:00 am
\$25.00 (Lunch will be provided)

Contact: Mary Castillo 714-746-9916, amsamc22@gmail.com



#### **FABRIC STASH REDUCTION SALE**

OCTOBER 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 10 am to 3 pm

Judy Dimmick - Laguna Woods Village, Unit 864-C

Top-quality quilting fabrics, precuts, patterns, and quilt books. Miscellaneous tools and notions. Sewing machines too

Bring your own bag(s)

No children please

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