

# *SEW ON AND SEW FORTH CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER*



**PROGRAMS:** Wed, May 8th at 1:00 p.m. in Clubhouse 7 we will have "Sew and Tell". Everyone bring a quilt that tells us something about yourself. Also, **BRING YOUR GENTLY USED PATTERNS FOR A PATTERN EXCHANGE!**

**June:** Anne Sonner will present "Family History Quilts". Anne presents 35 to 40 quilts that tell stories - from memorial quilts in honor of her parents to quilts about newly discovered ancestors who "demanded" to be in a quilt. See these one-of-a-kind quilts and hear their stories. There is a quilt about a teenaged Civil

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War soldier, a great aunt who became a doctor in 1906, a little girl who was run over by a covered wagon on the Oregon Trail (and survived) and many others. She uses traditional patterns and new techniques, including photo transfers, ShrinkyDinks, words and embellishments.

Crazy Quilters Guild continues to be in need of a Program Chair and committee members. If you are interested in helping to bring speakers or specific programs to our guild or just have some extra time on your hands and want to be expand your participation, please let our president David Cavanaugh know at [dacjr30103@aol.com](mailto:dacjr30103@aol.com). Volunteering enhances not only your experience, but also the experience of our entire membership!

And on that note we have some good news! The Board of Directors have scheduled the following presentations for the upcoming year. It has been a difficult start to this year due to losing our Program Chair but here is what you have to look forward to:

June – “Family History Quilts” by Anne Sonner

July – Crazy Quilters is DARK.

August - Guild Birthday Party Luncheon

September – “The Challenge of a Challenge” by Ann Turley

October – “Update your Quilt Toolbox” by Trudy Cleveland

November – “The SMUGGLE Principles” by Karen Brow-Meier.

December – Holiday Luncheon

January 2025 – “Color Confidence” by Kristie Naranjo

February 2025 – “A Quilting Journey” by Shelley Swanland

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**MEMBERSHIP:** The updated Member Handbook and Directory will be sent to the printer next week. Look for your copy at the June meeting.

If you have not yet paid your 2024 membership due, please send a check made out to the Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild for \$35.00 to Mary Crompton, 5349 Algarrobo, Unit 0, Laguna Woods 92637

**PHILANTHROPY:** Philanthropy is a big part of the vision and mission of the Crazy Quilters. Every year we donate quilts to a variety of organizations. Thus far in 2024, our ever-busy crew has quilted 109 Quilts! 84 have been donated, 11 are being saved for Bonanza and the remaining 14 will be donated to one of our other centers such as: Memorial Care Infusion Center for Chemo patients, Orangewood Family Center, Orangewood Foundation, Veterans, OC Rescue Mission, Laguna Woods Fire Station and the Florence Sylvester Senior Center.

#### **SPRING CLEANING?**

Get ready for the May Pattern Exchange! Do you have patterns sitting in the back of your closet or a drawer that you know you are never going to use? You've made them before and know you won't make again? At our May General Meeting, we will have a PATTERN EXCHANGE! Bring one, take one! Or just take one! This is a fun and inexpensive way to find a new pattern for your next project. We look forward to finding a great new pattern!

#### **QUILT ROOM/LONG ARM QUILT:**

Quilt Room Hours are Monday 9-4 and Tuesday/Thursday 1-8. 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, Ruth Naomi Buck, Linda Dunnigan, Gigi Sartor.

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Long-Arm Quilt – **FREE** lessons on how to use the long arm quilt are available with your membership. Call Ruth Naomi Buck at 714 801-4320 if you are interested.

Additionally, free quilting services are available to all members. If you drop off a quilt for this service, please remember to **MAKE YOUR OWN BACK**. It should have 3 inches on all sides. Binding needs to be 2 ½ inches.

**BONANZA:** Vicki Nardone is the new Chair of the **Bonanza** Committee. She will be organizing the show this year. If you are interested in volunteering for this **VERY FUN** event, please call Vicky at 310 963-9248.

**MARCH MEETING:** A heartfelt thanks Vicky Nardone, Nancy Allen and Betty Khzouz for sharing their knowledge and talent with us in the round-table presentations. At the meeting many of you expressed interest in having written instructions for the presentations. Please note that you can stop in the Quilt Room at CH 4 on any Thursday and Betty Khzouz will happily teach you how to do paper piecing. Nancy Allen is also available to teach her method of finishing the binding on a quilt and go over other methods that she taught.

One of the benefits of belonging to Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild is the free training that you can get from our more experienced members. The quilt room is open the following days and hours for you to stop in and ask for guidance or if you want to help with our **Philanthropy Program**. Or if you just want to stop in and visit your friends.

Monday – 9:00-5:00

Tuesday – 1:00-8:30

Thursday – 1-8:30

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Weekends by appointment.

There must always be a supervisor there who can help you.

Below are two videos available on Youtube that reviews what Vicky did.

<https://youtu.be/rY6-WM0ykyU?si=uwBLCnfQH4gOqGo3>



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XfvKE0Y6npk&authuser=1>

The above two videos are from Vicky Nordone's presentation and are available on Youtube.

**AND ELSEWHERE....**

[Los Angeles County Quilters Guild Presents: A Stitch in Time Quilt Show](#)

Friday, May 10 – 9:00am – 5:00 pm and Saturday May 11, 9:00am – 3pm

Held at the Greek Orthodox Church of Long Beach, 5761 E Colorado Street, Long Beach. Featured artist is Lavina Dekker. There will be over 100 quilts on display, a vendor mall, opportunity baskets, silent auction and a quilter's flea market.

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#### Okan Arts Studio Sale

You're invited!

**SAT May 11, 2024**

**10am to 3pm**

FREE and open to all

Okan Arts Studio/Warehouse  
2315 E Seventh Street  
Historic District of Long Beach CA

For this lively event, Okan Arts will be selling Japanese textiles and objects that have never been posted in their online store. **All 20% off!**

Patricia will be exhibiting quilts from her book, East-Meets-West Quilts, including some quilts that did not make it into the final layout.

Victoria will be demonstrating the Sashiko 2 sewing machine that makes a dashed stitch.

Some of the wares included in the sale: luscious Japanese yukata cottons, charming kokeshi dolls, kimono wools, white silk for dyeing, handwoven folk textiles, full bolts of cotton crepe, shibori tablecloths, huge koinobori (fish banners), noren (door curtains), calligraphy brushes, and more.

Door prizes every hour! And chocolate nibbles!

To learn more, visit: <https://okanarts.com/blogs/blog/studio-sale>