

**SEW ON AND SEW FORTH
CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD
JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER**



PROGRAMS:

We have a new Program Manager! Renee Jeske has graciously offered her time, skills and talents to fill the Program Manager position. Renee is a brand new member and we are happy to welcome her to our guild. Here is her biography:

Hello, my name is Renee Jeske. I have been living in the village for just over a year now. I started quilting in 1998. I have been in love with fabric since I was a kid. My Mom taught me how to sew and then in junior high school I started taking sewing in home economics and continued sewing from that point on. So not shocking I fell in love with quilting. After a 10-year break from quilting and moving into the village I knew I wanted to start quilting again. I went to my first Crazy Quilters meeting in May 2024 and I knew I was home. Since everyone has been so welcoming and nice, I decided I wanted to be part of this guild. I am very excited about my new position with the guild, 1st VP (Programs and Workshops).

June Program:

Ann Sonner will present "Family History Quilts". I show 35 to 40 quilts that tell stories – from memorial quilts in honor of my 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 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. I use traditional patterns and new techniques, including photo transfer, ShrinkyDinks, words, and embellishments.

Upcoming programs for 2024 - 2025

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

MEMBERSHIP: The updated Member Handbook and Directory will be available at the June 8 meeting. You can pick one up when you check in.

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

GUILD BIRTHDAY PARTY LUNCHEON: Every year we throw a party to celebrate how wonderful we all are! That’s right! This year on August 14th we celebrate everyone’s birthday. Who doesn’t like a good birthday party right? In order to make it a memorable event we need **volunteers** to help plan and set up for this fun event. Get those hands ready to shoot up when we ask for volunteers at the June meeting!

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 including: 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. We are currently looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to deliver finished quilts and projects to various organizations.

Please contact Ruth Naomi Buck at 714 801-4320 or Christine Cencak at 626 533-0236 if you can help out.

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.

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.