# **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 - April. 2018







### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - By Pat Clark

Welcome to our new members Lois Schoenthal & Jan Gilbert!

Our March general meeting was well attended and I believe we all enjoyed our speaker Nancy Ota. This wasn't the first visit by Nancy to our guild. She did a Tote It! (bag) Workshop with us in 2015. Hopefully for all the newer members, we will again have her for a workshop (Vicki: hint, hint).

Thanks to all for approving and accepting our newly revised By-Laws and Standing Rules. These documents have been refined to the point that in the future the by-laws will not have to be amended which would again require a vote by membership for approval. The standing rules, however, can be amended (as needed) with board approval only.

I don't know if anyone else in the guild went on the San Diego Quilters' Run on March 3, but the RTB's (Road Trip Buddies - Candy McLaughlin, Nancy Allen, & Pat Clark) managed to hit all 10 shops! Almost a 300 mi trip (a little less if you take out the U-Turns<sup>©</sup>). Here we are at Grand Country Quilters in San Marcos.



I was happy to hear the news our Philanthropy Chair, Ann Ainsworth, shared regarding that ALL of our guild members are now welcome to use the CH4 guilting room. So, I'm hoping to see more of you non-residents on Tuesday and Thursdays.

Our Laguna Café fundraiser was well attended by guild members, and their general customers also got to see some of our work as well as have the chance to buy tickets for our 'Opportunity Quilt'. A future repeat of this type of fundraiser might be a good idea.



For any of you that might be interested in taking a quilting cruise, there is a new brochure on the membership sign-in table, and also a BOM kit catalogue for those who enjoy year-long projects.

UPDATE: For those of you that went to Road2CA, you will remember I asked you to sign up for the 'guild challenge.' No, we didn't win but we tried. Maybe next year. The 'bookmark flyer' for the 2019 ROAD2CA is on the membership table in the lobby. Here is the report from ROAD: The guild challenge was very well received. Over 25 guilds registered for the challenge, and over 800 guild members signed in! The winning guild (\$500 Prize!) with the most number of members in attendance is Flying Geese Quilters Guild in Orange County. The second winning guild (\$500 Prize!) with the highest percentage of members in attendance was the High Desert Community Quilters' Inc. We congratulate both of these Southern California guilds! When I registered our guild, I had to submit the number of members, 92. However, that was based on membership as of Dec 31, 2017. In January, we only had 50 some members. Had we been able to use that figure we might have had a chance at the highest percentage prize. We may have a better chance in 2019 as the participating guild must register in October of this year to be eligible for the 2019 prize.

Have a GREAT April (even though it's tax month) and a blessed Easter. Till next month, I leave you with this bit of humor:



Door prize winner: Jean Carr



# **BLOCK OF THE MONTH -** By Ann Ainsworth

- We are currently assembling the January disappearing 9 patch. It is going to be a beautiful light and Springtime quilt.
- The House Blocks that were turned in last Wednesday were spectacular and all so different and fun! It will be a very exciting quilt to assemble.



Laurie Tate with her "wonky House" block

- Thanks to all who took the March Crumb Quilt Block Kit to make a 12-inch square. I hope you have as much fun making the Block as I did. It is very freeing to have no pattern and no straight seems unless, of course, you want to use straight seems.
- Coming in April will be the "Bloom" block. There is no kit. Just make any 12-inch square that means Bloom to you.

Happy creating!

EDITOR'S COMMENTS - By Susan Keller

<u>Remember</u>, inputs for the newsletter are due to me no later than noon on the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

#### FUNDRAISING - By Jeanne Stone

Crazy Quilters' Guild is joining with the Village Recreation Department SUPER SALE:

Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> Club House 5 10 am to 2 pm

For Crazy Quilters, this is a fund raiser and I need every member of the Guild to lend a hand. We need your donation of good clothing, small appliances, china, collectibles. These are the things that sell at this type of sale.

We will collect the items from you on April 6<sup>th</sup> at the Club House 4 parking lot between 2:00 and 4:00 pm. I need five (5) or six (6) cars with empty trunks at CH 4 to collect your items to bring in the morning to CH 5. I also need members to give an hour of their time on April 7<sup>th</sup> to be at the tables collecting money.

Please, this is an easy one for all of us. Just look through your closets and find the things that are in good condition but no longer wanted by you. If we have some nice things to attract people to our tables, we can make some money. Thank you.

#### **MEMBERSHIP** - By Linda Nelson, Vice President

Welcome to these new and very talented members. Thank you again everyone who helped with this terrific luncheon. Last month Kathy Welander's birthday on 3/26 was accidentally missed. Happy Belated Birthday

Our current membership is 68 and this month brings to our guild additional changes.

Welcome back, renewals:

Alex Martin

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Laguna Woods, CA 92637

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#### **Address Change:**

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Many of you are aware of this, however, I feel I need to communicate to the guild with sadness the passing of Lynda Guthrie on Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. She joined the guild in 2008 and leaves behind a daughter Alex Martin (who is a CQ member) and son Victor. Lynda was one of the first quilters I met here in the Village. She also encouraged me to start embellishing panels with sequins. She will be missed.

### **April Birthdays:**

Michiko Amemiya	22
Babe Davies	27
Dorothy Jeffries	17
Angie Kirkpatrick	7
Mary Kirstiansen	21
Paula Minnehan	24
Diane Paar	30



#### **MISCELLANEOUS** - By Ruth Bailey

The Navajo Quilt Project link:

https://www.frenchgeneral.com/products/navajoquiltproject

#### The LED sewing machine lighting link at Amazon.com:

https://smile.amazon.com/Sewing-Machine-LED-Lighting-Kit/dp/B00KGKB02Q/ref=sr\_1\_12?ie=UTF8&qid=1521080431&sr=8-12&keywords=led+sewing+machine+lights

#### **MONTHLY MINI -** By Corrine Cesvet

The winner of the monthly mini was Mona Bonbright.



#### PHILANTHROPY - By Ann Ainsworth

ALL Guild Members, please come to CH 4 Tuesdays from 4-8pm and Thursdays from 1-8pm and choose from all of the beautiful fabrics we've received from several generous donations during the past month. Every member of the Guild is entitled to come to CH 4 and pick from our Quilt room fabrics, use our tools, help us sandwich quilts, sew on binding and labels and socialize at our CH 4 facility. The only exception being that non-residents must bring their own machine if they wish to sew since the Quilt room machines do not belong to our Guild. This is a wonderful change based on a new policy just published by GRF.

Our military quilts were delivered to the Marines at Pendleton and 29 Palms a week ago Monday. We will be taking the many wonderful Orangewood quilts to the Foundation in the next few weeks.

The Ventura Thomas Fire effort is inundated with blocks (we turned in 137 over the past three months). Thank you all for your generous efforts for the victims of the fires and mudslides.

Great job, well done!

#### PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS - By Vicki Nardone

Well, I don't know about the rest of you, but I was absolutely thrilled with Nancy Ota! What a lovely, lovely woman with amazing talent, gorgeous quilts and purses and patterns - oh my! I found her very inspirational; I hope you did as well. I even learned some Japanese, or at least how to pronounce Sashiko!!



I'm excited to remind you that next month we will have a visit from Susan Hellier. Susan comes to us fresh from her Road to California quilt exhibition. Susan has exhibited in a lot of shows and will be sharing with us these beautiful show quilts, some techniques that should make us all better quilters, and how much fun it is to prepare a quilt for a show, or not!

I want also to let everyone know that Betty, Sue and I are preparing another workshop on the Attic Window quilt. We will have a sign up at the next meeting, so bring your calendars and cash to register! We will be announcing the exact April date at the meeting.

Thank you for your support, and if you have program and/or workshop ideas, please let Betty, Sue or me know!

## SHOW AND TELL - By Karen Sweet

At the March meeting, Nancy Allen showed us her beautiful quilt she made using jelly rolls of pinks, browns and creams and titled it "Chocolate and Strawberries." Mary Castillo showed a fabric portrait of her grandson, using a technique she learned in a workshop taught by our own member, Judith Karabelnik. It is quite stunning! Fran Nuelle showed her wall hanging titled "Hello Sunshine" that featured thread painting on the flowers!







For the April meeting, we are planning to show some of our PHILANTHROPY quilts that are ready to be delivered and to recognize the ladies who put so much of their time into making them. I think you will be truly amazed.

# TREASURER'S REPORT - By Candy McLaughlin

Here is the financial statement from February.

Guild Checking Account \$8,086.82
Philanthropy \$2,140.42
TOTAL \$10,227.24

<u>Bonanza correction</u>: I made an error in reporting the split for individuals and the guild. The guild gets 15% and the members make 85%. Sorry for the confusion on my part.

# **Upcoming Events**

Los Angeles County Quilters Guild Quilt Show Quilts: From the Bolt to the Bed Friday, April 27, 2018 and Saturday 28, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Greek Orthodox Church of Long Beach

5761 East Colorado Street, Long Beach, California, 90814

Antelope Valley Quilt Association Quilt Show & Auction: Floral Picnic May19 & 20, 2018
Sat 10-5 - Sun 10-4
Antelope Valley Fairgrounds, Van Dam Pavilion
2551 West Avenue H, Lancaster, California 93536

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