



CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD & TEXTILE ARTS

BONANZA HIGHLIGHTS

First, a big **THANK YOU** to all the volunteers who helped make this year's Bonanza a great success.

The Opportunity Quilt at Bonanza raised \$1,130 which has been donated to the OCFA Fundraiser to support those injured September 19, 2024. Here is their story:

On Thursday, September 19, eight of our OCFA Handcrew members were returning from battling the Airport Fire when they were involved in a rollover crash on a freeway in Irvine. Eight members were injured, six were critically injured and transported to area hospitals.

The Orange County Professional Firefighters Association, Local 3631 together with the Orange County Fire Authority are working to ensure that these members and their families have the support they need in the long road to recovery.



Lucky Winner of the Quilt



Thanks to Donna Karbach for spearheading this effort and for the photos. See more Bonanza pictures at the end of the newsletter.

2025 PROGRAMS and EVENTS

Upcoming Meetings, Speakers and Workshops:

November 12th Guild Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

Kristie Naranjo is our guest speaker. She is an international quilt teacher certified in teaching The Scrappy Applique technique and the Color Confidence curriculum. She has been in love with quilting since the young age of 8 years old. Whether you are frustrated with color choices and rely on precuts, or experts at color but sometimes struggle and don't know why, this program makes color really easy to understand and apply to any project.

We love celebrating our member's creativity. Show off your latest quilts and textile art projects (finished or not) at our Show & Tell.

November 10th Pillowcase Workshop 1:00pm Clubhouse 4

Join us and enjoy the joy of giving and donating. Linda Dunnigan will show you how to make these easy pillowcases. Finished pillowcases will be donated to a charity.

ON-GOING AND FUTURE

Holiday Party December 10th

It's time to start planning the Holiday Party! Who loves the Holidays? I know many of you do and you are the people we want on our Holiday party committee. The current committee members are Renee Jeske, Connie Tupper, Mary Crompton and CJ Kagamaster. Contact Mary Crompton at mpcrompton@gmail.com if you'd like to support their efforts.

January 14th Guild Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

This month our speaker will educate us on the good works of the Pregnancy Resource Center, one of our newer donation recipients.

January Workshop – “The Magic of Fabulous Faces” with Jean Impey
Watch for details.

Friendship Group - Every Thursday 1:00 – 3:30 Quilting Studio

The Thursday Friendship Group continues to meet every week for donation quilts. Such a wonderful opportunity to socialize with other quilters and learn a new technique. And it's all FREE! We've had an applique series, learned Jacobs Ladder, the Disappearing Nine Patch and the Square Scramble Table Runner and coordinating Placemats and self-binding baby blankets.

Maybe you have a special technique. Think about sharing it in a future class. Any type of textile art can work.

Please contact Renee Jeske at rfurkids@yahoo.com with questions or to sign-up.

I'd Rather Be Quilting - Saturdays 9:00 – 4:00 Quilting Studio

We are so fortunate Mona Bonbright has offered to host and supervise guild members on Saturdays for sewing, quilting, chatting, giggling, helping others, learning stuff and exchanging ideas. You can bring whatever project you want or start a new one. Great way to be surrounded by creativity, friends and fun!

2025-2026 Hoffman Challenge – Through January 15, 2026

Hoffman's "[Amethyst](#)" batik collection is the Hoffman Challenge Collection. Don't want to make a quilt? No problem! There are 5 categories you can enter: Quilts, Clothing, Accessories, Youth Category and Best use of Aurifil Thread. Entries must be submitted by January 15. M&L Fabrics carry the fabric. You can find more information on the challenge at the [Hoffman Website](#).

Road to California – January 22, 2026

Anyone feel like going on a road trip with a bunch of friends? It is the Road to California 2026 trip! We would be traveling by bus on Thursday, January 22, 2026. We would need to purchase tickets for our passengers by December 15, 2025. Right now, we are just trying to get an idea of how many of you would be interested in going. The cost will be around \$75.00 per person. Good news, the convention center will be supplying many sitting areas for those that need to rest or just sit and chat. If you are interested, please contact Renee Jeske at rfurkids@yahoo.com. If there is not enough interest to fill the bus, we will not be coordinating the trip this year.

MEMBERSHIP

We currently have 86 active members. If you still need to pay your 2025 dues, please send your check of \$35.00 made out to Crazy Quilters Guild to Deb Stewart, 5344 Bahia Blanca W Unit C, Laguna Woods, CA 92637.

Dues for 2026 will remain at \$35.00. Dues are due in January. Please pay your 2026 dues no later than February 28.

PHILANTHROPY

Another month of wonderful donations (76) to deserving organizations, including 6 to Memorial Care Well Baby, 2 to Memorial Care NICU, 12 to Memorial Care Infusion center, 45 burp cloths and 19 quilts to the Pregnancy Resource Center, 17 to the OC Mission and 20 to Orangewood Children and Family Center.

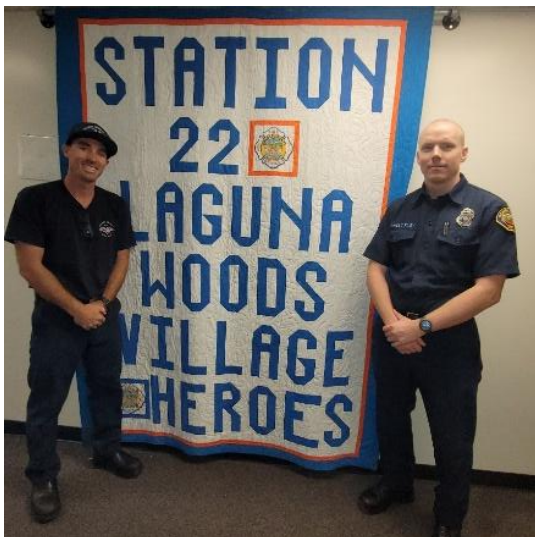
Our YTD donations total **237**! For some time our philanthropy efforts have been organized and managed by Ruth Naomi Buck. We are very grateful for all her hard work. Joy Kerr has been supporting Ruth Naomi's efforts and will now be assuming the leadership role with Ruth Naomi's support. We are so appreciative of them both.

Below are the donation centers that receive our quilts, placemats and placements. You are welcome to choose the organization you'd like your creation to go to. Your time and talents are always appreciated by so many.

Donation Centers Where Crazy Quilters Donate
Contact Joy Kerr for more information.

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| 1. Orangewood Family Center
Babies through age 26
All sizes | 5. Veterans
60 x 90 |
| 2. Orange County Rescue Mission
Families, Singles (on sight)
All sizes | 6. Memorial Care Infusion Center
40 x 60 |
| 3. Pregnancy Rescue Center
Babies – 2 toddler
36 x 36 and larger | 7. Memorial Care NICU & Well Babies
36 x 36 and larger |
| 4. Orange County Firefighters
Station 22
70 x 90 | 8. CASA (Foster Care)
Pillowcases |
| | 9. Senior Center
Placemats |
| | 10. Camp Pendleton Baby Baskets
36 x 36 and larger |

Quilt designed and made by Nancy Allen and presented to Station 22 is proudly displayed in station.



VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Volunteers are needed to deliver finished quilts and projects to various organizations. If you haven't volunteered this year, this is a quick way to do your part in making this guild the best it can be, without making a huge commitment.

Are you a "numbers person" wondering how you can get more involved with the Guild and Guild Board? Our Treasurer, Mary McAdara, will be stepping down at the end of her term (end of 2026). If you are interested or want information on what's involved in being the treasurer, contact Mary McAdara at Treasurer@crazyquiltersguild.org.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS

If you are aware of one of our Guild members who could use a friendly note letting them know we're thinking of them, please let us know.

QUILT ROOM

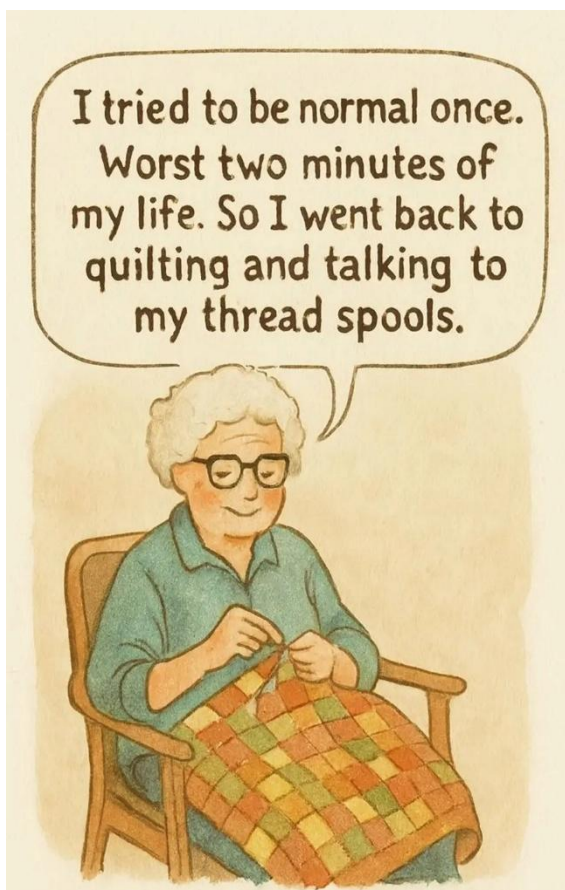
Quilt Room Hours are Monday 9:00am – 4:00pm and Tuesday and Thursday 1:00pm – 8:00pm. During these hours a quilt room Supervisor is available to help you with any questions you may have about sewing or quilting. Our resident supervisors include Nancy Allen, Ruth Naomi Buck, Linda Dunnigan.

LONG-ARM QUILTING

Always wanted to learn how to use a long arm quilting machine? Babs Schwartz is currently training in 2-hour sessions. If you would like to learn, please contact Babs at 310 363-3655 or Petlwing@yahoo.com to schedule or for more information.

EDUCATIONAL TIDBITS

With the help of our amazing webmaster, Ron Nelson, all of Mona Bonbright's Educational Tidbits have been indexed for easy access to a specific topic. It's like having a quilting encyclopedia at your fingertips! Mona's most recent Tidbit is "6 tips to improve Flying Geese units". [Click here to check it out!](#)



Lots of November Birthdays

Happy Birthday to All!

Maggie Alvidera 11/2

David Cavanaugh 11/2

Patricia Holmes 11/2

Carole Adams 11/5

Barbara Kochevar 11/8

Barbara Davidson 11/10

Susan Haushalter 11/16

Rita Kurtz 11/20

Karen Sweet 11/20

Sue Kong 11/23

Nancy Yagan 11/28

