May your bobbin always be full!

CRAZY QUILTERS GUILD & TEXTILE ARTS

August Letter from the President

As August has arrived, we celebrate the warmth of summer and look ahead to our busy fall stitching season. This month is all about finishing those lingering projects and sharing our love of quilting together. We have some new members joining us this month as we all celebrate the Crazy Quilters Guild's 25th Birthday at our general meeting on August 12th. I would like to thank each of the volunteers on the birthday committee for all their time and talents to make this year's event extra special.

August is a wonderful time to gather, share ideas, and welcome new stitchers into our circle. Also getting excited about Bonanza and getting your projects ready for this wonderful event on November 7th and 8th. We are looking for volunteers to join the committee to help so please contact Renee Jeske at rfurkids@yahoo.com if you have any questions.

So get those bobbins as well as yourselves all wound up and get sewing!

Warmly,

Renee Jeske
President, The Crazy Quilters Guild

2026 PROGRAMS and EVENTS

Upcoming Meetings, Speakers and Workshops:

August 12th 1:00pm Crazy Quilters Guild 25th Birthday

Time to commemorate 25 years of Crazy Quilters of Laguna Woods! Hope you will be with us on the 12th to celebrate our 25th Birthday. Enjoy games, prizes, great conversations and a catered lunch by Martinez Catering. For questions or information, email Renee at rfurkids@yahoo.com.

August 16th 10:00am – 4:00pm Bowers Museum Quilt Fair

The Bowers Museum Quilt Fair is a vibrant celebration of textile art that brings together stunning handmade quilts, talented artisans, and a welcoming community of craft enthusiasts. **Be sure to stop by our booth!** Guests can explore a variety of unique vendors offering handmade goods, fabrics, and creative supplies. You can catch a speaker on topics like genealogy, appraisals, and quilt care. Click here for details.

ON-GOING AND FUTURE

September 9th Guild Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 Clubhouse 7

Ann Turley is our featured speaker this month. Ann Turley rediscovered her passion for art in retirement. She now creates fiber art that draws the viewer in to see the details. A touch of whimsy can be seen in many of her pieces.

Thanks to wonderful Guild members who continue to share their time and talents, we're able to offer the Free classes listed below. Note that classes are changing due to the return of Emeritus classes.

Mondays

August 10 – 31 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Jelly Roll class with Linda Dunnigan.

August 17 – 31 9:00am to 12:00pm
Potato Chip Quilt class with Mona Bonbright

September 14 9:00am to 12:00pm
Patriotic Blocks class with Karen Hendricksen

Tuesdays

August 25 1:00pm to 4:00pm
Comfort Quilts with Ruth Naomi

Wednesdays

August 12 9:00am to Noon
Potato Chip Quilt class with Mona Bonbright

Thursdays

August 13 – 27 1:00pm – 4:00pm
Friendship Group – Finish your "Suzy Nash Crazy About Collage" with Deb Stewart

September 3 -10 1:00pm – 4:00pm
English Paper Piecing with Janice Simmons

Mark your calendar for these terrific summer activities and come join us. Contact Renee for more information. 949-328-0071 or rfurkids@yahoo.com

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

MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to all of you who have paid your annual dues. We currently have 71 members. If you haven't yet renewed your membership, please send your check of $40.00 made out to Crazy Quilters Guild to Deb Stewart, 5344 Bahia Blanca W Unit C, Laguna Woods, CA 92637 or bring your check with you to our next meeting.

PHILANTHROPY

Philanthropy continues to be a big part of the vision and mission of the Crazy Quilters. We completed our projects of placemats and pillowcases. Big thanks to all who helped us reach our goal. Please contact Joy Kerr 714-306-0400 or 2020Kjkerr@gmail.com with any questions or comments.

Honor Quilt Nomination Form

The Crazy Quilters of Laguna Woods would like to recognize our Laguna Woods veterans with quilts to honor their service. If you would like to nominate a veteran to receive a patriotic quilt, please complete the attached form and return it to the address given on the bottom of the form. Honor Quilt Form

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VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Do you love a party? The Guild is looking for a couple volunteers to help coordinate our December Holiday Party. Let Renee know if you're interested at rfurkids@yahoo.com.

HOSPITALITY

If you would like to volunteer as an additional helper at the General Meeting, please contact Carol Charlton to volunteer for this fun position. 949-246-1723 or ccc45@comline.com

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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 by contacting Barbara Davidson at 949-239-4657 or Davidsonbarbara983@gmail.com.

QUILT ROOM

Hours of Open Studio are changing due to the return of Emeritus classes. Here is the schedule for August:

Tuesday, August 4 – 11	9:00am – 4:00pm
Tuesday, August 18	1:00pm – 4:00pm
Thursday, August 6 – 13	9:00am – 4:00pm
Thursday, August 20 – 27	1:00pm – 4:00pm

During these hours a quilt room Supervisor is available to help you with any questions you may have about sewing or quilting. Many thanks to our resident supervisors include Nancy Allen, Mona Bonbright, Ruth Naomi Buck, David Cavanaugh, Linda Dunnigan, Donna Karbach, Betty Khzouz, Brenda Rader.

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

Although there is no new Tidbit this month, remember you always have access to the catalogue of Mona Bonbright's educational TidBits on our website. Mona's TidBits.

OTHER NEWS

A Peace Tapestry is a nationwide community art project that celebrates shared humanity, and the power of many individual voices coming together. You're invited to create a fabric square inspired by the themes of peace, hope, courage and love. Visit their website for more information.

Bowers Museum presents The American Quilt: Cloth and Commerce. The exhibit explores how the materials, dyes, and techniques used in quilt making reflect centuries of economic shifts and technological innovation. Quilts will be on display through August 30. Bowers is open Tuesday to Sunday, 10am-4pm. 2002 North Main Street, Santa Ana, 714.567.3600.

Road to California Quilters Conference and Showcase 2027 is not until January, but if you're planning to take any of their classes, registration opens on **August 14**. Details of the conference including class descriptions can be found on their website.

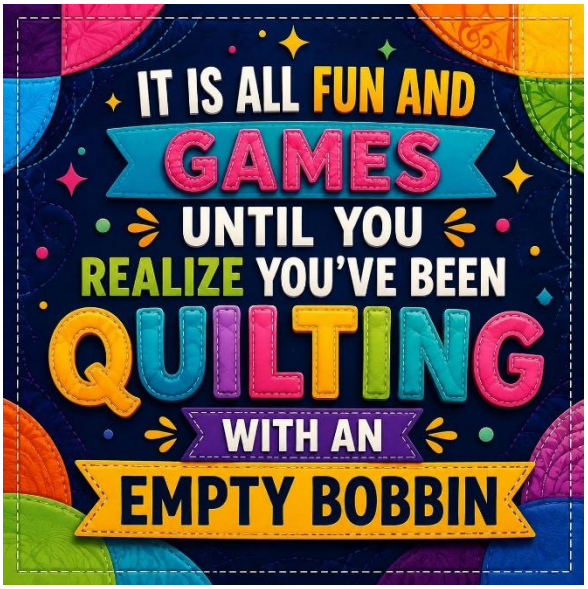
Quilt Passions has 3 "Pop Up" sale days this month hosted at Curiosity Quilt Studio. 22672 Lambert Street, Unit 601 in Lake Forest. Shop the shelves and stock up on lots of gorgeous batiks, kits, wideback fabrics, and more. August 15 from 1pm – 4pm, August 20 from 1pm – 3pm and August 29 from 2pm – 4pm.

Moore's Annual Sewing Tech Party is happening the week of August 23. The party at their Mission Viejo store is on Saturday, 8/29 at 9am and 2pm (two sessions). You may want to arrive 30 minutes early for demonstrations and chances to win prizes. There is also a Virtual Tech Party on 8/23 at 1pm on Facebook or YouTube. Click here for full details.

Orange Grove Quilters Guild is holding their 2026 Quilt Show on Saturday, September 19th from 9:00am – 4:00pm at Christ Lutheran Church, 760 Victoria St., Costa Mesa. Tickets are $10.00 at the door.

Harvest of Colors Quilt Show is presented by the Coastal Quilters Guild of Santa Barbara & Goleta. It will be held on 9/26 from 10am to 5pm and 9/27 from 10am to 4pm at the Earl Warren Showgrounds, Hwy. 101 at Las Positas, Santa Barbara.

Sugar Plum Festivals offer unique shopping adventures. They feature seasonal artisans, timeless antiques, exceptional cottage crafters, chic & unique fashion designers, bakers and candy makers. There are workshops available with fees. Admission is free.
Woodbridge Village Center, 4600 Barranca Pky. Oct. 1-4, Nov. 19-21, Dec. 3-12.
OC Fair & Event Center, Costa Mesa Nov. 6-8 (Parking is $15.00).



August Birthdays

Nancy Allen	*August 12*
Joan Robinson	*August 13*
Deirdre Gordon	*August 15*
CJ Kagamaster	*August 19*
Teresa Walovich	*August 23*