Our speaker this month is our own Nancy Williams. She is a member of our Guild even though she lives in Cincinnati. She will be giving a trunk show called "Childhood Memories," and her workshop is about using pre-printed panels in quilts. She has lots of creative ideas for settings and embellishments to turn panels into very special quilts. So bring your panel(s) and coordinating fabric and join her.

Thayone Jones
Coming in February, Tina Lockwood will be speaking about Guide Dogs. They can use monetary donations and also toys for the babies in the nursery. They love plush toys, squeaky toys, or fetch toys. They are used for the babies in the nursery, the dogs that are in for training in the kennel and they also use them in for Silent Auction baskets for their yearly Open House.

Upcoming Board Nominees 2015-2016

President
Betsy Weisman
1st Vice President Programs
Thayone Jones
2nd Vice President Workshops
Treasurer
Secretary
Opportunity Baskets

For the last meeting of 2014 . . . we had nine opportunity “baskets” & nine lucky winners! We also had four winners of a special drawing. The way this special drawing works . . . all the tickets left over from each of the basket drawings are put in one big bag . . . so everyone who bought a ticket, but didn’t win a basket, gets an extra chance to win a special prize :) The winner are:

- Snowman Wool Kit & Flannel Christmas Panel w/coordinating flannel – Linda DeCoux
- Sandy Gervais Christmas panel w/coordinating fabric – Loretta Davis
- Nancy Halverson Christmas panel w/coordinating fabrics – Lisa Kelly
- Blue Fairy Frost Snowmen fabric, book, 2 patterns, lotion & notebook – Carol Munn
- Elegant Christmas fabric, novel, pieced blocks, lotion & ornament – Pam Schoenbachler
- Floral Christmas fabric, Christmas cookbook & ornaments – Carol Rodzback
- Traditional quilt fabric, quilt book, cookbook, 2 patterns, buttons & tape measure – Gail Graham
- Huge basket Christmas fabric, novel, quilt book, 3 patterns, Quilters Ruler Handle, lotion, Best Press & ornaments – Bonnie Klopf
- Christmas Angel Outdoor Garden Flag – Lisa Kelly
- Christmas Candles Outdoor Garden Flag – Gloria Harris
- Quilting Christmas card w/pattern & batik fabric – Nancy Schager
- Quilting Christmas card w/pattern & batik fabric – Kathy Christiansen

Here is a list of fabric colors & themes fabrics we especially need to make up baskets in the upcoming months. Of course, any fabric donation is welcomed. Some of the specific fabrics we are looking for are listed below:

Bring in January or earlier for February 2015 drawing – Red & white fabric; pinks, yellow, teal, purple/lavender fabric; valentines themes fabric; black & white fabric

Bring in February or earlier for March 2015 drawing – Green, gold, black; Neutrals – cream, mocha, tans, whites, taupe, gray, light yellows; 1930 reproduction fabric

Bring in March or earlier for April 2015 drawing – Floral, Easter-theme, yellow, pink, green & blue

Bring in April or earlier for May drawing – Patriotic fabric; red & white fabric

Thank you in advance for your donations. You can bring the fabric to the guild meeting, or if you need to drop off fabric after the meeting date, just give me a call at 714-623-0495 so I can give you directions to my home. Stop by the Opportunity Basket table, say “hi”, and buy some tickets! Three (3) tickets for $1, or bonus . . . Eighteen (18) tickets for $5 . . . best deal in town!

Looking forward to a wonderful New Year with all of our talented quilters!

Laura Lynch, Debbie Charles, Jean Ebert & Nancy Grant . . . your Opportunity Basket Gals
Don’t forget to reserve your spot for the quilt retreat in July. There are a limit amount of spaces. You don’t want to miss out on all the fun.

A big thank you to all shops and persons who provide our door prizes. They are truly appreciated.

Our Mission Statement

Orange County Quilters Guild is one of Southern California’s oldest quilt guilds. The Guild is a non-profit organization formed to promote cooperation and the exchange of ideas among those interested in or engaged in quilting; to encourage and maintain high standards of design and technique in quilting; to instruct members in methods and techniques of creative quilting; and to inspire personal achievement.

Quilts for Kids

You gals ROCK!!!! The holiday spirit was truly alive when you brought back 35 finished quilts for kids. My delivery cart was overflowing!!! 85, yes 85 (remember…the goal was 50) kids of various ages got a quilt of their own to snuggle with at the pajama party. I felt really, really proud!!!

And now that it’s already January 2015 (yikes), it’s time to start all over again. Look for kits for tops, hand binding, and kits to be quilted. If you’re not on it already, get on the Philanthropy Train. It’s a great feeling to give of your talents.

To those of you who contributed in 2014, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Your gift is a true treasure.

Pam Gayle
Philanthropy/Quilts for Kids
MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Check the website (www.orangecountyquiltersguild.com) for the latest information on upcoming Programs & Workshops. The sign-up form for Workshops is available on the website or guild meetings. Come join us for some fun! **Workshop prices are $35 for members/$50 for non-members.** Here are the upcoming scheduled workshops. All workshops are at the Orange Quilt Bee located at 628 E Katella Ave in Orange, phone 714-639-3245. Supply lists are posted on our website as they become available.

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Carolyn's Corner

I can't believe it is nearing the end of my term as PRESIDENT. There was a steep learning curve the first couple of months but after that the time commitment and responsibilities have been fun. Lisa Kelly is now working with her committee on nominations for most of the board positions. The President, First Vice President of Programs, Second Vice President of Workshops, Treasurer and Secretary are the positions which need to be voted on by the members at large. These positions have a 2 year term limit and you must have been a member of the OCQG for two years to run for office. I will remain on the board as the Past President.

Look around the room at the next meeting and see all of the people who volunteer to make our guild a fun place to be and say THANK YOU!

CHALLENGES!!!! Everyone who participated in the President’s Challenge received their last block and finishing instructions in December. I am looking forward to seeing 33 unique projects at the quilt show! I have had fun selecting 3-4 different blocks and individual challenges each month. It has been time consuming but very fun!

Have you signed up for the Crayon Challenge with Kat and Cindy? When I opened my envelopes and saw my 2 crayons I groaned but now I need to narrow down my ideas and start sketching! This will be a fun section of the quilt show

RETREAT.....Tina Lockwood is taking reservation deposits for the summer of 2015 retreat and we are in the planning stages of a larger quilting retreat for the summer of 2016. We would love to add you to the planning committee.

Upcoming Guild Events-Our next Board Meeting is January 6th at 7:00 at the Church. Board meetings are open to all members please feel free to join us. The guild meeting will be on January 13th. I am so excited to hear our speaker Nancy Williams! Nancy lives in Ohio but is a member of our guild and I got to know her at Camp Watch-a-Patcher 2013. She was part of the group in my dorm. She is delightfully funny and creative. The guild meeting starts at 7 but remember that we start setting up everything at 6pm. Come early and socialize with friends while you sign up for workshops, check-in your UFOs, buy chances for the Opportunity Baskets, participate in block of the month and pick up quilts to work on for Philanthropy. You are also welcome to join the speaker and several members at Mimi’s Cafe 1400 S Harbor Blvd Anaheim, CA around 4:30. This is a great chance to get to know others and the speaker! We reserve space for 10-12 people so just let Barbara Purks know to expect you.

FACEBOOK.....Did you know we have a FACEBOOK page. Our Sew and Tell quilts are posted on the page usually before I get home from the meeting some of the quilts are posted. Pictures from the workshops and BREAKING NEWS can be found on our page. It is a public page so even if you don’t have a FACEBOOK account yourself you can view. However because it is public we don’t post personal information on it. If you want to contact one of the people who have administrator rights to the page you can message us through the page. The administrators of the page (that means we post as OCQG) are Board Members.
YEARBOOK......We are beginning to look into having a password protected section on our website next year for the yearbook in addition to the hard copy. More and more of our members are Internet Savvy and this would allow us to get the yearbook accessible earlier and keep it updated as new members join throughout the year. Sandy Milo is in charge of this project (and many more) please give her input if you belong to other organizations that use a secure site.

Carolyn Erratt

"Quilt": A cover or garment made by putting wool, cotton or other substance between two cloths and sewing them together. An American Dictionary of the English Language, by Noah Webster, LL.D., New York 1828.

Gallavantin’ 2015

American Quilts in the Modern Age, 1870-1940 at the Muzeo.
The Muzeo is located at 241 S. Anaheim Blvd. Anaheim, CA 92805
Phone: 714-95.MUZEO (714-956-8936)

For more quilt show info go to SCCQG
http://www.sccqg.org/
December Attendance
Members 79
Guests 5

HOSPITALITY FOR January
Thanks to all who participate each month by bringing goodies for all to share. Those with last names beginning with U-V-W-X-Y-Z are asked to bring something to share for our meeting this month. Bring a goodie and receive a ticket for the great door prizes awarded at the end of each meeting.

I’ll be collecting Pink Yoplait lids for the next few months. The campaign this year is called Friends in the Fight. If you eat Yoplait, please bring those pink lids in to me. This way I can register them and OC Komen will get the benefit of the funds generated.

Always appreciate the support from OCQG.

Barbara Purks

January Birthdays

Kathryn Andrea
Cynthia Beaver
Jill Ellert
Susan Fisher
Cheri Hansen
Donna Hovartos
Irene Nichelson
Bonnie Pollack

Barbara Purks
Kaye Rheingans
Suzette Rooker
Jeanne Sandow
Novella Vandal
Shirley Walker
Linda Yokoyama
Block of the Month for JANUARY 2015

This month we will be making a simple block out of BRIGHT colors. You may bring in up to 5 blocks.

For each 8-1/2" unfinished block you will need:

- Two 4 ½” squares of a solid or “reads solid” fabric in a bright color. These are your Fabric A squares.
- ONE 2 ½” x 10” strip EACH of 2 other bright fabrics that coordinate with the first fabric. These are Fabrics B and C

To assemble (using scant ¼” seams throughout):

1. Take your B and C fabric strips and sew lengthwise, right sides together. Press the seam allowance toward the darker fabric.

2. Cut your B-C fabric strip into 4 smaller units measuring 2 ½” x 4 ½” each.

3. Join 2 of the units along one long side, matching the center seams so that when you open out the units, they form a four-patch, checkerboard fashion. Repeat with the other 2 units so that you have 2 four-patch units.

4. Join one of the little four-patch units to one side of a Fabric A square. Press the seam allowance toward the large square. Open out the unit and place it on a flat surface.

5. Position the remaining 4 ½” square and the remaining four-patch unit next to your sewn unit for comparison, so that when sewn together, the C fabric squares will form a diagonal as shown in the illustration below. Sew the A square to the four-patch, right sides together, and press the seam allowance toward the A square. At this point, you will have 2 units, each with a large square and a four-patch sewn together.

6. Place the two units, right sides together, so that the A squares are opposite each other. Stitch the final seam. Press the seam allowance open, or as you prefer. Your block should be arranged like this:
President's "Thank You" Quilt

Thank you to those of you who created blocks for the President’s Quilt! Thank you to those who came on Sunday, December 14th, to put the blocks together! I could not have done it without all of you! I would post some pictures but that would spoil the surprise in February. As soon as I do a little more finishing on the borders, it will be off to the quilter.

Thank you to Calico House for letting us use their classroom to assemble the quilt! It was sew helpful to use their two large design walls and all of those nice, large tables!

Happy Holidays!
Sandy Milo, Past President

The Calico House Quilt Shop
1243 East Imperial Highway
Placentia, CA 92870

Opportunity Quilt Volunteers

Our Guild has a beautiful Opportunity Quilt with many tickets to sell. This is a major fund raiser which produces the needed funds for our speakers, activities and philanthropy.

This year I am the "quilt chaperone". I will contact the many guilds in southern California and schedule "dates" for our quilt to visit and sell tickets for the chance to win. I will keep a master calendar and hope our lovely quilt gets lots of love and attention. To really make money, and it will, our quilt needs to get out and be seen. Besides your friendship group, anywhere people congregate...malls, grocery stores, churches, libraries, doctor offices, car dealerships and service departments...are all possibilities! Is your son-in-law a dentist? Do you work in an office with lots of people coming and going? Try to set a date with our quilt.

I will not be able to sit and sell tickets at all these venues, so I'm asking for volunteer quilt ticket salespersons. I will put you on a master list and send out requests for ticket sellers as the need arises. No one can do them all so I am recruiting a "team". Please contact me, Becky Sproal, risquilter@hotmail.com to be part of the team.
Quilt Show 2015

The “Echoes of the Past” Quilt Show is well under way! It is such a blessing to have such great people again on our committee. We are still in need of some valuable members. We are looking for people to take on the following jobs:

- **Set up and take down** – This is a short term job and would require you to coordinate a crew of people (whom the Volunteer Coordinator will help recruit) to put the quilts up on the hanging rods and also lead and organize a group to take them down.

- **Quilt Show Volunteers** for White Glove, Set Up & Take Down, Garage Sale, Opportunity Basket ticket sales, Admissions, etc. Please say "Yes" when our Volunteer Coordinator, Peggy Calvert, asks for Volunteers to help at the Quilt Show. Volunteers serving at least 3 hours will get free admission to the Show for both Friday and Saturday! It takes a Guild to have a successful show!

Let’s review:

- The Show will be April 9-11 with a Thursday night wine and cheese preview at Zion Lutheran on Lincoln and South.
- Finish a quilt or two (or more) to put in the show. Forms will be available online by January. We want all levels of quilters from our guild represented!
- Tell all of your friends about the show and help them to buy opportunity tickets.
- Make new friends and tell them about the show and then help them to buy opportunity tickets.
- Complete the challenge quilts (President’s and Crayon).
- Give donations for the Opportunity Baskets to Susi McLane (either drop them off at our General Meetings or make arrangements with Susi to get them to her). We can use baskets and fabrics and ????
- Give donations for the Quilters’ Garage Sale to Lorraine Barksdale (either drop them off at our General Meetings or make arrangements with Lorraine to get them to her).

Come to the show and bring all of your friends.

Please let us know if you can help with any of the above desperately needed jobs at ckgthree@yahoo.com. Join us at the next quilt show meeting on Tuesday, January 20th at 7 pm at Zion Lutheran School.

Cindy Davis and Kat Benne
Join in on 3 fun-filled nights and 4 days, at the Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center, in Temecula, California, July 6th-9th, 2015.

The price is $350, double occupancy, or $450, single occupancy, which includes 9 meals, snacks and beverages, and our sewing room.

We are filling up fast, so get your reservation in today, by calling or texting to Tina Lockwood, at 714-812-6985, or emailing to blpinc@me.com. Only a $50 deposit is required to hold your spot.

This is a great opportunity to just sew in a nice relaxing atmosphere without any schedules. What a great way to meet your fellow guild members, and perhaps learn a new technique from them! Sew all day, all night, or not. Take a scenic drive through the countryside vineyards, or tour quaint downtown Temecula.

Reserve your spot today, limited availability.

Tina Lockwood
Quilt Retreat 2015 Chair
714-812-6985
blpinc@me.com
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REMEMBER TO BRING TO GUILD:

✓ A Friend
✓ Name Tag
✓ Show & Tell
✓ Challenge Block
✓ Completed UFO
✓ Block of the Month
✓ Goodies to Share
✓ Enthusiasm for the meeting!
✓ Quilts for Kids/Quilts for Vets quilts
✓ $$ for Opportunity Quilt Ticket Sales

Dates to Remember

**January 06** - Board Meeting 7 p.m. at Anaheim First Christian Church

**January 13** - General Meeting at Anaheim First Christian Church, 520 W. South Street, Anaheim, CA (corner of Harbor & South St.) at the following times:

  6:00 pm – Pre-Meeting Activities
  7:00 pm – General Meeting starts.

**January 14** – Workshop

**January 20** – Quilt Show Meeting

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