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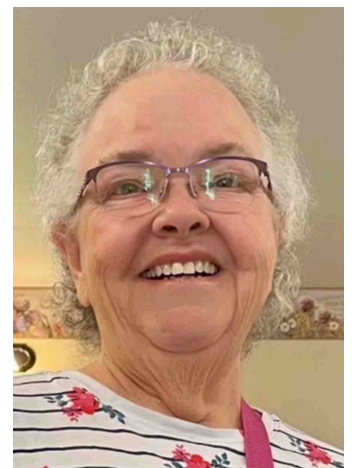
A Word From Our President!

When you read this, August will be a fond memory and September will be just starting. Hopefully, we will be seeing some cooler days soon! When I was young I so looked forward to summer! My Mom was a true "beach rat," we spent most summer days down by the Newport Pier swimming. Nowadays I'd rather stay inside and quilt. It seems I haven't had a lot of that going on lately as I am working on cleaning (out) my sewing/quilting fabric and supplies. It really accumulates. I don't know about you, but I have not been buying any fabric, I try to shop in my stash! So far, so good, sort of.

September is the anniversary of the formation of our quilt guild. Elsewhere in the newsletter Marie Blash, one of the original members, has written about our "birthday," be sure to read it.

We are continuing with selling fabric at our meetings. There is so much interest in it. Justine will be happy to have it out of her house! Thanks so much for those that have donated, and those that buy it. There is always something that might catch your eye, so be sure to check out what she has at each meeting!

I have been so enjoying our speakers this year! Marilyn Pond, our



second vice president, in charge of finding these spectacular speakers, has been working hard to fill next year and some of 2024, as well. I know you all will like them as well!

Some of you may know that I have had some medical problems this year, and with that said, I will not be continuing as president in 2023. I want to focus on my health. Please consider running for an office. It is definitely a rewarding endeavor. I, as well as any other past presidents, are always available to help any new officers coming in.

I'm looking forward to the rest of the year, seeing everyone's smiling faces, all the beautiful quilts that we are sharing, and workshops! Our workshops are a bargain, and so much fun!

See you at the September meeting!

Bonnie Lippincott
OGQG 2022 President



Madeline Sherman belongs to the Telas group. They have been selected to participate in an exhibit in Paris next month. There will be 24 quilts exhibited by this group and Madeline, along with a number of the ladies in her group, are traveling to Paris for the exhibition. They are the only group from the USA selected. Quite an honor!!

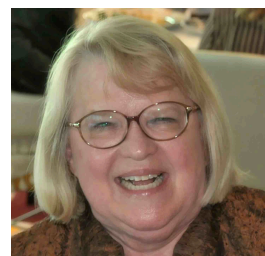


Sadly we have heard Ruth Kaae passed away recently.

Mary O'Driscoll is experiencing memory loss although her physical health is good. She is at home being cared for by her family and caregivers. If you would like to send her a card, her address is in the directory.

Parliamentarian Report by Sandy Bloore

It's that time of year again. One of my primary duties as guild parliamentarian is to convene a Nominating Committee responsible for establishing the slate of individuals who will serve as Board Officers next year. This five-person committee must include three general OGQG members. No prior experience is necessary and the time commitment will be minimal. If you are willing to participate in this vital activity please be prepared to volunteer during our September meeting and to remain for a short time after we adjourn.



**HELP WANTED:
LUNCHEON AND HOME TOUR CO-CHAIR
WHEN: IMMEDIATELY**



JOB DESCRIPTION: This is the perfect volunteer position if you want to get involved, meet new people, love to plan parties, and generally have fun.

We are looking for someone to work with Marie Blash on the next big fundraiser for our guild. Marie will handle the luncheon part, but she would like to have someone to work with her doing the tour portion of the day. Planning needs to start now to have the event next fall, preferably September. Two ladies have already offered to open their homes for the tour which means we need two to three more.

This has been a very successful event for us in the past and it's time for us to get back in the swing of things.

Please contact Bonnie Lippincott or Marie Blash if you would like to be a part of this fun

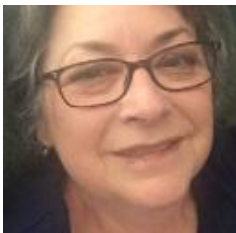


OGQG Facebook Page Reminder!

For those of you that are on the Orange Grove Quilters Guild Facebook Page, I want to remind you that you must be a member to join, and also to continue to follow the page.



Wow! OGQG Members we are heading into 2022 and all getting out and about. Don't forget to share your progress, completions and inspirations on Instagram (IG). Our Instagram account is https://www.instagram.com/orange_grove_quilters_guild/ to see what other members are designing, working on and completing. Additionally use a hashtag (#OGQGShare) to create great visibility for the guild, and help you reach other members or potential future members with your wonderful quilt creations. Using the hashtag enables us to connect with other members and other members can connect with each other.



Robin Gallagher Social Media Chair

COMING ATTRACTIONS TO OUR GUILD!!

Please join us in September as Dora Cary joins us for a trunk show on Wednesday and a workshop on Thursday titled Beads on a String, which still has a few openings. Dora is originally from Romania and owns a quilt shop, Orange Dot Quilts in Paso Robles. She will be bringing patterns, kits and notions for sale so make sure to come and see what you can add to your stash.

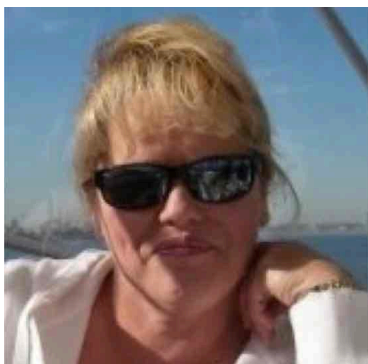
You can find her on Instagram @orangedotquilts or online at Orange Dot quilts and get inspired by her designs.

Don't miss the meeting!

Britta Laski, 1st Vice President



Thank you everyone for your generosity in donating both school supplies and gift cards for the Marines and their children at Camp Pendleton! My new contact was overwhelmed when she saw how much was donated. While she is a civilian employed on base, her husband is currently deployed in Saudi Arabia and was more than a little emotional when relaying how much this helps the families. So again, please accept my heartfelt thank you on their behalf for your continued support!



Britta Laski First Vice President

WORKSHOPS



September brings us Dora Cary teaching Beads on a String. It's a fun quilt and easy to do. Dora is a wonderful teacher who lies in Paso Robles but originally comes from Romania.



October will bring us Shelly Swanland teaching her cathedral Window Sampler. Shelly is well known for her Cathedral Window quilts and has a number of varieties to show. She will also have kits for anyone who would like to purchase one.



November brings us Jeff Warner teaching his Bargello Snowflake. His class is so popular that we have added a second class on Tuesday, November 8 and there are still some spots left for the taking.

Please call or email me if you are interested in any of our classes. Remember we do take cash, check or credit card for payment. Classes are \$40 which is a real bargain. We have teachers with us who routinely teach at IQF and Road to CA and we all know how expensive those classes are at those venues.

Also, did you know we are now offering our classiest non-members a month prior to the class at the same fee members pay. So, let your friends who belong to other guilds know that we would love to have them join us for a class or two.

Questions??? Contact Marie Blash—marieblash@att.net or 714-814-3765



Marie Blash, Workshop Chairperson

OGQG Workshops

Member Workshop Sign-Up Sheet for 2022		
Member Name & Phone # _____		
	Member e-mail Address _____	
	You are only enrolled in the workshop once you have paid. Workshop Fees will not be refunded!	
February 10	No Workshop	
March 10	Karen Brow-Meier	\$40.00
	Turtle Shell Shelter or Zippit Ribbit Frog Case	
	javahousequilts.com	
April 14	Linda Sullivan	\$40.00
	Colourbugs	
	colourwerx.com	
May 12	Marilyn Pond	\$40.00
	A Special Purse	
June 9	Sheila Collins	\$40.00
	"Oh So Merry!"	
	SheilaCollins.us	
August 11	Ann Turley	\$40.00
	Improv for the Masses (Start with your UFO)	
	annturley.info	
September 15	Dora Cary	\$40.00
	Beads On A String	
	orangedotquilts.com	
October 13	Shelly Swanland	\$40.00
	Cathedral Windows Sampler	
	shelleysstudio.com	
November 10	Jeff Warner	\$40.00
	Bargello Snowflake	
	jeffwarnerquilter on Instagram	
TOTAL \$		
	If your chosen workshop is full you may be put on a waiting list. If you are on the waiting list, you will be notified if a space becomes available to you. You will then refund the person whose space you are filling	

PHILANTHROPY



The anticipated Marine Gator Bash turned into a great experience as usual. We were able to give 140 children and patriotic quilts to the Marines and family. It is such a pleasure to see these young men and women that are serving our country. Thanks to everyone for making this such a success. I personally want to thank Judith Stampler, Carol Macey, Kathleen Jones, Phyllis Barge, Janine D'Anna and Dolores Gilbert for taking the time to go to this event and help distribute the quilts. Without help from volunteers these events would not be possible. I posted a couple of pictures on Facebook, check it out.

If anyone is interested in volunteering to help out with Philanthropy at the General Meeting please let me know. It would involve helping bring in the quilts and kits from the car and set up for distribution and pack up items that have been donated. Not a difficult thing, just help keep things a bit organized as we accept and distribute items to members.

Next Philanthropy Day on September 7, HAS BEEN CANCELLED. Although the heat spell will be a bit better, the center does not have AC.

At the General Meeting on September, 14 there will be pillowcase kits, quilt kits, quilts that need binding and quilts ready for quilting. THANKS EVERYONE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.



Sherry Lincoln Philanthropy Chairperson

WAYS AND MEANS



CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

**MAKE SURE YOU ATTEND THE SEPTEMBER
MEETING!!!!!!**

You won't want to miss our **CHRISTMAS
EXTRAVAGANZA!!**

Fabric!! Patterns!! Kits!! And anything else I can find with a
Christmas theme in my garage!

If you have Christmas quilting supplies that you wish to
donate, please bring them to the September meeting.
Please take the time to measure and mark fabric so we can
include them in the sale!

Again a BIG THANK YOU! To Guild members for the
success of our sales! Your support is greatly appreciated!!

Note: I am really trying hard not to use too
many exclamation points! (evidently not too
successful this month!)

Looking forward to seeing you at the Guild!

Carol Logue and Justine Gentile





To ALL our members with a birthday in September A
very HAPPY BIRTHDAY to you!

Phyllis Derigo	9/1
Julie Carman	9/4
Louise Hunter	9/4
Phyllis Barge	9/5
MaryAnne Sletto	9/5
Susan Michlin	9/9
Phyllis Lehman	9/13
Felipa Perez	9/20
Jan Wyrick	9/21
Ardis Busy	9/22
Carolyn Vieley	9/22
Shannon James	9/22
Gloria Dobbert	9/26
Wendy Brez Dahl	9/27
Mary Burger	9/28
Sylvia Costello	9/28
Margot Taub	9/29
Lupe Weibelt	9/30

Pam Osorio, Membership Chair



The **ORANGE GROVE QUILTERS GUILD** is a tax exempt group whose purpose is to educate, encourage and maintain high standards of design, technique, quilting and fiber arts and to inspire achievements in areas of creativity, quilting and fiber arts.

MEMBERSHIP is currently open. Annual Dues are \$25.00 per year beginning in January and ending in December. Guest donation is \$5.00 per meeting.

MEETINGS: The regular meeting is at 9:30am on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. (Doors open at 8:30a.m.) December's meeting is on the 1st Wednesday. No meeting is held in July. Meetings are held at Garden Grove Elks Lodge located at 11551 Trask Avenue, Garden Grove, California.



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WE'RE TURNING THE BIG 40

Can you believe Orange Grove Quilters Guild is 40 years old?

It was way back in August of 1982 that a flyer was set out in various fabric shops, classes, and other locations about an inaugural meeting of a new quilt guild. The only other guild in the area was Orange County, which was an evening guild and there had been requests for a daytime guild. The meeting was at the Huntington Beach Central Library. I went even though I had never taken a quilting class. It was something I had always wanted to do and being new to California I thought it would be a good way to meet some nice ladies. The first 100 people to join were given "Charter Member" status. (My number is 40) Blanche Young was the founder and some of the ladies who were in her classes volunteered for board positions. We did have monthly speakers and workshops. The workshops were held at Trinette Shelton's home as she had a wonderful loft we could use. When Trinette's home wasn't available, we went to Eleanor Haywood's garage.



We held the next several meetings at the library but quickly outgrew the facility and moved to the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garden Grove. After a few months, we had grown so big that we needed to grow again, and we moved to the First Baptist Church of Garden Grove. By that time, we were flush enough to have money to pay for a workshop facility, so we started having both our meetings and the workshops at the church. Many of our members were also members of the church. We were lucky enough to stay at this location for many years.

During this time, we had our first quilt show "Quilts Alive in '85" held at St. Barbara's Church in Santa Ana. I think we had close to 50 different vendors and lots of wonderful quilts. We didn't have another quilt show for five years – can you guess the name – "Another One in '91"! After the success of these two shows, we began having them every other year with another event in the off year. We did Tea and Auctions as well as our famous (or infamous) "Hog Holler" events. Then we decided to have our Sewing Room Tour and Luncheon events.

We made another move in the late 1990s to the United Methodist Church on Main Street in Garden Grove. Parking was wonderful and we had no steps or ramps to navigate. We were moving up in the world. Workshops moved to the mobile home park where Carol Logue lived. We stayed there until the church was doing construction on their property. We relocated our workshops to Westminster Village Club House, our current facility.

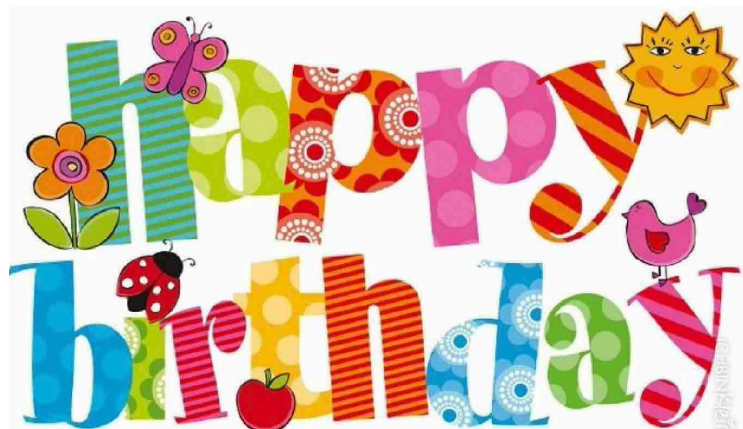
Another move, this time to the Garden Grove Elks Lodge, our current home. We've been here for quite a while, and it suits our needs perfectly. We even had two quilt shows here. A real bonus is the on-site restaurant! We really fill the space after our meetings. Over the past 40 years, we have had 32 presidents, 7 of whom served two years and one served three years. We still have 5 charter members out of the original 100. Our numbers have grown, and we are still welcoming new members.

We have had extraordinary speakers/teachers since the beginning. Workshops are still very popular. As a guild we have done numerous bus trips to Road to California, The Reagan Presidential Library and even the Ellen DeGeneres show! We bussed to Quilt in a Day, Rosie's Calico Cupboard and many more places. We even did a trip to Paducah for the big show there. Who knows, maybe one to Houston will be in our future or some other wonderful place! Heck, we even survived Covid moving our meetings and workshops to ZOOM! Board meetings were also done via ZOOM.

How did all of this come about and keep going??? From Blanche Young organizing a group of her students from Lila Bridgers, our first president to Jean Johnson, Monette Utz, Trinette Shelton, Jeanne Young to our current president, Bonnie Lippincott and her fabulous board, that's how! And all the wonderful members who have volunteered their time and efforts through the years. I personally have been lucky enough to have been there from the beginning. I have watched us bloom and grow and we're not done yet. We keep getting better and better. Of course, we have lots some friends through the years, but we have also gained more new lasting friendships.

This is a bit longer than I planned but we (the board) felt it was fitting on our 40th birthday to give the members a bit of the history of how we came about and have grown to what we are today. I was lucky enough to have been a part of this since day 1 and look forward to many more years as a member of Orange Grove Quilters Guild. By Marie Blash

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