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MARCH: Our own Cathy Van Bruggen Takes the Stage

Our very own Cathy Van Bruggen joins us this month with her talent and love for appliqué. When she retired in 1995, Cathy began quilting as a hobby. By using timesaving techniques in quilt making, she developed and wrote *Appliqué the Easy Way™*.

She enjoys creating botanically correct appliqué featuring flowers, birds, and woodland creatures. Cathy's workshops feature her original designs and published patterns.

We look forward to seeing you all there when she gives us her tips and hints for "No Time to Sew™".



Workshops Past and Upcoming

A small but eager group met with Nancy Brenan Daniel at our new workshop facility to "slice 'em and dice 'em" to their heart's content. Did they ever! Nancy is truly a nine patch queen! She showed how to use nine patches in so many ways, including a bonus lesson in making a shadow box block. Did you know that using her method, you can make a scrappy lap/crib quilt using twelve nine patch blocks and a border? What a treat! Hope to see some of the finished products at Show and Tell, soon.

This month, Cathy Van Bruggen will be teaching her "Hummingbird Delight". Her "appliqué the easy way" techniques are wonderful for all levels of appliquers. Using her kit or fabrics from your own stash will result in an appliqué piece that is truly to be treasured.

Ann Turley will teach "Mexican Star" in April. Did you see the sample at Guild? It is a wonderful piece that is appropriate for all levels of experience. Each participant, using their unique fabrics, will create their personal masterpiece.

Our new meeting facility was great with lots of light and room. There is a refrigerator to store your lunch and a microwave to use. There are places near by to purchase lunch if you so choose. Please provide your own snacks, water and tea/coffee. Bring all necessary supplies including an iron and extension cord. The workshop starts promptly at 9 AM, so please be on time.

Check the workshop table at Guild for up coming projects and answers to your questions. Don't hesitate to put yourself on a wait list as there is always a possibility that a spot will open. Our phone numbers and e-mail are: Marie Blash: 714-775-8004; marieblash@att.net Justine Gentile: 714-962-8447; Ibic@aol.com.

NEXT MEETING

March 10

A-G

**BRING
TREATS!**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



We had an amazing turn out for February's guild meeting. The festive mood was evident throughout the morning as our membership mingled, checked out Workshops, reviewed books and magazines with Friends of the Library, sought out good buys at Fabric & Trims, Gifts & Pins; and, purchased chance tickets at Komen for the Cure as well as tickets from Ways and Means. There were several groups enjoying a moments respite around the lovely spread that Hospitality laid out.

Birthday fabrics were calling out to go home with all those whose birthdays were in February. The arrival of our new yearbooks created a buzz as they were distributed. And all of the 2011 Woodland Creatures Opportunity Quilt blocks found their way into the hands of our talented appliqué members. The UFO Challenge enlisted thirty-five of our members, while the Guild Challenge revealed a humorous and completed early-bird challenge quilt. The

Membership table was bustling as was Philanthropy with their abundant supply of kitted quilts.

I would like to thank all of our volunteer committee members for being on task and rising to the occasion to make this past guild day one of the finest. As the behind-the-scenes preparations set the tone for the day, our membership responded in kind and a fruitful outcome was enjoyed by everyone.

Adding to the day's excitement was our guest lecturer Nancy Brenan Daniel. She braved the snow storm in New York to make it home to Tempe, Arizona and then just in time to arrive here in California. Her lecture was instrumental in laying out the foundation for creating successful scrap quilts that harmonize, utilizing the big three: Pattern, Contrast and Color. Nancy's Slice 'Em and Dice 'Em workshop put in to practice these same principles. Initially I thought that a pot holder would be the outcome of

my project, not so anymore. Her intuition, talent and eagle eye had everyone engaged and creating beautiful scrap blocks in no time and all with the use of fabrics from our stash.

I hope that you had a pleasant Valentine's Day. As St. Patrick's Day is soon upon us, I am reminded of Spring and with it the opportunity to "spring clean" my sewing room and fabric closets. They have been in disarray due to the holidays and now it's time to consider putting it all back in order so that I can make room, not only for my recent finds at Road to California, but for those items I may find at the upcoming International Quilt Festival in July. And mostly, just because it feels good to be able to see and touch all that fabric again; it's like meeting an old friend after a long absence.



May your needles always be threaded, your fabric in abundance, a song in your heart and your loved ones nearby..

Ellen





A PATCHWORK OF QUILTS

Our November Quilt Show is Off and Running!



Membership Chair Penny Soldin has put out a call for HELP at the membership desk during the meetings. Sometimes people pile up and it gets a whole lot easier to keep things straight with another set of eyes and hands. If you are willing to come a bit early to the meetings (Some early bird members get there before 8:30!) and lend a hand, Penny would be very appreciative. Call or email-
Penny Soldin
 714.504.3531 OR
PSoldin@aol.com

We are off to a great start for our Quilt Show, which is scheduled for November 5 and 6, 2010. It will be here before we know it!!! Thank you ladies, who have offered your help either as a chairman or worker for the show. However, we are still in search of a few more chairmen. It takes the cooperation of all to make this a success. We are treading on new ground, as we have never had a Quilt Show in Acker Hall at the Church. This is an exciting adventure that we want to be successful.

Our Vendor Chair, **Nancy Mastroianni**, has sent out letters to perspective vendors. She has received confirmation from several. Thank you **Nancy** for a



“job well done.”

We will continue to keep the membership informed of what is taking place with this fun journey. Questions, suggestions, comments, be sure to contact **Linda Gray** or **Joyce Oberle**.



If I stitch fast enough, does it count as aerobic exercise?

Looking for Some Irish Luck in March?

Our theme for March includes St. Patrick's Day with Luck-o-the-Irish. Leprecons and shamrocks dictate the colors of green and gold for the baskets this month. Thank you to all who generously donated during the month of February, we where able to fill THREE lovely baskets.

February's baskets earned \$279.00 WOW. Our happy winners were #1 **Katheen Scharnhorst**, #2 **Sherry Lincoln** #3 **Dorothy Anderson**. Lucky Gals!

May your family and friends be your pot-o-gold! *Anna Carlson and Kim Green*



UFO Challenge Has Begun!

At OGQG's February meeting, quilters turned in challenge forms and pinned orange ribbons on their nametags. Challengers should be working on project no. 3 on their personal lists. The finished quilt is due at the April meeting, when those quilters who completed their quilts will receive a marker to pin on their orange ribbons. Remember, **finished means quilted, bound, and labeled.** In case you finish early, you may turn in your finished no. 3 in March. For early finishers, another project number will be drawn at our March meeting. That second project will be due in June.

*Sewing fills
my days,
not to
mention
the living
room, bed-
room, and
closets. ...*

Komen Auction for Featherweight Slated for March 10 Meeting

The Featherweight Reproduction Sewing machine w/case did very well— raising \$104— making it \$209 so far. Awesome!! The winner of my "incentive" prize of a quilt pattern was Helen Harbour. Thank you all for your wonderful response.

At our March 10th meeting, the winning ticket will be drawn for this machine. The winner need not be present.

I will be continuing to sell raffle tickets for "The Tree" quilt through our September meeting.

Again, thanks for your ongoing support for Komen.

Barbara Purks



This could be yours!! Buy a ticket from Barbara Purks!

Challenge - What Mama said

Now you've seen what can be made with a little bit of fabric and the things your mom used to say, or that you remember saying -- so now is your chance. Let's get those sewing machines humming so we can show these quilts off at the quilt show in November.



prizes for the rest of you...but you need to finish those quilts. I also have material from the challenge available if anyone wants some.

Thanks to Thayone Jones for being our one and only entrant and our grand prize winner. I still have

Sally Lansing
sallylansing@hotmail.com



Fun with Nancy Daniels



My granddaughter came to spend a few weeks with me, and I decided to teach her to sew. After I had gone through a lengthy explanation of how to thread the machine, she stepped back, put her hands on her hips, and said in disbelief, "You mean you can do all that, but you can't play my Game Boy?"

February speaker **Nancy Brenan Daniels** (above as "Fancy Nancy") was a popular workshop leader and the group agreed that the new location was terrific!

TWO DESERVING LADIES

Unsung Heroes –Catching Up to the Oberle Calendar



Thanks to the generosity of our members, the library has many more books than we can fit on our shelves. Starting in April, we will have books for sale at least every other month!!



Carol Munn, left, Carol Howerton, right

I ran out of months before I ran out of honorees! Thank you **Ellen** for allowing me to honor two very special Guild members as Unsung Heroes. Our Philanthropy ladies, **Carol Howerton** and **Carol Munn** have done a spectacular job this past year. They have worked tirelessly day in and day out. **Carol and Carol** get together each Monday to sort, cut, and organize, getting projects ready for the many inspired Guild members who have participated. They have scoured the area to find new and deserving people/organizations for which to help. Thank you ladies for a masterful job; you are a splendid team!!!! Congratulations to both of you!!!! Continue on with another successful year.

Past President Joyce Oberle



Sherry Lincoln (left) and Margot Taub are ramping up for your book bargains in special sales throughout the year. Take a look!

Hello Wonderful Guild Members!!!!

We have new items at Gift & Pins. Please stop by and check it out and say hi to Taffy. And, if you have any ribbon or raffia you don't need, Gift & Pins need it to keep the charm packs tidy.



Taffy Harper

Happy Quilting

Mar 3	Patricia Ingersoll
Mar 3	Aggie Venaas
Mar 4	Kathleen Schamhorst
Mar 6	Karen Hyepock
Mar 9	Peggy Schneider
Mar 11	Mickey Mellevoid
Mar 12	Cathy Van Bruggen
Mar 14	Angie Jared
Mar 16	Pat Cook
Mar 16	Pat Magill
Mar 24	Marjorie Densmore
Mar 28	Mary Stockard
Mar 30	Betty Jean Wenner



*You know
you've had too
much
coffee when
you can thread
the sewing
machine while
it's running!*



**Opportunity
Quilt**

**“Hearts Delight”
Will Delight the
Winner!**



Sherrill Gerard

We are guessing that the tickets for OGQG’s Opportunity Quilt will sell themselves if people see this work of art! See **Sherrill** to help out. It’s a big job!

Quilt Show Opportunity Baskets

Please start thinking about donations for our Quilt Show Opportunity Baskets. We will have different themes which will be announced in the next newsletter. Donations can be brought to Guild for pickup.

Fran Bodle

DOOR PRIZES & SPONSORS!

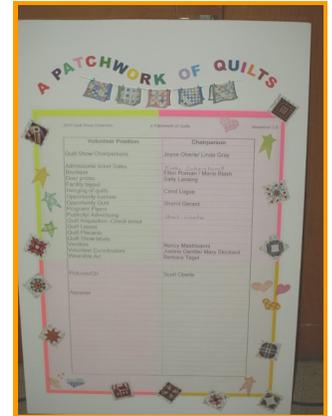
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Winners

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Cozy Cottage	Ginger Titterington
Jennys	Kathleen Greer
Time to Sew	Shirley Ellsworth
Q Long Arm	Phyllis Derigo
Mels	Anna Carlson
Quilt Cupboard	Roseanne Woelm, Marsha Hendler
Sacred Moondance	Alice David, Judy Gibson
Timeless Quilts	Sharon Womer, Barbara Purks
Sewing Party	Pat Rooke, Mary Gibbons



Dull women have
immaculate
sewing rooms.



Don't forget to sign up for a spot on the Quilt Show team. The above poster will direct you to unfilled positions, or to committee chairs when you can lend a hand.

In Memory

The Guild is saddened to hear of the passing of Billie Jean Thompson. She had not attended meetings recently and was living in a retirement home in Westminster. She was a retired US Marine, and the Guild sent a donation in her memory to the American Quilt Museum.





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Membership Report

We had 168 members at our February meeting, along with 6 guests and 3 new members. We had 18 renewals. Welcome to our newcomers!

Helen Harbour/Rich

Seal Beach CA 90740 b/d: 09/16

Isabella Rodella

Garden Grove CA 92845 b/d: 08/20

Rozanne Woelm/Bob

Los Alamitos CA 90720 b/d: 04/05

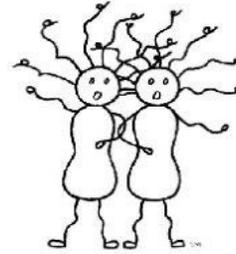
PLEASE note change of email for Marie Blash
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From Food Bank Volunteers....

OGQG had 69 pounds of food donated for the month of January and 97 pounds of food for the month of February..Thanks Members!

Stephanie



Two Wacky Women Retreat

May 21 - 23, 2010

Bring those UFO's, WIP's or work on a new project of your choice.

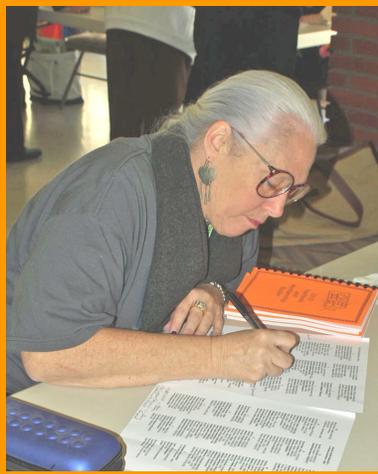
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For addition information visit

www.twowackywomen.com

or call Marilyn at 562-972-2720

or call Robin at 562-500-3050



Yearbooks are Ready!

Dianne Hoffman keeps a tally on who has picked up their yearbooks. If you missed the February meeting, get yours in March!



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We saw lovely quilts during Show N Tell.

On the stage to showcase their talents were:

Nancy Post
Janice Self
Barbara Purks
Denise Nelms
Pat Adair

Barbara Zaft
Corni Quinlivan
Nancy Ross

Tamara's First Quilt
Wedding Dress Quilt
California Trail Blanket from '97
Glory Bound
Friends
Camp Watch-a-Patcher Garden
Two small Amish quilts
Baby Quilt - Dots and Stripes
Spinning Stars, Rainbow Stars



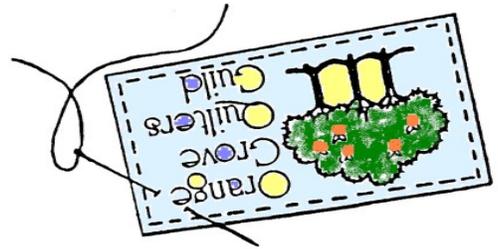
Thanks so much to **Mary Stockard** for taking all the photos last year for these pages, and welcome new photo staff for this year, **Karen Powel!** It's a time consuming and appreciated "extra." **GW**



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March
2010



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The Orange Grove Quilters Guild is a tax exempt group organized to promote cooperation and exchange of ideas, among those interested or engaged in quilting and fiber arts; to encourage and maintain high standards of design and techniques of creative quilting and fiber arts; to inspire personal achievements.

Membership is currently open.

Annual Dues are \$25.00 per year beginning in February and ending in December. Guest donation is \$3.00 per meeting.

Meetings. Doors open at 9:00a.m. The regular meeting is 9:30a.m. the 2nd Wednesday of the month(There is no meeting in July). December's meeting is the 1st Wednesday. The meetings are at Garden Grove United Methodist Church in Acker Hall, located at 12741 Main Street, Garden Grove, Ca.