# Dispatcher

Volume 38 #9

#### **Next Meeting:**

September 2020

Lecture - Zoom Webinar September 9, 10-11:30am

Workshop-Zoom September 9, 1-4pm pm



Since we can't meet right now, be sure to watch your email! We have some fun and exciting news that will be in our email. Although we cannot meet right now, we can stay connected, busy and still keep our distance.

Another way to stay connected is on our Facebook Page.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ogqgmembers/

As our guild weathers this storm, let's remember the ties that bind us.

## A word from Our President

Hello

I am in an incredibly happy mood today. I just spent 5 days babysitting my granddaughter who is 4 months old. It was so much fun to see that teenie tiny human and all the energy she uses just laying there. She kicks and wiggles and arms fly. I know many of you have been through this, I am just so happy it is my turn. And honestly, I came home exhausted. No wonder why we can only have children while we are young (er).



We are having a good month with the guild. The webinars are being well received, the workshops are proving to be more productive than in person, our Mystery #2 is still a big "Mystery", Facebook is VERY active, our website has some good small changes, and our quilts and pillowcases are finding good homes. I hope you are finding it easier and easier to navigate your way to all that we have to offer.

We will be having a FREE Workshop online next month for all members. Yes, I said FREE. This is so you can test it out and see how it exactly works for you and your equipment. It will be a simple project, or you can sew on your own. Watch for details next month.

Please remember to reach out to each other, this is an incredibly supportive group. I know my conversations with several of you have been delightful and add to my day.

I hope you are all staying safe and being creative in getting through these unusual times.

Christi Kolisnyk



#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunshine's

I am so happy to share that Sandi Polizzis son is coming home from the hospitol in 3 weeks. He will be in a wheelchair; this has been a long-time healing.

#### **Shadows**

Ursula Hartunian has been diagnosed with cancer. She had been in remission, so this is new. She is a trouper as she did make it to our last workshop. A sewers gotta sew!

Bea Viera had a Fistula done this week. She is all bruised up, and yet, that Bea has a big smile on her face!

Ginger Fajack fell last week and broke her wrist in several places. She needed to have surgery and is on the mend. This is her dominant (right) hand, so it is difficult.

Judy Taylor had a hysterectomy and is healing.

Please continue to reach out to fellow members with the phone tree or by mail. I have asked that each of us reach out to the member in the roster right after you. Just to say hello and see how they are doing in this time of isolation. There are many of our members that are alone and do not have family members nearby.

If you know of any guild member with a Sunshine or Shadow, please let Christi Kolisnyk or Bea Viera know.

#### WEBINARS & WORKSHOPS

## <u>September 9 – Beth Helfter</u>



Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Designs will be our featured artist for September. Beth is a scrappy quilter with an entirely new take on Half Square Triangles. She calls them Accordion Sewn HSTs. Here's what she says:

What happens when you have a designer who not only wants to be as scrappy as possible but also hates wasting fabric? I figured out a way to create HSTs that don't have a twin and waste no fabric, by sewing HSTs into accordions. Sew the blocks for an entire quilt in individual accordions and they come together like magic. You'll want to pick up your accordion and join the oompah sensation!

Beth has one rule about quilting - it's supposed to be fun. Please join us for this wonderful opportunity. Beth will share both her trunk show and her technique workshop with us on Wednesday, September 9.

The day will start at 10 am, with Beth's Webinar, "Trunk Show – Oompah! Accordion Sewn HSTs". Like our other Webinars, it will last about an hour and will be totally free to our members. There will be an email with the Webinar link on Monday, Sept 7.

Beth's workshop, "Intro To Accordion Sewn HSTs" is where we get the chance to try out Beth's technique. She'll be joining us for another Zoom workshop at 1pm. We'll learn how to put accordions together for quilts and borders. The workshop will last three hours and the fee has been reduced to \$20.

It's yet another great opportunity. Please join us for a great day of watching, listening, sewing and fun.

This workshop will be limited to the first 25 members who email and send me their payment. In the event we fill up, there will be a waiting list.

#### **WORKSHOPS**

#### Intro to Accordion Sewn HSTs<sup>TM</sup>

Beth Helfter, EvaPaige Quilt Designs

Learn a new piecing skill from the comfort of your home during this time of oddness!

Class Description: In this three hour workshop, you will learn the basics of Accordion Sewn HSTs<sup>TM</sup>, the innovative and incredibly fun method of making HSTs invented by Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Quilt Designs. We will practice with fabric scraps, then create a mini or quilt block.

#### **SUPPLY LIST**

**Practice squares**  $-8\ 2\frac{1}{2}$  squares of any fabrics. These are for practice only and can be hideous. It really doesn't matter. This is about practice, not beauty.

#### Supplies for actual project

Fat quarter of background fabric

Eight scraps, all different (You might want these to be more attractive than your practice squares)

#### **CUTTING HOMEWORK!**

From background:

Cut 4 3 ½" squares

Cut 4 3" squares

Cut 4 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangles

Cut 4 2 1/2" squares

From EACH scrap:

Cut 3 3 1/2" squares

#### Other items to have ready:

Piecing thread

Full bobbins

If you own the Clearly Perfect Slotted Trimmers they are perfect for this project. If not, a small square ruler for trimming.

Cutting mat

Rotary cutter

Basic sewing supplies (snips, scissors, pins, extra machine needles,.... you know the drill) • Sewing machine with

instruction book

#### WEBINARS & WORKSHOPS

### October 14, 15 & 21 - Tina Curran - Whimsical Garden





October you ask? How is this year passing so quickly? It will be here before we expect it and we are prepared!

Tina Curran will be with us in October. Tina is an art quilter and teacher, showing and selling her quilts worldwide. She has won numerous awards for her wonderful work. You may want to check out the galleries on her website, tinacurran.com.

Here's what Tina says:

My interest in making art quilts was jump-started by seeing my dear friend Sara take a variety of patterned fabrics, cut them into pieces and combine them in such an artistic way. One of the great thrills with this art form is that my options are as infinite as those of a painter working on canvas - landscapes, portraits, geometric patterns, abstract impressions, etc.

Tina will be joining us via Webinar on October 14 at 10 am. She'll be sharing "My Excellent Adventure as a Quilter Trunk Show". She'll share dozens of quilts with the goal of encouraging us all as we see how her skills evolved and realize she, too, was once a beginner.

Like our other Webinars, it will last about an hour and will be totally free to our members. An email with the Webinar link will be sent to our members Monday, October 12.

Tina's adorable "Whimsical Garden" will be our workshop project. We'll be learning techniques for creating the background and using fusible applique to create our gardens. Our finished wall hanging will measure 24"x24".

Thursday, October 15, Tina will bring us the first half of the virtual workshop via Zoom. We'll learn techniques for piecing our backgrounds before adding our flowers. Tina will be teaching us from 9 am-12 pm. Attendees will receive an email with a link to the workshop.

Thursday, October 21, one week later, we'll meet again to work on the flowers for our gardens. Again, we'll Zoom from 9 am-12 pm. Again, a link will be provided.

I'll email a supply list to all attendees.

The fee for this workshop is \$30, which includes both days. It will be limited to the first 30 members who email and send me their payment. In the event we fill up, there will be a waiting list.

Please join us for a great time of watching, listening, sewing and fun.

To enroll, you should <u>first</u> email me, <u>pat.barton@verizon.net</u>, then send me your check, made out to OGQG, for \$30. For your convenience, you may pay by credit card. You would need to call me with your credit card info to be instantly enrolled in the class. Note that there will be a \$2 convenience charge on each transaction.

#### WEBINARS & WORKSHOPS

## November 11 & 12 Cathy Van Bruggen Baltimore Spring - Needleturn Applique





### Learn How to Needle-Turn Applique

Our own Cathy Van Bruggen will be our guest in November. Cathy is a wonderful applique designer and teacher. She'll walk us through the needle-turn process teaching us all the skills we need for her "brand-new-for-us" Baltimore Spring design.

Wed, Nov 11, at 10am, Cathy will be teaching us, "All About Applique". Guild members will receive a link to the event on Monday, Nov 9.

At our workshop Thurs, Nov 12, Cathy will teach us all we need to know for the lovely Baltimore Spring block. I haven't done much hand applique myself and I'm really looking forward to learning all the different skills in this class. Here's what Cathy says:

"In this class we will learn the basics of needle-turn applique and so much more! The Baltimore Spring class project will offer unusual **embellishment techniques** such as ruched flowers, yo-yo flowers, 3 dimensional highlights, and how to create little creatures. **This class is for all skill levels.** There will be a class kit that includes the pattern, fabric and embellishments.

Join us for a day of fun and inspiration"

The workshop will be from 9 am-3 pm with a lunch break about noon. All the supplies we need to complete the block will be included in a required kit. The workshop is still at our reduced price of \$30 and the required kit is \$20.

To enroll, you should <u>first</u> email me, <u>pat.barton@verizon.net</u> then send me your check, made out to OGQG, for \$50. For your convenience, you may pay by credit card. You just need to call me with your credit card info to be instantly enrolled in the class. Note that there will be a \$2 convenience charge on each transaction.

#### PHILANTHROPY REPORT







On Friday, August 21, four of us journeyed down to Camp Pendleton for their annual Beach Bash. Dolores Gilbert, Pat Summers, Ginger Titterington, and Jane Oglesby took 139 quilts to the Marine families. The event was a little different this year. We were in a parking lot rather than on the beach, and everyone was wearing a mask. But the Marines, their wives and their children were as wonderful as always. Being able to let a child pick out a quilt is a special joy. The patriotic quilts were a huge hit and were among the first to be chosen. We were apprehensive about the weather, but the ocean breeze kept us comfortable. Can't wait for next year.





In other Philanthropy news, we gave 24 pillowcases to Kathy Harvey for the Foster Children's Auxiliary. If you have any finished pillowcases, please contact either Sherry Lincoln or Jane Oglesby. We will arrange to get them from you. The Auxiliary did not have their picnic this year, but they are still giving pillowcases and other gifts to the children.

Jane Oglesby and Sherry Lincoln

Please save your soda can pull tabs! The Elks ladies, The Emblem Club, collect



these tabs to benefit our local Ronald McDonald House. Please save your tabs and bring them to our next meeting. There will be a basket on the stage for this purpose. The collection will be donated to the Emblem club and will be taken to the Children's Hospital. This is an effortless way to support a local charity!

## Free Workshop—September 24, 9am-3pm

Project for all members via ZOOM. Please join us and learn to use ZOOM and stay connected.

Carol Logue has an exiting project for us to work on—or you can work on anything else. We just want to be together while we stitch. It's a great way to learn to use the Zoom platform.



What you will need if you are going to work on the project with us:

Sewing machine with 1/4" foot, basic rulers, cutting mat, rotary cutter, pins, 4 or more fat quarters of different values.



Please check out the Orange Grove Quilters Guild Facebook Page and help us all connect with each other. Also visit us on our website to see newsletter and other important information http://orangegroveguiltersquild.com/

### Quilters' UFO Challenge 2020

We are getting to the end of our UFO Challenge. Your last quilt (#4) is due in October. Another reminder that if you complete all 5 projects on your list, you are eligible for the grand prize of \$150.00 gift certificate! Even if you don't finish all 5, you can win a gift certificate for the ones you do finish. Please keep me informed as you finish your UFOs so I can credit you. You can post photos of your completed UFO on Face-



book or you can email or text me a photo. I am in the directory. Winners will be posted in the November newsletter and your gift certificate mailed to you.

For the Facebook UFO Challenge, I am continuing to track how many UFOs are no longer UFOs. Twenty quilters have finished 92 quilted projects!! Congratulations!

Janet Haynes



## SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR OUR GUILD MEMBERS

#### IT'S A MYSTERY!!!

Patters are available on our Facebook page—on the Files page if you want to get a late start. One week left—Last clue goes out September 4.

Will there be a new mystery quilt? Why yes, there will.

When will it start? Friday, July 17.

How can I participate? Each week, for 8 weeks, a new clue will be posted on our guild Facebook page, Orange Grove Quilters Guild. So, if you are not on Facebook now, please consider joining. Right now, Facebook is the best way to see what is happening in our guild. If this is an issue for you and you plan on doing the next mystery quilt, please contact me and we will work something out.

What about email using Constant Contact? We have found that some members are opting out of receiving emails from Constant Contact. Many other businesses and groups use Constant Contact to send their newsletters, etc. and people are not wanting so many emails. The newsletter will continue to be sent out using this method and it will be posted online. But, since the mystery quilt is strictly for our guild members, the decision was made to only post it on our Facebook page and not have it out for the general public.

If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch with me.

Marie Blash

My contact information is in our yearbook

## **Sharing Our Quilts**

#### SCCQG 2021 Road to California Special Exhibit

The time is NOW to enter a quilt into this exhibit.

The deadline to receive your entry is now October 1, 2020.

During this stay-at -home time are you busy quilting? Are you working on a quilt that has been begging to be completed? Have you finished a quilt for an now postponed future guild quilt show? Or a new fresh quilt has emerged that you would like to share with fellow quilters? **Solution** = Enter these quilts in our 2021 SCCQG Road to California special exhibit!!!

The "Sharing Our Quilts" exhibit is designed to be a showcase for recent (2019-2020) quilts that you have, or you are producing. There is no specific theme or topic, or size limitation. The plan is to share treasured styles of quilting or patterns you relish. This is exhibit is all about Southern California quilts created by members of SCCQG Member guilds. Numerous quilts are needed.

There is still time to enter as the deadline is October 1, 2020.

The Call for Quilts and Entry Form are posted on the SCCQG website.

## September 2020 Birthdays







Pam Osorio - Membership

During this time of on-line meetings our Birthday Fat Quarter giveaway is on hold.





None right now—let me know if you know of any. In the mean time...Stay in and quilt!



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**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.

Due to COVID-19 there are no planned in person meetings at this time.

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