



The Dispatcher

Orange Grove Quilters Guild Newsletter

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President's Message

by Jane Oglesby, President

I really enjoyed our last meeting. Kristie had so many great ideas and her instructions were so clear. The workshop results were adorable. So many darling animals were created.

Next we will have the opportunity to learn more about color. I am always interested in what different artists have to say about color. Sometimes a different explanation just helps everything make sense.

Our wonderful Sherry Lincoln will be retiring from Philanthropy at the end of the year. And the November 5th Sew Day will be her last Sew Day. I hope we will have a big turnout to say our thanks for all that she has contributed. At lunch time, we plan to discuss the future of our Philanthropy Program and how best to move forward. If you would just like to join us for lunch, we break at noon. Everyone is welcome. We will have a second open discussion about Philanthropy after the general meeting in November. For those interested in joining us, we will meet for lunch at the Elk's Lodge right after the meeting. See you in November.

Jane

2026 QUILT SHOW PLANNING BEGINS

Pam Boozan will be co-chairing the committee, but is seeking a new co-chair with the goal of mentoring another member on the process. She has co-chaired multiple quilt shows for our guild and will be happy to look to another's ideas and leadership.

There is going to be one meeting this year to start the discussion about the quilt show for next year. Pam Boozan is hosting a meeting at her home on Friday, November 14, 2025, at 10:00 AM. The goal of this meeting is simple - choose a theme for our quilt show. Attendees will not be obligated beyond that initial input but may be inspired to participate in the planning going forward.

There is already good news for this planning. The quilt show will be at the same location as last year, with a date already secured in September 2026. This site has pre-established space planning and drape configurations, which will vastly assist us in our planning going forward, but can be revised in any way the committee recommends. There is a broader list of potential vendors.

So, please join us as we get ready to have some fun and share our guild's incredible talent and creativity. November 14, 2025, 10:00 AM, Pam Boozan's home.



October Guild Speaker

by Martha Bieser, First Vice-President

Speaker: Arlene Velis

Arlene Velis is an artist and instructor based in California. She was born and raised in Southern California. She received her MA in Fine Arts from California State University Northridge. Her love of art was inspired by her visits to local art galleries, museums and libraries. She is inspired by nature and texture. She enjoys quilting, embroidery, painting, and ceramics, to name a few. In her free time she enjoys sewing her own clothes, gardening and cooking. She currently works as an Adjunct Faculty Instructor and presents to quilting guilds, offering in-person and/or live virtual programs and workshops.



WORKSHOPS

by Kathleen Jones, Workshop Chair

Workshops are held at:

First Presbyterian Church of Garden Grove

11832 Euclid St.

Garden Grove, Ca 92842

Directions: From the 22 Freeway, exit Euclid St. Go north. The church is just past Chapman Ave. on the right. There is plenty of parking in the rear.

Set up begins at 9 AM. The teacher will begin at 9:30. Bring your own lunch or go out. We will end about 3:00 PM. You may bring a seat cushion, but not your personal iron. Please wear your name badge.

Upcoming workshops:

November – Color Confidence with Arlene Velis. Do you find your fabric palettes easy to do? Or do you feel insecure with your color choices and being able to mix and match fabrics? Fortunately, having an “eye for color” is not just something you are born with; it is something you can develop! Choosing fabric for your next quilt will be so much easier.

December— No workshop in December.

Orange Grove Quilters Guild

Member Workshop Sign Up Sheet, 2025-26

Member Name _____ Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

You are not enrolled in a workshop until you have paid. Workshop fees will not be re-funded.

_____ 11/13/2025 Color Confidence \$45.00 _____

Arlene Velis

_____ 2/12/2026 Quilty Dreams Wall Hanging \$45.00 _____

Jessica Rose

_____ 3/12/2026 City Girl Chevron (Limited space) \$45.00 _____

Krista Moser (Use CGC50 for promo code 50% off)

_____ 3/13/2026 Same class with limited space \$45.00 _____

_____ 4/9/2026 Lucy Zina Clark \$45.00 _____

Pattern required—Stripology ruler recommended but not required

_____ 5/14/2026 Fabulous Faces \$45.00 _____

Jean Impey

_____ 6/11/2026 Japanese Sashiko & Boro Basics \$45.00 _____

Carol Ziogas

(Kit includes all tools needed except scissors) \$23.00 _____

_____ 8/13/2026 Make and Take - TBA \$25.00 _____

_____ 9/10/2026 Sun, Sand, and Sea Turtles

Pam DiSalo (Prep time after general meeting) \$45.00 _____

_____ 10/15/2026 Whimsical Garden \$45.00 _____

Tina Curran

_____ 11/12/2026 Pet Portraits. Jane Haworth. Her workshop
consists of 2 hrs. after Guild Meeting AND the \$45.00 _____
standard workshop times on 11/13

Total \$ _____

SUPPORTING OUR MARINES

by Martha Bieser, Liaison



This is a reminder that we will be supporting the Marines with our Santa Toy Drive. Please bring your toy donation to the November meeting. We don't want to forget the older children. Gift cards are great!

The 3rd Marine Battalion will be coming to our meeting on Dec. 3, 2025, to pick up Baby Baskets for the fourth quarter. They will also be picking up Toys/Gift Cards for our Santa Donation. This may be a tough year for some of the families, due to the Government Shutdown so our generosity will be appreciated even more than usual. We don't want to forget the older kids either. You are welcome to bring your gifts to the November or December meeting. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this very meaningful and appreciated Guild function!

UFO UPDATE

by Dana Cox, Chair

Quilters' UFO Challenge 2026 Come Join our UFO Parade in 2026!

This is a chance to turn five UFOs into quilts/finished objects in only one year!

- Decide which of your UFOs need to be quilts/or objects you want finished - pick 5.
- Describe the finished quilts or objects on the next page. Make sure that No. 1 is the one you want to work on first. Give enough information to easily identify each quilt/object. For example, "green churn dash" is a better description than "Bill's birthday quilt or Christmas table runner, or pj bottoms." Fill out the list and make a copy for yourself so you know what to work on next!

"Finished" means quilted, bound, and labeled for quilts, and completed items for other objects.

- The first quilt/object, is due on January 14, 2026, and will be No. 1 on your list. It may be turned in early. After that, one quilt/object will be due every two months, except the fourth one will have three months because we have no meeting in July.
- The order of the quilts/objects will be chosen randomly from the remaining numbers. That means that the second quilt due will not necessarily be #2 on your list.
- When you turn in your first UFO for inspection, you will be given a ribbon and a notion to attach, showing that quilt is finished. You will receive another notion for each UFO as it is recorded as finished. There will be drawings for prizes after each due date is reached; therefore, all who finish even just one quilt will be eligible to win a prize that month. Other prizes will be awarded when the year is up.

Due Dates:

January 14
March 11
May 13
August 12
October 14



2025 UFO
Challenge
Winners:

Linda Monsen
\$100, Jane
Oglesby \$75,
Elaine Kaesler
\$50

Orange Grove Quilters Guild UFO Challenge 2026

“Come Join our UFO Parade in 2026!”

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Entry Fee: \$10.00 Rec'd on _____ By _____

Quilt	Due	Description
1.	January 14, 2025	
2.	?	
3.	?	
4.	?	
5.	?	

Election of 2026 Officers

A BIG THANK YOU to the nominating committee!

Chair: Pat Summers

Members:

Yvonne Jackson

Sherry Lincoln

Kathleen Jones

Fran Bodle

The following slate of officers for OGQG Board 2026 is as presented:

President - Jan Horton

1st VP - Martha Bieser

2nd VP - Becky Meekhof

Secretary - Dana Cox

Treasurer - Sharon Sutton

This slate of officers will be voted on at the November meeting.

Dana Cox, Parliamentarian

2025 OPPORTUNITY QUILT



This beautiful quilt, made by Jane Oglesby, is our raffle quilt for 2025.

The Guild anticipates that each member will sell or purchase twenty raffle tickets. These were available beginning at the February meeting. Please turn your money in to Dolores Gilbert. She would appreciate getting back any unused tickets.

2025 SNACK SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER N-S

DECEMBER T-Z

COMMUNITY CLIPBOARD

By Judy Hughes, Newsletter Editor

We welcome new members:

Dianne Carrington

Allan Gilbert

Wendy Nomura



Shadows: none to report

Sunshine: Judy Hughes' son is getting married in late November.

Community news:

"Road to California" will be held at the Ontario Convention Center January 21-24. Our Guild will be making a bus available for members. More details will be forthcoming.

The Fallbrook Quilt Guild will host their biennial quilt show "**Quilted Treasures,**" on November 7–8, 2025, at [Son Rise Christian Fellowship, 463 S Stage Coach Ln, Fallbrook, CA](#) from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The show and auction will feature more than 300 quilts made by talented members—from timeless traditional designs to bold, modern innovations. Admission cost is only \$10 and children under 12 are free with an adult. Free parking is plentiful.

WEBSITE & FACEBOOK

by Catie Watson

Exciting news! Online registration is now available for your 2026 membership in the guild. \$40.00 See details below.



It's time to register for 2026 OGQG membership. You can complete your membership form and make your payment on our website!

[https:// www.orangegrovequiltersguild.org/online-registration](https://www.orangegrovequiltersguild.org/online-registration)

It just takes a couple of minutes and your information is safe thanks to Square and Google Forms.

Many of you are members of our private OGQG Facebook group. It's a great place to share your quilting projects and ideas. We now also have a public page titled, "Orange Grove Quilters Guild," to help promote OGQG to the outside world and I'll be posting there a few times a week to build a following. Suggestions for posts are welcome.

Membership News

by Julie Carman, Membership Chair



Here we are in November and it is a time for giving thanks. Our guild has so much to be thankful for - our super membership, our many philanthropy contributions, beautiful quilts for show-n-tell and quilt parade, yummy snacks, great speakers and workshops, fun meetings with shopping opportunities, our highly successful home tour, informative newsletter and the list goes on.

This leads to membership being so thankful for your support of our guild through your membership renewals. The 2026 membership renewal forms are now available at both the membership table at our guild meetings, through our newsletter, and our website. Please remember that to be included in our 2026 Roster Book you must renew no later than our February 2026 General Meeting. Dues are still \$40 - yeah! - and we take all forms of payment: cash, checks and credit cards. Renewals can also be mailed to the address on the renewal form. Lifetime members, please make sure you fill out a renewal form also.

Come say hello, pick up or drop off your membership renewal form, and overwhelm us at the membership table. We are "sew" ready to say "Thanks!" We are already off to a good start with 18 renewals in October. Let's keep that number growing.

ORANGE GROVE QUILTERS GUILD 2026 MEMBERSHIP FORM

All members need to complete this form in its entirety even if your information has not changed from the prior year.

Membership is \$40.00 for the year and can be paid by cash, check, credit card at the General Meetings. Please note: Credit card transactions will be accepted with a **\$2.00 convenience charge added on.**

Make check payable to OGQG.

Form and payment can also be mailed to:

Orange Grove Quilt Guild
9912 Silver Strand Drive
Huntington Beach CA 92646

The Membership Roster/Yearbook will only be given to members and will not be published online or used for any other purpose. To be included in the 2026 Roster/Yearbook, this form with dues paid needs to be returned to Membership by the **February 2026 General Meeting.** _____ Please check here if you **DO NOT** want your information in the Roster/Yearbook.

CHECK ONE:

I am a New Member _____ Membership Number Assigned _____

This is for Renewal _____ Membership Number _____

Life Time Member _____ Membership Number _____

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY:

Name: (First) _____ (Last) _____

Name I wish to be called: _____ Spouse: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

(Please print legibly. If no Email, please write "NONE")

Birthday: Month _____ Day _____

Chairperson's use only:

Date received: _____ Cash: _____

Amount received: _____ Check #: _____

Credit Card Payment: _____ Bank Name: _____

PHILANTHROPY

by Sherry Lincoln, Philanthropy Chair

I can't believe we will only have one more Philanthropy Sew Day this year. We will meet for the last time in 2025 on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at the Driftwood Mobile Home Park, located at 15621 Beach Blvd., Westminster from 9:30 to 2:30. In December our regular Guild meeting, at the Elks Lodge, will be on the first Wednesday, December 3, so no Sew Day.

We plan to have our first 2026 Sew Day, Wednesday, January 7, 2026: same place and same time. Remember that you are always welcome to come and leave when it is convenient for you. We have a perfect place to accomplish these tasks, the room is large and there are plenty of tables and light. We break for lunch, so bring your lunch and a drink. There is a microwave and refrigerator for our use. Meet some new friends and members you may already know.

We are very slowly catching up. There are lots of quilt tops that need to be prepared for quilting (backing, binding and batting). Fabric is available for both backing and binding and we have a supply of batting; we just need help in putting it all together. Then, of course, we need volunteers to do the quilting. It is a group effort and you have been doing a fantastic job. If we can just continue the process we should be caught up in no time.

Please continue to donate children-themed fabric for pillow cases (at least 1 yard) but we ARE NOT accepting quilt tops at this time. Remember that if you turn in a completed quilt (backed, bound, quilted and labeled) you will be given a ticket for a chance to win a prize at the end of the monthly meeting.

The Philanthropy Table has information that you might find interesting. There are printouts of items needed for the baby baskets that are donated every quarter to the Marines. We still donate Mug Rugs to Meals on Wheels, baby blankets (flannel, knitted, crochet, etc.) for the Navy/Marine Relief Society. There is a list of the organizations that we donate to and patterns that can be used to make a Philanthropy quilt. Stop by and check it out.

I will announce the number of items and who they were donated to at our December meeting. There is never enough times and ways to say THANK YOU for being such a supportive group.

Sherry

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

by Judy Hughes, Newsletter Editor

Judith Stamper



Judith is one of our Guild members who works quietly in the background, but contributes a lot, by publicizing the Opportunity Quilt in the past, working at Philanthropy Sew Days, and presently at the Membership Desk. She joined the Guild around 2017.

She is a life-long sewer and her first full-time job out of college was managing several House of Fabrics stores in the area. There she joined a Friendship Group and began sewing quilt blocks. She was in that group for twenty years and when it dissolved, she found another one that she is in presently. Her favorite quilts to make fall into the “scrappy” category, and while she used to favor blue, she is more likely to use bright colors these days. Recently she made a quilt in black and white and was very happy with the results. Her favorite quilt “is the one I just made!”

Judith has been married for 40 years and her husband is now retired from their family-owned medical weight control company. She got training in being a Medical Assistant at Orange Coast College after the House of Fabric manager jobs and did that for awhile. She has two sons and has been a stay-at-home mom/volunteer most of her adult life. She does a lot of volunteer work at her church and with a charity called Share Ourselves. They do medical care and Judith chairs the Adopt-A-Family event each fall, where the charity helps give Christmas presents to 1200 local families in need!

Besides her volunteer work and quilting, she likes to knit, read, and cook. Her favorite novels are mystery stories such as the Bosch series. She enjoys creating things whether it is through cooking or quilting. That’s probably why she has lots of completed tops but not so many finished quilts!

Her most recent completion is a baby quilt and doll quilt for a great niece. Although she gives most of the quilts she makes away, she has a large stash of them since she has received them as gifts and purchased many. Her sons probably won’t want many of them so she will eventually gift them to her Friendship Group!

Happy November Birthdays

Mary	Loya	11	2
Lana	Troy	11	2
Imagawa	France	11	5
Nancy	Schager	11	8
Pamela	Boozan	11	9
Pam	Plakos	11	10
Barb	Mead	11	11
Amy	Sheeks	11	13
Judy	Hill	11	14
Leslie	Hunsaker	11	15
Charlotte	Lee	11	18
Judy	Hughes	11	19
Rosalie	Liogys	11	19
Dolores	Gilbert	11	21
Susan	Huntzinger	11	21
Kay	Johnstone	11	23
Pat	Barton	11	24
Wendy	Nomura	11	24
Fran	Bodle	11	26
Dianne	Hoffman	11	29
Dana	Cox	11	30



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 the areas of creativity, quilting and fiber arts.



MEMBERSHIP is currently open.

MEETINGS: The regular meeting is at 9:30 am on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. (doors open at 8:30). 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 Ave, Garden Grove, California.

Orange Grove Quilters Guild Officers, 2025

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