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BOARD MEETING: OCT. 6
GENERAL MEETING: OCT. 14

INSIDE:
GREAT WISCONSIN
QUILT SHOW

UPCOMING PROGRAMS
AND WORKSHOPS

AND MORE ... KEEP READING!

President's Message

By Carolyn Erratt, President

Linda Neal, our September speaker, said she always wants the block she is working on to be her favorite block and I am embracing this now while making projects and quilt blocks. I'm at a point in my creative journey that the idea of making identical and repetitive blocks to create a quilt becomes tedious and not inspiring. Although the final quilt will be beautiful, the project is often put aside for a more unique project. After listening to the September presentation, I'm feeling less guilty for folding those projects away to be completed another day or repurposed into a different and more personally inspiring

President's Message Continued

project.

Another take away from Linda's presentation was her saying "a pattern is just a suggestion" and her deconstructed Baltimore Album quilt was stunning.

Today I started sketching an idea I've had for a while which combines elements from quilts by four different designers. I am looking forward to combing through my stash to see if my idea will be a creative success. I will never create the masterpieces that our speaker has but I will embrace her quilting philosophy.

I love October! This month brings us everything pumpkin spice, an abundance of candy, costumes and fun spooky movies. October encourages creativity and imagination in people of all ages as they plan their costumes. Like many of us, I made Halloween costumes for my daughters. I've sewn princesses, characters from books, witches and fairies and when Julia was 3, she wanted to be a bathtub. That was a challenge, but we made fun family memories that year. Now, it is wonderful to see the creations



my daughters construct for their children and for themselves. The Wizard of Oz group is my older daughter and her family in 2020. McKenzie is wearing the Dorothy costume I made for my daughter when she was in first grade. Hannah is the cutest little Glinda. Izzy, as the house, Jeremy as the tornado and Kona as Toto completed the family group costume. Now I'm on to making witches' hats and using my stash. Have fun sewing and celebrating the fun of Halloween.

Carolyn

From the Editor

By Jamie Cargo, Newsletter Editor

This month's banner quilt is mine! It felt very on brand. This was from the May 2024 workshop with Kristie Naranjo. She said this was the first bat she'd seen done. My son picked out the backing fabric as this is his quilt. It earned third place at the OC Fair in its category. Take a look throughout this month's edition for other OC Fair winners.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving quilt? Maybe something with special meaning and tradition? Send me a photo and a brief description to be Jamie featured in November.

Send your newsletter items to: ocqq.newsletter@gmail.com

by 10 p.m. the Sunday after the General Meeting Early is always appreciated!

Themed Shirt Schedule

October: Halloween, Fall or support your favorite baseball

team in support of the World Series

November: Gobble Gobble time for turkeys, pies

and football

December: Holiday fun! Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanza or

even the Winter Solstice

January: Winter or New Years themed.

February: Valentine's Day or Groundhog Day



Sign up for an opportunity road trip

By Brigette Brink

Thank you to everyone who bought Opportunity Quilt tickets. We are off to a great start.

Thanks to Helene Born we have a full schedule visiting other guilds with our quilt. Please look at the list and let me know if you would like to help sell tickets. Maybe you are already a member of one of these guilds. It is super fun to take a little road trip with a friend.



Acacia Quilt Guild:

November 6

Beach Cities Quilt Guild:

November 13

Los Angeles County Quilt Guild:

January 21

Surfside Quilt Guild:

February 10

Friendship Square Quilt Guild:

February 16

Seashore Quilt Guild:

February 20

Orange Grove Quilt Guild:

March 21



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My schedule is currently OPEN for Christmas quilts — reserve your spot today!

a Contact Faith Liu to get started!

UFO Challenge is Coming!

By Pam Gayle and Vicki Slone

Definition of a UFO (Un Finished Object): A quilt, wall hanging, table runner or other needle project that is in any stage of not being completed.

Sooooooo here's your last chance!
Gather up 1-3 of your UFOs and
challenge yourself to finish them.
You can still sign up with Pam Gayle
or Vicki Slone at the October Guild
Meeting and commit to a finish
month between November 2025 and

January 2026 to have them completed (one per month please). Each time that you complete a UFO, you'll be entered into a drawing for prizes.

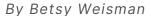
I'm so proud that 18 of our members have already taken the challenge! We saw two wonderful UFOs at Sew and Tell last month, both beautiful and with awesome stories. Check in with **Pam** or **Vicki** so that we can check you off the list.

UFO CHALLENGE ENTRY FORM

NAME:	
NAME OF QUILT #1:	
MONTH TO BE FINISHED:	
NAME OF QUILT #2:	
MONTH TO BE FINISHED:	
NAME OF QUILT #3:	
MONTH TO BE FINISHED.	

Stitching Together: A Workshop with Linda Neal





Everyone was fully engaged in learning Linda Neal's applique techniques all day long from start to finish. Her methods are not difficult to learn, but they do take a little practice. We learned to prepare our applique designs and glue them "off the pattern," allowing us the freedom of doing the hand stitching later on whenever we have the time. Linda's high-energy, positive approach left us all feeling very successful. We were all very grateful to have had the opportunity to learn from this remarkable teacher. Thank you, Linda!





Get Ready for a Mystery Quilt Parade at October OCQG Meeting

By Denise Rainier

Dear OCQG Mystery Quilt Enthusiasts, I'm excited to share a fun addition to our October meeting - a special showcase of Lyn Brown's past Mystery Quilts! So many of you have joined Lyn's Mystery Workshops over the years, and now it's time to celebrate the stunning results of her creative approach to reimagining vintage styles. To highlight the magic of these workshops, we'll be hosting a Parade of Mystery Quilts - a colorful, inspiring display for everyone to enjoy. This will be a wonderful

This will be a wonderful opportunity for our new guild members (and anyone who hasn't yet taken part in a Mystery Workshop) to see just how fun, approachable, and rewarding these projects are.

I invite you to bring along any quilts you've made from a Lyn Brown Mystery Workshop in the past few years and join in our Grand Parade of Quilts at the October meeting of OCQG. Let's fill the room with beauty, inspiration, and a true celebration of creativity!



Editor's Note: My 2025 Lyn Brown Mystery Quilt remains unfinished.



Patti Pane entered My Kalispel, MO, a Judy Niemeyer quilt. Her grandchildren each entered a quilt:

- Kensi, 7 Barbie
- Jaxon, 5 ABCDinos





November 8th St. Paul's Lutheran Church

9am-3pm 1250 E Heim Ave, Orange (Behind Walmart)

November 15th Ruth's Residence

9am-3pm 8209 E Hillsdale Dr, Orange

December 3rd Trinity Presbyterian Church

10am-1pm 13922 Prospect Ave, Santa Ana, (Corner of Prospect and 17th St)

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Programs and Workshops are gearing up for 2026

By Betsy Weisman and Denise Rainier

Are you wondering what Programs and Workshops you can expect to see next year after our February Annual Business Meeting? Well, it's a teensy bit too early to spill the beans about all of next year's line-up, but we can guarantee that you'll be as excited as we are. Stay tuned for big announcements coming SOON!

Save the Dates

- Quilts in the Garden "Red, White & Bloom" Saturday, May 2, 2026
- OCQG Retreat @ Vina de Lestonnac
 July 6 - 9, 2026

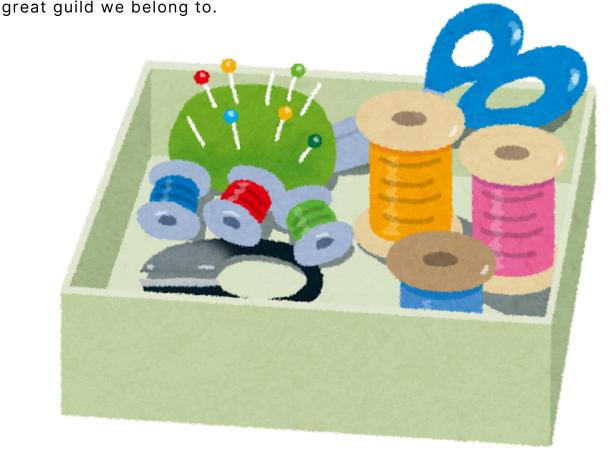
Opportunity Baskets

By Donna Hansen and Jeanne Dinkle

I left the September meeting with a wagon full of baskets and it was exactly what I needed. I've already started refilling them! Thank you to all who remember to bring them back. I received so many compliments on the witch's hat Jeanne made me that we've decided to add one to opportunity baskets in October. If you didn't make one before, or want an extra, here's your chance! There are lots of free patterns on Pinterest if you're interested. If you do make one, let's all wear them to the October meeting! How fun would that be?

We raised \$257 at the September meeting and our lucky winners were Patty Avent, Sandy Wilcox (a top contributor to the fantastic stuff I get to fill those baskets), Debbie Bryhl, Trish Duffield and lucky Lyn Brown, who won two!

Thanks again to all who bring me the goodies to fill the baskets, bring back the baskets and then buy tickets to win it back. Love you guys. What a



Round Robin Schedule

By Jill Ellert, Round Robin Coordinator

If you're unable to attend one of the meetings, please contact me in advance so I can pick up your current bag to swap and then get your new bag to you prior to the following meeting. That will keep us all on schedule!

1

May Meeting: Sign up! The more participants we have, the better! The goal is to have at least four borders added to each round robin project!

2

June Meeting: Bring your center and any fabrics you would like to make available to your border-makers. I will bag what you bring and distribute them to the other participants. No one will be aware of whose project they are working on and all making is secret!

3

August Meeting: Since we do not have a July meeting, you will return your first-round bags to me in August. I will swap bags for the second round. Don't tell people what you worked on!

4

September Meeting: Bring your second round bags to me in September. I will swap bags for the third round. And yes, it's still a secret what you worked on!



October Meeting: Bring your third round bags to me in October. I will swap bags for the fourth round. You guessed it ... still a secret what you worked on!



November Meeting: Bring your fourth round bags to me in November. We will go in front of the guild and you will each receive your own projects back for a big reveal!

President's Challenge: The Log Cabin

By Carolyn Erratt, President

FINAL CALL FOR LOG CABIN
BLOCKS OCTOBER 2025. If the 200
block challenge wasn't met
everyone who turned in a block will
still have a chance at a great prize.
Keep sewing! The finished tops are
amazing!

Fabric Selection:

Lights: neutrals in creams or whites. To increase interest in your block, please use a variety of fabrics in each block.

Darks: Select a single-color hue for all of your darker fabrics. Your block will be a neutral on one side and a color on the other. Think a range of blues or reds or purples or oranges or pinks or greens etc. The fabric should read as all that color at a distance.

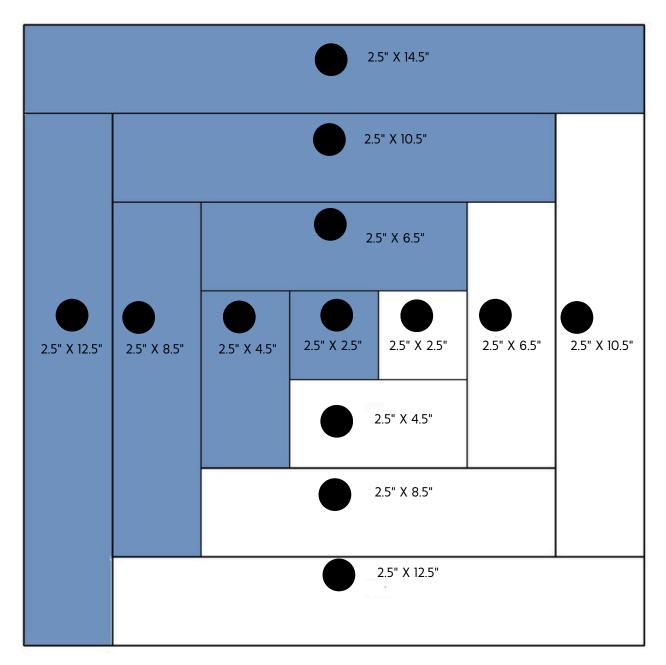
Center square: The center square is one of your darker fabrics.



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President's Challenge: The Log Cabin

By Carolyn Erratt, President



To make 14-inch square log cabin quilt blocks, you will cut your strips to the measurements shown. The width of all strips should be 2.5".

To assemble the blocks, follow this diagram in this order: Start with piece 1 as your center, add piece 2, then 3, and keep adding pieces! Square your block to 14.5". There are hundreds of tutorials online to assist in assembly if you are new to making log cabin blocks!

Membership

By Ruth Saucedo, Membership Chair

I'm happy to state that OCQG Membership continues to grow.

Let's all give a very warm welcome to our two newest members who joined in September!

Please welcome:

- Virginia Flavin
- Shauna Johnson

We are so pleased to have you and hope you take advantage of all we have to offer.

There are so many ways to get involved!



Bonnie Klopfer 10/3

Alan Calgaro 10/5

Lori Kenady 10/13

Susan Lane 10/17

Peggy Calvert 10/23

Diane Burch 10/23

Lori Ferrari-McCoy 10.25

Diana Marks 10/26

Pamela Schoenbachler 10/27

Ann Chavez 10/28

Pam DiSalvo 10/29

Upcoming Programs

By Betsy Weisman, 1st VP Programs



October 14, 2025: Modern Mending with Erin Eggenburg

Join us as she leads us through the world of Modern Mending. Erin Eggenburg is a maker, mender, author and instructor who resides in Portland, OR. She blends embroidery and upcycling/reuse, called visible mending.



November 11, 2025: From Quilt to Clothing with Teresa Coates

Teresa Coates is nationally known sewing educator, accomplished quilt maker, travel writer, pattern designer and relentless adventurer. She wants you to fall in love with sewing. She designs her own line of patterns at Crinkle Dreams, including the Elemental Coat and complementary Quilted Elements patterns.



December 9, 2025: OCQG Member Showcase

We know there's talent in this group of quilters, and we will get to see some of our homegrown fabulous quilters in this annual showcase! Who will the featured quilter(s) be? You will have to come and see!



For \$35, you can learn teachers who normally charge much more at places like Road to California!

Upcoming Workshops

By Denise Rainier, 2nd VP Workshops

Wed, October 15, 2025: Sashiko Style Mending & Embroidered Images with Erin Eggenburg

Join Erin Eggenburg for an information packed, sashiko and embroidery inspired visible mending for denim & wovens workshop. With hands-on practice, you'll learn this simple, but useful patterned stitching technique for patching denim and other woven textiles.



November 11, 2025: From Quilt to Clothing with Teresa Coates

This coat pattern was designed by a quilter, for quilters. Using techniques that are already familiar to quilters and avoiding construction methods that can intimidate new (or dormant) garment sewists, this coat is an easy and versatile make that will leave students feeling pleased and proud.





Denise Rainier writes:

I created Twizzling Jewels after taking a 2022 Road to California class with Krista Moser, whose patterns appear complex but are built on simple piecing and accurate cutting for stunning results. For this project, I shopped at The Sewing Escape in Garden Grove (now closed), where I discovered modern fabrics that became the perfect palette. The selection was so popular that the shop later kitted it with the pattern for purchase!

Challenges included mastering more than 300 inches of continuous bias binding — made easier thanks to "The Geeky Bobbin" method — and learning to handle binding inside corners. The quilt was beautifully freehand quilted by Karen Kimmel, whose artistry on the back alone makes it worthy of display.

The name Twizzling Jewels came to me in a dream and, fittingly, describes a spinning skating move. With its jewel-like tones and star centers that seem to whirl, the name couldn't be more perfect.

Great Wisconsin Quilt Show

By Cheri Hansen

Here are pictures of some of the delicious quilts at the Great Wisconsin Quilt Show on Sept. 5 in Madison, Wisconsin.

We drove on two lane country roads for two hours through green fields of corn and soybeans, passing red barns and black and white Holstein cows. Wisconsin is known for its cheese and ice cream.



Great Wisconsin Quilt Show



Visit Other Guilds' Events

Long Beach Modern Quilt Guild presents "Perspectives 2025 – A Fiber Art Exhibition"

October 8 through November 23, 2025
This exhibit is free and open to the public.
Zena and Pauline Gatov Gallery
Alpert Jewish Community Center
3801 E. Willow St., Long Beach
Hours:

- 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday
- 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday
- 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

More information is available at www.longbeachmodernquiltguild.com

The **Fallbrook Quilt Guild** hosts its biennial quilt show "Quilted Treasures" from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. November 7 and 8, 2025, at Son Rise Christian Fellowship, 463 S. Stage Coach Lane in Fallbrook.

The show and auction will feature more than 300 quilts made by talented guild members — from timeless traditional designs to bold, modern innovations.

In addition to the quilt displays, the event includes:

- Presentation by renowned art quilter <u>Ann Turley</u> at 11:30 a.m. both days Vendor booths
- Country Store where shoppers can buy many quilting-related items, especially good quality fabric and notions, at greatly reduced prices
- Door Prizes
- Live demonstrations of various quilting techniques
- Opportunity Quilt on Display
- Quilt Auction at 12:30 p.m. both days; over 100 quilts ranging from seasonal themes to children's quilts, wall hangings, table toppers and more — will be available for bidding.

Admission is \$10. Children younger than 12 admitted for free with an adult. Free parking is plentiful.





Block Party: OCTOBER 2025

By Jamie Cargo and Lois Visconti

Lantern Block

Fabric Requirements and Sub Cuts

	12" Block	Subcut	6" Block	Subcut
Fabric 1	5 x WOF	Cut 10 ½" piece from 5 x WOF • Trim to 4 ½ x 10 ½" Cut remainder into two 2 ½" strips • Cut one 2 ½ x 10 ½" • Cut four 2 ½ x 6 ½"	3 ½ x 15"	Cut into 2 strips: 2 ½" and 1½" • Cut the 2½" strip into: • one 2½ x 6¼", then trim to 1 ½" • Cut the 2½" strip into: • one 1½ x 6¼" • four 1½ x 3½"
Fabric 2	2 ½ x 21"	Cut two 2 ½ x 10 ½"	2 x 13"	Cut two 1 ½ x 6 ½"
Fabric 3	2 ½ x 21"	Cut one 2 ½ x 10 ½" 3 ¼ x 6 6 ½ Cut four 2 ½ x 2 ½" ½" Cu		Cut one 1 ½ x 6 ¼" Cut four 1 ½ x 1 ½"

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Directions

All seams are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.

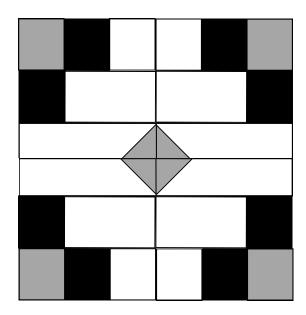
Begin with one each of the $2\frac{1}{2} \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ " ($1\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{4}$ ") rectangles. Sew long edges together with Fabric 2 in the middle. Press toward center fabric. Sub-cut to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " ($1\frac{1}{2}$ ") strips to create four pieces. See *Diagram 1*.

Next, along long edges, sew together the Fabric 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ ") and the remaining Fabric 2 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ "). Sub-cut to strips 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") to create four pieces. See *Diagram 2*.

Draw diagonal lines on the wrong side of two Fabric 3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") squares and place on one end of the two Fabric 1 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "), then sew directly on the line. Trim seam to $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Press. See *Diagram 3*.

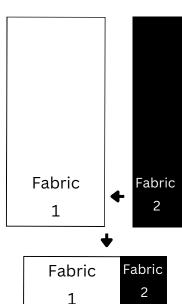
Repeat with the last two Fabric 1 rectangles and Fabric 3 squares, BUT ROTATE the square to make two units shown in *Diagram 4*.

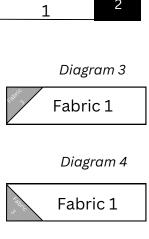
Lay out all the segments using the block picture for placement. Stitch together each side, then join sides with a final center seam.



Fabric
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Fabric
2
Fabric
3
Fabric
1
Fabric
2
Fabric
3

Diagram 2





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by Jamie Cargo and Lois Visconti









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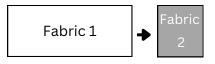
Fabric Requirements and Sub Cuts

	12" Block	Subcut	6" Block	Subcut
Fabric 1	3 ½ x 36"	2 - 3 ½ x 6 ½" 2 - 3 ½ x9 ½ "	2 x 18"	2 - 2 x 3 ½ " 2 - 2 x 5"
Fabric 2	3 ½ x 7"	2 - 3½" squares	2 x 4"	2 - 2" squares
Fabric 3	6½" square	1 - 6 ½" square	3 ½" square	1 - 3 ½" square

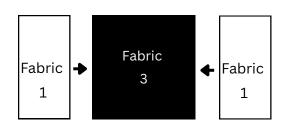
Directions

All seams are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.

Using the two Fabric 1 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (2 x 5"), sew one Fabric 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (2") square to each rectangle, press.

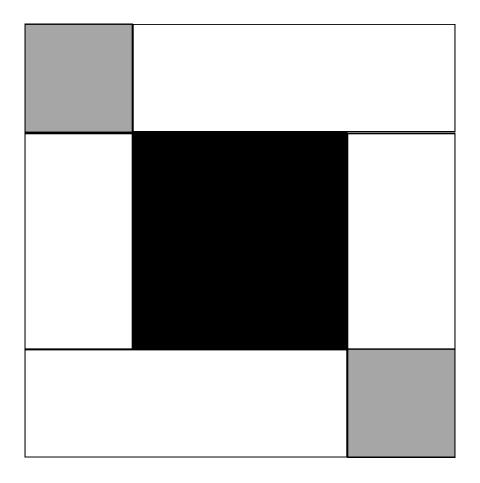


Using Fabric 3 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") square, attach the two Fabric 1 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (2 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") to opposite sides, press.



Block Party: NOVEMBER 2025

Join the three rows together as shown below.



Block Party: NOVEMBER 2025

By Jamie Cargo and Lois Visconti



2025-26 Board Meeting Schedule

Mark your calendars! Board meetings are open to all members and your voice is very welcome at our Board meetings. If you would like to join a meeting, please contact Carolyn at ocqg.president@gmail.com and she will send you the Zoom link. All meetings begin at 7 pm.

- 3/3/25
- 3/31/25
- 5/5/25
- 6/2/25
- · July No meeting
- 8/4/25
- 9/2/25
- 10/6/25
- 11/3/25
- 12/1/25
- 1/5/26
- 2/2/26





The Board Members of OCQG serve from March - February. Here are the current Board Members. Feel free to contact them if you have questions or ideas for the guild.

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If you aren't sure who to contact, you can always send a note to info@orangecountyquiltersquild.com and your inquiry will be directed to the appropriate person. Information about the guild, our meeting times, and locations are available on our website at orangecountyquiltersquild.com. If you're not a member, we warmly invite you to join us at our next meeting to discover fun and exciting quilting activities and make new crafting friends!

Hospitality ... Let There Be Snacks!

Quilting, looking at quilts, talking about quilts, chatting with quilty friends ... it's hard work, and hard work means ... snacks!

You are welcome to bring snacks at any time, but in particular, please bring snacks for hospitality at the general meeting according to the first letter of your last name in the month shown below. Don't forget to pick up your ticket for the door prize drawing when you drop off your snack!

JANUARY 2025	FEBRUARY 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2025	
A - B - C	POTLUCK!	BIRTHDAY CAKES	D - E - F - G - H	
MAY 2025	JUNE 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2025	
I - J - K - L	M - N - O - P	NO MEETING	Q - R - S - T	
SEPTEMBER 2025	OCTOBER 2025	NOVEMBER 2025	DECEMBER 2025	
U - V - W - X - Y - Z	A - B - C	D - E - F - G - H	I - J - K - L	

You're Invited ...

by the Members of the Orange County Quilters Guild

If you're not a member of OCQG, but you've read this far in the newsletter and you're thinking ... "well, they look like a fun bunch of people!" ... we are! We would love to see you at our next meeting and get to know you and your quilts!

You are invited to join us for our general meeting

7 p.m. Friday, October 14, 2025 Doors open at 6 p.m.

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