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North County Quilters Association



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Presidents Message

by **Carrie Harrison-Mortimer**

Hello, my quilting friends.

Well spring has sprung!! Flowers are in bloom everywhere. As a quilter, my artistic side really comes out. All the different hues of color in nature is so amazing to me. I'm sure all of you appreciate it as well.

As we continue to recruit for volunteers in our open positions of the guild. I wanted to say, thank you to all of you that have agreed to fill an open position and those of you that have agreed to continue in your current positions. As far as the remaining membership, I must encourage you to please consider stepping up for one of our open positions. As I've said many times before, every members participation is vital to the success of our guild. So time to step up!! Our guild has been in existence for over 40 years. Let's keep it going for us to enjoy for many years to come.

Hope all of you can join us at this month's meeting. Our lovely ladies from 'Good Cheer' have a special night planned, (see separate article for all the details). Don't miss out in being with your quilting friends.

See you then!!!

**Our next Guild Meeting is
April 15, 2024**

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
1087 Country Club Lane
Escondido, CA 92026

Doors open 5:45pm Meeting begins 6:30pm

Message from VP of Program

Hi Quilter's!

Let's call our April meeting "Guild Gala!" (I just like the alliteration)

I am hoping this evening will exemplify what it means to be in a Guild - defined as " an association of people with similar interests." Also in olden times Guilds served as a way to learn specific skills related to a trade. So, I am imagining an evening of meeting up with a welcoming group to learn some skills related to our common interest of quilting AND making some items for our charities. So Guild Gala - a little bit of work and a little bit of fun. We are hoping to have a great gathering of members (and guests!) to learn some skills and have a nice time together.

Our fun will begin with a Finder's Game - we will find and count all the different quilting items on a sheet of paper. The Good Cheer Group will have prepped 25+ quilts that they need help with finishing by tying them. Team up with a buddy to easily stitch and knot these cute quilts to be donated! One station will have a bunch of fun images traced onto muslin, then with crayons provided so you can sit and color the square of your choice. Applique demo - Jan Wesley and Karolyn Hart will have a station where they show their method of applique. An additional station will have Maureen McClellan showing us how to make the fleece blankets we create for Palomar Forensics. One more station will demo Mitered Corners. At this station you will learn how to correctly miter corners when you turn the quilt back over the edges to become the binding.

And all good Galas have a little bit of snacks and drinks. The Guild will provide coffee, drinks and some food. Please feel free to bring something to share. Please bring a friend, bring yourself and I look forward to seeing a big group.

Jill Conger
Director of Programs

Membership

April's here! Have you seen all the beautiful flowers and everything that's green? Just love it and all the new fabrics that reflect this time of year! I feel each month we have had such great speakers and so much fun getting together to inspire each other with our completed quilting projects and "want to be" ideas. Thank you to all who have been inviting friends, family and coworkers to join us each month this past year. In addition, we have a great resource to encourage people we met to check out our website for guild information. For the past several months, we have had several new memberships and many visitors. YEAH ! And please don't forget to introduce yourself if someone does not look familiar to you. As a reminder, when inviting someone don't forget to use the guest pass that was attached to your membership card for them otherwise its \$5.00. If you have forgotten your guest pass just let me know and I will take care of it for you. Also, thanks to many of you for wearing name tags, it really helps our new members and visitors feel welcomed and comfortable 😊

Well, I will be flying home from Florida the night of our guild meeting so, I will unfortunately miss all the fun at our next Monday night meeting on April 15. A good day is a day spent quilting 😊

Lynn Cass
Membership Coordinator

Security Blankets

Just a reminder - We are getting close to the end of our guild year so please check around to see if you have any completed fleece blankets or fleece yardage at home. If so, it would be gratefully received for donation to Palomar Forensics.

Thank you so much for your continued support.
Questions; 760 224 3494

Maureen McClellan

Parliamentarian

Hello fellow quilters!

We continue to look for people to fill the following positions on our board/committees, so dig deep and please consider volunteering so our guild can continue to grow and be successful!

We still need;

VP of meetings

Opportunity Quilt

A point person for our famous White Elephant (*Gail and Karen have offered to continue their support with the White Elephant! Thank you!*)

Please keep in mind that these positions can be split into co chairs to make things easier! If there's someone you think would be great at these opportunities, please reach out to them and encourage them to take the spot!

Don't hesitate to reach out to Carrie or me if you are interested!

Thank you
Jen

Fat Quarters

The April category is Butterflies and Birds and coordinating colors". It should be a colorful group. See you on Monday the 15th

Newsletter Advertising

Need to make some space in your sewing room? Now you can advertise in the newsletter each month! New or used items related to quilting - patterns, tools, fabric, sewing machines, etc - are all suitable. This is not a place to sell boutique items that you've made. If in doubt, call or email Leslie at maugreall@gmail.com or 619-993-1655. Price for guild members is \$10 for up to 5 sentences and a one photo. Non-guild members pay \$20.

Good Cheers

In March we got back 5 quilts from members - thanks to Suzie Owen, Beverley Reuther, Connie Allan, Dottie Porst and Janis Newlin. Good Cheer ladies made 3 more for a total of eight. [See them here](#). If you made just a top and it's not on the blog, that's because I haven't finished it yet. It'll show up when I get it all done.

Members made a total of 11 pillowcases - thanks to Dani Donnachie, Karen Maher, Beverley Reuther, Connie Allan, Debra Dubs and Marie Tuck. We're thrilled that both new and long-time members have discovered the fun of making these simple but ingenious pillowcases. If you haven't tried one, now's the time!

For Gently Hugged we had a total of 14 quilts, six of them made by Alice Johnson. These are really simple quilts, perfect for your first venture into sewing a quilt. Also fun to sew with a kid or two.

Good Cheer is hosting the April meeting, as we've done for the previous two years. We have a game to play, quilts to tie, things to color, demos - lots of good things to see and do, so don't stay home just cause there's no speaker! This will be even more fun. See the Program article for details.

White Elephant

We hope everyone had a nice Easter. The year is moving along quickly. The sale table will be set up in April and May and one more garage sale coming up (more information on that later). As you know, Louise and I are stepping down from this committee and we haven't heard of any members who would like to take over. It is a big but rewarding job. Perhaps a neighborhood group would enjoy this opportunity to serve the guild? The sale table brings in money for the guild and it gives the members opportunities to shop! You could explore new ideas and ways to use all the great donations.

Newsletter

Don't forget to send us your Show and Tell, would love to share your master pieces!

Please send to newsletter@ncountyquilters.com by the 1st of each month.

April Birthdays



A very Happy Birthday to all our members with a February Birthday!

Maureen McClellan 4/1

Suzan Fornof 4/15

Sue Ragan 4/19

Paula Harrington 4/29

Upcoming Events for NCQA

Craft Show

“Monday Makers Market”

Do you have hand crafted items that you would like to share with your fellow guild members? Then please plan on participating in the first in house craft show! The “Monday Makers Market” is open to all guild members to sell anything that is hand crafted by them – knitting, crocheting, paper craft, sewing, painting, quilting, jelly – anything made by you!! If you do not want to sell anything, please plan on doing some holiday shopping that night and supporting our members.

The show is planned to coincide with the October 2024 General Meeting. The show will start at 5:00 pm (set up will start at 4:00 pm), there will be a break at 6:30 for the General Meeting, then after the meeting we will continue shopping and selling until 8:00pm. It will not be open to the public, but we will be waiving the \$5 visitor charge so your guests can shop too!

This is a fundraising event so each seller will be asked to donate \$7 for a 4' x 30" table, or \$10 for an 8' x 30" table. All proceeds you make from your sales will be yours.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the April meeting for anyone that is interested in participating (not a commitment) so we can plan on the amount of tables, etc. that will be needed.

If you have any questions at all, please contact Jan Wesley at (619) 279-9479

Or reach out to any of the Monday Makers Market Committee members – Dani Donnachie, Maureen McClellan, Jenn Lutes, Suzan Fornof and Paula Huntington

Sew Hungry Quilters

Come share a meal with fellow guild members. Join us on Wednesday, April 10th at 11:30 am. We meet at Golden Egg Omelet House, 316 W. Mission Ave., Escondido every second Wednesday of the month.

Eating at the Golden Egg Omelet House any time is also a guild fundraiser (10% of your bill comes back to the guild). Be sure to tell them you are a member of the North County Quilters whenever you go. Questions? Call or text Jan Wesley – 619-279-9479.

Upcoming So Cal Guild/Quilting Events

SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR

The fair is looking for quilt entries. They must fit the theme of RETRO 1950s-1990s.

Deadline to enter is Tuesday April 30th. Delivery date for the quilt is Saturday May 11. The cost is \$10 and you get two tickets to the fair.

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Saturday April 27, 2024, 10:00am - 5:00pm
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