

March, 2022



**Our Next Meeting will be on Monday, March 14th at 6:30 pm, in person and via Zoom.**

FLYING GEESE QUILTERS GUILD

*FGQG Goose Tracks*

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## President's Message

*By Linda Nitzen*

From the president:

Thank you for trusting me to be the 37th president of the Flying Geese Quilters Guild. Out of curiosity, I looked at who was the 37th president of the United States. Richard Nixon was the 37th president of the U.S. from 1969-1974. Not only was my husband mistaken in school for David Nixon instead of David Nitzen, a lot of other national events were happening that made an impact on our hobby. Yes, gas was out of control too, but let's look at quilting. The 1976 Bicentennial was a resurgence for the quilting/sewing industry with folks making memory quilts like our ancestors did documenting prominent times in history. The popularity of synthetic fabrics made it difficult to find 100% cotton materials which are desired for quilt making. The fabric manufacturers listened to the needs of the public and made what is now a \$3.4 billion industry. This month is National Quilting month. Please show your favorite quilt shop how much this craft means to you by shopping, even if it's only a new spool of thread or a pack of needles.

Happy Quilting, my friends!

Linda Nitzen

Nametags:

Since we have begun meeting in person again, many of us are out of practice with wearing our nametags, myself included. This is a good time to refresh the old nametag or make a new one. Not only is it friendly, it's an ice-breaker for conversation.

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# Misc. Notices and Reminders

## Facebook Group for FGQG

*By Gina Whitelaw*

We now have a private Facebook Group for our members only. When in Facebook, go to the Groups section and search for FGQG (Flying Geese Quilters Guild) of Orange County Members Only. There is another Flying Geese Quilt Guild on Facebook, so please make sure you ask to join the correct one. You must be a current paid member of Flying Geese in order to join this Facebook group. Be sure to answer the membership questions. This is a great way for us to keep in touch ,especially while we are not meeting in person.

We now have rules for our Facebook Group. Here they are:

- **Be Kind and Courteous**
  - **Give credit where credit is due.** When you post a photo of a quilt you need to post the pattern name and the designer's name or company. We need to support our quilt designers! Quilt designers rely on pattern sales for their income.
  - **No politics or religion in this group**
  - **Respect Everyone's Privacy**
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## Just a Reminder...

By Fay Kerneen



Support Your Guild While Shopping

Did you know that Amazon will contribute a portion of sales to a charity? Flying Geese Quilters Guild has signed up to be a designated charity.

How to Generate Donations: The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from eligible smile.amazon.com purchases. Tens of millions of products are eligible for donations. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for amazonsmile donation" on their smile.amazon.com product detail pages. **Note:** Recurring Subscribe-and-Save and subscription renewals are not currently eligible.

**Another very important note:** Only purchases made on the smile.amazon website, not Amazon.com or the mobile app are eligible.

This is a virtually painless way to support Flying Geese Quilters Guild, and it happens while we're shopping for maybe something other than our quilting obsession!

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## More Misc. Notices and Reminders

### Lost and Found

This quilt was left behind at the home of Gina Whitelaw during a Friendship Group formation meeting a couple of years ago. **If it is yours, or if you know who it belongs to, please contact Gina Whitelaw.**



## Virtual Sew-Ins Via Zoom

Flying Geese Quilt Guild has had “sew-in” zoom meetings for several months now. Members sign on for whatever length of time their schedules allow. We sew, iron, and chat while we get to know each other.

We ask questions and often another quilter has an answer. We share about new tools/gadgets we just had to buy. Of course, we show our fabric purchases, too. It’s really a fun-filled time. Won’t you join us?

We’d love to see you!

If you have questions, please call/email Mary Howland. She has participated in this type of activity at another guild and will be the host for these meetings.

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**Fridays** from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m.

March 4, 11, 18, 25

April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

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**Mondays** from 9 a.m. - 12 noon:

March 7, 14, 21, 28

April 4, 11, 18, 25

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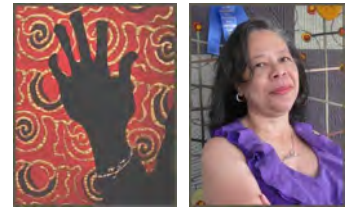
# Coming Attractions—Workshop and Program Update:

By Bonnie Bennett and Joanne Florence

## Monday, March 14, 2022

Lecture: “Slave Era Quilts”

In March we welcome **Allyson Allen**. Allyson's quilt journals combine art, craft, research, original design, history, and culture in traditional and contemporary pieces to exemplify a cross-disciplinary approach to quilt making. She combines traditional textiles and fibers with paper, recycled materials, and other objects to create unique, dimensional mixed media pieces, quilts, dolls, and handmade books. The characteristics of her unique, original story quilts are considered information art. Allyson's work often references American history, social issues, African folklore, or Black history. Many of her quilts are created specifically for storytelling presentations. In conjunction with Community Arts Project, Allyson currently has an exhibition of her quilts at Neighborhood Congregational Church, Bridge Hall, 340 St. Ann's Drive, Laguna Beach, open Thursday through Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. until April 24<sup>th</sup>. Two of her quilts are being displayed at the Laguna Art Museum as well.



## Monday, April 11, 2022

Lecture: “Cre-a-tiv-i-ty — Has Someone Stolen Yours!”

## Saturday, April 16, 2022

Spider Web Quilt Workshop 10:00 am — 4:00 pm

Location: Orange Quilt Bee



In April, we welcome Jean Impey teaching her wonderful “Spider Web” quilt design. Learn new techniques that will improve your speed and accuracy, which will apply to all your quilt projects. Bring your favorite fabrics and scraps, whether it’s contemporary, modern, traditional, hand dyes, tonal, batiks or thimbleberries – it looks best when you throw in everything.

We will make enough blocks for a pillow in the workshop, but you may continue to make it into a wall hanging or quilt.

This workshop is \$40 plus the ruler @ \$15. Make check payable to FGQG for \$55.



# Coming Attractions—Workshop and Program Update:



## Spider Web Pillow Supply List

- Sewing Machine with **zipper foot** (to make a pillow)
- Basic Sewing tools and supplies
- Fabric for Pillow:
  - Use some of those you have been saving and highlight them in your spider web. A mix of Fat Quarters that you may want to use together. (Do not pre-cut into strips)
  - Pillow backing: 22" by width of fabric (with selvages) and a 22" zipper, nylon standard weight also known as a #3 nylon coil
  - Muslin.... for your foundation you will need 4 **11" x 11"** squares to make a (20x20) pillow.
- 20 x 20" square of batting for the pillow top
- Thread: Colored cotton (anything that you can see when sewn on muslin) used for piecing
- *\*\*Recommended: June Tailor's Shape Cut JT-796 Ruler*
- *\*\*Recommended: June Tailor's Grid Marker (JT-717) for marking your muslin*
- *\*\*Recommended: O'Upfa Lip Edge Ruler-5"x24"*
- *\*\*Recommended: Seams Perfect's "wacker" <http://www.piecesbewithyou.com/> alternatively, a 1 Lb. Neon Orange Dead Blow Hammer from Harbor Freight <https://www.harborfreight.com/1-lb-neon-orange-dead-blow-hammer-68980.html>*



**\$15.00 Kit Fee includes Kite Ruler and instructions**

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\* Quilt size shown above: 77" square and requires 64 squares of muslin.

\*\*Recommended items are not necessary for workshop, I will have a few to share.

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# Coming Attractions—Workshop and Program Update:

*By Bonnie Bennett and Joanne Florence*

## Monday, May 9, 2022

Lecture: “My Life in Pieces”

You won't want to miss **Katsy Chapell** from Quilt Qomic.



Katsy is an actress, stand-up comedian and extreme crafter. Some of her film and TV credits include THE VEIL, TRUE LIES, INSPECTOR GADGET, YES MAN, ER, TORCHWOOD/MIRACLE DAY and the EMMY Winning HBO film INDICTMENT/The McMartin Trial. She keeps busy with commercials for TV and radio, including the very popular, long-running campaign for American Express that starred Jerry Seinfeld.

She has performed world-wide, including comedy tours to Iraq, Bahrain, Kuwait and Djibouti, Africa, to bring our military some much needed fun time through laughter. She was voted “Entertainer of the Year” by the Bob Hope USO Shows. Katsy is that funny, next-door neighbor you enjoy giggling with over coffee chats. Her endeavors to leave less of her carbon print have naturally lent amusement towards her crafting and comedy. She has been featured in Quilters Newsletter magazine.

## Monday, June 13, 2022

Lecture: “The Impractical Color Wheel:



Teri Lucas is the Chief Creator at TerifiCreations, and the author of “Color, Thread & Free-Motion Quilting: Learn to Stitch with Reckless Abandon”. She is an accidental free motion quilter, starting after working on a hand-quilting project for several years, and then just wanting that quilt done. Teri offers quilters the information they need to do the free-motion quilting they want. She has a pattern in the Modern Patchwork magazine featuring Melanie Testa’s newest fabric line, Florabunda.

Teri has written for several publications including Generation Q Magazine and Quilting Arts. Teri has taught for American Quilter’s Society, Quilts, Inc. (Houston), Road to California, as well as quilt guilds and quilt shops. She is the former Community Editor (talent scout) and blogger for Generation Q Magazine. Her work has appeared in Quilting Arts, Machine Quilting Unlimited, Generation Q Magazine and two books by author Mary W Kerr.

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# Zoom Corner — “New Normal”

*By Trudy Cleveland*

If there is one thing I’ve learned in the past 2 years of the pandemic is to be patient and flexible.

Two years ago the guild embraced the Zoom platform as an interim way to stay connected during a difficult time. We now realize the potential of the Zoom application, and how it will be part of our “new normal”.

The guild has made a commitment to continue to use the Zoom application to provide both live and virtual meetings -- the best of both worlds, a “Hybrid Meeting”.

This is new to all of us, and we are on a steep learning curve to bring to our membership a “Hybrid Meeting” that will be inclusive for all members. It involves a new way of doing things that involves layers of technology.

As always, with technology there can be “problem solving” to go along with it. As with any new process, the more you do it, the better you get at it. Eventually our Zoom component will be a seamless part of our meeting. At every meeting we will be refining the process the best we can.

With future meetings members will not have to wait to be admitted and will be able to enter the meeting as soon as they log in. I hope this corrects any errors that occurred at our February meeting. We will continue to refine the Zoom experience and will look forward to creating a positive Zoom meeting experience for all of our members.

Stay tuned....



# Show and Tell



## Fay Kerneen

### “Old Fashioned Hospitality”

Fay Kerneen finished a UFO, “Old Fashioned Hospitality,” which she started in a Kim Diehl class in 2001.

She was inspired by Linda Smith to finish it.



## Diane Searer

Diane Searer shared two recently completed quilts. The quilt on the left is an Anza-Borrego map wall hanging.

The quilt on the right has floral fussy cat motifs and is a gift for a nephew who is getting married in July.





# Show and Tell



**Gina Whitelaw**

## **“Helen’s Waterfall”**

Gina Whitelaw made a quilt, “Helen’s Waterfall,” in blue batiks for a New York friend. She made two of these quilts for friends and then decided to make one for herself!

**Jo Whitley**

## **“Garden Flower”**

Jo Whitley made this beautiful quilt from an Edyta Sitar pattern titled “Garden Flower”. She designed the border herself and decided she is finished making hexagons.



## Show and Tell



### Fran McQuinn

#### “Love Note”

Fran McQuinn made her cute little heart quilt, “Love Note,” for her husband and gave it to him on Valentine’s Day.



### Trudy Cleveland

Trudy Cleveland’s T-shirt quilt (left) will be given to her daughter’s father-in-law who is an avid fisherman. This quilt commemorates the “Churchmouse Marlin Tournament”.

Trudy made this red and white quilt (right) for herself. The binding will be added when she receives the fabric.





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## Show and Tell



### **Sandra Jo Roberts**

Sandra Jo Roberts made her first quilt for a baby. Lucky baby!

## Little Red Hen Auction

Will you help our Little Red Hen Auction by donating any quilt-related items to the guild? Fabric, unfinished projects, UFO blocks, kits, notions, fat quarters, gadgets, rulers, thread, quilt patterns, or any other quilt-related items that you are no longer needing.

We will be collecting your donations starting at the April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Our van will be in the front of the school, and you just need to pull up and we'll help you to unload.

The Little Red Hen Auction will be held at the July 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Just remember .."One quilter's UFO or scrap is another's treasure!"





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# Philanthropy

*By Mary Howland*

Hi All,

Thank you for all the donations last year and thus far this year. You've been busy! These are some of the items brought to meetings or Sew Days:

- Quilts - various sizes - lap, throw, bed
- Pillowcases for adults
- Pillowcases for children
- Flannel blankets
- Burp cloths
- Placemats

And fabric! Jelly Rolls, Charm Packs, yardage for backing, Fat Quarters, and more. We think staying at home has encouraged some of our members to open a closet, a drawer, or a forgotten tub and our guild has been the recipient of your generosity. We thank you as you keep us busy.

The organizations we will be donating to this year are:

- CAST (Child Abuse Services Team)
- Vitas Hospice
- Saint Joseph's Hospital Adult Oncology Unit
- CHOC (Children's Hospital of Orange County)
- Meals on Wheels
- StandUp for Kids
- Military baby showers

Our next Sew Day will be Wednesday, March 16th from 10a - 2p at Orange Quilt Bee. Drop off or pick up items, or come and sew with us. If you can't make it to the guild meeting or to Sew Day and need something to keep you busy, please email Mary Howland at [Howlandquilt@gmail.com](mailto:Howlandquilt@gmail.com).

We'd like to expand our Philanthropy team. If you're interested, please contact Jeanne Stone.

Last — but not least — thank you for all you do, and thank you to Orange Quilt Bee for allowing us to use their space for our Sew Days!



# Philanthropy—Some of the Beautiful Items Donated This Month





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## Philanthropy Sew Day



# Quilty Happenings



## Quilts

Opportunity Quilt Drawing  
Raffle Baskets  
Boutique & Vendors

Auction Saturday 4:00pm

# Quilt Show

**April 8 – 9, 2022**

**Friday 5pm – 8pm**

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# February Birthdays



**Happy Birthday to our  
March Birthday Girls!**

Kathleen Bahret  
Myrna Bianchi  
Ann Boughey  
Paulette Fletcher  
Kristen Holden  
Betsy Holt  
Kathryn Keefer  
Cindy Kruse  
Lyn Mann  
Glenda McNeil  
Carol Moore  
Becky Reeves  
Julia Renaud  
Barbara Robison  
Gayle Rose  
Julie Sandquist  
Diane Searer  
Jeanne Stone

## New Members

**Please welcome our new  
members:**

Blanca Anderson  
Paulette Fletcher  
Norri Hennagin  
Tina Kelly



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# Last Meeting's Highlights

## The VIQ 2021 Very Important Quilter Award went to.... Mary Howland!

*By Sue Glass*

Mary's contributions to FG:

When the COVID 19 Pandemic began, Mary proposed an informal "Sew-in" twice a week on Zoom so that our members could stay in touch with each other during the lockdown. Two years later the Sew-Ins continue with Mary's expert management. They have been invaluable in keeping our membership together and have developed a real following.

Mary has served on the Philanthropy Committee for several years. This year when the committee chair was unable to participate, Mary stepped up and took on the management of this important work, ensuring we continue to have a wonderful philanthropy effort alive in our guild. This program includes not only monthly in-person get togethers at our local quilt shop, Orange Quilt Bee, but a vast network of members producing quilts, baby items, pillow cases, placemats, and many other items at home.

Mary has served on the Quilt Show Committee, and in 2019 (our last show before the pandemic) she chaired the Hospitality room, making sure there was plenty of refreshments for our workers and vendors. She was there all weekend long, so we always had a great place to rest a bit and food to keep us going.

Mary belongs to several Friendship Groups who produce auction quilts and other items for our quilt shows and quilt auctions. These quilts and items help fund the work of our guild both internally and in our local community. She also keeps an eye on speakers and workshops at other guilds and lets our membership know about opportunities to see speakers and take workshops that they otherwise may not know about.

## Welcome Your New 2022-2033 FG Board Members!





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# Monthly Creations

## Just in Time for Valentine's Day...



**Eileen Wintemute** was the lucky winner of the Monthly Creation drawing!

This sweet little mini quilt was made by Judy Dimmick, and the doll and Valentine candy were donated anonymously.

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# You are Needed!

*By Linda Nitzen*

Our guild has a few valuable open positions to fill. Please look at the list and see if you have the skills to fill one of these duties. Volunteering is a great way to make friends. If you need more information regarding a position, you can reach out to either Linda Nitzen, Mary Lu Booker, Darla Cox, or Michelle Howe.

And remember, many hands make light work.

**Community Education** — Coordinates special events like the O.C. Fair table, Tustin Area Home and Garden Tour, and the Heritage House events. The job asks members to lend quilts for event decorations, and makes schedules for the O.C. Fair.

**Birthdays** — Finds items to distribute for guild member's birthday month.

**Photographer** — Takes photos with either a phone camera or 35mm camera at the guild meetings, then sends those photos to the Newsletter chairperson.

**Quilt Show 2023 Chair** – This job can be done by a well-organized individual or distributed between members of a friendship group. All members are expected to help with this job in one way or another, but we need a leader.

Thank you for considering one of these positions!



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# 2022—2023 Flying Geese Quilters Guild

## Officers and Committees

### Executive Board

President	Linda Nitzen
1st Vice President	Joanne Florence
2nd Vice President	Bonnie Bennett
Secretary	Carol Moore
Treasurer	Fay Kerneen

### Standing Committees

Community Education	_____
Membership	Gina Whitelaw
Newsletter	Cindy Sutherland and Becky Reed
Parliamentarian	Mary Lu Booker and Darla Cox
Philanthropy	Jeanne Stone

### Special Committees

Advertising	Julia Renaud
Auction	Sandy Sutton and Joanne Florence
Birthdays	_____
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Library	Michelle Howe
Little Red Hen	Cindy Kruse
Monthly Creation	Cindy Hinds and Roseann Tennison
Opportunity Quilt	
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2023 Quilt Show Chair	_____
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# Our Next Meeting

Monday

March 14, 2022

**6:30 PM**

**In Person and Via Zoom**

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**Meeting Location:**

Jeffrey Trail Middle School

155 Visions

Irvine, CA 92620

The meeting will be held in the Multi-Purpose room.

The front of the school is a series of white arches. The entrance to the Multi-Purpose room is to the left of the main school entrance under the white arches.

**Please be kind to those sensitive to perfumes, and refrain from wearing your fragrances to the Guild meeting.**



- Come to the meeting
- Check in at the Membership Desk
- Wear your Name Tag
- Introduce yourself to someone new
- Carpool with a buddy
- Bring Show & Tell projects to share
- Sign up for a Workshop
- Volunteer

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