



January 2021

# Northern Lights

A Publication of North Cities Quilt Guild

Monday January 25th  
ZOOM MEETING  
Meeting Information will be emailed

JANUARY SPEAKER:

**Ann Turley**

## “The Challenge of a Challenge”

What makes entering a quilt challenge challenging? How do you get started?

Ann is a quilter and fiber artist living in San Diego, CA. She enjoys creating original pieces and has been juried into many prestigious events, including Road to California and several SAQA exhibitions. She loves to share her knowledge and expertise in telling a story with fabric and other textiles.

[www.annturley.info](http://www.annturley.info)



### Dates to Remember

- January 25th—Guild Meeting
- February 22nd—Guild Meeting
- February 23rd—Workshop “Cross Play”





## Presidents Message

Wishing you a Happy New Year! North Cities Quilting Guild has lined up a full program for this coming year. We will continue to provide programs and workshops on Zoom. Please check out the list of programs in our newsletter. You can easily sign up for more than one workshop at a time. Just know we look forward to meeting in person!

The Christmas Stockings give-away program was highlighted in the January 2021 Edition of the Fullerton Observer featuring Martha Ruiz. Under the leadership of Martha Ruiz, over 500 Christmas Stockings were sewn and distributed to the Crittenden Home. NCQG has much to celebrate! Thanks to all who contributed to our Christmas Stocking Drive. We give a special thanks for Martha's dedication and leadership to this worthwhile program. A shout out to Judie Dee for her work as Chair of Public Relations for our guild.

Thanks for your support of NCQG's Mini Jingle Mingle. It was a great SUCCESS! A heartfelt thanks goes to Joanne Burkhart and Susan Lee for orchestrating a delightful Jingle Mingle in December. The program included Opportunity Drawings, light refreshments individually packaged, and plenty of games. We had a Sing-a-long and a Best Attire Contest. We even included door prizes. Thanks also to Doreen Job, Mary Fitzgerald, Holly Lopes, Betty Getchell, Helene Born, Gail Mitchell, Debi Hanna, Becky Sproal, Rita Jones, and Lin Baesler who contributed to the success of our event. The Mini Jingle Mingle was well attended with over 50 people in attendance. More than 12 quilts were part of the Opportunity Drawings. Members were able to pick up their membership cards, yearbooks, and a free quilt book, *Dual Personalities*, authored and graciously donated by our own member, Ricki Bremer.

The Opportunity Quilt, "Carolina Lily and Friends," is ready to be shared. Members ticket packages were distributed at our Jingle Mingle. If you did not attend, please feel free to contact Becky Sproal to make arrangements to pick them up. We have a golden opportunity for us to share this quilt with our family and friends. Some of our members have purchased extra tickets and included tickets as part of a gift. Great idea, Holly Lopes!

The January meeting on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> will feature guest speaker Ann Turley. Her lecture title is "The Challenge of a Challenge." Ann will entertain us with her Trunk Show and will surely encourage us as we start this year ready to meet the "Challenges" of 2021. Road to California is providing us access to their vendor list so if you usually purchase items at this event, be sure to check it out. Classes will be available on Zoom. The Show and Tell program is up and running for our regular meetings. Be sure to take a picture of your quilts and send it to Helene Born so that we can have a slide show during our regular meetings. Please include the regular details about your quilts so we may add details to our monthly newsletter. If you are able to attend our meeting, we would be delighted to hear you share those details.

Block of the Month, a FUN activity, and our UFO Program are both available for participation. Please check out the newsletter for details. By now we have had time to finish some of our UFO's. Please share as we celebrate your successes! Looking forward to our next meeting!

Happy Quilting,

Betty Ann



# Philanthropy

2020 Year End fabric donations and Quilts from Guild Members and others that enabled us to donate. Much appreciated by all who received them.

Thank you for your support during the fabric sale. The support added up to \$360.

## **Guild Members Donations for the months of November and December**

*Goin' to Pieces Friendship group Quilt Donations:*

Holly Lopes	Gail Mitchell	Mary Fitzgerald
Laberta Malone	Anna Lee	Diane Fisher
Betty Ann Lawson	Ricki Bremer	Kathy Taylor
Ricki Bremer for donations from Trudy O'Neil (non guild member)		
Jenny Hurst	Vicki Johns	Susan Lee
Susan Lane for donations from Betty Ferraro (non guild member)		
Mary Lou Ripper	Kat Bloom	Doreen Job
Delores Gilbert	Shelly McGuine	

## **2020 Year End Donation summary:**

Quilts: 192

Pillow Cases: 100

Other items: 8 Onesies; 20 stuffed animals; yarn and fleece; masks

## **Donation sites:**

Living Well Pregnancy Center	Hillcrest Assitive living	
Orangewood	HIS HOUSE	CAST
Threads of Love	WTLC	Ca Fire Victims
MOMs	Crittenton	Linus Project
St Joseph Hospital	Anaheim Family Justice	

Fabric donations from members and others during has allowed us to provide material for Stockings, Pillow cases and Quilts. Member and others have donated over 15 boxes of fabric. (we have much to do in 2021 with this fabric.)

# Philanthropy Cont'd

## Current Philanthropy Needs

- Quilters to finish the pieced quilts once the piecing is completed. Use of a long arm is not required. These are small baby quilts that will not take that much time. A walking foot on your domestic machine works.

We would love to recognize all of your efforts so please remember to put your name on your donations and completed quilts and kits that you drop of at either Rita's courtyard or my porch.

Looking forward to a great 2021. Hope you all stay safe and look forward see you all soon.

Paulette

## UFO Challenge

Sign up for the UFO Challenge 20-21

Do you have any Projects that you've started and haven't quite completed yet? Here is a fun challenge for you. Sign up for the Guild's UFO Challenge and complete 5 projects this upcoming year. Excited to start? All you need to do is complete the UFO entry form with the names and descriptions of 5 projects that you would like to complete and turn it in with a \$10.00 entry fee (for prizes and supplies). Mail the entry to me at 400 N. Basque Ave., Fullerton, CA 92833 or, if we have any live events, you can give it to me there. Entries are accepted right up to the last turn in.

There will be five turn-ins from January to September 2021. When you submit a "completed" UFO (that means it has been quilted, bound and has an affixed label) by email with photos or at a live meeting (when we can hold them again) we will put in a ticket for that night's turn-in prize drawing. For your first turn-in, you will receive a participation ribbon with one button. You will also receive a participation button for each UFO completed. Turn-in months are January, March, June, July, September and online turn ins should be submitted by the Friday before the meeting. At the last turn-in, there will be a final drawing for everyone who has completed all 5 UFO's.

We have seven signed up and already and eight turn ins for January already!! You guys are busy!! Keep up the good work.

Blessings to you!

Holly Lopes

# Opportunity Quilt

Carolina Lily and Friends

We are off to a great start with this years Opportunity Quilt! 46% of our members picked up their tickets at the outstanding Mini Jingle Mingle. Our member participation increased last year to 55% and I feel this year will be even better. Thank you to those who picked up your tickets.

For those who missed the Jingle Mingle and need to collect their Opportunity Tickets, please contact me and we will make arrangements to get them to you.

Remember your friend and family birthdays with an Opportunity Quilt ticket enclosed. I use them as gift tags for my friendship group birthdays and many of my tickets end up in Australia in birthday cards. Who wouldn't want to deliver that package! (Once Covid-19 is gone).

Our annual Opportunity Quilt is a very important and easy fundraiser. The proceeds all go toward our fantastic speakers, workshops, and philanthropic endeavors.

Becky Sproal

## Zoom Information

### **Come Zoom With Us**

Ever since the pandemic took hold in March of 2020, I have constantly been using Zoom without any security issues. I did a little digging on Zoom's commitment to safety. In a blog post by Eric S. Yuan, the C.E.O. and Founder of Zoom, wrote in his "Message to Our Users" that "our chief concern, now and always, is making users happy and ensuring that the safety, privacy, and security of our platform is worthy of the trust you all have put in us." The blog post was written in April and the company has made several security updates since the blog post. However, exercising good judgement on what you bring to your computer through the internet is always wise. If the only thing preventing you from joining us on our monthly meetings is a concern about security - please take another look at current Zoom security information and then come join us for the fun!!!

Amy Estrada

\*Zoom blog/"Message to Our Users"/April 10, 2020/Eric S.Yuan/Zoom/[blog.zoom.US/a-message-to-our-users/](https://blog.zoom.us/a-message-to-our-users/)

## UFO Challenge 2020-2021

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As we have been doing in the past, you may submit the project you finish in any order from your list. You may bring in several projects to turn in at one time, no limit. Also, if need be, you may substitute a different project from your list at any turn-in.

UFO Challenge Turn-in months are **January, March, June, July, September**. via email not later than the Sunday before the meeting. Email to [hollylopes@yahoo.com](mailto:hollylopes@yahoo.com) photos of the front of the quilt and a label. I suggest you also provide a description suitable for Show and Tell, I will forward to our newsletter editor.

Come On Let's Get Some UFO's Off of Our "Wanna Finish" List. Challenge Yourself!! Questions? Contact Holly Lopes, 714-326-5555 or email [hollylopes@yahoo.com](mailto:hollylopes@yahoo.com)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

List Your Projects:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

Fill the Top and keep as a reminder for you

Fill the bottom mail it with your \$10.00 entry fee for the UFO Challenge 2020-21 to Holly Lopes, 400 N. Basque Ave., Fullerton, CA 92833. make your check out to North Cities Quilt Guild

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

List Your Projects:

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## FREE ZOOM WORKSHOP COMING THIS MARCH

Just when you thought nothing in life was free...your Guild is offering you a FREE – yes, FREE Zoom Workshop. Wait a minute! Yes, you read that right – FREE!

Want more information? Read on. The class will be held Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The class will be taught by Rita Jones. We will be making scrappy 6 ½ (unfinished) blocks that can be set in many different configuration. Best of all – it's a fun and easy block that will use up some of those scraps that seem to procreate in the night when no one is looking.

If you would like to participate, just sign up with Doreen Job via e-mail, just as you would any other Guild workshop. This workshop is listed a TBD on the Workshop Signup Sheet. You will receive a Zoom invitation the day before the workshop and a second invitation the day of the workshop. That's really all there is to it.

If you plan to participate, you can start gathering your scraps now. You will need:

- A variety of strips 1 ½" in width. Strips must be at least 10" in length. The block has so much potential. You can use different fabrics, solids, prints, same tone, scrappy – the sky is the limit.
- One 10" square of background fabric for each 4 blocks you want to make. This fabric can be all the same – or scrappy. It does not need to be a solid but must contrast with your scraps.

Here are a couple of examples that you can use to help you decide how many blocks you would like to make. Since each 10" square makes 4 blocks, you will need:

18 - 6 ½" blocks for an 18" x 36" table runner. You will also need 5 – 10" background squares or approximately 5/8 yards of one fabric.

72 – 6 ½" blocks for a small lap quilt, approximately 48" x 54". You will also need 18 - 10" background squares or approximately 1 ½" yards of background fabric.

## Block Of The Month Jan 2021

This years BOM 2021 will be Novelty Blocks. Many times they will coincide with a Holiday for that month. Reminder that the BOM is an opportunity to use your stash. I will provide the main fabric as supplies last. As always I am here to help: provide fabric, drop off material and pick up completed blocks. Thank you all for participating.

**Make up to 5 for the BOM raffle.**

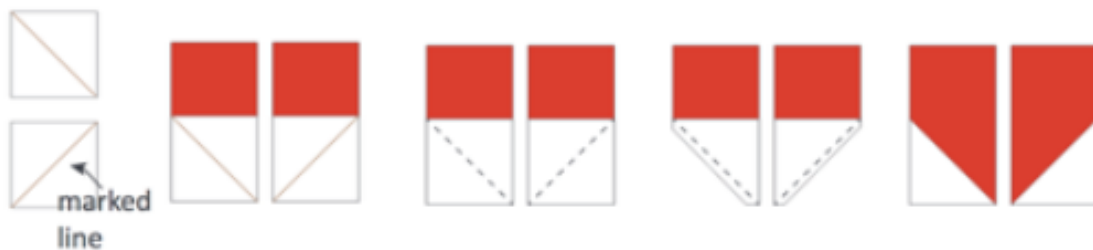
Block size is 10"

Heart Material: Cut 2- 5 1/2 x 10 1/2 inch rectangles

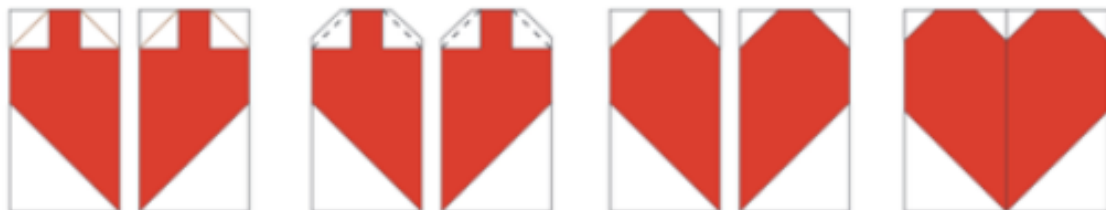
Background Material: Cut 2- 5 1/2 inch squares

Cut 4- 2 inch squares

1. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of both large background squares from corner to corner. Place the large squares on the bottom of the heart material rectangles right sides together, with the marked lines as shown. Sew on the lines. Trim the corners leaving 1/4", and press the seams open.



2. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of each background small square. Place the squares on the top of the print strips right sides together, with the marked lines as shown below. Sew on the lines, trim the corners leaving 1/4", and press seams open.



Sew the two halves of the heart block right sides together. Press seam open.  
Your Heart Block is done!



# Happy Birthday!

KATH FINCH	Jan 09
MARY FITZGERALD	Jan 18
VIRGINIA HENDRA	Jan 20
JENNY HURST	Jan 26
NEDRA KIPP	Jan 28
GINNY KING	Jan 30



## Share and Care

Fern Plett is coming home from the hospital.

Marcia Pittman broke her arm in this Fall season but continues to do her longarm quilting!

Best wishes from the guild for a speedy recovery for both members!

**FOR SALE!**



I'm selling a featherweight 221 model for a friend. Asking \$350.00. Excellent condition. Just serviced by Lloyd Askew. Please call or text **Norma Holland** at 714-331-5687 if you're interested

# Virtual Show and Tell



<— Gail Mitchell

This is my "Corona Roses" quilt. I tried really hard not to start a new quilt during this pandemic but couldn't stop myself. I had the pattern and materials for several years and really enjoyed making it.

—> Gail Mitchell

This quilt was completed by the Going to Pieces Friendship Group from Dona Wilson's collection of "Bits 'n' Pieces '16-'17. It will be donated to Philanthropy.



<— Rita Jones

This is called The Magic of Christmas. A pattern by primitive gatherings.

—> Rita Jones

This was a house block exchange with a group who call themselves the "Friendsies".

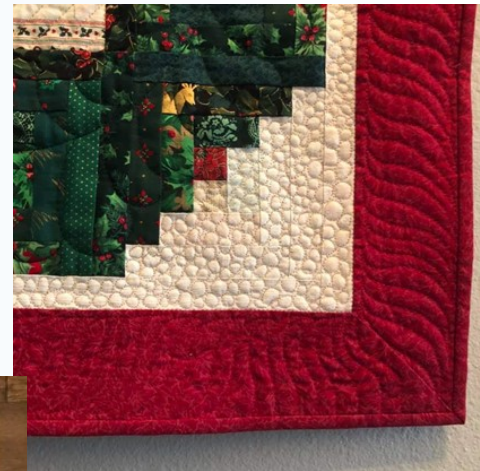


# Virtual Show and Tell

Gina Whitelaw:

I finally finished this Eleanor Burns Log Cabin Christmas Wreath that I started in 1994. I guess I should have centered the label!

Turning in as a UFO



Gina Whitelaw:

^ Eight days late, but finished. This pattern is call Crazy Christmas Trees by Karla Alexander. Published by Cut Loose Press. I did a few little tweaks to the pattern to make it work better for me. If you are going to do this pattern I can tell you the changes I did.

# Virtual Show and Tell

Charline Berg:

Finished a few more quilts in this lockdown time and working on more.

Finished had binding this one last night (1/4/21) Emily in MT did her fantastic job of machine quilting. Pattern Perfect Union from Edyta Sitar's Laundry Basket quilts. Took a while putting that one together.

Followed Alex Anderson's free classes on Facebook and made blocks. Saw lots of different ways to set them but decided on this one. Have another setting pattern in mind I would like to do by making more blocks but always a time element to consider. Emily did special custom quilting on this one.



This is a fun class project in Larene's Friday morning Free Adult Ed Zoom class. Table runner I have already quilted and given away. Used popular Kaffe Fassett material. His style of material had to grow on me and now I like it.

This I put together with leftover scraps, quilted straight lines and now owned by a little boy. I need t use up more leftover fabric.



# Virtual Show and Tell

Rita Jones

This is a combination of two patterns. My first attempt a “modern” quilt. Quilted by Sandie Cochran. Here are the close ups of the quilting detail



Rita Jones

Learning to do my own quilting.



# UFO's

Karen Thomas completed 3 quilts for UFO:

Hexie Garden Wall Hanging  
Psychedelic Cats  
Shining Like Stars



# UFO's

Gail Mitchell:

Here is a picture of my Jan. UFO. I embroidered and hand quilted the snowmen blocks and channel machine quilted the alternate blocks and border. I really enjoyed this "Bird Brain Designs" embroidery pattern which was a gift from Laberta.



Laberta Malone (below)

This quilt is called Jelly Roll Diamonds. As label says it is a pattern from Fig Tree Quilts. I am sure I bought it on one of the quilt shop hops I have done over the past few years. Had lots of jelly rolls laying around and decided to finally start using them.

Used stash to fill in rest of it. I am about out of neutral backgrounds so I may have to make a trip to M&L to pick up some folds off the rack. It measures 62x64" and as you can see it is my #5 in my COVID-19 series.

As usually Marcia did a bang up job. I have gifted it to my really nice beautician who has been taking care of me

for years. As all beauty shops, they are having a rough time. Just wanted her to know I was thinking of her.



# Recipes

I have been asking our presenters to share a favorite recipe of theirs. On the days when you just want to quilt, quilt, quilt, these are their favorite recipes for you to try!

~ Doreen Job

Recipe from Master Quilter Ann Turley:

## **Instant Pot Green Enchilada Chicken Soup**

- \*2.5 lbs of boneless skinless Chicken Breasts or thighs
- \*28 oz can of Green Enchilada sauce
- \*24oz of Chicken broth
- \*1 Cup half and half or heavy whipping cream
- \* 2 Cups Monterey jack cheese
- \*4 oz cream cheese, cubed at room temp (cut very small cubes!)
- \*4oz Green Salsa ( salsa verde)
- \*Salt and Pepper to taste

1. In Instant Pot add Chicken breasts or thighs, green enchilada sauce and chicken broth...cook on high pressure for 15 minutes. Do a quick pressure release.
2. Remove Chicken and Shred. Add shredded chicken, Jack Cheese, Cream Cheese, 1/2 and 1/2 and green salsa to Instant Pot, stirring until cheeses are melted. Add additional salsa for taste if so-desired.
3. Top with sliced avocado, cilantro, green onion and sour cream and crushed tortilla chips.

This recipe makes about 8 large servings, enough for leftovers.



# Recipes

Recipe from Master Quilter Lenie Bosman

## **Refried Bean Soup With 6 Cans**

1 chopped onion

1 chopped green pepper

2 teaspoons minced garlic

1—14 ½ oz. can veggie or chicken broth

(Lenie uses about 11 oz. Because she likes the soup thicker)

1—14 ½ oz. can Mexican style stewed tomatoes

1— 15 ½ oz. can black beans – rinsed

1— 15 ½ oz. can red kidney beans – rinsed

1— 16 oz. can refried beans

1— 15 oz. cream-style corn

¼ — 1/2 teaspoon cumin

¼ —teaspoon oregano

Black pepper to taste

Add all above ingredients to a soup pot. Stir well. Bring to a boil, then simmer for 5-7 minutes and stir occasionally. Serves 4-6.

If she has time and it is not too hot to turn on the oven, Lenie likes to add cornbread.

# Guild Meetings (Overview)

We meet on the fourth Monday of each month, January through November (dark in December and May), at the:

**Placentia Presbyterian Church, in Key Center.  
849 North Bradford, Placentia, CA 92870**

6:30pm - Social time, refreshments, library, opportunities, block exchange and more

7:00pm - Welcome, Business Meeting, Program, Show and Tell and Door prizes and other drawings

Monday January 25th	Ann Turley Lecture "Out on a Limb"		
Monday February 22nd	Dale Allen Rowse—The Quilting Cowboy	Tuesday February 23rd	Workshop "Cross Play"
Monday March 22nd	Mary Anne Skorpanich Temperature Quilts	Tuesday March 23rd	Free Workshop with Rita Jones
Monday April 26th	Laura Fraga	Tuesday April 27th	"Beginning Applique/ Adventures in Ap-
May	No Meeting	May TBD	May Luncheon
Monday June 28th	Grace Eerrea	Tuesday June 29th	"Virtual Birds"
Monday July 26th	Lori De Jarnett	July 27th & August 2nd	"String Quilts Your Way"
Monday August 23rd	Meeting	Saturday August 28th	Quilt Retreat
Monday September 27th	Meeting		
Monday October 25th	Becky McDaniel	Tuesday October 26th	Workshop "Crazy Cushion"

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Do you have something you would like included in the newsletter? Let me know! All articles should be submitted by the 5th of the month. Please submit to: [j.marcia@gmail.com](mailto:j.marcia@gmail.com)