A Publication of North Cities Quilt Guild

Monday March 22nd
ZOOM MEETING
Meeting Information will be emailed


## Mary Anne Skorpanich

At our monthly Guild Zoom meeting on Monday March 22nd, we will have a guest lecturer.
Mary Anne Skorpanich. Mary Anne will present a new idea to most of us:
"TEMPERATURE" quilts. You can Google this concept and see the beautiful colors these quilts contain! Mary Anne has been president and program chair for the Orange County Modern Quilt Guild. She is happy to share her ideas with us!

Dates to Remember

- March 22nd- Guild Meeting. Speaker Mary Anne Skorpanich
- March 23rd— Workshop with Rita Jones!
- April 26th—Guild Meeting
- April 27th - Beginning Applique Workshop



## MARCH 23, 2021 A FREE ZOOM WORKSHOP WITH OUR OWN RITA JONES!!



Hi ladies! I'm so excited to be teaching again-and to be teaching a quilt pattern that helps us use up our scraps and turn them into something beautiful!

If asked my most tried and true quilting tips, they would be:

1. The importance of a uniform $1 / 4$ " seam allowance.
2. Pressing every seam before joining units.
3. Measuring borders to fit your quilt top rather than just sewing them on and cutting off the extra. Just as I know that no one likes to see my flabby underarms waving in the breeze, I don't want to see my quilt borders waving either!

I also am a big fan of starch! While we all have our favorite brand, I know its tempting to cut corners and not starch. Then I remember how much better my project will turn out, and how much easier it will be if I can eliminate some of the fabric stretch.

In case you don't know me, here's a little personal history. I have lived in Placentia, in the house with the "friendly" courtyard for 34 years, having moved here from Washington state. We have 2 children - a boy and a girl - and they each have two children - a boy and a girl.

I worked at Brea Olinda high school for 19 years as a secretary to an Assistant Principal. Our area of responsibility was Activities and Facilities. I counted tons of money over those years (think yearbooks and prom tickets) , in addition to going to "camp" with the student council every summer at UC Santa Barbara. It was a really fun job. However, with the birth of my granddaughter and helping with her and then with her brother, was even better!

After I retired, I worked one day a week and began teaching at Cozy Cottage in Brea. I soon learned how kind and sharing my fellow quilters are, and still keep in touch with many of those same ladies today.

I started attending NCQG soon after the guild was formed. Once again, I have been privileged to meet some wonderful, and generous fellow quilters. You ladies are THE BEST.

I hope you'll join me at the free zoom class on Tuesday, March 23rd. Feel free to come and go as your schedule permits.
The quilt is an easy one, so everyone will be successful, and I'll look forward to seeing your completed projects at show and tell.

YOU NEED TO REGISTER IN ADVANCE for Rita's Workshop!
Email your intent to attend to Doreen Job at: driob123@gmail.com You will be added to the Zoom list.


Wondering if you want to take Rita's class on March $23^{\text {rd }}$ ? Here's what we are making! Tons of ways to set these blocks and clean out lots of scraps.

## Preparation for the Free Workshop on March 23

If you plan to participate, you can start gathering your scraps now. You will need:
 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 $1 /{ }^{\prime \prime}$ " blocks for an $18^{\prime \prime} \times 36^{\prime \prime}$ table runner. You will also need $5-10^{\prime \prime}$ background squares or approximately $5 / 8$ yards of one fabric.
$72-61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ blocks for a small lap quilt, approximately $48^{\prime \prime} \times 54$ ". You will also need 18-10" background squares or approximately $1 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}$ yards of background fabric.

## Presidents Message

Spring is in the air! Hope that you are enjoying our springtime weather. I know that the sunshine always rejuvenates me and motivates me to walk often and still sew. During sewing days, it's good to stop and stretch, drink some water, and rest your eyes! My son is always reminding me to drink water!

Our March meeting, Monday, March 22, is going to be fun with our guest speaker, Mary Ann Skorpanich, who will be talking about Temperature Quilts. This has become a popular quilt design concept for both Modern and Traditional Quilters. Even if you would not make one, it's fascinating to see the creative minds of quilters.

Rita Jones will be presenting a free workshop on Tuesday, March 23. If you have not attended a Zoom workshop, sign up for this one with Doreen Job. See newsletter for details.

If you would like to participate in NCQG Facebook page, one of the board members can invite you to be a member. Let us know. This is a closed Facebook page, opened to members only.

Need a warmup sewing activity each morning before you begin your own project? Think about picking up a philanthropy quilt project at Rita Jones or Paulette Fletcher's homes. If you would like to add binding, we have quilts that just need binding. Think about it!

Hope to see you soon!

Happy Quilting,
Betty Ann


## Philanthropy

Hope all have been well. Because of your time and effort contributing to the completion of our quilts and pillowcases our Donation Centers have been very happy.

Please find attached the Donation Center grid for quarter 1 donations. We reset the goals from monthly to quarterly and very attainable for this guild. If you have any questions please let me know.

## Philanthropy Participants: (those we know)

| Marlene Kelly | Vicki Johns | Fran Mathews |
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| Ricki Bremer | Shelly McGuine Lin Baesler |  |
| Delores Gilbert | Anna Lee for Althea Smith |  |
| Right Sides Together Friendship group: Quilts of Valor |  |  |
| Mary Lou Ripper, Jenny Hurst, Gina Whitelaw, Gail Mitchell, Mary Fitzgerald, Verna Wheeler, |  |  |
| Teresa Malinowski. |  |  |

## New Projects:

Placemat kits will become available in March. The pattern will be included as well as fabric. But if you want to dive into your stash you are welcome to do this. Our goal is to provide MOW in Yorba Linda twice a year as set of 35-50 placemats.

Pillowcase kits for children will become available in March. If you have never made these pillowcases they are really easy. The fabric is fun and bright. Tammy Messmann has these kits, please contact her. Once available I will have them at my porch basket.

## Current Philanthropy Needs

- There are a number of quilts that need binding. And a number of kits to be pieced. These are at both Rita Jones and my home porches.

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

Our UFO Challenge goes on!!! We may be challenged by this pandemic in many ways but we can still sew and complete projects!!! We had 13 quilts turned in virtually for the January Meeting (first turn in) and the prize winner for our drawing was Gina Whitelaw. Buttons and ribbons will still be awarded and if we are not meeting in person by September, I will drop ribbons at Rita's after each turn in and mail buttons to each participant according to their turn ins. Watch for them in the mail.

Our next virtual turn in will be March 22. This will be \#2 for this year's challenge so get on it!!! Virtual turn in is when you email me photos of the finished quilt with a photo of the label and a description. I suggest that you send it to me with a blurb suitable for Show and Tell. I can then forward to Marcia for our newsletter virtual Show and Tell also. And you can then publish the photo and description on the guild group Facebook page to inspire us all!!

Sew on my dear friends, sew on!!!
Blessings to you!
Holly Lopes

## Door Prizes

Door Prize winners at our February 22 zoom guild meeting were:

Paulette Fletcher-6 Blue Fat Quarters
Cathy Koehm - 6 30's Reproduction Fat Quarters
Helen Born - 6 Pastel Fat Quarters
Norma Holland - 6 Floral Fat Quarters
Gina Whitelaw - 6 Peaches Fat Quarters
Trudy Techima - 6 Background Fat Quarters.

Congratulations!
~Norma

## Block Of The Month March 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.

## Tullps

Block size is $9^{\prime \prime}$


## cutting:

## $\square$ Color 1: one 2-1/2" x 10" strip AND one 2-7/8" x 11-1/2" strip

Color 2: one $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 7-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strip
Color 3 needs: one $3^{\prime \prime}$ x $9^{\prime \prime}$ strip AND one $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ strip AND one $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime}$ strip AND one $2-7 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times$ 11-1/2" strip

## Assembly:



Cut Color 1: $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ strip into four $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares


## Cut Color 2: $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 7-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strip into five $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares

Cut Color 3: $3^{\prime \prime} \times 9^{\prime \prime}$ strip into four $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles.
$1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 10^{\prime \prime}$ strip into four $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles
$1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{\prime \prime}$ strip into four $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares

Stack Color 1 and Color 3 2-7/8" $\times 11-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strips, right sides together, marking the $2-7 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ square lines, marking the diagonals in the directions shown at left, and then sewing $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ above and below the marked diagonals, pivoting at the 2-7/8" square lines. Cut apart ON the marked diagonals, and cut apart on the square lines as well. You will have eight half squares. Press seams to darker side. They should measure 2-1/2" ..


Sew together four pairs of Color $2 /$ Color 3 small squares, pressing seams towards the darker side. Sew Color 3 short rectangles to the tops of the square-pairs. Make two in each orientation shown at left


Sew the block's corner units: sewing a half square to each pieced square/rectangle unit. Sew another half square to the Color 1 squares. Sew these two new units together to make a corner. Make two of each of the corner units shown at far left, then piece the block as shown.

# April 27th, 2021 <br> Workshop With Laura Fraga 

"Beginning Applique"

Laura Fraga's workshop is called "Beginning Applique" but will be able to keep intermediate to advance students challenged too!

PLEASE: Email Doreen Job if you want to participate. Payments can be mailed to: NCQG,
P.O. Box 376,

Yorba Linda, CA 92885-0376



| MARILYN BARBOUR | Mar 04 |
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| LINDA MAGNUSON | Mar 08 |
| PAULETTE FLETCHER | Mar 09 |
| MARIAN GIBSON | Mar 16 |
| CAROL PANKOW | Mar 17 |
| KAT BLOOM | Mar 18 |
| DARLENE COVINGTON | Mar 19 |
| DOROTHY MEURS | Mar 21 |

## Share and Care

Holly Lopes will be having hand surgery on April 6th to fix the severe arthritis at the base of her right thumb. She would appreciate our prayers for a speedy recovery and cards are such a wonderful way to show our love, care and support!!


## For sale sewing machines - AS IS

Janome HF 107, 17 stitch functions, SN 510046880, never opened, in box \$99

Singer Touch \& Sew machine in cabinet Model 600 E SN AP131799? with accessories \$195

Kenmore 8 stitch Model 15813450 SN 0048908 with foot pedal and attachments in large clamshell floral case $\$ 55$.

White Superlock Serger Model 734DW in case with accessories, manual and VHS workbook, SN $13003290 \$ 175$. Threads available for additional cost if desired - unopened cones.

White Quilters Friend 7 Stitch machine w foot pedal 1992. Model 221N SN 92005004 \$35

Viking Sweden Model 6030, approx 1960, in case with foot pedal and books. SN 1119889(HQ). \$149

Contact Holly Lopes if interested at 714-326-5555, hollylopes@yahoo.com

## Virtual Show and Tell



Gina Whitelaw: I finished another UFO. I made this quilt top on a quilting cruise in 2018. Glad to have it finished. The pattern is called Cool Zig Zag by Kaffe Fassett. It is from his Quilts in Italy book. 67" x 92" The template in the book is incorrect. Be sure to look up the errata if you want to make this quilt

Finished this in time to hang it up for Valentine's Day! I started this last October in the Twister workshop. It was done with the Lil' Twister template which has blocks that finish at $3^{\prime \prime}$. Quilt is $24^{\prime \prime} \times 24^{\prime \prime}$. Label is a bit hard to read since the backing is busy. Thanks to Anna Lee for sharing a charm pack with me!


Rita Jones:
Just finished quilting this darling quilt started in the Newbies friendship group. Hope you can tell the fish are swimming upstream!

## Virtual Show and Tell

Kat Bloom:

Quilt for my 11 month old grandson. Already gifted....he loved it!


## Laberta Malone:

One of those little postcard size patterns you see in the quilt shops. It is by Villa Rose Designs and called Soul Mate. Probably from Quilter's Cocoon in Riverside. Have had for a few years. Very quick to put together, just big ol' 16 patch blocks. It's about $75 \times 96$ ". Again used my stash and incorporated leftovers on back. Quilting done by Cindy Kruse. It's my COVID-19 \#8 quilt.


## Virtual Show and Tell

10 more to go to Martha. Vicki, does that last one on the right look familiar? Yep, it is from your panels. Also used some stuff from those in the one on the left 2nd row.


Paulette Fletcher:
Here is my second UFO for this year. It is a Judy Neidermeyer medallion with blocks I added to make the quilt larger. I quilted it myself by marking, some free motion, and ruler work.

This is for my daughter.


## Virtual Show and Tell

## Trudy Teshima:

Bound for a Blue Ribbon in batiks. Mystery pattern by Debbie Caffrey which we did with our friendship group the Kalikoh Gals.

Quilted by Alicia Campbell (the Batty Lady)


Modern Basic from Charm School book Vanessa Goertzen. Quilted by Alicia Campbell (the Batty Lady)


A gift my for my granddaughter Lauren. Hugs and kisses. Charming Baby quilts book by Melissa Corry Fabric was a gift from Paulette Fletcher. Quilted by Alicia Campbell (The Batty Lady)


## Virtual Show and Tell

Helene Born:
My valentine quilts. Pattern from quick and easy romantic quilts book by Sandy Berry.
The pink and lavender one I gave to my sister-in-law Terri. The blue one is still in my house but it ready for a new owner.


Mississippi Memories pattern by Toby Lischko but I called it Sweet Memories. I had this collection for a while, so pleased with the final results. I also quilted this one.

Gifted to my church friend Carol Yee.


## 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 March 22nd | Mary Anne Skorpanich Temperature Quilts | Tuesday March 23rd | Free Workshop with Rita Jones |
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| Monday <br> April 26th | Laura Fraga | Tuesday <br> April 27th | "Beginning Applique/ Adventures in Applique" |
| 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 <br> August 28th | Quilt Retreat |
| Monday September 27th | Meeting |  |  |
| Monday October 25th | Becky McDaniel | Tuesday October 26th | Workshop "Crazy Cushion" |

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