



## Needle & Thimble News



### President's Message

"We're having a heat wave, a tropical heat wave!" I still crack up when I think of the movie "Grumpy Old Men!" Anyway I hope everyone is staying healthy, productive and cool during this heat wave.

The August organizational and budget meeting was very animated and we had great results. The budget was sent by email to members with explanations. No questions were raised after distribution so I believe we'll be ready to ratify by vote during our first official Zoom meeting September 8<sup>th</sup>, 7pm.

Christy Sprecco has set up several successful practice meetings so we should all be able to join in this momentous meeting! However, if you're still having trouble connecting, please contact Christy; she's a wealth of information and help. Also, send her photos of your summer work for Show N Tell. We hope our members will take advantage of our Zoom meetings so we can stay in touch until we're able to meet again in person.

During the September meeting we'll hear from leaders of each activity. They'll be letting us know how their project will be managed. I applaud their ingenuity during this challenging time! Please refer to the updated positions list and contact the leader if you have questions in a specific area.

Kathy Barnes  
President

### ***CUDDLE QUILT UPDATE***

At this time the YWCA is not taking donations, so please hang on to your cuddle quilts until I get word that they are able to accept them. .

If you need any cuddle quilt supplies, please contact me and we can arrange a pick up from my front porch.

Tanya Althof

## Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Board Meeting August 25, 2020

**Attendance:** Kathy Barnes, Kathy Manuel, Lorna Bisson, Connie Smith, Candi Ravenscraft, Christy Sprecco, Beth Van Gelder, Jean Zuniga, Peggy Jencks

**Meetings:** Our goal is to keep the guild going. Options were discussed - Renette Center outside, someone's house/yard if big enough, cancel meetings altogether. It was decided to use Zoom to hold meetings. Christie Sprecco has an account and offered send out links for on-line training and to hold training sessions for members to get comfortable with this venue.

**Monthly BOM:** Lorna Bisson volunteered to coordinate this. Proposed way of handling this will be to have the pattern in the newsletter, show the block at the Zoom meeting, save blocks until we have an actual meeting to have a drawing and giveaway.

**Seasonal Opportunity Quilt:** We'll try to do the same with this; people will sign up to create but hold on to them until the actual in-person meeting.

**Show 'n Tell:** Pictures of projects can be sent in, a slide show will be created, and members can tell about their quilts.

**Projected 2020/2021 budget:** The budget was presented by Connie Smith and discussed. With income and expenses mostly unknown due to the quarantine circumstances, the estimated expenses are greater than income. This is permissible by State ruling as long as our reserves can cover the difference. The Board agreed that spending into our reserve during this unusual time may be required in order to maintain our guild. Kathy Barnes will check with the Rec Center re: refund or prorated costs for the room.

**Membership:** The board agreed that membership dues would remain the same. The membership form will be mailed to members and they will be asked to mail the form and a check to the PO Box and Connie Smith will collect.

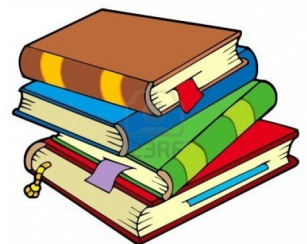
**Annual Opportunity Quilt:** \$20 of the \$50 membership dues will be for tickets for the Annual Opportunity Quilt that members can sell. A flyer will be published to assist members in selling tickets.

**Fundraising:** No auctions are planned at this time. Further discussions needed to see if we will be able to participate in the Summers Past Craft Fair.

**Advertisement:** Christy Sprecco is contacting previous and potential advertisers.

**Speakers:** Poll results were reviewed, and Kathy Manuel will present at the September meeting. The speakers that have been set up will be contacted to see if they are still teaching and if they will be able to accommodate Zoom meetings. Beth Van Gelder will contact future potential speakers> She has noticed from speaker's websites that most will be able to accommodate Zoom or have their own website venue to classes. Will work with teachers/speakers for best venue to have workshops. To encourage membership renewal, it was agreed that the first workshop will be offered for free to all members. Also discussed possibility of offering workshop slots to non-guild members.

Submitted by Lorna Bisson, Secretary



Check out our fabulous library by accessing  
online <https://sunshinequilter.libib.com>

## Sunshine Quilters of San Diego 2020/2021 Positions

President	Kathy Barnes
1st Vice President	Kathy Manuel
2nd Vice President	Beth Van Gelder
Secretary	Lorna Bisson
Treasurer	Connie Smith
Door Prizes	Connie Smith
Membership	Sherry Necochea
Membership Assistant	Pam Davis
Cuddle Quilt Coordinator	Tanya Althof
Parliamentarian	Jennifer Phillips
Newsletter Editor	Candi Ravenscraft
Assistant Editor	Carol Santos
Mailbox Info table	Carol Santos
Website	Christy Sprecco
Advertising	Christy Sprecco
Librarian	Leslie Holben
Hospitality/Refreshments	Peggy Jencks
Directory	Karen Collin
Meeting Room Manager	Kathy Barnes/Connie Smith
Retreat Coordinator	Candi Ravenscraft
Secret Pal Coordinator	Susan Cox
Guardian of 20/21 Opportunity Quilt & Tickets	Susan Cox
20/21 Opportunity Quilter	Karen Collin
Fund Raising (Ways & Means) Committee Lead	Jennifer Phillips
Fund Raising Committee Assistant (1)	Lorna Bisson
Fund Raising Committee Assistant (2)	Candi Ravenscraft
Fund Raising Committee Assistant (3)	Carol Santos
21/22 Opportunity Quilt Planning Coordinator	Pam Davis
21/22 Opportunity Quilt Planning Assistant	Jean Zuniga
Challenge Coordinator	Sandi Delman
Historian/Meeting Photographer	(Still Needed)
SCCQG Representative	(Still Needed)
Monthly Block of the Month <b>Coordinator</b>	Lorna Bisson
September BOM Assignment	TBD
October BOM Assignment	TBD
November BOM Assignment	TBD
December BOM Assignment	TBD
January BOM Assignment	TBD
February BOM Assignment	TBD
March BOM Assignment	TBD
April BOM Assignment	TBD
May BOM Assignment	TBD
Seasonal Opportunity Quilt <b>Coordinator</b>	Teresa Keane
September/October Quilt Donor	Jean Zuniga & Christy Sprecco
November/December Quilt Donor	TBD
January/February Quilt Donor	TBD
March/April Quilt Donor	TBD
May/June Quilt Donor	TBD



## 2020 – 2021 Opportunity Quilt “Down the Rabbit Hole”

92" X 92"

Design by Sarah Fielke ~ Custom Quilted by Robin Ruiz



**1 Opportunity Ticket ~ \$1.**

**6 Opportunity Tickets ~ \$5.**

Proceeds support Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Quilt Guild

**Drawing June 8, 2021 ~ Thank you for your Support**

A very special Thank You to Carolyn Matthias for donating her prize-winning quilt as our Opportunity Quilt for this year!



Information for this year's challenge coming soon!



Sunshine Quilters of San Diego meets the second Tuesday of each month (Sept-June) at Renette Park at 935 South Emerald Ave., El Cajon. New members are always encouraged, dues are \$50 per year, which includes \$20 worth of Opportunity Quilt tickets. Guests are welcome at \$5 a visit. Doors open at 6:30 pm, meetings begin at 7:00 pm.

For more information please visit our website at: [www.Sunshinequilters.com](http://www.Sunshinequilters.com)



# ZOOMing

## Into 2020-2021

By Christy Sprecco

Well it's clear we can't meet in person for a while, but Kathy Manual and Beth Van Gelder have such great meetings planned so it's a shame to postpone anymore. I don't know about the rest of you- but I miss our gatherings, and most especially the speaker & sharing portion.

In comes Zoom. By now many of you have likely been using some kind of video conferencing tool, whether it's facetime, FB Messenger, Zoom, Teams, etc. to connect with friends and loved ones. Zoom is a tool that many people have gotten to know, and it works well for the kinds of meetings we have.

Joining a meeting is as simple as clicking on the link that you will receive in an email. You can join from a computer, tablet or your phone. The first time you join from a computer, you may have to click to allow a file download – it's a simple plug in for your Internet browser. Then you'll be prompted to enter your name – please type your first and last name so we know who attended.

Once you're joined, you can turn on your video (or don't if you prefer not to). If your computer doesn't have video that's ok. If you find you are not hearing anyone speaking, try clicking on the audio option at the bottom of the screen to see if you need to change audio source (speakers, headset etc.). If worse comes to worse, you can also dial in on the number provided from your phone so you can watch from computer (or tablet) but listen on your phone.

During the speaker presentations I will mute the audience, so we don't get background noise. When the speaker is ready for questions, I'll show you how to "raise your hand" so we know to unmute you for a question.

We've decided to try to have our sharing session via Zoom as well. Would ask that you email me a picture of your quilt ([christyquilting@gmail.com](mailto:christyquilting@gmail.com)) in advance of the meeting, by day before please. I will put them all into a slide show, and then during the sharing session, I'll unmute the person sharing so you can share the details you would normally share at the meeting when your quilt is on the screen. If you don't think you can speak (equipment issues) you can also send me the narrative and I'll announce for you. I'm more than happy to help anyone in advance that would like to have a practice session. Just call or email me and I'll set something up.

Until we can meet in person, I wanted to provide helpful info on using ZOOM for our monthly meeting. If you have never used Zoom before, I'd encourage you to watch these 3 (short) videos for an overview:

- Basic Zoom tutorial – Joining a meeting: <https://youtu.be/hlkCmbvAHQQ>
- Setting up your computer for audio & video: <https://youtu.be/-s76QHshQnY>
- Basic Controls for running the meeting: [https://youtu.be/ygZ96J\\_z4AY](https://youtu.be/ygZ96J_z4AY)

Here are some **PRACTICE** meetings I have set up:

### Wednesday, Sept 2, 6:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://massmutual.zoom.us/j/99507042219>  
Meeting ID: 995 0704 2219  
Passcode: 546538  
If you prefer to dial in to listen: 1-669-900-6833  
Enter Meeting Code: 99507042219# and password: 546538#

### Thurs, Sept 3, 4:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://massmutual.zoom.us/j/98925024869>  
Meeting ID: 989 2502 4869  
Passcode: 779545  
If you prefer to dial in to listen: 1-669-900-6833  
enter meeting code: 98925024869# and password: 779545#

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### September 8 Meeting Details:

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://massmutual.zoom.us/j/92356571972> (Click link from computer, tablet or phone to join)  
Meeting ID: 923 5657 1972  
Passcode: 535411 (you maybe prompted to enter this passcode)  
If you need to dial in for audio, dial 1-669-900-6833  
Meeting Number 9235651792#  
And Passcode 535411#

Feel free to call or text me with any issues you are having joining – 619-871-6223.

Christy Sprecco

Kathy Barnes completed a few projects completed this Summer



Jelly Roll Rug instructions from  
YouTube



"Sewquester" Project provided by Cozy  
Creative Center  
It has been quilted by Karen Collin since  
this photo.

Candi Ravenscraft

# MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

## TOP TEN REASONS TO JOIN SUNSHINE QUILTERS OF SAN DIEGO:

- Inspiring speakers that are sure to challenge, encourage and give you great new ideas!
- Workshops at reduced membership rates!
- Two free guest passes!
- Library of quilting books always at your fingertips!
- Secret Pal possibilities!
- Free cookies and desserts!
- Door prizes, potlucks and auctions!
- A place to show off your projects to people who can REALLY appreciate all your hard work!
- New quilting friends!
- TO BE A PART OF THE BEST, MOST FRIENDLY GROUP OF QUILTERS EVER FOUND!!

Use the application below and mail to:

**CONNIE SMITH  
PO BOX 937  
ALPINE, CA 91903-0937**

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2020-2021  
SUNSHINE QUILTERS OF SAN DIEGO  
COST OF \$50 FOR A YEAR

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City, State & Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phones – Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell or Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Newsletter delivery by: USPS: \_\_\_\_\_ Or Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday (Month/Day): \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Committee Only:

Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ By Committee Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Check number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Cash: \_\_\_\_\_



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