



SUNSHINE QUILTERS
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President's Message

I've been working in the garden more than I've been in my quilt studio this last month. I did manage to quilt a top I bought at Lisa's sale this summer. I also layered a purchased vintage top. But wouldn't you know it, I am putting the last basting pins in and then notice that the top and bottom have a border but not the sides. (Actually, more sashing than border.) Well now what?! I think I can match the muslin and fabrics to add the side borders, but do I attempt to attach while the rest of it is still basted or do I have to take the whole thing apart. Or maybe it doesn't even need the side borders. What would you do? Sometimes I like to purchase tops just to practice my machine quilting. I also like to practice my quilting on the cuddle quilts we make. Remember to finish up your cuddle quilts to bring to the November meeting.

The Sunshine Quilters water bottles are supposed to be delivered October 3rd. Woohoo! So excited. I'll let you know when they arrive in case you want yours before the meeting on October 11th. Please bring all your sharing to this meeting. Can't wait to see what everyone has been working on this summer. Tanya will be talking to us about hand work and embellishing our projects. Now that is something I don't do very often. I'm looking forward to her talk. Also, our first workshop of the new year on October 15! Get signed up for that.

Good thing I started early on projects for the December Summers Past Farm Craft Fair, since yard projects got in the way this month. I've made a few large, embroidered burlap gift bags, free-standing lace ornaments for the tree and book pillows. I will likely make a few rope baskets because I was watching a YouTube on embroidering the inside bottom of the basket! How cool is that?! I'll bring a box or something where you can drop off any craft fair items if you don't have room to store until the Fair.

Also, I'll have a box or tote to collect for our live/silent auction at our December meeting. A friend gave me a serger 13 years ago. I've barely even looked at it. It needs to go in the auction so someone else can use it. Time to purge! Clean out your shelves, drawers and wherever else you keep your quilt supplies. And while you are purging start setting aside items for our yard sale early spring. (I will start collecting those items after the first of the year.) I saw a desk on the curb the other day and if it had fit in my car I would have brought it home for our yard sale.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting. Bring a friend!

Lorna Bisson

President



Patty Sprecco



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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

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Meeting Room Manager	Kathy Manuel
Retreat Coordinator	Karen Collin
Secret Pal Coordinator	Janet Harris
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Committee Member (2)	Sandi Miller
Committee Member (3)	Candi Ravenscraft
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October BOM	Cecilia Midgette
November BOM	Tanya Althof
December BOM	Pam Davis
January BOM	Christy Sprecco
February BOM	Jo Miller
March BOM	Nancy Tinker
April BOM	Jean Zuniga
May BOM	Marilyn Sidler
Seasonal Opportunity Quilt Coord	Cecilia Midgette
Sept/Oct	Jo Miller
Nov/Dec	Candi Ravenscraft
Jan/Feb	Sherri Necochea
March/April	Cecilia Midgette
May/June	Kathy Manuel

Cuddle Quilts

I will be bringing more kits for our meeting. The kits I currently have are for the "Wild Blue Yonder" airplanes and some more of the "Oh My Stars".

If you should need any labels backs or battings, please let me know ahead of time and I can bring them to the meeting also. Happy Fall Y'all and looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting.

Tanya Althof



Refreshment Reminder:

The following quilters have signed up to bring snacks to the October meeting:

Candi Ravenscraft

Christy Sprecco

Hallie McCoy

Debra Broyles



Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Minutes—September 13, 2022

Lorna opened the meeting and introduced the board members:

Kathy Manuel - Treasurer

Sherri Necochea - First Vice President

Christy Sprecco - Secretary

We welcomed six guests to the meeting and ice cream social (put on by Julie Dale and the board).

Kathy Manuel reviewed the budget, discussed fundraising ideas including Summer's Past, Quilt sales and a garage sale in the spring.

We will also be taking the annual opportunity quilt to Road of California and need 20 volunteer hours that day, in addition to the table selling tickets.

Lorna shared a sample and artwork for water bottles the guild will sell. With this effort, we will discontinue the practice of bringing water to the meetings - in an effort to be environmentally aware. The membership approved this effort.

We are looking to fill the following positions, with those who have recently chaired to help in the transition:

Second Vice President (work to arrange the speakers for the 2023-2024 year)

Librarian

Advertising Chair

Tanya will speak at the next meeting and will hold a workshop. Contact her to reserve a kit.

We will collect Cuddle Quilts in Nov - members are asked to supply at least 2 cuddle quilts for YWCA Becky's House.

Janet will lead Secret Pals and Christy will send out forms. (Note, Christy had the wrong address for Janet, if you sent a form - call Janet to make sure she got it or use the form Candi sent out recently.)

Kathy Barnes introduced the guild challenge.

Sherri asked for all members to donate items for Summers Past and to make ornaments for the Christmas Tree display.

We have 2 speakers willing to stay in smoke-free homes which saves the guild money. One needs space to bring her own gravity bed. Contact Sherri if you can help accommodate our speakers.

Christy Sprecco

Secretary





Row Quilt Workshop Project—October 20, 10am

Row Sampler Supply List for Month 1:

5/8 yard Dark Blue

5/8 yard of light blue

1/4 yard of medium blue

If you want one of your blues for the background of the fish row you will need an additional 1/3 yard.

You will need your basic sewing supplies, plus a 6" ruler with a diagonal line and a 6" x 12" ruler.

Please cut 2 - 12" squares from the Light and Dark blues before class and bring the rest of the fabric with you.

If you have any questions , please call me.

Thanks Pam Davis

Upcoming Program Notes

We really have a lot going on this year. I am going to send the signup sheet around again for those who missed it last time for one hand made Christmas Ornament for Summers Past sale on Dec. 3& 4. We will need those at the Nov meeting. Hope you are also all working on things to sell. My sharing this month will be things I have made just recently to sell. If you already have some items, including quilts, please bring them to the meeting.

Our first workshop of the year is with Tanya on Sat. Oct. 15. Please sign up and bring a friend. I know she has many good embellishment ideas. We need sign ups early so she can finish preparing enough Kits. We have tried very hard to have more Saturday functions. This will be held at Lakefront Mobile Home Park at 11 am. Tanya will give more details at this meeting. Thanks to one of our own .

Lastly, our first sew-in will be held at Lakefront on Oct. 20 starting at 10 am. Cost is \$5.00 Bring your own lunch and water. Coffee and perhaps cookies will be available. Please let me know if you plan to come as the Row Quilt will also be meeting there. If you have your own sewing table it may be helpful to bring it till we see how much interest we have. Been a while since we have enjoyed these get togethers. Let's have some FUN!

Sherri Necochea



Cuddle Quilt Sew-In



We had a great time sewing together at the community room where Janet Harris lives. Thank you Janet, Sherri and Candy for all your efforts with that. I'm not sure what the final count was for the day, but it was fun. I finished one top and took 3 kits home to make more. I think it would be awesome if the guild could collect quilts for our November pick up by YWCA Becky's House in quantities like we did pre-pandemic! (Record was over 200 as I recall).

I think I shared this before but anyone who is still in the "working world" - some companies offer matching gifts for donations made. My company's program will direct money to approved charities not only as matched cash donations, but they also make donations based on my volunteer time. So I track my cuddle quilt time and submit that as well. Already, year to date, my company has sent YWCA \$600 and I just submitted for another \$300. It's a great program so might be good to check to see if your companies have similar offerings.

Christy Sprecco



2022-2023 Opportunity Quilt, "Park Place"

We are looking for volunteers to take this gem to other guilds and Road to California in January.



Pattern designed by Daniela Stout of Cozy Creative Center

Attention Sunshine Quilters of San Diego!

~~ YOU ARE BEING CHALLENGED!! ~~

Last year guest speaker, Scarlet Rose, mentioned a Paint Chip Challenge that she'd used and we're going to borrow from her brilliant idea! She said "Her local guild has done this Challenge as a special exhibit for several of their quilt shows. The chair picks a color, then chooses a paint chip with 3 or more shades of that color on it. Everyone has to use those shades in their quilts and they're allowed to pick one other color to go with it."

I chose this teal colored paint chip from Home Depot's Glidden display. We're going to loosen the rules a bit and have some fun!

OUR CHALLENGE RULES ARE:

You must use three or more colors from my chosen paint chip – example on the right. I'll bring a real-life paint chip or two to the September 13, 2022 meeting.

You may choose to use ONE other color ONLY. But this extra color is not required

We do not consider black, grey or white a color, so you may use any number of black to white hues in your quilt. However, they must be pure – no hint of a color in your grays – even of the one extra color you may use.

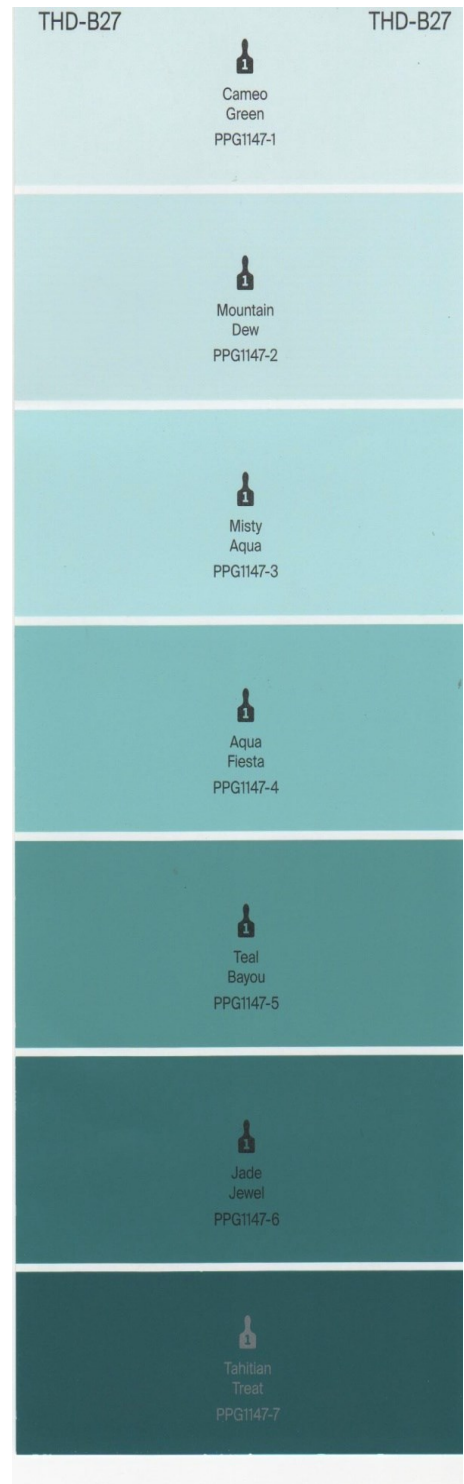
Your quilt must be 18" square or larger.

Your quilt must be finished and ready for judging at the May 9, 2023 guild meeting.

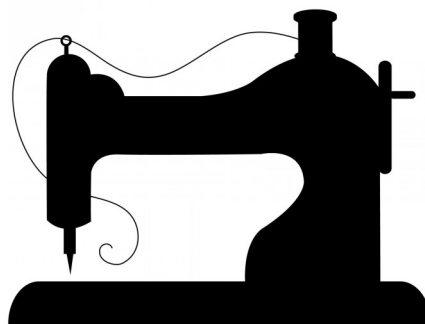
Ok, ladies – YOU'VE BEEN CHALLENGED! Have fun and let the creative juices start churning!!

Kathy Barnes

2022-2023 Challenge Coordinator



For Sale: 221 Singer Featherweight.
Needs service, otherwise it is in good
shape. No case but all tools and feet are
included. An alternate case is provided.
\$300.00.
Call Janet Harris



I am wondering if any of you might have the Buggy Barn/
One sister book Drive me Crazy, that I could borrow.

Thanks Pam Davis



October Birthdays

Lorna Bisson	10/21
Karen Collin	10/23
Sandi Delman	10/5
Sheri Necochea	10/29
Bonnie Sue Patterson	10/25

Sunshine Quilters, we are taking sign ups for the first workshop of the year. Before we open it up to members of other guilds. Tanya has been perfecting her techniques for almost a year to set this up. She has kits ready for \$5 so you will be able to accomplish a lot without packing your entire sewing room. Please, let's get behind one of our own and make this a success for all. You never know one day you may be asking her to sign her latest book! Call or e-mail Sherri Necochea to sign up or Tanya if you have questions about the supply sheet.

Workshop will be held on Saturday Oct. 15, 2022, starting at 11 am. Lakefront Mobile Home Park 9395 Harritt Rd. Lakeside, CA



Embellishment workshop
Saturday, Oct 15 at 10am
Lakefront Mobile Home Park
9395 Harritt Road, Lakeside



Supply list for Embellishment Class

Small scissors

Needles, including a size 12 Sharps needle for seed beads

Thread colors—Black, purple, red, blue, pink, green, brown (there are different colors for flowers)
embroidery floss will work for this.

Stick pins

Optional items you might want to play with for embellishing.

Sequins

Rick rack (small)

Ribbon (thin)

Buttons

Beads (I will be bringing some, but if you have some you would like to play with/or share please bring those)

Yarn

Old jewelry you are willing to take apart

Snaps

Hooks

charms



Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Guest Lecture & Workshops 2022-2023

Tuesday, October 11, 2022 – Lecture by member Tanya Althof on “Artistic Hand Work”. She will share samples and discuss embellishments on art quilts.

Saturday, October 15, 2022 – Workshop by Tanya Althof. We will work on a beautiful Welcome sign wall hanging. She has many creative ideas for this lovely project.

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 – Lecture and Trunk Show by Emily Bailey on her Crumb Quilts.

Wednesday, November 9, 2022 – Workshop by Emily Bailey on Crumb Quilting Basics. Crumb quilting is the ultimate way to zero waste patchwork using tiny scraps or 'crumbs' of fabric that are so small that most people would throw them away. This collection includes instructions and techniques for how to turn your stash of crumbs into beautiful quilts and quilted projects.

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 – This is our traditional Holiday Pot Luck Dinner. But we will also have an Ugly, Funny Christmas Garb contest. Come dressed to impress and enjoy!

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 – Lecture by Cindy Myers on “Coloring My Quilt Work”. She will share with us how she picks colors and fabrics for her quilts through a showing of some of her Judy Niemeyer quilts.

Saturday, January 14, 2023 – Workshop by Cindy Myers on Broken Daisy Placemats which is a paper piecing project. Make a set of these great placemats and learn basic paper piecing techniques and a new curved piecing technique.



Tuesday, February 14, 2023 – Lecture by Dawn Heese, who is an author, pattern and fabric designer who will share vintage inspired designs for today’s quilters as shown in her Linen Closet Designs book.

Monday, February 13, 2023 – Workshop by Dawn Heese. The exact pattern is to be determined from her new book.

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 – We will have an in-house roundabout where members will share specific techniques to the guild in small numbers as you rotate through the room.

Friday, March 17, 2023 – This will be a fun Guild Sew-In day where we will work as a group on our own PIGS (projects in grocery sacks). Bring a UFO or current project and enjoy the day quilting and sharing with the ladies!

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 – Wendy Mathson will share trunk show and discuss Designing w/Snails Trail or Storm at Sea. Wendy has designed templates to make both of these patterns easier to piece.

Saturday, April 15, 2023 – Workshop by Wendy Mathson – Snail’s Trail Wall hanging.

Tuesday, May 9, 2023 – Lecture by Diana McRae – “Put Your Own Stamp On It”.

Saturday, May 20, 2023 – Workshop by Diana McRae – Pocket, Zippers, Hold It All Bag” – working with fabric, plastic, mesh, and cork.

To enroll in a workshop, please contact Sherri Necochea.



We were lucky to have previous member, Linda Pohlenz, as our surprise guest speaker. Linda is always a lot of fun.



Linda donated this cute little quilt to our Cuddle Quilt Program.



Looking forward to a fun year!

"It takes a village" Have I got a fun year planned for you! And by volunteering you can help everything run smoothly, be part of the "village", and still have fun.

There will be sign-up sheets for various projects and get togethers. Some are for later in the year and some may start as soon as this month. Please look for these each meeting for NEW information

Starts in OCTOBER: Sign up now for the Amazing Tower of Fat Quarters. Bring one quilt shop quality fat quarter each month. You must get your name checked off by the Tower manager when you hand it in. If absent you can have someone deliver for you or make it up the following month. Donations thru May meeting. In June Participants will be allowed to guess the Height in inches. Closest to the official measured amount wins the entire booty!!

Next: Sign up for the 2 1/2 inch "Wheel of Wonder". Same procedure as above except a wheel will be formed. In June closest participant guess to Weight of Wheel will take all.

NO LIFTING or TOUCHING either during the contest.

Secret Pal: Janet Harris will have sign-up sheets and info. Please see Janet at this meeting for all your information.

SMALL GROUP EDUCATION: Through the year we will have sign-up sheets for small groups that are free to members. These will focus on specific projects or techniques such as Bobbin Work. Or for example, Have a little Featherweight? Join us in March (exact date TBD) to learn how to clean, oil thread and maintain your precious antique. If there is time, we can explore some of the fun accessories and attachments made for them. Supply list at a later date. Coordinated by Jo Miller and Karen Collin

Sign up for Pam Davis's "Quilting Divas" Make the beautiful quilt she shared at the June meeting. Details later with Pam.

FUND RAISING: Many fund-raising events will occur through the year. The first sign-up sheet will be to make one quilt related Ornament for our December 3rd & 4th sale at Summers Past Farms. I would be wonderful if each member made just ONE, we would be off to a great start. Ornaments would need to be turned into a member of the Fund Raising Committee by November meeting.

ONE FINAL NOTE: If anyone has ideas for an activity thru the year, PLEASE let a member of the Board know. Carpooling to Visions; Dinner out fund raisers; Garage sales. I found this year that many speakers, in fact, have raised their fees and hotels have gone up. We have two speakers this year willing to stay one night with a member. Please speak up if you can host someone.

Sherri Necochea





Julie Dale is our new Refreshment/Hospitality Chair



Block of the month



Seasonal Opportunity Quilts presented by Jo Miller





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