



SUNSHINE QUILTERS
OF
SAN DIEGO

January 2023

Volume 43 Number 5

Needle & Thimble News



President's Message

Welcome to 2023!

I am looking forward to a new year of excitement and creativity in our Guild. We start the year with an enthusiastic speaker, Cindy Meyers, giving a must-see lecture - "Coloring My Quilt Work". We have a workshop with her on the 14th. Be sure to get your pattern from Sherri so you have time to plan your colors. Our guild activities can "put a little color" in your life and help you avoid the winter doldrums. Thanks to all the volunteers who make our Guild run.

What a wonderful evening we had at our Potluck dinner. The food was excellent. A great big thank you to all members who brought food, organized the event, and helped set up the room. The Auction/Silent Auction/Craft Sale was a huge success and brought in \$1,379. I hope you had as much fun as I did. We did have to forego sharing to have time for our auction. Please bring your sharing this month.

All your hard work paid off! Kathy says we brought in a final total of \$2,534 at the Summers Past Farms Craft Fair. Hooray!

Road to California is this month. I have not been to a large quilt show in forever, so I am really looking forward to it. Have you signed up for selling tickets for our opportunity quilt? The reward is free admission. Hmm, perhaps I will bring some hand sewing to work on while I sit there.

We have several sew-ins scheduled over the next 6 months. I cannot wait to see what you are working on. I've reviewed my list of projects - what I accomplished in 2022 and what still needs to be done. Any projects I don't love any more, I'll let it go. I'll add to my list new purchases (like the two from the Silent Auction). Now I commit to doing at least one step on these during the next year. So, I challenge each of you to look at your stashed away projects and start your list.

Our Yard Sale is scheduled for April 1st. If you do not have room to store your sale items I can store it at my house. For larger items we can arrange for you to drop off at my house. Bring smaller items to the January meeting. I will be traveling (Antarctica!!) so will not be able to accept items from 12 February to 28 March. We'll get together to price items after I return.

Thank you for the cuddle quilts you so generously made. In addition to those sold at the Craft Fair, we were able to donate to local charities. We donated 27 to the orphanage in Tijuana. (I could not just give the 10 for the infants when they only have 27 kids altogether. Now all the kids will have one.) 20 quilts went to the Women's Shelter, and we received this response, "A big THANK YOU to the Sunshine Quilters of San Diego as they donated 20 beautiful quilts. When we dropped off the quilts and stockings, we were told they had prayed for blankets the night before. Truly a blessing to them." We gave 45 quilts to Rady's Children's Hospital Ronald McDonald House with this response, "Good Morning Sunshine Quilters: Thank you so much for these beautiful quilts! Nothing says, 'I care about you,' more than a handmade gift. Your thoughts and commitment to us does not go unnoticed! Please share this email with the rest of the ladies and express our gratitude!"

As you meet new people in the new year, please invite them to attend and then join our Guild. There is no entry requirement for membership, all people at all skill levels are welcome. Let's share the community that we have built.

Lorna Bisson
President

Patty Sprecco



INDEPENDENT BEAUTY
CONSULTANT



Contact me to create your personal
beauty experience

619-890-6277 patricia.sprecco@cox.net

www.marykay.com/psprecco

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

EXTRA WIDE QUILTING FABRICS BY THE YARD

Fantabulous Backs



Kimberbell
Alessia
Bella Suede
Batiks
Kaffe/Tula
Henry Glass and Co
Patriotic
Riley Blake
And many more!

Call me @
619-804-6062

Check out our website: fantabulousbacks.com

Sunshine Quilters of San Diego 2022-2023 Positions

| Position | Member |
|--|-------------------|
| President | Lorna Bisson |
| 1st Vice President | |
| 2nd Vice President | Sherri Necochea |
| Secretary | Christy Sprecco |
| Treasurer | Kathy Manuel |
| Door Prizes | Connie Smith |
| Membership | Pam Davis |
| Membership Assistant | |
| Cuddle Quilt Coordinator | Tanya Althof |
| Parliamentarian | |
| Newsletter Editor | Candi Ravenscraft |
| Assistant Editor | Carol Santos |
| Mailbox Info Table | Carol Santos |
| Website | Christy Sprecco |
| Advertising | Christy Sprecco |
| Librarian | |
| Hospitality/Refreshments | Julie Dale |
| Directory/Bookmarks | Kathy Manuel |
| Meeting Room Manager | Kathy Manuel |
| Retreat Coordinator | Karen Collin |
| Secret Pal Coordinator | Janet Harris |
| Guardian of 2022/2023 OppQuilt/Tickets | Kathy Manuel |
| Fund Raising (Ways & Means) Cmte Lead | Sherri Necochea |
| Committee Member (1) | Julie Dale |
| Committee Member (2) | Sandi Miller |
| Committee Member (3) | Candi Ravenscraft |
| 2023-2024 Opportunity Quilt Planning | Pam Davis |
| Challenge Coordinator | Kathy Barnes |
| Historian/Meeting Photographer | Jan Hayman |
| SCCQG Representative | Kathy Manuel |
| Block of the Month (BOM) Coord | Jennifer Phillips |
| September BOM | Kathy Manuel |
| 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 |

REMINDER:

Remember to bring your fat quarter and/or 2 1/2" strip for whichever you are participating in. Contact Sherri Necochea if you have questions.



Refreshments



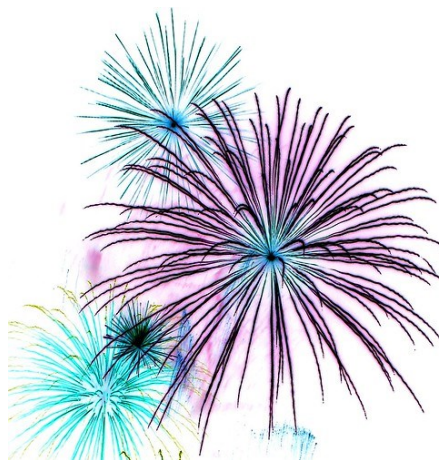
Welcome to the Treat Queens of the New Year!

Doreen Barnhart
Anita Erskine
Sherri Necochea



Sunshine Quilters water bottles are available for sale \$20, as a fund raiser and effort to reduce the plastic bottle usage at the meetings.

Contact Lorna Bisson if you are interested.





Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Minutes— December 12, 2022

The December meeting and member potluck was opened with some announcements from Lorna:
The craft show was a success. Watch the treasurers report for the details. Thank you to all the volunteers and crafters!

The last workshop had 10 people! Carol Santos is the winner of ½ off her next one!

We have vendors, silent auction and live auction after dinner. Please patronize our vendors who are faithful advertisers in our newsletter.

Members are sporting their “ugly sweaters” tonight too.

We have a round robin for March meeting. Pam will teach four ways to do flying geese. Others are welcome to contact Sherri with offerings.

We have some sew-ins planned, contact Sherri for details

Jan 28 – Lakefront Mobile Home Park

Feb 25 – Lake Jennings Park Estates

March 11 – Lake Jennings Park Estates

April 2 – Lakefront Mobile Home Park

There is a bus to Road to California, \$70 which includes admission & driver’s tip. This is for January 21.

Following the potluck and live auction, winners were drawn – Sandi Delman won the block of the month. Jo Miller won Candi’s beautiful pineapple quilt.

Respectfully submitted,
Christy Sprecco



Row Quilt Workshop Project—January 12 @ 9:00am

Row Sampler - Cabin and trees

Background 1/4 yard

- 2 - 1 1/2" strips
- 2 - 6" x 4" rectangles (small tree)
- 2 - 2" x 5" rectangles
- 3 - Template A (large tree)
- 3 - Template A reversed (large tree)

From remaining Fabric cut 25 1 1/2" squares

Chimney 2" x 20" strip

- 10 - 1 1/2" squares

Wall 2" x 20" strip

- 5 - 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles

Roof 8" x 6: rectangle

- 5 - 1 1/2" x 5 1/2" rectangle

Cabin 4 1/2" strip

- 2 - 1 1/2" strips
- 5 - 1 1/2" x 5 1/2" rectangles
- 10 - 1 1/2" squares
- 5 - 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangle

Door 8" x 3" rectangle

- 5 - 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangle

Window 2" x 10" rectangle

- 5 - 1 1/2" squares

Grass 4 1/2" strip

- 5 - 1 1/2 x 5 1/2" rectangles
- 4 - 2" x 2 1/2" rectangles (small tree)
- 6 - 2" x 3" rectangles (large Tree)

Small Tree 2 - 5" squares

Large Tree 3 - 5 1/2" squares

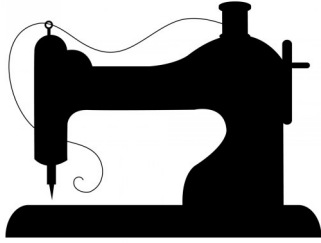
The trees are Paper Pieced, so just bring your greens and we will go over paper piecing at the class.

Remember we are meeting **January 12th.**

Happy New Year!

Pam Davis





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

January Birthdays

Tanya Althof

1/5



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

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.

2022-2023 Opportunity Quilt, "Park Place"
Will be at Road to California on Wednesday, January 18th



Pattern designed by Daniela Stout of Cozy Creative Center

Our friends at Legacy Guild are inviting you to their programs...

Legacy Guild Program Schedule:

January 19, 2023: Peggy Martin in person. Lecture "Beyond Tradition"

February 16, 2023: Nelda McComb, Journey of Art Quilts Trunk Show

March 16, 2023: Shawnee Miller in person. Lecture, "The Great Sewing Machine War of 1856".

April 20, 2023: Linda Sullivan of Colourwerx Zoom Party Lecture, "Got Colour?"

May 18, 2023: Sew-A-Thon

June 15, 2023: End of Year Picnic at the Park "New York Beauty Quick Strip Paper Piecing" at Rosie's.

Workshops:

January 21, 2023: Peggy Martin

March 18, 2023: Shawnee Miller "Art Quilting" at Rosie's.

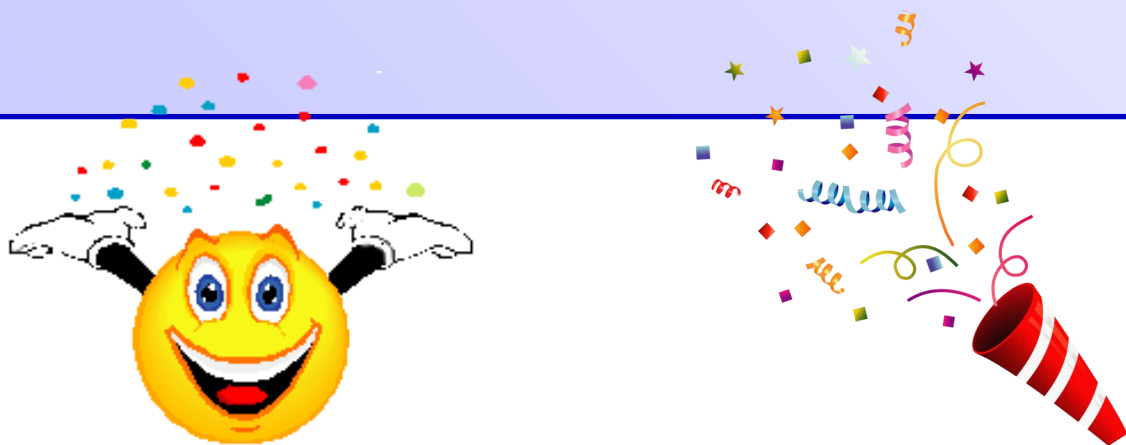
April 22, 2023: Linda Sullivan of Colourwerx "Conquer your fear of sewing curves" at Rosie's.

January Program and Workshop January 19 and 21 We are so excited to welcome Peggy Martin, an award-winning quilt teacher, designer, and creator of Quick-Strip Paper Piecing technique. She will be sharing her lecture, Beyond Tradition, which will expand our creativity by using traditional quilts as a springboard for design inspiration. She will show us how one idea leads to another, making one small change at a time to come up with totally new ideas and looks. Traditional quilts and the more contemporary ones that result from going one step beyond will be shown and discussed.

On Saturday, January 21st she will lead us in a workshop titled, New York Beauty. She will lead us through her quick-strip paper piecing technique and machine appliqué instead of curved seams to create a beautiful block. There are only 16 seats available at Rosie's! Member cost for the workshop will be \$40.00 each.

Peggy will have books and patterns for sale at both the program and the workshop. If you would like more information about Peggy, visit peggymartinquilts.com.

Also Legacy has a retreat at Lestonnac Retreat Center in Temecula on July 13th to July 16th. For more information on the meetings workshops or retreat, contact Susan Turner sturner2@cox.net.



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.

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.

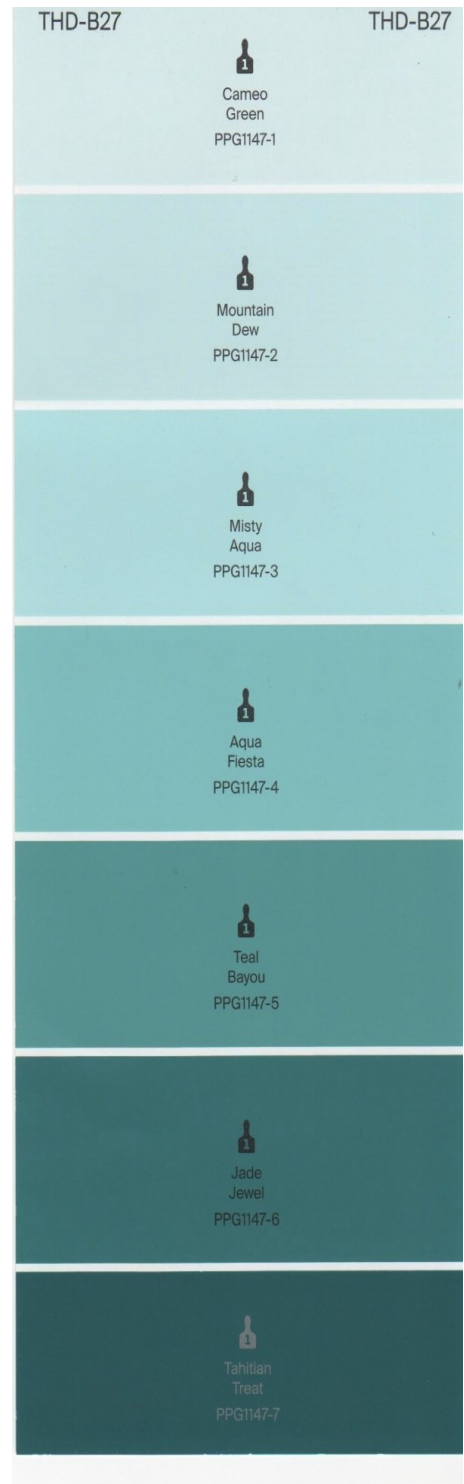
Your quilt must be 18" square or larger.

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





The Sunshine Quilters booth at Summers Past Craft Fair filled with lots of goodies





There were a few items that didn't get sold and came to the meeting for a second chance.





Our advertisers were at the December Potluck. Carrie Wilson from Fantabulous Backings and Patty Sprecco from Mary Kay.



Jan Hayman and Jennifer Phillips
A little Holiday Llama!



Sherri Necochea a little lit up



Lots of goodies for the silent auction

Looking over all the stuff

Delicious potluck





More Holiday Cheer—Sandi Delman, Carol Santos, Sherri Necochea and Candi Ravenscraft



Lucky Sandi Delman won the Block of the





Candi Ravenscraft, Newsletter Editor
PO Box 20483
El Cajon, CA 92021
Sunshinequilters.com