



SUNSHINE QUILTERS  
OF  
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## Needle & Thimble News



### President's Message

Wow! What a busy weekend with the Yard Sale! It was a beautiful day to be outside and enjoying each other's company. Thanks for all your donations and help in setting up tables and sorting items on Friday and working the sale on Saturday. A special shout out to Hallie and her darling husband for making two trips to haul away everything this Monday morning. Our unsold items went to the Disabled American Veterans Thrift Shop on Main Street in El Cajon. They take everything. All told I think we made about \$250, but we'll get the final tally from Kathy. Not as much as we would have liked, but more than what we started with, and I am thankful my house is less cluttered. (Well, except the little vintage St Kieran's school desk and a few other items that didn't make it into the truck).

Overall, we did quite well on the 3 fundraisers we had this year. I am proud of you ladies. Now it is time to start thinking about our Summer's Past Farm sale the first weekend in November. Start working on your tree ornaments to fill our wooden Christmas tree and other fall or Christmas items to sell. The cat ornaments sold well, as animal things usually have in the past. People asked about tree skirts and Christmas table runners and the skillet handle potholders. With your permission we will also sell quilts again so work on getting those done.

Well May is certainly going to be a busy month. I can't wait to see your Challenge projects... can't wait to finish mine. Everyone is so creative! This will be fun. We will also collect cuddle quilts for Ronald McDonald House and the 20 ladies staying at the Domestic Violence Center. Then we have our retreat for four days and there is also the Row Quilt/ Sit & Sew and a Make a Bag workshop later in the month.

Come to these 2 sewing days even if you work on your own projects. We had 18 (!) at the workshop last month. Woo-hoo!

Jo Miller is busy putting together the program for next year. If you have ideas on programs, workshops and fundraisers please let us know. Thank you to those who signed up to volunteer for a position next year. The clipboard will go around again as there are a few more vacancies. And what about this summer?

Maybe a couple Sit & Sews? Maybe a potluck/swim day at my house when it warms up later in the summer?

See you all at the meeting,  
Lorna

P.S. Oops!



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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](http://www.Sunshinequilters.com)

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Retreat Coordinator	Karen Collin
Secret Pal Coordinator	Janet Harris
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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:

This is the last month to bring your fat quarter and/or 2 1/2" strip for whichever you are participating in. Guesses will be at the June meeting. Contact Sherri Necochea if you have questions.



## Refreshments



Treat Queens for May

Lorna Bisson  
Jane St. John  
Cecelia Midgette





## Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Minutes— April 11, 2023

Meeting opened and members welcomed President Lorna Bisson back from her extended vacation!

Lorna reminded everyone of the yard sale on 4/29. Requested members to bring tables, canopies over 4/28 to help organize and price items. Sign up sheet was passed around.

It's also time to start thinking about next year's opportunity quilt.

Members are encouraged to take really good notes for the May meeting - Diana McRae will share many techniques on making bags. While she can't attend the workshop, we will still host a sew-in that day.

Retreat: Check in is at 2:00 PM, please do not try to come earlier.

Meals will be at:

Breakfast: 8:00 AM Lunch 12:00 PM Dinner 5:00 PM

Gates lock at 6:00 PM so be sure you have Karen's phone number if you are arriving late so she can provide the code. There are no massages this year. Vina is not requiring liability waivers. May need a few irons.

Challenge quilt is due in May.

We will also collect cuddle quilts for Ronald MacDonald House at Rady's and the El Cajon Women's club.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christy Sprecco



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.

# Row Quilt Workshop Project

## Thursday, May 18 @ 9:00am

### Row Sampler

#### Stars

##### Sky

Cut 24 - 2 1/2" squares

Cut 24 - 3" squares

##### Light Gold

Cut 24 - 3" squares

##### Dark Gold

Cut 24 3" squares

Pam Davis



### MAY Block of the Month

Get ready for an easy, happy, VERY colorful quilt block. I was inspired by an "Award Winning" Quilt at Road to California that "just made me smile."

We are sewing an easier version of that block. KITS are provided and include background fabric, feature fabric & instructions. You will add 2 bright fabrics (3 five-inch squares).

Umm... what will it be?

'Be at Sunshine's May meeting for a surprise.

Love. Marilyn Sidler

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### May Birthdays

Cecelia Midgette 5/20  
Tamara Schneidmiller 5/25



Tanya Althof shared the latest pattern for cuddle quilts. Kits are available. These go together in a snap since everything is already cut for you.



## Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Guest Lectures, Workshops & Events 2022-2023

**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.

**Thursday, May 18, 2023** - Row Quilt Class hosted by Pam Davis

**Location:** Lakefront Mobile Estates, 9395 Harritt Road, Lakeside

**Saturday, June 10, 2023**— Sit and Sew \$5 fee

Location to be determined

**Tuesday June 13, 2023** - Last meeting of the year with end of year Potluck.

May's program will be with Diana McRae and all that she knows about making bags, purses, totes, backpacks, you name it. Bring note-taking materials as she will have information about all the great materials, plastics, cork, etc. to use. Unfortunately, Diana cancelled the workshop. Sunshine will carry on with a "Help each other" workshop on May 20th, from 9 to 4. This will be at Lakefront Park, Debra Broyles place, 9395 Harritt Rd., Lakeside. We have some members who are willing to help those of us that are less familiar with this process. The cost of the workshop will be \$5. Bring whatever pattern you want to make.

Jan Hayman suggested a pattern she has made many times and feels it is not difficult. It is called Sonoma Swing bag by Pink Sand Beach Designs. If you plan to make this one I can get you a copy of the pattern. Look it up.

May will be the last time to bring your 2 1/2" strips and fat quarters. The contest will be at June meeting.

A few of us are meeting at the Cave for lunch. It is in the Oak Mt. Winery. Address 36522 Via Verde, Temecula (off De Portola Road). Let me know if you would like to join the current group of 8 and I will make reservations. We are meeting there at noon since we can't get into sewing room until 2:00pm

Pre-meeting dinner at Hacienda Mexican restaurant at 5:00 pm. It is so much fun to get together for a while before the meeting and get to know each other better.

Hacienda Casa Blanca  
700 N Johnson Ave, Ste A  
El Cajon

It is not far from Black Bear. You can let me know or just come.  
Hope to see you there.—Pam Davis





2022-2023 Opportunity Quilt, "Park Place"  
Drawing at the June meeting  
Get your tickets in!



Pattern designed by Daniela Stout of Cozy Creative Center

# Sunshine Quilters 2022/23 CHALLENGE FINALE

~~ THIS IS IT!! ~~

**Our Paint Chip Challenge projects are due THIS NEXT meeting, Tuesday, May 9, 2023!!**

Bring your completed project (based on the teal colored paint chip from Home Depots' Glidden paint display) to Tuesday's meeting with these guidelines in mind:

Completed and ready to be displayed: Either with a hanging sleeve, on a hanger (if a wearable project) or permissible to use a pin or two for displaying.

Contained in an unidentified bag.

Come to my table and I will give you a number.

**You** will then attach your number to the upper right hand corner of your project.

Then place your project back in your bag (with the number attached to your project) and place the bag in a basket which will be in the chair closet.

## 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 (or fabric project) must be 18" square or larger.

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

**Your time is nearly up!**

Get those last bindings on and let's see what we've all created!!

*Kathy Barnes, Challenge Coordinator*



## Lots and Lots of Sharing



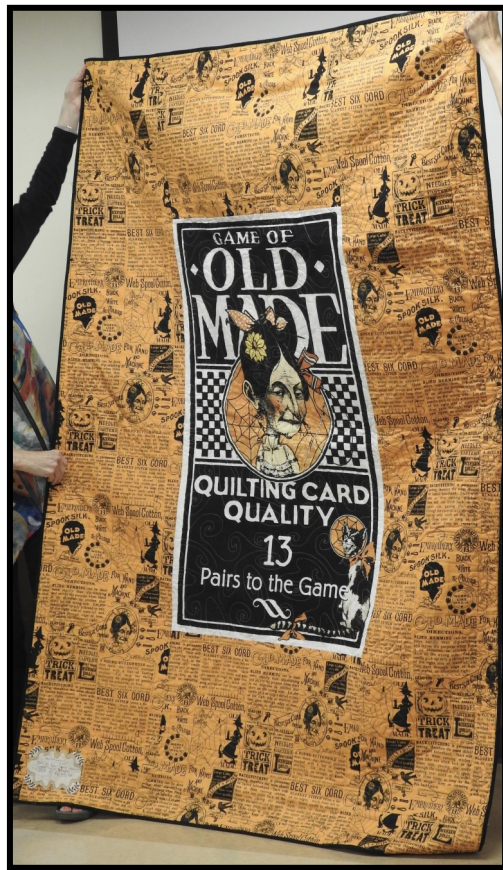
Pam Davis shared her beautiful purple quilt and with the leftovers, made a little wall hanging.



My apologies, I have no idea who made this giant log cabin.



Janet Harris has been busy getting her UPO's finished





Jeanna Timan shared her latest projects





Project from a class at Asilomar

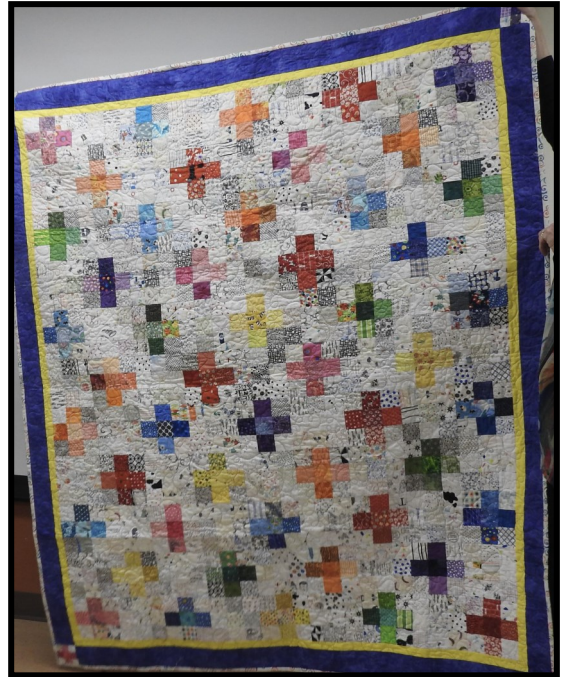
Wendy Knight and her amazing wolf.

In case you need a closer look





Nancy Tinker's latest projects



Candi Ravenscraft shared a wall hanging made from a previous class with Wendy Mathson

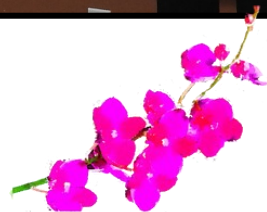




Placemats completed from the January Cindy Myers workshop



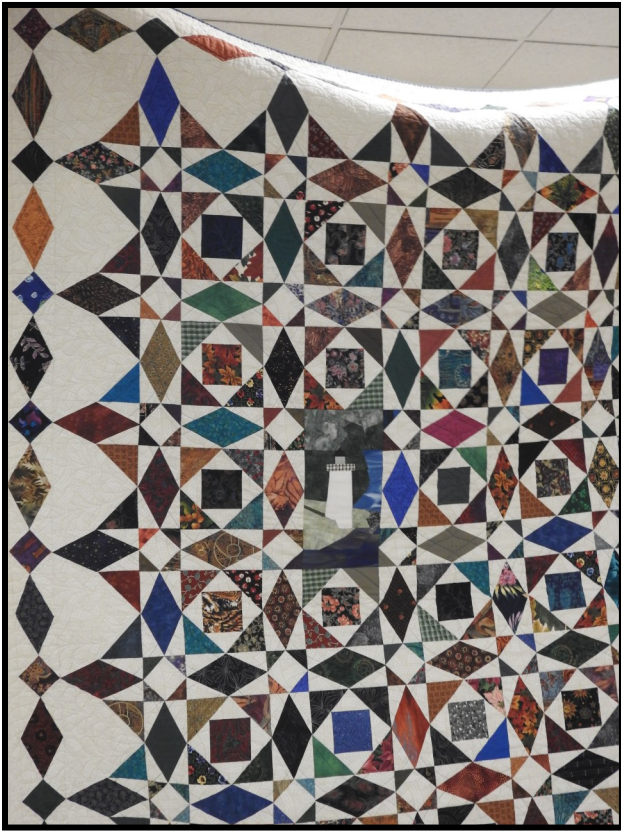
Sandi Delman shared "Oh Say can you Sew"





Our Speaker in April was Wendy Mathson. She shared amazing quilts using her Storm at Sea Trimplates.







Lorna Bisson won the Seasonal Opportunity quilted bag created by Cecelia Midgette



Doreen Barnhart won the BOM





A great time was had by all at the Wendy Mathson workshop held at Lake Jennings Park Estates. We had an amazing turnout.









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