



SUNSHINE
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President's Message

Wishing us all a heartfelt Thanksgiving month my quilting friends! I hope you all had a productive and not too spooky October. I will not be attending guild this month as I will be enjoying an adventure at Universal Studios & Disney World in Orlando.

Friendly reminder to make goodies for our upcoming Craft Fair fund raiser - which will be sold at the Summers Past Farms Craft Fair.

Friendly Reminders: Fat Quarter Fun - theme is 1930's Prints. Bring your completed UFO quilts/flimsies

and/or Cuddle quilts. Bring the completed BOM - a fat Turkey Block - with a potential for 5 people to win 3 turkey blocks to make the table runner or a wall hanging! Sandi Delman will kindly take care of my BOM for me as she has the November BOM. Thank you Sandi!

Don't forget sign up for our Guild Retreat and our upcoming workshops! January is Featherweight Maintenance with Tom Griesgraber, March we will be making the Moon Dance quilt with Sue Bouchard. We will be hosting comedian Katsy Chappell - which should guarantee a laugh out loud fun time!

I want to continue to encourage everyone to invite a friend to attend guild with you, to share your creations, take part in guild activities and enjoy the fellowship of being with creative, caring friends. Looking forward to being with everyone at our December Meeting - Thank you all for making our guild such a fun group of Quilters!

Jo Miller
President



We are going to try something new at the meetings. One member will bring in a quilt to display during the meeting. Your Quilt can be anything you want, seasonal, one you are proudest of or an antique quilt. It will be displayed during the meeting and you can talk about it during show and tell. I am going to bring the first one and will have a sign up sheet for the following months.

This is a chance to bring out your favorite quilt, the one you love, to share even if it has been shared before.

Thanks Pam Davis

EXTRA WIDE QUILTING FABRICS BY THE YARD

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Riley Blake
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Check out our website: fantabulousbacks.com

REFRESHMENTS

Thank you in Advance to Janet Harris, Carol Santos, Doreen Barnhart, and Teresa Wiesendanger for bringing refreshments to the November meeting.

Thank you,
Sherri Necochea



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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Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Positions 2024-2025		
Position		
President		Jo Miller
1st Vice President		Kathy Barnes
2nd Vice President		Christy Sprecco
Secretary		Sandi Delman
Treasurer		Kathy Manuel
Door Prizes/Traveling Bags		Carolyn Mathias
Membership		Pam Davis
	Membership Assistant	Sandi Miller
Cuddle Quilt Coordinator		Lorna Bisson
Parliamentarian		Kathy Barnes
Newsletter Editor		Candi Ravenscraft
	Assistant Editor	Carol Santos
Mailbox Info Table		Carol Santos
Website		Christy Sprecco
Advertising		Tamara Schneidmiller
Librarian		Tamara Schneidmiller
Hospitality/Refreshments		Sherri Necochea
Directory		Kathy Manuel
Meeting Room Manager		Kathy Manuel
Retreat Coordinator		Karen Collin
Secret Pal Coordinator		Janet Harris
Guardian of Opportunity Quilt/Tickets		Kathy Manuel
Fund Raising (Ways & Means) Committee		
	Fund Raising Committee Member (1)	Lorna Bisson
	Fund Raising Committee Member (2)	Teresa Wiesendanger
	Fund Raising Committee Member (3)	
2024-2025 Opportunity Quilt Planning		Pam Davis/Karen Collin
Challenge Coordinator		Jane St John
Historian/Meeting Photographer		Kelly Kufa
SCCQG Representative		Lorna Bisson
Block of the Month (BOM) Coordinator		Hallie McCoy
	September BOM	Teresa Wiesendanger
	October BOM	Jo Miller
	November BOM	Sandi Delman
	December BOM	Jean Zuniga
	January BOM	Pam Davis
	February BOM	Hallie McCoy
	March BOM	Nancy Tinker
	April BOM	Gina James
	May BOM	Marilyn Sidler
Seasonal Opportunity Quilt Coordinator		Jennifer Phillips
	September/October Quilt Donor	Jean Zuniga
	November/December Quilt Donor	Tanya Althof
	January/February Quilt Donor	Pam Davis
	March/April Quilt Donor	Sherri Necochea
	May/June Quilt Donor	Arlene Watters

Sunshine November Block of the Month

Using fabrics included in the kit and several more of your own in similar colors make either a 6 1/2" or 12 1/2" block. This is a Moda Blockheads 5 Candy Striped Holly Star designed by Sarah Thomas of SARIDITTY.

Have fun, Sandi Delman



Sisterhood of the Traveling Bag

If you received a bag last month, remember to bring it back so that another member can enjoy. If you took something from the bag be sure to replace it with something of similar value.

Carolyn Matthias



Pre-Meeting Dinner

Hacienda Casa Blanca
700 N. Johnson, El Cajon
5:00pm

Please let Pam Davis know if you are planning to attend.

All are welcome!





Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Meeting Minutes October 8, 2024



President Jo Miller opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. There were no guests.

Pam Davis passed out Directory, \$20 Opportunity tickets, Guest tickets, and Membership ID for the 2024-2025 membership year.

Jean Zuniga offered chances for the last month of the bimonthly Apple lap quilt. Christy Sprecco was the winner. Sherri Necochea passed out signup sheet for monthly refreshments.

Jo Miller shares Turkey BOM for October. Made available 15 kits.

Lorna Bison has Cuddle Quilt kits, panels, and Christmas fabrics for making things for Summers Past Farms event on 12/7 and 12/8.

Lorna Bison mentioned Sew In dates 10/25 and 11/23.

Lorna Bison to categorize recent donations and plea to knowledgeable members to help sort and price items for the Craft event that will be held in the Spring 2025. Venue will be the Lutheran Church in El Cajon. Some quilts could be shown to fill out the space.

Jane St. John explained 2024-2025 Sunshine Challenge "Idiom". Passed out idioms that membership would choose from. \$5 donation to participate with proceeds going towards prizes. Reveal in May.

Tamara Schneidmiller encouraged using the vast library of books the guild has.

Pam Davis announced instead of Secret Sister this year, Secret Santa will be the activity. Secret Santa will be a limit of \$30 or equivalent craft, new, and wrapped. Participants will play a game that will exchange gifts at the December Potluck event.

Pam Davis looking for additional volunteers sewing 2025-2026 Opportunity Quilt. Much has been done by her, Karen Collin, and others.

Lorna Bison advertised 2024-2025 UFO project. \$10 to participate. Janet Harris won \$10 prize for October.

Lorna Bison encouraged membership to use up your crafty stuff, declutter, donate to Spring Craft event projects that no longer bring you joy.

Sandi Delman passed out cat ornament kits to start during Ice Cream Social and Quilto. Cat ornaments shared by Arlene Watters and Kathy Barnes as examples. Sandi will prepare finishing kits for completing cat ornament at one of the next three opportunities (10/25, 11/23, and November meeting) prior to Summers Past Farms event on 12/7 and 12/8. Membership could also take the first part of kit consisting of two 7" felt squares home to finish the ornament.

Board Members presented Ice Cream Social. Kathy Barnes called Quilto with winners of charm packs donated by Board Members. Winners were Tanya Althof, Pam Davis, Tamara Schneidmiller, Jo Miller, Sherri Necochea, Debra Broyles, Candi Ravenscraft, Lorna Bison, Kathy Manuel, and Gina James.

Pam Hoyt won Pumpkin September BOM. Pam was not in attendance so Kathy Manuel accepted until she can receive them.

Traveling Bag winners for October are Kelly Kufa, Debra Broyles, and Christy Sprecco.

Respectfully submitted by Sandi Delman

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:

KATHY MANUEL
9500 HARRITT ROAD, SPC 43
LAKESIDE, CA 92040

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2024 - 2025
SUNSHINE QUILTERS OF SAN DIEGO
COST OF \$50 FOR A YEAR

Name: _____

Address: _____

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: _____

As mentioned at the October meeting, rather than Secret Sisters this year, we thought we would try Secret Santa in December. If you are interested in Secret Santa for the December meeting:

Bring a wrapped gift, Handmade or spend no more than \$30.00.

We will play a gift exchange game, which should be fun. Contact Pam Davis if questions.

Sew-In Dates:

Saturday, November 23

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Lakeside Library

Large conference room

Thanks, Kathy M



Sunshine Quilters UFO Club 2024-25

Congratulations to the October winner – Oh my gosh!! Janet Harris! You are so lucky!!

Do you have projects that need finishing? It's never too late to join the club. All you need is \$10 to join for the year and some completed and labeled UFOs.

A reminder of how this works...

A UFO can be any sewing, quilting, knitting, crocheting, painting, etc. project that you started and would like to finally finish. We allow finished tops that you plan to pass on to Cuddle Quilts for others to quilt to count as a finished UFO. However, since quilting and binding a quilt often takes so much longer than making a top, 3 unfinished tops will count as one UFO entry. A maximum of 3 entries will be allowed per monthly drawing. Confused??? Here are some examples:

You finish 3 quilts and crocheted a blanket: you are allowed 3 entries into the drawing.

You finish 6 Cuddle Quilt tops: you are allowed 2 entries into the drawing.

You finish 3 Cuddle Quilt tops plus 2 quilts: you are allowed 3 entries into the drawing.

FAT QUARTER FUN

Guidelines for Fat Quarter Drawing

- Bring a fat quarter that coordinates with that month's theme.
- Turn in your fat quarter at the Fat Quarter Basket at the Welcome table.
- Your name will be entered once in the drawing.
- The drawing will be held during the meeting.
- If your name is drawn you win the fat quarters.

TIP: If you are participating in the Fat Quarter Drawing, and do not like a particular color theme for the month, don't add your name to the basket. We want everyone to be happy with the fat quarters they win.

Fat Quarter Themes for 2024-2025

Sep – Animals—Christy Sprecco

Oct – Halloween prints—Sherri Necochea

Nov – 30's

Dec – Grunge

Jan – Tone-on-tone neutrals

Feb – Batiks

Mar – Kaffe/Free Spirit/Tula

Apr – Floral

May – Homespun/plaids

Jun – Low volume backgrounds



November Birthdays

Wendy Knight	11/22
Kelly Kufa	11/27
Marilyn Sidler	11/9
Christy Sprecco	11/30



Sunshine Quilters Craft Sale at Summers Past Farms

Saturday-Sunday December 7 & 8, 2024 9:00am-3:00pm

Okay, we are down to the wire. I'll collect completed items for the Craft Fair at the November meeting. We'll set up a time to drop off more sale items and to price everything as we get closer to the big day. (Though feel free to price your items.) I still have a few kits for Christmas themed quilts. I'll bring these to the meeting so we can hopefully get these last few done prior to the Craft Sale. There will be a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help with setting up, staffing the booth for the two days and for take down.

Sunshine Quilters of San Diego Calendar, Speakers and Workshops 2024 – 2025

November 12, 2024 Lecture: Comedian **Katsy Chappell** will entertain us for the evening's "lecture!"

December 10, 2024 Potluck night! Our advertisers will have displays and there's a possibility of an auction and/or other items for sale.

January 14, 2025 Lecture: **Peter Chang**, new owner of Cozy Creative Center, will talk about his adventures on becoming a quilt store owner – and possibly bringing a special guest with him.

January 18, 2025 FEATHERWEIGHT MAINTENANCE Workshop: **Tom Griesgraber** an expert Featherweight technician will show us how to care for and maintain our individual Featherweight machines. Tom will be available from 10-2 and afterward we can work on our own projects using our newly adjusted machines.

February 11, 2025 Lecture: **Pam Davis** - our very own Pam Davis will present a trunk show featuring her Kim Diehl quilts and share some inside secrets.

March 11, 2025 Lecture: **Sue Bouchard** has been sewing since she was four and quilting since she was twelve. She loves to design and make modern quilts which are influenced by traditional designs. Her passion is teaching and inspiring others. Sue has taught at many Quilt Guilds, International Festivals and Craftours throughout the world. She'll share with you her journey and insights discovered by finding solace in her sewing room. Explore ways to combine styles, techniques and colors to create your own one-of-a-kind quilts. Special emphasis is the use of directional fabrics for effective design elements. Over 35 samples will inspire you!

March 15, 2025: Workshop: "Moon Dance" by **Sue Bouchard**



Combining Triangle in a Square patches with Pieced Triangle Squares gives the illusion of curves without any curved piecing. The Stars are brought together with Quarter Square patches. Your patchwork will dance across the Background!
Kits - \$60 includes all fabrics, pattern and templates to complete the quilt top including the Binding. 32" x 42"

April 8, 2025 Lecture: **Christy Sprecco** – our very own Christy Sprecco will share her quilting journey and show generational quilts along with some of her own.

May 13, 2025: Challenge Reveal

June 10, 2025: Year End Potluck



SCCQG News

{Christy and I are participating, anyone else? I will probably be able to deliver quilts in January.}

Road to California Quilters Conference January 22-25, 2025

Call for Entries SCCQG 2025 Special Exhibit “*Tradition with a Twist*” - This exhibit will display how quilters take a “traditional” pattern, give it “a twist,” and create an interesting new work. Group and individual made quilts accepted for consideration. Quilts of all styles and techniques are welcome so long as they fit the requirements below.

Entry requirements are as follows (please read carefully):

The quilt must have been finished in 2023/2025 and be in good condition.

Size constraint: perimeter should not be larger than 240” overall and no smaller than 60” overall. Items that don't meet this criteria may be accepted and may be folded for display purposes. 40-48” width is preferred to help with displaying quilts.

Embellishments must not protrude more than ½” from the surface of the quilt.

The quilt must be made of fabric and quilted either by hand, or machine, or both.

It must be constructed of three layers and bound or closed around all quilt edges.

Quilt/hanging must have an attached 4” hanging sleeve (basted or safety pins allowed).

Entrant must be a current member of an SCCQG Member Guild or an Affiliate member.

Enter by email. Entries must include a separate digital **jpeg** photo named as follows: entrant's last name_ (underscore)name of quilt_(underscore)guild initials.jpeg. For example: “Weber_chubby_LBMQG.jpeg” Each entry must have a short paragraph describing how the entry is a twist on a traditional pattern. (The Exhibit curator reserves editing rights.)

Timetable

December 14, 2024 (Saturday) All entry forms and photos due.

Entries need to include a current email address for confirmation of receipt.) See instructions above.

December 28, 2024 Notification will be e-mailed by this date. Accepted entries will receive instructions for quilt shipment. Entrants will be responsible for all shipping and insurance costs. All entries are required to have a 4” hanging sleeve. Sleeves may be basted or safety pinned in place. Entries must be in a cloth bag or pillowcase with entrant's name and phone number.

January 15, 2025 Deadline for receipt of exhibit quilts. Accepted quilts must be received by the SCCQG Road2CA Curator (Kate Weber) for exhibition.

January 22-25, 2025 Quilts will be displayed as part of the SCCQG “*Stitching a Community Together*” Exhibit at Road to California, Ontario Convention Center, Ontario, California.

January 25 – February 15, 2025 Quilts will be returned according to prior arrangements. Unclaimed quilts will be donated to a charity.

Entries and Questions: SCCQGRD2CA@gmail.com

SCCQG and Road reserve the right to reject quilts not suitable for hanging.

Members enjoying a delicious ice cream social.





Christy Sprecco was the lucky winner of the Seasonal Opportunity Quilt that was provided by Jean Zuniga.



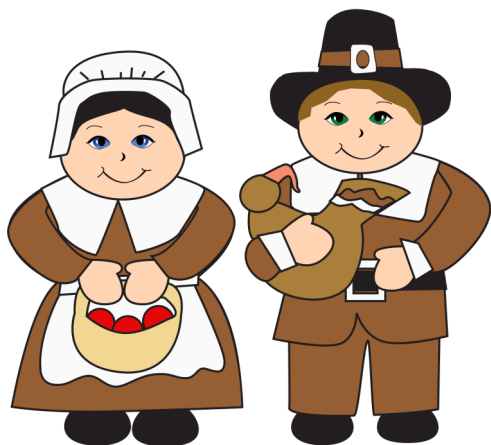
Pam Hoyt won the BOM Pumpkin blocks



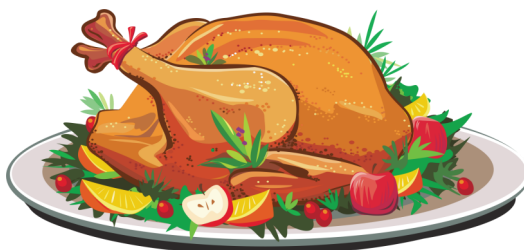
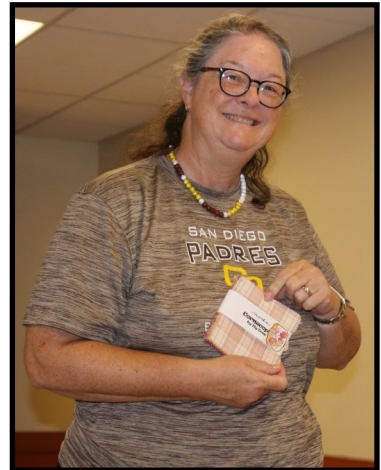
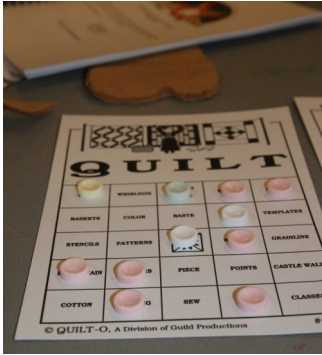
These cat ornaments sell out fast at the craft show. Kits were distributed for members to take home and make and return to the November meeting.



Tamara encouraged members to use the library. There are a lot of great books for reference and inspiration.



QUILTO WINNERS!



Cuddle Quilts

We collected 14 Cuddle Quilts in October! Thank you!

I'll have lots of Cuddle Quilt kits available at the meeting. Each kit includes a pattern, fabric for the top, back and binding and a label. Batting will be available. Please add a label to your finished quilt.

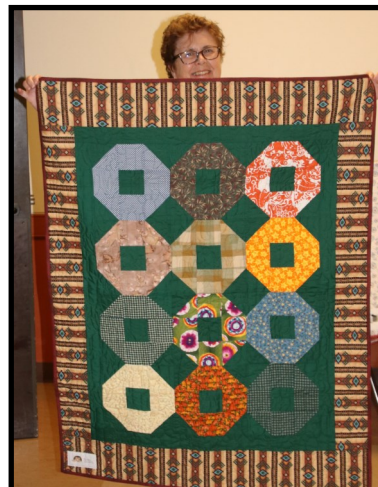
**Please wash the finished quilt before turning it in. Some of the fabric is a little musty smelling. **

Link to free 3-yard quilts: <https://sewcanshe.com/free-quilt-patterns-for-easy-3-yard-quilts/>

Link to knit or crochet blanket: <https://www.projectlinus.org/patterns.php>

Have you ever wanted to take a workshop because it is a good teacher or a technique you'd like to learn, but didn't really want to buy the fabric or want/need the finished quilt? I might have a solution for you. I decided to participate in SCCQG's quilt exhibit at R2Ca this year. (see related article) I was going to make a "twisted" (because that is their theme) version of a traditional Double Wedding Ring. But heaven knows I don't need another quilt. So, I decided to make it a Cuddle Quilt and "shopped" the 38 bins of Cuddle Quilt fabric stored in my longarm studio and I am making a Twisted Rings Cuddle Quilt. Let me know if you would like to "shop" our guild's fabric stash for your own version of a cuddle quilt.

Thanks, Lorna





Sherrí Necochea a favorite Halloween quilt.

Tamara Schneidmiller shared a table topper featuring folded fabric kimonos.

Janet Harris shared a bed runner made from Woolies Challenge fabric as well as her Steam Punk Halloween quilt.

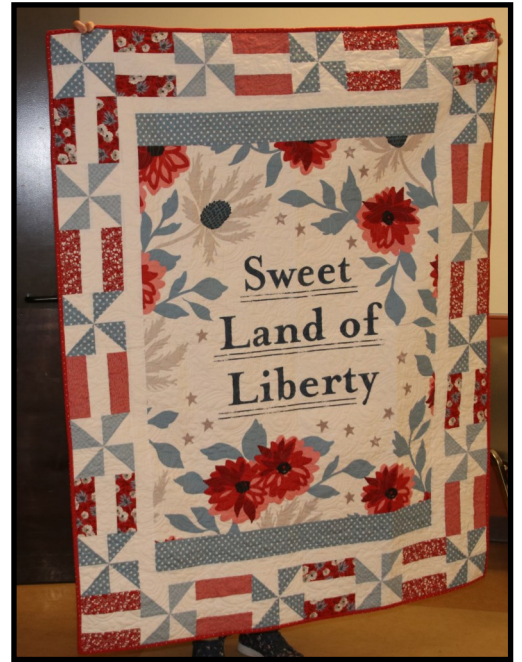


Tamara Schneidmiller, Jo Miller and Kathy Barnes showed off their workshop projects by Jeff Warner





Sandi Delman has been VERY busy.



Sunshine Quilters' Retreat
May 8 – 11, 2025
Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center
39300 DePortola Rd.
Temecula, CA 92592-8758



It's time to start planning our next retreat! Membership benefit early sign up period: Sept 1 - Oct 31. Starting Nov. 1, non guild members can sign up too. Hand me or mail your registration form and \$100 deposit to the address below to hold your spot.

You may check in after 2:00 pm on THURSDAY (May 8) with dinner as your first meal.
Room check out is at 9:00 am SUNDAY (May 11) but you may continue to sew until 2:00 pm

Dinner is provided on Thursday. Friday arrivals get lunch and dinner.
 Breakfast, lunch and dinner are provided on Saturday. Brunch is on Sunday.

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: Sunshine Quilters of San Diego

Tear off and send to: **Karen Collin**
58 Corte Maria Ave.
Chula Vista, CA 91010

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

PHONE#: _____

ROOM MATE: _____ Do you wake up early? Y N Stay up late? Y N

Special Room or Dietary Requirements: _____

4 Days/ 3 Nights		3 Days/2 Night	
<input type="checkbox"/> Double Occupancy	\$545.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Double Occupancy	\$380.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Occupancy	\$745.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Single Occupancy	\$530.00
Day Commuters (may come if workroom space is available) Daily Rate \$25.00 plus \$22 per meal			

Circle days you will attend: Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

A \$100.00 deposit holds your spot - FULL PAYMENT DUE BY April 8, 2025
 After April 8th, spots and deposits can be rolled over to new attendee only.

Installment payments are happily accepted. As few or as many that work best for you.



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