

Random Scraps

San Juan Quilters Guild

Letter from the President

Welcome to SJQG 2023! What a strange new world that has evolved over the last 2 years and hats off to Ellen and Annette for learning how to navigate those shark infested waters to carry on the guild.

We are going to return to some of our old traditions of yesteryear, BP (before pandemic) such as being able to bring in potluck dishes to eat before, during and after the meeting. We are also going to be able to stay and sew after all the guild meetings. Some of those meeting days will have speakers and classes. And then there is the quilt show this fall! It is going to be a fun and packed year.

Our membership is growing in both the Tuesday and the Saturday guild meetings with new members and returning seasoned members (I am not going to say "old"). We are striving to teach and create new quilters to ensure that our guild will continue for many, many years to come.

We have so many quilt stores to shop with in person as well as online, and they are always looking for new things to pique our interest. Sadly, we did lose one last year that had been around for decades and that was the Durango Quilt store. They will be missed, but there are still plenty in the Four Corners area to keep us going for a while. We all know that quilting is an addiction that needs to be fed at least once a week or more often and fabric collecting (not hoarding) is required to keep the withdrawal pains away.

Quilting is a world-wide community. We can go anywhere in the world and make new friends because of quilting. It has been around for hundreds of years and I like to think it started in America with the Mayflower. I am sure they made quilts for utilitarian purposes to stay warm throughout the cold winter months using old clothes for the material and look where it has evolved. Quilting has always been a tool for people to gather and socialize, make new friends and catch up with old friends. We are there for each other in good times and bad, always willing to help in any way possible.

What a fun and exciting year that is ahead of us, soooooo.....

Come sew with us!

Bert Roark 2023 President

2023 SJQG Quilt Show

The 2023 SJQG Quilt Show dates are October 13-14 at McGee Park. For a successful show, we need as many volunteers as possible, doing a variety of jobs. If you would like to serve on the Quilt Show Committee, please contact Georgia Cortez, executive sponsor: 505.486.4368 or georgiacortez55@gmail.com

Happy Birthday to you!!

Ellen Vandruff	1-Feb
Susan Nelson	9-Feb
Lori Cosby	11-Feb
Shelley Frazier	20-Feb
Janet Green	24-Feb
Beverly Maeschen	27-Feb
Brenda Lee Burke	1-Mar
Joyce Mills	4-Mar
Lennis Walker	5-Mar
Melanie Nelson	7-Mar

Tues., Feb. 14, 2023

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At the Farmington Civic Center

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Meeting at 10:00 am

Sew day! Bring basic sewing supplies to work on community projects. And a sack lunch!

Fat quarter: red / pink / white

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San Juan Quilters Guild Board Meeting 12 January 2023

Meeting called to order by Bert Roark, president.

Minutes of 10 November 2022 meeting read by Ellen Vandruff, secretary. Georgia Cortez motioned to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Lori Cosby.

Financial—Susan Nelson, treasurer went over the guild financial statement. She also passed out copies of the proposed 2023 budget. Committee members will need to contact Susan to adjust their financial needs for the upcoming year. Georgia Cortez motioned to approve financial statement, seconded by Cheryl Hough.

Old business:

Community service—Lori Cosby handed out 12 quilts recently. Cheryl Harris is doing massive amounts of quilting for the guild. Lori took home empty containers after guild Tuesday. She also passed out many kits to guild members for them to work on this month. She is also working at making more kits to be made in the future.

Newsletter ads—Lori Cosby is currently working on contacting previous advertisers and others that might advertise in the future.

Programs—Georgia Cortez reported that Michelle Watts is planning her farewell tour. We're planning on having her do a trunk show and class 25-26 April. This will be in conjunction with the Gallup guild. May will be a normal meeting with a Saturday class on 13 May at PVHS, pattern title "Piccadilly Squares". July class is "Bull's-eye" taught by Cheryl Hough. August or September class will be Judy Livingston from Durango "Metro Rings". Cathy Otten is helping. Plans are being firmed up to fill in the programs for the year.

Membership—Rita Jaquez Arnold reported 29 members paid dues on Tuesday. Edna Smiley and Jill Tanis are helping her.

New business:

Bank signature cards need to be modified. Annette Lee, past president, and Cathy Otten, treasurer helper, needs to be removed. Bert Roark, president and Georgia Cortez, vice-president need to be added. Susan Nelson will be retained. Susan Nelson mentioned the yearly audit is being done next week.

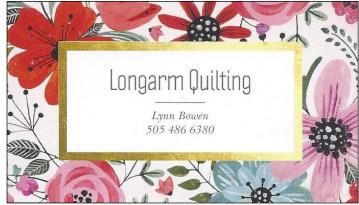
Bert Roark—will make an "idea" box hoping to gain ideas from guild members for future and current guild needs. Georgia Cortez—will write an article for the "Farmington Magazine" featuring the guild.

Newsletter—Lisa Willems wants to receive newsletter information by 19 January 2023.

Lori Cosby motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Cheryl Hough.

Meeting attended by, Bert Roark, Karen Brimhall, Lori Cosby, Lisa Willems, Georgia Cortez, Annette Lee, Vernell Andrews, Rita Jaquez Arnold, Cheryl Hough, Susan Nelson, Ellen Vandruff

Respectfully submitted, Ellen Vandruff, Secretary







Programs

February Program

Our theme for this month is "Our Hearts in the Community". We will be highlighting our work in the community with sewing projects and have some guest speakers. It will also be a sew day for anyone that wants to do some sewing for the community. Lori will have some kits available that you can pick up and sew for the afternoon session. Please bring your sewing machines and anything else you need for sewing. We will have a **short Heart demo** for those that want to tackle a heart quilt! Bring your "heart" quilts, table runners etc. for the usual Show and Tell part of the meeting! Bring your sack lunch or snacks to keep yourself energized. The guild will provide water to drink. We have the room until 4pm so plan on staying and sewing for the community! We "Heart" the community! Thank you.

March Program

Demonstration Day! We are going to have some demonstrations for Dresden plates, flying geese and pinwheels. If you are skilled at any of these techniques please let me know if you are willing to do a demonstration! Please bring your quilts that have pinwheels, flying geese or Dresden plates for Show and Tell that day! I will do the pinwheel demonstration. I really need someone to do an easy flying geese demo, please volunteer! SEW DAY – Work on projects, sew some samples from the demonstrations etc. Bring some material for the demonstrations and your sewing machines. Pack a lunch quilters!

April Program

Michelle Watts – a special announcement will go out on her when I finalize the details!

Georgia Cortez, Programs Chairperson

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Membership

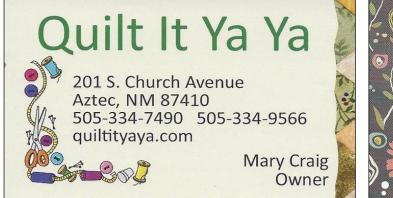
Greetings from the Membership Committee!

It is time to renew your membership for 2023! You can register at one of the guild meetings or you can print a registration form located on our website at sjqg.org under the Membership tab and either bring it with you to a guild meeting or mail it to the address on the form – please remember to include your dues of \$30. To ensure you continue to receive newsletters, email blasts, and are included in the printed membership roster, please register no later than the Saturday, March 18th guild meeting.

As of this writing, we have received 31 registrations: 27 renewals and four new members! Please welcome our new members: Mary Beeman Anita Rader Melissa Spencer Alice Trujillo

Please be sure to invite your quilting family and friends to our meetings. People are interested in joining us!

Jill Tanis, Membership Chairperson







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2023 SJQG Officers & Committee Heads President Bert Roark **1st Vice President** Georgia Cortez 2nd Vice President Malinda Peine Secretary Ellen Vandruff Treasurer Susan Nelson Membership Jill Tanis, Rita Jaquez Arnold, Edna Smiley Programs Georgia Cortez, Cathy Otten **Community Service** Lori Cosby, Donna Hunter, Carol Miller Newsletter Lisa Willems Website **Diane Stubbs** Sunshine Rita Jaquez Arnold **Door Prizes** Vernell Andrews **Opportunity Quilt** Cheryl Hough Opp. Quilt Ticket Sales Karen Brimhall, Ellen Vandruff **Newsletter Ads** Lori Cosby Hospitality Pamela Myers Co. Fair Representative Gail Hoffman Co. Fair Side Raffles Karen Brimhall, Ellen Vandruff

2023 SJQG Meeting Schedule

For a list of our Tues. & Sat. meetings, check out 2023 Newsletters on our web site WWW.sjqg.org

Random Scraps is published bi-monthly in January, March, May, July, September and November of each year. Quilting related articles, tips, hints, news and advertisements are welcome. Newsletter items are due to the editor no later than midnight on the Saturday following the bi-monthly board meetings. Email submissions to sjqg@yahoo.com or mail to the editor: Lisa Willems, 5750 Rail Rd., Farmington, NM 87402. Items received prior to publication date will be included, as space permits.

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Second Tuesday of the month Farmington Civic Center, 200 W. Arrington St., Farmington

Saturday following the Tuesday meeting Piedra Vista High School, 5700 College Blvd., Farmington

Socializing at 9:30AM Meeting at 10:00 AM * Schedule subject to change. *

2023 Four Corners Quilters Gathering

Friday—Sunday, April 14-16, 2023 in Durango, CO Special guest: Barbara Black, Instructor and Designer

Friday Lecture 9a-4p: Love Your Layout \$80 Saturday Lunch & Lecture 10a-2:30p: The Hard Stuff \$40 Sunday Lecture 9a-4p: Charming Sampler \$80

For more information contact Barb Morgan 970.259.1079 Friend them on facebook at **Four Corners Quilters**.