

January 2024



# The Sew & Tell

## North County Quilters Association



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### Presidents Message

by Carrie Harrison-Mortimer



Hello to all my Quilting Friends  
 We had a wonderful time at our holiday potluck. Thank you to all who attended and for those who couldn't make it, sorry you missed out. We were proud to host a representative(s) from all 4 of our chosen charities. Gifting them with our donations was the highlight of our night.

I hope you all had a blessed holiday season. Now on to the New Year and continuing to be with each other sharing our love of quilting. I always enjoy getting together with all of you, whether it's learning something new or just visiting.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a wonderful New Year, filled with love, joy, good cheer, and happiness. I'm looking forward to a terrific year of inspiration and beauty in all our quilting endeavors. With that said, let's kick off our quilting year. Please plan to join us on Monday, January 15th. for our monthly guild meeting. Hope to see you there!!

**Our next Guild Meeting is  
January 15, 2024**

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church  
1087 Country Club Lane  
Escondido, CA 92026

Doors open 5:45pm Meeting begins 6:30pm

## **Message from VP of Program**

Happy New Year Quilters!

Are you stuck with a half-finished quilt because you still need to select backing? Well, this month's speaker may have a solution for you. We are welcoming one of our supporting vendors to speak and offer for sale extra wide backings at our January meeting. Carrie Wilson started Fantabulous Backs about 8 years ago to provide her longarm clients with quilt shop quality extra wide 108" backing fabric. She decided to go a step farther by creating a web site with an online store. She also is a vendor at quilt shows throughout So. California and brings her products for sale at quilt guilds. She will be offering a discount of 20% off all the fabric the evening that she is visiting us.

So don't forget to bring your quilt tops that need a backing or your fabric swatches of the quilts you are working on. She will have multiple totes filled with three yard cuts of extra wide backing, she can take credit/debit, check, and cash.

We are also spotlighting our members with extended time available for showing off and sharing YOUR projects with the Guild. Please bring your creations finished (or not, if you need us to rally around to offer encouragement!). Hopefully we can all get all of the projects we are trying to get finished done in 2024! Dream Big!

<https://fantabulousbacks.com/>

Phone: 619-804-6062

Jill Conger  
Director of Programs

## **Good Cheer**

Thanks to the ladies who returned Good Cheer items, sorry I didn't get all your names. In December we ended up with 12 quilts and 22 pillowcases. [See them all here](#). For the calendar year, we made 156 quilts and 138 pillowcases. The quilt total doesn't include all the Gently Hugged quilts but we made a lot of those as well. Good job, those of you who made items!

## **Membership**

Here we are another year! So much to think about to begin a fresh new year. Some recommendations for a new year always include a "to do list" of some sort or life-changing steps. I always try to update my attitude on various topics by reflecting on the past year which can be overwhelming so I don't want to recommend that necessarily right now! I say, make the new year easy, maybe a bit challenging, fun and "do-able" in regards to what we love doing – yep quilting Think about what you've made this past year; if you want to repeat with different colors like we learned from Sue Bouchard in November or did not accomplish and it's waiting for you or I am totally sure there is a pattern that you have always wanted to make! So many things to consider but make it fun and maybe get out of your comfort zone! It is helpful to make a plan therefore, I know that I will be spring cleaning early to tidy up my stash, grouping colors and reorganizing a bit - I know it sounds like a lot but then I can begin to create and quilt without too much staring at me!

A few more important aspects about the new year – think about inviting a neighbor, friend or family member to our January 15 meeting. Remember, we all have guest passes that we have not used right?? Let's increase all the joy to others since our meetings are so much fun. Please try to reach out to say hi to others that we might not know at each meeting and a good reminder to wear a name tag

Blessings to you all in the new year,

Lynn Cass

Membership Coordinator

## **Fat Quarters**

Happy New Years. I hope everyone enjoyed the holiday season. As usual it was a busy time.

The category for the January Meeting is "Black and White Prints".

I hope to see everyone at the meeting.

Janis

## Security Blankets

On behalf of Palomar Forensics, I would like to thank all who donated fleece blankets and yardage in November and December. We had 20 in November, but because I was unable to attend the potluck, I don't have numbers for December. However, I believe we had around 30 to give for both months.

As a reminder, each blanket takes 1-2/3 yards of 58" fleece (Joann's blizzard works well), preferably solids or subtle prints. Trim off selvages and hem on all sides, single turn

or serge.

Thanks again for your continued support. It is greatly appreciated.

- Maureen McClellan

## Newsletter

Don't forget to send us your Show and Tell, would love to share your master pieces!

Please send to [newsletter@ncountyquilters.com](mailto:newsletter@ncountyquilters.com) by the 1st of each month.

## Newsletter Advertising

Need to make some space in your sewing room? Now you can advertise in the newsletter each month! New or used items related to quilting - patterns, tools, fabric, sewing machines, etc - are all suitable. This is not a place to sell boutique items that you've made. If in doubt, call or email Leslie at [maugreall@gmail.com](mailto:maugreall@gmail.com) or 619-993-1655. Price for guild members is \$10 for up to 5 sentences and a one photo. Non-guild members pay \$20.

## **January Birthdays**

A very Happy Birthday to all our members with a January Birthday!

Louise Anselmo 1/6  
Barbara Jacobson 1/6  
Rita McFayden 1/15  
Sally Stewart 1/17  
Gail Fisher 1/18  
Leslie Sowden 1/20



## **Calling all members..**



Ever attend a Board Meeting?? Want to know more about our guild?? What's currently happening and what's in the future plans?? Have some suggestions or comments?? This is the opportunity for your voice to be heard.

Please join us at our monthly board meetings. All members are welcomed and are actually encouraged to join us. Here's the information...

2024 Board Meeting Schedule.  
January 11th, February 8th, March 14th,  
April 11th, May 9th & June 13th.  
Starts at 6:30pm

Madrid Manor Mobile Home Park (back clubhouse).  
1401 El Norte Pkwy San Marcos, CA. 92069

(Enter park, make an immediate right. Drive past the main clubhouse/pool area. Go to the left. Down the street to the end. Make a right at the stop sign. 2 blocks down on the left is the small back clubhouse)

Hope to see you there!!

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