

San Juan Quilters April 2024 Newsletter

Presidents Message:

Hello San Juan Quilters!

Happy April!

I hope many of you were able to go to the quilt show in Hotchkiss. It was wonderful and gave me lots of ideas. It was so much fun to travel there with Jan, Lael, and Deborah!

Don't forget the quilt show in Grand Junction on April 12th and 13th. It should be fabulous and a good chance to travel with someone and get to know them better.

Our retreat is also this month! WooHoo! It will be packed with fun, food, good memories, friends and sewing! Thank you to Wendy and her crew for putting this together for us AGAIN! The theme is Celebrations.

Our next meeting is on April 13th. I am looking forward to all the beautiful show tell items you talented people bring. Keep on Quilting!

Rebecca 😊

Quilters Wisdom

**Quilters:
Cut with Hope
Stitch with Grace
Quilt with Dreams
Bind with Laughter
Share with Love**

By Simple Pleasures

Quilters Tips

The key to accurate cutting is to starch your fabric well, before cutting anything.

Use a sharp cutting blade so you get an accurate clean cut.

Before you sew two pieces together, press them together so they will stick to each other and the one piece underneath will feed at the same rate as the piece on the top. "Set" the seam by placing iron on top of it for 30 seconds.

Next open the seam or press the seam one direction or the other. Now... turn the fabric right side up and press the seam again. **No** swishing!

Here are the March minutes and block instructions. Enjoy

San Juan Quilt Guild Minutes for March, 2024

Called to order by President Rebecca at 9:02

Welcome - Jo - attendance 27 members and 2 guest – Jean Hatfield & Carolyn Ray
Previous Month's Minutes approved by Jean, seconded by Cheryl.

Membership - Sue – 34 paid members with Pat Clark as a new member

Birthdays – Norma, Sharon, Cheryl, Linda, Jean

Treasurer's Report - Jean – If you need this information, please call the treasurer.

Retreat Planning - Wendy – April 18, 19, 20th – Thursday after lunch will include a presentation of our 20 years, feel free to come and watch. 24 have signed up, so it is full. Contact Wendy if you want on the waitlist.

Community Outreach Norma – 4 to cancer, 3 to Elk Ridge, 1 to Hope West for Quilts of Valor, 3 pillowcases to Military, 1- Sleep in Heavenly Peace

Hospitality - Sandy - This Month - April refreshments are provided by Wendy Dyer ((cake for our 20th birthday party) and Pam Grow will make deviled eggs and fruit. As always a fun and tasty menu from our talented members!!

Black Canyon Quilt Show - Sandy – has raffle tickets with her at the Wednesday get togethers, Feb meeting – what is the interest in the educational portion. Instructor Laura

Loewen – Friday \$95 all day basics of basting curves for applique, curved English Paper Piecing, and hand applique techniques.



Saturday 9-12 will be Learn how to look at fabric and color placement in a painterly way. Practice creating color palettes and finding arrangements to create movement within your quilt. \$45

Carolyn Ray – raffle tickets available, Sandra is taking the quilt to the Durango quilt show.

Library Jan – new books added 1000 Block – a variety of techniques, Becky showed a variety of ways to do log cabin squares.

Sunshine Betty - call or email her with needs, Card going around for Linda after her surgery, another for Howard Kennedy, one more for Elma Ross to let her know we are thinking of her.

Newsletter – Deborah – check your spam folder in case it has ended up in

Quilts at City Hall & Homestead - Judy - Homestead - This Month – Betty, Next Month - Jean; need quilts for June on



Block of the Month Nadine & Jean – Linda brought a new one for next month, use blue as the large triangle and then you can flip the red/white combo if you do more than one block. 13 blocks were completed last month and Sue took them to make into a Quilt of Valor. Rebecca will bring in a pattern for next month.

Program - Betty Ann, Wendy, Jo – March – Pam G will walk us through free motion designs with our machines today.

April – BRING your Machines as we work on taking orphan blocks into table runners to practice our quilt as you go techniques.



May – prepare your quilt to get it ready for a professional quilter.

Old Business

Bank – everything has changed over, and new checks were ordered 80 for \$40 with Jean's address.

Jean Hatfield – a few slots left April 26th & 27 – Barn Square Quilting

Rebecca added our quilt guild information to the Beacon.

New Business

Lindsey Greenfield – needs someone to complete 3 twin size quilts completed (70x90)

Sue takes unwanted fabric to the Indian Reservation, please bring any you may have and it will be delivered in the next month, bring to Norma by next Wednesday.

Hotchkiss's Cabin Fever Quilt Show next weekend at the fairgrounds.

Durango Quilt Show April 5 & 6th

Owls' Nest – Grand Junction – Ricky Tims - April 12 & 13

Meeting Adjourned at 9:55 Approved by Joanie, Seconded by Gidget

Next meeting April 13, 2024