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# CATHY'S CORNER

**Here it is 2010!!!** What happened to 2019? Have you noticed the older we get, the shorter the year?

Well ladies let's get ready for a shorter but great year! We will be stating the year with a great program (this Wednesday, January 8th at 6:30pm). We have representatives from the major sewing machine companies to show you new attachments and answer questions you may have about sewing machines. Also, we will have a guest from Project 150 (homeless teens), presenting them with the Bingo money (\$165.00) donated from our Christmas Party. Talking about the Christmas Party, what a wonderful night! We thank Cindy Heller and her committee for all their hard work. If you weren't able to attend, you missed all the wonderful Food, Games, Prizes, and Raffle Drawings. There is always next year!

We already have a full house for the retreat. If you haven't made your hotel reservations yet, call the Wingate Hotel in St George on the local number (435-637-9602 option 2) to book your room. Be sure to tell them you are with the Las Vegas Quilters Guild. Be aware many folks are going up Wednesday to help set up and get a head start on shopping. Also, **I'm talking with the local shops about classes and I need feedback from those attending the retreat. Are you willing to load up your sewing machines and supplies to attend classes and different locations, or do you want to stay where you are and work on your own projects?** We are going to have some demos, and a jelly roll quilt race. For our charity program, those attending the retreat, and who choose to participate in the jelly roll race, the first to complete their jelly roll quilt will win a prize. We are going to be giving out great gifts for many things that we have planned. Be ready for a great time and special fun with 42 other ladies that love to Sew, Eat, and Shop!

**Tip of the month:** I saw this on a sewing show and I tried it and love it! This is a different take on the Best Press Recipe. With the old recipe, we used about 1/3 cup vodka and 2/3 cup water, which worked great. With this recipe, use 1/3 cup vodka, 1/3 liquid starch, and fill the rest of your bottle with water. It makes such a crisp seam and fold. If you use too much starch it will dirty your iron but it washes off with a wet rag so play with it until you get the right mix.

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## Charity Programs by Chair, Ruthie Kerr

There are many Charity Programs to become involved with or donate towards. Please bring donations to Membership Meetings. Here is a list of active charity programs, but feel free to suggest others:

- **Project 150 Homeless Teens:** Donate backpacks, toiletries, school supplies, nonperishable foods (i.e., fruit rollups, pop top cans of fruit, pudding cups, instant oatmeal, granola bars, etc.).
- **Pillowcases** for Children at local hospitals, Child Haven, etc.: A pattern can be found on our website
- **Hats & Receiving Blankets** for preemies in neonatal units. Pictured here are isolette blanket donations to NICU Centennial Hospital.
- **Scraps for Pet Beds**, for our local 'no kill' shelters
- **Quilts** for Child Haven, Fisher House, VA Hospital, NLV Police Child Crisis,
- **Quilts of Valor** for NV Service men & women: Make or donate quilt tops, a finished block, or fabric (red, white, blue, cream, gold, or patriotic)
- **Quilts for Vegas Strong Resiliency Center** (1 October Survivors).

## Members

**New Members:** We encourage you to please reach out to our Guild members, don't be bashful, ask questions, and enjoy what we have to offer.

**Guild Members:** A friendly reminder please, if you see a new face, or someone struggling, please smile, offer assistance, ask them to join your table, etc.

## IVQ Opportunity Quilt Fundraiser

Our "Sunrise Scraps" Opportunity Quilt was made by members of our Guild, featuring over 4000 pieces, an appliqued center medallion, and quilted by Linda Natale. It has earned the following accolades:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Shadow Mountain Quilters, Group Division
- Best Piecing, Shadow Mountain Quilters
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Desert Quilters Nevada, Group Division

The Opportunity Quilt is one of our **major fundraisers** to help cover Guild operating expenses. Please participate by buying raffle tickets at meetings and events to win this beauty! It will be raffled off during the December 2020 meeting. For questions, contact Cindy Heller at [hellerck@cox.net](mailto:hellerck@cox.net).



This January Meeting is our Annual Meeting. We will be voting for the 2020 Executive Board. The following people have been nominated for the Board Positions.

**Cathy Miller— President** I am very honored and humbled to have been nominated for the office of President of the Las Vegas Quilter's again for a second term. I love this guild and all the wonderful women that I have been fortunate to get to know. I am from Arkansas and have lived in Nevada for over 30 years. I went to school at the University of Arkansas and received degree in Secondary Education & Business. I have taught High Schools, I designed restaurants and sold restaurant equipment and supplies for many years. In 1994 I went to work for the State of Nevada I worked in the Governor's Office of as constituent services and communications director. I retired from the Government in 2004. As a retiree, I went to culinary school and did a lot of catering. I am a long time sewer, short time quilter. My goals are many for our guild and if we can accomplish some of them, we have won. I would love to get each and every one of you involved in some way. I would love for us to have a relationship with all the guilds and circles. Let's share our knowledge with each other that way we all win.

**Beth Gribbin—Vice President** I started sewing at age 14 and made all my clothes from that point until in my 30's. I made clothes for my teacher in High School and was paid well, which got me hooked on sewing. My first quilt was a king size lone star in 1978. I sat on the floor and traced the diamonds with a pencil from a cardboard template. All my points matched and I have no idea how that happened. I quilted it with a stitch in the ditch and that even turned out well. I look at that quilt every time I visit my mom. I can't believe it turned out so well. That launched me into quilting. I have owned and managed a number of businesses over the Years. I feel I am good at problem solving , thinking outside the box and marketing. Thank you for considering for the position of Vice President for another year.

**Cathy Gordon—Treasurer** I am looking forward to being your Treasurer for 2020. My qualifications include having basic accounting courses in the past and very competent with computers. When I lived in Des Moines I worked at the hospital and learned to quilt from the Head of Nursing. After two classes I was hooked. That was in 2003 and I have been quilting ever since. My friend Katie was an avid embroiderer and she taught me embroidery and I taught her quilting. I have taught many women in my church to quilt. I look forward to the next year with Las Vegas Quilters

**Chris Ela—Secretary** Chris and Her husband, Dave, moved to Las Vegas 14 years ago from Southern California. Prior to retirement, she worked in marketing at a large insurance company. She is a past President of the Westside Newcomers Club. Chris enjoys quilting and has been active in LVQ meetings, classes and retreats and looks forward to serving the guild in the future.

### **Quick Tips by Phyllis Suiter**

Fat Quarters ( 18" x 22" pieces of Fabric) are great Favorites of Quilters because they can be cut into many ways to work for quilt Blocks and they don't take up much room in your stash.

Here is a link to a great blog for different ways you can cut up a Fat Quarter

<https://newquilters.com/cutting-up-fat-quarters/>

## 2019 BOARD MEMBERS

President	Cathy Miller
Vice President	Beth Boyer
Secretary	Ann Giannini
Treasurer	Cathy Gordon

### STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIR(S)

Charity Coordinator	Ruthie Kerr
Christmas Party	Cindy Heller
Hospitality	Darlene Mast & Anne Marie Burge
Membership	Pamela Sutton
Newsletter	Cindy Heller
Opportunity Quilt Programs	Cindy Heller
Refreshments	Alison Tichner
Sunshine	Darlene Mast & Anne Marie Burge
Ways & Means	Tyler Janes
Webmistress	Linda Cromley & Del Billmire
	Phyllis Suiter

## Happy Birthday Quilters



Nona Taylor	1/2
Bonnie Hamlett	1/4
Del Bilmire	1/14
Vicki Ruebul	1/19
Beverly Anderson	1/21
Patti Pickhard	1/22

## General Membership Meetings

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month, 6:30 pm—8:30 pm, St. Andrew Lutheran Church, 8901 Del Webb Blvd. Membership Fee is \$20 per calendar year.

**Board Meetings:** Directly before General Membership Meetings

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## Sunshine by Tyler Janes

Cards of encouragement and well-wishes are sent to members that we know are going through difficulty (i.e., surgery, grief, etc.), as well as birthday greetings via email. If you know of anyone who could use encouragement, or whose birthday we missed, please contact me at [tyler@ntjanes.com](mailto:tyler@ntjanes.com)



## NEWSLETTER

If you have news, tips, articles, or advertisements you'd like to share, please send them to Cindy Heller: [hellerck@cox.net](mailto:hellerck@cox.net).

The deadline for articles is the 23<sup>rd</sup> of each month.

### Advertising Rates

Full Page	\$50.00	Quarter Page	\$12.50
Half Page	\$25.00	Business Card	\$ 5.00

Checks should be made payable and mailed to Las Vegas Quilters Guild, P.O. Box 36296, LV, NV 89133

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