# **Presidents Letter**

WOW...so now it's February 2024! I'm happy to report we have secured a date for our next retreat. It's going to be Thursday, July 11th—Saturday, July 13th 2024 and it will be jammed packed with prizes and games. We are going back to the Hilton Garden Inn at St. George this year so we will have plenty of room to be together without stepping on each other's toes. Please step forward if you would like to teach or demonstrate a new quilting technique. More information with be discussed at our next monthly meeting.

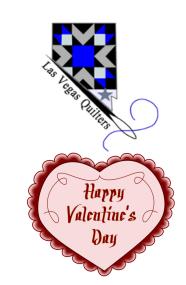
Get ready to read your email in the near future concerning a 'MEMBERS ONLY' event which will be coming up shortly. It's going to be great. We are growing every month, and the newest tally is 171 members. I'm proud of being part of this organization.

Save the date: <u>Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup></u>, I secured Mountain Crest Park for our annual picnic.

Please let me know if you can lend a hand with this event. It's always a fun time to get together and remember you can bring your latest project for show and tell.

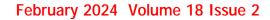
Kitchen Tip: I learned something recently.... you know when you bring something home and it has a sticky label that you just can't remove easily? Just hit the label with your hairdryer. The heat melts the glue fast. I hope this helps.

See you at the meeting! Hugs, Janis



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Remember the song: <u>"let's get Physical</u> <u>Physical?</u> Well get ready for some "Tropical—Tropical" fun.

Ahhh, those beautiful breezes, fragrances of flowers, sewing, shopping and just havingh. Sound awesome? Well get your

sunglasses



"SAVE THE DATES" July 11th—July 13th, 2024 Hilton Garden Inn our retreat hotel from 2022) St. George, Janis S. (bur President) is working on bringing all of us together for a great Summer "Tropical" Retreat.

Stay Tuned!

Please note that as soon as we have more information, times, cost, forms, etc., we will forward that to all!





February 2<sup>nd</sup>: Meeting Sheri and Chelsi with A Quilting Life Trunk Show <u>Start Here - A Quilting Life</u> (click on link to the left for more information)

#### February 3rd:

SEW DAY - Spring Valley Baptist Church 10:00am to 4:00pm Open Sew & Taco Pouch kit assembly \*\*Please see MaryKate to volunteer with cutting and assembling kits together for taco pouches to be done in April\*\*

**PROGRAM INFORMATION FOR 2024** 

February 10th: Charity Special Event: Guild Liquidation Sale @ Spring Valley Church

March 1<sup>st</sup>: Meeting Brown Bag Challenge bag distribution + LEGIT KITS TRUNK SHOW with Becky Sanford \*\*See following pages for more information on Brown Bag Challenge

#### March 2nd:

SEW DAY - Spring Valley Baptist Church 10:00am to 4:00pm Bag Handles for Charity & Ironing Carts Patriotic Quilts Tube Quilts with Cathy Gordon & Ironing Carts with Chris \*\*See following pages for more information on Ironing Carts with Chris\*\*

April 5<sup>th</sup> : Meeting Brown Bag Challenge Reveal \*\*see following pages for more information on Brown Bag Reveal\*\* SEW DAY - Taco Pouches with Debi Cooper

# May 3<sup>rd</sup>: Meeting Christa Watson Domestic Machine Quilting Trunk Show & Saturday Workshop Sew Day Christa Watson Workshop Domestic Machine Quilting Workshop \$80.00 June 7th: Meeting

Brandon Wulff Biscotti Trunk Show via Zoom SEW DAY - Spring Valley Baptist Church Scrap Quilt with Ev Dahl

### July 5th: Meeting

Ice Cream Social and SNIP IT, RIP IT, DROP IT, PASS IT, with winter themed fabrics Sew Day—Snip IT Winter Quilts & laptop prop cubes for charity

## August 2<sup>nd</sup>: Meeting

Winter Quilt Parade SEW DAY -Three Dudes Quilt with Chris or Legit Kits Workshop with fee \$

## September 6<sup>th</sup>: Meeting

SchoolHouse Demos - email <u>Krystalhosmer.1@gmail.com</u> if you have a demo suggestion SEW DAY - Wendy Strumwasser class

October 4<sup>th</sup>: Meeting Strip Roll Game with Spring Fabrics SEW DAY - Giant Star Baby Quilt with Krystal

# November 1<sup>st</sup>: Meeting Quilter's Will and Bequests with Krystal & Mary Kate SEW DAY - Jen Wagner/Many Moons

December 6<sup>th</sup>: NO MEETING

Holiday Party Los Prados Golf Club

#### \*\*program detailed information\*\*

#### **Brown Bag Surprise Challenge**

For our March meeting, a very popular activity from 2023 is coming back! We'll be getting out of our comfort zones and meeting other members during our 2024 Brown Bag Challenge!

#### **DETAILS:**

Each person who wants to play will bring 4 Fat Quarters or 8 Fat Eighths of fabric. You can put in odd size pieces as well... just remembreds to ft inside a brown paper lunch bag and it needs to be about a yard total. You can provide coordinated fabrics or a more randor What you put in the bag is up to you!

At the March meeting, you'll place your fabric inside a supplied brown lunch bag. An index card with your frist & last name, email add and phone number will be placed in the bag with your fabrics. Do not mark the outside of your bag in any way. You'll get 1 ticket per b During our main presentation, bags will be rolled closed and stapled shut. We'll mix them up and set them on a table at the back. At the of the meeting, each person who is playing will present their claim ticket and pick 1 bag at random from the table.

During the next month, each participant must create a 12" or larger filshed item (a handbag, tote bag, wall quilt, table topper, place ma stufefd animal, etc) using the fabrics in the bag. Try to use as much of the fabric as you can. You may add backing or binding fabric. Ea participant supplies batting, binding and sewing notions as needed. You may reach out to the owner of your bag with questions or not you see fti. Use this as a challenge to yourself to stretch your creativity and work with a color or style of fabric that might be outside yo normal taste. Create something you've never tried before. Learn a new skill or finally make that pattern you've been eyeing! If you READ want to level up the challenge, use ONLY the fabric in the bag.

At the April meeting, fiished items should be wrapped (in whatever paper is handy) with the owner's index card taped to the package. call each pair up to the front and you'll open your Brown Bag Surprises with the person who created it for you. Time will be given to ea pair to talk about their reactions and process for creating the challenge item. Last year, the creativity displayed by Guild members was inspiring! SEARCH "BROWN BAG" in our Facebook group to see the photos.

YES - you may do two bags, but remember, if you bring two, you are committed to FINISH two Brown Bag Surprises for the A meeting.

Please be mindful of your own time and commit ONLY if you can finish this challenge by the April meeting.

## **Chris' Ironing Cart Information:**



An Ironing Cart on Wheels with Storage and a 48x24" ironing surface.

You will need to sign up and pay for your materials by 2/16/2024 so we can order **materials** them ready by March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Signups close on 2/16/2024.

All needed materials, the wheeled chrome cart, instructions/assistance to make the top and Room Fee are covered by the workshop fee. Eventbrite adds a \$12 +/- processing fee to your purchase.

Cost per cart is \$160.00 plus the processing Fee.

If interested:

Sign up and Pay: <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/march-sew-day-ironing-carts-</u> tickets-783154695777

Chris will Order all carts, wood, quilted insulbrite batting, and muslin after close of registration on the 16<sup>th</sup> of February .

At Sew-Day on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Chris will have tools available and help to assemble the ironing top. You will take the top and rest of the Cart home. It takes about 20 minutes to finish assembling the cart. No tools are needed to assemble the cart.

If you have questions or will need to cancel, contact KrystalHosmer.1@gmail.com

The Eventbrite fee is nonrefundable.



# SHOW US YOUR W.I.P. HAND

#### What if you won some cash for keeping your promise

to yourself to FINISH Projects? There are many names for those unfinished quilt projects we all have stashed in our closets, under the bed or in drawers or bags... WIPs (works in progress), UFOs (unfinished objects), NFUFO (nearly finished UFOs), BBUFO (barely begun UFOs), PIPS (projects in process), WISPs (works in slow progress), WIVPs (works in very slow progress), PIGs (projects in grocery sacks).

We started them because we liked them but for one reason or another we put them aside to finish at another time. Wouldn't it be nice to see those quilt projects completed instead of hiding them away for a few more years? What if the Guild held you accountable to finish those projects?

# LINE UP YOUR CARDS

On the attached 2 sheets, list up to 6 UFOs you are committed to finishing this year. Fill out your name and email address. Fill out both sheets and turn ONE COPY in

to KRYSTAL HOSMER with your Buy In Bets at the February meeting. Tack the other one up in your sewing room RIGHT BY YOUR MACHINE so you see it every time you sew.

# PLACE YOUR BETS

For each project your list, a BUY IN BET of \$5 is on the line. You may enter up to 6 projects for the year - \$30 total Buy In Bet

# PLAY THE GAME

Starting at the February meeting, Krystal will pull a number (1-6) and announce it at each meeting. For the next month you are to work on the project on your list that corresponds to that number and try to finish it (the minimum definition of "finished" is a completed top) for show & tell for the next month. Check a box for every project you finish! Think how proud you'll be when you tell us all "I finally finished this quilt!" The applause alone will make it worth the work!

# GO "ALL IN" AND TAKE THE POT

For each month you complete a UFO Challenge and bring it to Show n Tell, you'll get a drawing ticket to the 50/50 Drawing we'll hold at the 2024 LVQ Holiday Party. The Winning ticket gets 50% of the Buy in Bets and the Penalties! The Guild keeps 50% to expand the budget for 2025. The more quilts you finish the more times you'll be entered into the drawing.

# \*\*\*\*\*\* NO BLUFFING! \*\*\*\*\*\*

If you do NOT complete the UFO challenge for the month, you must pay in an additional \$5 penalty at the next meeting. Keep your word to yourself to avoid the penalty.

# DOUBLE DOWN

Once you finish a project, if you don't want the quilt, you can donate it to one of our guild charities. Each completed UFO quilt that is donated to the Guild will receive one additional drawing ticket. You must donate the quilt at the meeting your bring it in for Show n Tell.

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Bet Yourself.	I'm Betting on Me! I solemnly swear that I will finish these 6 UFO projects! I am betting \$5 per project that I can meet this challenge. If I do not complete my UFO for the month, I will pay a penalty of \$5 at the next LVQ Guild Meeting. Name: Email:
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Welcome to all of our new members, as we continue to grow and expand at our Las Vegas Quilt Guild.

We are now a Guild of 171 members, WOW is all that I can say.

We had 10 new members join us for the 2024 year.

Please welcome our ten newest members to our roster:

Patty White Francine Beanan Hope Wells Gloria Elo Darlene Mc Dowell Brenda Mc Carthy Vicki Joyce Nannett Jordan Lucretia Glidewell Sandy Barber







A quilting Sister passed away last year and her daughter has to sell her sewing/embroidery machine and sewing room furniture. Here are pictures of the items. The furniture is all custom made and in excellent condition. The Bernina 730 Sewing/embroidery machine is in excellent condition and all hoops and attachments are included. Please contact Sheri Brown

at brownsheri57@gmail.com if you are interested.



2024 BOARD MEMBERS			
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Programs	Krystal Hosmer		
Retreat	Janis Schoen		
Sunshine	Tyler Janes		
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Facebook Administrator	Pamela Sutton		

General Membership Meeting <u>February 2nd,</u> <u>6PM to 8PM</u> 1st Friday of each Month Spring Valley Baptist Church 3135 S. Rainbow Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89146 <u>6:00PM— 8:00PM</u>



Board Meeting April 7th, 2024 @1:00pm Janis's House 516-376-9856

#### **Contact Us**

Website (click address): https:// www.lasvegasquilters.com/ email: lvqwebmaster@gmail.com Emails will be forwarded to correct respondent. Write: Las Vegas Quilters P.O. Box 36296 Las Vegas, NV 89133





### 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 <u>tylercjanes@yahoo.com</u>

Tyler has asked if any member hears anything about another member that they feel possibly just needs a special note sent, phone call, etc., please reach out to her and she would be more than happy to take care of this for you.

#### NEWSLETTER

If you have news, tips, articles, or advertisements you'd like to share, please send them to The deadline for articles is the 23<sup>rd</sup> of each month. Rosemarie Francis at <u>happyquilter0318@gmail.com</u>

Advertising Rates: Full Page \$50.00 Quarter Page \$12.50 Half Page \$25.00 Business Card \$ 5.00 Members have 1 free ad/ year

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

NOTE: All members may place one business card size ad for free, once every 12 months, for personal or business purposes.



Fundraising time is here again.....Look what we have to raffle off for the next six months....This bundle will be raffled off at our June 2024 meeting, so get those tickets now. The best deal, besides this awesome "bundle" is that ticket prices have stayed the same. So, <u>6 tickets for \$5.00 or 1</u> ticket for \$1.00. You won't want to miss out!

Again, the items below are a **bundle**, so if you have the winning ticket,

YES you win **BOTH**!



Brother 1500s Nouvelle Sewing/Quilting Machine:

System :



See Debi Cooper at our meetings to purchase tickets or you may contact her @

Sewing Machine in picture is not included in raffle. The raffle will include the "Flynn Quilting System" along with the Brother 1500 series Nouvelle Sewing/Quilting Machine as seen in

# LIST OF LONG-ARM QUILTERS

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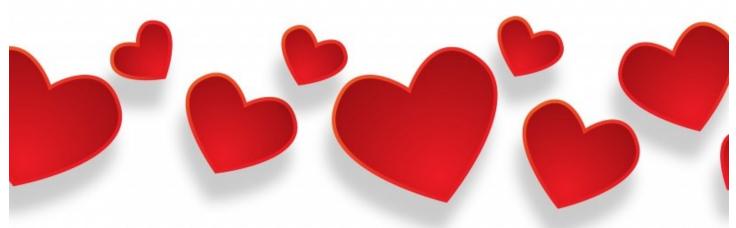
Nancy Owens: 702-845-3667, 164 Deanna Wy, Henderson

Sew Yeah Quilting: 702-586-8676, 1540 Rainbow Blvd LV

Vicki Ruebel: 702-640-0057, 2475 West Cheyenne LV (The Orchid Owl)

BINDING SERVICES

Darlene Liuska 702-858-8275, If you are in need of binding services, please call Darlene and she will be happy to quote you on her work. Darlene sews all her bindings by hand and offers a great service.



Hi Everyone,

This is Mary-Kate Erickson, on behalf of Janis Schoen and the LVQ Board with a special invitation for a "Members Only" event at Spring Valley Baptist Church on Saturday, February 10, 2024. We will be holding a special Guild Stash Liquidation Event that day, with the day broken into 2 parts. There will be a Silent Auction and sale of goods with a recommended donation amount from 10:00 am – noon and a fabric + supply give away from 1:00pm - 3:00 pm.

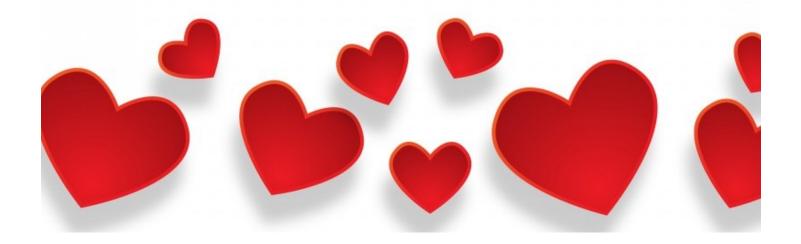
Why are we doing this? The answer is simple; it is because we have been gifted with multiple estates of "good goodies" – from a Brother Luminaire machine to bolts of wo-ven Guatemalan fabric and much, much more.

Why is this event "Members Only"? The primary reason is for security. Because we will potentially have monies on-site that may attract a criminal element, we need to take steps to safeguard ourselves. The secondary reason is to ensure we protect our status as a non-profit and not have a "public" event of this type.

There will be more details to follow soon, including a brochure of items up for Silent Auction and many of the priced-to-move items. Should you be interested in helping with this event, please contact me at: EricksonMK@GMail.com or text (818) 481-3705.

Sincerely,

Mary-Kate Erickson for Janis and the Board





February 2024

Dear Members of LV Quilters,

As our membership has grown past pre-COVID numbers and our donations to the community have increased and stabilized, more non-profits have come to our attention. The Board is launching a new program to give to more than our "core" Charity / Outreach recipients.

We'll be selecting one Charity each Quarter to be a limited time recipient of donations – such Quilts of Valor or feminine hygiene supplies for a Fill The Bus drive. This is where you come in.

By nominating a non-profit organization to be the Charity of the Quarter, you are agreeing to be contact for LVQ with the organization. You'll give a short overview of the Group, their mission and what we're collecting at the first meeting of the Quarter. You'll gather and deliver the donations on behalf of Las Vegas Quilters. Charity Outreach will handle all of the behind-the-scenes tasks like publicizing your recipient, attending Board meetings and making certain guidelines for our not-for-profit status are protected.

To nominate your non-profit for one of the quarters in 2024, complete the form below and return it to either Charity Outreach (Mary Kate) or Janis Schoen by April 5, 2024. Each submission will be reviewed and possibly adopted for the upcoming year. Submissions will be voted on at our upcoming Board meeting. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary-Kate Erickson Charity / Outreach coordinator Las Vegas Quilters

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NAME OF NON-PROFIT:	
WHAT THEY PROMOTE:	
WHAT TIME OF YEAR IS THEIR BUSIEST?	
WHAT TYPE(S) OF ITEMS DO THEY NEED:	
ANY THING ELSE WE SHOULD KNOW	
YOUR NAME:	
CONTACT INFO FOR YOU:	

LVQ Quarterly Non-profit Consideration Form

# **Ongoing Charity Opportunities**

# "GIVE WITH AN OPEN HEART"

# **NEW!! COMING SOON!!!**

# CHARITY OF THE QUARTER: TO BE DETERMINED—Please see article and flyer

# **Baby Charities / First Choice Pregnancy Center**

Flannel receiving blankets, burp cloths items made with yarn (afghans, hats, booties, etc)

## \* Dog Beds

Beds for all sizes of dogs stuffed with quilting fabric scraps, batting and all things soft.

# \* Fisher House

Pillowcases and lap-sized quilts—48" to 70"

# \* NICU / Valley Hosptials

Isolate covers measuring between 30" square up to 40" square to protect the babies' eyes from the bright hospital lighting.

## \* Project 150 (for homeless or at-risk teens)

Monetary donations or fast food restaurant gift cards, gently-used clothing, new socks,

travel-sized toiletries from your travels, menstrual supplies, nutritious snack and food items

# Thank you for your continued generosity with all of our Charity endeavors. You are appreciated.



Sincerely,

Mary-Kate Erickson, LVQ Charity Coordinator

As you can see, the heart rests in the center of the palm. The Heart-in-Hand symbol represents Charity given with an open heart

# **CHARITY CONTACTS**

Lead / Coordinator

**Mary-Kate Erickson** 

EricksonMK@Gmail.com

## "BABY" CHARITIES (ALL things "baby)

looking for a new contact—maybe you?

## FISHER HOUSE (Pillowcases and Lap Quilts)

Felicia Cormier and Joan Marsh

## **NICU and PEDIATRICS**

Mary-Kate Erickson

**PROJECT 150** (Teens) - Food Gift cards & Snacks Ruthie Kerr assisted by Krystal Hosmer

## **DOG BEDS for VARIOUS SHELTERS**

(Scraps for Dog Beds + Beds themselves) Mary Glenn and Theresa Nelson

## MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK



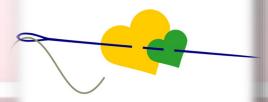
# MONTHLY CHARITY EVENT

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- Thursday, March 21, SEWabilities, 10:30am-3:00pm Project focus TBD

READ YOUR EMAIL FOR UPDATES!











## THANK YOU for donating to our Charity partners!

In January, we donated to and helped the following Charities:

**First Choice Pregnancy Center** – 5 beanie / afghan sets, 5 baby bibs,8 spit-up cloths and 11 crocheted beanies

Fisher House – 5 lap quilts and 1 XL lap quilt

NICU - 48 isolate covers / quilts

**Pediatrics** - 6 quilts, 4 crocheted beanies and 1 beanie /scarf set

**Project 150** – 18 fleece hat and scarf sets, 5 crocheted beanie / scarf sets fleece blankets, 1 lap quilt, 8 beanies, miscellaneous clothing, toiletries and snacks

Vegas Valley Animal Shelters - 29 beds and 13 blankets to Rescued Treasures

As always, your generosity is appreciated.

## **KEEP YOUR DONATIONS COMING!**

## ANY QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT:

Mary-Kate EricksonMK@GMail.com

# Lovestruck Heart Block (free!) Pattern: by Cluck Cluck Sew



Click on picture to go to get this cute "Valentine" block pattern!



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Author: Sally Prep Time: 1 hour Cook Time: 12 minutes

Total Time: 1 hour, 45 minutes Yield: 32 cookies

These sparkle sweetheart cookies are dressed up in Valentine's Day sprinkles and a chocolate heart on tap! This is a simple cream cheese drop-style sugar cookie that only requires 30-60 minutes of cookie dough chilling.

#### Ingredients

- 3 cups (375g) all-purpose flour (spooned & leveled)
- 1 and 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup (16 Tbsp; 226g) unsalted butter, softened to room temperature
- 2 ounces (57g) full-fat brick cream cheese, softened to room temperature
- 1 cup (200g) granulated sugar
- 1 large egg, at room temperature
- 2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon almond extract\*
- 3/4 cup (150g) sanding sugar, pink and red or assorted colors\*
- 32 chocolate hearts, unwrapped\*

#### Cook Mode Prevent your screen from going dark Instructions

- Whisk the flour, baking powder, and salt together until combined. Set aside.
- In a large bowl using a hand-held or stand mixer fitted with a paddle attachment, beat the butter and cream cheese together on high speed until relatively smooth, about 2 minutes. Add the granulated sugar and beat until combined and creamy. Add the egg, vanilla extract, and almond extract and beat on high speed until combined, about 1 minute. Scrape down the sides and bottom of the bowl as needed to combine.
- Add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and mix on low speed until combined. The dough will be thick. Cover dough tightly with aluminum foil or plastic wrap and chill for at least 30-60 minutes and up to 3-4 days. If chilling for longer than 2-3 hours, allow the dough to sit at room temperature for at least 30 minutes before rolling and baking because the dough will be quite hard and the cookies may not spread.
- Preheat oven to 350°F (177°C). Line two large baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone baking mats. (Always recommended for cookies.) Set aside.
- Pour sanding sugar in a bowl or, if using multiple colors, a few separate bowls.
- Roll balls of cookie dough, about 1 Tablespoon of dough per cookie, then roll each ball in the sanding sugar to coat. Place each dough ball 2 inches apart on the baking sheets. Using the back of a measuring cup or drinking glass, gently press down on each dough ball to slightly flatten. Bake the cookies for 12-13 minutes or until very lightly browned on the edges.
- Remove from the oven and allow to cool on the baking sheets for 5 minutes. Press a chocolate heart into each cookie and quickly stick the baking sheet in the freezer or fridge so the warm cookie does not completely melt the chocolate heart. Let the chocolate set (about 15 minutes) on the cookies in the freezer/refrigerator.
- O Cookies will stay fresh covered at room temperature for 1 week.

## SWEETHEART SPARKLE COOKIES

