



# CATHY'S CORNER

Dear Quilting Friends,

I start my letter with a heavy heart!! As President I have to make some hard decisions and this is one of the hardest I've had to make. I talked to the board, and other members, and we feel that having any Guild meetings this year is going to be almost impossible. Also, we have canceled the Harvest Festival, and the Quilt Challenge is on hold. I know a lot of you have been working hard, but with restrictions on gatherings, I do not see much hope right now. Save your items, and I promise as soon as we can, we will have our sale and more normal meetings. Additionally, soon we will need to address Elections! Please contact me if you're interested in a position on the Board (President, Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer), or chairing a Committee (there are 5 openings).

I do have some good news, we are going to have a **picnic next month** so please read on for more information. You must RSVP as we can allow only 49 people to gather, as mandated by the Governor.

I try to find good in all that is happening and believe me, that is hard right now. But I have been sewing like a wild woman! In fact I am trying quilting edge to edge. I found my 1<sup>st</sup> quilt that I pieced over 5 years ago, and believe me I made many mistakes, but I found out that hey I can do this. With a lot of practice and willpower I can do this!!! So try something new and see what happens.

I miss you all, and hope to see you in October.

**Love, Cathy**

**Basil Pesto Recipe:** I have so much sweet basil I could furnish a Sprouts so what do you do, you make pesto! This recipe it is great and easy:

2 cups fresh sweet basil leaves	1/8 teaspoon pepper
1/2 cup grated Romano or Parmesan	1/2 cup extra virgin oil
1/3 cup pine nuts or walnuts	3 cloves garlic
1/4 teaspoon salt	

**Directions:** pulse basil & nuts in food processor, add garlic & cheese, pulse several times scrape down sides, stream olive oil while processor runs, stir in salt & pepper serve over warm pasta delis!!!!

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**PICNIC-MEETING** Las Vegas Quilters Guild **MEETING-PICNIC**

# PICNIC AREA "A"

4701 N. Durango, Las Vegas, NV 89129

(Lone Mountain and Durango)



**Area A is located on the South West end of the park next to the Neighborhood Services Center and Volleyball Court.**

**Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Noon - 3:00 PM**

**Mountain Crest Park**

- ♦ **Limited to 49 people:** first come first serve, **RSVP is required** to Cindy Heller via email at hellerck@cox.net **NOTE:** *Because we're limited on the number of people that can gather, and unless RSVP numbers are low, 'paid members only' please (no family members, sorry!)*
- ♦ **Brown Bag It:** Bring your own food, drinks, and snacks! Feel free to bring wine, wine coolers, or beer, but no glass allowed, pour into appropriate containers prior to arrival.
- ♦ **Social Distancing:** There are 14 'shaded' picnic tables, but you're welcome to social distance even more by bringing your own lawn chair! However, no staking allowed so don't bring portable canopies and such. Yes, bring your Mask, you'll need to wear it within 6ft of others please!
- ♦ Yes, pets are welcome, but must be on a leash at all times.
- ♦ **Activities:**
  - Show & Tell
  - Lots of Give-a-ways
  - Raffle Baskets (normal donations: \$1/ticket or 6 for \$5)
  - Disperse prizes for Newsletter Bloopers

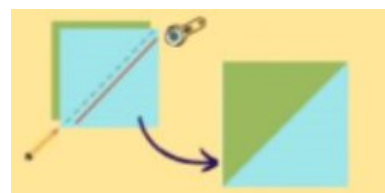


## Quick Tips by Phyllis Suiter

### Do you know the 4 ways to make half square triangles?

#### 1: 1 half square triangle at a time:

Take 2 squares cut  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch larger than the desired finished size, right sides together, draw a line corner to corner sew on the line. Cut  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch away from the seam and press open then square up to desired size.



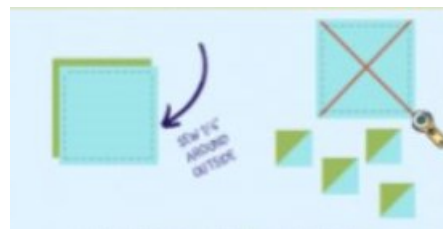
#### 2: 2 half square triangles at a time:

Take 2 squares cut 1 inch larger than the desired finished size, right sides together, Draw a line corner to corner. Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch away from either side of the line. Cut down the center. Press open and square up to desired finished size.



#### 3: 4 half square triangles at a time:

Take 2 squares cut at twice the size of the desired finish size, right sides together, sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch away from the outer edge all the way around the square. Cut along the diagonal both corners to corners. Press open and square up if needed.



#### 4: 8 half square triangles at a time:

Take two squares cut twice the size plus 1 inch the desired finished size, right sides together, draw a line from both corner to corner diagonally then draw a line across the middle both vertically and horizontally. Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch away from each side of the lines. Make 4 cuts on the drawn lines, press and square up the 8 half square triangles.





## 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 the 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 is on our website
- ♦ **Hats & Receiving Blankets** for preemies in neonatal units.
- ♦ **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 Are Important

- ♦ **Even though we're not having Meetings**, you can reach out to each other via a phone call to check up on your quilting sisters using facetime or hangout or just emails. Remember you can request a copy of the membership roster by emailing Pam. Please abide by our bylaws and only use the roster for Guild business. Keeping in touch helps with feeling not so isolated. Don't sit at home feeling depressed, you're only a phone call away!
- ♦ **New Members & Guests:** We encourage you to reach out to our Guild members, don't be bashful, ask questions, and enjoy what we have to offer.
- ♦ **Guild Members:** A friendly reminder, if you see a new face, or someone struggling, please smile, offer assistance, ask them to join your table, etc.

## ATTENTION - - - NEEDED - - - ATTENTION

The Las Vegas Quilters Guild needs people for 5 Committees, contact Cindy at [hellerck@cox.net](mailto:hellerck@cox.net) if you're interested. Mentorship/training available for each position.

Membership

Opportunity Quilt Fundraiser

Programs

Newsletter (must have Publisher on your computer)

Annual Christmas Party

## LVQ 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).



## 2020 BOARD MEMBERS

President	Cathy Miller
Vice President	Beth Boyer
Secretary	Chris Ela
Treasurer	Cathy Gordon

### STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Charity Coordinator	Ruthie Kerr
Christmas Party	<b>TBD</b>
Hospitality	Darlene Mast & Anna Marie Burge
Membership	Pamela Sutton
Newsletter	Cindy Heller
Opportunity Quilt Programs	Cindy Heller
Refreshments	<b>TBD</b>
Sunshine	Darlene Mast & Anna Marie Burge
Ways & Means	Del Billmire
Webmistress	Linda Cromley & Del Billmire
	Phyllis Suiter

## Happy Birthday Quilters

Heather S	9/3	Sydney M	9/18
Linda C	9/5	Darlene L	9/19
Theresa N	9/5	Rickie O	9/19
Ann Frances G	9/10	Pam S	9/22
Katherine M	9/16	Darlene M	9/27
Jackie C	9/17	Patricia H	9/28



## 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:** as determined and advertised by the President.

## Contact Us

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*if you see me  
with a  
seam ripper  
now is not  
the time*

@simplesimonandco

## Sunshine by Del Billmire

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 [billmired@gmail.com](mailto:billmired@gmail.com)



## For Sale : Laura Star Ironing System.

Anyone interested in this professional Ironing Board and Steam Iron

Please contact Beth Gribbin, 702-672-6777



## 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