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NEXT MEETING DECEMBER 13, 2018

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President's Message

Happy Holidays!

If you missed the retreat in Bakersfield you missed a good time. Chris did a great job; lots of fun and games with plenty of sew time. Start planning for next year. You won't want to miss it again.

My favorite time of the year has arrived. I still love Christmas, though over the years things have changed in my family. Our family no longer has any bright-eyed kids waiting for Santa but the holidays are still special. Family from around the state all gather together to catch up over way too much food. Holidays are special in my family. I hope you get to enjoy the special type of company that only family can provide, maybe even enjoy the wide-eyed innocence of young children.

Will your Christmas include quilts? For the first time in years I'm not giving quilts. There has been so much happening this year that I just didn't get to it. So at my house quilts will be limited to decorating the walls.

I hope you all have wonderful holidays.

Sandy Gaines



COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara

In October, we received completed comfort quilts from **Kathy Miller, Janet Nuxoll, Gerri Pymm, Yvonne Mattingly** (2), and 10 from **Carol Mills-Henry/ Schara/Owen**. **Chris Chapman** brought 8 to **Fanchon** to be bound. Tops were welcomed from **Dianna Short, Joanie Barker/Nancy Lord**, and **Carol Mills-Henry** (6 more!). Comfort quilts went to DaVita dialysis centers and to Sojourn Palliative Care and Hospice. (Marjaree Mason Shelter Program is still in the midst of renovation, and won't be ready for more of our quilts until after the first of the year.)

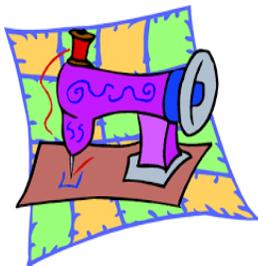
In November, finished quilts were turned in by **Debbie Gira, Michele Carlson** (2), **Gerri Evans, Irene Allen's** group (5), and **Mills-Henry/Schara/Owen**, and **Chris Chapman/Owen** (35). **Carole Mills-Henry** turned in 4 tops, and a top/back/binding kit was made by **Nancy Lord/Joanie Barker**. All of the completed quilts were collected by **Nancy Christian**, who offered to drive those donations as well as many others up to the area of the Camp Fire, and see that they were distributed to the populace. Nancy will have more details for us in a separate article in this newsletter. Some of the quilts and blankets were from our guild, some were from **Susan's Weight Watchers group**, some were purchased from second-hand stores and washed, and some were bought from regular stores. All in all, we and other community members were able to provide warmth and caring to a large number of people who are going through an unbelievably awful time. Thank you to Nancy and all the other people who were part of this impressive effort.

Calling Out to Long-Armers/Machine Quilters

We still have a backlog of comfort quilts ready to be quilted, but not yet done. **John** and **Susan** will keep plugging away, but could use assistance from several long-armers and domestic machine quilters who could each do just one quilt to help us catch up. We would greatly appreciate your help.

Stash Helpers Needed for Kits

We are still in need of members to make "**Chris Chapman** style" kits from stash fabric, especially our huge collection of traditional florals. We need to make room for the fabric donations which are known to be waiting for space! Kit-making is most fun when 2 or 3 people work together and can bounce creative ideas off of each other, so grab a friend and plan to spend an hour or so. Mat, ruler, cutter, tape measure—they're all there for you to use. You can make pre-cuts of specific sizes or just make "create kits" from fabrics that go together. However you do it, you're bound to have a good time while up to your elbows in fabric!



REMINDER - CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT CONTEST – Lea Minyard

All Ornaments will be Donated to the Veterans Home. If you choose not to make an ornament, you may donate a store bought ornament to the Veterans Home, if you would like.

Rules: 1. Must be no bigger than 6" in size.
2. Only handmade ornaments will be judged.

Categories: 1. Most Christmas Spirit
2. Most Unique
3. People's Choice

Happy Christmas Crafting
Your Greeters Lea Minyard and Guin Ames

MEMBERSHIP – Mary Kay Wolfe

My name is Mary Kay Wolfe and I will be the next Membership Chairperson. Thank you to Sharon Pryor for her years of service to our guild and training me for this position.

Membership Cards and directories are available for pick up at the December meeting. Please stop by and tell me your name. I am finding that I see familiar faces, but I do not know everyone's name. Please be patient as I get to know everyone.

Happy Birthday to the following members celebrating a December birthday. Hope you have a great day!

Jo Anderson	Cathy Cavagnaro	Mary Cheung
Gerry DeRienzo	Jessi Ellis	Sandy Gaines
Maureen Golden	Diana Ward	

SJVQG FINANCIAL STATUS– Beverly Kuykendall NEWSLETTER SUMMARY

	<u>October</u>	<u>FYTD 9/18-8/19</u>	<u>Full Year Budget</u>
INCOME	\$3,231.04	\$9,533.39	\$15,100
EXPENSES	\$ 751.56	\$2,331.96	\$17,321
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$2,479.48	\$7,201.43	(\$2,221)

CAMP FIRE QUILTS – Nancy Christian

On the 12th of November, my twin sister Nadine, who was evacuated from her home just north of the City of Paradise, put a request out for quilts for those who lost everything in the Camp Fire. I started spreading the word of the need and that I would make a delivery to her soon.

I picked up comfort quilts that still needed the binding, gave a location that quilters could drop off quilts on Saturday and Sunday.

On Monday the 19th my husband Steve and I took a drive to Elk Grove and met my sister and her husband to deliver **127 quilts**. All of these quilts came from some personal friends, quilters of SJVQG (you know who you are), and the ladies that always do comfort quilts for our guild. **I can't thank you all enough for the donations.**

So in basically 5 days, there were a lot of quilts that were completed and donated.

We had a long day delivering the quilts, but what I got out of doing this was so rewarding. Seeing the pictures of the folks that received some of these quilts will be with me for a long time.

So if you are still interested in making a donation of quilts, let me know.....bed size would be great as the families are getting into some kind of housing, be it a travel trailer or hotel room.....these will be going up between Christmas and New Years.

If you get a chance to make a difference in someone's life, please do.

Just a note, my sister was able to go back to her home last night on the 20th....please keep the folks from Paradise in your prayers.

Nancy Christian



DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

2018-12 Findings December

1. Barb Vedder attended the 2018 AQSG seminar, in Bethesda this year, and posted photos:

<https://funwithbarbandmary.blogspot.com/2018/10/aqsg-2018.html>

<https://funwithbarbandmary.blogspot.com/2018/10/aqsg-2018-part-2.html>

Wonderful Baltimore applique, but other fun antiques, too. I like the bird quilt, which probably had fugitive blue-green aniline dye fade to tan. What kind of birds are they? And why does one have red legs and tan feet? And I love the Jazzy Yellow Checkerboard.

2. QOV BOM Mary is a well-known maker of Quilts of Valor. Here's a recent one using the Fox and Geese Block. She was inspired by a vintage quilt.

<https://blog.maryquilts.com/2018/10/10/inspiration-6/>

<https://blog.maryquilts.com/2018/10/11/name-that-block/>

<https://blog.maryquilts.com/2018/10/11/fox-and-geese/>

3. If someone asks you to make them a quilt, how much do you charge? Sarah has a detailed answer:

<http://confessionsofapfabricaddict.blogspot.com/2018/10/how-much-would-you-charge.html>

4. Here's a modern quilt in progress. I love it.

<http://aquilterstable.blogspot.com/2018/11/seattle-mqg-quiltcon-charity-quilt.html>

This is her first post about the quilt, where she shows how it began, and tells us who designed it:

<http://aquilterstable.blogspot.com/2018/10/seattle-mqg-quiltcon-charity-quilt.html>

5. This is a year-long project, to start on New Year's Day. Make a temperature quilt. Just a little bit to do each day.

<https://www.elmstreetquilts.com/2018/11/tutorial-how-to-make-temperature-quilt.html>

Follow the link to her Pinterest board to see a few more examples. I've seen knit and crochet temperature blankets, but no quilts until now.

GUILD ANNOUNCEMENTS

Road to California – Ticket Drawing December 13th. The Guild was gifted two tickets to the quilt show. We will have a drawing at the December meeting for the tickets, you must be present to win.

Sunshine Cards – Don't forget to notify Shelly Cooper if you know of any members who might need a card that brightens their day or lets them know the guild is thinking of them. Include the name, address and purpose of the card. You may text Shelly at 559-259-8356 or send an email to idefygravity@att.net. If Shelly is out of town, please call or text Barbara Pearson at 559-392-6683, blpearson52@gmail.com

Calendar of Events – 2018

- Dec 13 SJVQG Meeting 7pm, open at 6:00pm for raffle & BOM tables, social time
Decoration Contest, Ticket Drawing, Games
- Dec 20 **BOARD MEETING CANCELLED DUE TO HOLIDAYS**
- Jan 10 SJVQG Meeting 7pm, open at 6:00pm for raffle & BOM tables, social time
- Jan 17 SJVQG Board Meeting, 6:30pm, 5454 E Montecito Ave, Fresno 93727
- Jan 24-27 **Road to California Quilt Show**, Ontario Convention Center, 2000 E Convention Center Way, Ontario, CA 91764 <https://www.road2ca.com/show-info.html>

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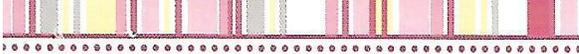
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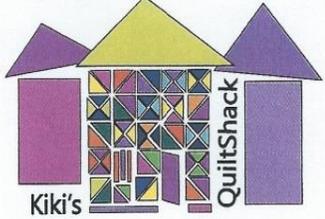
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Checklist for December 13th

- ✓ Name Tag
- ✓ Turn off cell phone
- ✓ Completed Block of the Month blocks
- ✓ Show-n-Tell Items
- ✓ Bring Comfort Quilts, Pillowcases
- ✓ Christmas Ornament for contest/Veterans'

