

# SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

NEXT MEETING JANUARY 10, 2019

WE MEET THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH ● 7 PM
AT HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH ● 364 E BARSTOW AVE ● FRESNO, CA

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## President's Message

#### Happy New Year!

I hope all of you had a wonderful time visiting with family and friends over the holidays. This has been an eventful year for my family. Hubby "retired" only to be busier than ever. He's been finding lots of quilting projects for me. I finally had to tell him no more projects until he had made at least one quilt. It will be interesting to see if it actually gets done. I'll keep you posted.;-)

You should have received your opportunity quilt tickets by now. Please be sure to get the sales payments turned in to Judy Bibb. If you didn't get your tickets please contact Judy to get yours. Remember this is our big fund raiser for the year. It costs money to keep the quilt running, so let's get those tickets sold.

I know from personal experience how much your generosity to the survivors of the Camp Fire is appreciated. I received a long email from Renee Sullaway, the coordinator for the Camp Fire relief efforts. I am keeping my message short this month so that I can post part of it below.

Renee mentions donations of machines in her email. If you have a machine that you would like to donate please contact me. My husband and I are repair techs, so if you have a machine to donate we will service it. We have relatives in the area so we will take the machines up when we visit. If you want to help in any of the ways listed in Renee's email. You can contact me and I will co-ordinate communications with her so we do not overwhelm her with duplicate offers.

I hope you all have a great New Year.

Sandy Gaines

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE - Continued RENEE SULLAWAY, COORDINATOR FOR CAMP FIRE RELIEF EMAIL

"I want to thank each of you and your guild members for the outpouring of love and grace for Camp Fire survivors. We are all deeply grateful and overwhelmed with your generous hearts and spirits - it is what keeps everyone moving forward. I want to first ask your forgiveness for taking so long to give you an update. I have been corresponding with many of you, and of course with our survivors, trying to discern "what is next".

As most of you are aware, Cindy's studio "store" is winding down at the end of January as she resumes travel for teaching and retreats. This does not mean an end to buddies, but a transition into the next phase. If you have already shipped items or they are in process, that is okay. While Cindy cannot accept any more donations, going forward we're exploring more options for connecting quilters, needle workers and sewists. Soooo....

My big push right now is to get all of you connected with survivors who share the same interest(s), and building a real data base of needs and resources. Ideas I had early on are continually being modified which is pretty exciting for me to have a better way to manage all of that data thanks to the expertise of Nancy Brenton who has a handle on all things software and her husband Geof who is our machine guru! Nancy and Geoff will be available for us as they retire in January and tend to some family obligations.

#### Next steps:

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Without the resource of the "store" of donated items, we're going to be taking a different approach. By the end of January, we should have at least the beginnings of a more comprehensive list of needs beyond he basic items the store has stocked. Also, we do have a couple of survivors who are fortunate enough to be ready to entertain rebuilding studios, so grateful for being able to find housing. What I am proposing is that for the next phase is that as I hear of a specific request, I will send an inquiry via this group email to hopefully find a match for specific...

There has been interest expressed by some groups in completely sponsoring a quilter rebuild a studio. If this is the case please open a new email with subject line "**location - studio**". Please know this is **NOT** a request for this, but trying to confirm previous interest in this subject. It is part of being a good steward to direct available resources most effectively. Sadly, many survivors have little to no insurance resources. When you open your email, if you can also update me with your interest in regards to being a buddy, that will help me immensely. Again, I apologize for the repeat request, but in addition to the gmail problems, many of you are new to the group.

In regards to machines, if you have been looking to donate a machine... (see last paragraph in first page of President's message). Again, this is **NOT** a request for this, but trying to confirm previous interest in this subject.

So many of you have contributed both beautiful items from your personal collections, quilts fabrics and tools as well as getting new items shipped as well. Without you, so many quilters and needle workers would be without basic items, having the comfort of a quilt made with so much love and the beginnings of a new studio. There are no words to adequately express the gratitude of everyone involved. From the bottom of so many hearts, thank you for everything. I cannot thank you enough for all you have done and how you have opened your hearts to survivors. Most importantly I thank you for your grace and open hearts as I navigate this process.

May you find magnified blessings in the Holiday Season.

With warm hugs and great gratitude

#### Renee

P.S. This is a link to a YouTube from our local PBS station's program Studio Six. Host Scott Syphax interviews a Camp Fire survivor. It is an in-depth story that may be of interest to you as he describes his family's experiences. <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yMu-FZ6KTow">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yMu-FZ6KTow</a> "

#### **COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara**

At our December meeting, completed quilts were turned in by Connor Hightower, Carol Shervem (2), Donna Coppin (3), Chris Chapman/Owen (6), and Carol Mills-Henry/Owen (13). Tops, or top/back combinations were donated by Connor Hightower, Kathy Miller (3), Carol Mills-Henry (5), and Joanie Barker (3). Responsibility for quilting those tops was shared by Susan Schara, John Lilly, and newish member Dee, who was eager to try her new Sweet Sixteen on two of our comfort quilts. Thank you to all of those participants, especially to Dee, who is the first to answer last month's call for assistance with the quilting process. The more, the merrier!

Deliveries so far include 5 to Sojourn Hospice, 4 to the DaVita Dialysis Centers, and 5 to the senior healthcare center. There may be a few more quilts completed and delivered before the end of the year, with final counts and yearly totals presented in the next newsletter.

We hope you have had a happy holiday season, and look forward to a healthy and productive 2019. Our fondest wish would be that the Comfort Quilt Team would grow and grow until it included everyone in the guild, participating in some way and enjoying it!



### MEMBERSHIP – Mary Kay Wolfe & Sharon Pryor

Happy New Year to all of the wonderful members of our guild. 2019 is already upon us! One of my favorite quotes... 'Be the change that you wish to see in the world'. My challenge to you is this... go up to someone you do not know at our guild meetings to say "hi" and introduce yourself. Meet and greet someone new at each meeting. Think of how many new friends you will meet by next January!

Happy New Year and hugs from Mary Kay.

Happy Birthday to the following members celebrating a January birthday.

Wanda Carter Kathleen Garcia Judy Lemos John Lilly Glee Masumoto Susan Schara Cynthia Smith

#### **BLOCK OF THE MONTH – Michele Carlson & Jennifer Davey**

This year we are running the block of the month differently. You will be able to purchase two sets of 6 of patterns each (equaling 12 for the year), at once. Both sets are now available. Each of the blocks are designed to be standalone blocks, or if you wish, they also go together into a complete sampler. Don't forget to turn in each block made with the given fabric to the guild. The blocks with the given fabric won't go together into the same quilt, you need to use your own fabric for your own quilt. We will have a completed guilt top with all of the blocks to show you. Don't miss it!

If you wish to make your own quilt sampler, it can be done with dark, medium & light fabrics of 3 different solid colors, plus 6 coordinating prints. Fat quarters should be fine for everything except the backing fabric of the argyle block which is far easier in 1/3 yd.

Pattern to turn in for January: Argyle Block



#### BOOK & FABRIC - Paula Welch & Jane Harmon

The lucky winners of our Book and Fabric raffle in December were:

Fabric Bundle #1 – Irene Allen

Fabric Bundle #2 – Mary Kay Wolfe

Book: All In A Row Again by Lissa Alexander – Carolee Clayton

The fabric was generously donated by D&J Sewing, 2700 Clovis Ave #101, Clovis CA. Next time you are in D&J's, let Jeannie and her staff know you appreciate her support of the Guild.

#### **DOTTIE'S FINDINGS** – Dottie Daybell

#### 2019-01 Findings January

1. These textiles aren't quilts, but they are inspiring!

https://www.moowon.com/stories/quest-for-beauty-the-anonymous-artists-of-chinese-textile-collages?mc cid=87436a2594&mc eid=7825a78704

2. QOV BOM Moda Bake Shop's Christmas 2018 Countdown has had some nice star blocks. I especially like this one by Anne Wiens. It uses a 9-patch grid and simple units. You could replace the solid red with solid blue, keep the solid white and red polka dot as they are.

http://www.modabakeshop.com/2018/12/dec-3-prairie-christmas-star.html

Anne also posted some quilt layouts on her own blog:

https://sweetgrassdesigns.wordpress.com/2018/12/03/a-prairie-christmas-star/

3. This is a REALLY useful website for saving patterns. Instead of printing a web page, you can use the free website Print Friendly to save it as a PDF. It removes the ads and cleans up the page. You can also edit it further before printing, to remove photos or text you don't want. You just hover the cursor over the unwanted part until it's highlighted, and click to delete it. Copy the page's URL from the address bar into the clipboard, open Print Friendly and follow the instructions.

#### https://www.printfriendly.com

4. Susan redesigned a block she found in the very first Quiltmaker's 100 Blocks collection. I love this quilt, with its combination of applique and tricky piecing, and swapping the two reds as well as the greens on the different backgrounds.

https://www.quiltfabrication.com/2018/11/mediterranean-rose-in-progress.html

5. This looks like fun: Rachel Rossi tried machine quilting with a double needle.

https://www.rachelrossi.design/quilting-double-needle/

SJVQG FINANCIAL STATUS— Beverly Kuykendall NEWSLETTER SUMMARY					
INCOME	<u>November</u> \$1,039.95	FYTD <u>9/18-8/19</u> \$10,573.34	Full Year <u>Budget</u> \$15,100		
EXPENSES	\$7,648.50	\$9,980.46	\$17,321		
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(\$6,608.55)	\$ 592.88	(\$3,625)		

SJVQG FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 QUARTER 1 BANK SUMMARY				
8/31/18 Bank Balance		\$44,047.97		
Qtr 1 Deposits Qtr 1 Withdrawals	\$10,573.04 (\$10,203.58)			
11/30/18 Bank Balance		\$44,417.43		

#### **GUILD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sunshine Cards** – Want to personally thank Shelly for the absolutely beautiful card...it truly did bright my day! Don't forget to nofity 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 <a href="mailto:idefygravity@att.net">idefygravity@att.net</a>. If Shelly is out of town, please call or text Barbara Pearson at 559-392-6683, <a href="mailto:blpearson52@gmail.com">blpearson52@gmail.com</a>

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2019**

Jan 10	SJVQG Meeting 7pm, open at 6pm for raffle & BOM tables, social time
Jan 17	SJVQG Board Meeting 6:30pm, 5454 E Montecito Ave, Fresno CA 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

Apr 5&6. Foothill Quilters Guild Reflections Quilt Show, 3885 Richardson Dr. Auburn CA

(Parkside Church & ARD Regional Park) www.FoothillQuilters.org

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#### GUILD DAY SECOND SATURDAY









JANUARY 27, 28 & 29 9 AM - 4PM Four new designs to choose from. Lunch provided – Limited space

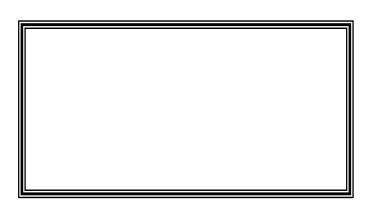
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## Checklist for January 10th

- ✓ Name Tag
- ✓ Turn off cell phone✓ Completed Block of the Month blocks
- ✓ Show-n-Tell Items
- ✓ Bring Comfort Quilts, Pillowcases
- ✓ Snacks, finger-foods to share