



SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 13, 2020

WE MEET THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH • 7 PM
AT HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH • 364 E BARSTOW AVE • FRESNO, CA
(NW CORNER OF FRESNO ST AND BARSTOW AVE)
DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM, TABLES OPEN AT 6:30 PM, MEETING AT 7 PM
COME EARLY TO SOCIALIZE!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Leap Year! We get one bonus day of quilting this month. Let's make it special.

One way we can do that is by making duffel bags for foster children so they can feel loved instead of keeping their few treasured belongings in paper sacks or plastic garbage bags. Another way of making February special is through social events large and small. I'm proud to announce that our own **Sonja Hernandez** is volunteering in a new role as Event Coordinator. She has already planned a sewing bee for these duffel bags and a new twist at our meetings which takes only 10 minutes and builds friendships. Let her or me know if you like or dislike some aspect of these events or have ideas for future events. If you know Sonja, you know she has plenty of ideas already.

Quilts are made with love and Valentine's Day is a celebration of love. If you could share love with a veteran, **Gerri Pymm** tells me 4 vets at the Hospital and VFW Hall need a quilt by February 10th. No restrictions on size or design, and these are not the Quilts of Valor we will be presenting with ceremony in our May meeting.

Another twist for our creativity will be our guest artist this month and cross-over topics between quilts and apparel.

Our By-laws Committee will be considering all suggestions for changes and three members-at-large are invited to partake in their recommendations. Please contact me or any Board member if you are interested.

I mention again our suggestion box, present on the Membership table at each meeting, where you may place any suggestions or complaints you wish to communicate to your Board. We encourage everyone to make a creative name tag that lists their favorite quilting skill so others may find solutions or kindred spirits. Each month you wear your nametag you'll be entered in a drawing.

Thank you and enjoy!

John Lilly
sjvqg1@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP – Sharon Pryor

The printed membership directory and membership cards are now available at the membership table. Please stop by if you haven't picked yours up yet.

If you haven't renewed yet, dues are accepted at any time. The application can be found in this newsletter, on the web site at sjvqg.net or at the monthly meeting. It can be mailed, turned in at the monthly meeting or paid on-line. Membership dues are still \$35. For new members who join during February through May, dues are only \$17.50.

WELCOME - We had two new members join the Guild in January – **Susan Bresee** and **Paddy O'Brien**.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Happy Birthday Wishes go out to the following February birthdays.

Tracy Newkirk and **Betty Rose**

SJVQG FINANCIAL STATUS– Beverly Kuykendall NEWSLETTER SUMMARY

	<u>December</u>	<u>FYTD</u> <u>9/19-8/20</u>	<u>2019-2020</u> <u>Budget</u>
INCOME	\$ 328.33	\$11,316.99	\$15,429.24
EXPENSES	\$1,103.52	\$ 8,873.44	\$19,095.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	<u>\$ (775.19)</u>	<u>\$ 3,255.34</u>	<u>\$(3,665.76)</u>

BOOK & FABRIC – Sue Costello & Carol Shervem

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

Charlene Dervishian - Book

Theresa Orr – Pattern and fat quarters

Darla Gilbert – Two 1 yard fabrics

ROAD TO CALIFORNIA TICKETS

Winners of the complimentary Road to California tickets were **Barbara VanRozeboom** and **Donna Coppin**. Have fun ladies!

WANTED – 3 GUILD MEMBERS

The Board will be reviewing Guild Bylaws and Procedures this year. Three volunteers from the general membership are needed to be part of the review committee. If you are interested, contact **President John Lilly** or any Board member as soon as possible.

OPPORTUNITIES IN THE SJVQG

Hospitality: Help set out food and decorations. Coordinate ideas for upcoming meetings.

Opportunity Quilt: Help organize showing of our quilt and selling of raffle tickets.

Trip Coordinator: Help organize trips to Road to California, Sisters or other shows for fun and excitement. Without Coordinator and assistants, there will be no out of town trips planned.

Quilt Challenge: Help plan a quilt challenge for our members selecting the subject, the prizes and setting up the display of quilts.

Fundraising: Share your knowledge of past efforts to raise funds and help keep dues low. Research and record which were successful and not. Why did some members appreciate certain efforts and not others? No actual fundraising responsibilities. Just help us understand the past and better plan for future activities.

Our thanks to **Tracy Newkirk** for taking over the Greeter duties.

Great News! **Sonja Hernandez** is volunteering in a new role as Event Coordinator.

If you would like to find out more information about any of these positions contact one of the Board members.

PROGRAMS- Diana Gardner

The January presentation by **Jan Whittington** opened the door to new ways of using materials we don't usually think of for quilters. In the world of quilting, we sometimes forget that a quilt may hang on a wall, adorn the top of a piano, or warm up the corner table with the use of fibers not usually used for making a "quilt". Jan presented the members with many ideas for using more than just cotton fabrics for quilts. She showed us with her trunk show the many creative possibilities that using hard items, such as buttons, beads, sequins, or rocks can add to create the layers and textures of a scene. Her explanations of how she utilized the materials she had on hand to create the fine details was intriguing.

Jan has agreed to set a new date for her workshop later in the year. Watch for the date in upcoming newsletters.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

The February meeting will feature **Lora Wheeler** and ***Upcycled Garments (or How I took the Lessons from Scrap Quilting and Made New Clothes)***,

Lora has planned a trunk show complete with a fashion show for our February enjoyment. She has asked us to provide 3 to 4 live models in size 16, 18, or 20. These members will show you, up close and personal, the garments Lora has made

P.S. I am looking for those 3 or 4 models. If you want to be one, please give me a call, (559) 978-0706. Remember to leave me a message. Thank you.

MARCH PROGRAM

Pat Robertson will be providing us with her trunk show in March. Pat is a traditional quilter, beginning in 1989. All her quilts were hand quilted until 2000. She has won Best of Show at Road to Calif., Utah State Festival and Best of the Valley, with numerous 1st place ribbons, the most recent at Pacific International last October. She will talk about her journey into quilting and bring 25-30 quilts to share and talk about. She has a strong focus on applique.



COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Sharon Schara

It's time to give some recognition to Comfort Quilt Superstars, also known as Friends of Comfort Quilts. **Chris Chapman**, of course, turns in a dozen or so quilts on a regular basis, usually quilted and ready to be bound by **Fanchon Owen**. **Fanchon's** business card reads, "Happiness is helping," and she is obviously happy to help bind as many comfort quilts as we send her way. **Carol Mills-Henry** likes to take several quilt top kits at every meeting, and turns in 6 or more tops the next month. **Kim Killian**, one of the volunteer longarmers, asks to have 6 of our largest quilting kits set aside for her each month, and even attaches the first side of the bindings. **Irene Allen** and her sister, **Pauline Beaton**, like to hand-finish those bindings. Other Friends **Sue Vildosola**, **Irene**, and **Donna Coppin**, have donated quilt top/quilt back combos. Additional volunteer quilters include **John Lilly**, **Tracy Newkirk**, **Frances Jameson**, **Carol Shervem**, **Susan Schara**, and **Dee Mooneyham**.

Returning member **Cindy (Plummer) Katsura** deserves nomination for the Independent Stash Utilization award: she brought 9 comfort quilt tops to the stash room, found whole cloth backs or fabric for pieced backs and bindings for all of them, and accepted a big bag of large batting scraps which she will combine to make batting for all nine comfort quilts! It took her just about an hour (and just a little help from the Stash Mistress).

News Flash: **Gerri Fisher** has stepped up to take over the duffle bag and toiletry kit project! Thank you to **Gerri** and to all the other Friends of Comfort Quilts!

MEET AND GREET

Put it on your calendar! Saturday, April 4th and November 14, 2020 from 11 AM to 1 PM at Vice-President **Joanie Martin's** house, 472 W Barstow Ave #101 in Fresno. She can be reached at (559) 285-6228. Everyone in the Guild is invited and the emphasis will be on each new member meeting people with similar interests and identifying people who can solve all their questions and challenges. Board members and Committee chairs are encouraged to attend to help answer questions and explain the workings of the guild.

EVENT COORDINATOR - Sonja Hernandez Save the date!

Sewing Bee on February 28th from 11am to 6pm at Hope Lutheran Church.

The next event for the SJVQG will be a service project! As a non-profit, we are dedicated to giving back to the community. This service project will put our love of sewing to a great cause as we work together to create duffle bags for foster children! Bring your sewing machine, sewing kit and a can do attitude to help us meet our goal of one duffle bag completed per member!

DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

February 2020 Findings

1. Maria Shell is posting a retrospective of her quilts, starting with 2004:

<https://talesofastitcher.com/2019/12/21/the-year-in-quilts-2004-2009/>

Hover your cursor over an image to see the name of the quilt. Click an image to make it larger. She will be doing more posts, tagged "Year in Quilts". Tag is at the upper right, under the date.

2. QOV BOM This scrappy quilt by Jessica Dayon is good for a group quilt. She uses two different star blocks: 12" Variable Stars with 4-patch centers, and 6" Friendship Stars.

<http://jessicadayon.blogspot.com/2019/11/free-pattern-30s-stars-quilt.html>

You could substitute plain setting triangles for the half and quarter stars, perhaps in a dark color. But don't abandon the on-point setting!

3. Jayne used a bunch of scraps, plus a cream solid, to make this easy stacked quilt. I like her use of different widths.

<https://twiggyandopal.blogspot.com/2019/01/scrappy-too-stacked-wiggles.html>

Her tutorial is well-done, so I forgive her for saying "Viola" instead of "Voilà", even though that's one of my pet peeves. (I wonder how she pronounces it?)

4. Wanda is making a scrap quilt with equilateral triangles. I love the way she's using the small triangles to create light-colored diamonds with heart shapes below them. She's using Australian aboriginal fabric she collected several years ago. The triangles measure 8" and 4" on a side.

<https://exuberantcolor.blogspot.com/2020/01/progress-on-2.html>

<https://exuberantcolor.blogspot.com/2017/08/another-australian-fabric-quilt.html>

5. If you're thinking about using Pantone's 2020 Color of the Year, Debbie's done the research:

<https://aquilterstable.blogspot.com/2020/01/which-blue-is-classic-blue.html>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2020

- Feb 7-9 **Folsom Quilt & Fiber Show** 10am-4pm Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma St., Folsom. www.folsomquilt.org
- Feb 13 **SJVQG Meeting**, 7pm, open at 6pm, for social time, raffle & BOM tables.
Lora Wheeler, Upcycled Garments (or how I Took the Lessons from Scrap Quilting and Made New Clothes)
- Feb 20 **SJVQG Board Meeting**, 6:30pm, at **Barbara Pearson's** home
- Feb 22-23 **Pajaro Valley Quilt Association Quilt Show**, Watsonville Fairgrounds
See ad in our newsletter for more information
- Feb 28. **Sewing Bee**, Friday, 11am to 6 pm at Hope Lutheran Church
Service project: Duffle bags for foster children
- Feb 28-29 **Cotton Patch Quilters Quilt Show** – 424 24th Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301
cottonpatchquiltguild.org - See ad in our newsletter for more. Information
- Mar 21 **Heritage Button Show & Sale**, 1980 Hamilton Ave, San Jose, CA 95125, 10am-5pm
<https://tinyurl.com/heritagebuttonshow>
- Apr 4 **Meet and Greet**, 11am-1pm. New members encouraged to attend. Open to all members.
At V.P. **Joanie Martin's** home
- Nov 14 **Meet and Greet**, 11am-1pm. New members encouraged to attend. Open to all members.
At V.P. **Joanie Martin's** home

Checklist for February 13th Meeting

- ✓ Name Tag - Wear to be eligible for the drawing
- ✓ Turn off cell phone
- ✓ Completed Block of the Month blocks or Round Robin Blocks
- ✓ Show-n-Tell Items
- ✓ Bring Comfort Quilts, Pillowcases

MEMBERS' CLASSIFIED FOR SALE ADS



Early 1900's Singer Treadle sewing machine and carved decorative cabinet

It needs a belt. Serial number begins with C which machine production began in 1908. I have never used this. Asking \$300. Barbara Pearson 392-6683

***** **STITCHING & STUFF** *****

This free section is open for our individual members to post information regarding private classes they teach or other events they may have or are involved in. Submit your information to the editor by the 20th of the month.

Diana Gardner
Sewing Classes and Dolly Mamas Classes

Did you know? **Diana Gardner** is teaching sewing classes to any adult who wants to learn to sew. Classic, beginner classes as well as intermediate and advanced classes are available. Classes are held every Monday from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. Contact Diana for information as to location, class materials, and costs.

Diana also teaches a class called the *"Dolly Mamas"* in Clovis on the third Tuesday of each month. These students make a new outfit for an 18" American Girl doll every month. They have been sewing and creating new clothing for their dolls for the past two years. They learn something new each month while having fun sewing.

Call: **Diana Gardner, (559) 978-0706**. Please leave a message when you call.

Senior Quilters – Diana Gardner

We meet at the Fresno Christian Reformed Church on West Shields and Crystal Avenues to make quilts to donate to homebound seniors. We meet on the first Friday of each month. Bring your lunch and sewing machine and sewing kit. Contact **Diana Gardner (559) 978-0706** if you are interested in joining the group.

Rhea Wiens – Quilting Classes

Come and enjoy taking quilting classes at Redeemer Lutheran Church with **Rhea Wiens**, Instructor. For more information and to schedule your time from one of the following, please call **(559) 436-0775**.

Monday – 6pm – 8pm

Tuesday – 9:30am-11:30am * 1pm-3pm * 3:30pm-5:30pm * 6pm-8pm

Wednesday – 9am-11am * 6pm-8pm

Also available Quilts by Design – Longarm hand-guided machine quilting by Rhea.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Sept 1, 2019 – Aug 31, 2020
Annual Dues \$35.00

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY. Name, address, phone and e-mail will be printed in the membership directory and on the password protected website.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail _____

Please PRINT all characters legibly.

Do you want your roster information on the password protected website? Yes ___ No ___
(If left blank, information provided above will be on website for membership viewing only)

Do you want a printed membership directory? Yes ___ No ___

New Member _____ Renewal _____ Month of your birth _____

Are you a Past President _____ Charter Member _____

Skill Level: Beginner ___ Intermediate ___ Advanced ___ Houston Award Winner ___

What is your Quilting Style? (machine or hand piecing, appliqué, modern, traditional, etc)

What skills or experience would you like to share with us?

Are you interested in serving on the Guild Board or one of the many committees?

Turn your completed application and membership fee in at the Guild meeting or mail to:
Membership Committee, SJVQG, P.O. Box 3256, Clovis, CA 93613.

For Membership Chairman's use only (do not fill in).

Date Processed _____ \$ _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

FREE MEMBER ADS

Classified 'For Sale' ads for individual members are free. If you have an 'extra' sewing machine or any sewing, fiber arts or quilt related items you would like to sell, send a description and possibly a picture to the editor by the 20th of the month. Call the editor if you have any questions.

Stitching & Stuff - This free section is open for our individual members to post information regarding private classes they teach or other events they may have or are involved in. Submit your information to the editor by the 20th of the month.

This is **YOUR** newsletter. If you have any information or news of interest to fellow quilters, quilt show information, articles or ads you want to share with our members, please submit them to the editor **on or before the 20th day of the month.**

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Pajaro Valley Quilt Association Quilt Show

Please join us for the 2020 PVQA Quilt Show

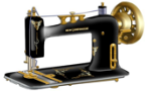
Quilts – History in the Making

**Saturday, February 22, 2020
10:00 am to 5:00 pm**

**Sunday, February 23, 2020
10:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds
Watsonville, CA**

Sew - N - Tech
Sandy Gaines
Sewing Arts Instructor



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**Mennonite
Quilt Center**

SAVE THE DATE!
MARCH 14, 2020
SPECIAL EVENT!

MORE NEW CLASSES!

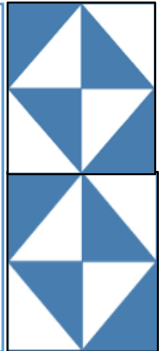
One Block Wonder – Feb 26, Mar 4, Mar 11

Townsend Bag – Mar 25 & 26

Stash & Dash with Bitsy Box– April 6

MQC is only shop in the valley with aboriginals!

**15% OFF FOR GUILD
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