

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

MAY 14TH MEETING CANCELLED Next Meeting TENTATIVELY JUNE 11, 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!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

On day 40 of Gov. Newsom's "stay home" order, we quilters are busy with family, fabric, fears and hope. Much is being done and donated out of the compassionate hearts of the members of this Guild. Kudos to each and every one giving their time and treasure to each and every fortunate recipient. Love conquers all.

Although this will be the second month we are prohibited from meeting, there is hope that a June meeting will happen and surprises await those who attend. One of the things we will reveal by then is the slate of elected officer candidates from your Nominating Committee and the opening of nominations from the floor. I ask you to think about the leadership of your Guild for the 12 months starting September 1st. I commend to you the excellent Board this year who have led with wisdom and creativity. They have often picked up the slack and provided the steam for important projects like our Opportunity Quilt with amazing success over the previous year. They have wisely approved a quilt show for November 13-14 which members are currently voting to approve. And so much more. What issues are important to you for the next year of this Guild? Who would best lead us on those and other issues? Our Nominating Committee wants to hear from each of you about our next leaders, be it you or someone you know. Joanie Ogg-Martin will be nominated for President which leaves 3 elected positions: Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Included in this Newsletter is information about these positions, other committee positions, the progress on masks, duffel bags and comfort quilts, and our virtual show & tell through emails you receive when enough stories and pictures are sent to Jennifer Davey and the Facebook Group <u>Central Valley Outdoor Quilt Show</u> which now has 341 members.

May we speak, text, email and create more during this Quilting Quarantine and enhance our relationships. To all, good health!

Thank you and enjoy!

John Lilly sjvqg1@gmail.com May 2020 Volume 32, No. 9

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MEMBERSHIP – Sharon Pryor

The addendum to the directory is now available by e-mail. If you would like one or a compete directory which includes all members, please contact **Sharon Pryor**, membership chair at sepryor2010@gmail.com.

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

Irene Allen Kathy Arnold Pat Baker Michele Carlson Kathlene Cone Karen Coy **Dottie Daybell** Ellen Hemink Kim Killian Ioanie Martin **Carol Mercer** Kathrvn Miller **Rosalie Ochoa Connie Robinson** Jimi Rodgers Linda Weyant

SJVQG FINANCIAL STATUS– Beverly Kuykendall NEWSLETTER SUMMARY			
		FYTD	2019-2020
	<u>April</u>	9/19-8/20	<u>Budget</u>
INCOME	\$ 81.00	\$12,518.02	\$15,429.24
EXPENSES	\$ 687.05	\$11,647.70	\$19,095.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (606.05)	\$ 870.32	\$(3,665.76)

CENTRAL VALLEY OUTDOOR QUILT SHOW

Since so many of the scheduled quilt shows have been cancelled this year, a valley quilter started an online quilt show on Facebook. It provides quilters with a place to show their quilts. Many of our Guild members have already joined the group. The postings have been wonderful! When posting pictures of your quilts, you can provide the quilt name, the pattern name (if you used a pattern) or any information about the quilt you want to share. The Facebook name is "**Central Valley Outdoor Quilt Show**". You are encouraged to visit the Facebook page and if you hit 'like' your Facebook page will be a mini quilt show almost every day.

FABRIC FACE MASKS – Joanie Martin & Beverly Kuykendall "MASS MASK PROJECT"

On March 23 our guild delivered the first of many mask care packages to our community. We know many of you have been making masks and sending them to folks who need to be "covered." But I thought you'd like to know that via our guild we have delivered almost 2,500 masks. Great job! **Reneeta Anthony** and **Barbara Pearson** took on the daunting task of organizing us. They have passed the baton to **Beverly Kuykendall** (826-8004) and myself **Joanie Martin** (285-6226).

We pick up masks, deliver duffel bags and fabric and then share masks at our destination for the week. Last week we gave 720 masks to the **Community Hospital** Organization! This week I picked up masks at three locations and picked up fabric for another round of masks at two homes. It was special for me because I had an opportunity to visit with two of these donors while still keeping our distance. I was reminded how our lives really do go on (at a very different pace) amid the coronavirus.

I'm thinking we will be making masks for our family and friends through the end of this year, and I am unsure as to how long for the guild. But I will be sewing some more to distribute next Monday!

If you would like to help, please call Beverly or myself with any questions.

Joanie Martin 285-6226

Pauline Beaton and her husband **Mike** have a production line going for producing face masks. He cuts and she sews



KASES FOR KIDS Sonja Hernandez & Diana Gardner

Our quilters have been very busy during this Shelter-in-Place time. In addition to filling the Stash Room at **Susan Schara's** house with completed quilts, kits and fabric donations, our quilters have been busy making face masks for our medical community, and duffle bags and accessory bags for **Kases for Kids**.

To-date, 45+duffle bags have been turned in, either to the Stash Room at Susan's or to my front porch. Since our Sew-In in February the following members have continued to produce duffel bags (DB) and accessory bags (AB). Their dedication to our project to help children being moved out of harm's way during this pandemic is greatly appreciated.

The list of our most recent helpers is **Carol Mills-Henry** with 7 DBs and 6 ABs, **Irene Allen** - 1 DB, **Pauline Beaton** - 1 DB, **Karen Severson**- 1 DB, **Barbara Pearson** - 1 DB, **Sonja Hernandez** - 1 DB and **Diana Gardner** - 7 ABs.

There are more duffel bag kits to be made up, as well as two boxes of accessory bag kits at the Stash Room. Both bag kits may be picked up and returned to the Stash Room for your convenience (unless you just want to make a trip to my house.) If you have a kit and are "stuck" on completing it, or have any questions about the kit, please text me or give me (**Diana Gardner**) a call **(559) 978-0706.** I look forward to hearing from you and receiving more completed bags. Thank you for sharing a piece of your heart.



Thirteen of the small accessory bags

Fifteen of the large duffel bags

DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

May 2020 Findings

I'm appreciating the internet during these strange times when we're all making masks instead of quilts. I haven't left my house for weeks, but I can travel the world via blogs.

1. Diane at Butterfly Threads posts a pattern for an interesting block made from wedges. It's cut from a stack of fabric squares, and layers are rotated.

https://www.butterflythreadsquilting.com/2020/04/twirlaa-quilt-tutorial.html

I like her older multi-colored quilt better than her new one, which looks faintly menacing to me! She links to a pattern on Google Docs; on that pattern page, click on File and then on Download to save it.

2. QOV BOM This design by Jessica Dayon alternates two blocks: blue Sawtooth Star blocks and a simple square framed by a red print and a red-on-white print. The framed squares form a linked lattice around the stars.

https://jessicadayon.blogspot.com/2020/04/riley-blake-blog-tour-fireworks-freedom.html

The stars could be scrappy blues, but it would work best with two constant prints for the framed squares. I like to eliminate unnecessary seams, and would probably make the framed squares using partial seams with four 2" x 5" strips (instead of her red 2" x 3.5" strips and 2" squares). A virtuoso scrap quilter could use scraps for the framed squares, but to preserve the linked effect, you'd need to lay out the whole top before sewing the corners on the stars and the framing on the squares, so each lattice link is one fabric.

3. Scrappy Sprouts is pretty and scrappy and cheerful. I'm sharing several versions of it, from my trip down a rabbit hole. The original designer is Tracey Jacobsen, and the blocks were first made by a group in 2013 for their friend who was seriously ill. The second link is to a block "recipe" on Tracey's Flickr page.

http://traceyjayquilts.blogspot.com/2013/05/scrappy-sprouts-for-chelsa-festival.html https://www.flickr.com/photos/8384538@N03/8139607830/in/pool-2089332@N24

Krista at Poppyprint made a block for that original quilt. In 2014, she used the pattern to make her own quilt for a friend. And in 2015, with Tracey's permission, she further adapted it for a magazine article and a commercial pattern:

http://poppyprintcreates.blogspot.com/2014/05/a-very-special-delivery-bloggers-quilt.html http://poppyprintcreates.blogspot.com/2015/07/cutting-garden-featured-in-homespun-and.html

Here's another version from 2020, which is the one that led me back to 2013: https://saneandcrazy.blogspot.com/2020/02/a-flimsy-has-sprouted.html

I quite like the ones from Poppyprint, with their funky flowers atop the stalks.

COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara 'No contact' pick-up of fabric or kits and drop-off of comfort quilts during this time. Contact Susan Schara (227-9788)

Even in the absence of formal meetings, this guild is really getting things done! Masks, duffle bags, quilt show plans, and 31 comfort quilts (as of April 18) awaiting the end of quarantine so they can be delivered.

We have "no contact contacts" with one another via e-mail and written notes, and we receive and deliver fabric, masks, quilt top kits, quilting kits, and quilts to be bound, all in the safest and healthiest way we can, to keep our collaborative efforts going.

The stash is continuing to be available to members 24/7 for all of your donation items. Need a quilt top packet? Call Susan. Want to do some longarm or domestic machine quilting? Call Susan. Have some quilts ready to donate? Call Susan. (Have Prius, will travel...)

Got Hobbs? Check your sewing room—maybe there's a packaged, pre-cut Hobbs batting just waiting to be used in your next project. Cut the UPC code from the plastic wrapping, send to Susan, and our guild can qualify for a hefty discount on the comfort quilt batting we use up so rapidly these days. We have one UPC already, so we just need 4 more. (This offer is for guilds, not individual quilters—sorry.)

Keep busy, so the weeks until our next meeting pass quickly. Looking forward to seeing you then.



Pictures of a few of the comfort quilts that have been donated

PROGRAMS- Diana Gardner

Programs are to be scheduled and announced once the shelter-in-place orders are lifted and a meeting date for our Guild is set.

QUILTERS' CORNER – SEW & SHOW

Please send any photos of Sew & Show items to **Jennifer Davey** (<u>bestillmycraftingheart@gmail.com</u>) for an on-line Sew & Show during our quarantine.

We want to stay better in touch during our shut-in together, so be chatty, share new creations, thoughts, needs and inspirations.

Hopefully there will be many stories your Guild members will enjoy reading. Think of all the UFO's which will be finished!

As often as we have enough material to share, we'll send another email to all members...maybe every week! This is in addition to our monthly newsletters.

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.

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

MEMBER HELP NEEDED PLEASE DON'T IGNORE THIS POST

GUILD SECRETARY IS REQUIRED STARTING SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

Our Guild is in need of a member that is willing to record the minutes of the monthly Board Meeting which is held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30. The meetings are very relaxed and a good time for bonding. The General meeting requires minutes prepared based on events that require members votes.

Board meetings can be recorded on a cell phone for review and clarification or notes taken as in progress. They are typed on Google Docs, printed for review and submitted for approval at the monthly Board meeting. The President should receive a copy of the minutes within 10 days of the meeting. Various other events may require making telephone calls or other activities. The term is only one year but you can stay in the position for 2 years. The fiscal year is September 1 to August 31.

The Benefits:

- 1) You will meet wonderful people and form longtime friendships
- 2) You have the fast track about activities or what's going to happen.
- 3) Know you are able to assist and provide input/ideas
- 4) Learn computer skills you may not be familiar with,

Please contact John Lilly (559) 681-9809

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR GUILD OFFICERS

The following elected Board positions are open for the 2020-21 year: Treasurer, Secretary and Vice-President. If you are interested in serving in one of these positions, please contact any current Board member or a member of the Nominating committee which consists of: John Lilly, Diana Gardner, Teresa Orr, Beverly Kukendall, Jennifer Davey or Carol Shervem. We hope to present candidates at our June meeting; however, if the shelter-in-place' order prevents us from meeting, the names will appear in the newsletter and hopefully be presented to the membership at our July meeting.

In addition, several on-going committees need either leadership or help. Check out the list in 'Opportunities in the SJVQG' article. Contact any Board member for additional information.

GUILD TREASURER

SJVQG IS LOOKING FOR A GUILD TREASURER FOR THE 2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR

Want to be active in the SJVQG? Can you balance a checkbook? Why not consider the position of Treasurer?

The treasurer's duties include:

- 1. Receive and deposit Guild income into the Guild bank account.
- 2. Review and approve requests for expense payments.
- 3. Countersign checks for disbursement of Guild funds.
- 4. Keep full and accurate records of receipts and disbursements of the Guild funds.

5. Present to the Board of Directors and membership income and expense statements.

- 6. File appropriate State forms to maintain the Guild's non-profit status.
- 7. Coordinate with the Guild accountant to file annual tax forms.

Being the Guild Treasurer is a great way to get involved and interact with all of our members. This position is a member of the Guild's executive board and would attend Board meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month. There is an Accountant readily available to answer questions. Interested in becoming Treasurer? Just give me or another board member a call.

Beverly Kuykendall 2019-2020 SJVQG Treasurer 559-826-8004

PEDAL PUSHERS QUILT RETREAT November 5th – 6th – 7th 2020 – Thursday – Saturday Redeemer Lutheran Church 1084 W. Bullard (Palm & Bullard) – Fresno 93711

We're so excited to be bringing you the 2nd annual retreat in Fresno. Come and enjoy yourself pushing your pedal on your sewing machine as we will have a fun time, visiting with friends and making new ones. This year this retreat starts Thursday, November 5th at 1:00 p.m. and ends on Saturday, November 7th at 4:00 p.m. Three days of sewing fun!

This retreat is a no-frills retreat. You will bring your own projects – maybe even finish a few... There will be a raffle – or two – or three. Maybe play Bingo. When you need to take a break, Kiki's is just across the way and Sew & Vac nearby.

This year's retreat is \$135.00 for all three days. This includes dinner on Thursday, lunch and dinner Friday and a late lunch on Saturday. Arrival/closing time are: Thursday 1:00p.m. to 10:30p.m. (please do not come early as we might not be set up); Friday 8a.m. to 10:30p.m. and Saturday 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. sharp. There will be water available, but are asking everyone to bring your own mugs/cups (remember this is a no-frills retreat).

Lots more info coming, but just a few notes – no tape can be on the walls – so if you want/need a design board bring one that can be leaned against a chair. We only have access to 8' tables – so you will have half a table – your sewing tables should be ok to bring and you can bring your own chair (recommended). More on irons later – not sure we will be able to bring individual irons. And because we're at a church no alcohol is allowed.

A deposit of \$35.00 non-refundable is due by July 15th 2020. I suggest you send your money in early as this retreat might fill up quickly. Balance of \$100.00 is due by October 1st 2020. I will be emailing out more into in October. Remember this retreat is open to all.

Make your check out to Chris Chapman and please mail to Pedal Pushers Retreat C/O Mary Lou Woody – 1787 Portals Ave – Clovis, CA 93611 along with attached form. Questions?? Call Mary Lou Woody 559-298-3156 or Chris Chapman 559-251-9320 or Nancy Christian 559-203-0188

Looking forward seeing everyone for a fun quilting time with a great group of gals to gab and giggle with.

The Retreat Gals

PEDAL PUSHERS QUILT RETREAT 2020
Please send this form in with your check made out to Chris Chapman to: Pedal Pushers Retreat c/o Mary Lou Woody – 1787 Portals Av – Clovis, CA 93611
Name:
Address:
City/State/Zip:
Phone # Home: Cell:
E-Mail Address:
Seating – Who is in your group that you want to sit with? (we will do our best):
***Deposit \$35.00 non-refundable due now ***Balance of \$100.00 by October 1 st

********* 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 Classes on hiatus until further notice

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

On hiatus until further notice – Contact Diana for more information

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 <u>(559) 436-</u><u>0775</u>.

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2020

- May 14. **Final day for voting on whether or not to have SJVQG quilt show in November**. To vote either use the email link you were sent or contact President John Lilly at 559-681-9809.
- May 21 **SJVQG Board Meeting Meeting arrangements to be determined 6:30pm** If you are not on the Board or on reporting committees and wish or need to attend, Contact any Board member for information.
- Jun 20-22. **Quilt Show Reno**, Grand Sierra Resort, 2500 E. Second St. Reno NV <u>www.quiltshowreno.com</u> (still scheduled as of 4/27-see ad in newsletter)
- Jun 27-28 **POSTPONED** TO June 26-27, 2021 Seven Sisters Quilt Show, San Luis Obispo, CA, <u>http://www.sevensistersquiltshow.org</u>
- Jul 9-11 International Quilt Festival Long Beach, L.B. Convention & Entertainment Center, 300 E Ocean Blvd, Long Beach CA, <u>http://quilts.com/quilt-festival-long-beach.html</u> (still scheduled as of 4/27-see ad in newsletter)
- Oct 9-11 **Best of the Valley Quilt Show**, McDermont X, 365 N Sweetbriar Ave, Lindsay, CA <u>https://www.botvquilts.com/showinfo.html</u>
- Nov 5-7 **SJVQG Pedal Pushers Quilt Retrea**t, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Palm & Barstow, Fresno. See flyer in newsletter for more information

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD 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? YesNo (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.

Quilters' Corner – For members to share information and photos about their quilts, ribbons won, rides wanted to out of town quilt shows, etc.

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**.

Irene Allen, editor, 559-304-2831, irene.allen81@yahoo.com

THE QUILT DOCTOR IS IN!!

We have a table in the back of our meeting room where you can come with any quilting questions. Unsure how to turn your binding? Unsure about a technique? Unsure how to get your seams to match? Have a question about a technique new you?

Our Guild is full of resources and knowledge. **Sandy Gaines, Teresa Orr and Gerri Fishe**r are here to help you. We will help to answer your question or to find a friendly knowledgeable resource in our Guild.

It has been my experience as a quilter that quilters in general love to share their knowledge with other quilters. If the only obstacle standing in your way from starting that new project or finishing your old project is a question, then come see us in the back.

If you have a lot of experience in a specific area or technique and would be willing to share your knowledge, come sign up in the back as a resource. Happy Quilting!





THE BEST OF THE VALLEY

A Regional Show of Quilts and Cloth Dolls

October 9, 10, 11, 2020: 10am-4pm, Friday and Saturday; 10am-3pm, Sunday McDermont X - 365 N. Sweet Brier * Lindsay, CA 93247 * (559) 562-3326 <u>https://www.botvquilts.com/showinfo.html</u>

www.mcdermontfieldhouse.com



DECISION WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON MAY 15TH IF LONG BEACH SHOW WILL BE HELD. CHECK QUILTS.COM FOR UPDATES

