



SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

*****JUNE 11 MEETING CANCELLED***
NEXT MEETING TENTATIVELY JULY 9, 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

Nothing stays the same. Our Guild and world are constantly changing. So good news, have we got a COVID gift for you! Everyone who pays their dues for next year in advance of a Sept 30 deadline, gets a special deal...only \$20!! That includes new members who get benefits from the day they join until Sept 1, 2021. You have missed out on some meetings and camaraderie, so the Board thinks it's the least we can do. Let's together make our recovery from quilting quarantine the best ever.

And just today, Diana Gardner and I learned about virtual meetings other guilds are sharing on Zoom. Short meetings called "Coffee Breaks" which may include a studio tour and a demo. Longer meetings which may include a teacher, trunk show and member "show and tell." Over half of members of these guilds have tuned in and said they loved the interaction and the clear video images. As a bonus, no one had to drive after dark, or at all!

And there will be a Quilt Show November 13-14 this year. Prepare your entries because we can display up to 100 quilts. The members voted overwhelmingly in favor of doing the show, so pray neither COVID nor anything stands in our way.

We have donated over 4,400 masks to care providers and patients and others. Probably way over that amount, because only 8 members account for all those compassionate and generous labors of love. And we have made over 65 comfort quilts this month alone! Fabulous.

Our Nominating Committee has spoken to almost every member. Thank you for your input and brave volunteers. We have more openings, especially for Treasurer. Who will fill that office? Bev Kuykendall has done a wonderful job and has left big shoes to fill, but the tasks are well-organized and neither onerous nor mystifying. If you haven't been contacted or don't know which member to call, call me at (559) 681-9809. We want to hear from you all.

Committee chairpersons are formulating their budgets for next year. The ByLaws Committee is taking all concerns for changes. The Board is meeting by Zoom teleconference.

Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay creative!

John Lilly
sjvqg1@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP – Sharon Pryor

The Covid 19 pandemic has prevented our SJVQG guild from holding meetings for our members the past several months. In consideration of this, the Board has taken a one-time emergency action of reducing membership dues to \$20.00, if paid prior to September 30th. Dues paid after September 30th will revert back to \$35.00. (If paying on our website online using PayPal, the dues will be \$22 or \$38 after September 30th) A copy of the 2020-2021 application is included in this newsletter.

A complete directory which includes all members to date is available by e-mail. Please contact Sharon Pryor, membership chair at sepryor2010@gmail.com if you would like one.

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

Shannon Brown
JoAnn Crimi
Diane Sakamoto

Sharon Carter
Frances Jamison
Karen Severson

Kathleen Coleman
Fanchon Owen

SJVQG FINANCIAL STATUS– Beverly Kuykendall NEWSLETTER SUMMARY

	<u>May</u>	<u>FYTD</u> <u>9/19-8/20</u>	<u>2019-2020</u> <u>Budget</u>
INCOME	\$ 81.74	\$12,555.36	\$15,429.24
EXPENSES	\$ 487.05	\$11,447.70	\$19,095.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$ (405.31)	\$ 1,107.66	\$(3,665.76)

CENTRAL VALLEY OUTDOOR QUILT SHOW

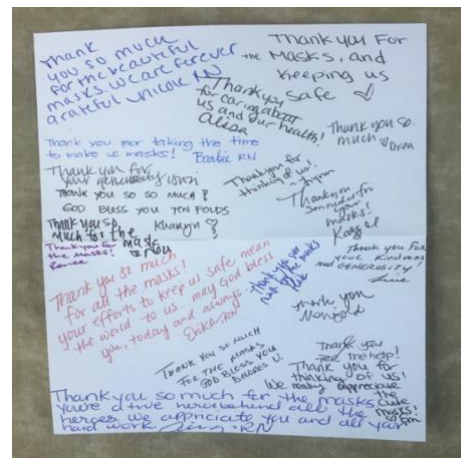
The postings have been wonderful! Many of our Guild members have been posting pictures of their quilts. When posting pictures of your quilts, if you have the information you can provide the quilt name, the pattern name (if you used a pattern) or any information about the quilt you want to share. Many have shared some interesting stories. 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.

Since March 23, our guild has delivered a little over 4,000 masks to a variety of healthcare facilities in our community. We know many of you have been making masks and sending them to folks who need to be “covered” so the count for the entire guild is definitely much higher. We are truly thankful for everyone who has been sewing these masks for those in need.

Every Monday, Joanie and I pick up and deliver masks, deliver pre-cut fabric mask kits and then share masks at our destination for the week. We provide “curbside” delivery and pick-up! If you would like to help, please call Joanie or myself if you have any questions or if you would like to schedule a pick-up.

Joanie Martin
285-6226

FROM FRESNO HEART AND SURGICAL HOSPITAL



KASES FOR KIDS

Sonja Hernandez & Diana Gardner

There are more duffle bag kits available to be made up, as well as 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.

These six pre-measured and pre-quilted pieces can be turned into a bit of dignity for a foster child with your help.



BLUEPRINT (FORMERLY CRAFTSY) CLOSING

For those of you who have purchased on-line patterns or classes through Blueprint, you may already be aware that Blueprint will be closing over the next few months. You might want to make sure you have downloaded any patterns you have purchased. If you purchased ‘own forever’ classes you may want to check the website to see how the company will handle the classes that have been purchased. <https://www.myblueprint.com/article/letter-to-our-blueprint-customers>

DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

June 2020 Findings

1. Yvonne shows us how to set 12 blocks in a circular layout. Her tutorial has measurements for a range of block sizes from 6" to 18":

<https://quiltingjetgirl.com/2020/04/24/12-block-circle-setting-quilt-top-tutorial/>

2. QOV BOM The free pattern for the Plaid-ish Quilt, designed by Erica Jackman in Oregon, has turned up in several of the blogs I read. Cathy just finished a really nice red, white and blue version. Here's the original tutorial:

<http://www.kitchentablequilting.com/2019/06/plaid-ish-scrap-quilt-and-tutorial.html>

Cathy's RWB version: <https://saneandcrazy.blogspot.com/2020/04/plaid-ish-finish.html>

Modern quilter Debbie's version: <https://aquilterstable.blogspot.com/2019/09/scrapped-ish-plaid-ish.html>

A nice example from Mary, with more control: <https://zippyquilts.blog/2020/02/09/plaidish-color-gets-the-credit-value-does-the-work/>

There are two sizes of square blocks, finishing to 10" and 8", set with rectangular blocks 8" x 10" finished. Value is very important; you need dark darks, medium mediums, light lights.

And, just as I was about to send this in, Erica posted a second design using light scraps:

<http://www.kitchentablequilting.com/2020/05/plaid-ish-2.html>

3. Spiderweb blocks are usually foundation-pieced on a fabric or paper triangle. Fabric adds bulk; paper has to be removed. Here's an interesting alternative, first done 11 years ago by Marit (who seems to have disappeared, but her old blog lives on). I learned about it from Julie's blog, just recently:

<https://quiltdivajulie.blogspot.com/2020/04/feisty-wins.html>

One of Julie's center kites has an error, so her seams don't match. I hope she fixes it!

Marit's post (her first language is probably not English; she writes "tree", but means "three".):

<http://quilt-it.blogspot.com/2009/01/tutorial-spiderweb.html>

4. Catherine Redford is making some pretty things with her walking foot, and a bit of hand stitching with perle cotton:

<https://catherineredford.com/still-making/>
<https://catherineredford.com/still-home/>

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)**

Well, the Quilters' Quarantine goes on, with pretty amazing results as far as productivity is concerned: as of May 19th, there are 77 comfort quilts awaiting delivery, 4 already dropped off for Kases for Kids, 4 being bound, and 10 or more in the homes of volunteer quilters.

The various Friends of Comfort Quilts are continuing to shop the stash, make tops, make backs, prepare quilting kits, quilt, and bind, and seem to be enjoying every minute. They are busy, as in a no-contact beehive, or a no-pressure sweatshop. Bored? I don't think so. Members are experimenting with techniques, fabrics, colors, and quilting patterns they haven't tried before, using up scraps, making room in their own stash and the guild stash. Our current quilt collection has numerous examples of beautiful quilts that, deep in our hearts, we wish we could keep, but which we will donate in order to benefit others. Yay, us! Just keep on keepin' on, eagerly looking forward to our next chance to be together.

Don't forget Hobbs UPC codes! Remember to 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.)

COMFORT QUILTS

**WHETHER YOU DID THE PIECING, QUILTING OR THE BINDING ON ANY OF THESE QUILTS...
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION OF SKILL AND TIME TO THE COMFORT QUILT PROGRAM**



MORE WONDERFUL COMFORT QUILTS



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** (bestillmycraftingheart@gmail.com) 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

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.

Assistant Programs Coordinator – If you are interested in learning about building the programs for our Guild, you can help the Programs Coordinator in organizing, preparing and setting up for guild programs.

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.

NOMINATED GUILD OFFICERS FOR 2020-2021

The 2020-2021 Guild Executive Officer nominees are:

President: **Joanie Martin**

Vice President: **Pat Baker**

Secretary: **Diane Sakamoto**

Treasurer: **Vacant... 'Your name could be here'**

The elected Board position of Treasurer is currently open for the 2020-21 year: If you are interested in serving in this position, please contact **Beverly Kukendall**, our current Treasurer. We hope to present candidates at our July meeting; however, if the Covid19 virus prevents us from meeting, the names will continue to appear in the newsletter and hopefully be presented to the membership at our August 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 meetings 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 info 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 1st

***** **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 **(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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2020

Jun 20-22. **Quilt Show Reno, - CANCELLED**

Jun 27-28 **Seven Sisters Quilt Show**, San Luis Obispo, CA, **CANCELLED**

Jul 9-11 **International Quilt Festival Long Beach, CANCELLED**

Oct 9-11 **Best of the Valley Quilt Show**, McDermont X, 365 N Sweetbriar Ave, Lindsay, CA
<https://www.botvquilts.com/showinfo.html>

Nov 5-7 **SJVQG Pedal Pushers Quilt Retreat**, Redeemer Lutheran Church, Palm & Barstow, Fresno. See flyer in newsletter for more information

Nov 13-14 **SJVQG Quilt Show** – Save the dates! More information to follow.

MORE COMFORT QUILTS



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Sept 1, 2020– Aug 31, 2021

Annual Dues Paid June 1st through September 30th– \$20.00

Annual Dues Paid After September 30th – \$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.

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!!

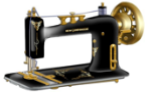
We have a table in the back of our meeting room where you can come with any quilting questions. Unsure how to turn your binding? Unsure about a technique? Unsure how to get your seams to match? Have a question about a technique new you?

Our Guild is full of resources and knowledge. **Sandy Gaines, Teresa Orr and Gerri Fisher** 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!

Sew - N - Tech
Sandy Gaines
Sewing Arts Instructor



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IS CLOSED UNTIL 5/30/2020 or
until shelter-in-place order lifted.
Check our website for updates and
shopping information

All classes are
temporarily cancelled
except the Jacqueline
DeJonge retreat in
July/August

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15% OFF FOR ON-LINE PURCHASES
(Call to arrange curbside pickup)



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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
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<https://www.botvquilts.com/showinfo.html>

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