



SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

NOV 11TH IS IN-PERSON AND ZOOM

(SEE MEETING ARTICLE FOR DETAILS)

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 FOR SET-UP & 6:30 PM FOR SOCIAL TIME, MEETING AT 7 PM

COME EARLY TO SOCIALIZE!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hola Guatemala!

October 9th through the 16th I had the privilege to serve on a medical clinic team in Guatemala with an organization called Faith in Practice. We served in a town called El Durazno in the region of Jalapa.

Here's the back story! My friend Julie moved from Fresno to Houston, Texas with her husband Wayne to pastor a church. Two members of the church introduced them to Faith in Practice, which has been providing medical care to Guatemala since 1991. Julie finally convinced my husband and me to join them in 2020, but that mission was canceled. We were the **first** team in El Durazno since the last Faith in Practice team had to evacuate because the country shut their doors due to the pandemic! Needless to say, they were thrilled when they saw our team, because we kept the promise, "We will be back!"

My job at the clinic was to work with Luisa, who was the pharmacist. My Spanish is minimal but she grew up in Peru so hers was impeccable! The doctors saw a total of 791 patients in four days...multiply that by four to get the number of medications we filled! We were the last ones to get done every day!

At the suggestion of a couple of guild members, I took the remaining 168 completed masks that we had stored with me to Guatemala. We gave them to the "red hat" volunteers. There are two pictures. One with me at the end of the table where we had laid out 100 of the masks. The other was of the volunteers picking up their gifts. They loved them! Thank you to all the guild members who made masks during the pandemic!

Our team pretty much stayed in a "bubble" through our trip. We traveled together, ate together and worked together (all social distanced and with N95 masks). We did not leave our hotel or our clinic until the last day in the city of Antigua. Our friends took us on a whirlwind tour of the city. It was such a contrast of ancient ruins that have been renovated into the current buildings- Antigua became the capitol in 1543. I've collaged a few photos to give you an idea of what we experienced.

You can read more about our trip at <https://www.faithinpractice.org/blog/category/703/>

Hasta luego!
Joanie Martin

GUILD HYBRID MEETINGS

The November meeting will be held at the church and via ZOOM. **Members attending in-person will be required to fill out the COVID symptom form.** “As of August 19, 2021 If you are fully vaccinated, to maximize protection from the Delta variant and prevent possibly spreading it to others, wear a mask indoors in public if you are in an area of substantial or high transmission.” – CDC. Fresno County , with low vaccination rates, is considered a high transmission area. **We will ask all guild members to mask up.**

We have scheduled most of our meetings/speakers to be available in person and online via Zoom until further notice. Our Zoom meetings will begin promptly at 7 PM. When we have a guest lecturer, members attending the meeting at the church will be viewing the program on a large screen. The door to the church will be opened at 6:00 pm for set up, social time begins at 6:30 pm and our meeting begins at 7 pm..

If you have any comments or questions please direct them to sjvqg1@gmail.com.

THE BIG FRESNO FAIR

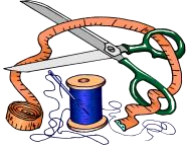
Thank you to all the members who signed up to staff our booth for our Opportunity quilt raffle ticket sales at the fair. A huge thank you to **Carol Shervem** for scheduling and coordinating everything and being available every day to all the volunteers. Also, thanks to our treasurer, **Reneeta Anthony** for keeping track of our ticket sales.

Remember, tickets are still



available for you to buy and/or sell.

Contact Carol Shervem for more Opportunity quilt raffle tickets.



San Joaquin Valley Quilters Guild

Challenge Quilt Guidelines – Pat Baker

March 2022

Time to get your creative juices flowing and your hands and machines sewing to prepare an entry for the March 2022 quilt challenge. We have had lots of sunshine this summer so one of the challenges will be to see just how you use this beautiful “mellow yellow” fabric.

Here are the official guidelines
(and the judges will have their rulers ready)



Quilt must be no larger than 24 x 24 inches
You will receive a fat quarter of the yellow fabric and
must have at least 4 inches of the yellow fabric showing
Red fabric, mostly solid will also need at least 4 inches showing.
Must have 3 pinwheels (only 3)
Must be completed with binding
Any style of quilt making will be accepted

First Prize: \$100
Second Prize: \$75
Third Prize: \$50
Viewers' Choice.....\$25 .

The yellow fabric will start being available at the November guild meeting.
You must be a current member of the SJVQG to participate.
Judging will be at the March 10, 2022 Meeting



Please make sure your entry is hidden in a bag or container when you submit it at the March 10th meeting.
Your name is on the quilt back and can be covered up prior to the judging.

WALL QUILTS WANTED

Butterfly Gardens will open in Clovis in **July 2022**. These 75 apartments will serve people who are homeless and also have disabilities. It is a permanent housing development and they are very focused on creating a place of dignity where people can start fresh.

They are looking for wall quilts to decorate the common spaces and hallways and they contacted our guild to see if any of our members would like to donate one of their quilts. This is another opportunity to serve our community.

If you are interested or have questions please contact **Joanie Martin** at sjvqg1@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP – Sharon Pryor

Thank you to all the members who have paid their dues during the membership drive. It is never too late to renew your membership or join the guild. The application can be found in this newsletter or on the website at sjvqg.net. Dues are \$35 annual and can be paid at the monthly meeting or mailed in with your application.

The printed 2021-2022 membership directory and membership cards will be available at the November meeting and will include all members whose dues were received by the end of October. Stop by the membership table and pick up your copy. A PDF copy will also be available by email to all current members.

CONGRATULATIONS to Tracy Newkirk, this year's winner of the Free Membership drawing.

WELCOME to our three newest members, **Cathy Lee**, **Jamia Lowenthal** and **Elena Walthour**.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Happy Birthday wishes go out to the following November birthdays.

Cathleen Armstrong

Pauline Beaton

Nancy Christian

Carol Gage Draper

Jan Kinney

Sandra Larson

Shannon Mueller

Lor-Rae Raus

BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOM) – Barbara Pearson & Shannon Mueller

November's block of the month is "Preparing for the Holidays" with the choice to make a tree block, a gift block, or both. Making both blocks and turning them in at the meeting increases your chance of winning a jar of honey during the drawing. The patterns and directions have been sent by E-Blast.



Sixteen pumpkin and acorn blocks were donated in October and have been made into a fall-themed comfort quilt. **Carolee Clayton** was the lucky winner in the drawing for a jar of honey.



If you have any questions, please feel free to call us.

Barbara Pearson (559)392-6683
Shannon Mueller (559)269-5780

THE STASH ASIAN FABRIC CHALLENGE

Thank you to all who submitted quilts for our ArtHop stash fabric Asian challenge. We were overwhelmed with all the quilts. It was difficult to choose a minimum of one quilt from each person due to space constraints. We hope you were able to drop in at the Gallery at the Presbyterian church during ArtHop. If you could not make it, the quilts are displayed through the end of November. Contact Joanie Martin if you missed the show and would like to see the quilts. ArtHop November 4th at the Gallery at First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M Street, Fresno 93721

KASES FOR KIDS

Diana Gardner

Put January 8th 8-3 p.m. on your calendar! We are planning a Duffle Bag Sew-in at the First Presbyterian Church. Come help us make duffle bags for Kases for Kids. If you have never made one, it will be a chance to learn something new, and have a great time with fellow guild members. We will provide the pattern, directions and kits. All you have to do is bring your sewing machine and sewing tools (thread, scissors, etc), and don't forget to bring your lunch. This is one of the ways our guild gives back to the community by helping foster children. More information will be provided in our December newsletter.

The Guild is looking for someone to take over **Kases for Kids**. Diana has a full plate and can no longer handle this activity. Text or call **Diana Gardner at (559) 978-0706** if you might be interested. Diana can tell you what is involved. This is a very worthwhile activity of the guild and much appreciated by the children and the workers in the foster care community. We will have to stop our involvement if there is no one to organize it for the guild.

There are many duffle bag and accessory bag kits available at the Stash Room and they will continue to be available all year. If you would rather pick them up from **Diana**, please call or text, so she can put them on the porch. (She works Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday but is happy to leave them for you on the porch.) Our goal is 50 completed duffle bags for the 2021 year.

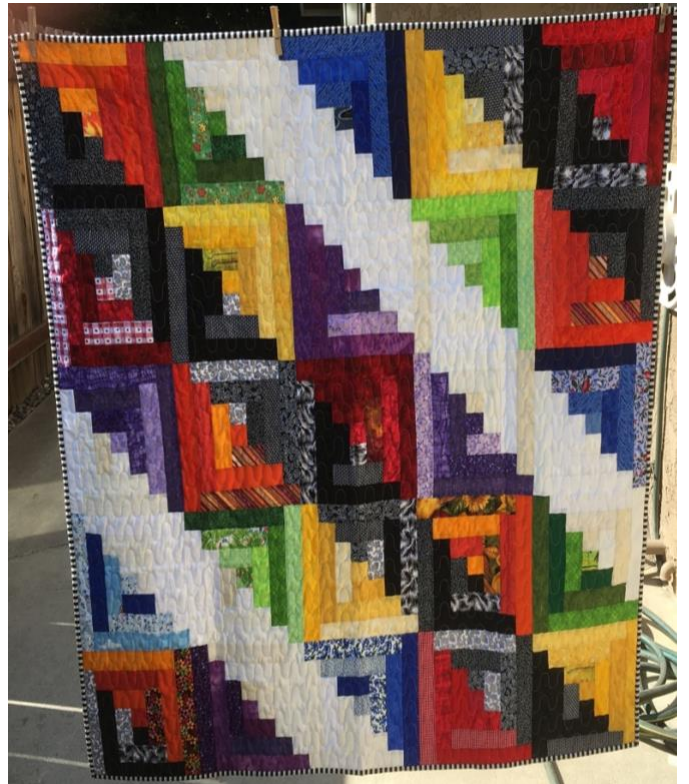
COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara

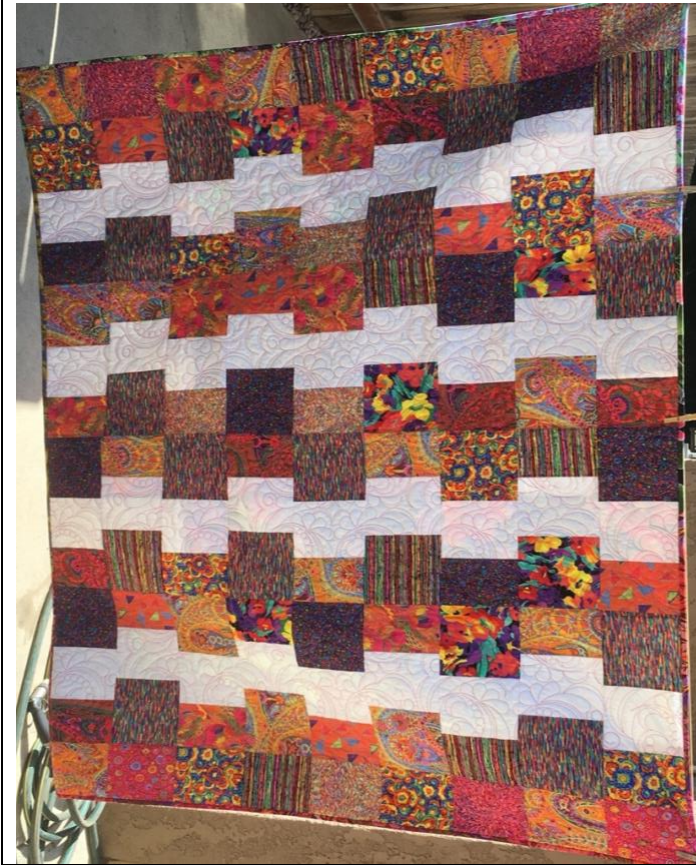
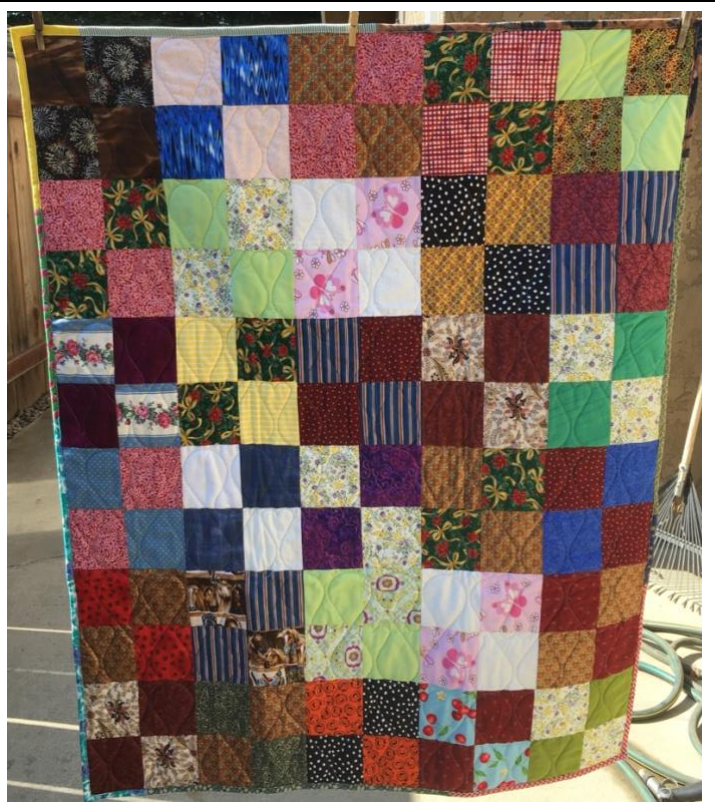
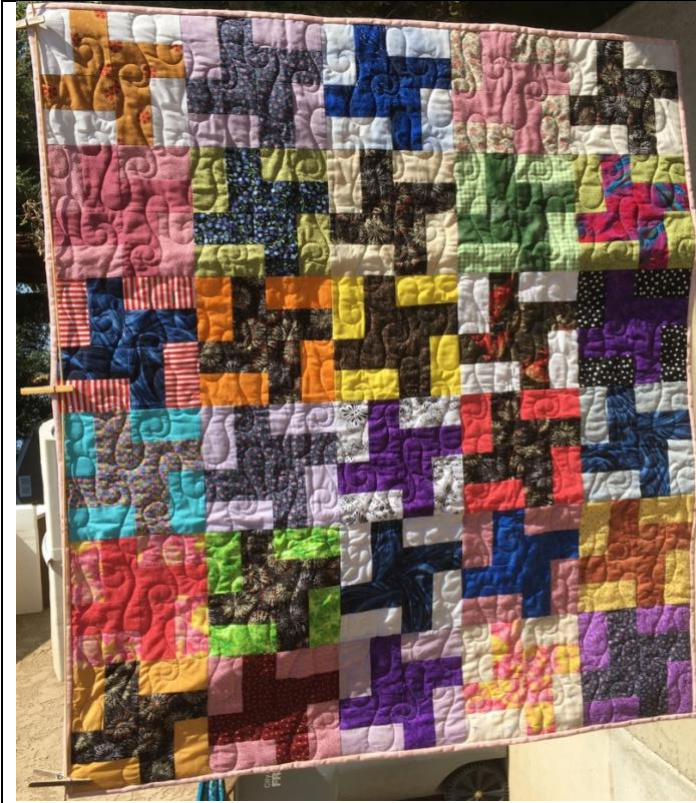
As you may know, our Stash Coordinator **Susan Schara** took a well-deserved vacation for the entire month of October. During that time our Binding Queen, **Franchon Owen**, completed the binding on 25 comfort quilts that were turned in prior to Susan leaving.



THE ABOVE COMFORT QUILTS WERE MADE BY SHANNON MUELLER AND BARBARA PEARSON WITH 'BLOCK OF THE MONTH' (BOM) BLOCKS THAT WERE MADE AND DONATED BY MANY OF OUR MEMBERS

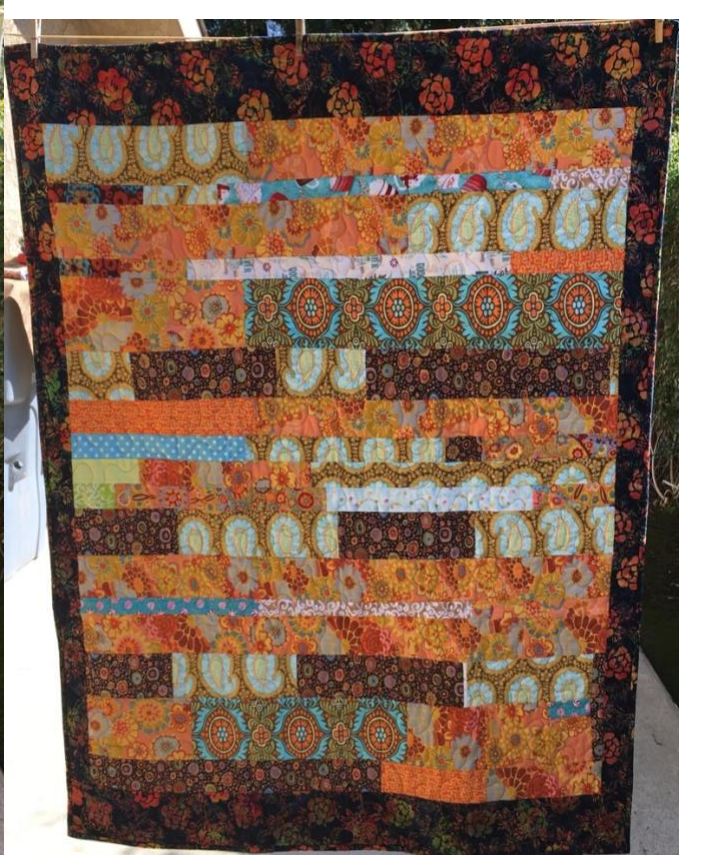
If you do not have the time to make a comfort quilt, remember you can contribute to the comfort quilt donations by making a BOM and donating it to the cause.















WHETHER YOU PIECED, QUILTED, DID BINDING, DONATED FABRIC OR MADE KITS –THANK YOU!!!!

<<<<<<<<<<COMFORT QUILTS>>>>>>>>>>>>>

PROGRAMS- Diana Gardner

Join Zoom Meeting by copying the link below

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6747551749?pwd=NWdEMTJFb212c1A1VXhLMDIUG9Mdz09>

or

Log In to **ZOOM.US** and enter the following information

Meeting ID: 674 755 1749

Password: Quilts

NOVEMBER PROGRAM – In Person and ZOOM. Presentation by Linda & Carl Sullivan of Colourwerx

Check out their website at <https://colourwerx.com>



It's no surprise that Linda and Carl love color and love creating colorful contemporary fabric designs and patterns! With over 25 years experience as a professional designers and quiltmakers, Linda and Carl are intensely passionate about bold bright colors and contemporary pattern design. Always searching for a twist on the traditional, their surface designs and quilt patterns are well known for their modern look, spontaneous movement and fearless use of color.

Today, they reside in Palm Desert, California and enjoy collaborating together in their design company, Colourwerx designing surface pattern designs, quilt patterns and traveling across the country to share their love of color, quilting and contemporary design.

Their presentation is "Got Colour?" Boost your colour confidence and learn to use every colour of the rainbow in your quilts. Linda and Carl will discuss the basics of colour theory, demonstrate colour concepts and how to create and combine dynamic colour palettes, as well as share their tips and tricks on how to find colour inspiration in everyday objects to inspire, infuse and ignite the colour in your next quilting project.

DECEMBER PROGRAM – In Person Meeting Only –Christmas pot-luck social.

Plan on a lovely evening enjoying the company of your fellow quilters and some wonderful home-made soups and bread. We are asking members with last names beginning with A through M to please bring a salad to share. Members with names beginning with N through Z please bring a dessert to share. Don't forget to bring your show and tell items.

TREASURER REPORT – Reneeta Anthony

4:43 PM

10/20/21

San Joaquin Valley Quilters' Guild, Inc. Reconciliation Summary Westamerica Bank, Period Ending 09/30/2021

	Sep 30, 21
Beginning Balance	39,645.65
Cleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 6 items	-1,300.44
Deposits and Credits - 3 items	1,660.65
Total Cleared Transactions	360.21
Cleared Balance	40,005.86
Uncleared Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 5 items	-994.52
Total Uncleared Transactions	-994.52
Register Balance as of 09/30/2021	39,011.34
New Transactions	
Checks and Payments - 1 item	-225.00
Total New Transactions	-225.00
Ending Balance	38,786.34

DISBURSEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES IN SEPTEMBER 2021: Six checks were cashed by: David Owen Hasting (\$400) for the September Guild presentation; Joanie Martin (\$362.44) for Opportunity Quilt postage, postcards and ticket printing; Hope Lutheran Church (\$225) paid for the September rent; U.S. Postal Svcs. (\$188) for mailbox rental for a year; Robert Forbes paid for technical services at the meeting (\$105); and the Department of Justice (\$20) raffle registration for 2021-22. Three deposits were made for Bank Interest (.67); Opportunity Quilt 2022 (\$155); and Membership (\$1,505).

The SJVQG submitted the Non-Profit Raffle Report to the State of California for the year ending August 31, 2021, reporting no gross receipts and no direct costs incurred for the operation of a raffle. A new raffle registration was confirmed by the State of California for the SJVQG to operate from 9/1/2021 through 8/31/2022. The guild purchased insurance (\$10) to include the 21st Agricultural District during the Fresno Fair for October 2021, during Opportunity Quilt ticket sales. Smile Amazon reports no donation will be paid to the Guild for the second quarter of 2021.

CORRECTION: Last month's Treasurer's Report stated \$185 deposited in the bank as Membership fees. This is incorrect. The correct statement is "\$185 deposited in the bank from Opportunity Quilt 2022".

COFFEE CHAT 2021 – Joanie Martin & Diana Gardner

LEARN NEW QUILTING TECHNIQUES ---GET HELP ON A PROJECT---ENJOY CHATTING WITH OTHER QUILTERS.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for the Coffee Chat get-togethers at 11 a.m. – 12 Noon on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays. Please Join us to learn some new techniques, to ask for advice on any project or technique you have or to just touch base with other quilters. **Note:** Dates for November and December –Due to the holidays we will only meet on the second Tuesdays during those months. We have plans to make a quick easy shopping bag...good for gift giving, gift wrapping, or just plain shopping.

November 9th, December 14th, January 11th & 25th

Zoom ID#674 755 1749 Password: Quilts

DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

NOVEMBER 2021 FINDINGS

1. Ann put a bit of control into a scrappy back. I like this back much better than just big chunks adjoining.

<https://fretnotyourself.blogspot.com/2021/09/scrappy-trip-finished.html>

2. Patriotic BOM There seem to be infinitely many star blocks, and I like them all. This one uses flying geese and HSTs to make a pretty block. She doesn't give exact dimensions, but says it's based on a 9-patch grid. I'm pretty sure her block is 6" finished. For a 12" block, you'd need 2" x 4" finished geese and 2" finished HSTs and a 4.5" cut square in the center.

<https://mangofeet.blogspot.com/2021/08/a-new-star-and-plan-for-jack.html>

3. Angela Walters has a few interesting free patterns on her website. A couple of them are no longer available, though, having links to the old Craftsby site.

https://quiltingismytherapy.com/portfolio_category/free-quilt-patterns/

I like the second one, Coral, made from bias-edged HSTs, and squares. I'd be tempted to try eliminating some seams, and use trapezoidal shapes, similar to half-hexagons but with different angles (45 and 135, not 60 and 120). You'd cut two rectangles 4.5"x12.5", place them in an L shape and sew across the corner. Did I inspire you or scare you?

4. Here are two slightly different fish blocks from Sally Trude:

<https://theobjectsofdesign.blogspot.com/2016/05/darting-fish-tutorial.html>

<https://theobjectsofdesign.blogspot.com/2021/03/slow-fish-tutorial.html>

<https://theobjectsofdesign.blogspot.com/2021/07/gone-fishing.html>



***** **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. Contact Diana for information as to days, time, location, class materials, and costs.

Diana also teaches a class called the “*Dolly Mamas*”. 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
Contact Diana for more information

Senior Quilters are meeting again! We now meet on the **First Monday of each month** at the Fresno Reformed Christian Church on West Shields and Crystal Avenues. We meet from 10 to 3. Bring your sewing machine and sewing kit, your lunch and your project(s). We have fabric and batting and lots of ideas if you are short on them. We are a friendly, helpful group who enjoy quilting. Our projects are donated to homebound seniors in our community. Any questions, call or text **Diana Gardner at (559) 978-0706** if you are interested in joining the group.

Rhea Wiens – Quilting Classes
Teaching Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced classes

Come and enjoy taking quilting classes at Redeemer Lutheran Church with **Rhea Wiens**, Instructor. Schedule your time from one of the following:

Monday – 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Tuesday – 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Wednesday – 9:30 a.m.- 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. – 3 p.m., 6 p.m.-8 p.m.

You can choose your own special project or select from Rhea’s class projects.

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

To get more information regarding long arm services and/or to schedule a class, call **Rhea Wiens at (559) 436-0775**. Please leave a message and I will return your call.

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Quilt Classes with **Nancy Christian**

\$30.00 per class

At D & J Sewing @ Gettysburg & Clovis Ave

Class hours are 9:30 am - 5:00 pm

Each month I teach a new quilt pattern, some may become your new favorite. I try to work with Fat Quarters and pre-cuts as we seem to buy those more easily.

I have the class on Wed, then on Thurs & Friday of the same week I offer 'Come Sew with Nancy'. You can finish up your projects or bring in other projects that you may be stuck on. This is a good time to visit with other quilters while you work on your projects. By the time you go home on Friday, you should have a completed quilt top done, or maybe more.

Wed Nov 10th class Floating Pinwheels from Scrap Basket Bounty, available at D & J
Thursday / Friday Nov 11 /12th 'Come Sew with Nancy', \$20 per day.

If you have any questions/concerns on the classes or the come sew, reach out to me and I will be happy to answer them.

Nancy Christian
559-203-0188

DON'T FORGET HOBBS UPC CODES FROM ANY SIZE!

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 and contact **Susan Schara**. Our guild can qualify for a hefty discount on the comfort quilt batting we use up so rapidly these days. We will be ordering one discounted queen-sized batting (we have to pay shipping) and need three more UPC codes. (This offer is for guilds, not individual quilters—sorry)

**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Sept 1, 2021– Aug 31, 2022

Annual Dues - \$35

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

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail _____

Please **PRINT** all characters legibly.

Membership directory Electronic ____ Printed ____

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

WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR GUILD – Reneeta Anthony



[AmazonSmile: You shop. Amazon gives.](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/77-0162207)

Please remember when you are shopping on-line to use the SJVQG AmazonSmile page when you order. If you click on the link above, you will go to the SJVQG identifying number so your purchase can help the guild. If you need the link, copy/paste:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/77-0162207>

Donations If you are blessed this year and are able and desire to contribute to your quilt guild, please consider us in your giving budget. The SJVQG is a 501(c)3 organization, and we will provide you with a tax receipt of your contribution. Contact **Reneeta Anthony** if you have questions at 559-779-2288 to obtain more information or send a check payable to: SJVQG, PO Box 3256, Clovis, CA 93613.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2021

Join Zoom Meetings by copying the link below

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6747551749?pwd=NWdEMTJFb212c1A1VXhLMDIiUG9Mdz09>

The general meetings are now “hybrid” – Join in-person at the church or via ZOOM.

or

Log In to [ZOOM.US](https://zoom.us) and enter the following information

Meeting ID: 674 755 1749 - Password: Quilts

- Nov 4 SJVQG ArtHop Presentation of Asian Quilts
Gallery at First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M Street, Fresno 93721
- Nov 9 Coffee Chat 11 – 12 noon via zoom
- Nov 11 SJVQG General Meeting, In-person and on ZOOM
Presentation by Carl & Linda Sullivan of Colourwerx <https://colourwerx.com>
Challenge quilt fabric will be available at the meeting
- Nov 18 SJVQG Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- Dec 9 SJVQG General Meeting, - Christmas Soup & Salad Potluck Social
- Dec 14 Coffee Chat 11 – 12 noon via zoom
- Dec 16 SJVQG Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- Jan 8 Duffle Bag Sew-along for Kases for Kids
First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M Street, Fresno 93721, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Jan 13 SJVQG General Meeting

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Cotton-Pick'n Quilts

Longarm quilting service

Janet DeJong
(559)765-7015
janetdejong10@gmail.com

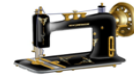
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SCCQG Affiliate (Teacher) Membership is now open

Teacher listings are the BEST way to find and hire (and be hired by) our member guilds.

If you are a teacher either in person or video you might benefit from being listed as an SCCQG Affiliate (Teacher) Member

Local and National level teachers are encouraged to join. Membership information may be found on the SCCQG website at <http://www.sccqg.org/membership-info.htm>

Find and hire our current Affiliate (Teacher) Members here: <http://www.sccqg.org/teacher-info.htm>

If you have any questions regarding Guild or Affiliate membership or the renewal process, please contact me.

Thanks,
Joan Graham
Membership
membership@sccqg.org