



SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

JUNE 9TH IS IN-PERSON & 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

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

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A View From a Window



As quilters we can find inspiration for a new creation just about anywhere. On our recent trip to Virginia, North and South Carolina and Georgia I found inspiration in FOUR quilt stores! It's still amazing to see how different one store can be from another. Lots of batiks in Wytheville, Virginia and really fun ocean and bird themed fabric on Hilton Head Island, South Carolina. And yes, I did support the local economy in each store!

In our travels there were many picturesque views, as well as flowers and old, interesting buildings. The four pictures above may be a quilt in the future. They are some of the 10 window boxes I captured in images in Charleston, South Carolina. I'm not sure how I will execute them OR when I will make them. But they are now in my mental file!

I hope to be at the meeting in June to reconnect after my latest adventure. (I'm currently on the island of Kauai!) It sure looks like pillowcases are in our guild's future! I actually bought fabric for five pillowcases for family members on this trip! They are so quick and easy!

Safe travels to all who are venturing out and I look forward to hearing about what inspired you!

Joanie Martin

UPDATE ON THE BYLAWS

On May 19, 2022, the SJVQG Board approved the restated Bylaws and Policies/Procedures. Membership will be voting to approve these restated documents at the July 14, 2022 General Meeting. Both documents and a one page summary of the significant changes can be found on the SJVQG website under the tab 'About Us'. Please take a few minutes to review the revised Bylaws and Policies/Procedures and be prepared to vote at the July meeting. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Joanie Martin or Beverly Kuykendall.

GUILD HYBRID MEETINGS

The June meeting will be held in person at the church and via zoom. As of this writing, meeting restrictions have been relaxed. You will be notified via e-blast if that changes. 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 church will be opened at 6 pm for set up and then 6:30 pm social time begins. Our Zoom presentation begins promptly at 7 pm..

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

Coffee Chat 2022

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. 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. For Coffee Chat we are adding to our study of appliqué technique inspired by Jane Sassaman and taking a further look at pojagi. *Pojagi* is traditional Korean art form of patchwork, and was introduced at the last guild meeting. At our chat we will focus on technique, design and fabric choices. Check out the videos below to start your journey:

1. [How to Stitch a modern Pojagi seam](#)
2. [Beginner modern Pojagi Seam-uses a basting stitch](#)
3. [Gallery of projects 1](#)
4. [Gallery 2](#)
5. [Piecing method using a lap seam foot-Bernina #71](#)

Join us if you can!

June 14 & 28 July 12 & 26 August 9 & 23

PROGRAMS

Diana Gardner

Join Zoom Meetings by copying the link below

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

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

Meeting ID: 674 755 1749 -Password: Quilts

JUNE PROGRAM: Zoom presentation by [Diane Murtha](#), The challenges of Quilt Challenges. An informative and humorous perspective on her challenge experiences, including a trunk and slide show. Diane began as a traditional quilter in the late 90's, gradually modifying patterns and gravitating to art quilts, specifically participating in art quilt challenges. Her quilts are included in 3 published books and multiple special exhibits traveling the country, including Houston's International Quilt Festival. Diane retired in 2016 after a 32-year career as a Department of Army civilian and now has time to be more creative and explore quilting on even more new levels! Diane and her husband, Tim currently live in Iowa. They are certified foster parents and enjoy RVing.

Lecture Description

Challenges – Accept the Challenge & Win a Prize

An informative and humorous perspective on her quilt challenge experiences, including a trunk and slide show. Diane's quilting adventure has been long and varied, including delusions of grandeur, some epic fails, a few triumphs, many "good enoughs" and most importantly, increasingly satisfying results. The stories that go along with her quilts are equal to the warmth and smiles they bring. She'll discuss what she has learned from the various challenges, other ways to challenge yourself and sources of inspiration. And most importantly how challenges can expand your quilting skills and inspire all your quilting!

<https://www.dianelmurtha.com/index.php>

JULY PROGRAM: Zoom presentation by **Sam Hunter of Hunter's Design Studio**, The History of Word Quilts A live lecture/slideshow/trunk show of the history of quilts with words on them from the early 1800's to present day protest art – with live Q&A session!

<https://huntersdesignstudio.com>.

AUGUST PROGRAM: We will celebrate the Guild's birthday and install new officers for the 2022-2023 year and hold a Year End Show & Tell in Joanie's honor to culminate her tenure as president. Please a maximum of three items per person.

NAME TAGS

Don't forget your name tags! Since we have so many new members, we need to start wearing name tags at our quilt meetings and functions.

MEMBERSHIP

Sharon Pryor

It is never too late to join the guild. For New Members who join the guild during June, July & August, payment of the \$35 dues will include membership for the upcoming year starting in September. Applications are being accepted and can be found in this newsletter or on the website at sjvqg.net . Payment can be made at the monthly meeting or mailed in with your application. The updated printed 2021-2022 membership directory and membership cards are now available at the monthly meeting. Stop by the membership table and pick up your copy. An updated PDF copy is also included in the monthly email blasts sent out for the SJVQG News and Updates.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday Wishes go out to the following June birthdays.

Shannon Brown Sharon Carter Frances Jamison Fanchon Owen Diane Sakamoto

SUPPORT A TEACHER'S PROJECT

If you have any embroidery thread and paint brushes you no longer need, consider donating them to our 'teacher in need' - **Sonja Hernandez**. **Sonja could use these items for one of her class projects.** If you have any to donate contact Sonja. If you have any questions, email Sonja at goteamhernandez@gmail.com.

Treasurer Report

Beverly Kuykendall

April 2022

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| 4/1/2022 Beginning Bank Balance | \$37,911.87 |
| April Deposits | +\$1,071.10 |
| April Withdrawals (including outstanding checks) | -\$1,335.84 |
| 4/30/2022 Ending Bank Balance | \$37,647.13 |

Block of the Month (BOM)

Barbara Pearson & Shannon Mueller

June's block of the month is *Quilter's Choice*. Please use only black and white fabric and the final block should be 12" finished with room to trim greatly appreciated. A 12½" block will ensure the points aren't lost during assembly. Making more than one block and turning them in at the meeting increases your chance of winning a jar of honey during the drawing. The E-blast has been sent with the specifications.



Last month's block was *Song Birds*. Fifteen beautiful blocks were donated and you all managed to come up with beaks for your birds! Carolee was the lucky winner of the jar of honey.



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

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

Book and Fabric Raffle

Carol Shervam

Books and Fabric donated by members for our monthly raffle. Interested members purchase tickets at the beginning of the meeting and tickets are drawn at the end of the meeting.

Shannon Brown won the jelly roll bundle. Susan Rechkemmer and Carolee Clayton each won a book.

COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara

Amazing! The backlog of 44 donated quilt tops is now officially ZERO! It has become apparent that any task undertaken by TWO people takes only one-tenth the time it would take for one person working alone! Who knew?

In May, donations to **Comfort Quilts** included 1 quilt and 3 top/back pairs from Kathryn Miller, 5 tops from Lois Light, 2 quilts from former member Nancy Becker, fabric from Shannon Brown, and a top/back/binding set and fabric from Nancy Christian. Thanks, all of you—you made possible a donation of 10 comfort quilts to Marjaree Mason, 7 to hospice, and 2 quilts to a dialysis center.

A couple of fun projects are coming up later in the summer. One will be a “Christmas in July” (or August) event involving Christmas and winter-theme pillowcases for hospice patients. Another effort involving pillowcases would provide them for cancer patients. Pillowcases are favorite quick and easy projects to make and always make the recipient feel special. More information about kit-making sessions and sewing days will be provided later on.

And do keep your comfort quilt tops and backs coming! If you’re not used to choosing back fabric in the stash, help will be provided by experienced staff who love to find the perfect partner for whatever top you’ve made.

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



Pillowcase 101

Fabric required:

$\frac{3}{4}$ yard for body of pillowcase

$\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ yard for cuff/hem of pillowcase

$\frac{1}{8}$ yard (actually, 2" to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ") for accent strip

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| Cut body: 27" x WOF (40"-42") Cut accent strip: 2 $\frac{1}{2}$"-3" x WOF Cut cuff: 9" x WOF |
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1. Lay cuff/hem fabric right side up with selvages (short sides) on right and left.
2. Press accent strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and place along top edge of cuff fabric with raw edges even.
3. Lay main pillowcase fabric face down on top of cuff and accent strip, again making sure that top edges are even.
4. Roll bottom edge of main fabric toward cuff so that bottom half of cuff shows.
5. Bring bottom edge of cuff up to meet raw edges at top, pin.
6. Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Reaching inside the resulting fabric tube, pull main pillowcase fabric out, press.
7. Trim off uneven selvage edges on each side. Pin pillowcase right side out, matching cuff, accent strip, and main pillowcase edges. Stitch scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam along the remaining raw edges (alongside and bottom of pillowcase). Carefully trim seam to about $\frac{1}{8}$ " for about an inch or so at the thickest part of seam, where cuff, accent and main fabric meet.
8. Turn inside out and press. Now sew again alongside and bottom of pillowcase, using a generous $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam to enclose previous raw edges.
9. Turn right side out and press one last time. Voila!

Helpful Hints

If design on fabric is on the lengthwise grain (parallel to selvages), it will run horizontally on finished pillowcase. If design is perpendicular to selvages (across width of fabric), it will appear vertical on finished pillowcase. To "audition" fabric, look at it with selvages running crosswise in front of you. If design does not go in desired direction, buy 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ yards of fabric, cut a 27" piece lengthwise from it. Use according to directions above but ignore references to "selvage".

When making a flannel pillowcase, sew final seam (8) $\frac{1}{2}$ " or even $\frac{5}{8}$ " to better enclose previous seam and make final seam more flexible.

To make pillowcase for a 12"x16" baby/travel pillow, cut the following"

Cuff 27"x7 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", Accent 27"x2", Body 27"x18"

Questions? Contact Susan Schara at 227-9788.

DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

2022-06 Findings June

1. Erica reviews rotary cutters. There are lots of options these days! And a wide range of prices.

<https://www.kitchentablequilting.com/2022/04/rotary-cutter-recommendations.html>

2. Patriotic BOM Cathy used an old pattern, The Dandy Block, from Marcia Hohn's website. Marcia's pattern is linked on the first post; the other posts show Cathy's quilt in progress.

<https://saneandcrazy.blogspot.com/2022/04/tickled-pink.html>

https://saneandcrazy.blogspot.com/2022/03/working-on-it_30.html

<https://saneandcrazy.blogspot.com/2022/04/its-dandy.html>

3. The International Quilt Museum has an exhibit of some of the red and white quilts from the Joanna S. Rose Collection, which was donated to the museum in 2021. They've posted a very nice virtual gallery. Be sure to view it full-screen.

<https://www.internationalquiltmuseum.org/exhibition/joanna-s-rose-red-white-collection>

4. Steph made a quick baby-sized heart quilt, using big 6" HSTs:

<https://www.stephjacobsondesigns.com/2022/04/covering-world-one-quilt-at-time.html>

5. Becky Goldsmith dealt with fabric bleeding in a finished quilt. (Shudder!)

<https://pieceocakeblog.com/2022/04/30/i-did-something-crazy/>



***** **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

Quilt Class with Nancy - \$30.00 per class

Come sew with Nancy - \$20 per class

At D & J Sewing @ Gettysburg & Clovis Ave

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

Each month I am teaching up to 2 quilt classes. Some of these may become one of your new favorites. I am working with Fat Quarters and Jelly Rolls along with some yardage for borders and bindings. If you don't buy these items, you can also work with just yardage.

I am also offering a Come Sew with Nancy on Wed & Thurs prior to the Friday class if you like to do some quality time with your sewing machine or hand work. You may also use this time to cut out your fabrics and start the class a bit earlier. You may be able to go home with a complete quilt top.

All Books & Patterns that I note on the classes are available from D & J Sewing. The free patterns will be available when you sign up for the classes. These have been some favorites books, so you may have them already. Quilts will be displayed prior to the class so come in and take a look at what you will be making.

Now that you see what is available to you, call your friends and get your calendar out and make a date with your sewing machine. What a fun way to take a break. Come enjoy the fun that we have.

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

Art Hub Show

With Teresa Orr

Thursday, June 2

5:00 to 8:00

First Presbyterian Church,

M and Calaveras streets in downtown Fresno



Kiki's Kids Camp at
Kiki's Quilt Shack
5747 N Palm Ave
Fresno, CA. 93704

Register online at:

<https://kikisquiltshack.com/>

Or call the shop at 559-412-8233.

All camp sessions are 4 days, Monday-Thursday, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

For kids ages 8-14. Beginners and those with some experience who would like to develop their sewing/quilting skills. Class size is limited.

Projects:

-Quilted Hearts (8)

(See <https://www.ifoundaquiltedheart.com/>)

-Pillowcase

-Drawstring Bag

-Quilted Crossbody Zippered Pouch

Upcoming classes:

June 13th-16th or

July 11th-14th or

July 25th-28th

4-Day Class fee is \$250 and includes all fabric and supplies, use of a Babylock Zest sewing machine, daily snacks and drinks, and a pizza party on the last day!

Students please bring a sack lunch Mon-Wed. Students can also select their own fabric at Kiki's for the pillowcase and/or crossbody pouch if they would like.

The Babylock Zest sewing machine is available for purchase at a discount if interested at the end of class.

Questions?

Contact SJVQG Member, Maureen Golden at 559-285-6151 or email at m.golden1204@gmail.com



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.

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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 _____

WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR GUILD – Reneeta Anthony



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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.

DON'T FORGET HOBBS UPC CODES FROM ANY SIZE BATTING !

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)

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2022

Join Zoom Meetings by copying the link below

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

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

- Jun 2 Art Hub Show with **Teresa Orr**
5:00-8:00, First Presbyterian Church, M & Calaveras
- Jun 3-5 Central Coast Quilt Shop Tour
<https://quiltshopsofthecentralcoast.com/>
- Jun 9 SJVQG General Meeting –Zoom presentation by **Diane Murtha**,
Quilt Challenges
<https://www.dianelmurtha.com/index.php>
- Jun 14 Coffee Chat, 11 – 12 noon via zoom
- Jun 16 SJVQG Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m. **Barbara Pearson’s** house,
5454 E Montecito Ave.
- Jun 28 Coffee Chat, 11 – 12 noon via zoom
- Jul 12 Coffee Chat, 11 – 12 noon via zoom
- Jul 14 SJVQG General Meeting –Zoom presentation by **Sam Hunter of**
Hunter’s Design Studio,
The History of Word Quilts = <https://huntersdesignstudio.com>
- Jul 21 SJVQG Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m. at **Joanie Martin’s** house
- Jul 26 Coffee Chat, 11 – 12 noon via zoom
- Aug 9 Coffee Chat, 11 – 12 noon via zoom
- Aug 11 SJVQG General Meeting – Birthday celebration/Installation of officers
- Aug 18 SJVQG Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m. at **Joanie Martin’s** house
- Aug 23 Coffee Chat, 11 – 12 noon via zoom



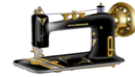
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