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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Christmas is just around the corner and all of us are getting ready for the holiday season. It is a time for reflection on 2022 and our accomplishments both personal and as a group. I am honored to belong to this group of individuals who see a need and fulfill it. Thank you to all of you for participating in our community projects this year. We have given duffle bags and accessory bags (many more than I can remember) to Kases for Kids, quilts have been delivered all year long to the dialysis center, cancer center, Marjaree Mason Center, and others that I am just learning about. You also made and donated pillow cases to Smiles for Ryan and the hospice center. It's been a very busy year and I am proud of your commitment to the Guild and our Community.

Additionally, you have joined the Coffee Chat twice a month and spent your time gaining new ideas and learning new quilting skills. You've tried some things you hadn't done before and made some new quilting friends. And in the process, you have shared with other members your in-progress and completed projects. It's been a lot of fun and I hope the Coffee Chat will entice more members to join in the new year.

And, at the end of each of our meetings, you have generously shared with all of us your quilting stories, the how to and how long, in many cases years, and the reasons why you have given so generously and why your quilts are so precious. Thank you to each of you for making this a year to remember with pleasure and delight.

May your holiday season be filled with joy.

Diana Gardner

GUILD HYBRID MEETINGS

The December meeting will only be held <u>in-person</u> **at the church**. 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 <u>sjvqg1@gmail.com</u>.

COFFEE CHAT 2022 & 2023 Joanie Martin

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.

Join us if you can!

December 13th & January 13th & 27th

Zoom ID#674 755 1749 - Password: Quilts

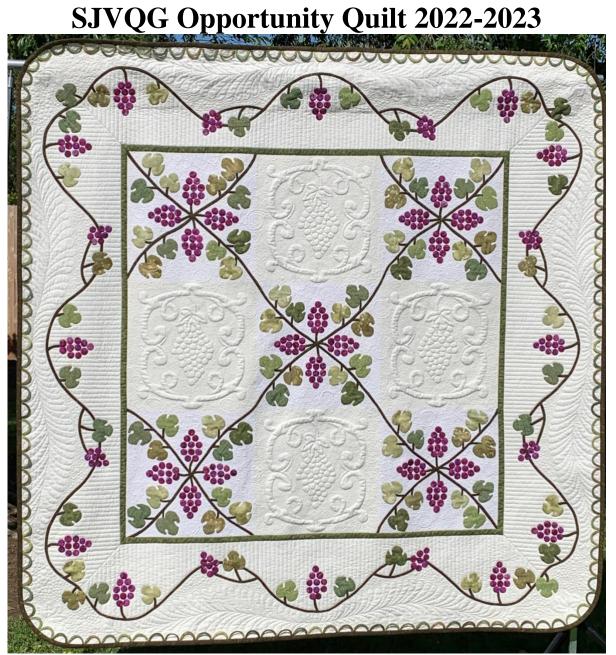
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA QUILT COUNCIL

Our guild is a member of the NCQC. We recently received an email from the Council forwarding their newsletter with a request to share it with all our members. The newsletter contains information about upcoming events such as classes, guild opportunity quilts and quilt shows in northern California. You can access the newsletter below:

NCQC Year End Newsletter Link

November 2022

<u>NCQC Newsletter 2022 Volume 18 Issue 3.pdf</u>



Applique by Pat Rosander, Pieced and quilted by Sandy Clark.

This beautiful quilt has a white and cream background with an appliqued grape motif of purple with green vines and leaves. The quilting is exquisite with intricate designs enhancing the grape motif with trapunto. Rouleau loops adorn the border along with feathers. Sandy reports that she enjoyed completing the custom trapunto sections, using two layers of wool to create the lovely relief. Champagne colored thread was used to enhance the shadowing of the trapunto. The quilt measures 70" x 71" and was displayed to the public for the first time on **September 20 at the Central CA Women's Conference**. Tickets for the April 2023 raffle are now on sale.

PROGRAMS - Joanie Martin Join Zoom Meetings by copying the link below <u>https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6747551749?pwd=NWdEMTJFb212c1A1VXhLMDIIUG9Mdz09</u> or Log In to <u>ZOOM.US</u> and enter the following information Meeting ID: 674 755 1749 -Password: Quilts

DECEMBER PROGRAM: We will host our traditional soup, bread and dessert potluck! Soup is being provided and members with the last name beginning with **A-M are to bring a salad and N-Z are to bring a dessert.**

Your Board is making a special goodie for each member who attends the meeting. Kaden from Kases for Kids will come and share with us where our stocking and pillowcase creations have landed!

ALSO, BRING A CHRISTMAS QUILT OR WALL HANGING TO SHARE AND WE WILL DISPLAY THEM IN THE BACK OF THE ROOM!

JANUARY PROGRAM: In January we will host Jennifer Houlden, a quilter who lives in Canada. Our program will be a virtual trunk show entitled "Creating Contrast in Your Quilts." We will have a virtual trunk show AND a virtual workshop in the weeks following. You can find more information about her at <u>https://quiltsbyjen.ca/workshops/</u>.

Our workshop will be the "Mini Bargello Sunflower" (which can be adapted to almost any flower). The size is 20 ½" x 20 ½". We will begin taking money in December for the workshop that Jen will give in January. (I will send the workshop info to all of you in a second email.) When people sign up I will give their email to Jen and she will contact them as well.

Here are the Workshop cost, dates and times:

Members \$30 Non-Members \$40

Virtual Session 1: Saturday January 14, 2023 @ 10 am - 11 am PST (1 hour Virtual) - will be recorded Virtual Session 2: Sunday January 22, 2023 @ 2 pm - 5 pm PST (3 hour Virtual Virtual Session 3: Saturday January 28, 2023 @ 10 am - 1 pm PST (3 hours Virtual)

Zoom Link: provided by Jennifer at least 3 days prior to event

Pattern Purchase Required: included with workshop

All Sessions will be taped and can be accessed for one week after the Virtual Session.

There will be more information at our meeting as well as a sign-up sheet for the January workshop.





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February Program - Debbie Gira on Borders

I am working with Debbie to come up with a program where she can share her knowledge and expertise on how to finish a quilt with a border. At the December meeting I will ask three members who would like help finishing their quilts to submit them to me by the first week in January. Debbie and I will use these in her program to work through the process of wording your quilt. More to come!

We will also introduce the Challenge Quilt for 2023: THE QUILTED PHRASE. Members will draw a phrase or idiom out of a bag. (I'm open to suggestions!) The only stipulation is that they illustrate the phrase in their quilt and that the parameter of the quilt cannot exceed 72".

A couple of examples would be: Cat's Got Your Tongue Kick the bucket Penny For Your Thoughts Real Hot Potato

March Program - Spring Tea. We will ask members to bring goodies. At our tea we will be making a Tea Cup Pin Cushion!

April Program - We are hosting Vickey Conly for a virtual program entitled "Inspired by the Parks." For more information: <u>https://creativespark.ctpub.com/courses/inspired-by-the-parks</u>

May Program Last Chance Auction

June Challenge Quilt



MEMBERSHIP – Shannon Mueller

A big thank you to all the members who have joined the guild or renewed their membership this year. If you still want to join, it is never too late, and the application can be found in this newsletter or on the website at **sjvqg.net**. Dues are \$35/year and can be paid at the monthly meeting or mailed in with your application to SJVQG Membership, P.O. Box 3256 Clovis, CA 93613.

The 2022-2023 membership cards are available at the monthly meeting. Stop by the membership table and pick up your card which may secure a discount at local fabric or quilting stores.

The new membership directory is available in PDF format or printed (by request for those that are unable to print their own copy). We will update the PDF version each month but will only reissue the printed copies 3-4 times each year. The link to the PDF copy is included in the email blasts sent out for BOM Patterns and SJVQG Coffee Breaks and Meeting announcements.

Starting in January 2023, as is tradition in this guild, those celebrating birthdays during the month are asked to bring treats for our refreshment table that will be enjoyed the members during the meeting. Keep in mind that 'finger foods' are much easier to share. Thanks in advance for your contributions.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - Happy Birthday to the following members celebrating December birthdays.

| Cathy Cavagnaro | Maureen Golden | Cathy Lee | Kathleen Melikian | Patty Sutton |
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BOOK AND FABRIC RAFFLE - Carol Shervem

Books and Fabric are 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.

Winners of the November raffle were: Carolee Clayton, Kim Killian, Kathy Miller, Teresa Orr, Jan Kinney and Shannon Brown.



| Treasurer Report Barbara Pearson | Oct 2022 | |
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| 9/30/2022 Bank Balance | | \$38,074.64 |
| DEPOSITS | | 3,055.67 |
| WITHDRAWALS | | |
| Total | | (935.99) |
| 10/31/2022 Bank Balance | | 40,194.32 |
| Deposits Not Posted | none | |
| Outstanding Checks as of 9/30/2022 | | (69.46) |
| Total | | (69.46) |



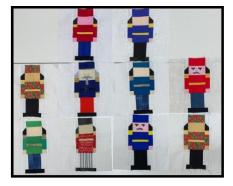


Block of the Month (BOM) Barbara Pearson & Shannon Mueller

In December, we have a *Cool Cat* block for you to make. You can use any color or pattern for the cat, but please use yellow for the background. Donating more than one block increases your chance of winning a prize during the drawing. The prize for December will be two Christmas themed charm packs. The E-blast has been sent with the

specifications.





Last month's block was a Holiday Nutcracker. Twelve blocks were donated and will be assembled to create a donation quilt. Look at the wonderful faces on the two gentlemen below! Tracy Newkirk donated two blocks and was the lucky winner of the red and green fabric strip set in our drawing. We're sorry we didn't take a picture of her winning smile at the meeting!

Cathy Lee volunteered to help out by assembling a comfort quilt using blocks donated in October. She did a wonderful job on the quilt below and it will be headed to Fanchon Owen for binding as soon as it is quilted. We received so many blocks, there are

3 more quilts to be made from the generous donations!



We are still looking for volunteers to help with our *Block of the Month* efforts. You can contribute by suggesting BOM patterns, writing instructions, testing the block instructions, or helping to assemble the quilts for donation. Any assistance would be appreciated even if it is just for 1-2 months during the year.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Barbara Pearson (559)392-6683 or Shannon Mueller (559)269-5780

COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara

The word for today is ABUNDANCE. Over the past few months the guild stash has received an ABUNDANCE of fabric donations, most of those being multi-yard lengths that fill our shelves and our garages! It has become incredibly easy to find backs for any tops you might make these days; you might even have to choose among several tempting possibilities.

A huge quantity of Christmas and winter-themed fabrics let us make pillowcases for hospice patients. So far, as of November 20, we have made, and Bristol Hospice has received, an ABUNDANCE of pillowcases, 331 to be exact. A hospice patient's world can shrink to the size of their bed, and these cheerful, varied pillowcases add a spot of color to be enjoyed by patients and their visitors.

Other deliveries last month included 6 comfort quilts to hospice, 12 to dialysis centers, and 9 to the Marjaree Mason Shelter Program. We are able to continue our donations to these recipients, and others, thanks to an ABUNDANCE of participation from guild members who make tops, quilt them, and bind them, chair committees, and take part in fund-raising activities. Thank you, one and all!

A final example of ABUNDANCE will be our shared Christmas soup supper, where we can enjoy vast quantities of soups, salads, and desserts and welcome the holiday season. See you then!







DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

December Findings 2022

1. Preeti's quilt is made from the simplest of all blocks, big 6" batik HSTs. But I love the way she set it, with strips on two sides, in pairs, orienting the HST seams vertically or horizontally.

https://sewpreetiquilts.blogspot.com/2022/09/bollywood-beats.html

2. Patriotic BOM Here is a simple pattern from the QOV website, by Alycia Quilts, which alternates 16-patches and large 4-patches:

https://www.govf.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/pdf not-so-top-secret-1.pdf

3. Aurifil's blog tells us about a quilt show in South Africa. There's a link to a free quilt block pattern, and a 20-minute video tour of the show:

https://auribuzz.com/2022/10/06/the-south-african-quilt-festival/

4. Valerie M. told me about this website, which has a large collection of links to free scrap patterns:

https://sewingwithscraps.com/category/free-patterns/

There are many pillows, bags and small items and a few quilt patterns. One that interested me is described in #5 below.

5. Suzy posts an interesting quilt that uses 3.5" strips of varying lengths. You'd need a few long strips, up to 49", but you might be able to piece them. You can use her instructions to order fabric from Spoonflower, or ignore them and use your scraps.

https://suzyquilts.com/twisted-ribbons-free-quilt-pattern/







SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION September 1, 2022 – August 31, 2023 Annual Dues - \$35

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 Name

 Name

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 City

 Phone Number

 Home () or Cell ()

 E-mail

 Please PRINT all characters legibly.

| New Member | Renewal | Month of your birth | |
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| Are you a Past Preside | ent? | Charter Member? | |

| Skill Level: | Beginner | Intermediate | Advanced | Award Winner |
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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 in your completed application and membership fee at the Guild meeting or mail to: Membership Committee, SJVQG, P.O. Box 3256, Clovis, CA 93613

| For Membership Chair's use only (do not fill in). | | | |
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| Date Processed | \$ | Check # | Cash |

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Many of us love to shop online, and love to shop at Amazon. Did you know that Amazon will give a percentage of your purchase to SJVQG, and it costs you nothing extra. The only thing you need to do is

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Valley Quilt Guild as the charity you want to donate to. Then, whenever you shop on Amazon, sign into their charitable giving site (Amazon Smiles) and shop like normal.

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- San Joaquin Valley Quilt Guild is how we are listed...

Shop, and .5% of your purchase will go to SJVQG. They deposit money into our bank account every three months. It's a small percentage for one purchase, but it really adds up. <u>The only requirement is that you need to start your shopping at Amazon Smiles. If you like to shop on your phone, Amazon Smiles works there too</u>.

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******** 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

WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR GUILD

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 **Barbara Pearson** if you have questions at <u>blpearson52@gmail.com</u> to obtain more information or send a check payable to: SJVQG, PO Box 3256, Clovis, CA 93613. Receipts are also available to pick up at our monthly meeting.

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.

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 20**th **day of the month**.

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

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FREE TO GOOD HOME 1952 SINGER 201-2 SEWING MACHINE

I have a Singer 201-2 sewing machine from around 1952. It was my mother's machine and she probably used it for about 10 years and I inherited it in the late 60's and used it for about 5 years. It is in a table. I got it out today, oiled it and it still runs, quietly. It needs a new cord as the rubber covering is cracking in places and a thorough cleaning. I am not interested in selling. I would like to find a home for it other than Goodwill. I was hoping someone in your guild might know someone who needs a machine.

You can reach me by email, text or phone (559-321-1714) or cbpslp@bellsouth.net. I don't always answer phone if I don't recognize the number calling so please leave a message. Robo calls have ruined us all. Thank you,

Sandie Patterson

Merry Christmas

FREE

ADMISSION

Heritage Quilters

You are cordially invited to attend

Open House and Social

Saturday, December 17, 2022

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Woodward Park Regional Library 994 E. Perrin Avenue (Perrin and Champlain)

Quilts on Display

Door Prizes Hors D'actures

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2022

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 and enter the following information Meeting ID: 674 755 1749 - Password: Quilts

- Dec 8 SJVQG General Meeting Christmas celebration Potluck Dinner
- Dec 13 Coffee Chat 11-a.m. Noon via Zoom
- Dec 15 SJVQG Board Meeting
- Dec 17 Heritage Quilters Christmas Open House & Social 11 a.m. 2 p.m. Woodward Park Regional Library (Perrin and Champlain)
- Jan 12 SJVQG General Meeting Jen Houlden Trunk Show via Zoom
- Jan 14 Jennifer Houlden Workshop Zoom session #1 @ 10am-11am
- Jan 19 SJVQG Board Meeting
- Jan 18-21 Road to California, Ontario Convention Center https://www.roadtocalifornia.com
- Jan 22 Jennifer Houlden Workshop Zoom Session #2 @ 2pm-5pm
- Jan 28 Jennifer Houlden Workshop Zoom Session #3 @ 10am-1pm
- Feb 1Heritage Quilters Quilt Show, 10 a.m. 5 p.m.First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M Street, Fresno
- Feb 9 SJVQG General Meeting –Guest Debbie Gira on Borders
- Feb 25-26Pajaro Valley Quilt Show, https://www.pvqa.org/quilt-showSanta Cruz County Fairgrounds, 2601 East Lake Avenue, Watsonville
- Mar 3-5th Folsom Quilt & Fiber Quilt Show, 52 Natoma St, Folsom, <u>https://www.folsomquilt.org/quilt-show-2023.html</u>







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