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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE MAY 2023



Emperors Crown tulips



Tulip River w/sculptures



Tulips!

I'm home! I have spent the past two weeks getting ready to travel and then traveling with my sister to the Netherlands. What an experience! I found out about flying through multiple time zones and how long it took me to figure out what day it was. By the time I figured out it was Thursday, we were coming home on Saturday. And, then, I had it to do all over again. Although, it was easier reversing the changes coming home.

Are you wondering what I saw and what I did? (1) The first tour was the Delft factory and museum where I painted a tile and then toured the factory and museum. (2) Next there was the wooden shoe and cheese factory. I brought home a small pair of wooden shoes that I needed to finish painting, but I left the cheese there. (3) The big reason for this trip was the **tulips!** Our group piled into the bus (one more time) and traveled to the Keukenhof Tulip Gardens where there were more tulips than I ever expected to see in one location. All colors, all sizes, many types and designs. This was the best part of the trip. (4) Then there was a boat tour of the harbor, and another boat tour of a small community which was founded in the 1800's by the Mennonites. These were both interesting and I learned more about the history of the Netherlands on each tour.

I met some quilters who were a lot of fun, ate some great food at a little Italian restaurant near the hotel, and learned that the fast pace of a guided tour is not for me. I like to have the time to enjoy the people, the places and the things I am seeing. I am glad to be home and ready to get back to work on my projects.

Last Chance Auction, I am ready for you!

Diana Gardner President



GUILD HYBRID MEETINGS

The May meeting will be held <u>in-person only.</u> 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>.

THE STUDIO TOUR - Teresa Orr MAY 6, 2023 TOUR PASSPORTS \$10.00 EACH.

Last minute passports may be purchased on May 6th by visiting Teresa Orr's Studio first and purchasing your passport there. Remember the date Saturday, May 6th!

Enjoy visiting Guild members' sewing studios and see how they arrange their spaces and get ideas of how to organize your sewing space. It is a great time to socialize with members and get to know them better. **Contact other members and carpool or invite a friend to join you.**

VISIT ALL LOCATIONS AND GET YOUR PASSPORT STAMPED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZE DRAWINGS. Turn your passport in at your **LAST STOP.** The drawings will be held at our May 11th guild meeting.

Teresa Orr 2705 E Sussex Way Fresno, CA 93726 559-240-8104 or teresa.orr@orrenterprises.us

COFFEE CHAT 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. During May we will continue with Seminole piecing, a quilted jacket from a sweatshirt and start collecting vintage items for our next project.

Join us if you can!

May 9th & 23rd – June 13 & 27th Zoom ID#674 755 1749 - Password: Quilts

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

May Program – The winner of our Opportunity Quilt will be presented with the quilt. Last Chance Auction back by popular demand. Bring in your extras from your stash and sewing room to donate to the cause. It can be textile related...embroidery, sewing, quilting knitting, etc. Try to package your items together. Put all your ribbons/lace in a ziplock bag, If practical tie your fabrics in like bundles, etc. You will be issued five free tickets when you bring your items in. You will be able to purchase more tickets at 5 for \$1...so come prepared with dollar bills.

June Program: Challenge Quilt. Our meeting in June will be all about "The Quilted Phrase,", our challenge quilt for this year. Quilt perimeter must be no larger than 72 inches and must represent the idiom you selected. Quilters who chose to participate should bring their quilt in a paper bag. (please come to the meeting at 6:30 so we can get the quilts ready for display) You will be given a piece of paper to put your quilted phrase on the front of your quilt as no one will see the back of your quilt until after the show. Once the quilts are up, the judge will have a chance to select a first (\$100), second (\$75), third (\$50) and viewers' choice (\$25). If you have any questions or need an idiom, call or text Joanie Martin at 559-285-6228

While this is happening, we will conduct our meeting other than our raffle drawings, including another short presentation by **Debbie Gira** on borders.

At the break members will have an opportunity to take a look at the quilts and vote for viewers' choice, and get their tickets for book and fabric. We'll award the prizes, and then will have all of the quilters display their quilts in front of us.

CHALLENGE QUILT PRIZES





BOOK AND FABRIC RAFFLE – Elena Walthour

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

Elena announced the raffle winners for fabric were, **Pauline Beaton**, **Shannon Mueller** and **Teresa Orr**. The winners of the books were **Teresa Orr** and **Shannon Brown**.

MEMBERSHIP – Shannon Mueller

Please remember to sign in when you arrive at our monthly guild meetings. Also, if you haven't already done so, stop by the membership table to pick up your **membership card** to get discounts at local quilt shops.

WELCOME to our new members – Anne Betancourt and Sharon Weber and our returning member Karen **Severson.** We look forward to getting to know you and learning from each other.

An updated PDF copy of the **Directory** is always available on the website and will be included in future Eblasts sent with BOM Patterns and SJVQG Coffee Chat and Meeting announcements.

It is never too late to join the guild. Dues for *new* members who join the guild are \$17.50 for the remaining months through August. Individuals that are *renewing* their membership still need to pay \$35. The membership form can be found on the website at **sjvqg.net**. Dues can be paid at the monthly meeting or mailed with your application.

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 by 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 wishes to the following members with May birthdays.

Irene Allen Ellen Hemink Kathryn Miller

Michele Carlson **Kim Killian** Cherie Pinheiro-Quinonez Jimi Rodgers

Kay Cone Susan Lathrop

Karen Coy Joanie Martin **Colleen Woerner** **Dottie Daybell Carol Mercer**



THREE YARD QUILTS Barbara Pearson and Carol Shervem

During the last several months we have distributed 50 *Three Yard Quilt* kits to many of our members. The response has been beyond our expectations. Many of the returned kits are completed or are in the process of having backs prepared by **Beverly Kuykendall** and quilted **by Kim Killian, Susan Schara** or **Barbara Pearson**. All of these completed quilts will be distributed throughout the year to the organizations we usually donate our comfort quilts to.

Additional quilt kits will be available at our meetings. A few pattern clarifications are as follows:

- 1) Please return any unused fabric.
- 2) **Bindings: Do not** use the directions in the pattern of $1 \frac{1}{4}$ " WOF. If there is enough fabric, please cut the binding at $2 \frac{1}{4}$ " WOF.
- 3) Three Yard Quilt patterns are interchangeable. You can use *any* Three Yard Quilt pattern. We do have additional patterns to choose from. In some cases, your quilts can be downsized to fit the preferred comfort quilt sizes previously released by the Guild and available on the website in the section for Patterns.

Thank you for your continued support of our service projects.



Wanda Carter presented the Whale to Nancy Christian for being so welcoming to her when she first joined the guild.

A NOTE FROM NANCY TO MEMBERS

To me this award is given to a member by the member who won the prior month. The goal of the award is to have done an outstanding job, task or to continue to do a job that no one else was willing to accept. This is something that has been going on for a great number of years. This is our second whale as the first one was full I take it.

When it was Wanda's turn to announce who she was going to give the award to, she said my name, **Nancy Christian**. What a surprise that was. It was what she said next that made me think even more. Wanda stated that I was the first person that welcomed her into our guild. This was the first time I had met her and I continue to greet her in any of the setting that we find ourselves in.

What this did to me was to wake me up. I got comfortable coming into the meeting with my friends that I was meeting there. I was forgetting to get up to mingle around the room and chat with any new members or guest. Shame on me. I will be making changes when I arrive to the meeting.

First, Wanda thank you for the award!

Second, I would like to ask that we all wear name tags, home-made are the best.

Third, that we sit at different tables and make new friends...or when it is break time we check out a new table and welcome our new members and guests.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Christian

	easurer Report Irbara Pearson	Mar 2023	
2/28/2023 Bar	k Balance		\$38,336.10
DEPOSITS			518.66
WITHDRAWALS Tota 2/28/2023 Bank Bal			(28.80) 489.86 38,825.96
Deposits Not Posted Outstanding Checks Total		none	(251.00) (251.00)
3/31/2023 Balance	per Books		38,574.96



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



In April, we have a fun **Hot Air Balloon** block for you to make. Please use **blue** for the background. The E-blast refers you to our website for downloading the pattern. All BOM patterns are located on our website now with only a few copies available for distribution at the meetings.





In March, we asked and you delivered by filling our pantry quilt with jars of yummy fruits and vegetables. We broke our previous record with donations of **48 blocks** that have been assembled into three quilts. Thanks so much for your generous contributions. Kathy Robertson was the lucky winner of our drawing.



If you have questions about these blocks or any aspect of our Block of the Month effort, please feel free to call Barbara Pearson (559)392-6683 or Shannon Mueller (559)269-5780.

WIN A \$250 12-MONTH SET OF BLOCK OF THE MONTH. Carol Shervem

For only one \$5 ticket you can have the chance to take home this fantastic package. Starting at our April meeting you can purchase your tickets at \$5 a piece. During the sale we need to reach a minimum of \$75 before we can draw a winner. However, if we don't get that much in sales we will continue on to the next month until we reach the \$75 minimum.

We have 5 sets of different Blocks of the Month to raffle so this will continue every other month.



STRAWBERRY HILL QUILT



COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara

Yes, spring has sprung, and we are awaiting our spring tradition, the guild studio tour! We look forward especially to visitors to the stash, hoping that seeing our marvelous fabric collection will inspire more members to make donation items for our community. At our last meeting, **Elena Ortiz** turned in a quilt top in blues and white. Thank you, Elena! Thanks also for gifts of completed quilts from **Karen Coy (2)**, **Jill Shaw**, and **Jan Kinney (3)**. Jan, the queen of orphan blocks, had made wonderful tops and backs from our collection of kids' fabric and kids' orphan blocks in the stash. **Shannon Brown** brought two very scrappy quilts ready for binding; she has been learning long-arm quilting, and has been doing the quilting on these comfort quilts herself. Nice work!

We were able to provide 6 comfort quilts to Bristol Hospice, 10 quilts to the Marjaree Mason shelter program, and 6 quilts to each of two dialysis centers. As always, we were welcomed with smiles, and were told how much the recipients love the quilts we make. "And we love to make them for you!" is the usual reply. Ah, yes, we have a good time doing so much good...



DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

FINDINGS MAY 2023

1. Barbara Brackman has a new free appliqué block of the month:

https://civilwarquilts.blogspot.com/2023/03/herbarium-block-of-month-2023-4.html

2. Patriotic BOM: Denniele Bohannon designed this star quilt with simple alternating blocks. Download the second PDF for the pattern:

https://www.ttfabrics.com/page/56/2-217013/projects/venetian-rising-stars/

3. Two machine quilting hints: Yvonne uses a Hera marker, and Debbie Rogers uses a laser (scroll down on Debbie's post).

https://quiltingjetgirl.com/2020/09/10/tips-for-using-a-hera-marker-video-tutorial/

https://quiltingjetgirl.com/2023/04/10/space-arcade-quilting-progress/ https://createwhimsy.com/projects/spotlight-debbie-rodgers-quilt-designer-and-editor/

4. Carole gives us a tip for joining batting pieces using an edge joining foot:

https://frommycarolinahome.com/2023/04/11/quick-charity-quilt-2/

5. Lori posts photos from the Southern Quilts exhibit at the New England Quilt Museum. My favorite is the Nine-Patch!

https://humblequilts.blogspot.com/2023/03/southern-quilts.html

6. What Debbie Jeske made in 2023 Q1. No patterns, just eye candy:

https://aquilterstable.blogspot.com/2023/03/2023-quilting-q1-check-in.html



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

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Name					
Mailing Address					
City	State	Zip Code			
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E-mail Please PRINT all characters legibly.					
New Member Renewal	Month of your birth				
Are you a Past President?	Charter Member?				
Skill Level: Beginner Intermediate	e Advanced A	ward Winner			
What is your Quilting Style? (machine	or hand piecing, appliqué,	modern, traditional, etc.)			
What skills or experience would you li	ke to share with us?				
Are you interested in serving on the G	uild 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).				
Date Processed \$	Check #	Cash			

******** 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

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAG TO OUR MEETINGS!

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 20	23
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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 <u>ZOOM.US</u> and enter the following information

Meeting ID: 674 755 1749 - Password: Quilts

May 6 Guild Studio Tour – Tickets \$10

- May 6-7 Pine Tree Quilt Show, Nevada County Fairgrounds, Grass Valley, CA <u>http://www.pinetreequiltguild.com/</u>
- May 9 SJVQG Coffee Chat Zoom 11a.m. Noon
- May 11 SJVQG General Meeting Last Chance Auction
- May 18 SJVQG Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- May 20-21 Sierra Mountain Quilters Gateway to Yosemite Quilt Show Oakhurst Community Center, 39800 Road 425B, Oakhurst CA
- May 23 SJVQG Coffee Chat Zoom 11a.m. Noon
- Jun 8 SJVQG General Meeting Challenge Quilt showing and awards and Debbie Gia
- Jun 13 SJVQG Coffee Chat Zoom 11a.m. Noon
- Jun 15 SJVQG Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Jun 15-17 Quilt Show Reno, https://www.quiltshowreno.com/reno.html Grand Sierra Resort, 2500 E. Second Street, Reno, NV 89595
- Jun 27 SJVQG Coffee Chat Zoom 11a.m. Noon
- Jul 6-7 Long Beach International Quilt Festival, Long Beach CA https://www.quilts.com/quilt-festival/quilt-festival-long-beach/
- Oct 14-15 Kings River Quilt Festival, Reedley College Cafeteria-Student Center 995 N Reed, Reedley, CA

CHECK OUT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADS AT THE END OF NEWSLETTER

HANDIQUILTER FORTE LONGARM FOR SALE

One-year-old HandiQuilter Forte longarm quilting machine with Pro-Stitcher on a 12-foot frame. Has leaders and zippers for easy set-up. Only used for nine baby quilts. Must sell as we have to downsize to less than half the living space we previously had.

Asking \$22,000 or best offer. Willing to have it professionally moved to the Fresno/Madera area. If interested, call **Marilyn at (559) 816-5085**.



TUTTO SEWING MACHINE CASE FOR SALE

FOR SALE - 2XL Red Nylon Tutto sewing machine case in Great Condition. Fits most heavy, monster machines. Interior 28" Wide, 18" Height, 14" Depth Front unzips for easy placement of the machine or it can be loaded through the top. Two side pockets plus zippered pockets on the front/back for storage. Folds for storage and has a puller bar to roll easily.

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37th Annual Springtime in the Pines Nevada County Fairgrounds Grass Valley, CA May 6 – May 7, 2023 Saturday 10 to 4 • Sunday 10 to 4 "Celebrating the Artist Within"

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