



## SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

**MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> IN-PERSON & ZOOM**

(SEE MEETING ARTICLE FOR DETAILS)

WE MEET THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH

AT HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH • 364 E BARSTOW AVE • FRESNO, CA

(NW CORNER OF FRESNO ST AND BARSTOW AVE)

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

***COME EARLY TO SOCIALIZE!***

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### MARCH 2024

Good afternoon Quilters,

Today, I am going to address the elephant in the room first. Our guest artist program via computer and Zoom has been in operation for approximately four years. During that time, we have seen, listened to and learned from many quilt artists via the Zoom platform without a problem. It is my understanding that at our February meeting our good luck ran out and there were some unexpected problems with the computer connection and the presentation by the guest artist. Since that time, our diligent Vice President, Program Chairperson and our Webmistress have been working on a solution and have met with Hope Church to try to solve the problem. At our March meeting we will be doing some things differently than we have previously. Please listen carefully to our solution, then cooperate and support those who are doing their best to take care of the technical issues that make all of our lives a little easier. Be kind.

At the March 7 meeting the doors to the Community Center, our regular meeting room, will open at 6:30. We ask that you come in at that time, set down your Show & Tell, turn in your Block of the Month, etc. At 7:00, I will welcome everyone and present the following plan for the evening. At approximately 7:10 we will walk through a connecting door to the Conference Center. The technology set up in the Conference Center will serve us better for Zoom presentations with enhanced audio and video. You will only take your purse with you, leaving all else behind at your table. Our Hospitality Chairperson, Grace Robinson-Whipple will remain in the Community Center to greet any latecomers and join the meeting via Zoom on a laptop at one of the tables. At the conclusion of our guest speaker's presentation, we will end the Zoom call, and return to the Community Center, where we will take a short break, and conclude the remainder of our meeting there.

Hope Lutheran is offering the use of two rooms for our General Meeting at no extra charge. They have almost completed technology upgrades in the Adult Meeting Center, the room adjacent to the Conference Center, and this space will have even better equipment and space to serve our needs. We anticipate moving to that room for Guest Speakers via Zoom when construction is completed.

In summary:

- Doors open at 6:30
- Meeting called to order at 7:00, brief welcome with explanation of the plan for the evening
- Simultaneously at 7:00 the Zoom meeting will begin in the Conference Center, admitting in our members joining us remotely

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- At approximately 7:10, members will walk down the hall to the Conference Center, bringing only their purse/backpack
- Hospitality will remain in the Community Center to direct any members and watch from a laptop at a table
- At the conclusion of the speaker's presentation, we will say goodbye to members joining us remotely and we will walk back down the hall to the Community Center for the remainder of our meeting.

Now, for something more fun. How many of you have finished quilts that you are planning to include in our upcoming show? Have you filled out your application and attached a photo? Joanie, Nancy and Diane are looking forward to receiving all your applications with all your beautiful quilt photos attached. Our March meeting is a "must deliver" on quilt show information. Let's be responsible and help our quilt show team. How many quilts have you finished? Joanie asked for 100. I think we can do better than that!

My last reminder is about the Last Chance Auction. Did you remember that it's coming up very soon, and that we have guidelines for presenting your "stuff"? The Guidelines List is included in this newsletter. Please read it carefully and follow the rules. When you do this, it makes it much easier for those setting up the tables and distributing the tickets. Please help us to have another successful Auction.

Today's message clearly shows that my mind is very busy thinking about the many events coming up. All these events make us a very busy guild. If you have not found your special group, jump in and join us. We can always use another person with time, talent and the skills to make a quilt, stitch a duffle bag, a Dream Bag, or an accessory bag, or even a small project like a chemo cap. Take the time to ask someone who looks busy. They will have an answer for you or point you in the right direction.

Happy Quilting,

Diana Gardner  
President

## **GUILD HYBRID MEETINGS**

We have scheduled most of our nighttime meetings/speakers to be available in person and online via Zoom until further notice. 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 open for committee members to begin set up at 6 pm and then for members at 6:30 pm for social time. Our Zoom meetings will begin promptly at 7 PM

If you have any comments or questions please direct them to [sjvqg1@gmail.com](mailto:sjvqg1@gmail.com).

## **SJVQG Springtime in the Valley Quilt Show**

### **Vendor Information – Nancy Christian**

***We are looking for vendors for our quilt show. Please pass this on to whomever you think might be interested.***

Dear Crafter/Vendor:

We welcome you to participate in our Springtime in the Valley Quilt Show. First, we would like to thank those vendors that have participated in our previous quilt show and invite other vendors to be a participant this year. Our quilt show has been an increasingly successful event with large crowds attending. We could not have done it without you, our vendors.

The Quilt show is scheduled on Sat April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. The location is First Presbyterian Church located at 1540 M Street, Fresno, CA. The cost will be \$50.

We are looking for a diversity of handmade unique high-quality crafts and art pieces. The number of crafters/artist booths with the same type of sale items will be limited. Due to liability issues and Health Department requirements, food vendor's applications will not be considered.

The Guild requires that each vendor donate one item upon their arrival for use in our Raffle Drawing. Please provide a description of the item and attach your business card. This will help advertise your wares and create interest in the vendors. It should be something from your typical inventory and reflect the type of merchandise you offer for sale.

This is a community wide event. Advertising and promotion to the public will be through print, TV, radio, social media and at local quilters/fabric shops. In addition, feel free to advertise that your business will be open during the Quilt show. We encourage you to invite your family and friends to this event.

Contact Nancy Christian for an application. You will be notified upon the acceptance of your merchandise. Final payment must be received in as soon as possible, but no later than March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

We sincerely welcome back our previous vendors and extend a warm welcome to our new vendors. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Nancy Christian, # 559-203-0188, or email address: [nancythequilter@aol.com](mailto:nancythequilter@aol.com)

## SJVQG

### SPRINGTIME IN THE VALLEY QUILT SHOW 2024

Our quilt show is coming up soon! Information about the show and Arthop were given at the meeting on January 11th. Submission forms for quilts were given out at the meeting and are also available on our website (Click [here](#) for the form) and in this newsletter. We will exhibit about 120 quilts and about 30 table runners. Start making up your mind which quilts you want to enter! Here's what you need to know about submissions:

1. Your quilt cannot be longer than 72"
2. Your quilt does not have to be made in the last calendar year. This is because we have not had a quilt show in several years!
3. You may submit 2 quilts and 1 table runner for the show. One quilt can be a fabric jacket if you would like. **Registration Entry Deadline has been extended to March 7<sup>th</sup>.** Dates for when you'll drop off quilts will be given at a later date

Our guild will also be hosting **Arthop on Thursday, April 4, 2024, from 5 pm to 8 pm**, two days prior to our quilt show. **We are looking for TABLE RUNNERS for this show.** Again, they do not have to be completed in the last calendar year. Use a *third* submission form to submit your piece. Our Arthop exhibit will be included as part of our quilt show. **Please note:** The table runner is not part of the two quilt submission limit for the show.

The co-chairs for the quilt show are **Joanie Martin ([imjogg@pacbell.net](mailto:imjogg@pacbell.net))** and **Nancy Christian ([nancythequilter@aol.com](mailto:nancythequilter@aol.com))**. Help is needed to:

- sell tickets at the door, stamp paid entrants hand, and monitor the doors
- hospitality for vendors
- set up on Friday afternoon, April 5th
- sell tickets at the show for the raffle baskets
- spread the word to shops/vendors (See Vendor Information page from Nancy Christian)
- We have cards to advertise the quilt show and they can be picked up at the meeting. Give them to your family and friends. Also leave them at any quilt store you visit.

**Please check your email for the quilt show survey and complete the form to show how you can help.**

Make sure you put a hold on your calendar for the one-day SJVQG Quilt Show.

When: Saturday, April 6, 2024

Where: First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M St. in downtown Fresno.

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

## SPRINGTIME IN THE VALLEY 2024 QUILT SHOW

### REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Maker: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (width) \_\_\_\_\_ (length)

Quilted by \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** Quilts under 24" must have a 2" sleeve on the back. Quilts over 24" must have a 4" sleeve on the back.

Entrant's Statement: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

ATTACH PHOTO HERE

----- RECEIPT

Name of Maker: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (width) \_\_\_\_\_ (length)

Quilted by \_\_\_\_\_

**SPRINGTIME IN THE VALLEY  
RAFFLE BASKET PARTICIPANTS  
Barbara Pearson**

We are having Raffle Baskets at our quilt show. We have commitments for most of the needed baskets. The \$30 value has been removed since we will have baskets that will exceed this amount.

Baskets can be of any theme, preferably not just sewing related. Suggestions might be: movie-home or theater, game night, car care, fabric/project kits, kitchen, dessert, gift cards, coffee, snacks and more. Please let me know your basket theme so we don't have duplicates..

We are requesting a list of your basket contents and a container for the items. We will wrap the baskets & put ribbons on them.

**If you want to bring your basket to the March 7th meeting, it would be great. Baskets are due on or before Tuesday, April 2nd between 1-5 PM.** They can be delivered to First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M Street, Fresno along with your quilt show/arthop entries on April 2nd. You can also contact Barbara to make other arrangements for delivery by texting/calling 392-6683 or email [blpearson52@gmail.com](mailto:blpearson52@gmail.com).

**SPRINGTIME IN THE VALLEY  
IMPORTANT QUILT SHOW DATES**

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| <b>March 7</b>                        | Final date to submit quilt show entry forms  |
| <b>April 2<sup>nd</sup><br/>1-5PM</b> | Turn in Arthop/Quilt Show items and raffle baskets at First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M St, Fresno |
| <b>April 4<br/>5-8PM</b>              | Art Hop @ First Presbyterian   |
| <b>April 6<br/>8:30AM-3:30PM</b>      | Quilt Show - arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled shift                                |
| <b>April 6<br/>3:30PM</b>             | Pickup your Quilt show entries   |

## **PROGRAMS – Cathy Lee**

Join Zoom Meetings at <https://zoom.us/j/92189301993>

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

Meeting ID: 921 8930 1993

Thanks to the efforts of several board members, we have a new plan for our Zoom presentations. Please come and enjoy our new 'Zoom' venue'!

**March Guild Meeting Program: (March 7, 2024 - FIRST Thursday in March!)**

**Due to the unavailability of our normal meeting room we have moved the March meeting to the FIRST Thursday.**

**Warm Folk – Daisy Aschehoug** from Norway! Daisy Aschehoug will be the Zoom speaker for our March 7th meeting! – Daisy will be doing a Zoom presentation with a question-and-answer period

Daisy has also agreed to provide a web-based tutorial for her Giant Nested Curves class. The class can be accessed at your convenience so if you were unable to sign up for the original class due to the date, you can sign up for it now. The cost of the class is \$35. Daisy will be emailing you a link and the password. If you want to check out the project use the following link: <https://warmfolk.com/en-us/pages/workshops>. You will be able to purchase the web based tutorial until February 17th.

Contact **Cathy Lee** at (text or cell) 559-317-7045 or [voiceslee@gmail.com](mailto:voiceslee@gmail.com)

**April Guild Meeting Program – April 11, 2024 - DAYTIME MEETING 10am – 12Noon**

**Diane Murtha – License to Play.** Diane will share her tips and tricks to make a pattern your own, from simple to advanced modifications. She will also be giving a Zoom Workshop – Saturday, April 20, 2024 – Modified Quilt as You Go – 9am-3pm, \$45 (Class size 10 min – 25 max)

See her website at <https://www.dianelmurtha.com> **Please note the change of date for her workshop.**

**The April 20<sup>th</sup> date will not conflict with the Best of Valley quilt show.**

**May Guild Meeting – Last Chance Auction – May 9, 2024**

Start preparing now. Make sure you follow the guildlines that are in this newsletter.

If anyone has any suggestions for programs or events that our guild members might be interested in, please let me know! It can be lectures or classes. We are always looking for more ways to have fun. Thank you!

## **LAST CHANCE AUCTION GUIDELINES**

### **MAY 9<sup>th</sup> Program**

These Guidelines are intended for the use of the Last Chance Auction in order to provide the members with a smoother, more efficient auction. Please carefully follow them as written. Thank you.

1. All items must be clean and bagged.
2. Group like items together, i.e. rulers, threads, fat quarters.
3. Hardbound books must be grouped and tied together.
4. Absolutely NO Magazines.
5. Machines must be clearly marked. If missing vital parts, state clearly.
6. All fabric must be marked. No loose fabrics.
  - 6a. Scraps must be bagged and tagged, i.e. scraps, strips, squares, fat quarters
  - 6b. Yardage over 1/2 yard must be tied and tagged.
7. All yarn must be bagged and tagged
8. All needles must be bagged or taped together..
9. All thread must be bagged and tagged.
10. All notions must be in good condition and bagged and tagged.
11. All projects must be clearly labeled and bagged.

Members must provide bags and tags for their items. Items must be brought Bagged and Tagged ready for the tables.

The Last Chance Auction Committee

## **BEST OF THE VALLEY QUILT SHOW – April 12 & 13**

### **HELP - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ASAP – Carol Shervem**

I need 4 more docents either Friday or Saturday and 10-14 more people to sell raffle tickets for the opportunity quilt.

Docent guidelines:

- Each docent works a 2 hour shift.
- Each docent gets a voucher for an all day pass good on the day they volunteer. If your name is on the list you can pick up your wristband after 10:15 on the day you are scheduled to work.
- All docents must report 15 minutes before scheduled shift so they can brief you on your shift.
- Take bathroom breaks before your shift starts and no shopping during your shift.
- If docent is scheduled to work the 2-4pm shift you can attend the show 10-2pm. If working the 10am shift you get your band at 9:45am.

Raffle ticket sales:

- I am asking everyone to just work one hour however if you wish to work two let me know.

**All volunteers either email me or call me as I have to turn in the docent list by March 1st!.**

Questions/Volunteers please call **Carol Shervem 559 905-2468** or email [goodapl@yahoo.com](mailto:goodapl@yahoo.com)





SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

ROCKIN' BOBBINS

QUILT RETREAT

**MAY 28-29-30, 2024**

Clovis Veterans Memorial District

808 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Clovis, Ca 93612

## **SOLD OUT!!! – ACCEPTING ‘WAITLIST’ NAMES**

Our guild's Rockin' Bobbins Quilt Retreat scheduled for May has sold out! We will keep a waitlist and do our best to fill spots that become vacant after 4/30/2024. To speed up the process, you can contact **Marianne Jones** by phone (559 241-9252) to register for the waitlist rather than relying on the mail. In the event that spaces open up, we will fill them from the waitlist by registration date – first come, first serve.

Event days and hours (the price includes restaurant-quality, catered meals shown below).

Tuesday, May 28: 1pm-9pm	Mid-day snack, Dinner, bottled water, and coffee
Wednesday, May 29: 9am-8pm	Light breakfast*, Lunch, Dinner, bottled water, coffee
Thursday, May 30: 9am-4pm	Light breakfast*, Lunch, and bottled water, coffee

**Cost: \$180.00 per person**

(\$100 deposit to reserve your spot)

(\$80.00 balance due by April 30, 2024. No refunds after 4/30/24 unless a replacement can be found to fill your spot.

Mail payment and registration form to:

SJVQG

**Make checks payable to SJVQG**

(Write **RETREAT** on the memo line)

PO Box 3256

Clovis, CA 93613

\*Wednesday light breakfast includes bagels, spreads, fresh fruit, juice, coffee, decaf, bottled water

\*Thursday light breakfast includes croissants, jams, fresh fruit, juice, coffee, decaf, bottled water

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD  
ROCKIN' BOBBINS QUILT RETREAT  
May 28-29-30, 2024  
**REGISTRATION FORM**

Please fill out this form, sign, date, and include with your deposit. **PRINT LEGIBLY.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Seating: Who do you wish to sit near? We will do our best to seat friends together.

\_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency, contact \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to you \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

List any food allergies?

\_\_\_\_\_

The facility is fully accessible for individuals with physical limitations.

**ALL PARTICIPANTS WHO ATTEND THIS RETREAT MUST SIGN THIS LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT. WITHOUT YOUR SIGNATURE, YOUR REGISTRATION CANNOT BE FINALIZED.**

**I hereby agree to indemnify San Joaquin Valley Quilters Guild and Clovis Veterans Memorial District and to never make a claim for injury, loss, or damage to me or anyone accompanying me to SJVQG Rockin' Bobbins Quilt Retreat in Clovis, California.**

**SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PRINT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

## QUILT DISPLAY

### Connor Hightower

The Clovis Library had a display of quilts by our guild member **Connor Hightower**. The display was up for the entire month of February. If you did not have a chance to visit the Clovis library, below are some photos of the display.



## 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.

The winners for our March book and fabric raffle were: **Shannon Mueller** – Book and **Teresa Pallares** – Book and 2 fabric bundles.

## OPPORTUNITY QUILT 2023-2024

If you have not yet purchased your raffle tickets for our opportunity quilt, see **Carol Shervem** at the guild meeting. You can sell tickets to your friends and family or give them tickets as gifts for a chance to win the quilt ... or put your name on the ticket and win it for yourself!. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 6 tickets.



Our '**California Dreamin'** Opportunity Quilt drawing will be held at our guild meeting on May 9, 2024. The quilt was made and donated by **Joanie Martin**.



## MEMBERSHIP – Shannon Mueller

**WELCOME** to our newest members – **Nancy Damm** and **Linda Richburg**. We look forward to getting to know you and learning from each other. We have 18 new members so far this year bringing our total membership to 102! We encourage you to continue to invite your friends to join our guild and reach out to our new members at meetings to make sure they feel welcome and learn about all the activities we are engaged in.

If you haven't already done so, stop by the membership table at the monthly meeting to pick up your membership card to get discounts at local quilt shops.

An updated PDF copy of the Directory is available on the website and the link will be included in future E-blasts 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 now half price at \$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](http://sjvqg.net). Dues can be paid at the monthly meeting or mailed with your application to SJVQG Membership, P.O. Box 3256, Clovis, CA 93613.

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 go out to the following members with March birthdays.

**Donna Chipperfield   Donna Coppin   Sandra Parker   Patty Huizar**

## CHILDREN'S PROJECTS – Sharon Weber

Shriners Hospital for Children - Northern California is located in Sacramento. Upon admission each child is given a book, toy and game that is presented to them in a pillowcase. The patients also have blankets that they carry with them as they go from their room to treatments.

In December we completed 20 pillowcases for the Shriner's Hospital in Sacramento. **Sharon Weber** with the help of **Diana Gardner** cut 50 more pillowcase kits to be completed for the hospital. The kits will be made available at our meetings to take home and complete for members who would like to help with this project. Please bring completed pillowcases to the meeting and sign the log so we will have a record. SJVQG would like to have a small work group picking fabrics and cutting kits for the pillowcases. If you want to help with making kits let me know. Sharon Weber (Text at 559-250-6666)

The rep I talked to stated they always have a need for pillowcases. The population is pretty evenly split between boys and girls. Novelty prints, local sports, camouflage and black/white (for older patients) are always popular.

Thank you for your help with this project. It is very much appreciated.

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays. Join us on Zoom to learn some new techniques, to ask for advice on any project or technique you have or to just touch base with other quilters. Our meeting on Feb 27<sup>th</sup> will continue with the topic of Fabric Postcards.

**Join us if you can!**

***March 12 & 26 – April 9 & 23***

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH – Teresa Orr & Tracy Newkirk



The Block of the Month for March is the Rail Fence. The Rail Fence block was named after a scene common along country roads even today, the split rail or cedar rail fence. Of course like many quilt blocks it can have many name variations.

Bring your block to our guild meeting in March and enter your name for a prize drawing. Free pattern on our website, [sjvqg.net](http://sjvqg.net).

The winners in February for the Broken Dish block prize drawings were: **Carol Summers, Rylene Giannetta, Elena Ortiz** and **Cathy Cavagnaro**. There were seventy-five Broken Dish blocks turned in.



## Treasurer Report

**January 2024**

<b>Bank Balance 1/31/2024</b>		<b>42,406.90</b>
Deposits	\$9,820.76	
Withdrawals	(\$9,832.46)	
	(\$11.70)	<b>(11.70)</b>
<b>Bank balance 1/31/2024</b>		<b>42,395.20</b>
Deposits Not Posted		
4451	\$200.00	
4452	\$59.92	
4453	\$790.35	
4399 Aug Check	\$139.10	
	\$1,189.37	
		<b>(1,189.37)</b>
<b>Balance per books 1/31/2024</b>		<b>41,205.83</b>

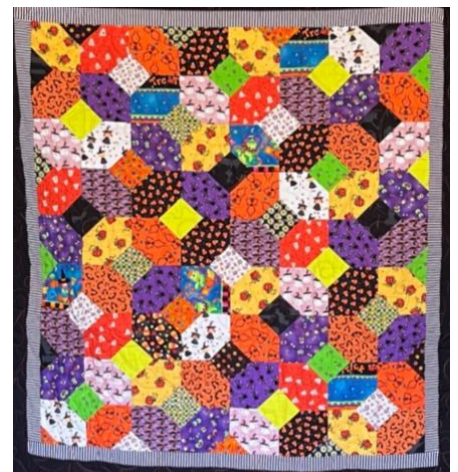


## COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara

PHOTOS OF COMFORT QUILTS ARE POSTED THROUGHOUT THE NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH.

At our February meeting, we received comfort quilts from **Jan Kinney** (2), **Sharon Weber**, and **Janet DeJong**. Quilt tops came from Carol Mills-Henry, Elena Ortiz, and **Lois Light** (6). **Dee Mooneyham** provided 2 quilts ready for binding plus one top/back pair. **Janet DeJong** also gave 2 quilts ready for binding. Additional quilts came from **Fanchon**, our faithful binder. Overall we had 17 quilts ready for delivery and were able to bring 4 quilts to Bristol Hospice, 7 to the Marjaree Mason Shelter Program, and 6 to DaVita dialysis centers. Nice work, everyone!

After signing in on meeting nights, remember to look at the comfort quilts displayed for your enjoyment on the long tables at the front of the room. You will see simple to complex piecing and block layouts, every color of fabric, even surface embellishment and applique at various times. Quilting ranges from straight line designs produced with domestic machines to hand-guided or computer-controlled long-arm work. You will rarely, if ever, see two quilts alike. Our donation quilts can be elegant, child-like, dramatic, serene, traditional, modern, bright...the list goes on. Our quilts reflect our varied skills, preferences and personalities, and demonstrate our compassion for the recipient agencies in our community.





## DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

### March 2024 Findings

1. Deb and friends tested various needle threaders. I still use a threader that's probably 40 years old - the type she calls "foil". I had no idea there were so many different types.

<https://quiltblox.com/the-needle-threader-testing-results-are-in/>

2. Patriotic BOM: I'm challenging you with this star pattern, which requires partial seams (but not Y-seams). And it requires buying a used book! But it's so interesting! First link is Julie's post about how the block is constructed, and the second shows her finished top, made for the Rainbow Scrap Challenge:

<https://quiltsandcostumes.blogspot.com/2023/02/design-wall-monday-2132023.html>

<https://quiltsandcostumes.blogspot.com/2024/01/jabberwocky-top-finished.html>

3. Valerie does interesting tumbler quilts, scrappy but organized.

<https://cozyfunkycool.com/2024/01/18/evolution-of-a-quilt-design-2/>

4. Wanda is the queen of colorwash quilts, usually making them with batik squares or Kaffe prints. I really like her series of "Crooked Cobblestone" quilts, made instead with framed rectangle blocks in many sizes. They are sewn in vertical rows of the same width blocks, but the width of each row varies. She's working on #13 right now. Here are all her blog posts with the keyword "cobblestone series". They're in reverse chronological order, so you might want to start at the end and work back up. And use the "Older Posts" or "Newer Posts" links at the bottom.

<https://exuberantcolor.blogspot.com/search/label/cobblestone%20series>

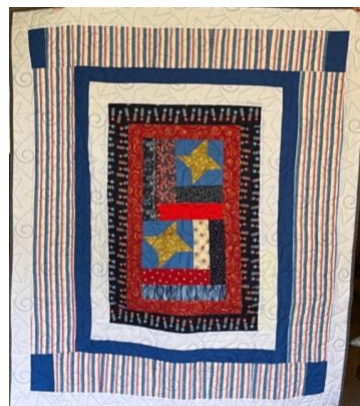
She posted the instructions way back in 2008:

<https://exuberantcolor.blogspot.com/2008/05/since-you-asked.html>

## MEMBER INFORMATION

- **SIGN-IN AT THE MEETINGS.** It helps us to know how many members are attending each month.
- **WEAR A NAME TAG** at the meetings. Helps us remember names.
- **SAVE THE HOBBS UPC CODES** from any Hobbs package or batting purchases, no matter how small. Turn those in to the Stash. The Guild, as a non-profit, gets a discount on our batting purchases.
- **'FREE' TABLE located on far side** of meeting room. Remember, if what you bring to give away is still on the table at the end of the meeting...you must take it back – Nothing is to be left on the table.
- **FREE ADS are available** for all members. If you have a quilting related business or just want to sell a quilting related item, contact the newsletter editor.
- **Sign in at Comfort Quilt table** if turning in tops or completed quilts.
- **Sign in at the Pillow Case table** if turning in Shriners' pillow cases.
- **Hit the Facebook Like or Share** when viewing posts from the Guild. It helps to promote our guild.
- *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<sup>th</sup> day of the month.***
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- **Irene Allen, editor, 559-304-2831, [irene.allen81@yahoo.com](mailto:irene.allen81@yahoo.com)**
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## COMFORT QUILTS



**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD**

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**September 1, 2023 – August 31, 2024**

**Annual Dues - \$35**

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Home ( ) or Cell ( )

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Please **PRINT** all characters legibly.

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Month of your birth \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Past President? \_\_\_\_\_ Charter Member? \_\_\_\_\_

**Skill Level:** Beginner \_\_\_\_\_ Intermediate \_\_\_\_\_ Advanced \_\_\_\_\_ Award Winner \_\_\_\_\_

**What is your Quilting Style?** (machine or hand piecing, appliqué, modern, traditional, etc.)

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**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).**

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 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.*

**Diana Gardner**

**SEWING 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 the days, time, location, class materials, and costs.

Call: **Diana Gardner, (559) 978-0706**. Please leave a message when you call.

**DOLLY MAMAS UPDATE**

Dolly Mamas are meeting again! We are meeting on the first Friday of each month from 10:30 to 2:30. During the months of March and April, we will be meeting at Kikki's Quilt Shack prior to the store closing. In May, we will be meeting in another location. The March meeting will be to set up our program for the remainder of the year, and to review the outfits we have made during the Covid interim. We will also be making a very simple new dress for our dolls. If you are interested in joining us, please text Diana Gardner at (559) 978-0706 for additional information.

The Dolly Mamas are happy to be meeting again and dressing our dolls!

**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.

## 2023-2024 SJVQG Officers and Committee Chairs

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2024

FOR ALL ZOOM EVENTS USE THE LINK - <https://zoom.us/j/92189301993>

No Password Required

Or if you go to zoom.us – hit join at the top, then enter the meeting ID

ID: 92189301993

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

**Daytime meetings** – We will try to schedule one daytime meeting each quarter

- Feb 27 SJVQG Coffee Chat on Zoom – 11am – 12 noon
- Mar 7 SJVQG General Meeting (**note date change**) **Daisy Aschehoug-Warm Folk**, Zoom presentation  
<https://warmfolk.com/en-us/pages/workshops>
- Mar 7 Deadline for Registration Forms to be submitted for SJVQG Quilt Show**
- Mar 12 SJVQG Coffee Chat on Zoom – 11am – 12 noon
- Mar 14 SJVQG Board Meeting (**note date change**)
- Mar 16-17 Madera Quilt Show – Heart of California Quilters Guild  
Madera Fairgrounds- Hatfield Hall, 1850 W Cleveland Ave, Madera
- Mar 26 SJVQG Coffee Chat on Zoom – 11am – 12 noon
- Apr 2 1 pm-5pm - Turn in Arthop/ Quilt show items and raffle baskets**  
**First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M Street, Fresno**
- Apr 4 SJVQG ARTHOP PORTION OF OUR QUILT SHOW 5pm-8pm**
- Apr 6 SJVQG QUILT SHOW - 8:30am-3:30pm**  
**Arrive at least 15 minutes before your shift**  
**3:30 Pick up your Quilt Show entries**
- Apr 9 SJVQG Coffee Chat on Zoom – 11am – 12 noon
- Apr 11 SJVQG General Meeting, **Diane Murtha** – Zoom presentation – **DAYTIME MEETING 10am-12pm**  
License to Play - <https://www.dianelmurtha.com/lecture-and-workshops.php>
- Apr 12-13 Best of the Valley Quilt Show, 365 N Sweetbriar, Lindsey, CA  
[www.botvquilts.com](http://www.botvquilts.com)
- Apr 18 SJVQG Board Meeting
- Apr 20 **Diane Murtha** Zoom Class, Modified Quilt As You Go, \$45  
<https://www.dianelmurtha.com/lecture-and-workshops.php>
- Apr 23 SJVQG Coffee Chat on Zoom – 11am – 12 noon
- May 7 SJVQG Coffee Chat on Zoom – 11am – 12 noon
- May 9 SJVQG General Meeting – Last Chance Auction
- May 16 SJVQG Board Meeting
- May 21 SJVQG Coffee Chat on Zoom – 11am – 12 noon
- May 28-30 SJVQG ROCKIN’ BOBBINS QUILT RETREAT**

CHECK OUT ANNOUNCEMENTS, QUILT SHOW INFO AND ADS AT THE END OF NEWSLETTER

# Sew Long, Our Friends: Kiki's Quilt Shack's Final Days

Dear Valued Customers and Friends,

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the upcoming closure of our beloved Kiki's Quilt Shack. Over the years, your support has transformed this establishment into a vibrant hub of creativity, friendship, and unparalleled fun. We can't thank you enough for allowing us to be a part of your lives!

While we understand that this news may come as a surprise, circumstances beyond our control relating to construction and remodeling within our shopping complex have led us to make some tough decisions.

However, as eternal optimists, we believe every end marks a new beginning. We are eager to discover what life's next chapter holds for us.

During this transition period, Kiki's will remain fully operational. All scheduled classes and events will continue as planned, ensuring those who have signed up or rented space will receive the complete benefits of their arrangement. Please note that our *last day of classes and workshops will be April 6, 2024*.

For those owning Baby Lock machines, please remember that *the final day for accepting service, maintenance, or repair requests will be March 9, 2024*. Unfortunately, as we are no longer Viking or Pfaff dealers, we are unable to accept these machines for repair.

**We also kindly ask you to *redeem all your credits and gift certificates by April 6, 2024*.**

**Now for a silver lining! We are excited to announce a grand "Move Out Sale," offering up to 70% off on most items (excluding machines) starting NOW!**

While our physical store may be closing, we are thrilled to continue serving you through Kiki's Quilt Shack [online store](#) and [website](#).

*Our final move-out date will be April 30, 2024*. Please stay tuned for further updates and once again, thank you for being an integral part of our journey. Your support has truly allowed us to "Educate and Inspire Creativity - One Person, One Stitch, and One Smile At a Time."

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# San Joaquin Valley Quilters' Guild - Quilt Show and Sale



## Springtime in the Valley

ArtHop - April 4, 2024 5-8 PM  
Admission Free

Quilt Show  
April 6, 2024 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM  
Admission \$10

- Quilts
- Raffle Baskets
- Vendors
- Door Prizes

First Presbyterian Church, 1540 M Street, Fresno, California 93721

## Sew What Table



## Fabric & Notions Sale!

Saturday, March 16, 2024

9 to Noon

The Joslyn Center

73750 Catalina Way, Palm Desert

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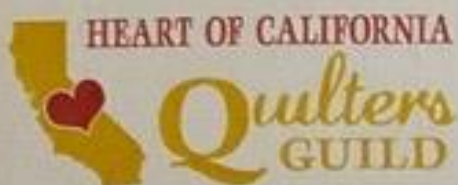
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For more information, visit our website at:

[www.cvquiltguild.org/sew-what-table](http://www.cvquiltguild.org/sew-what-table)

All proceeds support the Coachella Valley Quilt Guild's general operating costs and philanthropic activities.





# MADERA QUILT SHOW



## DATES AND TIMES:

March 16, 2024

10:00AM- 5:00PM

March 17, 2024

10:00AM- 3:00PM

## ADMISSION:

\$10.00 per person

Children 12 and under \$2.00

## LOCATION:

Hatfield Hall at the Madera District Fairgrounds

1850 W. Cleveland Ave.

Madera, CA 93637

## WHAT TO EXPECT:

A variety of Quilts, Vendors, Quilter's Cafe, Raffle Items,  
Quilter Market, Opportunity  
Quilt, and more





## 27th BEST OF THE VALLEY

*A Regional Show of Quilts and Cloth Dolls*



**April 12-13, 2024: Friday and Saturday, 10am-4pm**

### **FEATURED ARTIST: REBECCA HALEY**

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- \* Cloth Dolls \* BOTV “Besties” Challenge Quilts \* Special Exhibits \*
- \* Large Vendor Mall \* Quilt Appraisals \* Big/Little Quilt Sale \*
- \* Special Categories for Quilters 80 and older & Quilters Under 18 \*
- \* Viewer’s Choice Awards \* On-site Food \*

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**\*\*\*For free quilt show shuttle service call (559) 789-7850\*\*\***

**General Admission: \$10**

Children under 10 free, when accompanied by an adult

Call (559) 936-2204 for group rates

For more show or entry information go to [www.botvquilts.com](http://www.botvquilts.com)

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