



## SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD

*MAY 8TH IN-PERSON ONLY*

WE MEET THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH  
AT HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH • 5435 N FRESNO ST • FRESNO, CA 93710  
(NW CORNER OF FRESNO ST AND BARSTOW AVE)

NIGHT MEETINGS: SET-UP 6PM, SOCIAL TIME 6:30PM, MEETING STARTS 7PM  
DAY-TIME MEETINGS SET-UP 9AM, SOCIAL TIME 9:30AM, MEETING STARTS 10AM

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[www.sjvqg.net](http://www.sjvqg.net)

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE MAY 2025

Hello Great Creators,

As I write this, I look out at my rose garden and enjoy the beauty of the blooms and the various colors. This brings me smiles, inspiration and so much enjoyment. We are in that time of year where everything around us has so much color and wonderful smells. Have you taken time to enjoy the surroundings and used the inspiration in some of your projects?

We hope those that attended the retreat enjoyed themselves, achieved a lot on their projects and made new friends. Our meetings don't always allow us enough time to mingle. Take time to meet some of our new members as well as our longtime supporters. We have 124 members at the moment and are grateful for this growth. This is your Guild and we want you to enjoy and participate. If you have ideas and suggestions, please let the Board know.

Join us for the Zoom Coffee Chat or at the Moose Lodge by the airport for sewing, learning, helping each other and enjoying the company of those that share our interests (additional info is in this newsletter with the dates).

Have a great month and take a drive to enjoy our surrounding beauty.

Barbara Pearson  
President

## GUILD HYBRID MEETINGS

**The May meeting will be a NIGHT MEETING and IN PERSON ONLY.** We have tried to schedule most of our meetings to be available in person and online via Zoom. This year, guest lecturers will be in person for members attending the meeting at the church. The programs, **when possible**, will also be available via Zoom for those members unable to attend in person.

For nighttime meetings the church will be opened at 6 pm for set up and then 6:30 pm social time begins. Our Zoom coverage, **when available**, will begin promptly at 7 pm.

For daytime meetings the church will be opened at 9 am for set up and then 9:30 am social time begins. The meeting will begin at 10 am. Zoom coverage, **when available** will begin promptly at 10 am

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

## MEMBERSHIP – Susan Lathrop

Thanks to all the members who have joined the guild or renewed their membership for our 2024 – 2025 year.

**We welcomed 6 new members this month – Dee Nunes, Maureen Burns, Missie Nelson, Kate Richbourg, and Nancy Wright. Our new total of Members is 124**

If you want to join or renew your membership, the application can be found in this newsletter or on the website at [sjvqg.net](http://sjvqg.net). Dues are \$40/year and can be paid at the monthly meeting or mailed with your application to SJVQG Membership, P.O. Box 3256, Clovis, CA 93613.

The 2024-2025 **membership cards and name badges** are available at the monthly meeting. Stop by the membership table to pick them up.

The **membership directory** has been updated and will be available under the *members-only* section of the website or by clicking the link included in email blasts sent out for BOM Patterns and SJVQG Coffee Breaks and Meeting announcements.

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** to the following members celebrating May birthdays.

Irene Allen  
Sheila Fontes  
Carol Mercer

Michele Carlson  
Ellen Hemink  
Kathryn Miller

Kay Cone  
Kim Killian  
Jimi Rodgers

Karen Coy  
Susan Lathrop  
Alyce Takahashi

Dottie Daybell  
Joanie Martin  
Nancy Wright

## 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

**May 8, 2025 – Nancy Christian** – Sew Show Must Go On – trunk show. Come enjoy our own **Nancy Christian** presenting her many beautiful quilts.

**May 15, 2025 – Kate Richbourg** Beginning Bag Class There is still room to take Kate's May 15<sup>th</sup> class. Contact Cathy Lee to make your Bag Class reservation today!

**June 2025** – No Speaker is scheduled. Activities are being planned.

- Preparation for the guild yard sale and other upcoming guild events
- Please come support our guild

**July 2025 – NO GUILD MEETING**

**August 2025** – Birthday Party – Elections

**September 2025 – Mary Ann Bloom** – Antique Quilt Show

**October 2025 – John Egbert** – Trunk Show **DAY MEETING**

**November 2025** – SJVQG Fall Silent Auction & Mystery Quilt Review

**December 2025** – Christmas Party – **DAY MEETING**

**THE OCTOBER, DECEMBER & JANUARY MEETINGS ARE DAY-TIME MEETINGS**  
**THE REGULAR JULY GUILD MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED**

**\*\*\* The speakers at our programs will be presenting "in person" at the meetings \*\*\***

If any questions, please contact **Cathy Lee** at (text or cell) 559-317-7045 or [voiceslee@gmail.com](mailto:voiceslee@gmail.com)



### WHALE OF A JOB



At the March meeting **Irene Allen** presented the whale to **Sharon Weber** for setting up the Children's Projects programs. She has jumped right in and has projects for several local organizations. She spends time making kits for the projects and delivering items to the various organizations.

At the April meeting **Sharon Weber** presented the whale to **BJ Cook** for her wonderful work at the sharing tables. She has organized it so well and has made it a fun table for members to visit.

Thank you to both of these ladies for all they do for our guild.

## 2025 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE



**Cathy Armstrong**, SJVQG Grant Writer and **Barbara Pearson**, SJVQG President attended the Women's Conference grant presentation. The Guild was very pleased to have received a grant of \$1,000 that will help with our community project donations.

## VETERAN'S QUILT SEW-IN – Susan Lathrop Elks Club



**Join us for sew day at Clovis Elks Lodge 2599 as we make quilts for our Veterans. Our goal is 15+ quilts before this Veterans Day.**

**Every TUE 10am - 4pm**

All fabric provided, bring your working sewing machine, thread, your talent and heart for our Veterans.

Contact Susan Lathrop at (559) 288-0622 or [Kshappyquilts@yahoo.com](mailto:Kshappyquilts@yahoo.com) for details.

535 Woodworth Ave in Clovis (559) 299-9111

**Please call to participate. Susan Lathrop, (559) 288-0622**

## ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The Nomination Committee, chaired by Teresa Orr, is accepting nominations for the 2025-2026 Executive Board positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Program Chair and Treasurer. Descriptions of the Board positions are available in the Policy and Procedures section of our Guild Bylaws on our website (<https://sjvqg.net/guild-bylaws/>). Elections will be held at our August meeting.

If you are interested, or know a member who would be interested in running for election for one of the Executive Office positions, please contact **Teresa Orr** (Teresa text/cell 559-240-8104).

## BOOK AND FABRIC – 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 raffle winners for the March drawings were **Jennifer Jones** the fabric winner and Susan **Rechkemmer** the book winner.

## CHILDREN’S PROJECTS – Sharon Weber

At the April meeting we received 42 pillowcases, 12 wheelchair bags, and 3 balls. There will be no kitting days at Fig Garden Library in May due to my family commitments. Valley Children’s is having a sew day June 29 from 10-2 to sew the blue bags. It is at Valley Children’s Hospital. I will cut bags and some applique shapes to decorate from the extra paper and deliver it to them. They welcome people to bring sewing machines to sew the bags. In April we sewed about 50 bags and cut kits for another 50 at the event.

Thanks so much for contributing your time and skills. It is really appreciated!  
**Sharon Weber** 559-250-6666 ([sharonweber290@gmail.com](mailto:sharonweber290@gmail.com))

## SJVQG SEWING STUDIO TOUR – Marianne Jones

*CHANGE OF DATE*

**\*\*\*\*SEPTEMBER 20, 2025 \*\*\*\***

Our Studio Tour will be on **Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** from 10 am to 4 pm. Your passport will cost only \$10. There will be a minimum of four stops on the ‘tour’. If you get your passport stamped at all the stops, and turn your passport in, your name will be entered in our drawing for the grand prize. This is a fun social event. You will have a chance to visit with fellow quilters in their natural habitat, see a few quilts and possibly get ideas on organizing your sewing area. So, gather a few friends and carpool or go solo, but don’t miss the tour!

**Marianne Jones** ([nonnaleo@gmail.com](mailto:nonnaleo@gmail.com))

**SJVQG**  
**FALL SILENT AUCTION – Carol Shervem**  
**Thursday, November 13, 2025**

Our Fall Silent Auction will be held on Thursday, November 13, 2025 during our regular scheduled meeting. Members are asked to start planning on what types of articles you will be making to donate for this event. All articles must be new. It can be any quilt, wall hanging, table runner, rope bowl, crochet articles or knitted articles.

**Start bringing in your donated items now and we will be able to store them until the auction in November.**

If you would like to volunteer to help with this fund raiser event, please contact **Carol Shervem** ([goodapl@yahoo.com](mailto:goodapl@yahoo.com))

**CANDY BAG CLASS - Carol Shervem**

**Candy Bag class** will be Thursday, May 29th at the Moose Lodge. The Cost is \$30 for class and a kit. There will be several kits to choose from or if you have your own bag, I can provide the batting, vinyl and zipper for the same price. Time is 10-4 pm

Contact **Carol Shervem** ([goodapl@yahoo.com](mailto:goodapl@yahoo.com)) to sign up.

**MOOSE LODGE IN-PERSON SEW DAYS Carol Shervem**

**WHERE:** **Moose Lodge on 5025 E. Dakota Ave, Fresno**

**WHEN:** May 15 from 10 am – 4 pm (Kate's Bag class and/or free sew)  
May 29 from 10 am – 4 pm (Carol Shervem Candy Bag class and/or free sew)  
June 12 from 10 am – 4 pm  
June 19 from 10 am – 4 pm

**WHAT:** Cost is \$5 a person whether sewing guild items or your own items.  
Microwave on site for our use, so bring your lunch.  
Bring your sewing machine – iron - cutting & iron mats - extension cords – projects and anything else you might need. Tables and chairs are provided.

**Note:** Moose Lodge Sew Days will always be on Thursdays. Contact me if you are not sure before driving over to the Moose Lodge.

**Carol Shervem** ([goodapl@yahoo.com](mailto:goodapl@yahoo.com))

## **PLEASED TO MEET YOU – Donna Coppin**

### **SHARON WEBER**



Hello, my name is Sharon Weber and I have been a member of San Joaquin Valley Quilt Guild for a little over a year. I started sewing in 4 H in the 60s. I did mostly garment sewing and started to quilt about 20 years ago. The last 3 years, after my retirement from Valley Children's Laboratory, I have tried to bring the level of my sewing from blanket making to actual quilting. I enjoy kitting the projects for children, like pillowcases, wheelchair bags, accessory bags and making dress blanks for Dress a Girl. I have started to do other sewing projects like rope bowls and hope to start embellishing clothes. One of my favorite things to do is to Thrift store or estate sale shop. My newest thing is looking for jean jackets and embroidery or crocheted items to embellish with. If anyone wants a shopper for items like this, let me know.

### **GRACE ROBINSON-WHIPPLE**



My name is Grace Robinson-Whipple. I started my first quilt in 1983, but really my Aunt Kate got me quilting in 2012 and I was hooked almost immediately. I love making baby and scrappy quilts. When I'm not sewing, I enjoy friends, family and travel. I also enjoy supporting my husband in the motorcycle ministry that he is involved in. Also, we have a 17-year-old Peruvian Hairless dog that goes just about everywhere with us.



## WORKS IN PROGRESS (W.I.P.) – Carol Shervem



THE WINNER IS - ??? - IT COULD BE YOU!

Drawing postponed until the September meeting.

Not too late to enter

\$10 and a list of the WIPs you have is all you need to enter.  
Remember, you have to bring your completed item(s) to 'show and tell'  
and then have it checked off the list by Carol.  
See Carol at the tables to enter and get an entry list.  
(goodapl@yahoo.com)



## COMFORT QUILT NEWS – Susan Schara

PHOTOS OF COMFORT QUILTS ARE POSTED THROUGHOUT THE NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH

At our April daytime meeting we received comfort quilts from **Janet Nuxoll, Ruth Silva, Kathy Robertson, Jan Kinney (2), Mary Morrisson (4), and Jeanne Starks**. Tops came from **Jill Shaw and Lois Light (10)**. Combining the March and April donations allowed us to deliver 10 quilts to the Marjaree Mason Shelter Program, 19 to DaVita Dialysis centers, and 12 quilts to hospice services. Thanks to quilt makers, top makers, volunteer quilters and our binder for making those generous donations possible.

Have you ever had U-Pick berries or apples? Well, we are now offering U-Pick quilting kits for volunteer quilters! Visitors to the stash can now pick a donated top and its batting, choose a back and binding from our entire fabric collection, and take them home to work on. Volunteers can choose their favorite colors and pieced block patterns from those available and have a more enjoyable quilting experience. Returning member **Karen Coy** was our first U-Pick participant, and took 3 tops to complete however she wished. Thank you, Karen, we will be eager to see the results at the May meeting.



## DOTTIE'S FINDINGS – Dottie Daybell

### MAY 2025 FINDINGS

**I'm having a big birthday this month, my 90th, and in celebration of the number 9, all the links are about 9-patch blocks. They are not modern but are vintage like me.**

1. Lori went to a 2023 exhibit of Southern quilts at the New England Quilt Museum and posted a photo of a 9-patch quilt I wish I owned. It's the fourth quilt down, and it makes me smile.

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

2. Patriotic BOM: Melisa made patriotic 4-patch/9-patch blocks, based on an antique quilt she saw on Bonnie Hunter's blog. She has two posts showing the blocks. Follow her link to Bonnie Hunter's blog post to see the original vintage quilt.

<https://pinkernpunkinquilting.blogspot.com/2021/07/let-fireworks-begin.html>

<https://pinkernpunkinquilting.blogspot.com/2021/07/fantabulous-friday.html>

3. Jo posted a photo of a quilt made by Diane and quilted by Ronda. It looks complicated, but it's just a 9-patch with HSTs in its corners, set straight with no sashing. The blocks look rectangular, but they're not. I love its clean lines with the white background and bright colors.

<https://www.joscountryjunction.com/community-quilts-from-ronda-4/>

4. Martha's blog is no longer active, but it lives on at the Internet Archive. In 2009, she posted a "9-Patch and Snowball" quilt, with wonderfully scrappy blocks hand-pieced from vintage fabrics. The only constant is that her 9-patches all have one diagonal line of solids through their centers, and they're set with that line running vertically. Each block is a little collection of coordinated colors, and the triangles on the adjoining snowballs seem planned, too. (It takes a bit of time for the page to load its images, which are worth the wait.)

<https://web.archive.org/web/20190401200125/http://qisforquilter.com/2009/07/9-patch-and-snowball-quilt/>

5. Of course, we need a Disappearing 9-Patch pattern or two. These links are for variations on the original D9P.

From Missouri Star: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZfnR8K9rCs>

With diagonal cuts: <https://www.kitsbycarla.com/blog/nine-patched-evolved-using-banyan-batiks>

With lots of light background solids: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tFGpkFAyiAY>

## ***Mystery Quilt 2025 with Nancy Christian***

Join in with your fellow quilt guild members to make this fun quilt. It has become one of my favorites. It would be a great way to make donation quilts or one that may become an heirloom quilt that goes through your family. This quilt would be beautiful if longarm quilted, tied or hand quilted. This quilt is meant for the confident beginner to the most advance quilter.

To see the pattern/instructions, click [here](#)...

Password: 2025Dresden

**YOU WILL RECEIVE YOUR NEXT STEP ON MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

**AND YOUR SETTING DESIGN ON JULY 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**NOVEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> WILL BE OUR REVEAL DAY, WITH YOUR QUILT COMPLETED.  
LOOK FORWARD TO SOME FUN PRIZES FOR THOSE PARTICIPATING.**

### **TREASURER REPORT**

**By Cathleen Armstrong**

**Prepared April 2025 for March 31, 2025**

<b>Bank Balance ended March 31, 2025</b>	<b>\$49,113.95</b>
<b>Deposits outstanding</b>	<b>.00</b>
<b>Total checks outstanding</b>	<b><u>(501.62)</u></b>
<b>Checkbook balance March 31, 2025</b>	<b><u>\$48,612.33</u></b>

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



**PUDDING & PIE**

The Block of the Month (BOM) for May is the Pudding & Pie block. Find the free pattern and directions at [sjvqg.net](http://sjvqg.net). We received 16 blocks for the April BOM. **Jan Kinney** won the drawing. Thanks to everyone who contributed BOMs. Special thanks to **Mary Morrison** who volunteered to put together the April BOMs for comfort quilts.

Bring your completed BOMs to our guild meeting and enter your name for each block you make for a chance to win in the prize drawing. The blocks that are turned in are made into donation comfort quilts. If you would like to help by making a comfort quilt from any of the donated BOMs, please contact **Teresa Orr** at [teresa.orr@orrenenterprises.us](mailto:teresa.orr@orrenenterprises.us).



**May 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>  
10am-noon**

Join us via Zoom to learn new techniques, to ask for advice on any project or technique or to just touch base with other quilters. Free to members.

Our plans for May include starting a Plaidish Quilt Sew Along and work on Nancy Christian's Mystery Quilt.

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

Reach out to Carolee Clayton at [caroleec6376@gmail.com](mailto:caroleec6376@gmail.com) if you need help logging in.



## **SJVQG 2024-2025 OPPORTUNITY QUILT**

***BUY/SELL YOUR TICKETS NOW!!!***

***DON'T FORGET TO TURN IN TICKET STUBS YOU SOLD OR BOUGHT***

***THE DRAWING FOR THE WINNER OF THIS QUILT WILL BE AT OUR MAY MEETING***



**Garden Fantasy**

## **SJVQG ROCKIN' BOBBIN RETREAT 2025**

The Rockin' Bobbins Retreat was a smashing success. The evaluations are in and the overwhelming majority of quilters had a splendid experience. The planning team – **Pamela Alexander, Nancy Christian, Susan Lathrop**, and myself had plenty of help this year that ensured that everything went smoothly. Thanks for the great teamwork and willingness to lend a hand: **Carolee Clayton, BJ and Clint Cook, Donna Coppin, Jeff Jones, Cathy Lee, Mary Morrisson, Shannon Mueller, Sandee Nagayama, Barbara Pearson, Judy Ratzlaff, Linda Richburg, Kathy Robertson, Chris Schneider, Jeanne Starks, and Sharon Weber.**

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A big **THANK YOU** to **Marianne Jones** for once again chairing and providing our members with a wonderful 1<sup>st</sup> class retreat.



### **Organizations We Support or Have Supported**

**Donations include: quilts, duffle & accessory bags,  
chemo caps, walker bags, pj bottoms, receiving  
blankets, girl's dresses, pillowcases, covid masks**

Kases for Kids-Foster children  
Breaking the Chains-Women Rescued HumanTrafficking  
Blue Star Moms (active military support)  
United Japanese Christian Church  
Sisterhood of Survivors (breast cancer survivors)  
Muddyeyes - homeless families along motel drive  
Dress A Girl International  
Shriners-Sacramento  
Healing hands  
C-Care at St Agnes  
Project Linus  
Marjaree Mason Shelter  
DaVita Dialysis Centers  
Bristol Hospice  
Clovis Cancer Clinic  
Kaiser Cancer Center  
Local medical facilities -masks during COVID  
Community Regional Medical Center-Fresno

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

September 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025

**Annual Dues - \$40**

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

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

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Please **PRINT** all characters legibly.

New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ How long have you been a member? \_\_\_\_\_

Month of your birth \_\_\_\_\_

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

## 2024-2025 SJVQG Officers

<b>President</b>	Barbara Pearson	392-6683	blpearson52@gmail.com
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<b>Secretary</b>	Kathy Robertson	360-2101	<a href="mailto:k.m.robertson@sbcglobal.net">k.m.robertson@sbcglobal.net</a>
<b>Treasurer</b>	Cathy Armstrong	287-7929	Cathleenarmstrong52@gmail.com

## 2024-2025 SJVQG Committee Chairs

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<b>Book &amp; Fabric</b>	Elena Walthour	593-0273	elenawalthour@gmail.com
<b>Children's Projects</b>	Sharon Weber	250-6666	webscooper@hotmail.com
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<b>Quilt Challenge</b>			
<b>Quilted Postcards</b>	Carolee Clayton	312-6812	caroleec6376@gmail.com
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<b>Studio Tour 2025</b>	Marianne Jones	241-9252	nonnaleo@gmail.com
<b>Sunshine</b>	Donna Coppin	224-9379	<a href="mailto:thepinkquilter@gmail.com">thepinkquilter@gmail.com</a>
<b>Website</b>	Carolee Clayton	312-6812	caroleec6376@gmail.com
<b>Work in Progress (WIP) Sewers' Yard Sale Silent Auction</b>	Carol Shervem	905-2468	goodapl@yahoo.com



## MEMBER INFORMATION

- **SIGN-IN AT THE MEETINGS.** It helps us to know how many members are attending each month.
- **WEAR YOUR NAME TAG** at the meetings. It helps us remember names.
- **SUNSHINE CARDS** are sent out by **Donna Coppin** (559-388-3579 or at [thepinkquilter@gmail.com](mailto:thepinkquilter@gmail.com) ) Notify her if you know of someone who is going through a tough time (death in family, surgery, serious illnesses, etc.)
- **On your birthday month**, please bring a snack or dessert to share with the members.
- **'SHARING' 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 **Children's Projects table** if turning in Shriner's or Family Healing Center items.
- **LIKE, SHARE** and **COMMENT** on our **FACEBOOK page** when viewing posts from the Guild. It helps to promote our guild.
- **FOLLOW** sjvqg1 on INSTAGRAM
- *This is **YOUR** newsletter. If you have any information or news of interest to fellow quilters, quilt show information, articles or ads to share with our members, please submit them via text or email to the editor **on or before the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.***
- **Irene Allen**, editor, 559-304-2831, [irene.allen81@yahoo.com](mailto:irene.allen81@yahoo.com)

## COMFORT QUILTS





\*\*\*\*\* **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.*

**QUILTING CLASSES - Rhea Wiens**  
**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.

**SEWING CLASSES – Diana Gardner**

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 -Diana Gardner**

Dolly Mamas are meeting again! The first Friday of each month 10 am – 3 pm. We are meeting at the Japanese Christian Church on Villa in Clovis across from the cemetery. Parking is in the back and the back door is open for us to enter. We like to start work no later than 10:00, so try to be there between 9:30 and 9:45. There is room for more Dolly Mamas to join us. Just give me a call if you are interested. **Diana Gardner at (559) 978-0706** for additional information.

**SENIOR QUILTERS – Diana Gardner**

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.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS – 2025

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

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.

**DAY-TIME MEETINGS: APRIL, OCTOBER, DECEMBER, JANUARY**

- Apr 19-May 25 Just Quilts! @ San Jose Museum of Quilts and Textiles, [www.sj-mqt.org](http://www.sj-mqt.org)
- May 8 SJVQG General Meeting, 7 pm, Presenter – Nancy Christian, Trunk Show & Opportunity Quilt Drawing
- May 9 Coffee Chat, 10- 12 noon via Zoom
- May 15 SJVQG Kate Richbourg – Beginning Bag class, 10-4 pm
- May 15 SJVQG Moose Lodge Sew-In Day, 10- 4 pm
- May 15 SJVQG Board Meeting – 7 pm via Zoom
- May 16 Coffee Chat, 10- 12 noon via Zoom
- May 17 Fiber Arts Festival – See attached flyer
- May 17-18 Sierra Mountain Quilters ‘Mountain Magic’ Quilt Show in Oakhurst- See flyer attached
- May 29 SJVQG Moose Lodge Sew-In Day, 10- 4 pm and Candy Bag Class by Carol Shervem
- Jun 12 SJVQG Moose Lodge Sew-In Day, 10- 4 pm
- Jun 12 SJVQG General Meeting, 7 pm
- Jun 19 SJVQG Moose Lodge Sew-In Day, 10- 4 pm
- Jun 19 SJVQG Board Meeting – 7 pm via Zoom
- June 21 SJVQG Spring Quilters Yard Sale, 9am – 3 pm @ Barbara Pearson’s home  
Email [sjvqg1@gmail.com](mailto:sjvqg1@gmail.com) to participate
- July **NO SJVQG GENERAL MEETING IN JULY**
- Jul 17 SJVQG Board Meeting – 7 pm via Zoom
- Aug 14 SJVQG General Meeting, 7 pm, Guild Birthday Party & Elections
- Aug 21 SJVQG Board Meeting – 7 pm via Zoom
- Sep 6-7 Los Banos Quilt Show
- Sep 11 SJVQG General Meeting 7, Mary Ann Bloom-Antique Quilt Show & WIP Drawing
- Sep 11-13 Heart of the Valley Quilt Shop Hop – See flyer attached
- Sep 18 SJVQG Board Meeting – 7 pm via Zoom
- Sep 20 SJVQG Studio Tour, 10 am – 4 pm

**QUILT SHOW FLYERS, MEMBERS’ BUSINESS CARDS & FOR SALE ADS, BUSINESS ADVERTISERS  
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## SIT DOWN LONG ARM QUILTER \$2,600

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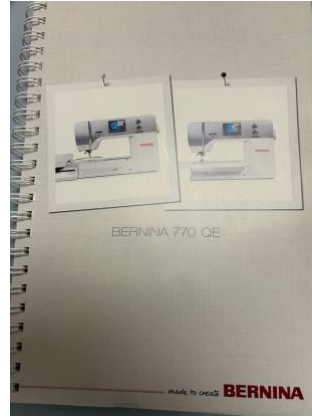
Contact Mindy: 559-443-9951.



4/2025

## BERNINA 770QE SEWING MACHINE

### \$6,000



The machine was purchased at Sew and Vac and has never been used. The owner is no longer able to sew. It is a Bernina 770QE. Original cost was around \$8,000 and we would like \$6,000. All original equipment including case are included

Please contact Donald Werum at [dwerum@mac.com](mailto:dwerum@mac.com) or 559 355-5539 .

## BABY LOCK CORONET

### Best Offer!!!



Machine is about 8 years old. Has only been used for about 20 hours total. All the attachments and extras come with it. We are unable to use it in our smaller home. We want someone to enjoy it and we need the room!

**Please call with any questions. We are very motivated to sell.**

Dan Lindstrom  
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5/2025 -

Sierra Mountain Quilters Association  
*“Mountain Magic”*  
**Quilt Show**

Saturday - May 17, 2025 10am - 5pm

Sunday - May 18, 2025 10am - 3pm

Admission \$10

Age 12 and under Free!



Featured Quilter:  
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# Fiber Arts Festival

## Sign Up Event Plus so Much More

On **May 17, 2025**, at the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Center, there will be the Sign Up Event for the **2025-2026 FFG Programs from 9 to Noon**. This will be your chance to see all of the wonderful programs we are planning for the 2025-2026 season of FFG, including samples you can feel and touch. Refreshments will be available for you to enjoy.

Membership will be there for you to join FFG for the 2025-2026 year. When you pay your membership dues and sign-up for classes at this time, you will be put on the class list securing your spot in line to be in the class.

### **There will be some new events at the Sign Up Event this year:**

- \*Live demonstrations and Make It Take It tables.
- \*The afternoon will be available for a free sew day.
- \*A walk down memory lane with videos of past Fashion shows and a bit of FFG History.
- \*A showcase of member's finished items from this year's classes to display next to the 2024-2025 Program Displays. See what was created!
- \*A display of projects members finished from past workshops, challenges or Fashion Shows.

**What a great time to bring a guest with you to see what Fresno FiberArts Guild is all about.** After seeing all the programs being planned for next year, they will not be able to resist joining our fun and creative group!



# Just Quilts!

April 19th, 2025 - May 25th, 2025



Featuring three innovative, award-winning, talented quilters from the Valley of Heart's Delight (Santa Clara Valley).

These featured quilters are Charlotte Scholberg, Randa Mulford, and the late Joy Palmer.



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