



# Snake River Valley Quilt Guild

## February 2016

### Newsletter

#### **Meeting Time**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays January – November  
6:00 pm Early Bird Segment  
7:00 - 9:00 pm General Meeting

#### **Meeting Location**

Calvary Baptist Church  
785 First Street  
Idaho Falls, Idaho

[www.ifquiltguild.citymax.com](http://www.ifquiltguild.citymax.com)

#### **A Sewing Room Chat with the President**

#### **HISTORIAN: WHAT DO YOU THINK?**

Since the beginning of this fiscal year we (the SRVQG Board) have been looking for someone to fill the Historian position. So far no one has committed to take on this position since Crystal Foster completed three one-year terms. Granted, Crystal is a tough act to follow. The Board has discussed filling this vacancy on several occasions, but we have neither been able to identify likely candidates, nor have we been able to determine if it is justifiable to continue to have an Historian. Your help is needed! We need to know what each of you think should be done.

To help you make an informed decision please consider the following points that have been identified at past Board meetings:



- The Historian needs to be present at every General Membership meeting to photograph each show-and-tell participant and their quilt. The Historian prepares the show-and-tell photos to be included in the Guild website, matching participants' names to the photos. The Historian also archives photos for posterity.
- Electronically archived photographs could be displayed on the Guild website, though there is currently limited space on the website, and obtaining additional space would require additional expense.
- Other than viewing current show-and-tell photos on the Guild website, there have historically been few or no requests to access the SRVQG photo archives.
- The Guild stores show-and-tell hard-copy photos in albums which are kept in our storage unit. Since digital/electronic photography has been available, photos have been stored electronically. Some digital photos have been printed in preparation to be displayed in albums.
- Hard-copy photos could be scanned into digital form and all photos could be stored electronically. This would require appreciable time and effort.
- The Historian position involves a significant amount of work for which the results have been little or seldom used.

#### **February 18, 2016 Meeting Agenda**

- 6:00 Early Bird with Sandra Brow: Reversible Quilt Technique. See page 5 for more information.
- 6:30 Set-Up and Social Time
- 7:00 Welcome and Announcements
- 7:25 Block of the Month Show and Tell
- 7:30 Regular Show and Tell
- 7:55 Break
- 8:10 Education Segment with Kat Blakely: Zen-Tangle – Taking machine quilting to the next level
- 8:50 Raffle
- 9:00 Adjourn

#### **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

- February 23 Board Meeting
- March 17 Guild Meeting, Stash-4-Cash
- March 19, Sew-in, Portable Design Board

- At some past Guild picnics hard-copy photo archives have been made available for members to view, but at picnics where photo archives have not been included we are not aware of anyone mentioning missing them.
- There is nothing in either the SRVQG Articles of Incorporation or the SRVQG By-Laws that require us to have an Historian, or to keep photographic records.
- No one wants to negate the contribution of time and effort invested by all of our past Historians.
- No current members seem to want to volunteer for the Historian position.
- Some members are not fond of being photographed. Other members don't mind being photographed, and enjoy "15 minutes of fame" when participating in show-and-tell.
- Some members enjoy viewing show-and-tell photos on the Guild website, particularly if they were not able to attend a meeting.
- More and more (many??? most???) members have phones or tablets capable of taking photos, and have used these devices at meetings to take photos of show-and-tell for their own use.

After discussing the matter at several meetings the Board has been unable to arrive at a clear decision, and ultimately agreed that the input of the membership is needed to arrive at the best outcome. At the February General Membership meeting we will be handing out a very short questionnaire/ballot regarding the Historian position. What I would like each of you to do on that form is to:

- 1) Provide your opinion of the relevancy of the Historian position including any considerations not already listed;
- 2) List any suggestions you may have for how the Guild should deal with the situation; and
- 3) Vote whether or not you feel we should continue to have an Historian. You may also share your opinion and vote via email to me, [ckrsutnam@netscape.net](mailto:ckrsutnam@netscape.net).

Your input and votes will be considered at the next Board meeting, and will be instrumental in helping us arrive at the best decision. I encourage you to take a little time to consider the pros and cons of maintaining the Historian position.

Our February meeting will be another action-packed event! Please remember:

- Stash-4-Cash donations
- Block of the Month
- Do you have a Community Support project signed out?
- Valentine for your Secret Sister
- 12-1/2" block in lime green and bright blue for Lee Suski's quilt
- Show-and-Tell items
- Name Tag

See you at the meeting – and until then, keep singing!

*Connie Rafferty  
President SRVQG  
aka "Genghis Kahnnie"*



## Minutes from last meeting

### January 21, 2016 General Meeting of the Snake River Valley Quilt Guild

The early bird segment was on wool applique by Kimberly Howard.

The quilt guild meeting was called to order by Connie Rafferty, who welcomed all in attendance, at 7:00pm.

Visitors were: Kelly Mallinaux, Connie Culp, Charma Cook, Sherry Turner, Julie Hayes, Ruth Blackadar, Kimberly Maher, Cindy Zachek, Alicia Williams, Neva Davis, Lexi Shell, and Aubrey Hayes.

New members were asked to go to the front of the room and Connie handed out welcome bags to them.

The purple boa was worn by Margo.

There was one correction to last months' minutes. The boa was mistakenly called red, and not purple. With that correction, the minutes were approved.

A green bath towel was left at retreat. Since no one claimed it, it goes to charity.

At the last retreat, Connie made pincushions for new member bags. Having left over scraps from them, she decided to make pincushions for each member of the guild, which were handed out tonight.

Utah Quilt Guild is preparing for their Ruby Jubilee Show in 2017. They are requesting red and white quilts. Connie handed out flyers with information on the show.

Lynne Saul showed possibilities of quilts the guild members could make for the Bonnie Hunter classes on November 18th and 19<sup>th</sup> of this year. The guild voted on one easier and one more difficult quilt. The winning patterns are: Pineapple Blossom for the easier one, and Texas Tumbleweeds for the more difficult one.

The details for the classes will be in next months' newsletter. Lynne will then begin taking registration. Those wishing may sign up for one or both quilt classes. These are one day classes.

Connie thanked Kimberly Howard for doing a great job at the Early Bird, Bridget Molten on using the slide system, and kudos for the newsletter layout.

Connie asked for a show of hands for those who know the quote of the month: "Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life" by Pablo Picasso. Fat quarters were passed out to members who knew the author of the quote.

One of the guild members, Colleen Ricks, recently passed away. Margo and Connie visited her husband, who donated quilting items to the guild. Some of the items will be in the Stash for Cash, with the money being donated to auxiliary. Some of the fabric was raffled off.

Connie told members that there are cases at the front of the room for people to put their donated fabric and batting in for pet bed filling.

Marilyn talked about the charity quilt for Lee Suski. Blocks should be 12 1/2" unfinished, in bright green and bright blue, the pattern being whatever the maker wants. She asked that the blocks be brought to next month's guild meeting.

Community Support has a couple of quilts to be quilted and quilt kits for tots available for sewing. There are also some Cracker Jacks. See Kat for these items. If there are any completed quilts, please turn them in.

Emily Fogg talked about Saturday's sew-in at the church. It costs \$5, will be from 9:30 – 3:00 and is a potluck. Emily will bring the main dish. Bring scraps of fabric to use, and Connie has polar fleece for people to use.

The library still has books for sale.

Stash for Cash is coming up in March. This is a once-a-year yard sale for quilters. There will be a paper bag auction and a silent auction. The Grace quilting frame will be in the silent auction. Also, there might be some items from Colleen's quilting stash. Please bring your donations for Stash for Cash by the next guild meeting.

Karen Price had information about the quilt show in 2017. The dates are March 22-25, 2017. It will be held at the Samuel Bennion Student Union Building at ISU/Idaho Falls campus.

There will be a January 30<sup>th</sup> meeting for committee chairs. If anyone feels they could handle or enjoy being on a committee, please talk to Karen.

These are the needs:

\* Publicity chairman. Publicity generates how many people come to the show. They are responsible for newspaper notices, contacting guilds, etc. The chairman will receive a notebook with directions and information in it. Past people who have held this position will be listed for contacting in case help is needed.

\* Someone to decorate the venue to make it feel homey and inviting. Contact Karen if you are interested.

\* A supervisor to oversee the set-up of the show. This person needs a strong leader to give directions. Quilts will be taken at registration.

\* A person to keep track of points. Sometime after the show there will be recognition of helpers, and the points will be used to track that.

Karen asked everyone to think of someone who hasn't been to a quilt show. This is one way to expose people to quilting. She also asked for each member to sell tickets to the quilt raffle, and contact 5 people who are not local to ask them to buy tickets.

Karen said that she is tickled to death to be organizing the quilt show. One of the best ways new members can get to know others is to work with them. This is a great opportunity to do that!

What are your skills? What would you enjoy doing? Next month, Karen will ask you to demonstrate something at the show, if you would like.

Please talk to Karen if you are interested in any of the jobs listed above, or if you want to help with anything!

Marsha Nipper mentioned two quilt shows that are coming up: The Shelley library is having their quilt show at the end of February, and our sister guild in Utah is having their show right after that.

ACT (Artists of a Common Thread) welcomes anyone who wants to join. They meet once a month.

Secret Sisters were revealed. Tonight is the last night to sign up for this year's Secret Sister.

There was a show and tell of the Block of the Month.

The Stash Buster challenge is due in October. A sign-up sheet is at the back of the room. Check with Julie or Penny.

Participants in the Show and Tell were: Kimberly Howard, the auxiliary kids, Kat Blakely, Anita Litter, Connie Rafferty, Roxana Lewis, Marei Montalvo, Barbara Bradley, and Sue Jensen.

Connie showed a crocheted piece that needs finishing and asked for a volunteer. Someone gave the piece to Tish at the Yarn Connection in town, and she gave it to Connie to see if there was anyone who wanted to finish it.

There was a gold French horn charm found. If it is yours, please contact Connie.

A Tootsie Tool was handed out to all the members in attendance by Connie. Connie got the idea from Annalee at Daydreams Quilt Shop. It is a Tootsie Pop with a card attached to it, listing 10 handy uses for the pop.

Bessie gave a demonstration on a four patch circle quilt. A handout was passed around.

The raffle was held and the meeting adjourned at 8:47pm.

Submitted by Becky Harvey, Secretary

### *Quote of the Month*

“In art, the hand can never execute anything higher than the heart can imagine.”

## Announcements



### Early Bird

For the Early Bird session at the February guild meeting, Sandra Brow will do a demo of Sharon Pederson's "Reversible Quilt" method. This method not only allows the quilt maker to design two quilts, one on the top of the quilt, and a different one on the back, but it is a quilt-as-you-go method that allows the quilt maker to quilt each block individually, when the block is small and easy to maneuver, and avoid having to baste and quilt a large bed quilt after all the blocks have been assembled. With this method, once the blocks have been assembled, the quilt is already quilted and only needs binding to finish it.



*This paisley / black & white table runner was a prototype for a bed quilt*



*I think this was the first time I tried this method; the fans are one side, and the sunflowers are the other.*



## Education presentation

### Zen-Tangle Quilting

Take your machine quilting to the next level.

Kat Blakely's presentation will be especially interesting to quilters who are beginning to do their own quilting. Easy but fantastic looking and provides opportunity for plumbing your imagination.



## Secret Sister

Please remember to bring a gift for your Secret Sister this month. Then remember her 2 more times throughout this year, especially her birthday.

Thank you for participating.

~ Taylor Smith



### Charity Quilt for Lee Suski

If you have made a block for the charity quilt for Lee Suski, **please bring it to the February guild meeting.**

The block is to be 12 1/2 inches finished, bright blue and lime green, in the pattern of your choice. Lee has moved to Spokane and requested that we make a charity quilt instead of the usual friendship quilt that we make for members who have moved away. Thank you for your participation in this tribute to Lee.

~ Marilyn Dedman



## Community Support

This month I will have Crackerjack sacks (surprise inside) for volunteers willing to either CUT or SEW. CUT will have fabric scraps that need to be cut into squares. SEW will have block kits that need to be sewn together.

Thank you for all your help.

~ Kat



### Sew-In

#### Portable Design Board

Saturday, March 19

Cost: \$15

All materials except the outside fabric will be provided. This class will be taught by Kim Jockusch. More information will be provided at the Guild meeting.

## Workshops

It is finally here! We are ready to open the Bonnie Hunter Workshops for registration. The cost is **\$55/workshop**. Bonnie will teach **Texas Tumbleweeds** on Friday, November 18, 2016. She will teach **Pineapple Blossom** on Saturday, November 19, 2016.

There has been TREMENDOUS interest in attending Bonnie's workshops. As a result the board has decided to handle registration as follows:

1. A spot is reserved on first paid basis, i.e. you must pay in order to have a spot, you can't just put your name on a list and pay later.
2. You must be a current guild member to sign up for a workshop.
3. In February we are limiting registrants to one workshop. If there are still spots open in March you can sign up for a second workshop.
4. You can sign up at the February meeting OR you can mail me a check for \$55 made out to SRVQG. If you mail a check indicate which workshop you want.

Lynne Saul  
2325 N. 26<sup>th</sup> W.  
Idaho Falls, ID 83402

You can go to Bonnie's website, <http://www.quiltville.com/> to see pictures of the quilts, tools and books, look at the supply lists and check out the prices of the book(s) and tool(s) you may need.

The workshops will be taught in the old Fellowship Hall at Calvary Baptist Church. This room is in an old part of the building and you have to go up a half flight of stairs to reach it. There is no elevator. We can arrange help to pack sewing machines, etc. up the stairs but you need to be able to climb stairs in order to attend. This is a nice large space that the church has agreed to rent to us at a reasonable cost. Otherwise we would have to rent a conference room from a hotel at a much higher cost which would result in a higher cost for the workshops.

~ Lynne Saul

## Intraguild Activities

### ◆ Block-Of-the-Month Challenge ◆

BOM True Lover's Knot block is due at the February meeting. Bring your block to show and receive a prize! We will have instructions for all six blocks for you to pick up at the February meeting.

\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ Stash-4-Cash \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$

Stash-4-Cash will be held at the March meeting. We have a lot of GREAT donations so far. Keep them coming! Call us if you have any questions: Julie 916-759-2106, Penny 208-403-1668.

The **Stash Buster Challenge** was introduced at the January meeting. We had 13 quilters sign up. You can still sign up! Just come by the Intraguild Activities table and add your name to the list. Our Stash Buster projects will be due at the October meeting. Be honest, you need to use up some of your stash 😊

**Calendar Change** – We will introduce the Pin Cushion Exchange in April, and do the exchange in May. Sign up in April and we will provide you with a baggie of crushed walnut shells.

~ Julie Finnigan and Penny McClure

## SRVQG Activities Calendar February – April 2016

MONTH	EARLY BIRD	EDUCATION	BOM due dates	CHALLENGE	SEW-IN
February	Reversible Quilt technique	Zen-Tangle = machine quilting on the next level	True Lover's Knot	Introduce UFO	
March	Embellish with Beads	Stash-4-Cash	(none)		March 19 Portable Design Board
April	Marsha McClusky's 1/2 square triangle method	STRATA, Fabrication and usage of scraps.	Friendship Star	Introduce Pin Cushion Exchange	

## 2017 Quilt Show

We have a date and venue for the 2017 Snake River Valley Quilt Show: **Idaho State University/Idaho Falls, Samuel Bennion Student Center**. Show Set-up = Wednesday, March 22. Show runs Thursday, Friday, Saturday, **March 23, 24, 25, 2017**.

### Guild Member Homework for the Quilt Show

1. Put the show date on your calendar.
2. Make a list of people that you can invite to the quilt show.
3. Make a list of people to whom you can sell raffle quilt tickets.
4. Start putting aside money to spend at the quilt show for the Silent Auction, the Boutique, the Tea Room and the Vendors.
5. Be thinking about the strengths that you have and how you can best help at the quilt show.

~ Karen Price

# Treasurer's Report November 2015 and January 2016

## SRVQG Treasurer's Report

**January 26, 2016**

This report reflects the activity that took place 01/08/15 through 01/26/2016

**Notice: Addition of funds from the Quilt Show.**

### Income:

Community	\$0.00
Education	\$0.00
Equipment	\$0.00
Intraguild	\$0.00
Library	\$34.00
Quilt Show	\$5,435.04
Retreat	\$0.00
Sew-Ins	\$0.00
Workshop	\$0.00
Meeting Raffle*	\$93.00
Member Dues/Pins*	\$335.00
Newsletter Ads*	\$0.00
Other Income*	\$15.00

**Income Total \$5,912.04**

**Net for this month: \$5,511.16**

\*General Fund

### Expenses:

Community Support	\$0.00
Education	\$0.00
Equipment	\$0.00
Historian	\$0.00
Intraguild	\$70.11
Library	\$0.00
Membership Supplies	\$0.00
President's Fund	\$0.00
Retreat	\$0.00
Sew-Ins	\$0.00
Workshops	\$0.00
Youth Auxilliary	\$0.00

**Funds Subtotal \$70.11**

Charity/Courtesy*	\$0.00
Meeting/Office*	\$17.01
Newsletter*	\$0.00
Rent*	\$50.00
Stamps*	\$0.00
Website Upkeep*	\$263.76

**General Fund Subtotal \$330.77**

**Expense Total \$400.88**

### Fund Balances:

	8-Jan-16	26-Jan-16
Community Support	\$500.00	\$500.00
Education	\$454.23	\$454.23
Equipment	\$900.00	\$900.00
Historian	\$80.14	\$80.14
Intraguild	\$706.29	\$636.18
Library	\$234.50	\$268.50
Membership Supplies	\$246.72	\$246.72
President's Fund	\$275.10	\$275.10
Quilt Show	\$0.00	\$5,435.04
Retreat	\$0.00	\$0.00
Sew-Ins	\$250.00	\$250.00
Workshop	\$932.42	\$932.42
Youth Auxiliary	\$50.00	\$50.00
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,629.40</b>	<b>\$10,028.33</b>
General Fund	\$1,029.81	\$1,142.04
<b>Account Total</b>	<b>\$5,659.21</b>	<b>\$11,170.37</b>
Cash on hand	\$50.00	\$50.00
Ending Balance	\$5,709.21	\$11,220.37

## Quilting Bees



SRVQG's Quilting Bees are smaller groups within the guild. They typically meet in members' homes to socialize and quilt together. Some Bees meet monthly, some weekly, some in the daytime, some in the evenings. Usually participation is limited by the size of the room in which they meet. Call ahead to see if a particular Bee is open to new members, or is full for now.

### *Judy Niemeyer Bee*

Facilitator: Tiffany Lamb  
Contact: 569-7295  
[quiltedlamb@gmail.com](mailto:quiltedlamb@gmail.com)  
Meets: **1<sup>st</sup> Monday of month**  
10:30am – 2:30pm  
Where: Daydreams Quilt and Sew

Bring a sack lunch or sneak out to one of the many fine restaurants in the surrounding area. We are working on our Judy Niemeyer projects, so if you need help with your project or just want to visit, come hang out and we'll have a great time!

### *Prairie Girls Bee*

Facilitator: Trudy Stubbs  
Contact: [tsdandelion@gmail.com](mailto:tsdandelion@gmail.com)  
Meets: **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month**  
10:00am  
Where: Daydreams Quilt and Sew

If you are interested please email Trudy to find out our current project and for a materials list.

### *Q-Bees*

Facilitator: Kat Blakely  
Contact: [katblakely52@gmail.com](mailto:katblakely52@gmail.com)  
Meets: **1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of month**  
1:00pm – 4:00pm  
Where: A different house each month.

Contact Kat to find out the current location.

### **UFO\* Bee** *\*UnFinished Object*

Facilitator: Sandra Brow  
Contact: 524-6230  
[sandybrow@earthlink.net](mailto:sandybrow@earthlink.net)  
Meets: **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month**  
1:00pm – 4:00pm  
Where: Sandra Brow's house  
2269 Calkins Ave., IF

The UFO Bee focuses on unfinished objects. Come join us! For more information contact Sandra at 524-6230.



## Friend's Coupon

Feb 1<sup>st</sup> – Feb 16<sup>th</sup>

All Fabric In The Store Is **20%** Off Through Feb 16<sup>th</sup>. If you bring a friend, and you BOTH purchase fabric, you will both receive an extra **10%** off!!!



**PRESIDENT'S DAY SALE**

Feb. 11 - Feb. 16 2016 || **48** MOS **JANOME**  
0% Financing WHAT'S NEXT

We are running our regular fabric at 20% off and anything with an orange dot at 30% off through Feb 16th. All flannel is buy 2 yards, get 1 free.

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## Board and Newsletter Information

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Comments, corrections and advertising should be emailed to the newsletter editor, Bridget Molten: [bmolten208@gmail.com](mailto:bmolten208@gmail.com)

#### Advertising Rates

\$2.50 for a ¼ page ad

\$5.00 for a ½ page ad

\$10.00 for a full page ad

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***The Newsletter deadline is the last day of each month !!***

## ----- SNAKE RIVER VALLEY QUILT GUILD -----

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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Returning Member    New Member    Renewal    New Auxiliary Member (Under 17 yrs)

Your Newsletter can be found on the **SRVQG Website**: [www.ifquiltguild.citymax.com](http://www.ifquiltguild.citymax.com).

E-mail reminder will be sent each month when newsletter is available at the website.

Member dues are: **\$25 Annually** -- **\$5 Auxiliary** (Age 17 & under)

When using a personal check, make the check to SRVQG.

Bring your dues to Guild meeting or send to: **Margo Fisher**  
**2610 Glenwood Circle**  
**Idaho Falls, Idaho 83404**