



Snake River Valley Quilt Guild

Meetings on third Thursdays Jan.- Nov.
at Calvary Baptist Church
785 First Street, Idaho Falls, Idaho
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

www.ifquiltguild.citymax.com

A SEWING ROOM CHAT WITH THE PRESIDENT

LET'S GO CRAZY!

Crazy Quilting, that is! This month we are featuring all of the aspects of crazy quilting, a style that calls upon many skills including a particular way of piecing, embroidery, beading, ribbon work, and working with exotic fabrics. Our Early Bird will focus on working with tricky fabrics like satin and velvet, and then we will be treated to a wonderful trunk show of crazy quilts presented by B.J. Sandusky. You won't want to miss it!

January is also the month when we gear up for a year full of fun activities: draw for a new Secret Sister; collect goods for Stash-4-Cash; sign up for the Lenore Crawford workshop in April; and get those quilts ready to display in the Quilt Show in June! This list just scratches the surface!

Remember to bring your 5" strips of blue-to-teal batiks (bring 7 strips) to exchange; finish those Community Support blocks; prep those items for Show-and -Tell; write a "thank you" note to your Secret Sister (Reveal Party is at 6:45); and put your name tag in your purse! See you at Guild and until then, keep singing!



Connie Rafferty

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Quilt by Lenore Crawford

AGENDA - January 16, 2014

- 6:00 Early Bird:
Working With Silk, Satin, & Velvet.
- 6:30 Set up and Social Time
- 6:45 Secret Sister Reveal Party
- 7:00 Meeting starts. Welcome and general announcements
- 7:20 Trunk Show:
B.J. Sandusky Crazy Quilts
- 8:05 Break
- 8:25 Show and Tell
- 8:50 Raffle
- 9:00 Adjourn

"When we seek to bring out the best in others, we somehow bring out the best in ourselves."

Minutes for November 21, 2013

Missed the November Meeting? Here's what happened:

EARLY BIRD: Prairie Points

Kat Blakely conducted the Early Bird. She demonstrated several techniques for Prairie Point prairie point quilt borders. Thank you Kat!

GUILD MEETING:

The meeting was called to order by President Connie Rafferty at 7:00 pm.

Minutes from last month were approved as they stand.

Connie welcomed 58 members and 4 visiting guests. 2 new members each received a welcome gift package.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The membership list was passed around. Members were asked to update their information if necessary.
- Lenore Crawford workshop will be held April 17-19, 2014. The Crawford workshop cost is \$100.
- A Grace Errea Workshop will take place in Teton Valley, April 15-16, 2014, 10-4, with a potluck lunch. The cost is \$110 for both days. Grace is a fiber artist, designer, quilter, and author. Members interested in attending the Driggs workshop may contact Lea Hardy.
- Kerry Mangum's mother passed away. Her quilt fabric will be sold at a garage sale in Iona this coming weekend.
- High Country Quilting in downtown Driggs is going out of business. This week fabric will be 50% off, 70% off next week. Contact Lea Hardy for more information.
- Gloria Gordon is moving to Maine. We are doing a farewell block for her. She requested a bear paw block in blues and greens with a tan background. Be sure to sign your block.
- SRVQG is looking for a rep for the Utah Guild. Contact Connie if you might be interested.
- Julie Reinwald has adopted a baby. The baby needs open heart surgery in Salt Lake to repair its aorta. Anyone interested in helping with money for a gift certificate, or goods for a gift basket, contact Myrna or Andrea.
- The Stocking Challenge will be voted on during the break. A \$20 gift certificate is the prize. We need 102 stockings and pillowcases for the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren charity.
- The Crazy Quilt challenge is coming up. Members are encouraged to contact Andrea about participating in the challenges.
- Lynn Saul reminded everyone we are taking signups for the Lenore Crawford workshop. The workshop is April 17-19. The fee is \$100 for the workshop.
- Joyce Eisenmenger reminded members to sign up for the 2014 Secret Sisters session. She encouraged members to participate and enjoy the project.

Minutes for November 21, 2013, cont.

- Quilt Heritage Museum will be drawing for its raffle quilt Saturday, Dec. 14, at a no host luncheon at Dixie's Diner at 11:30.
- AQS QUILT SHOW - PHOENIX, AZ
Andrea shared information for an opportunity for us to attend the American Quilter's Society Show, on Feb. 5-8, 2014, in Phoenix. For more info call Andrea or check out the AQSquilts.com website.
- QUILT SHOW: The Quilt Parade
Kim Jockusch reported that we had a great organizational meeting for the quilt show. Vendors are signing up. The hope is that everyone can help with the quilt show. Kim will call members to enlist participation.
- Lynn Saul reminded everyone we are taking signups for the Lenore Crawford workshop. The workshop is April 17-19. The fee is \$100 for the workshop.
- SRVQG Board meets 6 PM Jan. 2 at Kim Jockusch's home.

ORNAMENT EXCHANGE:

Kat Blakely gathered members who brought an exchange ornament into a very large circle in the sanctuary. Participants were then asked to pass their ornaments to their neighbor as she read a story sprinkled with the words "left" and "right". Her delightful story had the members laughing passing the ornaments left and right until everyone was dizzy! All took home an ornament.

SHOW & TELL:

More than 18 members participated in "Show and Tell". There was a variety of techniques

including hand quilting, crochet, recycled yoyos, batik and traditional fabrics, full sized quilts, table runners, ornaments, pin cushions, baby and youth quilts, aprons and wall quilts.

One delight was Crystal's "hanging shoes" table topper! The members loved it. Becky handed out charm squares from Africa to the membership.

Lynn Saul showed a "Cat in the Hat" quilt and revealed that her husband made it (with a little help from Lynn!) Taylor showed her lovely "junior" quilt. Sandra Brow's round table topper quilt was constructed of wedges, a real challenge!

All items were wonderful, many destined as holiday gifts. Congratulations to all!

FAMOUS QUOTE: "Whether you succeed or not is irrelevant, there is no such thing. Making your unknown known is the most important thing." Georgia O'Keeffe

DESIGN BOARD DISPLAY:

Those who took Kim Jockusch's Saturday Design Board class brought their completed projects to show the membership. All were very useful, colorful, and lovely. Thanks Kim!

EDUCATION: T-Shirt Quilts

Emily Fogg demonstrated how to create one-of-a-kind T-shirt quilts. Her athletic family participates in many races and ironman competitions (!) and collects event t-shirts. Emily has experimented with construction techniques utilizing artwork on knit and slippery fabrics from the shirts. Lightweight Pellon interfacing works to back the squares, which do not need to be all the same size to make a quilt. Black cotton sashing brings out logos on the blocks in a strip piecing manner.

Minutes for November 21, 2013, cont.

STOCKING CHALLENGE RESULTS: The winner of the Stocking Challenge was Andrea Fryzowski, who won a \$20 gift certificate to The Ribbon Retreat.

RAFFLE: Connie conducted the raffle prize drawings. Prizes were donated by Brady's and guild members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Submitted by Charlotte Shirts, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT for October 13, 2013

**Per Board directive on 10/12/13, \$500 was moved from IntraGuild to Gen. and \$1100 was moved from Gen. to Equip.

Income:		Expenses:	
Member Dues/Pins	415.00	Meeting/Office*	
Education		Membership*	281.11
Meeting Raffle	218.50	Education	
Newsletter Ads		Rent*	50.00
Quilt Show		Newsletter*	
Community	26.00	Stamps*	
Intraguild		Community	14.84
Library		Intraguild	51.98
Retreat	1280.00	Historian	48.21
Sew-Ins	210.00	Library	
Workshop	900.00	Retreat	913.49
Equipment	260.00	Workshops	
Other Income		Equipment	
Total	\$3,309.50	President's Fund	
		Quilt Show	
		Charity*	
		Storage*	
		Website Upkeep*	
		Youth Auxilliary	
Net for month	1949.87	Total	1359.63
*Expenses from General			
to Equip.			
Fund Balances:			
	30-Sep-13		31-Oct-13
Cash on hand	\$50.00		\$50.00
Equipment	\$0.00		\$1,100.00
Youth Auxilliary	50.00		50.00
Community	303.59		314.75
Education	200.00		200.00
Historian	208.73		160.52
Intraguild	1166.75		824.77
Library	202.08		202.08
President's Fund	231.27		231.27
Retreat	999.51		1366.02
Workshop**	-196.70		703.30
		Subtotal	5152.71
Prev.Adj.Gen.Bal.	2370.33	General	2382.72
		Register Total	7535.43
		Outstanding Checks	765.03
		Outstanding Deposit	0.00
		Ending Balance	8300.46

Submitted by
Kim Jockush, Treasurer



QUILTING BEES

Guild Quilting Bees are smaller, cozier subsets of the guild that meet in members' homes to socialize and quilt together. Some meet monthly, some weekly, some in the daytime or evenings. Usually their membership 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 at this time, or is full for now.

Q-Bees -

Margo Fisher mwfisher@cablone.net

The Q Bees met for a Christmas luncheon at a local restaurant on December 4th. The highlight of the event was the exchange of home-made chatelaines that each person made for one of the other members. There were many "war stories" about challenges and frustrations encountered by everyone in this task however each chatelaine was unique and beautiful. We hope each Q Bee will bring hers to the next show & tell.

Prairie Girls -

Trudy 523-4821

Cathy 881-7607

Meeting Jan. 8th 10 AM at the Ribbon Retreat in Shelley.

January's project was a "Mug Rug swap. Make one for yourself and one for the swap. Mug Rugs are adorable mini-versions of a placemat - just big enough for your mug of hot chocolate and a cookie.



Any style is great. Primitive, bright, vintage etc. Bring some handwork and stuff to show.

Busy Bees -

Meeting Schedule:

This evening quilt bee meets the **fourth Thursday** of the month, 6:30-8:30 PM.

This is a 'do your own thing' bee because we are all so busy, we need quilt time to work on projects.

Contact Andrea Fryzowski at afryquilt@yahoo.com for meeting location or other information. Next Meeting: Thursday, January 23, 2014.



Front row L-R: Sara Beth Barnes, Kimberly Howard; Kat Blakely; Betty Stevens; Barbara Bradley and Linda Hunt. Back row L-R: Margo Fisher; Bessie Bradshaw; Jan Pabst; Linda Beck; Coy Golden; Kathie Phoenix; and Karen Carlton. Missing is Myrna Ruth Horton.

IntraGuild Activities

January Activities in a Nutshell

- **January Fabric exchange:**
Seven 5" strips of Blue/Teal Batiks
Bring the your strips in a clear plastic bag (with your name clearly written on the bag) to the IntraGuild activity table before the break. The ex-changed strips will be ready for you to collect at the end of the meeting.
- **February fabric exchange: Green/Lime.** Sign up tonight for the Feb. exchange.
- Sign up for the **Crazy Quilt Add-On Challenge.**
- BJ Sandusky's **Crazy Quilt Foundation Class** (February 1st). Register NOW!
- Bring **Stash for Cash** donations to the Jan. and Feb. meetings for the March paper bag auction. Call Sandra Brow (524-6230) if you have items to drop off.
- **Banner / Table Cloth Challenges.** Sign up now! The Quilt Show committee would like to borrow the Table clothes (under plastic!) for the Tea Room tables. The Banners are needed to hang as show decorations.



Message from Andrea and Kat:

A variety of IntraGuild activities are planned for 2014. The sign-up sheets for fabric strip exchanges, quilt challenges, block exchanges, and sewing circles are at the **IntraGuild Activities** table during our guild meetings.

Our activities committee enjoyed planning these activities and we hope everyone will sign-up to participate in at least one activity. The information below is provided for those of you who like to plan ahead!

Questions? Contact us -

Andrea Fryzowski - afryquilt@yahoo.com
Kat Blakely - katblakely@juno.com

Batik Fabric Exchanges - 5" Strips

This year all our fabric exchanges, except for August, are 5" Batik strips within a given color range. **A maximum of one (1) yard of fabric** is required for any given exchange.

	Jan. Blue-Teal	Each strip is between 44" and 38" (the width of the fabric or WOF) and 5" wide.
	Feb. Green/Lime	The number of strips you bring is determined by the number of people registered, but the most you will ever need to bring is seven (7) strips.
	May Pink/Purple/ Maroon	Please place your strips in a clear, zippered bag with your name clearly written on the outside, and turn them in to IntraGuild before the break.
	July Red/Orange	
	Aug. Ugly Fat Quarter	
	Sept. Gold/ Brown	

Crazy Quilt Add-On Challenge

- Begins in January 2014. Sign-up at the Intraguild Activities table.
- Crazy Quilt Foundation Piece due February. Completed project due in October.
- Maximum size recommended: 120 perimeter inches. This is a great pillow top or wall hanging size!
- Quilter's choices of fabrics – silk, satin, velvet, wool, cotton, etc. (You choose!)
- Additional instructions to “add-on” to your crazy quilt are provided in February, March, April, May, July, August, & September. (7 add-on embellishments)

prepare your crazy quilt foundation for the February meeting!

BJ Sandusky will teach a crazy quilt foundation class on Saturday, February 1, 2014, 10:00AM – 3:00PM. After you see BJ's wonderful crazy quilt trunk show at the January meeting, you will want to attend this class! The class fee of \$25 includes instruction, handouts, a small kit containing basic crazy quilt materials, and a light lunch. The class instruction will focus on methods to create a successful crazy quilt foundation, either by hand or machine, with tips and tricks regarding construction, design, color, texture and balance. This is a 'how-to' class with time to apply the information learned. BJ will also demonstrate some of the crazy quilt stitches. A minimum of 10 participants are required to offer the class and the class size is limited to a maximum of 20 people. More details about the class and a supply list will be provided to registered class participants.

Crazy Quilt Foundation Class

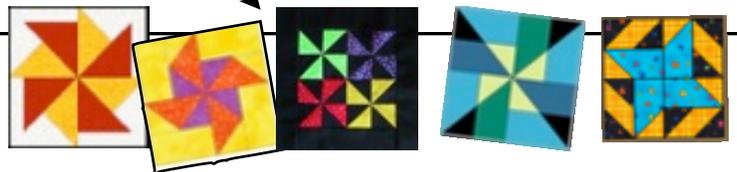
➔ February 1, 2014

Our Crazy Quilt Add-On Challenge begins this month with the crazy quilt foundation due at our February 20th meeting. There are tips and tricks to help create a successful foundation. This class is offered just in time for you to

If you want to register or you have any questions, contact Andrea Fryzowski.



Pinwheel Block Exchange



use BLACK backgrounds on your Blocks

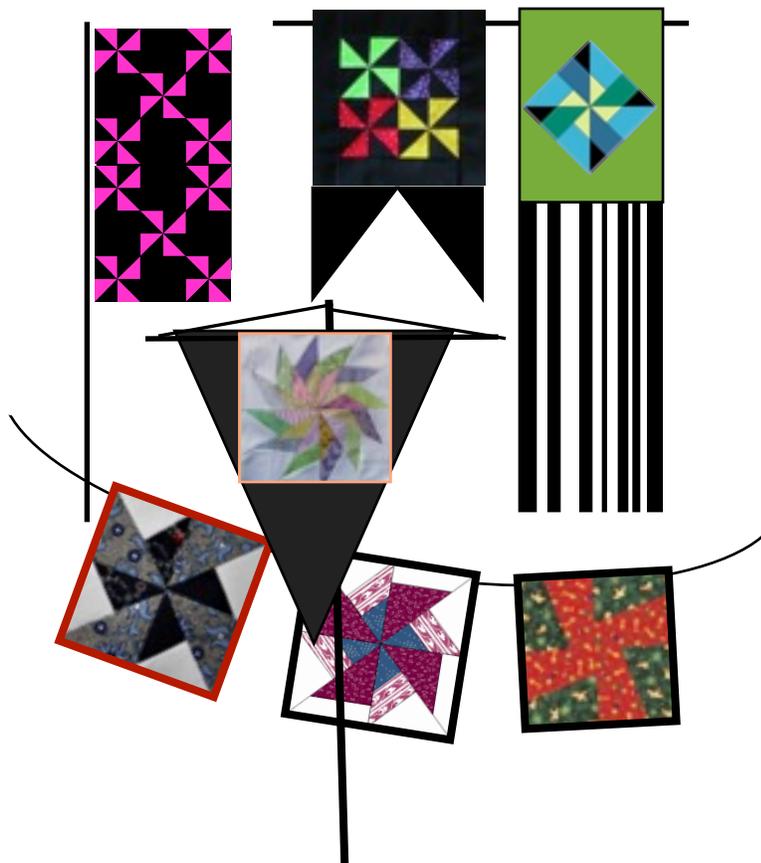
- Select a pinwheel style block design. Other names for pinwheel style blocks are: *windmill, whirligig, propeller, whirlwind*, etc... (You choose the block style but try to avoid making the same block as others in the exchange.)
- Use BRIGHT colors with black as an accent or background color.
- Make twelve 12 ½" (unfinished) blocks.
- ~~Due February 2014.~~ NEW DUE DATE!!! **Now Due MARCH 2014.**

IntraGuild, cont.

Get *DOUBLE VALUE* from your blocks: Consider using the blocks from the Pinwheel Challenge for either the *BANNER CHALLENGE* or the *TABLE CLOTH CHALLENGE*!

Banner Quilt Challenge:

- about 18" wide at top.
- No longer than 48".
- Think about the different styles of banners – square, rectangular, triangular (pennant shaped), etc. Be creative!
- The Quilt Show Committee would like to use these banners to decorate for the “Quilt Parade” Quilt Show. Let’s all get involved & demonstrate our creative quilting abilities!
- Consider using this project as a wall hanging or table runner after the quilt show.
- Due May 2014.



Tablecloth Quilt Challenge

Connie Rafferty is again in charge of our Tea Room at the quilt show. She enlivens the room with borrowed table clothes (under protective plastic) made by our members. If you would like to make a table cloth to loan the Tea Room, here are the guidelines:

- Preferred dimensions: 60" x 60" square.
- Contact the IntraGuild activities committee to sign-up for this challenge and to receive more detailed directions regarding color, block design, etc.
- Due May 2014.



Secret Sister REVEAL PARTY



REVEAL PARTY!! Come early at 6:45pm. Meet in the Lobby of the church. Please bring a thank you card for your Secret Sister. We will reveal the 2012 Secret Sister participants to one another. Thank you! You all were wonderful!!

2013 Secret Sister Activity!! There is still time to sign up and share fun and friendship with another member of the guild. Three times a year: Valentines, Birthday and Favorite Holiday, you will gift your secret sister at a maximum cost of \$15 each time. Find me at the meeting and pickup the signup form, fill it out and return it to me and you are on the way to being a secret sister.

ASSIGNMENTS for 2013 Secret Sister will be given out at the January, 2013 Guild meeting.

Joyce Eisenmenger
Chairperson

Lenore Crawford Workshop: *Fusing and Fabric Painting to Create Realistic Fabric Art*

In this workshop you will begin the designing of a small fused project, using one of Lenore's three patterns (Yellow or Red Poppies; Cone Flowers; new Rose). It will be outlined on freezer paper and then transferred to a background fabric on which the design will be fused. No sewing will be done during the workshop, only the designing and fusing. You will learn how to make your own patterns from your own photos too! Lenore will demonstrate how to add fabric painting to your design to add detail and depth; students will do painting on their own designs in the two day workshops. A \$15 required supplies fee includes patterns by Lenore plus other supplies that she provides.



Lenore Crawford Workshop: 18 -19 April 2014 Trunk Show: 17 April at SRVQG Guild meeting

Lenore is our National Teacher for 2014. She is an extremely talented artist who can show us how to turn a photo into a quilt. She won Best at the 2013 AQS Quilt Show. Google her name and check out her website.

There are a few openings available for Lenore Crawford's workshop. Her lecture and trunk show will be at the Thursday guild meeting (4/17/14) and her workshop will be the following two days.

SRVQG members pay \$100 for the two-day workshop; \$120 for non-guild members. This rate is an extreme value!!! You do not have extra expenses to travel somewhere to take a class. Sign up at the Workshops table at guild meetings or contact me, Lynne Saul.



Lynne Saul, Workshop Chair - 522-5139

the QUILT PARADE

SRVQG 2014 QUILT SHOW

BIG HOT GLORIOUS NEWS!

WE GOT OUR GRANT and then some!

Earlier this month we were awarded an \$1800 grant for the Quilt Carnival (hands-on youth activities) portion of the Quilt Parade show. Although we had only applied for \$1350, the National Quilters Association not only approved our request, but added an additional \$450 to it. They are curious to see what we do with it.

The NQA has requested that we photograph and document our activities so that they can feature us in a subsequent issue of *Quilting Quarterly* magazine. Wow.

Last October we (Quilt Show Committee) talked about creating a school outreach program for 4th

and 5th graders (studying Idaho History and US History, respectively) centered around quilting and quilting activities. Well, that's what Kim and Marsha have been working on for the last month. Kim, a retired teacher, has put together some great lesson plans and Marsha has planned the quilting hands-on activity and kitted out the materials. Letters to the teachers and principals are prepared and go out this week.

Letters to 4-H, scouts, summer schools and daycare providers will invite kids to the Quilt Carnival for hands-on quilting activities and a tour of the show. Those go out this coming week as well. These are the activities that the NQA grant covers.

RAFFLE QUILT: We need to get on the ball selling tickets and showing

Next Full Committee Meeting:

Wed. Feb. 5th at Kim Jockusch's 6:30 PM



the raffle quilt. It is now the second highest priority leading up to the show (the first priority is finishing up all your wonderful quilts so we can show them).

FYI Our local charity is The Snake River Animal Shelter, which will receive 50% of funds raised. The rest supports our guild.

Such a bright, fun, Idaho quilt. The design was created by the gals in the Q-Bees. Good job, Q-Bees!

QUILT RAFFLE TICKETS: The tickets that were printed last year show a drawing date in 2013. Not good. The tickets have been reprinted with a corrected date. The tickets already sold will be honored, but please bring in any unsold tickets and exchange them for the new ones.

See Kimberly Howard at the Guild meeting or give her a call 569-1497.

Quilt Parade Block Contest: \$1

Register for the appliqué and/or the pieced Block Contests. Pick up the rules and the challenge fabric from Sandy Brow

Quilt Parade

Machine Quilting Contest: \$1

Register and pick up the contest rules and material from Kat Blakely. Everyone starts with a printed double wedding ring design and you get to strut your stuff with your quilting .

PLEASE CONSIDER: The NQA is a non-profit group that raises money for quilting grants through the sales of donated small quilts. Sending them some of our quilts would be an appropriate way to both thank NQA and to “pay it forward”. Let’s revisit this after our show, but we will revisit this later. Please keep the NQA in mind while you quilt. - Marsha Nipper, Show co-chair



Here We Have Idaho
SRVQG 2014 raffle quilt
benefits the Snake River Animal Shelter
and supports the guild.



Bonnie Bednar's Letter

When guild member Bonnie Bednar left Idaho for Nebraska, we made her blue and white Jacob's Ladder friendship blocks. This is what she wrote after receiving the blocks in the mail:

"I just wanted to let you know that I got the beautiful "Jacob's Ladder" quilt blocks from you today in the mail and it certainly made my day. They are so gorgeous - please let everyone know who made blocks for me how much I appreciate their efforts. They will make a wonderful quilt, which I will cherish for the rest of my life. I can't tell you how much I appreciate everyone's effort and certainly miss all of you very much.

I send all of you my love; I'm enjoying my new quilt guild, but no Guild will ever replace the friends I've made with all of you. Always keep stitching and be happy with all the fabulous quilting you do. Thanks again, so very much!"

Bonnie