



Quilt Guild

<http://srvquiltguild.org/>

# Snake River Valley Quilt Guild

## January 2018

### 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



#### **January 18, 2018 Meeting Agenda**

- 6:00 Early Bird: Easy to Make, Easy to Give Pillow Cases
- 6:30 Set-up and Social Time
- 7:00 Welcome and Announcements
- 7:25 Show-and-Tell
- 7:55 Break
- 8:10 Education Segment:  
Weighted Quilts with Laura Wallis  
Fidget Quilts with Connie Rafferty  
Quilt Service with Danielle Stimpson
- 8:50 Raffle
- 9:00 Adjourn

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

- \* Jan. 27 Sew-in
- \* Feb. 3 Sew-in
- \* Feb. 15 Guild Meeting

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

#### **“THE AMAZING HEALING POWERS OF UFOs”**

PIGS (Projects In Grocery BagS), PhDs (Projects Half Done), UFOs (Un-Finished Objects). They are a fact of quilting life. Let's refer to them collectively as UFOs. Bins full, closets full, or scattered here and there (for those of us who are afraid to gather them all together because we would find out exactly how many we have), if you have been quilting any length of time you have UFOs. A UFO is created after we have been working on a quilting project for a while and then lose interest, or when life intervenes, or when we see a “squirrel”. A “squirrel” in quilting parlance is often that fabulous new quilt pattern you want to make with those gorgeous new fabrics. It is the “shiny object” that distracts you from the project at hand. For that matter, how may “squirrels” are in your UFO “tower”?

When you encounter your UFOs (perhaps while looking for fabric and supplies to make a “squirrel” quilt) do they look back at you quizzically, pleadingly, wondering when you plan to make them whole? Do they taunt you with the haunting refrains of one of the Camp Fire Girls mission statements: “to always finish what I begin”? For those of you who were Girl Scouts I'm sure there was a similar credo. We don't spend a lot of time talking about UFOs because it can be an uncomfortable subject, reflecting the owner's degree of resolve and ability to focus, but I am here to tell you that there is an important hidden healing energy in all of those abandoned projects. Just ask Marei Montalvo; you may recall her telling us of her plan to complete all of her UFOs, and the various progress reports on how many she has finished to date. (By the way, Marei, what is the latest count?) What an inspiration! The feeling that is generated when a UFO is completed is very empowering and can provide the jolt of energy that can lead to another completed UFO, a clean house, a cure for cancer, world peace, etc. You might be surprised.

Marei's very impressive example is strong encouragement for each of us to tackle our own UFOs to experience the satisfaction of projects completed, but did you know that UFOs offer us even more? Perhaps you have heard the phrase “things happen for a reason”. Do UFOs happen for a reason? You be the judge. A dear friend and fellow quilter has, of late, has been caring for her husband who has a terminal illness. Understandably she spends all of her time with him. She also uses this time to finish many of her UFOs, as the activity helps her efforts to keep a balanced outlook. What a blessing to have that therapeutic activity ready and waiting: projects already started, all of the materials gathered, no decisions to make, just complete the work. While I hope that you address your UFOs under happy circumstances, and are able to complete them all or at least drastically reduce their number, I know that UFOs tend to breed like wire coat hangers in a dark closet. They will always be around, including when you might need them to help you through difficult times.

If you are overwhelmed by the sheer number of your UFOs, why not thin the

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herd? I give you permission! ;- ) Take the time to evaluate each UFO. Be brutally honest and decide if you are realistically ever going to finish the project. If the answer is "No", then pass it along to a friend, donate it to Stash-4-Cash or, if you have a significant investment in the materials, take out an ad in the Guild newsletter and sell it. Maybe the Guild will do some kind of UFO Exchange in the future.

To be sure, UFOs will always be with us, but maybe now we can appreciate them more.

Until the meeting, keep singing!

President SRVQG  
aka Genghis Kahnnie



#### REMINDERS:

**Stash-4-Cash** is just around the corner – our March meeting!!! Please bring your donations to the January and February meetings as Julie and Jill need to organize the items. They will accept items at the March meeting, but would prefer to have them earlier. They will have "bingo" cards available to help give you ideas for donated items.

**Secret Sister:** Our January meeting is the Secret Sister Reveal, and those participating in 2018 will receive their Secret Sister assignments. For 2017 participants, you may want to take this opportunity to honor your Secret Sister (the one to whom you gave gifts in 2017) one last time, and perhaps have a thank-you note or such for the participant who gave you gifts.

## Guild Meeting Program January 18, 2018

### Early Bird

**"Easy to Make,  
Easy to Give Pillow Cases"**

Anyone that wants to follow along can bring:

- 3/4 cut of fabric
- 1/4 cut of fabric (full width for both)
- safety pins or clips for faux stitches

In lieu of the upcoming holiday, I will also be giving out a free pattern for paper pieced hearts. Time permitting I will start demonstrating how to make them.

~ *Danielle Stimpson*

### Education Program

- \* Weighted Quilts with Laura Wallis
- \* Fidget Quilts with Connie Rafferty
- \* Quilted Service with Danielle Stimpson

## 2019 Quilt Show

Don't forget to finish and return the quilt top blocks you picked up from Kat in November.



### Reports

Minutes from the latest guild meeting and the Treasurer's Report will be posted to the website under Resources -> Meeting Minutes.

<http://srvquiltguild.org/resources/meeting-minutes/>

### Quote of the Month

**"Optimism**  
is a happiness magnet.  
If you stay positive,  
good things and good people  
will be drawn to you."

**Save the Date**  
**October 10-14, 2018**  
**Quilt Retreat**

## 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.

### *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 208-524-6230.

*Daydreams Quilt N Sew*  
*802 Pancheri Dr.*  
*208-227-8394*

*Open Sew Every Monday from 10-6pm*

*New Classes: Paper Piecing, Table runners*

*Check out the Classes and Calendar on the website:*

*daydreamsquilts.com*

*Let it snow*

Internationally renowned master appliqué artist to teach in Idaho March 5-9 2018

Registration opens Oct. 2, 2017



A Quilt Heritage Museum Fundraiser

March 5-9, 2018

# SANDRA LEICHNER

Three Appliqué & Embroidery

## WORKSHOPS

in Blackfoot, Idaho

Costs & registration information:

[www.quiltheritagemuseum.org](http://www.quiltheritagemuseum.org)

Sandra Leichner



Botanical Appliqué  
2-day workshop

Mon.-Tues.

March 5-6 **Botanical Appliqué:**

Techniques for realistic flora and fauna. Working with one of Sandra's *Naturalist's Notebook* patterns, you will learn more advanced needle-turn appliqué combined with hand embroidery.

Wed.-Thurs.

March 7-8 **Margarita Block:** Learn hand embroidered thread-play with a layered appliqué block.

Friday

March 9 **Cupcake Block:** Add dimension with a whimsical approach to hand appliqué and embroidery.



Margarita Block - 2-day workshop

Cupcake Block 1-day workshop



## Intraguild Activities

### Stash For Cash

STASH FOR CASH will be held during the March meeting.

We will be collecting items, big and small, at the January and February meetings. We will accept everything sewing and craft related. Be sure to pick up Bingo cards. Donations equal stamps on your Bingo card. If you get a Bingo or a Blackout you will receive tickets for the paper bag drawings.

Stash For Cash has two parts:

1. The paper bag drawings will be for smaller items - you will purchase tickets to place in the paper bag next to that item in hopes that your ticket will be drawn as the winner.
2. The live auction will be for larger/higher value items - we will have live bidding.

Fun will be had by all! All funds raised are for our Guild. Invite your friends and family - non-members are welcome!

### 2018 Activities

Here's what our members voted to participate in for 2018:

1. Block of the Month - we will introduce the BOM at the January meeting. Patterns will be available at the meeting and are available on the website now. (PS: We will have a "support group" starting in February on the Tuesdays before guild meetings. We will gather at Daydreams Quilt N Sew to work on that month's block).
2. Sewing Room Tour - to be held on June 23rd. We will be contacting those who signed up to share their rooms. More details coming soon!
3. Scrappy Challenge - due at July meeting.
4. UFO Challenge / "It's in the bag" Challenge - due at the September meeting.

Please see our website for Activities Challenge details.

### Relay for Life Quilt



Our local Relay for Life, American Cancer Society fundraiser, has asked our guild to make a quilt for their quilt auction in July. They have provided the blocks. We need your help to quilt the blocks. We will be using the quilt-as-you-go method. Please come to the Activities table to sign out a block(s). We provide all materials and instructions.

Thank you!

~ Julie Finnigan and Jill Jensen



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## Brady's Now Has the Full KIMBERBELL Fabric Line



We will also be starting a  
Kimber Bell I dealer-exclusive  
embroidery project of the month





## Community Support

Distribution of Donations from the SRVQG:

- Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Rexburg - 20 twin size quilts.
- The Haven, Idaho Falls - 5 baby quilts, 2 twin and 15 queen quilts.
- Split between The Salvation Army and The Christmas Basket - 44 pillowcases, 34 Stockings, 9 doll quilts, 5 dolls and 2 laundry baskets full of stocking stuffers like deodorant, toothbrushes, shaving cream, razors, soaps, lotions, games, candy, nuts and gum, toys etc. etc. etc.

Thank you all so much for your generous donations of time and materials. We had a GREAT year.

When I went to Sleep in Heavenly Peace, they were so happy and very appreciative, it made me want to do MORE. So, this year I want to **concentrate on twin size quilts.**

I will have crackerjack sacks to pass out at guild meeting. One of them will have a retreat pass worth \$85. ALL of them contain prizes.

Have a happy New Year!

~ Kat

## Secret Sister

**Secret Sisters:** It's January and that means a year ending for Secret Sisters and new beginning. Meet your 2017 Secret Sister and thank her for all those little thoughtful touches over the past year, and receive a little extra something for participating and making Secret Sisters a success.

Pam Noonan is the facilitator for 2018 Secret Sisters and will be handing out new assignments. All the fun stuff happens at the January Guild Meeting! See you there.

~ Marsha Nipper

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**Secret Sisters is a Getting-To-Know-You activity.**

You will be a secret GIVING sister to a person whose name you will be given and a GETTING sister to another person whose name you will not know.

**Getting Sisters** try to guess the identity of the person who gives to them. They will find out who she is at Guild in January 2019.

**Giving Sisters** leave small anonymous gifts or challenges for their known sister on the Secret Sisters Table. You may offer clues about yourself. Gifts are usually under \$10 and do not have to be about quilting. Use your imagination.

**DATES:** You will give to your known Secret Sister a minimum of six times a year starting in February 2018.

1. For her favorite holiday
2. In her birthday month
3. In March for National Quilting Day (March 18)

Sign-up sheets will be available at the guild meeting and in this newsletter.

~ Pam Noonan

## Sew-In

**Blooming Nine Patch**

**Saturday, January 27, 2018**

**Saturday February 3, 2018**

**Instructor: Dianne Cresap**

**Location: See at sign-up.**



Fabric selection on January 27, with quilt construction on February 3. The pattern can be found in the book Tradition with a Twist.

Bring a sack lunch.

~ Emily Fogg



**2018 Blackfoot Quilt Fest!**

**April 6th & 7th 2018**  
**Snake River Jr High School**

<http://blackfootquiltfest.com/>

Follow Blackfoot Quilt Fest on Facebook for the most up-to-date information.

# Sew Cool News

Sew Cool is the guild's youth auxiliary and has 18 children currently signed up, We meet the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month from 4 - 7 PM at the Good Samaritan home on Elva Street.

Many of the children are completing their quilt tops, and excitement is in the air! Last month we made "Santa" hats and wore them when we distributed handmade gifts to the residents of the Good Samaritan Home. The children were met with surprise, smiles and great appreciation. THANK YOU to those guild members who helped us complete the 45 trifolds needed for the residents. We distributed most of them, and left the last few for new incoming residents. We couldn't have done this without you!!

Contact Kim Jockusch at [youth@srvquiltguild.org](mailto:youth@srvquiltguild.org) for more information. Contact Marsha Nipper to add your name to the volunteer schedule.

~ Kim Jockusch

Behind  
the  
Seams  
Quilt Guild

## Bag Basics Class

**January 20, 2018**  
**8:30am setup 9:00am class**  
**Rigby Senior Center**  
**Cost: \$30.00**

Includes; Interfacing, bottom reinforcement, black handles and lunch

Registration  
Deadline Jan. 12th

Bags will be finished in class.



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# SECRET SISTERS

**SIGN UP TODAY!** The new season begins with the January guild meeting.

You will be gifting your Secret Sister at least SIX times a year including:

1. Their birthday
2. Their favorite season or holiday
3. In March for National Quilting Day (March 17th)

Pam Noonan,  
Secret Sister Facilitator  
313-0549  
[secretsisters@srvquiltguild.org](mailto:secretsisters@srvquiltguild.org)

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Birthday:

Favorite season or holiday:

1. What kind of quilting do you enjoy? (for instance, hand work? Machine or hand appliqué? Long arm quilting? Paper piecing? Fusing? Traditional? Other?)

2. What kind of quilt techniques do you want to try? i.e. Flange binding? Art Quilting? Wool Appliqué? Paper piecing? Pieced borders? Other?

3. What fabrics do you like? Brights? Thirties prints? Batiks? Riley Blake? Hoffman? Kaffe Fassett? Civil War? Others?

4. What types of non-quilting activities do you enjoy? Hobbies? Sumo Wrestling? Reading? Conducting a philharmonic orchestra?

5. If you could, what would you most like to do?

- A. Travel to the Moon or Mars
- B. Visit New York to see a Broadway play
- C. Go to Paducah or Road To California quilt show.

6. Are you a member of an SRVQG quilting bee? Which one(s)?

## SRVQG 2017-2018 BOARD

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## SNAKE RIVER VALLEY QUILT GUILD MEMBERSHIP

<http://srvquiltguild.org/about/membership/>

Annual dues are:

- Adults - \$25
- Youth - \$5

Please see the membership desk at each  
Monthly Meeting to sign up!

Benefits of membership include:

- Quarterly Sew-Ins
- Reduced Fees for Workshops
- Annual Quilting Retreat
- Access to the Guild Library

Bring your dues to Guild meeting or send to:  
Wendy Schoonmaker  
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Ammon, ID 83406

*(Checks should be made to SRVQG.)*

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last day of each month !***