



Spokane Valley Quilters Guild

January/February 2007

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Scraps of Wisdom

General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, 2007 • Meeting will start at 7:00 pm, 6:30 social hour - Valley Assembly of God

February Program: Round Robin

Our program for February will be presented as a Round Robin demonstration showcasing various quilting skills, tips, and tricks. Topic suggestions received from our December meeting attendees were reviewed and several of our members have agreed to share their expertise.

The demonstrations are being planned to include the following topics: "Y" seams,

Binding techniques, paper piecing, and how to have multiple seam joints lay flat.

Our Guild is comprised of many knowledgeable and talented individuals, however, there is always something new to learn or be improved upon. I hope all February meeting attendees will find this Round Robin helpful and informative as well as enjoyable!! See you all at the February meeting.

Community Sew Days

Thanks to all of our members, what a good group you are.

I am so pleased to have turned in 80 quilts, 65 stockings, 6 pillowcases and some food to the Valley Center. It was nice of them to come out to my home and pick up the items.

My Sew Day for **February is the 20th** from

10 - 5 at the Argonne Library. We will be putting quilts together, however, you may cut blocks or sew on anything you like. Come when you can, leave when you like. Thanks again, please call 226-4639 for directions. Check the website for new Sew Days. Alvina Babcock, Community Service

SVQG Website

For those of you who are new and for those of you aren't and have just forgotten, we have a great website where you can see the latest news, event information and updated

class times and topics. You can download the newsletter and see the show and tell galleries in color. Check us out, you'll like it.

February Goodies

Board members will be bringing the goodies this month

Meeting Times & Location

Meetings held on the first Tuesday of February, April, June, August, October and December at 7:00 pm at the **Valley Assembly of God, 15618 E. Broadway, Spokane Valley, WA.**

Mission Statement

Our common interest in quilting brings us together to befriend and encourage each other, to share ideas and skills to gain knowledge of our craft by providing a comprehensive library and experienced teachers, and to participate in community service projects.

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Minutes for December 2006 Meeting

It is our Christmas Party for the Spokane Valley Quilters Guild.

We have some Care Quilts that need to be handed out this evening. The recipients are Mary Ellen Thompson, Joanne Meany, Pat Hart and Loraine Bryant.

Please check the website for classes and sew days that are coming up.

Jane Anderson needs new venues for selling raffle tickets. The board has discussed this and some of the options may be to raise the dues or have all members take 2 books of tickets and sell them themselves.

The newsletter things need to be to Elizabeth Casteel sooner.

Hospitality Donita would like to thank all of us that participated in bringing the refreshments when they were supposed to. For the February meeting the board members will be responsible for the treats.

If any of us need to get a hold of some of the other members please call Kathy Kjeldaard or e-mail Elizabeth Casteel. They can get the message out or get a message to that member.

The new officers for the next year (2007) will be as follows:

President – Deanna Griffith

Vice President – Debbie Holmes

Secretary – Shirley Schoenleber

Historians – Pat Hart and Chantelle Cox

Parliamentarian – Marilyn Sweet

The Golden Thimble for this month is Madora Parmentier.

Labels are needed for Care Quilts. Marilyn Sweet to get those done.

We had a great show and tell show by the members and I would like to thank all of those that took the time to show the quilts that they have been working on. They were all beautiful. GREAT JOB!

Deanna presented the presidents quilt to Ruth Eckersley. It really turned wonderful.

This is the end to a wonderful year of fun and learning from each other. I hope this will continue in the next year.

At the January 2, 1007 VQQG board meeting the following budget was approved and recommended for your vote at the February membership meeting. The bank balance on hand 12/31/05 was \$2620.79. The balance 2/31/06 was \$3317.07.

2007 BUDGET

INCOME

Classes		\$320
Fund Raising:		
cook book sales	\$100	
raffle quilt	\$2500	
newsletter ads	\$100	
		Total \$2700
Membership Dues		\$1500
Membership pins		\$50
Bank interest		\$1
Reserves		\$819

TOTAL INCOME \$ 5390

EXPENSES

Block Exchange		\$20
Care Quilts		\$100
Class Expenses		\$350
Community Service:		
Kindred Spirits QS	\$300	
Quilters Newsletter	\$25	
Other gifts	\$300	
		Total \$625
Door Prizes		\$100
Fabric Exchange		\$20
Historian		\$50
Hospitality		\$250
Hostess		\$10
Library		\$250
Membership Expenses		\$100
Membership badges		\$75
Newsletter		\$800
Parliamentarian		\$10
President's Fund:		
Administration	\$300	
PNWG Assn.	\$25	
Golden Thimble	\$25	
		Total \$450
Raffle Quilt		\$10
Secretary		\$100
Sunshine Club		\$100
Treasurer:		
Administration	\$50	
Bank charges	\$15	
Meeting room	\$600	
P.O. box	\$55	
		Total \$720
Vice President		
Programs	\$500	
President gift	\$400	
		Total \$900
Website		\$100

TOTAL EXPENSES \$5390



President's Message

Well, here it is time for my first newsletter article and I am thinking, now what do

I say? Ok, so what do you know about me? Nothing. I am 47 (ha, you thought I was older didn't you?), married 27 years, I have 2 boys, I ride a Harley Davidson motorcycle, I work full time for the City of Spokane Valley, I am a fairly poor quilter as well as a long arm quilter. and I have been a quilt guild member for 2.5 years. My favorite color is red, I love snowmen and the Wizard of Oz and for everyone of you that comes up to me at the February meeting and can tell me something they didn't know about me before, I will give you a Hershey bar. (Just so I know you are reading the newsletter really) Ok, enough of that mess.

Can you believe Ruth Ann's year is over? Thank you to Ruth Ann for a wonderful year as our 2006 President, you lead us well. We have a big year ahead of us now. Another beautiful raffle quilt to sell, and please everyone pitch in and sell tickets to help make our raffle quilt successful. The Kindred Spirits Outdoor Quilt Show needs lots and lots of our help from selling raffle tickets, items for the Bizarre Bazaar, to helping to guard quilts during the day, any and all arms, legs and hands are

welcome. I will have the President's Challenge fabric ready for the February meeting and I am looking forward to some extra special things from my really creative quilt sisters.

Please remember to use the Guild website www.svqg.info for updates on information about things going on with Guild events. This is a great resource for all of us. Sew Days and meeting times and places are always posted there as well as phone numbers if you have any questions. Our Show and Tell pictures are posted there as well. Want to go back and see what Bonnie's last quilt looked like? find it there. Please do not hesitate to reach any board member if you have questions about anything that is going on. We are hoping for some great classes and programs to enlighten and enrich our quilting skills, and a few other fun things thrown in the middle.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the returning board members who will continue to guide and assist me in getting through this year. I also want to welcome all of the new board members who have taken on the challenge of accepting a turn on our the board to help us grow. New faces bring new ideas, returning members bring us stability and we all need both. Thank you to everyone for all of your support. I look forward to my year of learning and growing.

Sincerely, Deanna 928-7608, or 979-4583 cell

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Reminder

It is once again time to pay your dues.

Dues can either be paid in person at the February meeting or you may mail me a check for \$10.00 made out to SVQG. My address is: Sandy Bowe, P.O. Box 392 Valleyford, WA 99036

Calendar

January 16th

Kindred Spirits QS Planning Meeting

5:00 p.m. Call Belinda for location - 535-6832

February 6

General Meeting

Round Robin - 7:00 p.m.

February 20

Community Sew Day

10 -5 at the Argonne Library

Meeting for Vanessa Behan Raffle Quilt

The raffle quilt for the Kindred Spirits Outdoor Quilt Show to benefit the Vanessa Behan Crisis Nursery, is in the making in fact the top is done and is going to be quilted this month. So we are ahead of time.

Ethel Schuerman did a great job of doing the applique on the quilt.

Also we are having a meeting for the KSOQS January 16th, Tuesday at 5:00.

We keep the meeting to 1 hour. So everyone can get home to their families.

Anyone who wants to help organize are welcomed to come and participate.

We have a great time and a good way to get to know your sister quilter.

Thanks to all of you.

Keep on Stitchin'

BeLinda

Small Groups

Tuesday Thimbles meet every Tuesday, 9 to 1 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 26th and Pines. They work on their own quilts as well as many community service projects. Bring a sack lunch.

Ladies of the Lake meet first Fridays, 12:30 to 3 pm. Call Leslie Norman, 255-1188.

Valley Spoolers meet 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7 to 9 pm, in the upstairs craft room at Broadway Court Estates, 13505 E. Broadway. Call Susie Schmidt, 928-2595, if you're interested.

Valley Assembly Quilters: This group meets Mondays except holidays, 9-11 a.m. It's not just for members of Valley Assembly of God. All are welcome. Contact Jayneta Butler, 926-8363.

S.V.Q.G. Cares About You!

During the past year our CARE quilt program has been received by the guild with open arms and hearts. During 2006 we gave out 15 care quilts to sister quilters who were going through some rough and tough times. Brain cancer, shoulder surgery, chronic illness, bowel cancer, a broken ankle and leg surgery. Losing loved ones; husbands, sisters, mothers and fathers and life changing situations when a newly wed's husband had a stroke.

During these times of sadness and fear our sister quilters have pulled together and volunteered to make

some of the sweetest quilts that say it all for us, "we care about you!" The thank notes from the recipients are truly heart warming. And I want to say, one more time, Thank you! for all of your help with this project.

Since January has already slipped away from me I do have intentions of a sew day in February to assemble as many quilt tops as possible. With your help we will continue to take care of each other on those dark and scary days. There will be an email sent out announcing the date. Stay tuned! Happy New Year!! Karyn Monroe

Library News

Many thanks to all who responded to my request for more library helpers. Starting this February you will find Madora Parmentier, Debbie Tupling, and Jennee Tupling behind the tables, setting up books and checking them out.

It's a pleasure to do this work for the guild. In this age of cyberspace much information is available on the web, but there is no comparison between a web

site, no matter how sophisticated, and a good book in your hands.

For many centuries quilters had to learn their craft from each other. In the last several decades we've been blessed to have the work and techniques of the finest quilters available in book form. Our hands reach for our favorites at midnight and beyond, when it's too late to call another quilter (though she would

understand!) and ask for advice. Our eyes study the photographs and diagrams over and over, til the tasks become familiar and we can do what we're trying to do. So here's to the quilters who have shared with us their wisdom, here's to the companies who have produced their books for us to use and love, and here's to the new year, full of quilts waiting to become reality! Keep reading, keep stitching!

Quilts of Valor

Quilts of Valor (QOV) are a way to show honor and to give support to our physically, psychologically and spiritually wounded service members who have fought in the Iraq and Afghanistan arenas. These quilts send a caring, positive message and do make a difference in the lives of our American military.

The Tuesday Thimbles have been working on QOV quilts for quite a while, and with their contributions, we have mailed 40 quilts to 3 different destinations in support of our wounded heroes. You can join the Tuesday Thimbles on the 3rd

Tuesday at 9:30 am or work on your own. Please think about joining us in this worthwhile cause. Let's cover all of our wounded military with QOV. Of the 52874 wounded (Iraq and Afghanistan), the group has covered 7454 (12/01/06).

We have many different donations of fabric also, so if you need fabric for your QOV, give us a call first.

There are different ways to get involved making a QOV

1. *Make a quilt-top with a backing.*
2. *Machine or hand quilt a QOV top. Don't worry about piecing because all you have to do is quilt.*

3. *Create labels.*

4. *Sew on bindings.*

5. *Donate funds to the QOV non-profit foundation to offset the costs of making and shipping QOVs. You'll be the "rear-echelon" support.*

6. *Help organize the mailing of the finished QOV.*

Let one of us know how you would like to help with this project. Call or e-mail either Wanda @ 926-7002 or wandaquilter@comcast.net or Faye @ 928-6610 or rfkrenkel@icehouse.net. Or visit the Quilts of Valor Foundation site @ www.qovf.org

Fabric Exchange/Lottery: How It Works

How the Fabric Exchange and Lottery Work:

At each general meeting members may participate in either (or both) a fabric exchange or a fabric lottery. To participate in the fabric exchange, a member places designated size and number of specified color or type of fabric (i.e. all pinks, or all Civil War reproduction type prints, etc.) concealed in an envelope. She may enter one or several envelopes. At the general meeting the member puts her

envelopes in the "pool" and may take an equal number for herself.

To participate in the fabric lottery, the member brings a specified number, and type of fabrics. This year we will be trying something different and bring fat quarters. They are placed in a stack. For each group of fabrics she enters, she may enter her name in a drawing. The drawing takes place

at the break in the general meeting. The member whose name is drawn receives the entire stack of fabric.

Fabric Exchange

Let's put five red or white prints/solids cut into 6 1/2" inch squares in a sealed envelope. Remember, for every envelope you bring you trade for someone else's.

Fabric Fat Quarter Lottery

Bring green fat quarters. For every fat quarter you bring you'll enter your name in the drawing. Good Luck!



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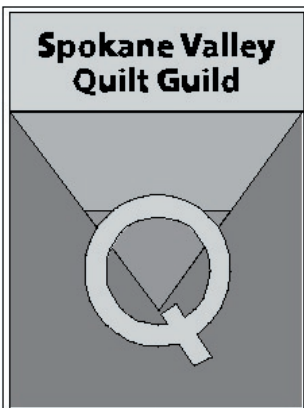


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