

Membership Meeting Minutes, Cont'd.

Fair Booth Chair Kim Barr said we still have a lot of blank slots for members to work at the Fair Booth. We really need people to sign up to work a shift or two, please contact Betty Parks to sign up. The committee members gave some tips for working the booth. There will be drawings for prizes at the October membership meeting using the tickets given when donations for the Fair Booth were turned in - thank you for all you have donated!

Education Committee Chair Marcia Harlamert announced there are still slots available for the Saturday (August 9) appliqué class with Connie Sue Haidle.

Debbie Hudson gave a brief explanation of *CASA* (Court Appointed Special Advocates) and said their quilt auction to raise funds to support *CASA* is Saturday, November 29 at the University Mall in Anchorage. Deadline to submit quilts for the auction is November 15 at noon. Quilts can be turned in at any of the local quilt shops.

Unfinished Business

The September 4 Membership meeting will include visits from three other Guilds: Anchorage Log Cabin Quilters, Chugach Mountain Quilters, and Anchorage Modern Quilters. They will have tables set up to highlight their Guild and will bring guests, plus they will bring some of their Fair Show and Tell quilts, which we will hang along one side of the room and our Show and Tell items on the other side. They will have a few minutes each to tell us about their Guild and we will have a very short business meeting, only covering urgent or time sensitive issues so we will have more time to spend getting to know the folks from the other Guilds. We need people to bring "hearty appetizers" for refreshments. Signup sheet is on the back table.

New Business

President Marcia Healy was contacted by the City of Palmer regarding use of the Palmer Train Depot in January, 2015. They will be working on the sprinkler system and doing electrical work, which will require closing of the Depot for the month of January. We will be looking for another place to hold our Membership meeting and Open Sew.

The Guild now has an AccuquiltGo machine (generously donated by Dawn Webster), which will be managed by the Service committee, as they will use it the most. However, members will also be able to use it on Open Sew days after they take training on the use of the machines. Training will be provided free of charge.

Our Valley Quilters Guild calendars will be available for sale at the State Fair. It was mentioned perhaps the cost would be \$8.00 for members and \$10.00 at the Fair. That will be discussed and decided by the Board at their next meeting on August 14.

There were Library books for sale on a table in the back.

The Business meeting was closed and after a short break, Connie Sue Haidle of Apple Blossom Quilts gave a trunk show of her various patterns and several tips as well.

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Announcements

Grant Chair Elaine Fergen said the grant application period opened August 1. Grants are for Alaska teachers to teach a curriculum unit on fiber arts.

Donations for the Fair Booth will be accepted through 5 p.m. Saturday, August 9, at Sylvia's Quilt Depot and Just Sew (don't bring them to Open Sew, as Connie Sue Haidle is conducting a class that day).

Our next Membership meeting is September 4, with the three other Guilds visiting our meeting. We will also be collecting school supplies at the meeting for the teachers who are members of our Guild.

After Show and Tell, we had our usual drawings, with the following winners:

Blocks - Ann Davis

Fat Quarters - Betty Parks, Ann Davis

Door Prizes (furnished by Glenda Cross) - Julie Wilcox, Peggy Benson, Amanda Leonard, Carol Bennett, and Joyce Fish

The Raffle Basket was from Quilt Zone and was won by Cindy Montague.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary.

Board Meeting Minutes August 14, 2014

President Marcia Healy called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the MTA meeting room. Those present were: President Marcia Healy, Vice President Glenda Cross, Treasurer Judy Foster, Secretary Ann Davis, Historian Lisa Chambers, Parliamentarian Cat Thompson, Librarian Roseann Chalker, Education Chair Marcia Harlamert, Service Chair Patty Livingston, Grant/Raffle Chair Elaine Fergen, and Technology Advisors Julie Wilcox and Jessica Salter.

Glenda Cross made a motion to accept the minutes of the July 10 Board meeting, Judy Foster seconded, the motion passed.

Unfinished Business

We discussed the September 4 Membership meeting, which will include three other quilt guilds visiting with us. We decided to write an agenda on the easel so everyone could see how the meeting would proceed, as we will have a very short business meeting so we can spend more time with our guests. Also, that meeting will include Fair Show and Tell quilts, so we will hang those along the walls (like we normally do with service quilts). That way the quilter can go stand by their quilt during show and tell, which should save time. We also want to clarify that the fat quarter and block drawings are only for VQG members, but the raffle basket is open to anyone who wants to buy a ticket. Lisa Chambers said she has twelve people signed up to bring hearty appetizers.

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Marcia Healy asked for suggestions and volunteers to help with the Palmer Art Walk for October, November and December. In November, we are sponsoring an old, decorated sewing machine. Marcia has the machine and some ideas of how to decorate it, if anyone wants to help. In December, we need to make a wall hanging, which will be hung in the museum during Colony Christmas for members of the community to "sew" on to help finish it. When completed, it will be given to our Sister City Saroma, Japan. The theme is Historic Palmer. Some suggestions for blocks include the VQG logo, Palmer water tower, the Palmer Depot, old barns, the Colony Inn, the Borough building, and Pioneer Peak. Glenda Cross, Jessica Salter, and Julie Wilcox said they would help. Marcia will put a paragraph in the newsletter to see if people are interested in working on this.

Judy Foster noted that she contacted each of the Board members by email and asked for a vote of whether to keep the guild dues at \$35 for renewals and \$40 for new members for 2015. The Board voted in favor of this and it was also approved by the membership at the August 7 membership meeting.

New Business

Marcia Healy received a new lease for the fair booth from Jeff and Debra Carney, which was read. The main change is that the new lease will stay in effect until one or both parties don't want to renew. Judy Foster will check with our insurance provider to make sure the wording in the lease covers us adequately. Glenda Cross made a motion to agree to the new lease, Lisa Chamber seconded, motion passed.

We discussed the price for the 2015 Guild calendars and agreed to leave the price at \$8.00 each. We have 100 on hand to sell at the Fair Booth and can order more if needed. Julie Wilcox and Jessica Salter created a cleaned up version of our logo and would like to post it on the new website, so people can download it from there and all be using the same one. They also made up flyers to hand out at the Fair Booth giving the instructions for signing up with Fred Meyer and Amazon for the community rewards program. Judy Foster will send Fred Meyer a thank you note for their participation in this program.

Marcia Healy asked for someone to coordinate the school supply collection at the September 4 Membership meeting. It was suggested that one of the teachers coordinate this, and put an article in this month's newsletter regarding what kind of supplies they need. This activity is for teachers and teacher's aides who are Valley Quilters Guild members.

We have been notified that the Palmer Depot will be closed during January 2015, so we will look for another venue to hold our Membership meeting. Because of having to haul the equipment we use at Open Sew somewhere else, we decided to cancel Open Sew in January.

Parliamentarian Cat Thompson has been contacting members to see if they are interested in running for one of the offices coming up for re-election in October. She has found at least one person to run for each office, but would like to have more interest.

Julie Wilcox and Jessica Salter gave a demonstration of the new website. It should be live next week sometime. Once up and running, members will be able to pay dues, camp and retreat fees on line with credit cards. Julie and Jessica will do a demonstration at the October Membership meeting.

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Mail/Announcements/Suggestions

We received a letter from the Palmer Chamber of Commerce asking people to create a piece of art to be auctioned off (money going to the Chamber of Commerce). This is an individual artist function, not a Guild function. Theme is Pioneer Peak.

Marcia Healy said she will be speaking at the MatSu Women's Connection meeting on Monday, August 18, at Evangelo's. She will be promoting the Guild.

Judy Foster made a motion to adjourn, Lisa Chambers seconded, meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ann Davis, Secretary.

Board Members

<u>President</u> - Marcia Healy	president@valleyquiltersguild.com
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<u>Parliamentarian</u> - Cat Thompson	parliamentarian@valleyquiltersguild.com

Committee Reports

FAIR BOOTH:

The fair booth committee would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for all the beautiful items donated to this year's booth. Members really stepped up to the challenge of providing more bed size quilts, and it should pay off. Early sales are very positive!

And where would we be without the volunteers who work a shift or two in the booth? Only with the help of everybody can we pull this off. Thank you, thank you!

By the way, if you are working a late shift, be sure to bring a flashlight to help with closing up. Nights are definitely getting darker.

SALE: keep in mind that prices will be reduced the last two days of the fair. For Sunday, Aug 31 and Monday, Sep 1, prices of everything over \$5 will be reduced by 25%, with the exception of calendars. So come to the fair and take advantage of some great deals!

We will hold the drawing for prizes to people who donated items (remember the white tickets?) at the October 2 guild meeting. Need not be present to win.

Thank you again for helping with the 2014 Fair Booth!

SERVICE COMMITTEE:

Sept. Meeting Day - NO WORK SESSION FOR SERVICE

If possible, please return Christmas quilt kits, whatever stage you are working on, at the September meeting. The Christmas quilts will need to go out again for quilting and/or binding so that they can all be completed for presentation in November.

Patty Livingston will conclude her term as Service Chairperson this December. She has served 3 years. Anyone interested in taking over as Chair can contact Patty for more information about what is involved in chairing this most important committee. Service is one of the Guild's biggest community outreach programs.

In August Service donated 29 quilts to various community organizations.

GRANT COMMITTEE:

The Grant Committee will be meeting on Sat. Sept. 13 at 1:00 PM, during Open Sew, in the back room. All committee members should plan on attending. Our Out-going Grant application period is now open and we need to get the word out! Please notify Elaine Fergen of your ability to attend at wylqtr@mtaonline.net

EDUCATION:

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Kids Can Quilt

www.quilterscache.com or www.sewmanyblocks.com

Fabric A – Small Kid Print

Fabric B – White



2014 SCHEDULE CLASSES AND SPECIAL EVENTS

October 2 – Mystery Quilt Showing and Drawing
 October 11 – Quilting 103 – Ruth Sielaff, Instructor
 November 6 – Brown Bag Challenge Projects Exchanged
 December 4 – Education Chairman Challenge Quilts Displayed
 December 6 – **NEW CLASS** – Quick Christmas Gifts
 Watch October Newsletter for more information.

LIBRARIAN:

The list of books that have lost their way home is below. The books/items that do find their way home will be removed from the published list for the month of October. I want to thank those of you who returned your books or helped with the inventory. I couldn't have done it without your help!

Name of item Borrowers Name Date Borrowed Category Published
 AS OF 7/3/14:

Perfect Quilting Space	Arial Herman	2/7/13	Misc	
Helens Mixed Quilt Patterns DVD 3/12	Nancy Moore	11/1/12	Hand Quilting	
Helens Print and Use Patterns DVD 3/12	Shelly Libby	11/1/12	Machine	
Ocean Waves	Luci Smeenk	3/4/10	Traditional	1995
Name - Unknown	Nancy Moore	5/6/10	Baby???	
Start with Squares	Luci Smeenk	12/3/09	Misc	2004
Small Mini Stamps	Susan Gunther	12/8/10		
Strip Pieced Quilts	Laura Milazzo	1/6/11	Strip Piece	2005
Miniatures from the Heart	Laura M.			
Twist and Turn	Laura M.			
Piecing Workshop	Laura M.			
Quilts for Kay Rose	Tami	10/7/10	Misc.	1999
Friendship Blocks	Ann Davis	7/9/11	Book Col.	2001
#28	Joyce Fish	12/3/99	Stencil	
Stash Buster Quilts	Kathy Lunning	8/2/12	Scrappy	
Half-Log Cabin	Laura M.	1/6/11	Trad.l.c.	1996

AS OF 12/5/08:

Just Can't Cut It	Berdie Gehring	3/8/08	Misc.	2003
Say It With Quilts	Berdie Gehring			1997
Clever Quilts	Berdie Gehring			2006

Overdue from when Sabrina Sheldon was Librarian..

Mariners Compass Quilts	Ree Moffit			
Stenils #71, 57, 21	Morgan Cogswell			
From a Quilter's Garden	Rhonda Smith			
Thimbleberries Quilt Book	Sharon Hillstrom	(Which One?)		

Treasurer's Report: July 2014

INCOME		EXPENSES			
Dues	\$ 70.00	Depot Cleaning	\$ 100.00	Checking-June 30, 2014	\$6,770.60
Classes	143.00	Storage Unit	70.00	Income	\$ 225.79
Fines-No Name tags	2.50	Name tags	21.00	Expenses	<u>\$1,157.06</u>
Table Rental	10.00	Fair repairs/supplies	20.02	Checking-July 31, 2014	\$5,839.33
Interest	.29	P. O. Box Rent	154.00	Savings-July 31, 2014	\$ 7,780.40
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 225.79	Admin Supplies & Copying	72.50	Details, year-to-date, & budget info available upon request from Judy Foster, Treasurer.	
		Miscellaneous	439.48	JFoster 8/2/2014	
		Service	<u>280.06</u>		
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,157.06		

Information & Misc.

FONS & PORTER *Love of Quilting* SUBSCRIPTIONS

When you start or renew a subscription to the *Love of Quilting* magazine for \$20 through the Guild, \$5 of your subscription fee remains with the Guild through a special arrangement that F & P has with Guilds. Please see Judy Foster at a meeting for details.

DONATIONS FROM RETAILERS

Thank you to the Guild members who have registered to participate in the Fred Meyer Community Rewards program and Amazon donations program. Your participation really does matter. We have received our first donation from Fred Meyer!!! If you have not registered to participate, please go to www.fredmeyer.com and designate the Valley Quilters Guild as your charity to receive funds. At the bottom of the page under Company Information, click on Community Rewards and follow the instructions. If you shop at Amazon.com, please go to smile.amazon.com, log in with your Amazon.com information, and designate the Guild in "Your Account" section. Both businesses donate an amount to the charity of your choice without your paying anything extra.

GUILD MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2015

In accordance with the By-Laws, the members voted at the August meeting to have the same dues for 2015 as this year: \$35 for renewing members and \$40 for new members. I will start accepting your dues at the October meeting. If you are at least 65 years old and have been a Guild member for at least ten consecutive years, you are eligible for Life Membership and do not have to pay dues. Please let Kathy Buirge or Judy Foster know if you qualify. However, we are happy to continue accepting your dues or donation in lieu of dues!

Judy Foster, Treasurer

RESERVING TABLES FOR SALE ITEMS DURING GUILD & OPEN SEWS:

A table can be rented for \$10 during Guild meetings or Open Sew to sell quilts or quilt- or craft-related items by contacting Judy Foster, 746-0991 or jfoster@mtaonline.net. Tables may be rented during Guild Membership meetings in April, November, and possibly August. They may also be rented during any of the scheduled Open Sew dates except Saturday, August 9. Due to special programs or potlucks, tables are not available during the other months this year.

DOG BEDS: The animal shelter does not want to accept cat or dog beds that are not constructed to withstand their industrial washing machine and dryer. So, I will not be making very many beds and will need the amount of leftover fabric being brought in to stop. I guess I can only accept larger pieces of batting at this time.

Lynsey Ryan

ADS IN THE NEWSLETTER

If you'd like to place an ad in the newsletter: The prices are: \$5.00 one line / \$10.00 1/4 page / \$15.00 1/2 page / \$20.00 full page. You need to pay the treasurer, Judy Foster, at treasurer@valleyquiltersguild.com, and then get your copy and proof of payment to the newsletter editor, Linda Rudolph, at newsletter@valleyquiltersguild.com Thank you!

*Info is due by the third Wednesday of the month.

THINGS TO BRING...

- 1 Name Tag
- 2 Fat Quarters – Blues
- 3 Block of the Month
- 4 Service Items

May your bobbin always be full!

Committee Chairs

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HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

Linda Cole
Norma Connell
Ann Davis
Judy Foster
Lynn Gronlund
Cindy Montague
Lois Munford
Jessica Salter
Gloria Snodgrass
Jodi Sutton
Jayne Wilcox

**And to all other members whose
birthdays are not listed!
If we missed your day, let Kathy
Buirge know your birth date so it
can be added to the roster. ☺**

Calendar of Events 2014

September 4th: Membership Meeting – Visiting
Guilds will be attending

September 11th: Board Meeting 6:30 pm, MTA
meeting room downstairs

September 13th: Open Sew 10am – 12 midnight

October 2nd: Membership Meeting – Annual
Meeting, elections, potluck, presentation by
Historian

October 9th: Board Meeting 6:30 pm, MTA
meeting room downstairs

October 11th: Open Sew 10am - 12 midnight

October 16-19th: Fall Quilting Retreat – Camp
Maranatha

November 6th: Membership Meeting – Sheila
Crum – How to prepare your quilt for the
longarm

November 8: Open Sew 10am – 12 midnight

November 13th: Board Meeting 6:30, MTA
meeting room downstairs