

Committee Reports

Service Committee

LONG ARM QUILTERS NEEDED: Getting a quilt finished, start to end, is a wonderful achievement. The whole process takes longer for Guild Service quilts because we have so many people helping with the process. Ladies have their favorite part: piecing, borders, binding, quilting. Not many members can quilt larger sized quilts on their small home machines. That's where long-armers come into the picture. Service is in need of long arm quilters. If you could quilt 1 a year, 2 year, 1 a quarter, 1 a month, any long arm quilting would be appreciated. All materials are provided, except thread. No binding is required. No time limit imposed. If you would like to discuss how to help, just talk to Patty, 354-0919.

MARCH MEETING DAY – THERE WILL BE a work session for Service prior to the March General Membership Meeting starting at 1:00 p.m.

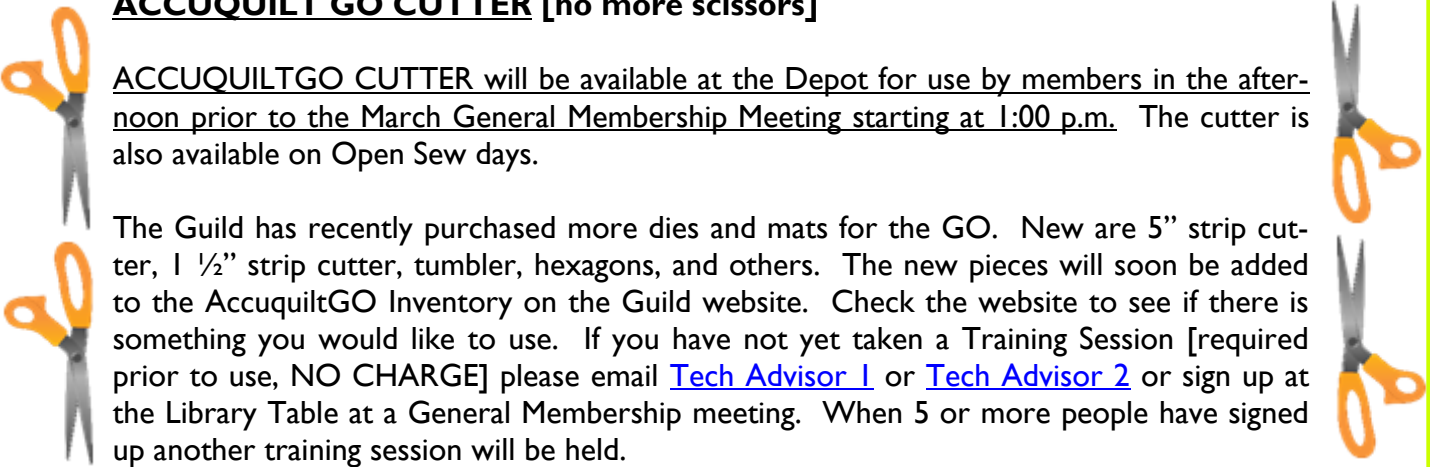
2017 February Donation: In February, on behalf of the Guild, Service donated 6 quilts and 1 fleece blanket to various organizations.



ACCUQUILT GO CUTTER [no more scissors]

ACCUQUILTGO CUTTER will be available at the Depot for use by members in the afternoon prior to the March General Membership Meeting starting at 1:00 p.m. The cutter is also available on Open Sew days.

The Guild has recently purchased more dies and mats for the GO. New are 5" strip cutter, 1 1/2" strip cutter, tumbler, hexagons, and others. The new pieces will soon be added to the AccuquiltGO Inventory on the Guild website. Check the website to see if there is something you would like to use. If you have not yet taken a Training Session [required prior to use, NO CHARGE] please email [Tech Advisor 1](#) or [Tech Advisor 2](#) or sign up at the Library Table at a General Membership meeting. When 5 or more people have signed up another training session will be held.



Hospitality Committee

MARCH REFRESHMENTS

If your last name begins with the letters

A through E

Please bring an item for the refreshment table



Education Committee

Triangular Convergence Class March 11

*** Update ***

The Triangular Convergence Class
will be held at
St. Michael's Catholic Church in Palmer
Saturday, March 11
from 10 am to 4 pm
This class is almost full
Sign up online

[Supply List](#)

2017 Mystery Quilt

This is an Education Committee project. The piecing is easy and the blocks are large so it makes a good sized quilt with fewer blocks. It makes a beautiful Christmas quilt if you want to use Christmas fabrics, or a nice quilt for juveniles if you want to use a themed fabric as your main fabric (Superman, Disney, etc.). The possibilities are endless. A new step will be available on the first of each month. You are encouraged to finish your quilt to show at the October 2017 meeting. We would like to see as many finished projects as possible.

Sign up for the March Mystery Quilt at the Membership Meeting. Or Email Jeannie (jeanniewriteak@gmail.com) if you want to be added to the mystery quilt list.



2017 CLASSES

- ⇒ **May 13th** [Half Log Cabin](#), taught by Gloria Snodgrass—samples will be displayed at the Membership Meeting! Sign up online or at the meeting! Will be held at the Nazarene Church in Palmer .
- ⇒ **August 11th and 12th** we will welcome [Joan Ford, a scrappy Quilter](#). Pictures of her quilts will be at the Education Table, but we have not started sign-up at this time. Please go to her website (Hummingbird-Highway.com) to see more of what she offers.
- ⇒ **November 11** Free Motion Quilting, taught by Jeannie Snodgrass

We would like to offer classes each quarter in 2017, so if you are a teacher and have a great class to offer or if you know a teacher you would like to take a class from, please contact us at the Education Table with your ideas.

Education Committee, continued

2017 Bucket List

Sign up at any Membership Meeting by turning in a 3 x 5 note card listing 11 UFO's you want to finish in this year. Please be very specific as to color, size, design and technique on the list as these should be projects already started and not something that is just in the planning phase.

What's on
your
**BUCKET
LIST?**



At each monthly meeting, starting in February, bring completed projects from your list to the education table to be checked off your Bucket List.

There will be a drawing at each meeting for a \$15 Gift Certificate. You will have 1 chance in the drawing for each completed project you turn in each month. You may turn in more than one project at any meeting.

There will be 11 drawings throughout the year. If there are no projects completed in any one month, that month's prize will be presented in the next month. The final month to turn in projects is December 2017.

Block of the Month



March - [Sweet Stars \(video\)](#)

- ◆ Unfinished Size - 11 1/2"
- ◆ Background - Black
- ◆ Star - Plain, Bright Colors

Treasurer's Report

Valley Quilters Guild Treasurer's Report—January 2017

INCOME		EXPENSES			
Dues	\$505.00	Depot Cleaning	0	Checking-Dec 31, 2016	\$5,938.55
Retreat	\$2,445.00	Storage Unit Rent	0	Plus Income-Dec	\$7,069.50
Quilt Camp	\$2,960.00	Name tags	\$12.00	Less Expenses-Dec	<u>\$4,909.27</u>
Newsletter	0	Hospitality	0	Checking-Jan 31, 2017	\$8,09878
No name tag fines	0	Service	0		
Classes	\$100.00	Retreats	0	Savings-Dec 31, 2016	\$ 27,826.20
Name Tags	\$24.00	Quilt Camp	\$824.31		
Donations	\$1,035.00	Historian	0		
Magazine subscriptions	0	Magazine subscriptions	0		
Interest	.50	Tech updates/maintenance	\$50.00		
TOTAL INCOME	\$7,069.50	Website	0		
		Depot rental	0		
		Library Room Rent (Educ)	\$100.00		
		PayPal fees	\$137.96		
		Miscellaneous	\$3,785.00*		
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,909.27		

Details, year-to-date, & budget info available upon request from Pat Kilmain, Treasurer

Information & Miscellaneous

**DEADLINE FOR APRIL
NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS IS:
March 15, 2017**

RESERVING TABLES FOR SALE ITEMS DURING 2017 GUILD MEETINGS & OPEN SEWS

A table can be rented on a first-come/first served basis for \$10 during Guild meetings or Open Sew to sell quilts or quilt- or craft-related items. Tables may be reserved for any Membership meeting in 2017 except January, May, October, or December. They may also be reserved for any of the scheduled Open Sew dates. If you want to reserve a table, please contact Pat Kilmain, Treasurer

QUILTS OF VALOR 4-DAYS RETREAT

March 22-25, 2017
9 am to 9 pm

VFW Post 9365, Wasilla
Fee \$30 payable to VFW

Contact Linda Kau for more information
linda.kau@QOVF.org or call 864-0770



DUES and LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

2017 Dues can be paid to the Treasurer anytime. They remain at \$35 for renewing members and \$40 for new members.

Do you qualify for a Lifetime Membership? If you have ten consecutive years of membership and have reached the age of 65, then you do. Lifetime Membership brings the privilege of not paying annual dues while enjoying all the benefits of guild membership. Of course, you may wish to donate to the Guild in lieu of paying dues, and we are happy to accept your donation (that might have a tax advantage to you).

When you qualify for Lifetime membership, please tell the Treasurer or Membership Liaison so the designation will be changed in our records. Otherwise, when you stop paying dues, you will no longer receive the newsletter or have member access to the website.

ADS IN THE NEWSLETTER

If you'd like to place an ad in the newsletter, you need to pay the treasurer, Pat Kilmain (treasurer@valleyquiltersguild.com), and then get your copy and proof of payment to the newsletter editor, Maryellen Robinson (newsletter@valleyquiltersguild.com).

The prices are:

\$5.00 one line / \$10.00 ¼ page /

\$15.00 ½ page / \$20.00 full page.

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

Thank you!

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS!

Andrea Archer
Melanie Brown
Donna George
Nelda Hotchkiss

Deborah Kessler
Donna Monarch
Sally Sonnichsen
Julie Wilcox

If we missed your day, let Kathy Buirge know your birthdate so it can be added to the roster.

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THINGS TO BRING TO MARCH MEETING...

- 1 Name Tag
- 2 Fat Quarters – Reproduction or Small Prints
- 3 Block of the Month – Sweet Star
- 4 Bucket List Project(s)
- 5 Service Items



Committee Chairs

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