



Valley Quilters Guild

Welcome to Valley Quilters Guild, a non-profit (501) (c) (3) organization.
We are very happy that you have joined our group.

The purpose of our guild is two-fold: to sponsor activities that promote the art of quilting (education) and to make and distribute quilts to members of our community that have a need (service).

In an effort to meet our purpose, we hold two meetings per month at the Palmer Depot (Community Center). The general membership meeting is held at 7:00 pm the first Thursday of the month and the open sew meeting (you get to sew with your friends and fellow members from 10:00 am until 11:30 pm.) is held the second Saturday of the month. These meeting days are changed in both June and December to accommodate Palmer Colony Days and Palmer Colony Christmas. The new dates are usually announced a year in advance.

There are 4 special meetings a year: May Tea Party, July Ice Cream Social, October Annual Business Meeting, and the December Christmas Party. These meetings begin at 6:30 with a social hour beginning a half hour prior.

Our Guild website: [www:valleyquiltersguild.org](http://www.valleyquiltersguild.org) has a lot of very valuable information for the members. We encourage you to visit to become familiar with who we are and what we do. We also have a Facebook page that is used to keep us updated on the happenings of the Guild.

As a member we encourage you to join one of our 10 committees: Camp, DMV, Education, Fair, Grant, Hospitality, Raffle Quilt, Retreat, Service, Special Events. This is the best way to meet other members and develop new friendships. Information about each of these committees may be found on our website.

Your membership also comes with the privilege of:

- Borrowing books from our extensive library. The library is located in the back room, to the right upon entering the Depot. The Greeter will be able to point you in the right direction.
- Attending classes, camp, retreat at the lower member cost.
- Renting a table (\$10 per meeting) to sell quilt/craft related items, when space is available.
- Receiving the monthly Newsletter and all other emails important to the membership

Our monthly meetings are filled with opportunities to see and hear about events taking place and to participate in the monthly activities:

- **BOM (Block of the Month) Drawing** - You may enter 2 blocks per month. Each block must be made using **different**, good quality, Quilt shop fabrics.
- **Fat-Quarter Drawing** - You may enter 3 **different** fat-quarters (18" x 20"-22") good quality, cotton, quilting-fabric
- **Raffle Basket Drawing** - Tickets are \$0.50 each (no limit on number of tickets purchased). Basket contents are purchased from a local quilt store.
- **Class and activity registration** - Activities sponsored by the Education Committee.
- **Retreat Registration** - Retreat is held twice a year, February and October. For each retreat you may register beginning 3 months prior to the event, December for the February retreat and August for the October retreat.
- **Camp Registration** - Camp is held every April. Registration begins at the February meeting prior to the event.

All drawings take place at the end of the meeting. You must be present to win a door prize. Any prizes not collected will be awarded to another member. A friend may claim the BOM and Fat Quarter awards for you. BOMs not collected by the end of the meeting will be donated to Service.