

Patchwork Pieces 2018

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P R E S I D E N T ' S L E T T E R

Hello Quilters,

Thank you to all who attended the August Guild meeting. With a quorum in attendance, we were able to conduct some of the business of the Guild. With your dedication to the Guild and your insightful input, I believe that the Bylaws, as amended, will serve the Guild for quite a few years.

The fair entries have been judged, ribbons awarded and the quilts are displayed. Now, those of you who entered your projects in the fair, and those of us who did not get ours finished, are ready to sit back, regroup and begin all over again. Let's see, we have deadlines for Education's color challenge and the President's challenge quickly approaching. Blocks-of-the-month are always fun and sometimes challenging to do. Then there is the new mystery that the Education Committee is sponsoring. I am sure each of us can find at least one event that we would like to join.

October, and the Annual Meeting are going to be here before we know it. Please let Linda Pendergrass or any of the Board Members know if you are interested in running for one of the offices up for election: President, Treasurer, Historian, and Parliamentarian. The Board Members have worked hard for you during the past year and, as a result, we have formed new friendships. SO, don't miss the opportunity to represent the members, let your voice be heard AND form new friendships.

Remember, the September meeting is dedicated to honoring some veterans that have, in some way, a connection to the Guild. Bring Kleenex to wipe away the tears that are sure to surface

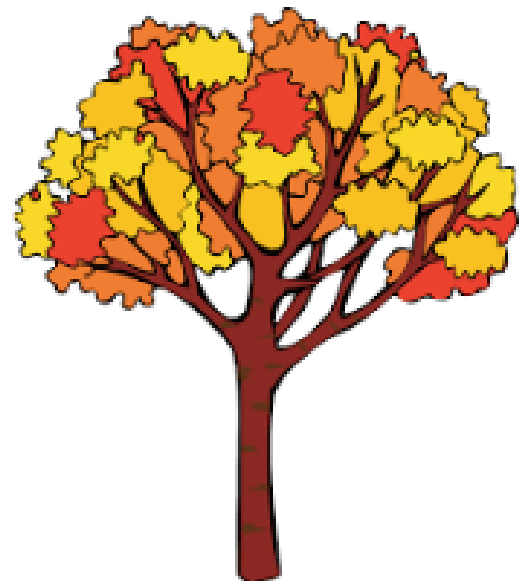
That's all for now -



Thank you for all you do "for the good of the Guild".

Trying to be a Thermostat
Happy Piecing!

Marcia Harlamert
President





MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

August 2, 2018

President Marcia Harlamert called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm with 88 members and three guests present.

August birthdays were recognized.

Greeting/Introduction of new members and guests

> Kristen Stevens joined at Open Sew in July.

> Nancy Rowland is here with beautiful quilts she made for Service! She lives in Dutch Harbor now, but still donates quilts to the Guild.

>  Michelle Buehner, a friend of Kim Medlock.

> Kathleen Schmidt, moved out of Alaska, but comes back to visit us when she can.

> Colleen Carter comes up to visit usually during Iditarod time. She house sits now, if anyone needs her, she could come more!

> Alisa Reasonover


Member Spotlight

Sharon Hall is a relatively new member, since March. She comes to Open Sew faithfully. She is also a new quilter. She learned how to hand stitch as a child, but never learned how to read a pattern.

Marcia talked about and passed around copies of our new brochure. Sarah Lorimer and Kim Medlock worked on this. DG Signs, in Palmer, donated time for the layout in addition to giving us a great deal on the printing.

BUSINESS MEETING

Elaine Fergen presented the Proposed Amendments to

By- went out as an attachment to the email with the newsletter.

Section G, Article VI was questioned; why is there not a quorum needed to re-

move an Executive Board Member? Elaine suggested making the addition of “at which there is a quorum,” to the end of the first sentence.

Marcia asked Healy about having the budget approved in December instead of October stating that it is a burden on committees that take the summer off. One suggestion is to submit your budget as a lump sum instead of by line item; and to “pad” for unexpected expenses. One member stated, “A budget is a working document, not the Bible.”

Glenda Burke made a Motion to accept the amended bylaws as published. Marcia Healy seconded.

Judy Smith made a motion to change charity to “charities” and add “in Alaska” to the last sentence under Article X – Dissolution. Nancy Moore second-



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ed; motion passed.

Jennifer Coisman made a motion to add “at which there is a quorum” to Article VI – Executive Board, Section G. Debbie Butts seconded; motion passed.



Original motion made by Glenda Burke and seconded by Marcia Healy passed with amendments.

Sue Petersen made a motion to adjourn the Business Meeting. Sue Martin seconded; motion passed.

5-MINUTE BREAK

Program

Tool Time: favorite tools and how we use them

* Elaine Fergen, thread holder & magnet

* Donna George, June Taylor strip cutter

* Marcia Harlamert, file folder

* Marcia Healy, needle sorter/organizer

* Charlotte Honner, square up ruler

* Sue Petersen, Marti Michell templates

* Jeannie Snodgrass, revolving cutting mat

Education Announcements

1. Brenda Clyde classes will be cancelled.

2. Eleri Taylor, designer of the Mystery Blocks we did, has said that we can use others of her mystery patterns. We have 21 people signed up for an October Mystery using two layer cakes. Cost will be \$7.50 again. You can sign up now. Patterns will be emailed out, it’s all online.



3. Crayon Challenge reminder. October is the month we will show these

at the meeting; they can be any size quilted item or a quilt. Use only the two colors of your crayons and any shade. Backing can be any fabric of your choice. Must be finished by October.

4. Linda Brace proposed a challenge for those who did the Mystery Quilt to enter in the fair under the theme “Memories in the Making” since this was new to the Guild and is a memory we have made for the group.

5. Potential that we will have Michele O’Neil Kincaid here in October. Two Friends Quilt Shop has asked us to co-host. She will already be in Fairbanks. Her website is fiberartdesigns.com.

Announcements



1. Grant – Sharon Horwath

Sha-

Applications will go out soon to all the schools. They will choose the recip-



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ients by the end of September.

2. Parliamentarian Linda Pendergrass announced that elections are coming up in October. The offices that will be open for 2019/2020 are: President, Parliamentarian, Historian, and Treasurer.

3. Retreat – Raye Krueger

* October 18-22, five days, Thursday through Monday, at the Grandview Hotel.

* Fee is \$25. A la carte once again. Get your own room and meals.

* No block exchange (no homework). Gift exchange if you choose to. Limited to 40 people.

4. Gaming – Cindy Montague

Need to gather raffle tickets from members before the Fair starts.

She will be at Open Sew in August if you don't have them tonight.



5. Special Events - Sarah Lorimer

The UFO Auction is happening in November. We are collecting items until the September meeting. There will be a Live Auction and Silent Auction as well.

6. Fair – Marcia Healy

* Thanks to the Board for making the decision to accept credit cards at the Fair Booth this year. We would like to have at least one of the people in the Fair Booth to have gone through the training to become familiar with the new forms and how to use The Square.

* Tonight is the deadline for donating items.

* We will be pricing at Open Sew on Saturday, August 11. After things are

priced, you can purchase... and use your credit card!

* Help needed:

o Saturday, August 18, to clean and rearrange the booth

o Monday, August 20, to set up/decorate the booth

o Tuesday, September 4, to take down the booth.



* Contact Sue Martin to volunteer to work in the Fair Booth. Those who have volunteered can pick up your envelopes at Sylvia's or Just Sew the week prior to the Fair.

* Sharon Berna thanked Kathy Buirge and Carrie Whitford for helping get the announcements out regarding the State Fair. Help is needed on Friday and Saturday, August 10 & 11 for take in of quilts, and also for take down of quilts on Tuesday, September 4.

7. We need volunteers to be on the Budget Committee.



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(Marcia Harlamert, Heather Wagner, Elaine Fergen, and Darcey Tredway)

8. Quilts of Valor – Linda Kau

* Our next meeting on September 6 will be a night to honor family members of the Guild who have been touched by war. Go to the website (qovf.org) to request a quilt for a loved one.

* We will be sewing at the VFW in Wasilla on September 19-22. Cost is \$30 payable to the VFW. You can get this back in batting when your quilt is ready to be quilted.

9. CASA – Debby Hudson

* November 24, 2018

* Quilts are due on November 10. They can be any shape, size, or

theme.

* The sale of these quilts benefits abused and neglected children across the state.

NEXT MEETING: September 6, 2018 – 7:00 pm

NEXT BOARD MEETING: August 6, 2018 – 6:30 PM

NEXT OPEN SEW: August 11 – 10 am until 11:30 pm

SHOW AND TELL

Drawings

Name Tag: Nancy Moore

Fat quarters: Carol Hepler, Nancy Moore, Joan Graham

Members (provided by Jeannie Snodgrass, made by Raye Krueger): Linda Kau, Patsy Griffith, Dale Williams, Rhonda Witt, Donna George, Joan Graham

Raffle basket (from Quilt Tree): Debby Hudson

Bucket List (\$15 gift certificate to Sylvia's): Donna George

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Medlock, Secretary





Board Meeting Minutes

August 2 , 2018

Meeting was called to order by President Marcia Harlamert at 6:30pm. Others in attendance were: Vice President Linda Brace, Treasurer Pat Kilmain, Secretary Kim Medlock, Historian Jill Jackson, Parliamentarian Linda Pendergrass, Marcia Healy, Elaine Fergen and Jeannie Snodgrass.



A. Corrections/Additions to July Minutes

Linda Pendergrass made a motion that we accept the minutes from July Board Meeting the way they are. Linda Brace seconded; motion passed.

B. Reports

1. Camp – Linda Brace – nothing to report
2. Education – Jeannie Snodgrass – Brenda Clyde classes are cancelled. We will have a refund from the City for the Depot. Education Committee will talk about having Michelle O’Neil Kincaid here in October and report next month.



3. Fair – Marcia Healy - Most merchandise has been logged in. After it is all priced, she will send a report of the value of the inventory.

4. Grant – Elaine Fergen - budget has been sent to Cindy. She presented the amended

forms; they need to be on the new website.

Pat Kilmain made a motion that we accept the Grant Application Package with the amendments. Linda Pendergrass seconded; motion passed.

5. Raffle – Elaine Fergen – budget has been submitted to Cindy. It will be bigger than normal because we may have to purchase fabric for the Raffle Quilt unless someone donates one.

6. Retreat – Pat Kilmain - 19 people are signed up so far.

7. Service – Saturday during Open Sew, Patty will be removing Roseanne Chalker’s totes from the off-site storage room to make room for the Fair Booth to store their stuff after the Fair. She also asked if the Fair Booth could leave one shelf set up in the booth at the Fair so that she can get another permanent set for the storage room.



C. Bylaws Committee Report – Elaine Fergen - Bylaws passed with two minor revisions!

D. Unfinished Business

Marcia Harlamert will contact Job Corps by the next meeting regarding their request for people to teach quilting.

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E. New Business

1. Programs for 2019

It has always been the job of the Board to plan the meetings for the coming year. Marcia would like the Board Members to come to the September meeting with ideas for programs for next year. Remember that Membership likes something different; think up new ways of doing things, etc.

2. Linda Pendergrass made a motion to clarify that the Square will be used to accept credit card payments at the Fair Booth starting this year. Pat Kilmain seconded; motion passed.



F. Mail/announcements

1. Suggestion – would it be possible to have a section in the newsletter about current and/or former members who have passed away?

2. Suggestion – At the Annual Meeting, read the names of all Members who have died since the last Annual Meeting along with dates of death and then have the Membership observe a moment of silence in their honor.

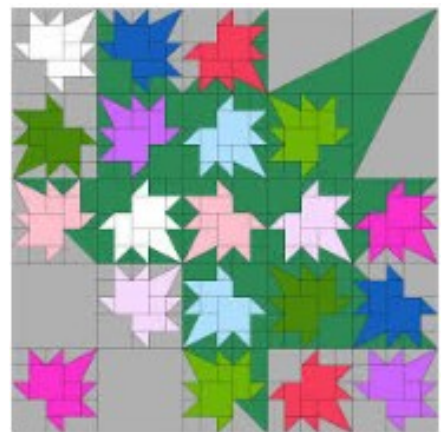
Linda Brace made a motion that we add to the President’s job duties to make an announcement in the monthly newsletter to notify the Membership of the death of a Member. In addition, to read a list at the Annual Meeting and observe a moment of silence to recognize those Members. Linda Pendergrass seconded; motion passed.

G. Executive Session

Review of Treasurer’s Books – we found no discrepancies.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Medlock, Secretary





Special Board Meeting Minutes August 16, 2018

Meeting was called to order by President Marcia Harlamert at 10:05 am. Others in attendance were: Vice President Linda Brace, Treasurer Pat Kilmain, Secretary Kim Medlock, Parliamentarian Linda Pendergrass, Historian Jill Jackson, and Librarian Cheryl Risley.

We met at the home of Jill Jackson to review and amend the Standing Policies of the Valley Quilters Guild.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Medlock,
Secretary



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TREASURER'S REPORT

INCOME July 2018		EXPENSES July 2018	
Dues-check/cash	\$80.00	Depot Cleaning	\$100.00
Retreat-cash/check		Storage Unit Rent	\$72.77
Quilt Camp		Name tags	
Newsletter		Hospitality	\$30.17
No name tag fines		Service	\$201.50
Classes	\$112.00	Retreats	
Name Tags		Quilt Camp	
Donations		Historian	
Magazine subscriptions		Magazine subscriptions	
Table Rent/Ads		Tech Setup	\$50.00
State Fair		Website	
Fundraising		Depot rental	
Admin/Misc	\$7.50	Fair Booth Supplies/Repairs	\$328.18
Interest	\$0.50	Fair Booth Space Lease	
TOTAL INCOME	\$200.00	Sales Tax	
		Administration/Miscellaneous	\$391.50
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,174.12
			PO Box/Brochures



Checking June 30, 2018	\$11,007.81
Plus Income - July	\$200.00
Less expenses -July	\$1,174.12
	\$10,033.69
Savings - July 30, 2018	\$27,860.92



BLOCK OF THE
MONTH



September — Ohio Star

Unfinished Size - 12 1/2"

Light - Cream

Dark - Fall Colors



EDUCATION PRESENTS:**OCTOBER WORKSHOPS WITH MICHELE O'NEIL KINCAID****of fiberartdesigns.com:**

Valley Quilters Guild will co-host Michele with Two Friends Quilting.

Michele will already be in Fairbanks and Delta Junction teaching classes in October. She will be in Alaska with her husband and her daughter and husband. Michele would prefer it if she and her husband could stay with a local quilter. **If anyone would like to host them at their home** on Sunday Oct 14 and perhaps Monday Oct 15, please call me (Jeannie) at [907-745-4065](tel:907-745-4065) or [907-232-2524](tel:907-232-2524) or email me at jeanniewriteak@gmail.com so I can let Vicki and Bev know at Two Friends Quilting.

COST: \$40 per class for VQG Members.**DATES:****Sunday afternoon October 14****"Free-Motion Machine Quilting Sampler" Pillow****Monday October 15 all day workshop****"Poppies"**

Call me to get your name on a list for either or both classes, as Choice #1 and Choice #2. If enough room, you can take both classes. Maximum limit of 20 for each class.

We already have a group from Education signed up for each class.

PAYMENT DEADLINE: Sign up and pay at the September Guild Meeting.

Michele's samples will be available to view at the September meeting, and workshop location will be announced.

"FREE-MOTION MACHINE QUILTING SAMPLER PILLOW"

Machine free motion quilting can be a very relaxing technique, when you get the hang of it! No more following the lines or in the ditch. This class introduces you to 9 different designs for fill and flair. I used different rayon threads to add interest. The trick is to get the hand and brain aligned! Have fun, learn something new and go home with a fabulous pillow!

EDUCATION CONTINUES.....

"Poppies!"

This workshop was inspired by the original one I made in response to my inability to keep them in the garden! I just love this flower but the fact they are so short blooming made me 'grow' them on my wall. The class will include machine appliqué, free form machine piecing for the background, free motion machine quilting and hand beading. You choose the colors, red, orange, yellow, purple etc. and make them POP!

NEW EMAILED MYSTERY EVENT WITH LAYER CAKES:

A new "15 Mystery Blocks in 15 Weeks" precut mystery event begins Thursday, October 11. As of the August Guild Meeting, there are more than 20 interested, and a few of you have paid.

COST: \$7.50 for the entire mystery

PAYMENT DEADLINE: No later than the October 4 Guild Meeting or mailed to VQG. **DATE:** Mystery begins Thursday, October 11.

PRECUTS: Layer Cakes-2 identical (or complimentary) OR two sets of 40 - 10" blocks.

EMAILED PATTERNS: Patterns are sent out by email, with detailed instructions by quilt designer Eleri Taylor that you can sew in your own home.

GROUP FACEBOOK PAGE: You will be able to share your blocks on the group's private Facebook site "Precut Mystery Quilts". When you have paid, if you are not already a member of the private "Precut Mystery Quilts" Facebook site, it will be opened up so you can then apply and become a member.

Bucket List: It's impressive to see all the beautiful UFOs you are completing, ladies! Each completed quilt gives you an entry for the monthly \$15 gift certificate drawing to one of the three local quilt shops - Just Sew, Sylvia's, and Two Friends Quilting.

Crayon Challenge: The deadline to show your completed quilts is October. Use any shades of the two crayons you draw only, but any color on back.



SERVICE COMMITTEE

BIRTHDAY QUILT CHALLENGE is still running: For 2018, Service issued a Birthday Quilt Challenge. A quilt turned in by the December General Membership meeting will count toward an entry in the Challenge Reward. See Patty or Charlotte if you want to shop the Service stash.

SEPTEMBER MEETING DAY – THERE WILL NOT BE a work session for Service prior to the September General Membership Meeting.

DONATIONS: In August 2018, on behalf of the Guild, Service donated 12 quilts to various organizations and fire victims in the valley.



ACCUQUILT GO CUTTER [no more scissors]

ACCUQUILT GO CUTTER: The cutter is available on Open Sew day



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Thu September 6 @ 7:00PM -
Membership Meeting
- Wed September 12 @
6:30PM - 08:30PM
VQG Board Meeting
- Sat September 8
@10:00AM - 11:30pm
VQG Open Sew
- Thu October 4 @
6:30pm - BUSINESS MEET
ING
- Wed October 10 @
6:30 pm—8:30pm
VQG Board Meeting
- Sat October 13 @
10am—11:30pm
VQG Open Sew



Note from the Parliamentarian

The following Valley Quilters Guild Board positions are up for election in October:

President, Treasurer, Parliamentarian and Historian.

If you are interested in serving your Guild, please contact Linda Pendergrass, Parliamentarian, or any of the other Board Officers.



BOARD MEMBERS

President— Marcia Harlemart	president@valleyquiltersguild.com
Vice President —Linda Brace	vicepresident@valleyquiltersguild.com
Secretary —Kim Medlock	secretary@valleyquiltersguild.com
Treasurer — Pat Kilmain	treasurer@valleyquiltersguild.com
Historian — Jill Jackson	historian@valleyquiltersguild.com
Parliamentarian - Linda Pendergrass	parliamentarian@valleyquiltersguild.com
Librarian— Cheryl Risley	librarian@valleyquiltersguild.com



Committee Chairs



DMV	Ree Moffitt	dmv@valleyquiltersguild.com
Education	Jeannie Snodgrass	education@valleyquiltersguild.com
Fair Booth	Marcia Healy	fairbooth@valleyquiltersguild.com
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	Charlotte Honner	
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Web Master	Kim Medlock	webmaster@valleyquiltersguild.com

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, Carrie Whitford (whitfcj@hotmail.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!



September Birthdays

Debbie Butts	Mary Lee Jones
Linda Cole	Cindy Montague
Norma Connell	Lois Mumford
Jackie Cunningham	Jessica Salter
Ann Davis	Joanne Smith
Diane Fink	Gloria Snodgrass
Judy Foster	Jayne Wilcox
Lynn Gronlund	
Sharon Hillstrom	



Things to Bring to September Meeting

1. Name Tag
2. Fat Quarters—Green
3. Block of the Month— Ohio Star
4. Service Items
5. Bucket List



CLASSIFIED ADS

THREE-QUILTERS' STASH-BUSTING/DOWNSIZING/MOVING SALE (indoors). Lots of fabric, kits, books, notions, vintage irons and linens. Friday and Saturday, September 28 and 29, 9:00-4:00, 4033 West Sunrise Road, Wasilla—off Schrock Road.

Cash only. Judy Foster, Anisa Davis, and quilter friend Rafa Wright

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, Judy Foster

354-4991





jfoster@mtaonline.net



30-12 Retro Fitted Gammill Statler Stitcher with 10' Pivotal Access Stand; 10' light bar; bobbin winder; thread; batting; like new. \$28,500. Jeri 250-0920









BUY/SWAP/LOOKING FOR/WANT TO GIVE AWAY







 This is for any Guild member who wants to buy or swap a quilting-related item or is looking for a specific quilting-related item or who wants to give away a quilting-related item. There is no charge for submitting a brief description and your contact information. 
 





 To participate, 

 email your item description and contact information 

 to Judy Foster (jfoster@mtaonline.net) 

 by the 10th day each month for inclusion in the next newsletter. 

 Any request will be for only one month unless you contact Judy before the deadline the following month to renew. We will try this for a few months and see what the participation and responses are before deciding if we will continue this. Please note that no “For Sale” items will be included in this column. The policy of charging for “For Sale” ads in the newsletter is not affected by this new column. 
 
 

 So please let Judy know each month by the 10th if you have an item you want to buy/swap/find/ or give away. 
 



DUES and LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

2018 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.

HOSPITALITY-

MONTHLY SNACKS ASSIGNMENTS BY LAST NAME:

September: S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z

October: A, B C, D, E

November: F, G,H, I, J, K

December: L, M, N, O, P, Q, R



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