

Patches @ Snatches

Newsletter of the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild

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Presidents Piece



I just got my confirmation of my classes at the Houston Quilt Show. WOW, there are lots of classes on all kinds of topics. It took me days to decide which ones I wanted to take. There was one thing that caught my attention – a lot of the teachers at Houston have taught classes for our guild. In fact, I had a hard time finding one I wanted to take that wasn't taught by someone who had been here or wasn't on the schedule for this year. The big difference?? Our classes cost members \$45 and the same class at Houston costs between \$97 and \$140. Our Program Chairs have done an amazing job for the past few years in getting world class instructors to come the RGV. Please thank them for their hard work when you see them. Now we are making a change in how we handle programs. We will continue to have a Program Chairperson who will be responsible for finding and contracting with the instructors. In addition, we are forming a committee who will serve as hostesses for our speakers. These ladies will meet the instructor at the airport, take them to their hotel, make sure they get to the classes, help out during class, and take the teachers out for dinner. In other words, they will be themselves and show our guests what a great bunch of women belong to our guild. If you would like to volunteer to be a hostess for one of the instructors, please let me or Judy Brown know. Judy will be taking over as Program Chairperson in January. As an added incentive, the hostess will not have to pay for taking the class she is helping with. By the way, the guild pays for the teacher's dinner, so you wouldn't be expected to pay for anything. I've had the opportunity to meet and talk to several of the instructors during the past year and they were all interesting, fun people. Please think about joining the group and representing our guild. With your help, we can make sure we continue to have the very best instructors.

Carla, President

Calendar

Board Meeting:

September **no meeting**

Guild Meeting:

September 10, 2016 9:am
Program: Friendship Day
10:am— 2:pm
Casa Del Sol,
400 N. Val Verde Rd.
in Donna, TX

Board Meeting:

October 5, 2016
Show Board meeting from
9 am to noon and Board
Meeting begins at 1 pm.

Guild Meeting:

October 8, 2016 9:am
STC Weslaco

Program:

Garage Sale



RGV Quilt Guild - General Meeting, August 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President, Carla Mewhinney at 9:03 am.

Secretary Report: There being no additions, corrections or deletions the report was adopted as read in the newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: The account at Compass Bank has been closed and all money moved to Bank of America. There is currently \$11,706.21 in the checking account and \$50,603.97 in the savings account. The Budget for FY 2017 amounts to \$66,837.00.

Membership Report: We currently have 301 members with one new member today. We have 47 members and 5 guests present today.

Karon Jacobson showed the members the new sound system being used that the guild has purchased. Karon is investigating the cost of a portable microphone for use by our speakers.

Carla announced that Judy Brown has volunteered to run for 3rd VP/Programs and Carla suggested that a Hostess Committee be created to act as Hostess for the guest speakers. The Program Chair and the Hostess for that class would not have to pay for classes.

The Nominating Committee for 2017/2018 Officers is as follows:
Pat Skye, Chair; Lucy Klass, Lynn Benson, Jackie Heyes and Judi Swanda.

Friendship Day: Barbara Kissler announced that everything is in order for our Day Out at Casa Del Sol RV Park on Val Verde Rd in Donna. Time is from 10 am till 2 pm. She asked for volunteers to help at various tables etc. An invitation to all the children at Sew Day conducted by Florea Flores and one parent to attend was mailed by K. Jacobson.

Military Service Quilts: Bonnie Cassidy announced that 3 quilts were given out last month. There is a continued need for fabric and quilt blocks (12 ½"). Please use red, white and blue only, no gold). There will be a display of the quilts at STC in McAllen the month of November and several quilts will be given out on Veterans Day. Karon Jacobson showed the Military Banner made with the blocks donated by the guild members and completed by Karon.

Sunshine & Shadows: Janey Thompson had hip surgery and is recovering; Karen Eck had knee surgery; Laura Nunn had a grandchild and that makes Jan McCoy a Great Grandmother.

Programs: There will be no program at Friendship Day; October will be the garage sale and Sue Nickels will be here in November for several classes and program. Please see the web site for further classes and to sign up.

Newsletter: Please get your news to Jackie Heyes by the 15th of the month.

Block Draw: Sue Arnold won the block draw this month. There will be no block drawing for the months of September/October and will restart in November.

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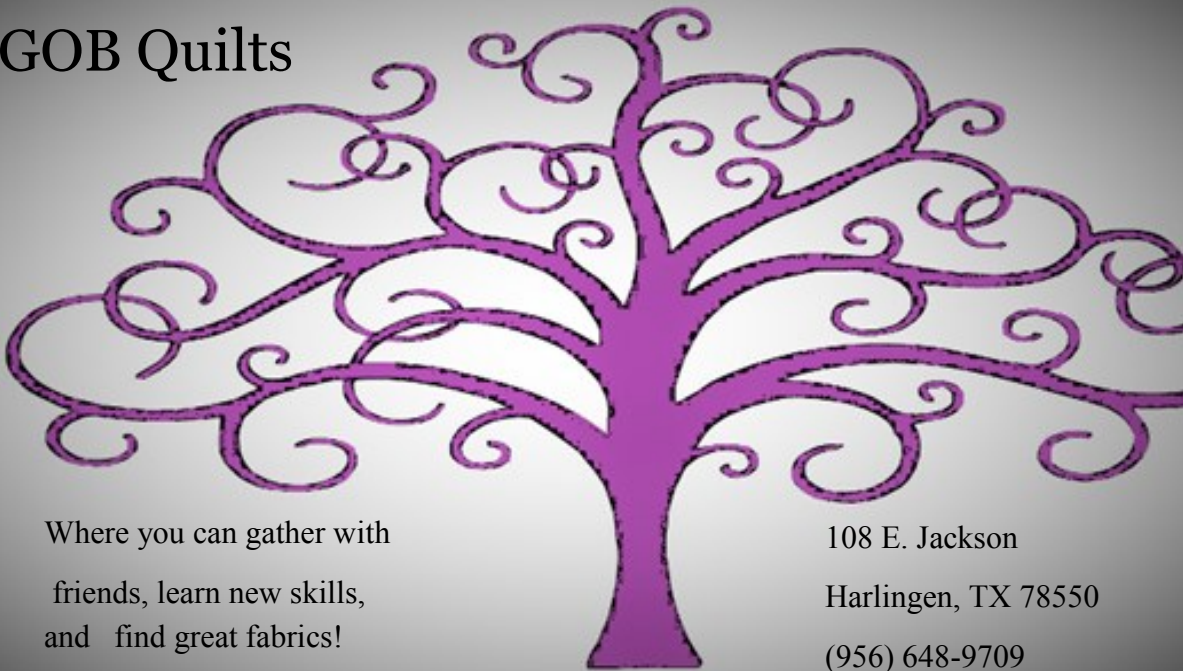
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Subie Redd announced the formation of a new Bee in Mission beginning on August 25th at 10 am. The location is St. Peter and Paul Church on the corner of Stuart and #495..... The Bee will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month.

Respectfully submitted by Judi Swanda, Secretary

GOB Quilts



Where you can gather with
friends, learn new skills,
and find great fabrics!

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Military Service Quilts

"Although Mary Jo Havertape has resigned (effective December 31) as Co-chair of the Military Service Quilts, (MSQ), I am continuing as a Co-chair. Laura Nunn has volunteered to take Mary Jo's Co-chair position. Laura has been instrumental in getting the MSQ program into South Texas College (STC) for Veterans' Day. We have been talking & emailing daily & I feel confident that the MSQ program will increase its outreach to more Veterans, Active-Duty, and military organizations in the Valley. Because of the potential of numerous Veterans at STC, we have decided to utilize a nomination process for the recipients at there. The nomination form will be on the RGVQG website. Depending on the number of nominations received and the number of quilts available, Laura & I will decide how many quilts will be presented."

Blessings,

Deb

Friendship Day

¡Hola amigos!

Yes! Friendship Day for the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild will be here soon. You and your guests can enjoy fun and fellowship with other quilters on Saturday, September 10, 2016, at Casa Del Sol, 400 N. Val Verde Rd. in Donna TX from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Please sign up at the next guild meeting to bring a salad or dessert. If your food needs to be refrigerated, please bring it in a cooler or with ice packs as the refrigerator space is limited (nobody deserves food poisoning).

We will be getting acquainted and playing games until lunch is served. Table service and beverages will be provided by the guild. After lunch you can choose from several projects taught and demonstrated by your guild friends.

What should you bring?

- 1) Your friendliest smile and your guests
- 2) Your food (If it's good and you are willing to share, please bring a recipe.)
- 3) A needle and neutral thread
- 4) Small scissors
- 5) 3 2.5" WOF strips for a game of Left/Right/Center
- 6) Several dollar bills to pay for your project kits.
- 7) A bag for all your goodies.

Contact Barbara Kissler (308) 520-5743 if you miss sign-up or have questions.

Bee News



Our Queen Bee has had a new hip installed, she thinks that it is a great improvement over how she had been getting around. Janey Thompson has had the same thing done too.

Our ladies have been working on a special kind of hand bag. We are down in numbers because the winter people are still up north.

We plan on having a table at the October Garage Sale to reduce our stash.

Michaela

Waldo Kalsow Michaela Shyne-Kalsow

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Finance Report

Income and Expenditures RGVQG Checking Account	
JULY 2016	
Balance Forward	\$ 35,214.99
<i>Withdrawn for SAVINGS ACCOUNT ESTABLISHMENT</i>	\$23,141.30
INCOME	Income July 2016
Administration	
Community Service	
Dues & Subscriptions (Fons & Porter)	
Fat Quarter Raffle	91
Guests & Fines	
Library	
Membership	75
Military Service	
Newsletter	
Other Income - Checks not cashed (lost)	
Programs	270
Quilt Show (50% of storage unit rental)	
Quilter's School House	
Retreat #1 2016	
Retreat cancellations (refunds)	
Retreat #2 2016	
Retreat 2017	
Total Income	\$ 436.00
EXPENSES	
Administration, Gift Certificate	472.85
Bank Service Charge - checks, fees	
Biz Utilities - storage, building use, PO Box, Web	50
Dues & Subscriptions	
Fat Quarter Raffle	
Friendship Day	500
Guests & Fines	
Library	46.45
Membership	
Military Service	
Newsletter	
Professional Fees - Legal, Accountant, Bond Insurance	
Programs, (Bldg use rent)	150
Quilter's School House (bldg use rent)	
Retreat #1 2016	
Retreat #2 2016	
Retreat 2017	
Scholarships - Officers (6 officers & show chair)	
Scholarships - Quilt Show (3 members)	
Scholarships - (College)	
Sunshine & Shadows	
Youth Education	100
Total Expenses	\$ 1,319.30
Account Balance Forward	\$ 11,190.39

Community Service Report for May and June 2016

Total Number of Items.....147

Total Number of Hours.....764

Total Value.....\$5,539

Donated to:

Military Service Quilts

Renaissance NICU

Valley Baptist Hospital

Harlingen Cancer Center

RGVQG Kids Quilts

Donated by:

Killer Bees

Various Guild Members

Joan Taylor

Sue Arnold

Mary Britton

Mary Jo Havertape

Total items.....81

Total hours.....254

Total value.....\$1,841.50

Donated to:

Brownsville Rainbow Room

Harlingen Cancer Ctr

Donated by:

Killer Bees

RGVQG MEMBERSHIP

We now have 302 members in the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild. New members have never belonged to our guild before. Returning members were members in the past, but not the prior year. Renewing members were members in the prior year. The following are the memberships received since the newsletter.

Welcome New Members – Diana Wolf.

Welcome back returning members – Margie Longoria.

Welcome back renewing members – No renewing members for August.

I will not be publishing address or email info in the newsletter. Address and email info for all members is now available online on the alligator page. You will need a password to open the directory. Please contact me if you want the password for the online directory.

Bonnie M Hall (membership@rgvqg.com) or 740-398-1629 (call or text)

Hi! Its that time of year again.....

To all Members of the Rio Grande Valley Quilt Guild, please see the emergency box on the web site (www.rgvqg.com) for information on future meetings and classes. The map is in color, and may take some time to download. Thank you



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