

Guild Guide 2016

HEBER VALLEY QUILTERS

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Mission Statement

To provide a forum for local quilters of every level of interest to meet together on a monthly basis to promote the art of quiltmaking, and:

- Learn new quilting techniques.
- Teach quilting and related sewing skills to one another.
- Show and tell current projects and ideas; also provide encouragement and support for each other.
- Provide opportunities for charity service to our community.

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President's Letter

Well here it is, the new year 2015! Wow! I remember as a little girl thinking about the year 2000 happening in my lifetime. It seemed impossibly far away. 2000 it happens is the year we moved to the Heber Valley and finally put down some deep roots. We love living here and can't believe how fast 15 years can pass.

Heber Valley is also where I learned to quilt. I have loved the idea of quilting

since I was a young mother. I used to spend hours looking at my Grandma's quilting books and dreaming of all the beautiful colors I would use when I learned to quilt. At the time I had three busy little boys and just knew I couldn't focus on quilting and keep up with them at the same time. My Grandma always imagined herself someday as a little old lady sewing quilts all day every day. She never got that wish but I plan to fulfill it for her - I'm just not going to wait for the little old ladv

part. Many years after my daydreams as a young mother, a few moves and the addition of three little girls later, I found myself in Midway with 2 good friends who are both great auilters and members of this guild - Beth Wegner and Sherron Watson. In January 2009 (I think) Timpi Williams and I joined HVQG. Sherron Watson was President that year and she and Cat Beckstead designed the Heber Valley row quilt. We learned a new technique each month.

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President's Letter, cont.

Beth and Timpi and I got together nearly every week and worked on the new row together and Beth helped us master each new thing. I was so excited to be learning to quilt I don't think I missed a single month of Guild. I can't even name all the people who have taught different techniques at guild.

I have learned so much and have sewn at least a zillion blocks. A few quilt tops have been assembled and finally some have even been quilted and bound. Finishing is not my strength but I LOVE all things quilting.

Colors are still my favorite part. New fabric lines are like opening a new box of crayons - all the beautiful colors together just make me giddy.

Well that's my quilting story. I will do my best to help you learn new things, review some familiar things and above all enjoy the friendship as we embark on a new quilting journey this year.

I want to express my love for the Heber valley Quilt Guild and all the members past and present who are my quilting friends. I may not be good with remembering everyone's name but I assure you I have enjoyed getting to know all of you and seeing all the great projects you bring to share at sew and tell each month.

Everything I need to know about quilting I have learned from my friends.

Row Quilt-Block of the Month

Designed by Sally Siggard and Deonn Stott, this year's row quilt will feature several of Sally's favorite blocks and sewing room motifs. Each month a new pattern will be introduced, along with a tip or technique used to make the block. We'll learn some great tricks for paper-piecing, constructing Y-seams, adding dimensional elements and a bit of applique' as we make this quilt and learn and grow together. It will be SEW MUCH FUN!! Patterns will be available for download each month on the guild website:

www.hebervalleyquilters.com Member's Only page.



Charity Projects

Debbie Proctor and Kami Williams are co-chairs of the guild Charity Quilt Committee. This year, guild members will be given the opportunity to help with quilting projects that will benefit those in need in our community.

The first project she has planned for us includes helping the local High School FFA group make forty quilts for the Primary Children's Hospital. The FFA will pay for all the supplies, and they are enlisting our help to prepare the quilts. We will sew the quilt top to the backing, right sides together, leaving an opening for turning. Lay the quilt on the batting, and stitch around again. Turn the quilt inside out and top-stitch around the quilt 1/4", enclosing your opening, all ready for the FFA kids to put on a frame and tie. Kits passed out at January's guild meeting will be returned by February's guild

meeting. Other projects may include quilts for breast cancer patients, or quilts for local servicemen. Our service can really make a difference in someone's life, one quilt at a time. Thank you in advance for your wonderful service!



"Sew" & Tell

One of the highlights of guild meeting is Sew & Tell. Guild members will bring projects and quilts that they have been working on to show to the group, and tell it's story. It is a time to admire and dream, a time for motivation and inspiration, a time to receive some recognition for your efforts. Who better to appreciate the dedication, endurance, patience and commitment it takes to create a beautiful quilt, than a room full of quilters and friends to cheer you on? Come and "Sew" us your stuff!

Quilted Nametag

Make a quilted nametag to wear at guild functions.

- Sew your favorite block in any size up to 5".
- Stitch a 1-1/2" strip of muslin or white fabric to one side of the block.
- Embroider or write your name with a Pigma Pen on the strip.
- Cut a piece of batting and backing to the size needed.
- Lay right sides together and stitch around block, leaving an opening for turning.
- Turn the nametag right side out, and hand-stitch the opening closed.

Welcome to Heber Valley Quilters!

We hope that you enjoy being a member of the guild! Members of the group span a wide range of ages and quilting experience, but our common passion is the joy of quilting.

Membership in the guild entitles you to monthly newsletters, access to the guild <u>blog</u> (http://hebervalleyquilters.blogspot.com) and <u>website</u> (www.hebervalleyquilters.com), block-of-the-month patterns and other exclusive information for Members Only. The blog is our living scrapbook of guild events, and the website is the permanent home for newsletters and previous year's activities. Check the <u>ARCHIVES</u> page for a look at what the guild has been up to for the past 15 years! Under the direction of our capable guild president, Sally Siggard, our theme this year is "Bound Together". We look forward to a fun-filled year of quilting!

In addition to regular guild meetings, there are several supplemental activities you can choose to participate in, such as a Block of the Month and Design Challenges. The guild will host an annual quilt retreat, and this year will also feature several SEW DAYS. All these programs are described in our GUILD GUIDE.



Guild Membership

Join us for our monthly guild meetings held on the *FIRST THURSDAY* of each month 7:00 pm. To 9:00 pm.

Meetings are held in the Community Room at: AMBank Building 620 West 100 South Heber City, Utah See you there! Membership in the Heber Valley Quilters Guild renews annually, beginning in January each year.

Annual Membership Dues: \$25 payable prior to February's guild meeting. Members will receive monthly newsletters and other guild publications such as block of the month patterns. Those who join during the year will have their dues prorated, unless they wish to receive all that year's previous newsletters and publications. In such case, they will pay the usual annual membership dues amount.

Guests are welcome to attend one complimentary guild meeting prior to becoming a guild member. Subsequent attendance fee: \$5 for each meeting attended thereafter without joining the guild as a member.

We hope you will join us for "sew" much fun!