## MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to all persons interested in quilting from beginner to expert. Annual dues are \$20.00 payable at the July meeting.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Please make checks payable to Seaport
Quilters' Guild, and bring check to
meeting, or mail to:

Seaport Quilters' Guild PO Box 491 Lewiston, ID 83501 Seaport Quilters' Guild

Lewiston, ID Clarkston, WA



## **Guild History**

Seaport Quilters was formed in 1982 to preserve the art of quilt making and to further friendship among those who share this interest. The early group consisted of about 30 ladies and has grown to over 150 members today. The guild is active in many community and charitable activities. Guest artists are invited to give classes on quilting techniques and members with special skills instruct each other.

## Meetings

Seaport Quilter's meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Paulter Senior Center, 549 Fifth Street, Clarkston, WA. Meetings feature an instructional program by local experts. There is a Block –of-the-Month and Fat Quarter drawing, plus the always-popular Show N Tell session where members share their finished projects as well as works in progress. A business meeting follows.

The June meeting is a family affair with a potluck picnic place to be announced. The December meeting Is a Christmas dinner meeting held at a local restaurant with a potholder exchange.

## **Guild Activities**

Quilt Show ---- On the 4<sup>th</sup> weekend in April the guild holds its annual quilt show in conjunction with the Lewis-Clark Valley Dogwood Festival. Dozens of one-of-akind quilts are beautifully displayed and the merchant mall offers fabrics, patterns, and many quilted Items are for sale.

<u>Fund Raiser Quilt</u> – Each year members make a quilt for a drawing at the Quilt Show in April. The proceeds support community and group activities and aid in promoting the art of quilting.

<u>Comfort Quilts</u> – As a service to the community members make quilts with materials provided by, or donated to, the guild. The quilts are given to the several shelters to include the Lewiston and Clarkston police and fire departments and crisis centers. Seaport Quilters provide over 100 quilts per year to the valley for this cause.

<u>Festival of Trees –</u> Each year the guild decorates a tree for the Tri State Hospital Foundations "Festival of Trees" fund raiser for various extras at the hospital. Members make hand stitched decorations, quilts, and accessories to decorate the tree which is then sold at the auction.

<u>Classes</u> – The guild schedules various workshops and classes for members to learn new techniques, improve their quilting skills and to preserve the knowledge and mastery of the fabric arts.

<u>Guilt Camp</u> – Twice a year in the spring and fall members attend Quilt Camp where they spend the weekend sewing and sharing with others members. Members pay their own camp fees.

Other Community Projects – Members have helped various school classes make quilts for auctions at their school, stimulating interest in quilting among our youth. Quilts are taken to nursing homes to display and are given to the residents.

<u>Newsletter</u> – Each month members receive a newsletter with announcements, guild activities, and the block-of-the-month pattern and helpful hints and articles related to quilting.

<u>Small Groups</u> – Members meet in the afternoon or evening to work on their own projects and exchange ideas and techniques.