

Raffle Quilt Crafters Committee

Bi-Annual Gift for 'Ohana (MultiCare Breast Center)

The Raffle Quilt Crafters Committee is responsible to plan, craft with care and skill, name the quilt, and complete the quilt to be raffled with the proceeds designated for Breast Health Services at MultiCare. In addition, this project provides an opportunity for YVQG members to develop relationships as members work together to craft the quilt.

The Raffle Quilt Crafters Committee includes the Chairperson and at least two member volunteers.

Beginning the **fall** after our quilt show, the Committee will search and choose three (3) quilt patterns that would be suitable for the project. The quilt patterns should be ones that makes you look twice, with attractive colors and be one that all members can work on if they desire to do so. The quilt is usually queen size, but may vary.

The Chairperson will bring copies of the three (3) patterns illustrating designs and colors to the first General Membership meeting in **January**. YVQG members present may make suggestions at that time and will vote on their favorite—majority wins the choice. Due to copyright law, if the chosen pattern is not modified, it is necessary to check with the pattern's author to make sure you can use their pattern for a raffle quilt.

Monies budgeted for this Committee cover the pattern, fabric, batting, backing, quilting, and printing of the raffle tickets (5000 tickets). Members may be invited to donate fabric for the quilt. Whenever possible, purchase fabric and supplies from local quilt shops.

The committee, in mid-January after the pattern selection, will meet to proceed with plans for the construction of the quilt. The Committee will select and purchase the fabric and all necessary supplies for the crafting of the quilt, staying within the Budget.

Determine, schedule, and organize the crafting of the quilt top. The plan to be executed includes: 1) a venue of sufficient size to accommodate member volunteers, tables and other necessary tools and equipment, 2) the dates and time scheduled for actual construction of the top, 3) where, how the best parts may be distributed to YVQG members to work on at home, and 4) any other organizational details. The quilt top should be ready for display in late spring.

Solicitation of bids for quilting may begin as soon as the quilt top can be displayed. Bids from YVQG members are encouraged. It is expected that the bids include custom quilting ideas and pricing that includes the chosen thread. The Committee will seek input from YVQG members and choose the long arm quilter. The quilt is now ready for the binding and label.

The quilt should be ready for display and photographing in late spring. Ensure that the **Quilt Show Publicity Chair** has the photograph so Quilt Show post cards can be ordered and distributed. Raffle tickets go on sale at this time. By early June, The Committee will present the completed quilt to the **Raffle Quilt Marketing Committee Chairperson** who will be in charge

of the quilt from the time of completion until it is presented to the raffle winner at the Quilt Show.

The name of the quilt may be determined any time after pattern selection and could be the pattern name or modified as YVQG members in attendance choose.

The Committee will assist the Chairperson in establishing the Proposed Budget for the upcoming business year, noting that expenses may be incurred in more than one year.

Thank you for accepting the Raffle Quilt Crafters Committee Chair.

***Crafters---persons with skill in planning and making something (a quilt) in a skillful way using your hands.*