

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

Notes from the President

Happy New Year!!

As we enter 2017 there are some surprises on the horizon!

We are hoping for a good turnout for our January Auction. This is a great time of year to clear out those items in your quilt room that you will never use again, but will spark a new creation for other quilters. We encourage you to bring a friend to the auction. The more the merrier.

We have National Quilt Day in March. April is the VMRC Quilt Display and Sale (April 8th through April 29th). We will have entry forms at the January meeting and in the February Newsletter.

There is a retreat, programs, classes, service and much more to look forward to, like what Mary and friends' new layout for the next Raffle Quilt will be. Members, don't forget the Vendor table if you want to sell any of your items that you think will be of interest to your fellow quilters.

We invite all those who quilt, would like to learn, or just appreciate quilts to join us for a meeting.

Sandie Hammel, SVQG President

2018 Quilt Show - We will wrap up the big question (?) to have, as is; scale down; or not to have the 2018 quilt show. The vote will be announced in the March Newsletter (**ballot at the end of this newsletter**). Remember this decision is up to you the members. We want to hear your voice and opinions. It is not up to your Board to have to beg participation in an event that you, the members, want to have.

CALENDAR

JANUARY

21 Guild Auction

FEBRUARY

7 Board Meeting
18 Guild Meeting
Cathy Shifman, "Double Diamonds the Deb Tucker Way"

MARCH

17 Workshop, "Patches"
18 Guild Meeting
Julia Graber, "Fiber Art"

January Birthdays

Marcia Vehrs	4
Jane Crockett	9
Carol Sloan	9
Lou Emswiler	23
Sue Jones	23
Loretta Ehle	25
Diane Baker	29
Peggy Ruth Geren	30

Secretary Minutes from November 19, 2016 General Meeting

President Sandie Hammel called the November meeting of the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild (SVQG) to order at 9:30 a.m. Forty-three members and guests were present. Sandie asked new members to stand and introduce themselves with a short biography. It was moved, seconded and carried (MSC) that the October SVQG minutes, as published in the newsletter, be approved. In the absence of the treasurer, Sandie presented the treasurer's report. Carol Foster is resigning as treasurer, effective December 31, 2016. The president and board have appointed Bev London and Larry Brown to serve jointly as treasurer through the remainder of the term. Bev London was sworn in by the president. The members present voted unanimously to approve the increase in annual membership dues to \$25. The additional cost of a mailed newsletter will increase from \$12 to \$15/year. The members voted to approve the updated bylaws as presented at the October meeting and provided as an attachment to the newsletter.

Reports:

Hospitality. The December meeting will be a covered-dish holiday party. Members are asked to bring a covered dish to the party. The holiday party will be on December 17th at 9:30 a.m. in the usual meeting location. Those members with December birthdays will be asked to fill in during 2017 with refreshments at a monthly meeting.

Library. Members are reminded that the library catalog is available on the guild website. Please e-mail one of the librarians, Lou Emswiler to Kathy Christy with your requests. Members are asked to return any overdue books in December so that the librarians can do an inventory.

Membership. The deadline for membership dues is January 31, 2017. Dues and the membership form can be given to him at a meeting or mailed. John reminded members to complete and return the quilt show survey that was provided at the meeting and will be sent with the newsletter this month. The surveys are due by the February guild meeting.

Newsletter. The deadline for the January newsletter is the week of December 26th-31st. The newsletter will be published the first week in January.

Program. Kathy Christie will present a program this month about the classes she took at the 2016 Houston Quilt Show. The November workshop, zipper bags and the Three Pocket Purse (Liz Adams), is cancelled due to low registration, and will be rescheduled. Members are reminded to bring items for the January auction. They are encouraged to package them together attractively in baskets, gift bags or other containers.

Service. Denise Rudolph reported that 94 quilts were collected for hospice and thanked the members. Also there were many pillows and totes brought in and a shipment has already been sent to Augusta Medical Center.

Sunshine. Sue Jones reported that ten birthday cards and two "Thinking of You" blocks were mailed this month.

Ways and Means. Cerise Haas reminded members to purchase raffle tickets for today's prize. The Ph.D. due next is #1.

Raffle Quilt. Mary Carlton reported that the Woodstock art bee has been

Virginia Quilt Museum. Josephine Millet told the members about a "Turning the Quilt" discovery and tea at the George Washington Hotel in Winchester on Sunday, December 4th. Flyers are available for members who are interested in the event, and information and sign up is available on the VQM website.

Retreat. Jane Crockett reported that the retreat has been confirmed with the reservations coordinator at Orkney Springs April 23rd through April 26th (Sunday through Wednesday). Those registering and planning to stay overnight at the hotel will be asked for a \$15 non-refundable deposit at the January guild meeting.

Announcements:

There will be no board meeting in December. The board and the committee chairs will meet again on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 from 1-3 p.m. at the North River Library in Bridgewater.

Author Patience Griffin has invited all guild members to sign up online for a quilt giveaway in conjunction with her new book, It Happened in Scotland. Her website is PatienceGriffin.com.

January 2017

Secretary Minutes from November 19, 2016 General Meeting (continued)

New Business:

Sandie reviewed the quilt show questionnaire and explained each of the option listed. Members are asked to consider carefully how they want to proceed, the size of the quilt show (if any) and where they are willing to serve. Anyone who does not respond will be assumed to have voted for not having a show in 2018. The questionnaire will also be sent to the members via e-mail. Questionnaires are due back by the February guild meeting. Comments and questions are welcome.

The travelling basket was won by Jane Crockett. After show and tell and a break for refreshments, a drawing for the raffle was won by Barbara Paulson.

Dorice Graham brought books and samples and talked about visiting Hawaii and learning about Hawaiian quilting.

The program, by Kathy Christy, was about her Houston Quilt Show classes. This concluded the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Crockett

Announcements

Weather alerts - Members of SVQG - there will be an email alert if the weather looks questionable. I try to remember that it is not only the Rockingham County area but the whole Shenandoah and Page Valley weather that we have to think about when changing time or canceling a meeting. Please check your email and/or phone a quilting buddy to see if they have received an alert. A few of you said you did not receive notice please make sure that our membership and newsletter chairman have you most updated email address. We include ourselves when we send out notifications so when we receive we are assuming that all has gone through since none were kicked back. Some of you have filters on your computers to block mass emails so also look in the junk mail or promotions/services area of your computer or call another member. All of those who get their newsletter by US postal service will receive a personal phone alert from a Board member to alert you of the meeting cancelation or time change.

VMRC Quilt Exhibit and Sale 2017- SVQG has been invited back to VMRC once again. This will be our third semi - annual quilt exhibit and sale and is planned for April 8th through April 29th. The quilts will be hung along VMRCs Main Street Gallery. We are looking for approximately 40 quilts. Size range will be bed size to wall quilts. Depending on the sizes the number may vary. This is a chance for our members to show their work and to perhaps make a sale for those of you who want to sell your quilts. Applications will be at the membership table in January and posted in the February newsletter. This is just a heads up so that you may start thinking about what you would like to enter in this very popular show.

Ph.D. Reminder!

Project #1 is due at the January meeting.

Quilt Show Ballot

Please fill out the ballot and turn it in at Guild or mail it. We need to know how many want a Quilt Show in 2018 and who is willing to help. We will decide from the ballots in March 2017 as how the Guild will proceed. Your vote counts, especially if you want a Quilt Show! Happy Quilting,

Secretary Minutes from December 17, 2016 General Meeting

President Sandie Hammel called the December meeting of the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild (SVQG) to order at 10:06 a.m. The meeting was postponed for thirty minutes due to inclement weather. Seventeen members were present. Jane Crockett read the minutes of the November meeting. It was moved, seconded and carried (MSC) that the minutes be approved. In the absence of the treasurer, Sandie presented the treasurer's report.

Reports:

Programs. Barbara Cline will be bringing samples of future program projects to an upcoming meeting. Members are reminded to bring items for the January auction.

Membership. John Hammel reminded members that the deadline for membership dues is January 31, 2017. Dues and the membership form can be given to him at a meeting or mailed. He also reminded members to complete and return the quilt show survey that was provided at the meeting and will be sent with the newsletter this month. The surveys are due by the February guild meeting.

Newsletter. The deadline for the January newsletter is Dec 31st; to publish the first week of January.

Sunshine. Sandie reported that five birthday cards and two "Thinking of You" blocks were mailed this month.

Virginia Quilt Museum. Sandie expressed her apologies to Josephine Millet about not sending out the information about an upcoming VQM event due to a computer malfunction. Jane Crockett reported that she and Joyce Aigner attended the "Turning the Quilt" discovery and tea at the George Washington Hotel in Winchester on December 4th, and that it was a wonderful program and event. There is the possibility that this may become an annual event, and she encouraged members to consider it for their 2017 calendar.

Retreat. Kathy Christy updated members that the retreat has been confirmed with Shrine Mont (Orkney Springs), and that a \$15 non-refundable deposit will be due at the January meeting. The balance for the room will be due at the March meeting. A sign-up sheet was available at the meeting, and members can contact Kathy or Jane as well if they wish to sign up.

Ways and Means. Cerise Haas asked for two volunteers to assist her with tracking the bidding and organizing the items for the January auction. Please contact Cerise if you can help.

Announcements:

The Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community (VMRC) has asked our guild to hang a small quilt show in 2017. The guild has done shows there in 2012 and 2014. The ideal number of quilts for this space is 35-45, depending on quilt size. The date to hang will be Saturday morning, April 8, 2017, and it will be taken down Saturday, April 29th. Members who want to sell their quilts are welcome to put them in the show, and they will be distributed to the buyers on the 29th. Applications to put a quilt in the show will be in the January and February newsletters. Signup sheets will be available at the February and March meetings asking for volunteers to put up, take down, or work at the "Meet and Greet and Walking Tour," which introduces the show to the community. Anyone who would like to chair or co-chair this show is asked to contact Sandie.

The Tarheel Quilters Guild of Fayetteville, N.C. has sent an announcement of their upcoming show, "A Symphony of Quilts" which will be held April 7-8, 2017. This is a judged show and members are invited to submit a quilt for entry. The deadline for applications is February 20, 2017, and information can be found on their website, tarhillquiltersguild.org.

New Business:

The travelling basket was won by Doreen Roadcap. After show and tell, the members adjourned for their holiday meal, a game and gift exchange. Beautiful table decorations and door prizes were provided by Barbara Cline.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Crockett

Our Christmas party was a delight thanks to our talented Barbara Cline. The table decorations were wonderful gifts all made by Barbara given through a game for those who attended. The games were fun and helped us to learn more about each other. Then there was the gift exchange and yummy food. Sorry more could not attend due to the early morning weather. We hope that all our members had a wonderful holiday season.

January 2017

Membership

Happy Holidays and hope the Season is being good to you. Good for us! The new membership year will be from February 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018. As previously announced, dues have been raised to \$25 a year which includes an email copy of the Newsletter each month. If you want the Newsletter postal mailed to you, that will cost an additional \$15 for the year. Since we haven't had a dues increase in almost forever, this is a reasonable increase. You can use the attached application blank. Just mail it in or bring it to Guild. I will need a new application blank from each of you to ensure my records are up to date. These will be available at the Guild meeting and also on the website.

John Hammel, Membership Chair

Ways and Means

Don't forget our annual auction at the January meeting! Please remember to bundle your auction items in attractive baskets, bags or boxes! I am looking for 2 people to assist with tracking the bidding and collecting payments after the auction. I am also looking for 2 people to assist with numbering and displaying the auction items as they arrive at the meeting. Dave Porter will be our auctioneer again this year! He really added to the fun at our last auction. We look forward to seeing everyone with checkbooks in hand!

Cerise Haas

Service

Thank you for great turnout at the November meeting. We received 95 quilts which have been delivered to Augusta, Sentara, and Blue Ridge Hospice groups. Thank you!!

Denise Rudolph, Service Chair

SVQG Quilters Retreat

All Members (and guests) are invited

April 23 - 26

Shrine Mont Retreat Center at Orkney Springs, Va.

Private and shared rooms are available (\$110/\$86 per day plus tax) *that include three meals a day. In addition, there is a small table rental fee (\$10 or \$5 depending whether you share your 6-foot table).

The large sewing studio space is adjacent to the Lexington cottage (which is one of the housing options) and the hotel. The hotel, Pennsylvania House (the second housing option) and the sewing center are handicapped-accessible.

Those interested in coming for the day only will be responsible for a \$10/day facility-use fee, table rental and making reservations for any meal sign-up and a non-refundable deposit of \$15 is required by the January guild meeting. The remainder of the reservation fee is due at the March meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Christy or Jane Crockett. To view the facility webpage, go to www.shrinemont.com.

*Note: Listed are the 2016 room rates. Rates may increase slightly in 2017. We'll let you know in January if this is the case.

Programs

February

Cathy Shifman, from The Cloth Peddler, will present our February program, "Double Diamonds the Deb Tucker Way." A workshop will follow. Come and learn a new technique!

Double Diamonds the Deb Tucker Way
February 18, 2017

Questions: Email Barbara Cline at programs@svqg.org or tbcline7@gmail.com

Complete this form and mail, with payment, to Barbara Cline, 6234 Gardner Lane Bridgewater, VA 22812.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Amount Enclosed: Member \$40 _____ Non-member \$50 _____

Includes the ruler and pattern

Make check payable to SVQC. Only a paid registration reserves your place in this workshop. Paid workshops are transferable to another member but are not refundable unless the class is cancelled.

Non-members are welcome to join the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild to register as a member.

Supply List

Sewing machine & supplies	1/2 yard of your feature fabric
Iron, cutting mat, rotary cutter	1/4 yard contrast #1 fabric
1/4 yard Heat n' Bond (Double sided web)	1/4 yard contrast #2 fabric

Do you want to keep receiving this newsletter? Renew your membership!

January 2017

Programs

March

Julia Garber, an award-winning quilter and lecturer, will present two workshops in March. On SATURDAY, March 18th she will demonstrate the techniques she used to create "Only a Lily", which took 1st place at the National Quilt Museum's New Quilts from an Old Favorite contest in 2014. In this workshop, From Photo to Fiber, we will learn how to take a picture, simplify it to make templates, and then fuse the fabric together to make the picture. Not only will we will be quilting with feed dogs up; but also free-motion quilting organic shapes to make the picture come alive.

Julia will also offer a FRIDAY, 6-hour workshop, "Patches". During this workshop, students will learn how to fuse fabric patches to a background grid. After the background is quilted, a modified version of the silhouette lily pattern (or willow or silhouette of student's choice) will be appliqued to the top and finished with quilting.

From Photo to Fiber and Patches Workshops
March 17 and 18, 2017

Questions: Email Barbara Cline at programs@svqg.org or tbcline7@gmail.com
Complete this form and mail, with payment, to Barbara Cline, 6234 Gardner Lane Bridgewater, VA 22812

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

From Photo to Fiber: Amount Enclosed: Member \$40 _____ Non-member \$50 _____
This 3-hour workshop, on SATURDAY, March 18th, will begin at approximately 1:00.

Patches: Amount Enclosed: Member \$60 _____ Non-member \$70 _____
This 6-hour workshop will be held on FRIDAY, March 17th.

Combined rate for BOTH workshops: Member \$80 _____ Non-member \$100 _____

Supply Lists for both workshops will be posted in the February Newsletter or are available by email. Make check payable to SVQC. Only a paid registration reserves your place in this workshop. Paid workshops are transferable to another member but are not refundable unless the class is cancelled.

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YEAR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

February 1, 2017 – January 31, 2018

() Renewal Membership

() New Membership

Date of Application: _____ Check Number: _____ Cash: _____

NAME _____ BIRTHDAY: ____/____/____

Please print name as you want it on Membership card and Badge Month Day

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: ____ - ____ - _____ EMAIL: _____
(Area Code)

WHY JOIN?

Auction in January
Picnic in August with Installation of new Officers
Newsletter published 11 times a year
500+ quilt related book library w/monthly check-out
Service projects for a variety of worthy causes
Fun projects, raffles, challenges, retreats and door prizes
“SHOW & TELL”

Well known speakers & Classes
Christmas Party in December
Membership Directory
Personalized Name Badges
SVQG Website
Refreshments

and

A place to meet and greet old friends and make new friends; a place to relax and get away from the everyday problems; a place to share in the fellowship of good company
Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild Has It All!

This form should be completed in its entirety and returned with your check for \$25.00 (which includes your newsletter by e-mail) or \$40.00 (which includes your newsletter delivered by the US Mail) payable to:

The Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild
c/o Membership Chair
P. O. Box 913
Harrisonburg, VA 22803

Note: If you wish to have your membership card and receipt mailed to you, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your application and check.

MEMBERSHIP SVQG QUILT SHOW BALLOT

- NO - I *do not* want a SVQG Quilt show in 2018
- YES - SVQG Downsized Quilt show in 2018; No vendors, no demonstrations, and fewer categories.
- YES - SVQG Quilt show in 2018; Keep the show the same as the last two shows, including vendors, demonstrations and expanded categories.

If YES, then I volunteer to help in the following:

- _____ Quilt Show Committee Chair
_____ Quilt Show Committee Co-Chairs
_____ Publicity
_____ Boutique
_____ Front Desk
_____ White Gloves
_____ Registering Quilts _____ Receiving Quilts _____ Returning Quilts
_____ Setting up display area _____ Taking down Display area
_____ Hanging Quilts _____ Taking down Quilts
_____ Vendor Coordination
_____ Demonstration during Show
_____ I do not wish to help.

Name _____

Phone# _____

Email _____

Whether we have a Quilt show depends upon a majority of the Guild membership voting for it AND enough volunteers to assist in putting it on.

IT'S YOUR SHOW. IF YOU WANT IT, YOU NEED TO PARTICIPATE!

<p>Board Members:</p> <p>President Sandie Hammel President-Elect Doreen Roadcap Secretary Jane Crockett Treasurers Bev London & Larry Brown Program Coor #1 Barbara Cline Program Coor #2 Lori Abbott-Herrick Immed. Past President Nina Jackson</p> <p>Special Duties:</p> <p>Web Site Manager Tom & Nina Jackson PhD Program Cerise Haas SVQG/VQM Liaison Josephine Millett 2018 Raffle Quilt: Mary Carlton</p>	<p>Committee Chairpersons:</p> <p>Service Denise Rudolph Library Lou Emswilier & Kathy Christy Ways & Means Cerise Haas Membership John Hammel Sunshine Sue Jones Hospitality Ofilia Harner & Celia Mitchell Publicity Gail Oliver Newsletter Lori Abbott-Herrick</p> <p>TO JOIN THE SVQG SEND \$20 annual dues and application to: SVQG Membership PO Box 913 Harrisonburg, VA 22803</p>
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PLACE OF MEETING: The Sunnyside Room, Sunnyside Presbyterian Retirement Community, Harrisonburg, VA.
DATE OF MEETING: Third Saturday of each month unless otherwise notified
TIME OF MEETING: 9:30 AM

DIRECTIONS: From I-81 take Exit 247 towards Elkton (Route 33 East). Turn right on Route 687, Massanetta Springs Road. Proceed south for 0.8 miles and turn left on to Sunnyside Drive. Proceed straight and turn right on Glenside Drive. Turn right at the first parking lot and the Sunnyside Room is on your right. **PARKING** is available in front and below the building and on the street. **Please do not park in the numbered spaces.**

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