

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

Notes from the President

November is approaching. It is time to talk turkey. I will be the first to admit our business meetings, though short, have been a little tedious. That is because the Board wants to get all of the business needed to run your guild smoothly in 2016-2017 and beyond, completed and out of the way. As they say in the almost current song "Girls (and a few guys) Just Want to Have Fun". I urge our membership to support our November meeting. It is important that your voices be heard.

For those of you who missed Gwyn Campbell, wow you missed a good one. Those beautiful quilts during her trunk show was a sight to behold. Can you believe she had never done a trunk show? Those who took her class could not have been more pleased. Thank you for supporting our classes and teachers, the more support the more classes can come your way.

Now back to turkey talk..... Thanksgiving is just around the corner. Making the menu if you are host of this years feast, can be a chore. Some have the same thing each year, tradition. Some of us have to throw in a few new things that looked too good when looking at the latest magazine or on line. Others of us decide that going out to one of the many Thanksgiving Day Buffets is the way to go. However you decide to celebrate it is always about family, friends and being thankful. There is so much to be thankful for. I am thankful for a guild full of wonderful quilters who enjoy visiting, sharing and teaching others the art of quilting. During the month of November I challenge each of you to verbally say one thing that you are thankful for. It lightens and enlightens our hearts. Happy Thanksgiving!!!!

CALENDAR

November 19th Guild Mtg
Zippered pouches with our
young friends & daughters

December 17th
Christmas Party Pot Luck

January 21st
Guild Auction

November Birthdays

Carol Erwin	3 rd
Phyllis Hollowell	4 th
Celia Mitchell	5 th
Liz Adams	7 th
Mary Handley	8 th
Rebecca Laine	22 nd
Julia Martin	27 th
Michelle Perkins	29 th

December Birthdays

Lois Johnson	13 th
Linda Quintrell	13 th
Nellie Pitcock	18 th
Jan Hood	21 st
Barbara Cline	28 th
Sue Utterback	31 st

Secretary Minutes from October 15, 2016 General Meeting

President Sandie Hammel called the October meeting of the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild (SVQG) to order at 9:30 a.m. Forty-three members and guests were present, including the guest speaker, Gwyn Campbell. Sandie asked new members to stand and introduce themselves with a short biography.

- It was moved, seconded and carried (MSC) that the September SVQG minutes, as published in the newsletter, be approved.
- In the absence of the treasurer, Sandie presented the treasurer's report.
- Sandie reminded those members with November birthdays to bring refreshments to the meeting next month.
- Members are encouraged to use the guild library. A portion of the collection is brought to guild meetings, and the entire library catalog is available on the guild website. If you e-mail the librarian, the book(s) that you request will be brought to the next meeting.
- Sandie made an official announcement that the board has approved increasing the yearly dues (including emailed newsletters) from \$20/year to \$25/year starting with the February 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018 membership year. If a member requests that their newsletter be sent via the postal service, the fee will be an additional \$15/year. This announcement will be posted in the November newsletter and voted on by the membership at the November 19th guild meeting.

Committee Reports:

- The newsletter deadline is October 21 st .
- Barbara Cline, program chair, announced that the workshop held Friday, October 14 with Gwyn Campbell was very informative and fun. She has several patterns still available at a discounted cost. The workshop in October, taught by guild member Liz Adams, will be a mother/ daughter (granddaughter or friend) workshop making zipper pouches. Members are encouraged to come and bring a guest, or just to come to learn to make zipper pouches. The program at the meeting, with Barbara Cline as speaker, will be about value and color.
- Denise Rudolph, service chair, announced that she received sixty-three pillows and totes for breast cancer patients today. Next month she will be collecting hospice quilts. She read a letter from a family of a patient who had received one of the hospice quilts, thanking the guild for their kindness.
- The sunshine chair, Sue Jones, reported that seven birthday blocks and three thinking-of- you blocks were mailed.
- Josephine Millet reported for Cerise Haas, Ways and Means chair, that there is a raffle quilt basket available. Cheryl Hawes is the vendor of the day, and there are a wide variety of items available. Members are encouraged to support the vendors at the meetings. Ten percent of their sales for the day go back to the guild treasury. If a member wants to reserve a vendor table, they should contact Cerise Haas.
- Josephine also updated the members about the new show at the Virginia Quilt Museum, "Things that Go Bump in the Night". The exhibit features mourning quilts. October 21-22 there will be textile study seminars on "Mourning and Meaning through Cloth". For information, check the museum website. The secondary displays at the museum feature crazy quilts and a display from the Floyd County Quilt Guild.

New Business:

- There is an opportunity for the guild to have a display at the Virginia Quilt Museum and in order to get on the museum calendar for 2018, the guild would have to request this soon. One suggestion has been to feature the ribbon-winning quilts from the 2018 guild quilt show. However, Sandie reported that no one has volunteered to serve as chair or co-chair of the 2018 show. Two members have agreed to serve in an advisory role on the show committee. She asked the members who want the guild to have a show in 2018 to raise their hands. She challenged those with their hands up to decide among themselves who would be the right individuals to serve as chair and co-chair. Without this leadership, the show cannot go forward.
- In other business, the new wireless microphone system has arrived, and once Sandie has had a chance to master it, she will bring it to the meetings.
- An attorney has reviewed the partnership services agreement, outlining the agreement between the guild and partners we choose to work with for our raffle quilts. The board will vote on this agreement at the November 1st board meeting and the agreement will be posted on the bulletin board in November, and a copy placed in the Ways and Means chairperson's notebook. This agreement does not require a vote from the membership.
- A committee to review the guild bylaws, consisting of Jane Crockett, chair, Doreen Roadcap (Sandie Hammel, substituting), Jude McLaughlin, Joyce Aigner, and Beryl Lawson (John Hammel, substituting) met on October 4. Revisions to the bylaws are needed for clarity and to synchronize tax, membership and board/chair year. Sandie read the proposed revisions to the members, which are posted on the guild bulletin board for member review. A vote on the by-law revisions is scheduled for the November 19th meeting. A final, approved copy will be attached to the November newsletter.
- Kathy Christie and Jane Crockett are working on the plans for a retreat for guild members next spring. It is planned for April 23rd through April 26 (Sunday through Wednesday) at Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, Va. The room rate includes dinner Sunday through lunch Wednesday. Participants will be asked for a \$50 non-refundable deposit for the retreat at the January guild meeting. There was a request that day participants (with a charge for lunch and table set-up) be allowed. A sign-up sheet was passed.
- The traveling basket was won by Phyllis Hollowell.
- Kathy Christy gave a block demonstration of a modern "Wonky X" block made with 10-inch squares.
- After show and tell and a break for refreshments, a drawing for the raffle was won by Gae Baker. Gwyn Campbell, Judy Neimeyer certified instructor, gave a lecture and presented a trunk show of her work.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Crockett

New Treasurers - Taking over the remaining term as Treasurer will be Bev London and Larry Brown. Many thanks to them for stepping up to the fill this position. Our current Treasurer, Carol Foster will be moving from Virginia. The guild will miss Carol and wish her lots of warm and sunny Florida days.

Program - November

Wide-Open Zipper Pouch Supply List By Liz Adams

All sizes require the following pieces: 2 lining, 2 batting, and 2 exterior pieces.

If you want the exterior to have two different fabrics, cut two from each measurement below. Lining and batting sizes remain the same.

Zipper tab: a 2" x 3" piece of either exterior or lining fabric

Pouch Size	Fabric & Batting	Zipper Size	Corner Square Size	Two Color Exterior
Small	7" x 10"	10"	1"	3.5" x 10" 4.5" x 10"
Medium	9" x 12"	12"	1.5"	4.5" x 12" 5.5" x 12"
Large	11" x 14"	14"	2"	5.5" x 14" 6.5" x 14"

Three Pocket Purse Supply List

One 18" square of quilted fabric. You may make your own or purchase pre-quilted fabric. If you make your own start out with a 19" square and cut it down after quilting.

Binding fabric: 2.5" wide and enough to bind all four sides of the square.

Handle fabric: can be the same as the binding or can be braided silky cord (which I prefer).

Program - December

Remember that December 17th is our Guild Holiday Party. This is a time to celebrate, visit, play a few games, and relax. Each member is asked to bring a covered dish (sweet or savory) to share and a small homemade gift, sewn, baked, canned, crafted, etc. to exchange.

Program - January

Now is not too early to get those things together that you plan to donate to our January 21, 2017 auction. We all have things that we bought or were given that we have not used in a while, but are still in good working order: rulers, books (no magazines please), gadgets, fabric, frames, and the list goes on. It is a time for great bargains, and a fun day and one that is always well attended. Be sure to bundle your items in cute boxes, bags, or baskets to make your items the ones everyone wants. See you at the auction and bring a friend.

Service

Thank you to all that brought pillows & totes. We collected 63!! What a way to celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness month.

In November, we will be collecting Hospice quilts so these can be given out once the weather start cooling down. Remember this is a great way to use up scraps. I enjoy making string quilts and should have mine done in time for the November meeting.

Always Sewing
Denise Rudolph - Service Chairperson

Membership

Happy Halloween from one of the local goblins. Hopefully the Great Pumpkin will pay you a visit and leave lots of candy, treats and pumpkin pies.

Membership is doing well and we have 95 members on the rolls. 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 start paying the dues in November, December and January and it will pay you up through January 2018. 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. Also, the updated Membership list is available on the website, svqg.org. Email me if you need info on how to access the Members only section, jthammel@gmail.com.

On a personal note, I am finally scheduled to have my knee replaced on November 2, 2016. Hopefully I will be mobile enough to attend the November Guild meeting. Wish me luck.

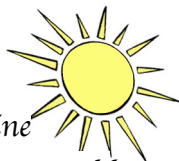
Happy Quilting.

John Hammel - Membership Chair

Announcements

- Board Meeting - The next Board Meeting will be on November 1, 2016 from 1 to 3 p.m. at North River Library, 118 Mount Crawford Ave, Bridgewater.
- Quilt Show 2018 Needs Leadership - We are looking for two volunteers to serve as Quilt Show 2018 Chairman and Co-Chairman. Two friends who work well together would be ideal. Remember there is help from those who have done this in the past. Denise Rudolph your advisor and Doreen Roadcap who will be serving as President during this quilt show year will be there to help. We need to secure the venue for this event well ahead so help is needed as soon as possible.
- Ballot Vote for your 2018 Quilt Show - The show of hands in October for wanting to produce a quilt show in 2018 was lower than should have been. The lack of enthusiasm for volunteers to fill the positions of Chairman and Co-chairman for the show tell me that we need to find out why. To get a true over view of what the guild wants there will be ballots at the membership table for you to fill in at the November meeting. It is important to your Board to hear your thoughts.
- Increase in Dues - The Board from 2015-2016 had announced that an increase in dues was needed to keep the guild running smoothly. Your 2016-2017 Board voted to make this increase starting in the new February 1, 2017 - January 31, 2018 membership year. The dues will be increased to \$25.00 (from \$20.00) for membership with emailed newsletters. For those who want to have their newsletters mailed via U.S. Postal Service there would be an additional fee of \$15.00 (from \$12.00).
- Vote - The membership will vote on these changes at our November 19th meeting.
- Attachment to this Newsletter - The final copy of the By-Laws changes that were read at the October 15th meeting will be attached for you to read. A copy of the updated By-Laws will also be posted on our guild Bulletin Board at our November 19th meeting for all to read. The minor changes were made for clarity and to correspond to our equalization of tax, membership and change in leadership (Board and Committees) dates.

SUNSHINE



For our new members: The Sunshine committee sends birthday greetings to guild members and Thinking of You cards to our members who are ill or have had a loss or for a happy event in their life. We count on you to let us know who needs a TOY to show our support.

Contact Sunshine at [540-949-0872](tel:540-949-0872) or dejbowsandskjquilts@hotmail.com

*Thank you,
Sue Jones*

Eager BEEver Service Bee REPORT FOR 10/1/15-8/31/16

Once again the past months have found the Eager BEEvers busy sewing quilts for service. In spite of the health issues that popped up in several households during the year, we continued to choose fabrics and patterns, touch, cut, sew and finish many quilts that were given to others for their use and comfort.

88 quilts given to Denise for Hospice
38 quilts mailed to Wrap-A- Smile (including 12 made and donated by others)
5 quilts given to A Small Hand-Broadway
17* Quilts delivered to Mission Central at Cedar Grove United Methodist Church (a children's clothes closet program for the District)
Sandie and John planned a great August picnic for "quilting by the river" and invited other Guild members and Service BEES to join the fun.
We continue to enjoy our monthly meetings for fellowship, fun sewing, and food.

Members: Dorice, Pauline, Lori, Sandie, Fran, and Carolyn

Vendor Table

Cerise Haas with Ways and Means has the sign up sheet for the monthly Vendor Table. One member may sign up to sell their wares during each monthly guild meeting. The vendor is asked to remit 10% of their sales from that day to the guild.

November vendor: Patchwork Plus



If you want to join in the fun email your list of 6 projects to Cerise Haas at readsewmuch@gmail.com . Everyone's #2 project will be due at the November meeting.

<p>Board Members:</p> <p>President Sandie Hammel President-Elect Doreen Roadcap Secretary Jane Crockett Treasurer Carol Foster 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 Emswiler & 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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