

Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

Website: wwwsvqg.org

NQA Chapter 383, VA 20

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President's Message -



Here's to a sigh instead of a cheer
And pray that April's warmth is near
Let's hope that winters gone this year
And scores of flowers soon appear.

So grab all your quilting gear
We can quilt outdoors without fear
Especially when the weathers clear
Outdoor quilting time is here!!

Am sorry again for missing a meeting - seems all I do is miss all the fun! Am having my final heavy chemo treatment on April first and hope to be able to get to the April meeting on my own two feet. Meanwhile I have been busy talking up the guild to the nurses at the hospital since I see them every day and have two great gals very interested in learning to applique. Hope to bring them as guests soon. Am excited to be at the end of one phase of my treatment - will continue to have small chemo treatments until December and then will start radiation treatments (duck's soup compared to the big chemos).

Miss seeing everyone and hope to see you this month!
Molly Toth

Program -

April: There is still time to sign up for Kathy Christy's Tsukineko Inks workshop scheduled for the afternoon of April 18. A registration form is included at the end of the newsletter. Kathy Christy will also be our featured speaker for our April guild meeting where we will have an opportunity to learn about and see the UFO's she has amassed from years of participating in workshops at various quilt shows and expos. This should be great fun!

May: Josephine Millett will be the featured speaker at our May 18 meeting as she shares with us her quest to find a preferred method of hand applique. Josephine will then conduct an afternoon workshop that will provide participants with an opportunity to try back-basting, needle-turned, template free applique! A workshop registration form is included with this newsletter.

Amy Sirocky-Meck
Program Coordinator

Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild
Minutes
General Meeting - March 21, 2015

The March meeting of the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild was called to order by Nina Jackson, President-elect, in President, Mollie Toth's absence.

The minutes for January's meeting were approved as written in the newsletter by Liz Adams and Gail Oliver. **(Note: No minutes for February 2015, meeting canceled due to bad weather.)**

The treasurer's report will be posted on the quilt web site under the member's only section.

Service: today after the meeting we will be working on patriotic quilts for hospice and dog beds.

The quilt show at VMRC is set for April 11th (for set up) till May 9th (take down). Volunteers are needed to help and there are sign-up sheets on a back table today. There is a walking tour set up for April 15th at 2:00 till 3:30 p.m.

Newsletter deadline is March 27th.

Membership: dues are due now.

Programs: Kathy Christie will be teaching a class in April "Playing with Tsukineko Inks" and in May Josephine Millet will be teaching a class on back basted applique.

Sunshine: 8 birthday cards were mailed out.

There are several officer and committee positions that will need to be filled by next August. They include President-elect, Treasurer, Program Coordinator 2, Hospitality, and Ways and Means. Please let Nina Jackson know if you can help fill one of these positions.

The 2016 quilt show committee is now forming. Denice Rudolph and Lori Abbott-Herrick will be chairing the committee.

Josephine Millet spoke about the Virginia Quilt Museum's 20th anniversary and the \$20 for 20 years campaign. Josephine passed out donation envelopes for the campaign.

Website: the website has a new sign in and password for the member's only section and Dianne Reasons handed out the information to each member present at the meeting.

2016 raffle quilt kits are here to be picked up by members that signed up to finish them. Jan would like the completed kits turned in at the April 18th meeting.

There was discussion about the next raffle quilt and how the proceeds would be divided. A motion was made that one half of the profit from ticket sales would be donated to the group or groups to be determined. A motion was made by Norma Harris to accept this and seconded by Fran Miller. A vote was taken of the members present. The vote was unanimous. A motion was made to not require the recipients of the raffle quilt proceeds to sell tickets by Liz Adams and seconded by Norma Harris and Mary Carlton. A vote of the membership was unanimous.

PHD: project #4 is due in May.

Speakers from the Blue Ridge Hospice from Winchester and Sentara RMH hospice spoke about how the quilts and Samantha dolls are used by their patients. 82 quilts and 6 Samantha dolls were divided among the three hospice programs.

Submitted by, Ann VanNoy, Secretary

Service -

Amazing!!! What a wonderful group of 82 quilts to give to Hospice!!!! This included 7 dolls. I know the representatives were thrilled to be taking these home to their volunteers to distribute. I love hearing the stories they told. Thank you so much for your support.

We had a good turnout for the afternoon and made 7 dog pillows and have plenty of stuffing left to make many more. My husband could not believe the car was fuller when I got home than when I left!!!

We also got kits made for Breast Cancer pillows/totes from the fabrics that Augusta Health donated. You can pick up these at the April meeting.

We worked on making patriotic kits and Carolyn got one completed so the group could see the result. I have lots of fabric to get more kits made. I also was given some kits to distribute for other quilt tops so see me in April.

Thank you all so much!!!!

Always sewing,
Denise Rudolph
VERY HAPPY Chairperson of Service

Library -

A big thanks goes to everyone who looked for missing books last month. A treasure trove of the missing has been found and I am currently working my way through them. You should be seeing the results soon.

Two titles have been used to the point of needing replacement. If any member has a copy of either of the following titles that they would like to donate to the library, please email me at grahamvl@comcast.net. The titles are: 1) Quilts from Textured Solids by Kim Schaefer and 2) Point, Click, Quilt! By Susan Brubaker Knapp.

Finally, please call or email any specific requests to me so that I can bring those items to the meetings for you.

Vicki Graham, Library Chairman

Hospitality Committee -

Calling everyone with an April birthday! We hope you will be able to attend our April 18th meeting and bring a snack for the refreshment table. Mix up your favorite recipe or pick up something ready to go from the store. Think sweet or salty, pastry, fruit or veggie – we like it all!

Thanks to everyone who provided our March meeting treats!

Please contact either co-chair with questions/concerns:

Barbara Cline - tbcline7@gmail.com, 540-828-6815

Gail Oliver - gail.c.oliver@gmail.com, 540-448-1601

Sunshine -

Please contact me if you know a guild member who would benefit from a Thinking of You card and fabric block, at [540-949-0872](tel:540-949-0872) or e-mail at dejbowsandskquilts@hotmail.com.

Thank You,
Sue Jones



SVQG Retreat -

That time is fast approaching. April 29 - May 3 will soon be here. Retreat time!!! We still have a few openings available. We have room for up to 5 more quilters. Cost for the 4 days is \$300 which includes 3 meals a day. Come if you can. Just let me know.

Here are the answers to a few questions some of you had:

Threads Run Through It Quilt Shop

961 Aspen Rd,
Phenix, VA 23959

Hat Creek Campgrounds and Retreat Center

7145 Hat Creek Rd.
Brookneal, VA 24528

Check in time on Wednesday, April 29 is 3:00 PM. Supper will be served that evening. Check out time is (about) 11:00 AM Sunday, May 3. Breakfast will be served that morning.

Some bedrooms and the dining area are downstairs. More bedrooms and the sewing areas are upstairs. The rooms aren't going to be assigned. First come, first chosen. There are 40 beds and about 20-25 quilters, so there will be plenty of room to spread out.

Ironing boards and irons will not be provided, so some of us will need to bring our irons and ironing mats.

The balance of your fee is due sometime before the end of the retreat to the Threads Run through It Quilt Shop. They do take credit cards.

Carolyn Shank and Jane Crockett are planning a game for Thursday or Friday evening. If you would like to join in, bring ten 5 inch charm squares.

There is not going to be a strict schedule (except for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, of course!) This will be a time to relax, visit, sew and have fun. Especially have fun. Do it your own way in your own time. Have fun!!

I will email the quilters who are already signed up, the list of attendees and the directions to both locations in case you want to carpool.

Any questions, call Kathy Christy at [540-652-8671](tel:540-652-8671) or email at kckwilter@hotmail.com.

Ways and Means -

March Raffle donation was **\$67.00**

Requesting members to provide potential locations/events and associated dates where the "2016 Raffle Qult" can be displayed and tickets sold.

Karen Jones, Ways and Means Chairperson

Newsletter -

The next newsletter deadline will be Friday, April 24th. If anyone has an article or information that would be of interest to our membership please email sshammel419@gmail.com.

Reminder this will be the last newsletter for all those who have not renewed their 2015-2016 membership dues.

Sandie Hammel, Newsletter Editor

April Birthdays -



Thurston Bechtel 4/07

Eileen Dight 4/09

Deborah Pfeiffer 4/10

John Hammel 4/13

Susan Oehler 4/25

Dorothy Williams 4/26
(SVQG Guild Founder)

Connie Taylor 4/29

Judith Anderson 4/30

Membership -

Happy April to you all. Time to get out and smell the flowers. For those of you who have renewed and joined, **Thank You**. The rest of you need to get your dues in as soon as possible. Attached is an application form if needed. Mail it in or bring to April Meeting. For those who have not renewed, you will get the April Newsletter but it will be your last one. Your badges will still be in the box in April, but after that, they will be removed until renewed. Updated Membership Directories will be sent out with May Newsletter

Don't forget to renew and if you need some reasons, here are a few:

WHY JOIN?

Auction in January	Well known speakers & Classes
Picnic in August with Installation of new Officers	Christmas Party in December
Newsletter published 11 times a year	Membership Directory
500+ quilt related book library w/monthly check-out	Personalized Name Badges
Service projects for a variety of worthy causes	SVQG Website
Fun projects, raffles, challenges, retreats, door prizes, refreshments, "SHOW & TELL"	

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!

Happy Quilting!

John Hammel, Membership Chair

FYI -

Dorothy Williams - Our Guild founder has moved from VMRC in Harrisonburg to Wisconsin.

Dorothy's birthday is April 26th for any members who would like to remember our founder with a card and/or "Thinking of You Block" can send your greetings to:

Dorothy Williams

8220 Harwood Avenue, #16

Wauwatosa, Wisconsin 53213

Members leaving - Two of our members will be leaving the guild in their move to other states. Meegan Carr left our area for Pennsylvania and Michelle Perkins will be moving to North Carolina. We will miss these members and wish them well in their new communities and guilds.

VMRC Quilt Show and Exhibit - can be viewed on VMRC's Main Street at Park Gables in Harrisonburg, from April 12th until May 8th. Tell all of your friends not to miss the beautiful quilts made by the members of SVQG. Free and open to the public. This would be a perfect time to visit with an old friend or family member who is living at VMRC. Lunch and quilt viewing would make a perfect Spring visit.

(FYI - continued)

Virginia Quilt Museum's Calendar for 2015 -

April 7 Exhibit Opens: Celebrate the Day

May 2 Reception for A Virginia Tribute to "Dear Jane" Curator Doreen Johnson presents A Tribute to Jane Stickle

May 5 - July 4 Exhibits Open: -A Virginia Tribute to "Dear Jane" -Celebrate the Day -Civil War Era Quilts

May 15 - May 31 Our Internet Auction: www.Benefitbidding.com

June 5 First Friday 5-8 P.M.

July 14 - Oct. 4 Exhibit Opens: New Quilts From an Old Favorite: Carolina Lily, Botanicals of the Valley, 20 Quilts for 20 Years

July 24 - 25 Seminar CIVIL WAR QUILTS: WHAT THE WOMEN LEFT BEHIND

Keynote Speaker: Lynne Z. Bassett, Homecoming of Botanical Album quilt

August 8 Stash Blast 10-2 P.M. at VQM

September 4 First Friday 5-8

October 2 First Friday 5-8 P.M.

October 20 - Nov 1 Internet Auction:www.Benefitbidding.com

October 13 - Dec 19 Exhibit Opening: Caryl Bryer Fallert 30 Quilts for 30 Years 100 Years of Quilts: the Unger Family Quilts by Charlottesville Area Quilt Guilds

October 24 Anniversary Celebration-Caryl Bryer Fallert

Nov. 6 First Friday 5-8 P.M.

Dec. 5 Annual Meeting at VQM 10:30 A.M.

December 12 Holiday Tea program: Gloria Comstock

December 19 Museum close

The Virginia Quilt Museum will be closed April 27 - May 1, July 6 - 11 and October 6 - 12 for exhibit changes. We are closed each Sunday and Monday. The museum operates on the Rockingham County School closing schedule for inclement weather.

Note: This year the Virginia Quilt Museum will celebrate their 20th anniversary.

Advertisements -

For Sale: Free standing 18" round Quilt Frame

Fully adjustable, \$45.00

Kay Stillwell - 437-8833 or 540-705-6887

For Sale: Handy Quilter 16 with track and tables - \$900.00,

10 years old with less than 100 actual hours on the machine.

Contact - Kathy Christy at kckwilter@hotmail.com

HAPPY SPRING YOU ALL !!!!!

“Playing with Tsukineko Inks” Workshop with Kathy Christy

Date: Saturday, April 18, 2015

Location: Sunnyside Room, Sunnyside Retirement Community, Harrisonburg, VA

Learn some basic techniques for using Tsukineko inks on your quilts. The entire quilt or block can be painted or inks can be used to highlight or give extra depth to applique. No freehand drawing required! Tracing images works well and provide an opportunity to make the creation your own! **Kathy will supply drawings for participants to practice with!**

Cost: \$10(*members of SVQG*) \$15(*non-members*) **Cash or checks only** (*payable to SVQG*)

Time: 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM (**Bring your own lunch and beverages**)

Registration Deadline: Friday, April 10, 2015

Questions: Contact Amy Sirocky-Meck (sirockam@jmu.edu) or (540-564-0901)

Supply List

Fabric

1 Fat quarter sized (18”x22”) scrap of white fabric: Must be able to see a bold outline drawing through the fabric.

Tsukineko Inks

On the day of the workshop Kathy will have Tsukineko inks available for rental or purchase. **You will pay Kathy directly the day of the workshop**

Rental: \$5.00

Or

Complete Kit for purchase (4 bottles of ink, 4 blunt paint sticks, and 4 tapered paint sticks): \$20.00

Additional Supplies:

- Painters tape
- Paper towels
- Iron and ironing mat
- Other types of Ink and markers (optional)

Complete and detach this portion and return to: Amy Sirocky-Meck, 1880 Marigold Circle, Harrisonburg, VA 22801 Name:

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ (\$10 for members and \$15 for non-members)

Check the option that applies:

_____ I will rent the inks from Kathy (\$5.00 fee payable to Kathy the day of the workshop)

_____ I will purchase an ink kit from Kathy (\$20.00 payable to Kathy the day of the workshop)

Paid registration must be received by April 10, 2015 to reserve a spot in the workshop. Paid workshops are transferrable to another member but are not refundable unless the class is cancelled. Space is limited.

“Back Basting, Needle Turn, Template-Free Applique” Workshop with Josephine Millett

Date: Saturday, May 16, 2015

Location: Sunnyside Room, Sunnyside Retirement Community, Harrisonburg, VA



Beginners and hand-applique enthusiasts will all enjoy this opportunity to learn back-basting needle-turn, template free applique. The instructor will provide participants with the design (pictured above) already drawn on a foundation. She will also have a variety of fabric scraps, and threads available for the project or participants are welcome to bring their own!

Cost: \$10(*members of SVQG*) \$15(*non-members*) **Cash or checks only** (*payable to SVQG*)

Time: 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM (**Bring your own lunch and beverages**)

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 8, 2015

Questions: Contact Amy Sirocky-Meck (sirockam@jmu.edu) or (540-564-0901)

Supply List:

Fabric

Leaves and Stems: 2-3 shades of green fabric scraps including one darker green

Flowers: fabric scraps in 2 or 3 shades of the color of your choice

Flower centers: small scrap of yellow fabric

Notions

Thread to match fabric scraps

Long, slim sewing needle

Larger needle

Hand quilting thread

Straight pins

Pair of scissors with a narrow sharp point

Complete and detach this portion and return to: Amy Sirocky-Meck, 1880 Marigold Circle, Harrisonburg, VA 22801 Name:

_____ Address:_____

_____ Phone:_____

Amount Enclosed: _____ (\$10 for members and \$15 for non-members)

Paid registration must be received by May 8, 2015 to reserve a spot in the workshop. Paid workshops are transferrable to another member but are not refundable unless the class is cancelled. Space is limited.

Board Members:

President Molly Toth
 President-Elect Nina Jackson
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 Lou Emswiler
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SPECIAL DUTIES;

NQA Liaison Nina Jackson
 VCQ TBA
 Web Master Diane Reasons
 2016 Quilt Show TBA

TO JOIN: the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild, send \$20.00 Annual Dues to:

SVQG Membership Chairman
PO Box 913
Harrisonburg, VA 22803

The Guild year runs April 1st through March 31st. To have your Newsletter mailed please add an additional \$12.00 .
 The Newsletter is included in the membership fee if you have your newsletter sent via email.

PLACE OF MEETING: The Sunnyside Room, Sunnyside Presbyterian Retirement Community, Harrisonburg, Virginia

DATE OF MEETING: Third Saturday of Each Month (unless otherwise noted)

TIME OF MEETING: 9:30 a.m.

DIRECTIONS: Take Exit 247 East off of I-81, proceed east on US 33 to intersection with Route 687 (Massanetta Springs Road), turn right on Route 687, proceed south 0.8 mile, turn left at second Sunnyside entrance. Go to the Sunnyside Room, that's the building at the bottom of the hill, to the left of the Highlands Building.

PARKING: Available on the street and in lots but **PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE NUMBERED SPACES.**
 These numbered spaces are for Sunnyside residents. Please observe the 15 mph speed limit while on the grounds of Sunnyside.



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