

# Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

Website: [wwwsvqg.org](http://wwwsvqg.org)

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## President's Message -

Oh, happy day it's finally **May**  
Our spring flowers have come to stay  
Let's give a grand and mighty cheer  
This is the best time of the year!

Warm sunny days are very near  
With blue skies so clear  
We'll bask in warmth so dear  
And sew outside without fear  
Let's celebrate with a cool clear beer!

It was so good to be able to see you all at the April meeting! Everyone looked so nice and energetic! I was so glad to see that everything was running smoothly with future plans moving along thanks to you all volunteering as needed. You are a great group! Speaking of volunteering, Nina is working on her new board for next year and needs some help - please consider offering your time and talents for a great new board - the guild needs you!



See you in May -- Molly

## Retreat -

**Last Chance!** Come to the SVQG Retreat in Brookneal near Phenix, VA.

We have space for 5 more quilters. Cost is \$300 for Wednesday April 29 through Sunday May 3. **All meals are included.** It will be a relaxing, fun weekend. Don't miss out--sign up now.

Kathy Christy, [kckwilter@hotmail.com](mailto:kckwilter@hotmail.com) or [540-652-8671](tel:540-652-8671)

**Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild**  
**General Meeting**  
**April 18, 2015**

The general meeting was called to order at 9:30am by Molly Toth. There was one visitor and 41 members present, including a returning member. Molly announced three upcoming quilt shows – Abingdon, Roanoke and Rustburg – and their information is at the Bulletin Board. It was good to see Molly at the meeting.

The general meeting minutes from March 2015 were approved as printed in the newsletter on a motion by Liz Adams, seconded by Lori Schrock.

The Treasurer's Report had an ending balance of \$10,179.84. The report was filed and will be on the website.

Nancy reported that the Budget for 2015 will be in the next newsletter for adoption at the May 2015 meeting.

Program Coordinator: Amy Sirocky-Meck announced that Kathy Christie would have a workshop on using Tsukineko ink in the afternoon.

Website: Dianne announced that the new website was up and running. The handout given at last month's meeting had the wrong password for the members' only section. At the meeting, the correct password was given. Members can email Dianne ([dreasons@lumos.net](mailto:dreasons@lumos.net)) at her personal email or call (540.942.5948) to get the right password for the members' only section. This section includes the By-Laws, Membership List and Treasurer's Report.

Service: Denise has kits ready for lap quilts. She was appreciative of the support at the March meeting with making various stages of lap quilts and animal shelter pillows.

PHD (Projects Half Done): Denise reminded everyone that project #3 will be due in May.

Quilt Show Update: The committee is still looking for a site to have our 2016 quilt show.

Newsletter: The deadline for the newsletter is Friday, April 24 by noon. Sandie asked that the articles should be complete and spellchecked before sending them. Sandie also thanked everyone for helping with the VMRC Quilt Show. Last Wednesday there was a walking tour of the quilts displayed in the Park Gables Main Street. A total of 41 quilts were entered (17 bed size quilts and 24 wall hangings).

Library: After finding nearly 5 crates of books in storage, Vickie has nearly completed her inventory. The list will be available in the members' only section of the website at a later date.

Hospitality: Gail thanked everyone for providing goodies for the meeting. May birthdays will be providing snacks for our break in May.

Sunshine: Sue sent 5 birthday cards and 1 TOY block.

Raffle Quilt: Jan Hood reported that all but seven blocks have been turned in. She has started the quilt layout. Jan also brought donated free fabric for the taking.

Retreat: Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> is the last day to sign up for the retreat. Kathy has approximately seven slots available for the retreat.

Jo Millett announced the new quilt museum exhibit that will open the first Tuesday in May. She also mentioned that she had envelopes for the \$20 for 20 years fund raiser at the museum. Also, it was announced that the Berryville Quilt Show had 200 quilts on display this weekend.

Lori Schrock introduced Kathy Christie, today's speaker who showed examples of her many UFOs (or PHDs) from classes taken mainly in Houston. Many members present were given (I'll repeat GIVEN) those UFOs. It certainly was a happy presentation.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dianne Reasons, Substitute Secretary



### Your Guild Needs You!

It takes a lot of people to make our guild work. Our "year" starts in August. We need members to step up to fill the following positions :

**Treasurer:** This job involves handling the money! Making deposits, paying receipts and letting the membership know monthly how we are doing financially.

**President-Elect:** This person spends a year seeing up close how the guild runs and fills in for the president as needed moving into that position the following year.

**Programs 2:** This person will work with the Programs 1 Chair (Lori Schrock) learning her tricks and tips for planning our workshops and programs and then move into The Programs 1 spot the following year.

**Hospitality Co-chair:** One person has already agreed to co-chair this committee. We need someone to join her. This committee coordinates our monthly snacks.

**Newsletter:** This person is responsible for writing and distributing our monthly newsletter. We need a person to fill this spot starting in March of 2016. I know that sounds like a long time from now but it will be here before you know it!

Let Nina or Molly know which position you'd like to help with.

Thanks!

## **Programs -**

### *May 2015*

Josephine Millett will be our featured speaker at our May meeting as she takes us on a journey of her adventures in applique and will show us examples of her preferred method: Back-basting-needle-turn-template-free which is also the focus of the workshop she will be leading for us in the afternoon.

For the afternoon workshop Josephine will provide for each participant a foundation (white) 14 inches square which also serves as the background with the design already drawn on it!

All that the participant needs to bring is green fabric for leaves,(several shades) and any color for the two flowers (pink, red, purple) and center (small circles) as well as thread to match their fabric, needle to baste with and strong thread used to baste... and needle to applique with, and a small scissor that has a sharp point....and a few pins and an open mind! Please use the registration form included with this newsletter to sign up!

### *June 2015*

Our featured speaker for the June meeting will be Lori Schrock and she will be taking us through easy stretching exercises for quilters and has promised me there will not be any dramatic stretches or any need to sit on the floor and we will have lots of fun!

At 1:00 stay for a Mary Carlton Mystery Quilt workshop! Registration form with cutting instructions included with this newsletter!

Amy M. Sirocky-Meck, Program Coordinator #1

## **Service -**

I have kits for service lap quilts and Breast Cancer pillows and totes. We need to replenish our supply of pillows and totes. Augusta Health has asked for more and I do not have many to give them. I will be collecting at the May meeting so if you have a kit or can make one please help out. The directions are on the website. Let me know if you have any questions at [540-465-4484](tel:540-465-4484) or [billyjoe@shentel.net](mailto:billyjoe@shentel.net).

Always sewing because it keeps raining and I can't get to my gardening!!

Denise Rudolph, Service Chairperson

## **Sunshine -**

Do you know someone who has happy news that we can celebrate? Let me know and we can send a thinking of you block and card. Do you know someone who is going through a rough spot in life? We can send a thinking of you block and card. Please contact me at [dejbowsandskjquilts@Hotmail.com](mailto:dejbowsandskjquilts@Hotmail.com) or call [540-949-0872](tel:540-949-0872).

Sue Jones, Sunshine Chairperson

## Newsletter -

The next newsletter deadline will be Friday noon, May 22, 2015. Please send your newsletter entries to Sandie at [sshammel419@gmail.com](mailto:sshammel419@gmail.com).

I will be continuing as Newsletter editor until the end of March 2016. After that time please help Nina by volunteering to take over the passing of information to your fellow Guild members. This is a volunteer job that does not require you to attend every guild meeting. I will be on hand to get your started.

Thanks, Sandie Hammel, Newsletter Editor

## Hospitality Committee -

Calling everyone with a May birthday! We hope you will be able to attend our May 16<sup>th</sup> 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 those who provided our April meeting treats!

Please contact either co-chair with questions/concerns:

Barbara Cline - [tbcline7@gmail.com](mailto:tbcline7@gmail.com), 540-828-6815

Gail Oliver - [gail.c.oliver@gmail.com](mailto:gail.c.oliver@gmail.com), 540-448-1601



**HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAY**



**Barbara Johnson**      **5/04**  
**Lila Shafer**            **5/20**  
**Carol Foster**           **5/24**

## Membership -

Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild - Member Benefits and Responsibilities. Being a member of SVQG has many benefits but also has some responsibilities. I have attached a copy of some of these responsibilities. Most of them are just a refresher to all of us who enjoy our Guild and want to help keep it strong and make it better.

We are here to have fun, so do your part.

Happy Quilting!

John Hammel, Membership Chair

# “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 which also serves as the background fabric so you don't need to bring background fabric! 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.**

# "Scrappy Springtime Mystery Quilt" Workshop with Mary Carlton

**Date:** Saturday, June 20, 2015

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

There is nothing quite like a mystery quilt workshop with Mary Carlton! The quilt consists of just 3 colors: Light, medium, and dark! If you choose the scrappy route, just make sure the light fabrics are consistent throughout. If you've been cutting and saving 2 ½ inch squares for years, this is a great chance to use them!

The finished quilt will be 48 inches square before borders...and the borders will be up to you!

**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, June 12, 2015

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

## Supply List

### Fabric:

- 1 ¼ yards light fabric
- 3 yards total of medium and dark fabrics

### Cutting Instructions: Complete your cutting before the workshop

**288 total 2 and ½ inch x 2 and ½ inch squares:** Half made with dark fabrics and half with light fabrics

**144 total 2 and 7/8 inch x 2 and 7/8 inch squares:** Dark fabric

**72 total 4 and ½ inch x 4 and ½ inch squares:** Light fabric

### Sewing Supplies:

- Sewing machine in good working order (extension cord in good condition also recommended)
- Iron and Ironing mat
- Regular sewing supplies and notions

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**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)

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## Advertisements -

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I have an **EQ7 Software** for sale... \$125 OBO... Sharon Culbertson cell# 476-0252.

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For Sale: **Bernina 530**, 2 years old. Cleaned and ready to go. Call [540-828-6815](tel:540-828-6815)

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**Barbara Cline and Julia Graber**  
are going to their home place  
**along the banks of North River**  
in Bridgewater, VA

Won't you join them for fiber art and quilting? You will enjoy gorgeous scenery,  
food, fun and fellowship.

Pick and choose your dates and classes to suit your schedule. Dates: June 5, 6, 12 and 13.  
Receive a 20% discount by taking all four classes. You will spend half the time piecing and  
learning color with Barbara and half the time exploring fiber art and design with Julia.

***Lunch is included with the workshops.***

For more information call Barbara Cline @ [540-828-6815](tel:540-828-6815) or visit her website  
[http://quiltingal.blogspot.com/p/blog-page\\_17.html](http://quiltingal.blogspot.com/p/blog-page_17.html)

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### **Campbell County Heritage Festival - Quilt Display**

Saturday, August 1, 2015

**No Entry Fee; Registrations Due: July 30**

Featuring Heritage and Modern Quilts - Hand Quilting Demonstrations

All quilts must be received and registered at William Campbell High School, located in Naruna, Virginia

Entries will be received on-site on July 30, 2015 between the hours of 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. Each entry  
must be in a fabric bag closed with a fabric tie and be labeled with the owner's name, address, and phone  
number.

Entries must be collected from the display area at the Heritage Festival on Saturday, August 1 between  
the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

If you would like to request an application or for information pertaining to the display, please contact  
Sammy Johnson at the Campbell County Recreation Department at (434) 332-9570.

**Note: The Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild has been invited to participate in this event. Application sent  
as attachment to this newsletter online. Those receiving this newsletter via US Post may get an application  
at the next guild meeting.**



## Proposed Budget 2015

**Note:** the actuals will only include those anticipated income and expenses for 2015. *Raffle and Quilt show* have not been included. Retreats need to pay for themselves and so are also not included.

	Category	Actual 2014	Budget 2015
<b>Income</b>	Interest	\$ 53.75	\$ 55.00
	Membership	\$ 2,239.00	\$ 2,200.00
	Newsletter Ad	\$ 70.00	\$ 50.00
	Ways & Means	\$ 1,857.00	\$ 1,800.00
	Workshop Fees	\$ 1,550.00	\$ 1,500.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$ 5,769.75</b>	<b>\$ 5,605.00</b>
<b>Expense</b>	Administrative	\$ 2,089.79	\$ 2,200.00
	Bank Charge	\$ 15.99	\$ 15.99
	Historian (Web)	\$ 72.83	\$ 120.00
	Library	\$	\$ 500.00
	VQM/Memorials	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00
	Newsletter	\$ 81.89	\$ 80.00
	Outreach	\$ 102.10	\$ 100.00
	Programs	\$ 4,907.43	\$ 4,900.00
	Publicity	\$	\$ 150.00
	Service	\$ 436.86	\$ 450.00
	Sunshine	\$ 188.15	\$ 200.00
	Ways & Means	\$ 373.00	\$ 350.00
	<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>		<b>\$ 8,343.04</b>

### The Colors of Spring -

This is one of my favorite times of the year with the many colors from the newly opened buds of flowering trees. I enjoy seeing the variety of greens, new and bright, as the trees unfurl their leaves to create a canopy of shade. It is the perfect time of the year to go through your fabric stash and choose those colors to create a spring quilt to lift your spirits.

I am always inspired by the beauty of the Shenandoah Valley as we travel Virginia's highways and byways. It is a quilter's paradise for designing your own quilt patterns or using a mixture of the tried and true that you have enjoyed for years. Just by changing the color pallet you have an entirely new look.

A little birdy told me it is Shop Hop time, so how many of you have added to that stash to start a new quilting adventure as you hop from shop to shop? Don't forget your local quilt shops we need them to be successful so we have a ready supply of beautiful and current fabrics close at hand. Enjoy Spring!!! .....Submitted by Sandie Hammel

**Board Members:**

President	Molly Toth
President-Elect	Nina Jackson
Secretary	Ann VanNoy
Co-Treasurers	Nancy Harris and Lou Emswiler
Program Coord. #1	Amy Sirocky-Meck
Program Coord. #2	Lori Schrock
Immed. Past Pres.	Vicki Graham

**Committee Chairman:**

Hospitality	Barbara Cline and Gail Oliver
Library	Vicki Graham
Membership	John Hammel
Newsletter	Sandie Hammel
Publicity	Cheryl Hawes
Service & Comfort Pillows	Denise Rudolph
Sunshine	Sue Jones
Ways & Means	Karen Jones

**SPECIAL DUTIES:**

NQA Liaison	Nina Jackson	Web Master	Diane Reasons
VCQ	TBA	2016 Quilt Show	Denise Rudolph & Lori Abbot-Herrick
2016 Raffle Quilt	Jan Hood		

**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.



**Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild**  
**P.O. Box 913**  
**Harrisonburg, VA 22803**