

Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SEWING CORNER -

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to thank our outgoing SVQG President, Lori Abbott-Herrick, her Board and Committee Chairs for giving The Guild a fun-filled year full of new opportunities. Can you imagine the quilt Lori will create with all of those beautiful periwinkle blue blocks? It's going to be gorgeous! Thank you to all the members of the 2012-13 team!

Our Teddy Bear picnic went smoothly with Connie and Sally at the helm. There were Teddy bears in abundance and plenty of food to enjoy. Thank you to Connie, Sally and the great cooks who pulled this event together.

If you haven't signed up for Jenny Doan's workshop on Sept. 21st, now's the time. You can do that on the Virginia Quilt Museum website. I'm hoping to pick up some "new to me" ideas for speeding up some of my UFOs. What an opportunity for The Guild and the Virginia Quilt Museum to work together!

I look forward to serving SVQG as President for 2013-14. The Board and Committee Chair members are dedicated to bringing you a year of new experiences and fun. I want to thank all of the 2013-14 team members for accepting their positions. Let's have some fun!

Vicki

SUNSHINE

INFORMATION about SUNSHINE for our newest members: The Sunshine committee mails birthday cards and thinking of you quilt blocks to all members just prior to birthdays. With your input, we also mail Thinking of You cards, along with toy quilt blocks for members who experience loss, illness, injury or for special occasions. But we need your input to make us aware of the need. Please contact Sue Jones at dejbowsandskjquilts@hotmail.com or call **540-949-0872**.



Your committee chair, Sue Jones

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Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Lori Abbott-Herrick. Guests Holly Hammond, Martha Matthews, Jack Meck, Wilma Baine, Kay Bowman and Heather Amy were introduced.

Lori announced that Russian-made fabrics from the Hope Guild are still available. Guild members are asked to make a small quilt depicting their perception of Russia for the quilt show display and to be sent to the Hope Guild next summer.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as distributed in the July newsletter. Lori gave the treasurer's report which was approved and will be filed on the guild website. The end of year club balance, including two CDs, is \$7,602.06.

Lori presented a thank you gift to the elected officers and committee chairs for 2012-13. The guild presented her with a collection of thank you blocks made by members.

A miniature quilt of Shenandoah Sue and Bill can be borrowed from Mary Carlton to accompany members on trips. Members are asked to take the Sue and Bill on their journeys and to take their picture on their adventures. So far they have visited the Rockingham County Fair and the Poconos. The pictures will be assembled into a Powerpoint display to be shown with the raffle quilts at the 2014 SVQG Quilt Show.

The next meeting of the guild will be at Asbury United Methodist Church, 205 S. Main Street in Harrisonburg. The church is next door to the Virginia Quilt Museum. The guild meeting will be at 9:30 a.m. in Slaven Hall on the third floor of the church. There is an elevator in the building, and parking behind the church and in the parking deck on Bruce Street.

At 11 a.m., Jenny Doan of the Missouri Star Quilt Company, will present her trunk show. This event is co-sponsored by the SVQG and the Virginia Quilt Museum and is a membership drive. Only members of one of these two organizations will be able to attend the trunk show. Individuals interested in attending the show who wish to join SVQG can find the membership form on the guild website at <http://www.svqg.org/membership.html>. Membership information for the Virginia Quilt Museum is available on the VQM website.

Jenny Doan will present a workshop, "Quilting Quickly" at 2 p.m. in the afternoon. Registration for the workshop is open to members (fee \$35) and non-members (fee \$50) and can be purchased through the Virginia Quilt Museum website at <http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/special-events/classes/>. The supply list will be in the SVQG newsletter.

Old Business

UFO Challenge: Diana Norman announced the end of the 2012-13 UFO Challenge. Thirty one guild members participated in the challenge, with a list of 165 projects. Seventy-six projects were completed. Five members completed all of the projects that they listed: Lori Abbott-Herrick, Cerise Haas, Josephine Millet, Denise Rudolph and Lori Schrock. The winner of the 2012-13 UFO "Mountain of Fat Quarters" was Sue Jones. Members interested in participating

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in the 2013-14 challenge can get a form from John Hammel or from the newsletter, and submit it to Diana with two fat quarters.

2014 Quilt Show: The co-chairs of the 2014 Quilt Show were introduced, Bev London, Fran Miller and Lori Abbott-Herrick. Bev talked about the plans for the show which will be held June 28-29 at Turner Ashby High School in Bridgewater, Va. The theme of the show is “Q’ is for Quilts.” Raffle tickets for Shenandoah Sue and Bill will be available next month. Many of the committees have been formed, and there will be many opportunities for guild members to volunteer to help with the show.

Service: Denise Rudolph reported that 36 quilts were given to hospice this past month, and she read a thank you letter from a recipient of a hospice quilt.

Program Coordinator #1: Connie Broy thanked Sally Jones for sharing her teddy bear collection for the picnic. It’s been a great year for workshops and programs for the guild.

Program Coordinator #2: Lori Schrock reported that Helen Squire, the author of “Helen’s Hints” in *American Quilter Magazine*, will be the program and workshop presented in October. Her program, “Helen Squire Live,” will be at the morning meeting, and her workshop, “Helen’s Hints for Quilting UFOs” will be in the afternoon. Registration forms for the workshop will be available in the newsletter.

Membership: John Hammel announced that the guild has 104 members.

Newsletter: Sandie Hammel reminded members that the deadline for the newsletter is August 23rd. Please get your information to her on Friday so that she can get the newsletter prepared and out to the members over the weekend.

Sunshine: Lori reported for Sue Jones that ten birthday blocks were sent out during the past month.

News from Bees

Small Blessings Bee. Diana Norman reported that the bee meets at Blessings Bookstore on Neff Ave (thanks to Sharon Culbertson) on the second Thursday of the month at 6 p.m.

Shenandoah Valley Applique Society. Jan Hood reported that the group is working on 3 dimensional flowers and that everyone is welcome to join. The next program will be Connie Broy teaching how to make daffodils.

Art Bee. Vicki reported that beginning in August, the bee will be meeting the third Sundays at 2 p.m. in members’ homes. The next meeting is at her house and new members are welcome.

Modern Quilt Group: The next meeting will be the fourth Thursday in September at 5:30 p.m. at Rachel’s Quilt Patch in Staunton, Va.

SVQG Meeting Minutes - News from Bees (continued)

New Business

New officers were installed for 2013-14 as follows: Vicki Graham, president; Molly Toth, president-elect; Cerise Haas, treasurer; Dianne Reasons, secretary; Lori Schrock, program coordinator #1; Amy Meck, program coordinator #2. Committee chairs were also introduced: Barbara Cline and Gail Oliver, hospitality; Kathy Christie, library; Ann Vannoy, historian; John Hammel, membership; Sandie Hammel, newsletter; Cheryl Hawes, publicity; Dianne Reasons, website; Karen Jones, ways and means; Sue Jones, sunshine; Denise Rudolph, service.

After Show and Tell, guild members enjoyed a carry-in lunch. Teddy Bear table favors and TOY blocks were given to the attendees by Connie.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Crockett, Secretary

PROGRAMS

Program Coordinator 1

September Program Blurb:

A big thank you goes to Connie for all of her hard work this past year scheduling so many excellent workshops and programs. I know I sure learned a lot this past year as I'm sure many of you did too!

Have you signed up yet? Sept 7th is the deadline for registering for Jenny Doan's workshop. Time is ticking so be sure to reserve your space in Jenny's Quilting Quickly: Jacob's Ladder workshop. A supply list for the event is included in the registration information.

We will be meeting at Slaven Hall in the Asbury United Methodist Church in Harrisonburg next to the Virginia Quilt Museum. Parking is available in the lot behind the church as well as the parking deck. There is an elevator in the church if you prefer to avoid the stairs. Remember to bring your SVQG or VQM membership cards to get into the trunk show and to get the member rate for the workshop!

9:30 - 10:30: **Monthly Guild meeting**
11:00 - 12:30: **Trunk Show & Membership Drive** *Free to SVQG and VQM members!*
12:30 - 2:00: Lunch break and an opportunity to tour the Virginia Quilt Museum.
2:00 - 5:00: **Workshop and Fundraiser**

Registration Information: Sign up on the Virginia Quilt Museum site.

Registration Link: <http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/special-events/classes/>

Programs (continued)

October Program Blurb:

Mark off your calendar for Oct 19th for Helen Squire who has “cracked the code” of quilt as desired. Helen will be here and keeping us in stitches with her lively program “**Helen Squire Live**” about our dedication to quilting, fabric stashes and guild camaraderie! Helen will share some of her best tips and techniques and have lots of beautiful quilts for us to see.

Plan to pack your lunch (and a UFO) and stay for the afternoon workshop, “**Helen’s Hints for Quilting UFO’s.**” Helen will help us discover how to select quilting patterns that make our quilt tops shine. This will be a trunk show in reverse! Prepare for fun and bring a UFO (or two), a pen and a notepad for the workshop.

Space is limited so sign up early to reserve your spot and secure your UFO’s future!

Lori Schrock

Program Coordinator 2

Greetings,

I am honored to have the task of planning our programs for the 2014-15 guild year! To get started in that direction I am excited to introduce the programming theme which will be (drum roll please)...Virginia Quilt Stars!

Yes, the Old Dominion and the bevy of talented quilt artists who call the commonwealth home will take center stage during 2014-15!

Help me out by thinking of who your Virginia Quilt stars are and nominating him/her (fill out the form below) to demonstrate a technique or present a trunk show or to offer a workshop for us. Remember that your Virginia Quilt Star may be the person who sits next to you at the monthly meetings, adds a dose of delight and spirit to your sewing circle or perhaps is your neighbor who has dabbled in publishing patterns and books? Please feel free to mail your suggestions to me or to send them via email or to submit them directly to me at an upcoming guild meeting! **(Note: You will find the questionnaire for 2014-2015 is towards the end of this newsletter.)**

Amy Meck

SERVICE

Last month we delivered quilts to Augusta County, Rockingham County and Blue Ridge Hospice groups. We were able to give each group 12 quilts. Thank you so much for making this possible.

Remember in November we will be getting together for a great day of service. We will be working on both lap quilts and dog pillows. Bring your fabric and batting scraps in November.

Keep sewing! Denise Rudolph





SVQG SHOW 2014 "Q is for QUILTS"

When: Saturday, June 28th 10 AM – 5 PM

Sunday, June 29th Noon – 5 PM

Where: Turner Ashby High School, Bridgewater

First let me thank those of you that have come forward offering your services to make our 2014 quilt show a success. We, the **quilt show committee chairs – Fran Miller, Lori Abbott-Herrick and Bev London** (me) want this to be a great show. Personally, this will be only my third show, so I'm still rather "green". Fortunately, I'm not in this alone.

When the three of us first talked about pooling our talents to chair this show we divided up the responsibilities, so we'll share those with you now:

Bev: Quilts Exhibit-paperwork

Quilt Intake - Kathy Christy-chair. Other committee members: Leslie Bulken, John and Sandie Hammel, and Carolyn Shank.

Hanging - Lori Schrock, Larry Brown

White Glove Coordinator - Deborah Watts

Photographer - Cheryl Hawes

Fran: Silent Auction - chaired by Amy Meck and Jan Hood

Demonstrations - Sandie Hammel

Ribbons -

Hospitality - Friday lunch for volunteers, water for vendors and volunteers

Pillow Puddle -

Lori: Vendor contacts and coordination

Boutique - chaired by Josephine Millett and Dianne Reasons

Program Booklet, advertising sales, production - Dianne Reasons, chair

Registration Table: tickets, set-up, cash, staff coordination -

Publicity - Vicki Graham-chair, Diana Norman

There are plenty of blanks to "fill in", so if there's a particular part of the show you'd really like to help with please let one of us know. We are thrilled that these ladies and gentlemen have already made a commitment to our 2014 show.

In the meantime, start making those pillows for the **Pillow Puddle**. We'd like a great variety of colors and sizes - something for young and old alike. Go a little crazy - think outside the box (or would that be the pillow form?). The **Boutique** would love your donations of items to be sold to benefit the guild. Josephine and Dianne will also sell your quilts and/or handmade items for a

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very reasonable handling fee. It's a win-win for everyone involved! Let's not forget our **Silent Auction** - last year the silent auction was a wonderful source of income for the guild. Put your thinking caps on! See what novel offering you can come up with to grace our silent auction tables - art work, sewing notions, sewing equipment, etc. Please remember, items should be new or in like-new condition. Amy and Jan would like a nice variety of items to offer our members and guests.

Our guild is blessed to have a variety of BEEs - now is the time to start kicking around ideas for your BEE display. It will be wonderful for each of our bees to have a display of its work. Last year's offering by the Free Spirits Art Bee will be hard to top, but I know we've got it in us!

Our very own Sue and Bill helped us select our theme "**Q is for Quilts**"; in keeping with the thoughts of children (since Shenandoah Valley Children's Choir is the beneficiary of part of the proceeds of our raffle quilt) we intend to gear some of the demonstrations towards young people and beginning quilters. Who knows, perhaps our show will ignite a spark in an aspiring quilter!

Ladies and Gentlemen, within our ranks are some extremely talented people and we don't mean just quilting skills! We want to hear from you - you know what you like to do, chose a buddy/partner in crime and make a commitment to your guild! We cannot succeed without you!

Bev London

BEE NEWS

The Shenandoah Valley Applique Society

We invite you to join The Shenandoah Valley Applique Society which meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the County Library in Edinburg. The Society meets in the Activities Room from 1-4:00.

Hugs, Jan Hood

EagerBEEvers Year End Report – 9/1/12-8/31/13

The Eager BEEvers, a service-oriented small bee, met monthly in the homes of the members: Lori Abbott-Herrick, Dorice Graham, Sandie Hammel, Pauline Messier, Fran Miller and Carolyn Shank.

We sewed/quilted for our "adopted" charities: Wrap-A-Smile and Edinburg's and Broadway's "A Small Hand" benefits. We also continue to support SVQG's service project of quilts for hospice. In addition, as a group we made a pinwheel quilt "Colors of Love" and donated it to Augusta Health Hospice of the Shenandoah "Quilts of Comfort" spring quilt auction. We also made a pinwheel quilt for Lori's young nephew who was diagnosed with cancer early this year.

Bee News (continued)

From 9/1/12-8/31/13, we accomplished the following in addition to the two quilts mentioned above:

Shipped 20 quilts to Wrap-A-Smile

Delivered 23 quilts to ASH-Edinburg and Broadway

Gave 42 quilts to Denise for hospice and the Samantha Doll project

But wait – there's more!! We have a "pile" of at least 36 quilts already made this year and scheduled to be delivered to ASH programs and WAS later this fall! And a full-sized quilt was donated to ASH-Edinburg for their 2013 raffle fundraiser!

We enjoy the fellowship, food and fun each month, and value the satisfaction that we receive of helping others when we deliver our quilts to the guild service project, WAS and ASH. (Note: The Eager BEEvers meet the first Wednesday of each month, from 9:30 to 4:00 for planning, sewing, pinning and working on our service projects.)

Free Spirits Art Bee

You are invited to join the Free Spirits Art Bee who meet in members' homes the third Sunday afternoon of each month. Our meeting time is from 2 to 4. Please call John Hammel, Kathy Christy or Vicki Graham for more information on our Bee.

MEMBERSHIP

Well, we had our picnic so summer must officially be over. And a great Picnic it was too! Good job Connie and Sally.

We have big doings going on in September as you have learned elsewhere in this newsletter. Remember that you must be a SVQG or VQM member to get into the Jenny Doan's trunk show and our regular meeting. Guests **will not** be admitted free as they are at our regular meetings. So if you know someone who would like to attend, remind them that they can become a SVQG member for the dues price of only \$20. Their membership will be good through the end of March 2014. We still have seven more months of "good stuff" going on so that's another incentive to become a member.

So sign up everyone you can because this will be a wonderful opportunity to see and meet the sparkling personality of Jenny. The application blanks are on our website, svqg.org, or they can sign up at the door at the day of the meeting.

A big **SVQG WELCOME** to all of our **new members** or those who took a little break and rejoined this year: **Diane Baker**, Staunton; **Zulfiya Braylo**, Broadway; **Meegan Carr**, Weyers Cave; **Jill Enslin**, Penn Laird; **Karen Enslin**, Harrisonburg; **Mary Handley**, Harrisonburg; **Lois Hammel**, Springfield; **English Hilbert**, Elkton; **Linda Hotinger**, Harrisonburg; **Nina Jackson**, Harrisonburg; **Donna Kirk**, Springfield; **Jenny Miller**, Harrisonburg; **Gail Oliver**, Staunton; **Marcia Perkins**, Stephens City; **Sigrid Queman**, Ruckersville; **Sharon Showalter**; **Edna Turner**, Broadway; **Trudi Vandyke**, Woodstock; and **Sew Classic Fabrics**, Harrisonburg.



Happy September Birthday



**Jane Crockett 9/01
Roberta Patterson 9/05
Bobbie Champaign 9/07**

**Lori Schrock 9/14
Larry Brown 9/17
Daria Roby 9/22**



Virginia Quilt Stars 2014-15 - Questionnaire



Your Name:

Phone Number/Email Address:

Name of your Virginia Quilt Star:

Your Quilt Star's Contact Information: (such as phone, email or website if available)

How would you like your Virginia Quilt Star to dazzle the quilt guild?

**One Day and/or half day workshop?
(Include information about what you would like your quilt star to teach.)**

**Trunk show/Lecture?
(What would you like your quilt star to talk about with us?)**

**Demonstration?
(This would be a short demonstration of a technique or tip)**

**Please return to:
Amy Meck, 1880 Marigold Circle, Harrisonburg, VA., 22801
or sirockam@jmu.edu or at the next guild meeting**

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Sunshine	Sue Jones
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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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