

# Valley Quilt Notes

Shenandoah Valley Quilt Guild

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## President's Message -



Hello, Fellow Quilters,

Can you believe August is here already! Where has the year gone? We started off the year with a bang partnering with the Virginia Quilt Museum to provide a program and workshop by Jenny Doan. We were provided with tips for quilting quickly and then were given the chance to put them into practice making a Jacob's Ladder quilt. As the year continued, we learned more about "quilting as desired" with Helen Squire, did tucks "in the round" with Kathy Christy, Shibori dyeing with Marty Moon and Deborah Schupp showed us bargello techniques. As I was typing this, I realized I have not finished a single one of these projects! Oh, well, soon I will have more time on my hands and will also be earning my Ph.D. so there is always hope.

We had a wonderful quilt show this year and are now looking forward to a new year with a new President. I know Molly and her team will do a terrific job. I'm expecting a fun-filled year full of interesting activities and I hope you are too. Please fill out the survey contained in this newsletter so that the new Board will know where to put their efforts.

The picnic is coming up in August. Hopefully, the weather will be great and we can meet at Oakdale Park in Bridgewater. I have no idea what kind of 50's outfit to wear, but I'm thinking...

***I'd like to thank my Officers, Committee Chairs and the membership*** for the support given to me this year. Thank you for all of your hard work, laughs, efforts and positive energy. It has been an interesting journey working with each of you and though that journey will change I hope it continues. It has been a great year and I could not have done it without you.

**Presidents Message - continued**

I spent a good part of today on a bus going to and from the Quilt Odyssey show in Hershey, PA. It made for a long day, but boy was it worth it. The quilts were wonderful and will provide food for my imagination for weeks to come! Maybe I will even have something to share at Show and Tell!

Have a wonderful August,

Vicki



**Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild  
General Meeting  
July 19, 2014**

The general meeting was called to order at 9:30am by Vicki Graham. We had two visitors and one new member today.

The general meeting minutes from June 2014 were approved as printed in the newsletter on a motion by Liz Adams, seconded by Molly Toth.

The Treasurer's Report had an ending balance of \$15,016.90 including a CD. The report was approved by the board and will be filed as reported and on the website. Cerise also reported that raffle ticket sales to date amounted to \$2,020 and expenses were \$755 (fabric purchase, quilting and printing tickets). This does not include money from the Shenandoah Valley Children's Choir.

Announcements: Vicki received two thank you cards, one from Josephine Millett and the other from the VA Quilt Museum, for our donation to the quilt museum. Vicki also reported that the quilt museum is looking for quilts to display made by men in Virginia. The quilts will be juried. For more information go to the quilt museum website: [www.vaquiltmuseum.org](http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org).

Election of Officers for 2014-2015: Molly Toth presented the rest of her board for approval. For treasurer, Nancy Harris and Lou Emswiler will share the duties of Treasurer, and Nina Jackson has agreed to be President –Elect. The motion was made to accept these members for their respective position by Liz Adams and seconded by Gail Oliver. Motion approved.

## Minutes for July General Meeting - continued

Program Coordinator #1: A sample of today's workshop by Deborah Schupp was shown.

Service: Denise distributed 90 quilts to area hospices and the Winchester group for their foster children camp. She also had Samantha Dolls for members to take and make the doll a small quilt and a matching lap quilt. Denise said that the dolls were helping patients with dementia. Since August 2013 to present, our guild has made 179 quilts for hospice.

August Picnic: The theme for the picnic is the 1950's. Get out your poodle skirt and join us in Bridgewater at pavilion No. 1. Hot dogs, hamburgers and root beer floats will be provided. Bring a covered dish to share.

Sunshine: Sue sent 6 birthday cards and 4 TOY blocks.

Hospitality: Today's hostesses are Gail Oliver and Barbara Cline.

Newsletter: The deadline for the newsletter is Friday, July 25 by noon. Sandi asked that the articles should be complete and spell checked before sending them.

Final Quilt Show Update: Bev London thanked everyone for helping with the quilt show. She said that there were good comments from everyone including the vendors. We had 433 paying visitors to the show. A final accounting will be given at the August meeting.

Raffle Quilt: The board made a recommendation as to how the net proceeds of the raffle quilt income should be divided. The motion to match the amount the Shenandoah Valley Children's Choir raised for the quilt was made by Molly Toth and seconded by Liz Adams. At this time the amount from the choir is only approximate (\$436). With a show of hands, the vote on the motion was 32 for and 2 against. In addition, the board asked the members how we should go forward with raffle quilts. After much discussion, it was decided to put a survey in the next newsletter to help us decide several questions: Do we want to do another raffle quilt? If so do we want to partner with an organization? After the break, three people said they would head up a committee regarding the next raffle quilt – Jan Hood, Mary Carlton and Gloria Wegman.

By-Laws Vote: The revised By-laws were printed in the July newsletter and updated on the website. A motion was made by Liz Adams and seconded by Molly Toth to accept the revised by-laws as submitted. After discussion of what the changes entailed, including taking out the procedures and policies, the motion passed by hand vote.

Following a break, the drawing for the **raffle quilts** was held. The **winner was Gary Morris of Shenandoah.**

## Minutes for July General Meeting - continued

Show and Tell followed the break. Dianne introduced Deborah Schupp who presented a lecture on value with many examples of how value changed the look of the same block.

Sign-up sheets for 2014-2015 PHD (Projects Half Done) Program are on the table in the back. Completed forms and two fat quarters are due by the September meeting to Diana Norman. The last UFO to complete by September is number 4.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dianne Reasons, Secretary

## Programs -

**August:** The annual **SVQG picnic** is coming up. Ladies break out your poodle skirts and bobby socks and guys dust off those black leather jackets for a 50's Diner Theme Party! Dress in your favorite 50's style outfits to add to the fun. The picnic will be held on Saturday August 16<sup>th</sup> at Oakdale Park in Bridgewater at 9:30 am (shelter #1). In case the weather is not cooperative the backup location will be our usual meeting place at Sunnyside. The Guild will provide a 50's menu of hamburgers, hot dogs, root beer floats and drinks. Members are asked to bring side dishes, salads, cookies or other desert items.

**July:** Dianne Reasons and Vicki Graham graciously covered for me while I was on vacation and submitted the following details for this report. Dianne introduced Deborah Schupp to the guild for the morning program. Deb did an exercise where several volunteers held up fabric with the goal of determining value. It was fun seeing the volunteers move around to get the fabrics in the right order from light to dark. Deb also brought quilts all made from the same pattern but with different values. It was surprising to see how different the results were. Members took lots of pictures of the quilts. As a bonus Deb ended the program with a small wall hanging that she had put various items on that had meaning for her family, from baby buttons to the key of a house they lived in for thirty plus years.

Vicki assisted Deb with the afternoon workshop on using value to make a bargello wall-hanging. Participants had a good time at the workshop and enjoyed learning the bargello making process. The workshop went so well that participants got quite a bit of their projects completed. Rumor has it that our go-getter, Denise completed the most.

Lori Schrock

## UFO Challenge -

I have been tallying the stats on this 2013-2014 UFO Challenge. Very interesting stuff; I'll share it with you at the August guild picnic! We'll also have the drawing at the picnic for the grand prize "Mountain of Fat Quarters" with a really cool carrying case. We've had some really awesome Show & Tells, and I hope you've had a good time this year with the challenge, even if you didn't complete all of your projects. Here's a secret between me and you: nobody finished all 6 projects this year! So at least I hope yours are farther along than they were before this year!

Project #4 is the final project for this challenge, to be completed by the September 20th guild meeting (although the drawing will already be done)

Diana Norman



**Happy August Birthday!!!**



<b>Pauline Messier</b>	<b>8/01</b>
<b>Ginny Biggs</b>	<b>8/02</b>
<b>Mariann Simmons</b>	<b>8/02</b>
<b>Linda Hotinger</b>	<b>8/05</b>
<b>Patricia Albaugh</b>	<b>8/07</b>
<b>Patricia Dungan</b>	<b>8/10</b>
<b>Betty Durrett</b>	<b>8/15</b>
<b>Suzanne Just</b>	<b>8/17</b>
<b>Anna Newman</b>	<b>8/21</b>
<b>Dorothy Peterson</b>	<b>8/23</b>
<b>Lenore Mitchell</b>	<b>8/25</b>
<b>Mary Daigle</b>	<b>8/28</b>
<b>Mary Carlton</b>	<b>8/29</b>
<b>Diana Norman</b>	<b>8/30</b>

## **Sunshine -**

Please contact me if you know that one of our guild members are ill or suffering a loss and I will send a Thinking of You block. Call me at [540-949-0872](tel:540-949-0872) or e-mail at [dejbowsandskjquilts@Hotmail.com](mailto:dejbowsandskjquilts@Hotmail.com).

Sue Jones,  
Sunshine

## **Service -**

Wow!!! What a year for service. From August 2013 to July 2014 we distributed 179 quilts!!!! These were given to Augusta Health, Sentara, and Blue Ridge Hospice and WCOG church for Foster kids.

We are off to a great start this year. At the July meeting I was given 14 completed quilts and 16 quilts needing quilting. You are a wonderful caring group. I especially want to thank Lois Johnson and Pauline Messier. I can always count on them to meet me at the door with quilts on meeting day!!!

Always sewing,  
Denise Rudolph  
Service Chairperson

## **Library -**

It has been a pleasure serving as your librarian for the last 6 years. I now turn the job over to Vicki Graham. I know she will do a fantastic job--probably better than me.

Also, I will have a limited number (90) of generic 45 mm rotary blades with me for sale at the picnic. They are \$2.00 each.

Kathy Christy

## **Newsletter -**

**Deadline** for the September 2014 Newsletter : **August 23** (Friday/noon). Please send your articles to Sandie Hammel at [sshammel419@gmail.com](mailto:sshammel419@gmail.com).

## **Hospitality -**

From your Hospitality Committee

Thanks to members who contributed refreshments at the July meeting!

August 16<sup>th</sup> will be a picnic in the park instead of our regular guild meeting. This is an opportunity to thank the outgoing board and welcome our new officers and committee chairs. A special fun day has been planned. We hope everyone will be able to join in the festivities and also bring a covered dish. For more info about menu, rain plan and what to bring, please read elsewhere in this newsletter.

### ***Notes to New Members:***

1. Our guild has a tradition of providing refreshments at the meeting that falls during our own birthday month. Typical treats are pastries, fruit, cheese, chip & dip, etc. If your birthday falls in August or December, please do not bring a snack because we will have a potluck meal (more info later). Those with birthdays during those months will be contacted to bring a snack during a different month that is short on birthdays. Everyone will receive a reminder email shortly before it's their turn.
2. An easy way to get to know people is to help Barbara and Gail at the food table and say "hi" as people serve themselves. Let us know if you can help, or just tell us when you arrive at the meeting. We'd love to have the help and also get to know you!

### ***Note to Everyone:***

Please help us extend our warm and inviting SVQG hospitality. Let's each make a commitment to seek out and speak to every guest and new member each month plus one or two members whom we don't know well. Let's keep our great guild vibrant and growing, and make everyone want to keep coming back!

If you have a question, please contact Gail Oliver ([gail.c.oliver@gmail.com](mailto:gail.c.oliver@gmail.com), 540-448-1601) or Barbara Cline ([tbcline7@gmail.com](mailto:tbcline7@gmail.com), 540-828-6815).

Thanks for your help!  
Barbara Cline & Gail Oliver  
Hospitality Co-Chairs

## Quilt Show Update -

We are still waiting for final figures. We are hoping that all will be in by the picnic.

We should all plan to celebrate our success when we're all together at the picnic. It appears we cleared **around \$1,800**. Thanks to a great team effort. On the non-monetary/financial front, we reaped the benefits of awesome team work and built a lot of goodwill while sharing, albeit modestly, our good works!

Our show book is coming along as well. 😊

Bev

## Membership -

Getting ready for a picnic! Lori said for all you *LADIES* to get out your poodle skirts and bobby socks. My poodle skirt is in the laundry and my bobby socks have holes in the toe. What's a *GUY* to do. Guess I'll come up with something.

We have picked up 10 new members for this Guild Membership year. Way to go. I hope that all of the new members are enjoying their membership. If you have any ideas on how we can improve our Guild, please let us know. Sometimes a fresh look at what we are doing (or not doing) is what is needed to make our Guild the best it can be.

New badges for the officers will be available at the September Guild meeting.

A copy of the updated By-Laws will be sent out next week; both by email and by postal mail (to those getting postal newsletters.)

We now have 100 members. An updated membership list will also be sent out with the By-Laws.

See you at the picnic.

John Hammel  
Membership Chair



## 2014 Raffle Quilt/Quilt Show Survey

1. Do you think The Guild should do a raffle quilt in 2015-16?  Yes  No

2. If no, to #1, what should The Guild do to raise money for its activities?

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3. Do you think The Guild should have a quilt show in 2016?  Yes  No

4. If no to #3, is there another activity The Guild should undertake?

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5. If The Guild does a raffle quilt in 2015-16, should we share the proceeds with a partner non-profit?

Yes  No

6. If yes to #5, should the organization be required to sell raffle tickets?

Yes  No

Additional comments on the above:

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Please complete this survey and bring it to the August picnic. It does not need to be signed, but if you want to put your name on it that will be fine. The surveys will be given to the Raffle Quilt / Quilt Show Survey Committee to compile the results and report to the Board.

The purpose of this committee will be to compile results of the 2014 Raffle Quilt / Quilt Show Survey and report those results to The Board at the September 2014 meeting. This will allow the Board to make plans for a raffle quilt and / or quilt show in the 2015 – 2016 period depending on the desires of the membership.

Currently, Jan Hood, Mary Carlton and Gloria Wegman are on the committee.

President	Vicki Graham	Education	-----
President-Elect	Molly Toth	Historian	Ann Van Noy
Secretary	Diane Reasons	Hospitality	Barbara Cline and Gail Oliver
Treasurer	Cerise Haas	Library	Kathy Christy
Program Coor. #1	Lori Schrock	Membership	John Hammel
Program Coor. #2	Amy Sirocky-Meck	Newsletter	Sandie Hammel
Immed. Past Pres.	Lori Abbot-Herrick	Publicity	Cheryl Hawes
		Service & Comfort Pillows	Denise Rudolph
		Sunshine	Sue Jones
<b>SPECIAL DUTIES</b>		Ways & Means	Karen Jones
NQA Liaison	Molly Toth		
VCQ	Jane Crocket		
Web Master	Diane Reasons		
2014 Quilt Show	Bev London, Fran Miller, Lori Abbot-Herrick		

**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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