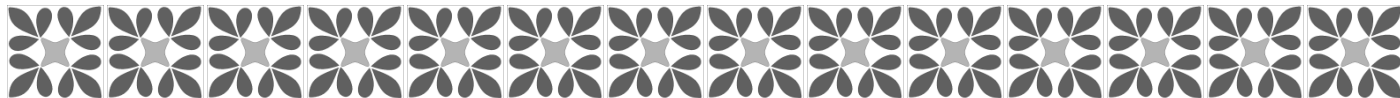


# Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD  
NQA Chapter 383, VA 20, Website: [www.svqg.org](http://www.svqg.org)

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer time and the quilting is easy....so pick up something to quilt "as you go" and make life a lot easier. It's fun and when it's put together your quilt is done.

July's meeting was great and the show and tell outstanding. I understand the mystery class was a big success. We should look forward to seeing some finished projects.

As you know, August is the annual picnic at Bridgewater. It sounds like we're going to have a lot of fun western style. Can't wait to see everyone in their boots & bandanas and, of course, all that wonderful food. Looking forward to seeing everyone. We will also have the installation of officers & board members at the August meeting.

We received back about 27 quilt show questionnaires and basically over all the show was ok. The main complaint was how the quilts were treated & check out didn't go very well. There were a lot of good ideas and these will all go to the new quilt show guideline committee. Let's learn from our mistakes and move on. Have a wonderful summer and keep those bobbins spinning and the fabric flying.

Barbara



## PROGRAMS

Our September program, Quilting and the Computer: a Happy Pairing, will include a lecture in the morning and an afternoon workshop, focusing on improving our computer skills and increasing our confidence to use new quilting techniques and information. These interactive programs will be led by Gail Auen, an accomplished quilter as well as a computer guru. She will show us how the quilting world has grown with the use of the computer, color printers, iPhone, Touch Screen Tablet, and other peripherals to expand quilting resources and the quilting community. Gail will bring computer equipment to show us how to connect to the quilting community and in the workshop she will demonstrate special software to print our own quilt designs. Some of the things we will learn include how to print on fabric for hand piecing blocks, appliqué or half-square triangles, printing graphics on fabric, options to enhance and embellish quilts with thread, paints, beads, and much more. There will be time in the workshop for discussions of computer and quilt related questions. I plan to ask her how to download quilting podcasts to my iPod Touch! A workshop registration form and supply list are included in this newsletter. I hope you will join us.

Fran Miller



**SHENANDOAH VALLEY  
QUILTERS GUILD MEETING  
MINUTES  
July 17, 2010**

**ANNUAL GUILD PICNIC**

When: August 21st at 9:30  
Where: Bridgewater Community Center  
Theme: The Wild West  
What to bring: A covered main dish, salad, or side dish (enough for 8 to 10)  
Provided: Beverages and Desserts

Put on your jeans, bandana scarves and cowgirl/boy hats and spend a fun filled morning at our annual picnic. We will have the election of two new officers, the installation of officers, a message from our outgoing president, and a few announcements just before the fun and games begin.

Come see what entertainment we have in store and enjoy all the wonderful food and fellowship. It is a great time to meet, greet and bond with your fellow quilters. During our regular meetings we just don't have the time to really chat.

Any questions about the picnic please call: Sandie Hammel (540) 652-6189 or e-mail at [sandie419@hotmail.com](mailto:sandie419@hotmail.com)

See ya there cowhands!!!

Sandie Hammel

Directions to the Bridgewater Community Center: From I-81, take Exit 240 onto Rt. 257 into Bridgewater. This becomes Dinkel Ave. Follow it past Bridgewater College to the traffic light at Main St. (Rt. 42). Turn right onto Main St and then left onto Green St. just past the Methodist Church. Go one block and turn right onto Grove St. The Community Center is the large brick building on the left. Park in the back where there are three sets of double doors. These doors go right into the meeting room.

President Barbara Linzey called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. She introduced Benny Marshall, who was visiting the guild for the first time. Barbara had a call from a woman who worked for the city of Staunton; she needed a quilt block to be donated for a quilt commemorating the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Blue Ridge Parkway. Time was limited and Barbara undertook making the block herself. It was taken from the Augusta County seal and those present thought it quite wonderful. The quilt will be made of blocks from all the counties surrounding the Blue Ridge Parkway and we hope to have a picture of the quilt when it is completed.

The minutes for the June meeting were approved as printed in the Newsletter. Sally Jones gave the June treasurer's report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Several committee positions remain to be filled. The Sunshine committee job is an "at home" job which basically consists of making Thinking of You (TOY) blocks and sending them to persons with birthdays or who have had an illness or a death in the family. We also need someone to take the Program Chair #2 position. Sandie Hammel will contact potential nominees before the August picnic. They can then be elected prior to the installation of officers at the picnic. Information will be included in the August Newsletter.

PROGRAM: Mary Carlton announced that today would be a mystery quilt with 18 members participating. The "Row by Row" round robin begins in August. Bring your row in a paper bag. See July Newsletter for details. Additional material (perhaps for sashing) can be included in the paper bag. The picnic will be held at the Community Center in Bridgewater.

Mary introduced Fran Miller (Program Chair #2). Fran discussed the programs planned for next year. The guild has had well over 100



different instructors and many have become nationally known. Her goal is to bring at least three major quilt instructors to SVQG during the year. Molly Toth will chair one program centered on learning new skills. Service projects are being turned out by the Service Bee that is meeting on a regular basis. In finding new areas of need, the “Wrap a Smile” program, which is world-wide, has been a new focus.

The calendar for the year starts with Gail Auen, computer guru and long term quilter, in September. In October popular teacher Augusta Cole will return. November will be service projects and December will be the Christmas party. January will be our annual auction of gently used quilting items and in February Fran has a verbal commitment from Gaylene Fitzgerald. She is working on a domestic machine quilting class. March is “National Quilt Day,” and a party would be appropriate to celebrate. April will be education and in May the founder of “Wrap a Smile” has been approached to do a program to include the local Rotary Club that sponsors these efforts. June will be on art quilts. Sara Ann Smith is the proposed teacher. The July program is not as yet planned.

Fran asked everyone to save their empty spools as this is one indication of the amount of work we do. Bring them to meetings starting in September. A “spool” block will be your reward. Barbara thanked Mary and Fran for their work during the past year.

**SECRET PAL:** Pam Nixon handed out the Secret Pal gifts. The year will end with a “reveal” in September.

**NEWSLETTER:** The Newsletter deadline will be Friday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Contact Vicki Graham (editor) if you are having any problem receiving your newsletter.

**WAYS AND MEANS:** Door prizes were given out to Gay Baker, Iris McCarthy, and Phyllis Hollowell.

Sandie Hammel suggested that everyone dress in western outfits for the picnic, which will have a western theme. The picnic is potluck with dessert and drinks provided.

Barbara Linzey discussed the questionnaires that were included in the Newsletter. Of those she has received, the main complaint was about how the quilts were treated. She read the recommendations from some of the questionnaires.

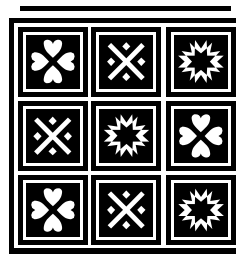
- Every SVQG member should be on a committee.
- Demonstrations should be in the same room as the quilts.
- All visitors should be asked to leave and the doors closed before the quilts are taken down.

**SHOW AND TELL:** The Art Group showed how they made their own fabric and used it in a wall hanging. Show and tell was enjoyed by everyone.

Denise Rudolph brought up a box containing all the raffle stubs. Our visitor picked one of the stubs and Denise announced that the winner was Kailee Miller. Fran Miller said that she had sold the ticket and that the winner was her great-grandchild, who at age 10 has already completed a quilt.

The meeting was adjourned followed by refreshments and fellowship.

Submitted by,  
Norma Harris, Secretary



## QUILT RAFFLE

We had the drawing at the July meeting. Kailee Miller won the quilt. She is the great granddaughter of Fran Miller. Thanks to everyone for their hard work selling tickets. We raised \$3,204.00. Sue Jones sold the most tickets (27 books) with Bonnie Spoon at a very close second (by 2 books)!! Thanks to everyone for their hard work selling tickets.

The breakdown is as follows:  
 Members \$ 1,826.00, Charity \$ 635.00, Quilt  
 show \$383.00, With Quilt at events \$360.00

Denise Rudolph

Kailee Miller of Richmond, VA bought the  
 winning ticket. She is 10 years old and has her  
 own Singer sewing machine--a Christmas gift  
 when she was 9 years old. Her first quilt, made  
 with help, was donated to the Relay for Life  
 Auction and it brought \$300. Her hobbies also  
 include cooking, singing, video games, and  
 stained glass.

Kailee wrote the following message of Thanks:

"Hello, I am so happy for the quilt. I feel like I  
 can't thank you enough. Every time I sleep  
 under the quilt I will think of you guys."

Kailee

## MEMBERSHIP

We had a new member sign up at the July Guild  
 meeting. Her name is Bennie Marshall from  
 Staunton. Welcome Bennie and glad to have  
 you aboard. Hope you enjoy the group.

The Guild membership is 124 paid members.  
 We have plenty of room for more so invite your  
 friends and neighbors to come check us out.

The August Picnic would be a good time to  
 meet our friendly group. Looking forward to  
 seeing all the cowgirls and cowboys at our  
 Western themed picnic. It promises to be a lot  
 of fun.

John Hammel

## SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2010

BEGINNING BALANCE \$ 6,332.31

### INCOME:

Membership	\$	80.00
Newsletter		15.00
Quilt Raffle		853.00
Quilt Show-Boutique		1278.20
DVD's		155.00

Entrance fees	2218.00
Pillow Puddle	258.00
Presale tickets	75.00
Programs-patrons	85.00
Silent Auction	1494.00
Vendors	120.00
Sale of Pins	23.00
Interest	.14
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>6,654.34</b>

### EXPENSES:

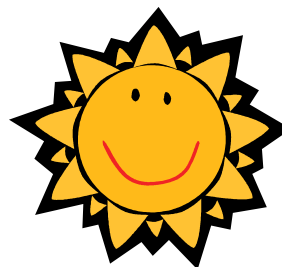
Program-June	71.13
Sunshine	70.40
Quilt Show-Advertising	166.12
Awards	220.65
Boutique %'s	1041.24
Bridgewater rent	800.00
DVD's	23.10
Hospitality	54.88
Plastic table cloths	17.04
Printing	160.13
Postage	7.04
Programs	525.00
PVC connectors	126.84
Sheets & fabric	213.15
Thank you gifts	50.00
Vendor's lunches	79.20
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,625.92</b>

**TOTAL CHECKBOOK BALANCE** 9,360.73

**CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT** 6,586.92

**TOTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2010** \$ 15,946.65

Sally Jones



## SUNSHINE

I am your Sunshine chairman for the coming  
 year. Please let me know of anyone who needs  
 a Thinking of You block (sympathy, get well,  
 etc.). You can email me at [ceshank@gmail.com](mailto:ceshank@gmail.com)  
 or call me at 540-867-9486. Thanks.

Carolyn Shank

## WAYS & MEANS

THANKS to all who bought raffle tickets. We made \$90.

Joan Leffel

## MUSEUM NEWS

**CHRISTMAS AND THE QUILT MUSEUM STORE.** Inspired by the annual Virginia Quilt Museum Christmas Tree and the spirit of Christmas giving, we invite you to make a small quilt ornament to give to the Museum Store. A special display of the ornaments during the month of September will allow visitors to choose their favorites. After the voting is tallied, the Museum Store will give awards for the top three choices (Gift Certificates for \$25.00 for first place, \$15.00 for second and \$10.00 for third). After the awards, all of the ornaments will be available for purchase in the Museum Store. Revenue from the store provides financial support to the many programs of VQM. So get in the giving spirit and send the Quilt Museum a small gift of your time and talent. We have extended the deadline to August 31st. Ornaments should be no larger than six (6) inches per side. Use any technique; Ornaments can be hand appliquéd, stenciled, pieced, machine or hand quilted, or embellished. Be sure to sign your name to the back.

**NEW INVENTORY.** If our quilt ornament events put you in a Christmas frame of mind, you will want to stop by the Museum Store soon. We already have in stock our first annual Christmas Ornament, Souvenir Pin and Coffee Mug all featuring the same design from one of the quilts in the VQM permanent collection. You can even purchase a pattern to make this lovely red and green appliqué block for yourself. The VQM teapot recently arrived and we have ordered a host of additional items to make your shopping experience a memorable one. We hope to see you soon!

Josephine Millett  
and Dianne Reasons



## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A special election and instillation of officers will be held prior to our picnic on August 21st

President Elect - Sally Jones  
Program #2 - Vacant

Sandie Hammel

### DEADLINE FOR SEPT. NEWSLETTER

August 27, 2010

Vicki Graham  
4142 Traveler Road  
Harrisonburg, VA 22801  
540-433-9877

E-mail: [grahamvl@comcast.net](mailto:grahamvl@comcast.net)

## CANCER PILLOWS/TOTES

It's time to get back to sewing pillows/totes. Many of you have been generous in your donations of cotton and flannel fabrics so I should be able to supply you with kits this month. If you would like to participate in preparing kits, please let me know. It is time-consuming and we could spend an afternoon in fellowship and get many kits made. You are so appreciated when you use your own fabric. This month I will challenge you to make one pillow/tote for a male patient. We know that men get breast cancer too and we have yet to make even one in what we typically think of as masculine color and design. I will bring some kits with the male patient in mind.

Coming up: Breast Cancer Awareness Month/October. We will have something special for the month.

Thank you for your participation.

Sue Jones

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following Guild members are having a birthday in August or September:

Pauline Messier	8/1
Crystal Gooden	8/1
Ginny Biggs	8/2
Marianne Simmons	8/2
Ruth Glick	8/3
Patricia Albaugh	8/7
Betty Durrett	8/15
Anna Newman	8/21
Lenore Mitchell	8/25
Mary Daigle	8/28
Mary Carlton	8/29
Charlotte Bogue	8/30
Diana Norman	8/30
Steve Wood	8/31
Sharon Culbertson	9/1
Roberta Patterson	9/5
Bobbie Champaign	9/7
Betty Ott	9/10
Peggy Sours	9/10
Norma Harris	9/14
Lori Schrock	9/14
Judi Bryan	9/16
Jeanne Lewis	9/17

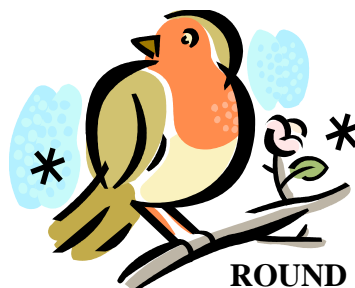
To everyone having a birthday in August or September, Happy Birthday!



## HOSPITALITY

Thank you to those who brought snacks in July. This month we will be having our picnic. Remember drinks and dessert will be provided so everyone will be bringing a covered dish.

Pauline Messier



## ROUND ROBIN

The first exchange of the Round Robin is at the August meeting, which is the annual picnic and is held at Bridgewater Town Hall, an event not to be missed. This is a row-by-row round robin. You put a starter row in a bag and turn it in to me when you come in the door. I'll write down your name and put a number on the bag. Do not put your name on the bag! You pick up a different bag after the break. You have 2 months to add a row to the one in the bag. Add sashing between the rows if it is appropriate. You may include fabric in your bag if you wish, but I think it's more interesting not to. There's only one rule at this point. Your initial row must be no larger than 60 1/2" by 12 1/2". We are not making queen size quilts. Everybody is welcome to join the Round Robin. Don't give me any nonsense about not being good enough. This is for all skill levels.

Mary Carlton



## ♥♥♥ IMPORTANT NOTICE ♥♥♥ ALL SECRET SISTERS

Our reveal will be in September. Don't forget to do something special for your secret sister.

I want to thank everyone who enjoyed this exchange.

Pam Nixon

## *Registration for Graphic/Pictorial Quilts Workshop*

**DESCRIPTION:** Learn to transfer images to fabric using the ink-jet printer. We will print a block for your project and explore embellishment options: hot fix crystals, threads and thread painting, paint, buttons, yarn, coins, lace, jewelry (almost anything goes!) Explore making a label for your project using clip art and printer or make freezer paper stencils and fabric Shiva paint sticks.

**WHO:** Gail Auen

**WHEN:** September 18, 2010 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

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

**COST:** \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members

### **SUPPLY LIST:**

Rotary cutter, cutting mat, rulers, scissors

Embellishments of your choice (Gail will have some paint and threads to try)

Small assortment of fabric scraps to enhance the photo or image you plan to use

**Supply kit \$14--to purchase from instructor**

**A packed lunch and drink**

**DEADLINE: September 5, 2010**

**QUESTIONS:** Call Fran Miller, 540-434-5773 or [franmill@aol.com](mailto:franmill@aol.com)

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Quilting and the Computer

Complete and mail this portion to: Fran Miller, PO Box 15, Pleasant Valley, VA 22848

Name:

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Address:

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ \$20 member \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 non-member/late registration

Make check payable to SVQG. **Registration deadline is September 5, 2010.** Only a paid registration reserves your place in the workshop. Paid workshops are transferable to another member but not refundable unless the class is canceled, nor can the money be applied to a future workshop.

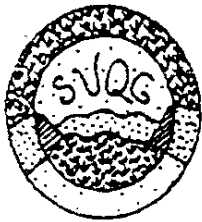
**SVQG BOARD MEMBERS**

President	Barbara Linzey	Ways & Means	Joan Leffel
President-Elect	Sandie Hammel	Education	Molly Toth
Secretary	Norma Harris	Librarian	Kathy Christy
Treasurer	Sally Jones	Service	
Program Coor. #1	Mary Carlton		
Program Coor. #2	Fran Miller	Comfort Pillows	Sue Jones
Immed. Past President	Pam Nixon	Quilt Show	
<b>SVQG STANDING COMMITTEES:</b>			
Nominating	Sandie Hammel	Sunshine	Carolyn Shank
Newsletter	Vicki Graham	<b>SPECIAL DUTIES:</b>	
Membership	John Hammel	NQA Liaison	Sandie Hammel
Publicity	John Hammel	VCQ	Norma Harris
Historian	Roberta Patterson	Web Masters	Roberta Patterson
Hospitality	Pauline Messier		

To join the Shenandoah Valley Quilters' Guild, send \$20 Annual Dues to: Membership Chairman SVQG, PO Box 913, Harrisonburg VA 22803. The Guild year runs 4/1-3/31. Newsletter mailed - \$7.50/yr.

PLACE OF MEETING--THE **SUNNYSIDE ROOM**, THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED) Time: 9:30 am

SUNNYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN RETIREMENT COMMUNITY, HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA  
 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 is available on the street and in lots but **DO NOT PARK IN THE NUMBERED SPACES**. These numbered spaces are for residents. Please observe the 15-mph speed limit while on the grounds of Sunnyside.



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