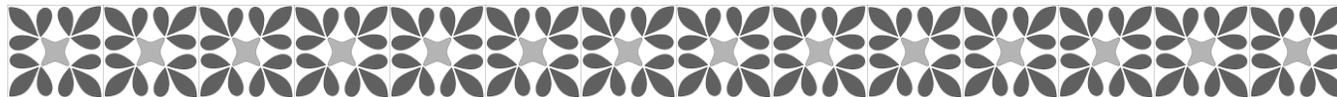


# Valley Quilt Notes

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

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## NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Going once, going twice, SOLD to the highest bidder – A special thank you for all the wonderful donations from our members and to our auctioneer Denise Rudolph and her assistants. Through all of your efforts our 2011 annual auction was a great success. Yesterday I heard one of our members say that she was already collecting for next year's auction, way to go!!

Another thank you goes out to Sue Jones, the Service Committee and all of you who helped us meet the goal of 350 Breast Cancer Pillows and Totes. Not only did we meet, but exceeded this number. Reaching this goal is one that SVQG can be proud of. Don't forget there will be future need for your dedication to this worthy project.

We look forward to Gyleen Fitzgerald's visit to our guild to give our February program and afternoon class. In order to keep our programs and classes interesting and to attract well known instructors, we need our members to sign-up for classes. To help keep our classes full, remember that non-members can attend at a slightly higher fee. So if you plan to attend, consider inviting a quilting buddy who is not a SVQG member. Look for the application in the back of the newsletter. I hope to see many of you in class!!

There is something new on the horizon. Your board has voted to start a monthly boutique. There will be three spots available each month. See pre-registration form in the back of this

newsletter for boutique rules. This is open to members only, with 10% of gross sales going to the guild. If you don't think that you have enough items to participate in a boutique table, remember a few of you can go together to create a nice presentation of items for sale. This is a good opportunity for Bees, groups of quilting friends, as well as individuals. It will be a good opportunity for our members to buy gifts for friends, family members, or themselves. The board is hoping that this is something that our members will enjoy.

Happy Winter Quilting!!!

Your President,  
Sandie Hammel



## PROGRAMS

Denise made the job of auctioneer appear easy but I know it's a tough job. Thanks to Denise and to each of you for a very successful January auction. Thanks also to Barbara Cline for her generous contribution to the guild; a workshop at her home for six people at \$40 each. That sure boosted the sales.



February 19th Gyleen Fitzgerald, from MD, will be the guest speaker at the general meeting and lead a workshop in the afternoon. The morning presentation will cover how she finished vintage quilt tops in her own style with contemporary fabrics without compromising the original intent of the design. The afternoon workshop, Batik Star Tessellations, will teach us a mapping technique to make an interlocking design that only appears complicated. A picture of the wall hanging is shown above. To explore Gyleen's web page go to [www.colourfulstitches.com](http://www.colourfulstitches.com) and you will find lots of interesting information. The registration form to sign up for her workshop is in this newsletter and has a deadline of February 15.

In March we will have two guild events. On Friday, March 18 we will meet to recognize National Quilting Month and enjoy a day of fun, fellowship, and celebration. More information will be in the March newsletter, including a registration form. On Saturday, March 19, Ann McBroom, leader of a community program, A Small Hand, will be the morning speaker and the afternoon machine quilting workshop will be led by Barbara Cline. **A reminder:** this workshop will be more useful if you bring a finished quilt top to have Barbara's input on quilting designs and machine quilting techniques. She will work with us individually to accommodate all levels of experience. A registration form will be in the March newsletter.

Fran Miller



SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS  
GUILD MEETING

Minutes

January 15, 2011

Sandie Hammel welcomed members and guests to the January meeting. She thanked the Free Spirits Art Bee for their efforts serving as hosts for the Christmas party. She also thanked everyone who worked on the November Service

Day. Beverly London introduced her guest, Morgan, a beginning young quilter.

Sandie announced that there is a telephone tree to let people know if any meeting is canceled due to bad weather. Details are included in the Newsletter. *A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the November and December meetings as printed in the January Newsletter. The motion was carried.*

**SERVICE:** Sue Jones announced that she had received lots of pillows and totes today and felt that we now have enough for future needs. She will come back when more are needed. Sandie presented her with a wall hanging to thank her for all her efforts.

**LIBRARY:** Kathy Christy encouraged everyone to look over the new books that are now in the library. Books that are no longer being "well used" are being sold and can be purchased today.

**PROGRAM:** Fran Miller let everyone know that the next service meeting will be in May. Our new project will be making quilts for the "Wrap a Smile" program which supports the work of doctors who are going around the world to correct cleft palates on children. This is sponsored by the Rotary Club. We will have a speaker from the "Wrap a Smile" program in May. Fran passed around pictures of a child wrapped in his new quilt. There is also a project to deliver baby quilts to mothers in the Valley who do not have the clothes they need for new babies. There is a clothing outlet at the Church of Christ in Edinburg.

The February speaker will be Gyleen Fitzgerald from Maryland. She has written a book about finding old quilt tops and completing them. In the afternoon, she will lead a workshop on tessellations. The supply list will be in the Newsletter. There are 41 stars in the wall hanging. Pick your colors with lots of contrast. The website is [www.colourfulstitches.com](http://www.colourfulstitches.com). February is the last month to bring spools.

On March 18<sup>th</sup> (Friday) from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. we will have a Fun Day. We will meet in Bridgewater and celebrate being quilters. On

Saturday we will have our regular meeting. Barbara Cline will be teaching a class on machine quilting.

NEWSLETTER: Vicki Graham asked that anyone having trouble getting their newsletter please let her know. The last date to send information to Vicki for the February Newsletter will be January 21<sup>st</sup>.

SHOW AND TELL was enjoyed by all. Following Show and Tell several titles for the new raffle quilt were suggested. A vote was taken and the winner was "Sunrise Over the Blue Ridge."

Following the break Denise Rudolph took charge of a most interesting and competitive auction. Check next month's minutes to see how well the guild did!

Submitted by,

Norma Harris,  
Secretary

## MEMBERSHIP

### 2011 – 2012 Membership Renewals

Time to think about renewing your membership in SVQG. For only \$20, where else can you get a whole year full of fun, information and wonderful companionship?

Use the application in the back of this newsletter, or get one from the SVQG Website (svqg.org), fill it out and bring or mail it to SVQG with your \$20 (\$27.50 if you want newsletter mailed to you).

Do it as soon as you can so your 2011-2012 Membership is assured.

Happy Quilting!

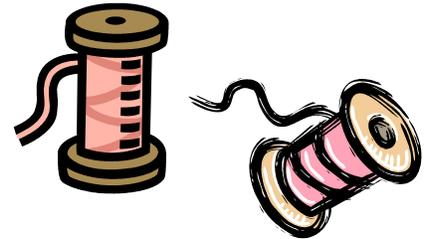
John Hammel



## 2012 RAFFLE QUILT REMINDER

Just a reminder for the members to be thinking of a charity to work with for the selling of tickets on the 2012 raffle quilt.

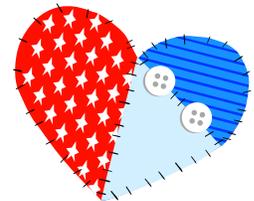
Connie



## SPOOL CHALLENGE

The last time to turn in your empty spools to Carolyn Shank will be the February meeting. We will have two drawings in March to conclude this challenge. At the Friday Celebration you will have a chance to guess how many spools we have used since last fall and on Saturday at the general meeting we will draw a name(s) from those who chose to have chances in the drawing instead of spool blocks. Prizes will be given at both events.

Fran Miller



## COMFORT PILLOWS/TOTES *Record Response!*

We projected in September that we would need to supply our regions with approximately 350 p/t. Thanks to the Eager BEEvers and the November service project, we sewed and stuffed and prepared kits and with your help, we made a total of 386 breast cancer pillows/totes. All since the guild meeting in September. Thanks to the individuals who have worked from their fabric stashes and those who have completed

kits. We'll take a break from pillows/totes after you finish what you are working on now. We will update as p/t are donated.

Going forward, join me in making baby quilts and being part of Wrap a Smile, both worthy service projects.

Guild Members, you are awesome!

Sue Jones

## QUILTING SUPERSTITIONS

Here is something I found that will give the members a chuckle.

Quilting Superstitions:

Quilting is an art bound by strong tradition and customs. Here is a list of superstitions to consult when making your next quilt.

The first dream under a new quilt will come true.

It is bad luck to sew on Sunday.

It is bad luck to cut fabric on Friday.

Quilts washed in water from snow will give a gentle rest to the spirits of those who made the quilt.

The pattern "Wandering Foot" must never be used on the bed of a young man, for fear he will wander off and never be heard of again.

Changing the name of the pattern to "Turkey Tracks" breaks the jinx.

Using the marriage symbols of hearts, cupids, doves or love knots on a quilt before the girl was officially engaged was to court spinsterhood or a broken engagement.

Some people believed that it was bad luck for the engaged girl to sew on her own marriage quilt.

Connie Broy

## DEADLINE FOR MARCH NEWSLETTER

February 25, 2011

Vicki Graham

4142 Traveler Road

Harrisonburg, VA 22801

540-433-9877

E-mail: [grahamv1@comcast.net](mailto:grahamv1@comcast.net)



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The following Guild members are having a birthday in February or March:

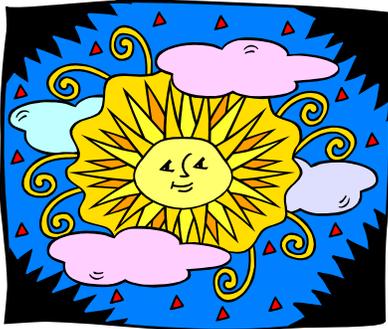
Mary McGuffin	2/5
Bennie Marshall	2/6
Vicki Graham	2/8
Eloise Shull	2/8
Molly Toth	2/11
Dianne Louvet	2/15
Carolyn Porter Stone	2/16
Fran Miller	2/20
Josephine Millett	2/20
Wilsene Scott	2/20
Denise Rudolph	2/22
Kathy Hughes	2/23
Deborah Watts	3/5
Ann VanNoy	3/11
Carol Cunius	3/13
Connie Broy	3/24
Evah Roller	3/26
Gaytha Lindensmith	3/27
Darlene Fiske	3/28

Have a Happy Birthday!

## HOSPITALITY

Thank you to all of our refreshment hostesses who brought in treats for our enjoyment last month. This month it is February and August 1-14<sup>th</sup> Birthday's turn to bring in the goodies.

Pauline Messier



## SUNSHINE

Please let me know of any guild member who could use our get well wishes, sympathy thoughts, etc. Call me at 540-867-9486 or email me at [ceshank@gmail.com](mailto:ceshank@gmail.com).

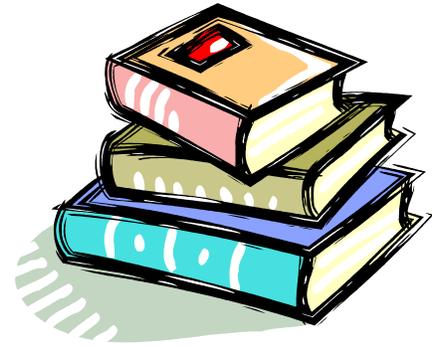
Carolyn Shank

## WAYS & MEANS

"Thanks to everyone who donated and purchased items at the 2011 Auction in January. We raised over \$1,200. Great job!

A special thank you to my helpers - Vicki Graham, Carol Sloan, Gae Baker, Bev London, and Linda Quintrell. And a special thank you to our guest, Morgan, who played the role of Vanna White."

Denise Rudolph



## LIBRARY

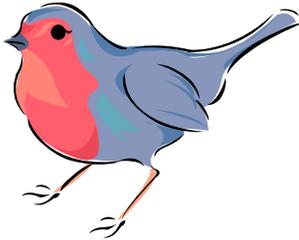
New books in the library include:

1. Adventures with Leaders and Enders by Bonnie Hunter
2. All-Star Quilts by Helen Frost & Blanche Young
3. Confetti Naturescapes by Noriko Endo
4. Country Threads Goes to Charm School by Mary Etherington & Connie Tesene
5. Creative Sewing Techniques by Machine ed. By Nancy Fiedler
6. Cuddly Snuggly Quilts by Linda Johnson & Jane Wells
7. Dancing Dragonfly Quilts by Sue Beavers
8. Dare to be Square Quilting by Boo Davis
9. Designing Quilts is Easy! by Wayne Kollinger
10. Drafting for the Creative Quilter by Sally Collins
11. Flower Show Quilts by Lynn Majidimehr
12. Flying Colors: Design Quilts with Freeform Shapes & Flying Geese by Gail Garber
13. Freemotion Quilting by Judy Woodworth
14. From Spain with Love by Roberta Cardew
15. Holiday Quilt Projects Through the Year by Leisure Arts
16. House Party by Sue Hunt
17. Masterful Machine Pieced Quilts by Jean Biddick
18. More! Hand Appliqué by Machine by Beth Ferrier
19. Orphan Block Quilts by Tricia Maloney
20. Pineapple Plus by Karin Hellaby
21. Rose of Sharon Block Book by Sharon Pederson

- 22. Simple Shapes, Spectacular Quilts by Kaffe Fassett & Liza Lucy
- 23. Sister Blocks by Edie McGinnis
- 24. Square-agonals: a New Angle on Quilting by Sandi Blackwell
- 25. Start with Scraps by Carol Loessel
- 26. Twist & Turn: Quilts with NO Curved Seams by Suzanne McNeill

Remember you can see the full listing of library holdings on the website: [www.svqg.org](http://www.svqg.org).

Kathy Christy



## ROUND ROBIN

I just want to remind y'all that we exchange Round Robins in February. A couple of people have asked me when this ends. It ends in June. We will exchange in February and April; then in June it's over. Hope everyone is having fun.

Mary

For Sale - 45 mm Rotary Cutter blades.  
The blades are generic and will fit both Olfa and Fiskar cutters. \$2.00 each  
Contact Kathy Christy at the guild meeting, or  
[kckwilter@hotmail.com](mailto:kckwilter@hotmail.com) 540-652-8671

## ***Registration for Batik Star Tessellation***

**DESCRIPTION:** Gyleen will teach us a mapping technique of using simple shapes to make an interlocking design (tessellation) of stars that only looks complicated. Batiks or regular quilter's cotton can be used.

**WHO:** Gyleen Fitzgerald, Churchville, MD

**WHEN:** February 19, 2011

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

**COST:** \$25.00 for members and \$35.00 for non-members

### **Supplies:**

**NOTE:** If you want to make this small quilt as a **CHARM** quilt you will want each star made from different fabric. If so, you will need 41 different fabrics.

**Fabrics:** If using fat quarters, cut (2) 1 ½" strips or (1) strip the full width of the fabric for each star. You may want duplicate stars so cut accordingly. Make sure you have a strong contrast in your fabrics to show the tessellating design. Gyleen suggests up to 20 different fabrics and some extra strips may be useful.

"Easy Angle" tool (ruler) by EZ.

Basic sewing supplies, gray and beige thread, scissors, rotary cutting supplies, rotary ruler (6" x 24"), sewing machine, thimble, safety pins (1" long), extension cord and pencil.

We will need to do some pressing; if you have a small iron and pad please bring it.

(Batting, border fabric and vibrant quilting thread for finishing later!)

### **Homework:**

From each strip cut **four** 3½" and **four** 2½" pieces and pin together as a group. You should have at least 41 sets. Pre-sorting is not required.

(Note: if you don't have all these supplies don't let it keep you away. We love to share!!)

**Turkey sandwiches will be provided. Bring a drink and any extras you want.**

**DEADLINE: February 15th or until Workshop is full**

**QUESTIONS:** Call Fran Miller, 540-421-0186 or franmill@aol.com

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## **Batik Star Tessellations Workshop**

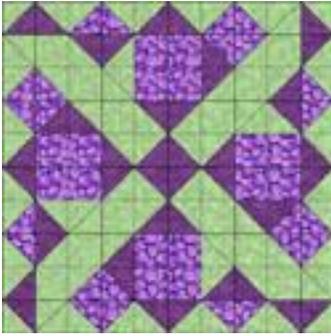
Complete and mail this portion to: Fran Miller, PO Box 15, Pleasant Valley, VA 22848

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 member \_\_\_\_\_ \$35 non-member/late registration

Make check payable to SVQG. **Registration deadline is February 15th or until the workshop is full.** 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

## SVQG MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

**April 1, 2011—March 31, 2012**

Renewal Membership       New Membership

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

This form should be completed in its entirety and returned with your check for \$20.00 (which includes your newsletter by e-mail) or \$27.50 (which includes your newsletter delivered by the US Mail) payable to:

The Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild  
c/o Membership Chair  
P. O. Box 913  
Harrisonburg, VA 22803

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDAY: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
*Please Print* *Month Day*

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_  
(Area Code)

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: If you wish to have your membership card mailed, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your application and check.**

## GUILD BOUTIQUE: PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Rules: Members Only

Three spaces available monthly

1 (one) six foot table available per boutique applicant

All boutique items must be contained within a 6' x 4' space (NO items are to be displayed on the floor or to the front or sides of your table or on any free standing display outside of this space, for safety reasons, please note behind or straddling table is acceptable).

All finished items for sale are to be handmade, or supplies related to quilting or other handcrafts.

Set-up time is between 8:30 and 9:00. Take down time is between 12:30 and 1 p.m.

Sale time is 9 to 9:30, during break, after meeting adjournment until 12:30.

No selling during meetings (during meeting vendors may quietly package or assemble chosen items to be picked up during sale times).

Requests will be taken in order received and held on a waiting list. Once you have been a vendor you may submit another request and will be placed at the bottom of list for next available opening. If your available vendor time falls on a month when you will not be at the guild meeting you will be placed at the bottom of the list for the next available opening.

10% of your gross sales will be payable to SVQG by the following month. This check is to be given to our Ways and Means Chairperson, Denise Rudolph, along with a signed copy of the vendor registration.

Our volunteer coordinator for this project is Kathy Christy. You may make your request by mailing this form to: **Kathy Christy, 1006 Tenth Street, Shenandoah, VA 22849** or by submitting your e-mail request to Kathy at [kckwilter@hotmail.com](mailto:kckwilter@hotmail.com). If submitting via e-mail please type the following paragraph along with your name, address, types of item(s) for sale, phone and email information. Your e-mail request will be printed so that we may keep an accurate record to show date and time submitted or by using the date posted on the envelope via snail mail.

“I have read and agree with the rules for requesting a Guild Boutique table. I understand that I will be notified of my available date soon after my request has been received.”

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Type of Item(s) I will be selling:

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**SVQG BOARD MEMBERS**

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Historian	Roberta Patterson
Hospitality	Pauline Messier

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VCQ	Norma Harris
Web Master	Roberta Patterson

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 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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