

Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SEWING CORNER -

Happy wearin o' the green quilters, as this is the month where everyone becomes Irish on the 17th. By coincidence our guild meeting is on this notable day and I'm betting that when I look out at the membership that day it will appear as a sea of green. The Quilters Guild of Ireland is presenting their annual retreat/conference March 23-25, so if you are planning to attend...do so after our meeting ends. We need you at our auction, so remember to bring plenty of GREEN.

We had a great surprise guest, Zoya, who was visiting her daughter and family in Broadway. Her son-in-law, Dale, was her interpreter, as she enthralled our guild members with her award winning quilts and their design processes. She in turn was very impressed by our UFO's and Show and Tell and last but not least, the warmth she felt by our guild members. Dale related this to me at the end of our meeting. She gave me a small, hand-made purse which I shall be putting in the silent auction at our quilt show.

It was wonderful to see so many of our members in attendance at this meeting. When I joined our guild about 7 or 8 years ago, this was typical of the number of members who turned out to support our programs.

We already know the traditional holiday of this month, but did you know that March is known as "Adopt a Rescued Guinea Pig Month"? Further tidbits of vital trivia are: the 3rd is "What If Cats and Dogs had Opposable Thumbs Day" and the 26th is "Make Up Your Own Holiday Day".

Preparing for this year had me doing research and paper clipping for months ahead. One of the fun things to do was to come up with quilting hints for each month. I hope you haven't been disappointed. First hint...when machine quilting and you can't find your rubber fingered gloves, pull out a pair of latex gloves. These are even better than kitchen type rubber gloves, as the thinness allows you to feel lumps and bumps of seams and hidden pins. Hint number 2...keep a bottle of "NuSkin" with your sewing supplies for when you stick your finger with a pin or needle. It will help you keep blood from getting on whatever you are sewing. And hint number 3...cut a 1" to 2" piece of plastic drinking straw and place over the points of your tiny embroidery scissors. Now

when you pack up your sewing supplies, you won't find your scissors poking a hole through your project or your bag.

Our meeting this month will be busy with the auction, UFO's and Show and Tell so we are keeping business to a minimum. It would be helpful if you could plan to arrive a bit early...say around 9 o'clock. This will permit Denise and Bev and their helpers to arrange all the goodies to be auctioned and will give you a chance to browse before our meeting begins.

Until we meet again...La` ar do`igh agat or Good day to you.

Sally

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2012

The meeting was called to order by President Sally Jones who welcomed all those present. She introduced guests Mickey Gardner and Beryl Lawson, a charter member of the guild. Cerise Haas gave the treasurer's report; a copy is filed with these minutes.

President Sally Jones read three thank you notes – one for a comfort pillow set, one from Hospice and one from Sunnyside.

LIBRARY: Kathy Christy announced that we have 42 new books and encouraged members to "check them out."

MEMBERSHIP: John Hammel introduced Mickey Gardner, who is our newest member. Dues for the next SVQG year can be paid today or mailed in. There will be an additional charge for members who wish their Newsletter printed and mailed to them. This reflects the cost of printing and mailing.

NEWSLETTER: Sandie Hammel reported that the deadline for the March issue will be February 24. Please use Ariel 12 for all text and limit art work to the bare minimum. When material comes in in different fonts, it makes it much more difficult.

WAYS AND MEANS: Denise Rudolph gave out door prizes to three lucky members and announced that all could buy raffle tickets during the break.

QUILT SHOW: Sally and Connie Broy encouraged all members to be working on pillows for the 'Pillow Puddle" at the Quilt Show. Diane Reasons will be doing the programs for the show. Kathy Christy, John and Sandie Hammel will be doing the "check in" of the quilts. They would like to include a display of service quilts and comfort pillows in the show.

PROGRAM COORDINATOR #1: Bev London introduced a special presentation from a Russian quilter, Zoya, from Ufa, which is on the western side of the Ural Mountains. Zoya is visiting her daughter in Broadway. Her son-in-law acted as her interpreter. She showed several of her prize winning quilts and presented gifts to the guild. In turn she was given an SVQG pin.

SHOW AND TELL: The UFO items that were completed and due in January were shown. This was followed by "regular" show and tell items.

MARCH AUCTION: It was recommended that members arrive around 9:00 a.m. for the March meeting in order to get a peek at the sale items. It was also pointed out that the meeting will probably not end by noon and members should plan on staying later.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Norma Harris, Secretary

WAYS AND MEANS

A big thank you to Vicki Graham who donated the 4.5" and 5" squares for the raffle on Feb 18. We collected \$122. Cerise Haas won the prize.

March will be the auction. Please try to bring your items by 9:00 so that members can look over the goodies and see what to bid on.

Raffle Quilt

We need to sell tickets. Many have not turned in the two books they were given back in the fall. Thanks to those that have taken additional books. I still have plenty of books. Let's raise money for Skyline Literacy.

Submitted by Denise Rudolph

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to everyone for furnishing goodies for our February Guild meeting. Everything was great and Molly your meat balls were delicious, I hope your dogs didn't have many to eat. Reminder to March Birthdays it will be your turn to furnish refreshments. Special thanks to Elizabeth Beall for volunteering to serve with us on the Hospitality Committee.

Submitted by Anna Lee, Dorice and Vicki

MEMBERSHIP

2012-2013 Membership Renewals Due

The current membership year is drawing to a close. It ends March 31, 2012. You want to renew as soon as possible so you don't miss out on the many fun and exciting events coming up in the next membership year.

Over fifty of you have renewed already and are ready to go. Now we need the rest of you to step up and join the group,

Use the application attachment emailed with this newsletter (our US Post newsletter recipients received a copy or the application in their February Newsletter), or get one from the SVQG website (svqg.org), fill it out and bring or mail it to SVQG with your \$20 annual membership fee or \$32.00 if you want the newsletter mailed to you (this includes the annual membership fee and newsletter fee if you want your newsletter sent via US Post).

We'll be looking forward to joining with you for a new membership year.

Happy Quilting!
Submitted by John Hammel

SUE and BILL

2014 Raffle Quilt

Now aren't these little guys the cutest things you have ever seen? When you see them on the wall don't you want to do another and embellish it in a creative way? Sure you do. Just a few kits left. I'll have them at the March meeting.

Submitted by Mary Carlton

NEWSLETTER

Please submit any article that you wish to have in the newsletter (space permitting) no later than Friday, March 23rd to be published in the April 2012 Newsletter.

This month we have a few requests for those who wish to place an ad to sell sewing related items. The charge for an advertisement in our newsletter is 50 cents per word with a minimum of \$5.00. Also available are business card size, quarter page, half page and full page ads. Please contact Sandie Hammel at sandie419@hotmail.com for prices.

Submitted by Sandie Hammel

QUILTS IN THE VALLEY XIII

June 23 & 24, 2012

We're off and running with working on our Quilt Show for 2012. Almost all committee chair positions have been filled, as you can see from the listings below; however, we are in a desperate need for someone to chair our Silent Auction table....how about you!

Boutique:	Josephine Millett	Demos:	Molly Toth
Door Prizes:	Connie Broy Sally Jones	Hospitality:	SuAnn Edwards Phyllis Liskey Carol Sloan
Photos & DVD:	Connie Broy Bev London	Pillow Puddle:	Carol Cunius
Publicity:	Vicki Graham	Programs:	Dianne Reasons
Quilt Registration:	Kathy Christy Sandie Hammel John Hammel	Quilt Frame Layout & Hanging Plans:	Mary Carlton
Raffle Quilt Tickets:	Denise Rudolph	Quilt Pick-up:	Leslie Bulken
Vendors:	Sally Jones	Silent Auction:	IS THIS YOUR NAME?
White Gloves:	Deborah Watts	Ballots:	Sally Jones
Ribbons:	Connie Broy	Quilt Description Sheets:	Dianne Reasons
		TOY Blocks:	Pam Nixon

Each of these committees can certainly use your help. When a survey was made of the membership, there was support for the guild to keep doing a show; however it needs the support of ALL members. We will need: food for the Hospitality area for when our vendors and all day workers take a break; volunteers to act as guides (White Gloves) in the quilt hanging area; lots of pillows for the swimming pool to hold our Pillow Puddle; new or very gently used items for the Silent Auction Table and they do not have to be quilt related; handmade items for our Boutique; members to show a works in progress or a demonstration (there will be electricity); selling of your raffle tickets and asking for more tickets to sell; and settling on which projects you will be entering so you can submit your entry forms early. See listing of categories or quilt application form in this newsletter.

We will be setting up on Friday, June 22nd and will need all quilts brought to Turner Ashby High School that morning in order to be checked in, hung and photographed for the DVD. Some people will be working all day (9 A.M. til 5 P.M.) and food will be needed for them. Suggestions are: Bar B Q, hot dogs, sandwiches, salads, sweets such as cookies, and beverages. Paper products also need to be supplied: plates, plastic glasses, coffee cups, plastic flat ware, and napkins. (Check out the sales after all holidays for BIG discounts.)

Tune in each month for an update.

Quilt Show XIII Co-Chairs: Connie Broy & Sally Jones

Quilt Show Entries - 2012

I just want to give a preview to our members of the categories that we will be using for quilt entries in our Quilt Show in June. These entries are NOT written in stone but they are most probably pretty close. Here we go:

CATAGORIES

Bed Quilts - hand quilted
Bed Quilts - machine quilted
Lap quilts/throws - under 72" x 72"
Wall hanging - traditional
Wall hanging - art quilt
Baby/Juvenile - quilts
Home Decor items - table runners, placemats, pillows, bowls, etc.
Wearable's and accessories – jackets, vests, purses, jewelry, etc.
Round Robins / Row Robins
UFO Challenge items
Quilts made or started in a Guild workshop
First time quilt show entry

This list is meant to get you thinking about what quilts or quilted items you want to enter in the show. We do have a limited venue for quilt display. We want to display as many quilts as we can but we don't want to be over-crowded. Depending on how many entries we have, we may need to limit entries for each person to no more than 3 quilts per category. You may enter as many categories as you wish (for no fee).

The application forms will be available at the March Guild meeting. They will also be printed in the April newsletter and on the website. You may make as many copies of the application as you need. The applications will need to be postmarked no later than May 1st.

We look forward to seeing what everyone is entering. We hope to see at least one quilt from every member of the Guild.

Submitted by Kathy Christy

FOR SALE

Gently used Bernina Stitch Regulator for sale.
Asking \$375.00.
Contact Lori Schrock 540-564-1783.

PROGRAMS

Aren't surprises great? Thank you Lori for sending Zoya our way. Dale was a delightful interpreter and has promised to help our guild and Zoya's keep in touch. Please let me know if you're interested in exchanging information-notes, letters, etc. Dale and his wife, Olesya will act as our translators. Zoya loved our UFO show. Do you think she and her guild friends might just have a few UFOs tucked away, too?

The UFOs, again, we're great and to think we get to do it again in a few short weeks. I better get my act together. No progress on my UFO since last newsletter. I have a fear of attempting to machine quilt my UFO. My son gave me a book on machine quilting for Christmas. I've read a good bit of it, but so far I haven't found the section on overcoming the fear of goofing up. . . Maybe this weekend. Maybe.

UFO #1 is due at our March meeting, which is also our guild auction. Bring your auction offering(s) and your checkbook; it's going to be great! It's also National Quilting Day!

In April, Paula Golden will be joining us to give a very timely lecture **"With a Judge's Eye"**. In the afternoon we'll have a COLOR workshop-**"Color confidence for Quilters"**, please register for the workshop as soon as possible (details are attached).

In May, Lori Schrock will be sharing some tips and tricks on finishing and mounting/framing our needlework, followed by an afternoon of service quilting with Lori Abbott-Herrick. Our next UFO will be "due", too.

June-guess what? We'll be getting ready for our Guild Quilt Show.

July-Diana Norman trunk show and in the afternoon - A Basket Case - embellishment workshop.

August-annual picnic at Bridgewater, followed by my retirement! Woo Hoo, I can start to pay attention at guild meetings again. :o). Hey! If you have a suggestion for a picnic THEME, I'm all ears.

Submitted by Bev London

VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM

Please consider donating a small quilt to the 2012 VQM Silent Auction "Little Quilts, Big Talent" (no larger than 72" in perimeter) to help raise funds for VQM. More information about the auction can be seen on our SVQG Bulletin Board along with copies of entry forms. Please go to www.vaquiltmuseum.org for more information or contact the quilt museum by calling 540-433-3818.

Color Confidence for Quilters

Paula Golden www.paulagolden.com

Saturday April 21st

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION TODAY!

The workshop is limited to 25!

Learn Jinny Beyer's techniques for developing a stunning color scheme. You will become comfortable using color as you experience how to transition between two color families. By the end of the workshop you will be able to create a color scheme from a personal photograph or selected piece of fabric.

Cost of Workshop Guild members \$20 Non-Guild members \$30

Things you will need to bring with you:

Paper & pencil

A piece of multi-colored fabric from your stash (3-4 colors)

A favorite picture, painting, ad from a magazine, a photograph

OPTIONAL-Portable palette by Jinny Beyer (palettes will be available for use in class. They may also be purchased at www.jinnybeyer.com)

Your lunch

Workshop Registration:

NAME: _____

Guild member fee \$20

Non-guild member fee \$30

Email address: _____

Telephone #: _____

Please make your check payable to SVQG for the appropriate amount and mail to

Bev London, 162 McKinley Drive, Broadway, VA 22815 or send me an email (**pay at March guild meeting**) svqg.programs@yahoo.com

NATIONAL QUILT ASSOCIATION

NQA was started in the Washington, D.C. area when seven military wives came together in the late 1960's to share their interest in quilting. In 2004 NQA moved to Columbus, Ohio. Their mission statement: promotes the art, craft, and legacy of quilt making, encouraging high standards in quilt making through education, preservation, and philanthropic endeavors. Quilt guilds across the nation are members of this organization. SVQG is a member in good standing and is a supporter of NQA. For more information on and/or to become a member of NQA please go to www.nqaquilts.org or contact them at nqaquilts@sbcglobal.net

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

February Birthdays –

Karen Jones	2/02
Vicki Graham	2/08
Eloise Shull	2/08
Molly Toth	2/11
Dianne Louvet	2/15
Carolyn Lee Purdy	2/16
Fran Miller	2/20
Josephine Millett	2/20
Amy Meck	2/22
Denise Rudolph	2/22

March Birthdays -

Deborah Watts	3/05
Ann Vannoy	3/11
Cheryl Prokop	3/12
Carol Lee Cunius	3/13
Connie Broy	3/24
Evah Roller	3/26
Gaytha Lindensmith	3/27
Darlene Fiske	3/28

SVQG BOARD MEMBERS

President	Sally Jones
President-Elect	Lori Abbott-Herrick
Secretary	Norma Harris
Treasurer	Cerise Haas
Program Coor. #1	Bev London
Program Coor. #2	Connie Broy
Immed. Past Pres.	Sandie Hammel

SPECIAL DUTIES

NQA Liaison	Lori Abbott-Herrick
VCQ	Norma Harris
Web Master	Roberta Patterson
2012 Quilt Show	Sally Jones & Connie Broy

SVQG STANDING COMMITTEES

Comfort Pillows	Sally Jones
Education	Molly Toth & Joan Leffel
Historian	Mary Carlton
Hospitality	Anna Newman & Dorice Graham & Vicki Graham
Library	Kathy Christy
Membership	John Hammel
Newsletter	Sandie Hammel
Publicity	Lou Emswiler
Service	Lori Abbott-Herrick & Cerise Haas
Sunshine	Lenore Mitchell
Ways & Means	Denise Rudolph

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 \$7.50 (new increase effective, April 2012). The Newsletter is included in the membership fee if you have your newsletter sent via email.

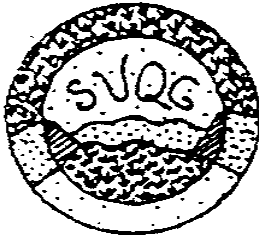
PLACE OF MEETING: The Sunnyside Room, Sunnyside Presbyterian Retirement Community, Harrisonburg, Virginia

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 is 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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