

# Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

Website: [wwwsvqg.org](http://wwwsvqg.org)

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT –

Sew Many Opportunities ....to learn!

This week I finally used that Tumbler Block template I purchased who knows how long ago. Using scraps from my stash, dragonflies now dance between rows of wild stripes on my design wall. Beside it tiny frogs are leaping across green fields in the Disappearing 4-Patch pattern I found on the Internet. Learning new techniques and patterns is what first attracted me to join the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild.

At the September Guild meeting we learned how to make chemo caps, perfect mitered corners and Y-seams the easy way. We also learned Molly's tricks for coloring on fabric and how to make a darling purse by Dianne. In October Karen Kay Buckley will teach us appliqué and how to spice up the borders of our quilts. On top of all this, mentors are available to help those new to quilting.

A Chinese Proverb says, "Be not afraid of growing slowly; be afraid only of standing still."

Come and join us. We'd love to learn what YOU know!

Looking forward,  
Lori Abbott-Herrick

## SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD - September 16, 2012 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Lori Abbott-Herrick, who welcomed everyone. She introduced Anna Davis, a new member and Paula Tehlewitz, who was an original member and has now re-joined. She thanked Sally Jones and Connie Broy for doing the September Newsletter. The deadline for October's Newsletter is September 21<sup>st</sup>. Jon Hammel gave an update on Sandie's recovery from her surgery. She went home on September 5<sup>th</sup>. She plans to do the October Newsletter herself as it will provide a happy diversion. Be sure to use Arial Font #12 as this makes material easier to edit.

The Virginia Quilt Museum has a new exhibit and Lori encouraged everyone to "check it out." She has discount tickets and offered them to members. Josephine Millett will be doing a demonstration at the museum on how to use Gayleen Fitzgerald's pineapple ruler. This will take place on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. The rulers will be available for sale in the museum gift shop.

The minutes of the August Meeting were approved as printed in the Newsletter. Cerise Haas gave the treasurer's report, which was filed for audit. A copy is included with these minutes.

**Meeting Minutes (continued) -**

The brochure for the Shenandoah Valley Walking Tour will be available at the table during the break.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The profit from the Quilt Show was \$721.50 following a donation to Skyline Literacy of \$1,500.00.

The quilts sent to us by our Sister Guild in Russia were displayed. We need to send them quilts from our guild. This will be made easier if we can get them before December when they can be taken by the daughter of one of their members who lives in Bridgewater and will be going to Russia for the holidays.

**PROGRAM COORDINATOR #1:**

Connie Broy announced that Diane Reasons will be doing a workshop on making purses this afternoon. Next month Karen Kay Buckley will be doing an all day workshop on hand applique on Friday and on Saturday afternoon she will have a workshop on "Borders by Design." Her book will be needed for this and will be available at that time. Connie recommended these classes as we are not often able to have teachers of this caliber come to the guild.

**PROGRAM COORDINATOR #2:**

Lori Schrock had 33 surveys returned to her with information on what members would like to do/learn about at the meetings.

**THINKING OF YOU BLOCKS:**

Fran Miller explained how the T-O-Y blocks came to be and how to make them. Directions will be included in the SVQG web page.

**SERVICE:**

Quilts will need to be made by November (the service meeting).

**UFO PROJECT FOR NEXT YEAR:**

Diane Norman announced that 28 have signed up for the UFO Challenge for next year. The number drawn was #1 and will be due in November. There is still time to sign up for this challenge and lists and two fat quarters can be turned in at next month's meeting.

Show and Tell followed, including the last of this year's UFO completions. Before the break the group counted off so that there were four groups to attend the four demonstrations planned for the day and put on by Leslie Bulken, Molly Toth, Connie Broy and Denise Rudolph.

Door prizes were won by Lou Emswiler, Betty Beall, Pauline Messier, and Denise Rudolph.

Submitted by  
Norma Harris, Secretary

**LIBRARY -**

Hi, Book Lovers: Do you like to check out new books from the library? What types do you like? I will be going to Houston Quilt Market at the end of October. I would like to have your input as to what types of books you want me to buy. Do you want more beginner books? Applique? Scrap quilting? Modern quilts? Machine free motion quilting? Books about color? Design? Creativity? Let me know. Also, if you want to get a particular book for yourself, I can get it at a good discount for you.

You can either send me your titles by email (kckwilter@hotmail.com) or give me your list at the Guild meeting in October. I will be leaving the next day for Houston. I will be ordering these titles on Sunday, Oct 28, so I can take email orders until the day before.

Thanks, Kathy

## **SUNSHINE -**

Please contact me if you know of a guild member who needs a thinking of you card and block for illness or sympathy.

Let's also recognize our friends for successes. You may contact me at [ejbowsandskjquilts@hotmail.com](mailto:ejbowsandskjquilts@hotmail.com) or 540-949-0872.

Sue Jones

## **WAYS AND MEANS -**

Do you have fabric in your stash you have fallen out of love with? Do you have more patterns, kits, notions and other sewing and quilting related paraphernalia then you know what to do with? Don't worry Ways and Means is here to help!

Just bring items with you to the next meeting or any meeting after that and we will repurpose it into a raffle or door prize or an item to include in the annual Guild Auction. As a matter of fact we would LOVE to start collecting auction items now so we are really ready to go in January!

Have some exciting news you would like to share with members while raising money for the guild? We have been talking about introducing a "Braggs Jar" for Guild. Each month pay \$1 and take the floor to share happy news and accomplishments! We will have more details about this at the October meeting.

Thurston and Amy

## **MEMBERSHIP –**

Fall is here and another beautiful time in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. I always feel so blessed to live here, especially during this time of the year. And it is a good time to meet old friends and make new ones.

SVQG is indeed blessed to have three of the original charter members as current members. We can draw on their experiences and learn about our past as we forge into the future. We are pleased to have Dorothy Williams, Beryl Lawson and Pauline Tehlewitz with us this membership year.

If you know of any past members or of any new member prospects, remind them that that they can join for the rest of the 2012-2013 membership year for only \$10 (instead of the normal \$20). It's a great bargain considering all the events still to come. Application blanks may be picked up at the Guild meeting or found on our website - [svqg.org](http://svqg.org).

Happy quilting,  
John Hammel

## **HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE -**

Our new year at Quilt guild started off with a bang. Saturday was a beautiful day and September Birthday People furnished delicious refreshments. Already looking forward to October goodies, whoooooo knows we may have some spooky ones. Thanks to all who furnish refreshments.

Anna Lee Newman

## SERVICE –

A big thank you to everyone who took a Samantha Doll! We started out with 20 dolls and I have only one left. If you want that one, let me know. The child's quilt should be at least 36"x45". The quilts can be any design and color. We just want to brighten up the life of a child. If you want to make a quilt for the doll, I would say min. 24"x36" with max of 36"x36". These dolls and quilts are really appreciated by the Hospice groups.

I got several Hospice lap quilts at the meeting. The min. size is 36"x50" and max. size is 60"x60". With the colder months approaching these will be greatly appreciated. You can make any design and color for these also. Some of mine have been from a pattern I started and decided that I would never want to make all those blocks for a queen but could manage working thru it for a lap quilt. See no UFO left to deal with!!!

We will be having representatives from Augusta, Rockingham and Winchester Hospice groups coming to the November meeting to talk about how the quilts have been used. After the Nov. meeting we will be sewing the 4 patch red/white/blue squares together to make patriotic lap quilts for veterans in the Hospice program. In the spring we will be putting all those string blocks together for Hospice lap quilts. I will have the educational samples of the 4 patch and strip blocks at the October meeting. These instructions are also on our website under Service. Warning – the strip blocks can be very addictive and they are a great way to use up scraps!!! For those new to quilting, I believe these blocks will give you a way to contribute to Service.

Thank you all for supporting this great cause. Every time I talk to the people at Hospice I just want to start another lap quilt!

Keep Sewing!  
Denise Rudolph

## UFO CHALLENGE 2012-2013 –

Members and Friends,

The second SVQG UFO Challenge (for 2012-2013) has just begun with the pick of Project **Number 1** at the September meeting!

The finished beauties we saw during this past challenge, with Bev London as our ringleader and head cheerleader, were phenomenal. There were some old projects which were started by others, possibly family members who are no longer with us, that were brought back to life by you! It was not too shocking to see that many of the projects stored away in our closets, storage boxes, and attics contained old fabrics that are very much back in style now! There were projects we had grown bored with, which showed a new "spark" upon unfolding the pieces. There were more than a few projects that were never finished in a class, then abandoned when we started a new class project. There were intended baby or wedding shower projects, where their gift-giving dates were too far gone to consider finishing. My, oh my! The background stories were as interesting as the finished works of art. And the excuses for not finishing projects were even more interesting!

If you would still like to participate in the challenge, send me your list of 6 unfinished projects before the October 20 Guild meeting, via email: [dnorman8816@comcast.net](mailto:dnorman8816@comcast.net), OR by mail: 8816 Rawley Pike, Hinton, Virginia 22831, OR bring your list to the October meeting. And don't forget your 2 starter fat quarters! October 20 will be the last day to join, and you will need to have your project #1 complete by the November meeting along with everyone else.

Email me with any questions you may have.  
Diana Norman

**Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild  
2012-2013 UFO Challenge**

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

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

What a great past year of beautiful, C O M P L E T E D UFOs! Our sincere “Thanks!” goes out to Bev London for starting us down the road to uncovering the unfinished treasures we tucked away, and may have even forgotten. Due to the overwhelmingly positive response to Year One, the CHALLENGE will continue! Are you up to it??

List SIX UFOs that you want to complete in the next 12 months, in no particular order:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_

To start the challenge, your commitment will be two beautiful fat quarters. Please bring them to the September meeting.

In September, we’re going to draw a number (1-6). The number that’s drawn will be the project we’ll be challenged to complete and show by our November meeting. That gives us two months to complete the chosen UFO.

IF, by the end of the two months you do not have your UFO completed, you owe the kitty another beautiful fat quarter as a penalty.

In November, we’ll pull another number—that UFO will be due in January. In January we’ll pull a number for completion by March; in March we’ll pull a number for May, etc. The last projects will be due in September 2013.

For each project you complete on time, your name will be entered to win the “pot of fat quarters”. Knowing some of us, it could be a sizeable pot!

**Please send me your list via email: [dnorman8816@comcast.net](mailto:dnorman8816@comcast.net), or mail:  
Diana Norman, 8816 Rawley Pike, Hinton, VA 22831, or just bring your list to the meeting—NO  
LATER THAN SEPTEMBER, please. Right after each number is picked, I’ll email you to remind  
you of which project will be due next.**

## Happy October Birthdays!!!

Gae Baker	10/07
Alice Zudema	10/10
Francis Ritchie	10/11
Lori Abbott-Herrick	10/11
Carol Cassidy	10/16
Beryl Lawson	10/18
Cheryl Haus	10/20
Suann Edwards	10/27
Kathy Chunta	10/29
Jude McLaughlin	10/30
Bev London	10/31

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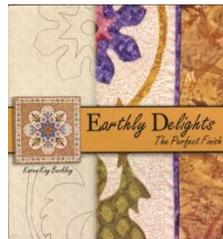
Keep Sewing!  
Denise Rudolph

### PROGRAMS -

**Dianne** had 15 of us in her "Bags for all Reasons" workshop. We had a great afternoon and **Dianne** did a wonderful job. Most of the class had their bags almost finished by the end of the workshop and even a couple had theirs finished. The guild will see some at the next meeting show and tell.

I want to give a big Thank You to Leslie, Denise and Molly for their help with the program. Those who visited each of the stations said they learned some different little tricks. We will be doing this again with some more tips and tricks.

Programs (continued)



October – Will be **Karen Kay Buckley** for an all day workshop on Friday and a lecture and afternoon workshop on Saturday. Friday Karen will be teaching hand appliqué *“Heard it Through the Grape Vine”*. Saturday her lecture is “To Border or Not to Border and the afternoon workshop will be Borders by design. You can go to her website and see the Friday workshop and read about this very talented woman. [www.karenkaybuckley.com](http://www.karenkaybuckley.com). Sign up sheets are again in this newsletter.

The workshops are filling up and really would like for those of you that haven't signed up yet to get your reservations in before the 5<sup>th</sup> of October.

November – will be service with Denise Rudolph.

December – will be the guild Christmas. There will be more in the next newsletter about party time.



**“HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE”**

- **DESCRIPTION:** In this workshop Karen will teaching how to make stuffed bias stems, perfectly rounded flat grapes, stuffed grapes, dimensional leaves and dimensional flowers. All those items of appliqué that makes a very nice 14” block. Web site: [www.karenkaybuckley.com](http://www.karenkaybuckley.com).
- **WHO:** Karen Kay Buckley
- **WHEN:** October 19, 2012, 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- **WHERE:** Sunnyside Retirement Community, Sunnyside Room, Harrisonburg, VA.
- **COST:** \$30.00 for members, \$40.00 for non-members Plus \$10.00 kit fee includes pattern paid to instructor.
- **BRING YOUR LUNCH** – Beverages will be supply.
- **Supply List:**
  - **FABRIC:**
  - 16” square of background fabric
  - ¼ yard for stems
  - Scrap for leaves, grapes or berries
  - Scrap for small blue flowers & butterfly
- **SUPPLIES:**
- Fine, thin pins, scissors for paper & fabric cutting, Pencil, Emery board, Blue water-soluble washout marker, Plastic template material, Embroidery needle, Fabric markers to trace on fabric around templates, Glue stick or glue pen/water soluble, Needle threader (optional, you decide), Embroidery thread in a skein like DMC for stems and grape squiggles, Piece of fine grain sandpaper or sandpaper board, Ruler, board and cutter, Pigma permanent marker (black or brown), Iron & pressing board

DEADLINE: October 5, 2012

QUESTIONS: Call Connie Broy, 540-335-1039 or email at [cbroy@shentel.net](mailto:cbroy@shentel.net).

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“Heard it Through the Grapevine”

**Complete and mail this portion to: Connie Broy, 38 Cecelia St., Toms Brook, VA. 22660**

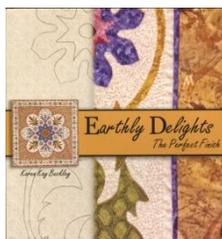
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_\$30.00 member; \_\_\_\_\_\$40.00 nonmember

Make check payable to SVQG. Registration deadline is October 5, 2012. Only a paid registration reserves your place in the workshop. Paid workshops are transferable to another member/nonmember but not refundable unless the class is canceled, nor can the money be applied to a future workshop.



### “BORDERS BY DESIGN”

**DESCRIPTION:** In this workshop Karen will be teaching how to create the perfect border for your quilt. Karen has combined her lecture “To Border or Not to Border, That is the Question” with her easy approach to hands on designing. Participants in the afternoon workshop will be amazed at the ease in designing pieced and appliqué borders to fit any quilt. Web site: [www.karenkaybuckley.com](http://www.karenkaybuckley.com).

- **WHO:** Karen Kay Buckley
- **WHEN:** October 20, 2012, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- **WHERE:** Sunnyside Retirement Community, Sunnyside Room, Harrisonburg, VA.
- **COST:** \$20.00 for members, \$30.00 for non members, Plus \$23.00 for Karen’s book, “*Earthly Delights: The Perfect Finish*” paid to instructor.
- **BRING YOUR LUNCH – Beverages will be supply.**
- **Supply List:**
- Paper, scissors, pencil, eraser, 3” x 18” rotary ruler (or close to that size)
- template plastic-approximately 10” x 6”.

DEADLINE: October 5, 2012

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PO Box 913  
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The Guild year runs April 1st through March 31st. To have your Newsletter mailed please add an additional \$12.00 (new increase effective, April 2012). The Newsletter is included in the membership fee if you have your newsletter sent via email.

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**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.

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