

# Valley Quilt Notes

Shenandoah Valley Quilt Guild

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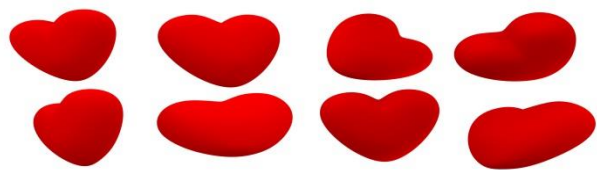


## President's Message -

Oh my stars. **February** is here  
Many snow days could appear  
Not the news most people cheer  
We'll try to meet. So never fear.

Unless a blizzard is really near  
Lori Schrock will give a program without peer  
So let's all come and lend an ear  
And learn how to safely quilt this year!

PS. Did we forget to get the beer?



Am sorry to miss the January meeting, but am committed until further notice to going to the hospital for fluid IV's every day due to effects of the chemo -- talk about a real dent in my social life! Many thanks to Nina Jackson and her great job as fill in President. Was doubly sorry to miss the auction - that is the high point of the year - such great stuff to bid on!

Thanks also to all of you who have volunteered so the guild can continue to meet its' goals of community outreach, such as the next years quilt show and the **Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community** quilt show, such good publicity for us to help the guild grow.

Hope to see you in February.  
Molly

**Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild  
Minutes - General Meeting  
December 13, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Molly Toth guild president. Minutes for the November meeting were approved as written in the newsletter. A motion to accept as written was made by Carolyn Purdy and seconded by Fran Miller.

Denise Rudolph read a thank you note written by Sentara Hospice.

Kathy Christy spoke about the upcoming quilt retreat and said there are spots still open for the retreat. Dead line for signing up is March 15th. Kathy also spoke about the classes that she took at the Houston International Quilt Show.

The Lake Quilters Guild near Smith Mountain Lake is looking for teachers to lead classes for their meetings. Their contact information is on their web site.

Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community has contacted the guild and is interested in having another Main Street quilt display, more info to come later.

Dianne Reasons and Nancy Harris spoke about the work they are doing on the guild web site.

After the meeting there was a wonderful potluck brunch and we had a contest between tables to see which table could fill the stockings the quickest.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ann VanNoy, Secretary

**Minutes - General Meeting  
January 17, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Nina Jackson president elect. The minutes were not read for the December meeting but will be printed in the January newsletter.

Treasurer Nancy Harris read the treasurer's report. A check was written to the Shenandoah Valley Children's Choir for their share of the tickets sold for the 2014 raffle quilt. The check was for \$373.00.

Programs: Lori Schrock will lead the program called "Yoga for Quilters" for the February meeting.

Service: The March program will be led by Denise Rudolph. There will be representatives from the hospice groups that our guild makes donations of quilts to. The afternoon service workshop will be spent making dog pillows and patriotic quilts.

**Minutes for January 17, 2015 - continued**

Membership: There are forms on the membership table available for membership renewal today and will also be printed in the newsletter.

Quilt retreat: Kathy Christy has 5-6 more spots open for the quilt retreat the end of April.

Sunshine: Sue Jones has heard from member Sue McDonald. Her husband has been quite ill. Please remember Sue, her husband Frank, and Sue's mother and member Nellie Pitcock with thinking of you blocks.

Raffle quilt: Jan Hood has examples of the main fabrics being used in the raffle quilt at the meeting today. Jan would like donations of fabric for the quilt. If you would rather make a money donation please write the check to SVQG and mail the check to Jan.

Please let Nina Jackson know if you are interested in being on the quilt show committee.

If you are interested in heading up a committee for the quilt exhibit to be held at the Virginia Mennonite Retirement Community please let Nina Jackson know.

PHDS program: Number 3 was drawn and we will look forward to seeing those finished projects at the March show and tell.

There will be an exhibit of quilts by the Augusta County Historical Society starting on February 5th in Staunton.

Jinny Beyer will have quilts on exhibit at the Virginia Quilt Museum starting February 3rd and on February 22nd there will be a program and meet the artist reception. There is information on the VQM website about this and how to sign up for both.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ann VanNoy, Secretary

## **Hospitality Committee -**

To everyone with a birthday in February -- we hope you'll be able to attend the meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> and bring a snack for the refreshment table. This could be pastries, fruit, cheese, chip & dip ..... whatever you'd like to bring.

Thanks to everyone who brought the delicious food to the January meeting!

Please contact either co-chair with questions/concerns:

Barbara Cline - [tbcline7@gmail.com](mailto:tbcline7@gmail.com), 540-828-6815

Gail Oliver - [gail.c.oliver@gmail.com](mailto:gail.c.oliver@gmail.com), 540-448-1601

## Programs -

### February

At our meeting, Lori Schrock will lead us through some simple stretches designed to keep sewists and quilters alike relaxed and limber during hours of sewing. This is designed for all mobility levels.

### March

March is the month we celebrate the art of quilting and is there a better way to do so than through service? Special thanks to Denise Rudoph for planning the program and activities for our March meeting!

### April

Kathy Christy will be our guest speaker and will be leading an afternoon workshop! Kathy's workshops are always great fun and an opportunity to learn something new! More details to come!

Amy Sirocky-Meck

## Program Coordinator #2 -

Please let me know if anyone has finished their wall-hanging or quilt from Deb Schupp's workshop in July or made a wall-hanging or quilt from her presentation. Deb would love to have photos of your work to post on her website [www.gumbodesignstudios.com](http://www.gumbodesignstudios.com). She really enjoyed being here and would love to know how your projects progressed. Thanks, Lori Schrock

For **February's program** you will have the opportunity to participate in various low key yoga style exercises to help keep your shoulders and back from getting stiff while you sew. If you'd like to participate please wear clothing that will allow you to move comfortably. Many of these poses will be able to be done in a chair if you prefer not to stand.

See you in February!  
Lori Schrock

## Newsletter -

**The next newsletter deadline will be noon February 27th. Please email your newsletter input to [sshammel419@gmail.com](mailto:sshammel419@gmail.com).**

Note: For all those who work but want or need to input for the guild newsletter the earlier after our regular monthly meetings the better.

Thanks for your contribution(s) and updated information to make the SVQG newsletter one to be proud of.

Sandie Hammel, Editor

## Service -

In March we will have representatives from each of the Hospice groups join us and talk about how the quilts are being used. Afterwards we will be working on dog pillows, sewing quilts and cutting fabric for kits. Please plan to come and enjoy this time of fellowship.

I would really like to have a great collection of quilts and dolls to give them in March so keep those machines going during all this snow!!! I do quilt the tops if that is all you are interested in doing. A great thank you to those volunteering to do the binding!!!

Be sure and bring your stash of scraps – fabric and batting – for the dog pillows. If you have some non-cotton fabric that you would like to make into dog pillows for us to stuff – let me know. A good size is somewhere between 2 to 3' wide by 3 to 4' long. We will need volunteers with scissors to cut up the scraps and then stuff the pillows.

We will also need people with sewing machines, those on rotary cutters, and ironers working on service quilts. I would like to concentrate on patriotic quilts. The BEEvers used a pattern for Big Blocks that would be great. We need 1 yard of a focus fabric and then 3 additional fabrics to put around this. I would like donations of focus fabric in some type of pictured patriotic – eagles , flags, etc. These will be cut into 12 ½” blocks. You can donate just blocks and we can have a quilt with a variety of focus blocks with the patriotic theme. Then I will also need donations of red, white and blue for the surrounding fabrics. These fabrics need to be 1.25 yards. You can give these to me in February or bring them in March. Just send me a note if you have these.

Always Sewing,

Denise Rudolph  
Service Chairperson

## PhD Challenge -

At the January meeting, **#3** was selected. These will be due in March!!!

Denise Rudolph

## Way and Means -

The auction netted a grand total of **\$1,338.00**. Thank you to all those who brought items and all those who bought items. Karen and Denise did a wonderful job getting through all the tables of items while keeping the auction on schedule. Comments from a few of our new visitors were they loved the auction, thought it was loads of fun and can't wait until the next one.

Hope to see you at the auction in January 2016.

**FYI -**

## **Virginia Quilt Museum:**

### **“Celebrating 20 Years at the Virginia Quilt Museum”**

Be a part of the Virginia Quilt Museum’s 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! In honor of this special year we are hosting more programs and exhibits for your viewing and enjoyment. Please come and help us celebrate quilting.

The first installment of our 2015 exhibits will open with three vibrant and exceptional exhibits. We are delighted to present Jinny Beyer’s “Simple Stitches, Exquisite Quilts,” “Tales of the Mayan *Huipil*: Art Quilts inspired by Guatemalan Weavings,” and “Treasures from the Vault: The Stornetta Legacy”. These unique exhibits feature a wide variety of beautiful textiles from antique to contemporary and traditional to modern and everything in between.

It is also the Museum’s privilege to host Jinny Beyer as the first of our 2015 featured presenters. Jinny Beyer is an internationally-known fabric designer, quilter, teacher, author and she wants to meet you! Known for her excellent eye for color and intricate patterns that give her quilts a stunning glow and feeling of movement, Jinny will be presenting “Designing Fabric: from Inspiration to Final Yards”. This delightful program will take place on Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 PM, with our “Meet the Artists” reception to follow. Tickets to attend the program are \$25 for VQM Members and \$30 for Non-VQM Members. Program attendees may attend the “Meet the Artists” reception at no charge. Purchase your ticket(s) online at <http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/special-events/special-events/> or by calling the Museum at [\(540\) 433-3818](tel:5404333818).

Thanks! Happy Quilting!

**Meegan Carr**

Executive Director

Virginia Quilt Museum

301 South Main Street

Harrisonburg, VA 22801

**Note: See attachment to your email for the Jinny Beyer Flier announcing her program for VQM. Submitted by Josephine Millett**

## **Smith Center History Gallery:**

4 Generations of Yount Family Quilts, 1830-1985

February 5 – April 30; M-F, 10–5; Sat, 10-4

Free and open to the public

Smith Center History Gallery, 20 South New Street, Staunton

February 5<sup>th</sup>, 4-6 pm; Opening Reception; everyone invited

March 5<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm, \$5, Exhibit Curator Paula Rau will talk about significance of collection

Park on the street or in parking garage directly across the street

## Guild Member Recipe -

### Tater Tot Bombs

- 1/2 bag Tater Tots (thawed to room temperature)
- 1 8 oz. package of sharp cheddar cheese
- 1 16 oz. package bacon
- 1/2 cup brown sugar

Preheat oven to 400 degrees

Cube the sharp cheese into very small pieces about 1/4 inch in size

Cut bacon strips in half for wrapping tots

Cut out a small center portion of the Tater Tots, place cheese inside center of Tater Tot

Wrap the stuffed tots with bacon strips (that have been cut in half)

Roll each wrapped tot in brown sugar and place in cookie sheet with seam side down

Bake for 10 to 15 minutes, then turn each tot over to brown the bottoms Bake another 10 to 15 minutes until bacon is crispy

Cool and serve

Submitted by Marcia Hill



Happy February Birthday



<b>Karen Jones</b>	<b>2/02</b>
<b>Cynthia Hay</b>	<b>2/04</b>
<b>Vicki Graham</b>	<b>2/08</b>
<b>Molly Toth</b>	<b>2/11</b>
<b>Carolyn Lee Purdy</b>	<b>2/16</b>

<b>Fran Miller</b>	<b>2/20</b>
<b>Josephine Millett</b>	<b>2/20</b>
<b>Amy Meck</b>	<b>2/22</b>
<b>Denise Rudolph</b>	<b>2/22</b>

## VMRC Quilt Show -

The install date of Saturday April 11th has been decided upon with the help of Lolly Miller from VMRC. The exact date of take down is still pending, but it will be in the later part of May so I will keep you posted. Remember this show allows for the sale of your quilts displayed if you choose. Last show several quilts were sold. There is room for about 40 quilts.

Contact Sandie Hammel at [sshammel419@gmail.com](mailto:sshammel419@gmail.com) or Nina Jackson if you are interested in entering quilts in this show. More information to come on this event.

## **Retreat -**

**When:** Wednesday, **April 29th** through Sunday, **May 3rd**

**Shopping and Classes: Threads Run Through It** (10 miles from the retreat center). This lovely quilt shop has a great selection of fabrics, tools, books, patterns, etc. The shop owner, Laurie is the person who is director of quilt retreats at Hat Creek.. She makes sure to have someone available when we arrive to help get all our sewing machines and extras into our rooms and sewing areas.

**Where:** Hat Creek Retreat Center near Phenix, VA/ Brookneal, VA

**Cost:** \$75.00 per night. Includes breakfast, lunch and dinner. Wednesday thru Sunday will be \$300. Thursday thru Sunday will be \$225. The \$50.00 non-refundable deposit goes toward the payment for your room and meals.

**There are still 7 more spots available. Call your friends and plan to join this relaxing and fun filled retreat.**

Hope you can join us.

Kathy Christy

[kckwilter@hotmail.com](mailto:kckwilter@hotmail.com)

540-652-8671

## **Membership -**

Brand new year with lots of exciting things planned. I'm looking forward to it all and I want you to also.

So...Now is the time to renew your membership for the 2015-2016 Membership year. You can give me the form at the next Guild meeting or you can mail them to me at SVQG, Attn: Membership, P.O. Box 913, Harrisonburg, VA 22803. The new Membership Form is a part of this newsletter. It is also on the SVQG website.

It is still only \$20 per year and that includes emailing you the monthly newsletter as well as the updated Membership list. The cost of Membership is \$32 if you want your newsletter postal mailed to you. We have already picked up 3 new members and are looking for more. You have until the end of March to renew but why not do it now before you forget.

Waiting to hear from each and everyone of you. **Happy Quilting** - John Hammel





**SHENANDOAH VALLEY  
QUILTERS GUILD  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION  
April 1, 2015—March 31, 2016**



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 **\$32.00 (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

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

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **BIRTHDAY:** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_  
*Please print name as you want it on Membership card and Badge      Month    Day*

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

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

**WHY JOIN?**

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Auction in January  | Well known speakers & Classes |
| Picnic in August with Installation of new Officers                                    | Christmas Party in December   |
| Newsletter published 11 times a year  | Membership Directory          |
| 500+ quilt related book library w/monthly check-out                                   | Personalized Name Badges      |
| Service projects for a variety of worthy causes                                       | S VQG Website                 |
| Fun projects, raffles, challenges, retreats, door prizes, refreshments, "SHOW & TELL" |                               |
| <b>and</b>  |                               |

A place to meet and greet old friends and make new friends; a place to relax and get away from the everyday problems; a place to share in the fellowship of good company

**Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild Has It All!**

**Board Members:**

President	Molly Toth
President-Elect	Nina Jackson
Secretary	Ann VanNoy
Co-Treasurers	Nancy Harris and Lou Emswiler
Program Coord. #1	Amy Sirocky-Meck
Program Coord. #2	Lori Schrock
Immed. Past Pres.	Vicki Graham

**Committee Chairman:**

Hospitality	Barbara Cline and Gail Oliver
Library	Vicki Graham
Membership	John Hammel
Newsletter	Sandie Hammel
Publicity	Cheryl Hawes
Service & Comfort Pillows	Denise Rudolph
Sunshine	Sue Jones
Ways & Means	Karen Jones

**SPECIAL DUTIES:**

NQA Liaison	Nina Jackson	Web Master	Diane Reasons
VCQ	TBA	2016 Quilt Show	TBA

**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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