

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

PROGRAMS

We are so fortunate to have The Virginia Quilt Museum right in our own backyard. While I know our Guild members have been busy sewing masks and caps during the pandemic perhaps I can whet your appetite to support another worthy cause with something that will get more of your creative juices flowing. This wonderful museum is sponsoring a Colors of Fall Quilting Challenge by inviting folks to create a 15" X 15" mini quilt that fits into the Colors of Fall theme. Entries must be received by the museum by October 19, 2020. The entry fee per quilt is \$10.

I am excited to announce that our Board has agreed to cover the entry fee for one mini quilt for the Colors of Fall Quilting Challenge per guild member. Yes, you heard that right – you can create your Colors of Fall masterpiece and enter it into the exhibition for free. I challenge every guild member to create one piece! So that the Guild can write one check we are asking our members to have their pieces ready for submission by October 10, 2020. Please contact Jane Crockett or Terry Wiita to arrange for pick-up of your masterpiece. You can also bring it to our next meeting, the picnic on September 19. (See more information on this event in this newsletter.)

For submission directions see the fliers from the VQM below or on its website
<https://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/2020-colors-of-fall-quilting-challenge>



Colors of Fall
Quilting Challenge

- Get ready for fall by creating a 15" x 15" Mini Quilt that fits into our Colors of Fall theme
- To enter the challenge, submit your Mini Quilt(s) + \$10 (per quilt entered) to the VQM
- Please include a sleeve for hanging and a label on your Mini Quilt

Mini Quilts will hang in the VQM from Oct. 19th, 2019- Dec. 19th, 2020
For more information please visit
<https://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/2020-colors-of-fall-quilting-challenge>



Colors of Fall Quilting Challenge FAQ's

- To enter Mini Quilts into the challenge, participants must submit \$10 per Mini Quilt by October 19th, 2020.
- You can pay the following ways:
 - Online (www.vaquiltmuseum.org) using a credit card or PayPal.
 - Include a personal check with your mailed entry.
 - With cash when you drop off your Mini Quilt at the VQM.
- Mini Quilts must be either mailed or dropped off in person. Please mark packages as follows:
Virginia Quilt Museum
Colors of Fall Quilting Challenge
301 South Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
- Entries MUST contain all of the following:
 - A completed contract (printed from the VQM website).
 - A self-addressed stamped envelope (if you're not donating your Mini Quilt(s) to the VQM).
- Quilts must also have a label with the makers name and a sleeve for hanging purposes.
- Mini Quilts will be displayed at the VQM from October 19, 2020 - December 19, 2020.
- Participants may choose to have their mini quilts returned to them must include a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) along with their Mini Quilt. Mini Quilts that arrive without a SASE or a completed contract automatically become property of the VQM and will not be returned. Mini Quilts will be mailed back to participants in their SASE after December 19, 2020.

The Brimfield Awakening workshop held in conjunction with the Rockbridge Pieceworkers Guild has been cancelled due to complications caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. We hope to be able to plan this workshop again in 2021. I will keep you updated as plans go forward.

The SVQG 2020 retreat at Massanetta Springs Conference Center has been postponed to September 16-18, 2021. Registration for the 2021 retreat will open in the spring, and details will be announced in the newsletter.

**Virginia Quilt Museum:
Mark your calendars, the
next Stash Blast will be on
October 17, 2020!**

September Birthdays

Deborah Timberlake	13th
Lori Hertzler-Schrock	14th
Shelba Bellamy	17th
Larry Brown	17th

Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild

Minutes

August 15, 2020

President Elect Jane Crockett called the August meeting of the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild (SVQG) via Zoom to order. It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes from the February meeting as published in the newsletter, be approved.

Treasurer – Nina Jackson presented the Treasurer’s Report. Nina also reviewed the 2020 budget. A copy of the proposed budget was emailed to guild members. Nina has not received any objections at this time.

Past President – Debbie Jungling is trying to plan an outdoor gathering for September at a location to be announced. Members should bring a lawn chair, snacks and show and tell. Everyone is encouraged to wear a mask, if possible.

Newsletter – Vicki Graham is accepting newsletter submissions by noon on Friday, August 21st. Members are encouraged to email Vicki with a favorite pattern or recipe for the newsletter.

Service – Denise Rudolph makes a trip to the Harrisonburg area once a month. She will pick up any hospice quilts left at her parent’s home. She had a great response to the need for quilts in June. There are kits available for pillows and totes.

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Programs – Terri Witta challenged members of the guild to participate in the “Colors of Fall” quilting challenge sponsored by the Virginia Quilt Museum. Entry forms can be found online at the VQM website. The guild will pay the entry fee and completed projects can be brought to the September gathering. Members should note on the entry form if they want their quilt returned or donated to the museum.

Facebook – Lori Abbott Herrick reminded everyone to send her pictures of their quilts to post on the guild Facebook page.

Jane reminded the membership that the guild has an organizational membership with the Virginia Quilt Museum. One of the benefits of this membership allows the guild to have a quilt show at the museum.

The meeting was adjourned after a brief show and tell by the zoom participants.

Respectfully submitted,
Cerise Haas, Secretary

WAYS AND MEANS

September, wow, where does the time fly? The nights are turning cooler but I head to the sewing machine mid day when the day is too warm outside. This month six more quilt tops, and some binding finished for hospice. Sue has been surging napkins, making table runners and making a hospice quilt. Sunday is another drop off and pick up with Denise. John and I are taking the stack we finished binding and six more quilt tops for Hospice. My plan this month is to sew pillow cases and pillows and totes and give myself and Denise a quilt top break for a month. Lucky me, Marcia volunteered to sew some bindings on quilts we are picking up on Sunday, yah!!!

I found out that there are over 190 quilt tutorials on Pinterest not to mention the ton on U Tube. There are some really good ones out there. Alex Anderson has been going live on Facebook for a sampler quilt using some bright fabrics. So many online classes and tutorials, so little time.

Keep getting quilting inspirations using Zoom.... It is a good way to keep involved with our local guild and your Bee. The perfect time for more quilters to get together remotely. So if you have not experienced a Zoom meeting (I could not get on for our guild meeting this month but am ready for next month). Patchwork Plus has Friday Zoom sew alongs and they are very good. The VQM is now having remote classes. There is more than ever to keep quilters from getting bored. Tune in and turn on your creativity.

Keep quilting and Stay safe,
Sandie Hammel
Sue Jones
Ways and Means Co-Chairmen

SERVICE

It was great to see so many faces on our Zoom meeting!!!! I miss seeing you guys and I know you miss **hearing** from me!!!! I was happy to show off my 40’x24’ sewing studio – I am truly blessed with a very good

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husband! As they say – a happy wife is a happy life!!! Don't feel too bad for him because when I get something we seem to need to buy a new tractor or something else for the farm!

I have been keeping busy quilting your tops. Please contact me if you have tops and I will make arrangements to get them. I am hoping that we can have a meeting in September and we can exchange then. If you need labels, I can send these by mail so please just send out an email to billyjoe@shentel.net. Also, since we never know when we will get together, if you finish your quilts, then I would like to get them instead of trying to have a mass collection - who knows what November brings. Also, if Hospice calls before November I will have a stash to pick from. I have a room devoted to service at my house and it has quite a nice collection now!!

My parents who live in Bridgewater have the pillow/tote kits so if you need, let me know and I will give you their contact info.

I have been busy working on a king size quilt to raffle off for the local fire department since we had to cancel our carnival, dinners and auction. I am hoping we can sell a lot of tickets!

As always, it is so great to see how quilters come together to help out during trying times – so many are making masks, scrub hats, pillows/totes and quilts. I saw a T-shirt that says “I make masks because your life is worth my time”. I think that says it so well!!

Happily quilting with cats during the Pandemic!

Denise Rudolph

Service Chair

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY FAIR NEWS – Featuring Our Member, Carolyn Purdy

The Rockingham County Fair was held this year August 16-22, with careful observation of Coronavirus restrictions. One of our SVQG members, Carolyn Purdy, worked in the Homemaking Division of the Fair. Carolyn has served as a county fair judge for 28 years, and she is a Certified Virginia State Judge with the Association of County Fairs in the Senior Homemaking Division. Carolyn has also been teaching judging for the past three years at conferences at the Homestead Resort, Virginia Tech and in Shenandoah and Rockingham Counties. She was also invited this year to judge at the State Fair of Virginia, which unfortunately had to be cancelled.

At this year's fair Carolyn served as a judge, and she also set up a table at the fair where she and Josephine Millett demonstrated quilting and answered questions from fair visitors. They also passed out SVQG membership brochures. Thank you, Carolyn for promoting and supporting quilting and the Homemaking Division and promoting our Guild.

If you are interested in volunteering for next years county or state fairs, contact Carolyn. She is already developing her 'notes' for next year's events!

Jane Crockett, President-Elect

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NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the October newsletter is Friday, January 25th at noon. Please email any items to grahamvl@comcast.net.

Vicki Graham, Newsletter Chair

GUILD SHOW AND TELL

With Covid 19 still circulating, in lieu of a picnic this year we would like to have a "show and tell" meeting Saturday, September 19th, *outside*, at a location to be announced. We will get together beginning at 10:30-11AM. Please bring a lawn chair, a bag lunch/snack including a drink, wear your mask (unless you have a health condition which prohibits this per the Governor), and the quilt(s) you would like to share. I know a number of us would love to meet in person and share our beautiful quilts. This gathering is completely voluntary. Plenty of pictures will be taken and posted on the website and Facebook for those who cannot attend.

This will have to be cancelled if we have inclement weather and the phone tree and email blast will be implemented.

Debbie Jungling

PANDEMIC SANITY SAVERS

1. I have been bumping up my novel reading and am currently in Book 2 of the Shenandoah Album Series by Emilie Richards. I think many of you must have read these, but they are heartwarming stories for any who have not read them.... Debbie Jungling
2. Looking for a great deal on fabric and a way to support VQM? They will be having a Stash Blast at the museum in Harrisonburg on October 17, 2020. Fabric will be on sale for \$9.00 a pound.

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Board Members:

President	Teresa Yonce
President-Elect	Jane Crockett
Secretary	Cerise Haas
Treasurer	Nina Jackson
Program Coor #1	Terry Wiita
Program Coor #2	Linda Puhle
Immed. Past President	Debbie Jungling

Special Duties:

Web Site Liaison	Jane Crockett
SVQG/VQM Liaison	Trudy Van Dyke

Committee Chairpersons:

Service	Denise Rudolph
Ways & Means	Sue Jones and Sandie Hammel
Membership	John Hammel
Sunshine	Barbara Paulson
Hospitality	Linda Quintrell, Deborah Smiley and Shelba Bellamy
Publicity	Lori Abbott-Herrick
Newsletter	Vicki Graham

To join the SVQG, send \$25 annual dues and application to PO Box 913 Harrisonburg, VA 22803

PLACE OF MEETING: Sunnyside Room, Sunnyside Presbyterian Retirement Community, Harrisonburg, VA

DATE OF MEETING: Third Saturday of each month unless otherwise notified

TIME OF MEETING: 9:30 AM

DIRECTIONS: From I-81 take Exit 247 towards Elkton (Route 33 East). Turn right on Route 687, Massanetta Springs Road. Proceed south for 0.8 miles and turn left onto Sunnyside Drive. Proceed straight and turn right onto Glenside Drive. Turn right at the first parking lot and the Sunnyside Room is on your right. Parking is available in front and below the building and on the street. Please do not park in the numbered spaces.

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