

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER

Notes from the President

Going Bravely Forth – Exploring the Virtual World!

Last October we had our very first virtual meeting with Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Quilt Designs, and we were encouraged to explore similar opportunities from nationally known presenters. Teresa Wiita, our program chair for the past two years, has brought us an amazing assortment of wonderful virtual learning experiences during the past year.

In January, Jaime Davis from Oregon presented a beautiful program about the “History and Mystery of the Baltimore Album Quilts”. Rose Parr, ‘Sew Healthy’, provided information about ergonomics and healthy sewing posture in February as well as original designs and an opportunity for a free online mystery, from her home in Ontario, Canada. Celeste Compion, also from Canada, entertained and informed us with “The Bolt and the Beautiful” in April. Her program was about the history and manufacture of traditional South African *schweshwe* fabric. All of these speakers have online webpages and links for more information, free tutorials, patterns and books that you can check out.

Last Saturday, Diane Harris -- Stash Bandit, joined our in-person guild meeting via Zoom from her farm in Nebraska. Diane presented her “Taste Test” trunk show about her 40 years of experience and growth as a quilter. She was an editor of *Quiltmaker* magazine for 11 years and has had patterns published in numerous quilting magazines. Her fresh approach to quilt designs and her use of her stash to create original and interesting quilts is inspiring. We were able to ask our questions to her as a group and share part of the guild meeting with her. If you missed our in-person meeting (or were there and are interested in exploring Diane’s online links further), be sure to check her links at <https://stashbandit.net/email-signup/>

Tickets to her upcoming class can be found at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/color-contrast-cohesion-for-quilters-with-diane-harris-stash-bandit-tickets-174985916587>

We have been so blessed to learn from these quilters speaking from their homes in Nebraska, Oregon and Canada. It has truly been an enriching experience.

Website: www.svqg.org

CALENDAR

November

20 9:30am Mtg. at
Sunnyside in Highlands, Service

December

18 9:30am Mtg/Tea Party in
Sunnyside Room at Sunnyside

February

24-27 Mid-Atlantic Quilt
Festival, Hampton Roads
Convention Center

November Birthdays

Carol Ervin	3rd
Phyllis Hollowell	4th
Celia Mitchell	5th
Liz Adams	7th
Wanda Walker	10th
Anna Lynn Bell	11th
Terry Wiita	14th
Carolyn Van Dyck	22nd
Barbara Cline	28th

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Sincere thanks to Teresa Wiita who has bravely and enthusiastically made these contacts and opened the virtual world of online learning to us. I hope that we will bravely go forward to more opportunities for virtual “exploration” in the future.

Jane

Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild

Minutes

October 16, 2021

President Jane Crockett called the October meeting of the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild (SVQG) to order at 9:30am. She welcomed members and 1 guest. John made a motion to accept the minutes as presented in the newsletter. The motion was seconded by Cindy and passed.

The main business item was the presentation of the revised by-laws. Cindy and the committee of Anna Lynn Bell, Linda Puhle, Jane Crockett received input to the by-laws and made several minor revisions. A motion was made to approve the by-laws as amended. The motion was seconded and passed. It was noted that the by-laws are reviewed every 5 years.

Sue Jones and Phyllis Hollowell presented the apple challenge which had been 2 years in the making. All entries were displayed with each member voting on their favorite entry. The winner of the apple challenge was Cheryl Hawes.

John Hammel announced the beginning of the 2022 membership drive with annual dues remaining at \$25.00.

Denise Rudolph shared that the November meeting focus will be on Service. Ideas for hospice quilts will be shared at the meeting. Augusta Health and UVA have partnered up and are asking for 36” X 36” quilts for babies in crisis.

The Technology Team of John and Leigh Ann McMurray plan to restructure the guild website to make it more user friendly. Additional suggestions for the website are welcome.

The November guild meeting will be in the Highlands building. Parking may be limited and beverages will not be provided by the guild for this meeting.

Diane Harris from Nebraska gave a presentation by Zoom entitled the Taste Test Trunk Show of Unexpected Sampler Quilts. The program was followed by refreshments and Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted,
Cerise Haas, Secretary

SERVICE

November is Service Day!!!! One of my favorite days of the year!! Bring your quilt tops, patriotic pillow cases, drainage bags and pillows/totes!! We will collect all of these and get them distributed to Augusta Health, Sentara and Blue Ridge Hospice groups!

We will have show and tell with the Hospice quilts – if you have any quick and easy quilt patterns for Hospice we would love for you to share these. So often we pile these up and members are not able to see all the great designs. Be sure to bring paper/pen or/& cameras to capture these great ideas.

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Look forward to seeing everyone next month.

Quilting to serve others
Denise Rudolph
Service Chairperson

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the December/January newsletter is Friday, November 26th at noon. Please email any items to grahamvl@comcast.net.

Vicki Graham, Newsletter Chair

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee would like to announce the 2022 Slate of Officers in preparation for a vote at our meeting on December 18th.

Election – Slate of Officers

President – Cindy Holland
President Elect – Terry Wiita
Secretary – Cerise Haas
Treasurer – Nina Jackson
Past President – Jane Crockett
Program Coordinator 1 – Linda Puhle
Program Coordinator 2 – Debbie Jungling

Thank you to everyone who has agreed to volunteer their time to serve as an officer for the coming year!

This Slate of Officers will be presented for a vote at our December meeting. They will be installed at our January meeting. If you have any questions or comments please contact Cindy Holland at horses_1958@yahoo.com.

PROGRAMS

IMPORTANT: Our next regular monthly meeting will take place at a different location on November 20. The meeting start time of 9:30 is still the same. The meeting will take place in the Allegheny/Blue Ridge rooms in the Highlands at Sunnyside Retirement Community. To travel there:

1. Turn onto Sunnyside Drive from Massanetta Springs Road (for most this will be the usual way of entering the Sunnyside Retirement Community for Guild meetings).
2. Travel up the hill on Sunnyside Drive. At the intersection of Sunnyside Drive and Highland Place turn right onto Highland Place. (Again, for most, this is the regular path you travel for Guild meetings).
3. At the top of the hill, as you enter the traffic circle, Highlands Apartments are on the right. This is the location of our November meeting. Do not continue to our regular meeting place but park in the appropriate parking outside of the traffic circle.

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4. As you enter the building turn left going down the corridor and the Allegheny/Blue Ridge Rooms (adjoining rooms) are on the left.

At this meeting we will be collecting our Service Quilts. Members will share the quilts they have constructed the past six months in a mini quilt show. Members are also going to share patterns and ideas for these service quilts. Carolyn Shank, Cindy Holland and Denise Rudolph have already agreed to share but we would love to have others as well. So, I ask that you bring ideas, patterns, etc. to share and a camera and notebook to record future ideas for yourself.

Diane Harris, our October speaker sent links to sign up for her:

1. Stash Bandit mailing list: [Email signup https://stashbandit.net/email-signup/](https://stashbandit.net/email-signup/)
2. Link to sign up for her Color, Contrast and Cohesion for Quilters class (\$65) taking place on Friday 10/22 and Saturday 10/30.
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/color-contrast-cohesion-for-quilters-with-diane-harris-stash-bandit-tickets-174985916587>

Debbie Jungling is in the process of planning our annual Christmas Party. It will take place on December 18. More details will be forthcoming.

Terry Wiita, Program Coor. #1

QUILT SHOW!

Our theme for the show will be Stronger Together. I would like the focus to be on group quilts such as Bonnie Hunter quilts, the Apple Challenge, Patriotic and Quilt Bee quilts done on a theme (if any), but of course anything you want to enter will be fine. We should be able to have each member enter one or more items. Please finish those quilts and add your sleeve NOW!

Debbie Jungling

DECEMBER PARTY

We will be having a tea party! I need volunteers for bringing three tiered tea stands and cake stands. Also, plan on bringing your favorite finger food, we will need cucumber sandwiches, egg salad sandwiches, tiny cupcakes and scones!

I will need to have a good head count, too, so that I can ensure everyone has a tea cup! Please RSVP to my cell phone or email (debbiejungling@yahoo.com).

Bring a wrapped gift for a Yankee swap too.

Thank you,
Debbie Jungling

MEMBERSHIP

Happy Fall Days and hope the Season is being good to you. We haven't seen much leaf changes yet, but hopefully we will this week or so.

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Good for us! The new membership year will be from February 1, 2022 thru January 31, 2023. Dues are \$25 a year which includes an email copy of the Newsletter each month. If you want the Newsletter postal mailed to you, that will cost an additional \$15 for the year

You can use the application blank attached to the newsletter. Just mail it in or bring it to Guild. I will need a new application blank from each of you to ensure my records are up to date. These will be available at the Guild meeting and also on the website.

Sign yourself up and maybe sign up a friend. The more the merrier! Also, remember that in order to enter a quilt in the Guild Quilt show in June, you must be a member.

Happy Quilting.

John Hammel – Membership Chair

SUNSHINE

As Sunshine Chairman, I send out the Thinking of You blocks for birthdays. Like many others, I have been having problems with my mail pickup/delivery so if your card is late, I apologize! In addition, if you know of someone who would be cheered by receiving a get well or sympathy card, please let me know and I will be glad to send out a block. Email me at ceshank@gmail.com or call 540-867-9486,

Thanks, Carolyn Shank

WAYS AND MEANS

At long last we displayed our apple challenge "works of art" and you voted Cheryl Hawes the winner and recipient of the Apple Raffle. Congratulations on a beautiful table runner! Thank you to each who entered! We're hoping to display these at the quilt show.

How fun to be able to meet in person again.

Next month we'll be raffling a basket with a Harvest theme. Until then.....

Thank you for your participation.

Sue Jones, Phyllis Hollowell, co-chair Ways and Means

VA QUILT MUSEUM

All new exhibitions with some great stars- don't miss Mary Kerr and Mimi Dietrick; a new star to check out upstairs is "What the Bees See"; three dimensional botanical quilts by Andrea Finch. Awesome. Josephine Millet has donated the current "opportunity" quilt. Tickets for a chance to win are on sale. It is absolutely stunning.

Stop in and say hello to our new ED Alicia Thomas. She comes to us with a wealth of experience and we are so lucky to find her. She is already making a difference!

Nearly 1,000 people enjoyed the on line 25th anniversary celebration; hosted by Pat Sloan and featuring a talk by Jeffrey Evans and a toast to celebrate the occasion. Watch for information on the annual board meeting to hear more about the direction the Museum is being guided toward another 25 years.

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**SHENANDOAH VALLEY
QUILTERS GUILD
YEAR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
February 1, 2022 – January 31, 2023**

() Renewal Membership () New Membership

Date of Application: _____ Check Number: _____ Cash: _____

This form should be completed in its entirety and returned with your check for **\$25.00 (which includes your newsletter by e-mail)**. If you want to receive the newsletter by postal mail, please include an additional \$15. Mail 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

YEARS A MEMBER(To update the Membership List): _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: ____ - ____ - ____ **EMAIL:** _____
(Area Code)

WHY JOIN?

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!

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Board Members:

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

Special Duties:

Facebook Facilitator	Debbie Jungling
Technology Team	John and Leigh Ann McMurray
SVQG/VQM Liaison	Jane Crockett/Trudy Van Dyke

Committee Chairpersons:

Service	Denise Rudolph
Ways & Means	Sue Jones and Phyllis Hollowell
Membership	John Hammel
Sunshine	Carolyn Shank
Hospitality	Linda Quintrell, Deborah Smiley and Shelba Bellamy
Publicity	Anna Lynn Bell
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 (unless otherwise noted)

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

TIME OF MEETING: 9:30 AM

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