

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER



NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

This month's word, to go along with the celebration of St. Patrick's Day on March 17, is LUCK. May you be lucky enough to have enough fabric to cut out that one last piece of the last block as needed. May you be lucky enough to win at "Bobbin Chicken" and have enough thread on the bobbin to last through your last stitch of the day. And, may you be lucky enough to have your finished project turn out just like you imagined. While quilting requires much skill a little bit of luck doesn't hurt either.



CALENDAR

March 18 -- Member, Kris Califano presents trunk show and afternoon workshop creating a notebook cover.

April 15th -- VA quilter Mary Kerr will present Quilt talk, "Quilting Old into New" with an afternoon workshop. "Twist and Shout"

Both meetings start at 9:30 in the Sunnyside Room at Sunnyside Presbyterian Retirement Community in Harrisonburg, VA.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Our tradition is for those who have a birthday during the month of the meeting to bring a snack. The members with March birthdays are:

John McMurray 3/1

Ann Vannoy 3/11

Nancy Roche 3/2

Gail Oliver 3/20

Deborah Watts 3/5

Happiest of birthdays to our March ladies!

FEBRUARY 18, 2023 SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS MEETING MINUTES

Terry Wiita, President, opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and talking about the word of the month, "Pop", and thanking John and Sandie Hammel for making a lollipop stiletto for everyone at the meeting. Terry said to make your quilt 'pop' use a bit of color found opposite the main color in your quilt on the color wheel.

Terry then welcomed new members and visitors and apologized for neglecting to do this in the January meeting. She then asked new members Kelly Zabar and Carla Kenny to stand and introduce themselves. They were enthusiastically welcomed into the group.

Minutes-The January minutes with the correction about raffle tickets being 12 for \$10 were approved.

Treasurer-Cerise Haas gave the treasurer's report and reported we brought in \$905 in January in raffle tickets and membership fees. Expenses in January were \$1016.75. Our balance on hand is \$10,694.29 and we have \$2867.13 in a CD.

Program-Debbie Jungling gave the program report. Debbie reported Nancy Roche was giving today's program on her Freedom Quilt. In March, Kris Califano will present a program on a notebook cover. For members wishing to participate in the workshop following the meeting, the fee is \$12. In April, Mary Wilson Kerr is doing a presentation on making the old into new and an afternoon workshop, "Twist and Shout". For members participating in the workshop after the meeting, the fee is \$60 and for non members the fee is \$70. May will be our service meeting.

Raffle Quilt-Monica Soebing presented information about our raffle quilt for 2024. Monica shared that Bonnie Hunter gave her permission to use her quilt pattern, Blue Ridge Beauty, but requested her name and the name of the quilt be on all our publicity. Monica also gave a handout with instructions for making the quilt block and requested members complete their blocks by our September meeting so that it can be quilted and the publicity pictures can be taken in January.

Membership-Seanna Powell reported we have 69 members. She also stated she has not been to the post office and if you sent in your membership registration but she doesn't have you counted, your registration may be in our mailbox.

Newsletter-Terry reported newsletter articles are due to her by February 24.

Publicity-Anna Lynn reported that she will be ordering new quilt pins.

Service-Denise Rudolph reported she has new quilt labels, lots of kits, and 1 hospice quilt kit and our service quilts will be collected in May.

Ways and Means-Beth and Wanda reported Ragtime fabrics donated a sewing kit and a jelly roll for today's raffle and have raffle tickets for sale.

Virginia Quilt Museum-Debbie Jungling highly recommends the Jinny Beyer exhibit which is at the museum until April 8. She also shared about the quilt along with Pat Sloan and Wendy Sheppard starting on February 14 and running until April 11. Wendy re-created a pattern based on the Mary Spitzer Etter quilt in the museum collection and has called it 'Harrisonburg' for the location of the quilt museum.

Website and Social Media-Terry has made changes to the website and requests we let her know if any changes are needed.

New Business

Quilt Retreat-The quilt retreat will begin Thursday afternoon October 12 at dinner and end October 14 after lunch at the Massanetta Springs Conference Center. There are full, short and day options. A flier with the options was shared.

Directory of Members -Terry is suggesting we have a pictorial directory of members on the website for members only to view. She requests we send her our pictures or she will be happy to take them at our meetings.

Christmas celebration- Our past president has moved so there is no one designated to plan our December meeting.Terry asked for suggestions or opinions. In the past we have done various things. One year we went to a restaurant and another year we had a potluck.

Quilt Show Chair Needed!

Embership forms and fees are

Liz Adams has brought her quilt guild's raffle quilt "Nimble Fingers" to display. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

A quilt guild ad was placed in the Turner Ashby school musical by the generosity of Vicky Graham. Respectfully submitted, Judy Augst

MEMBERSHIP –Seanna Powell

Membership and fees are now overdue for the 2023-24 year. Membership applications can be found on the SVQG website. Many thanks to all those past and new members who have already paid. Don't forget each time you attend our monthly meeting you receive a chance to win Fran Miller's beautiful quilt.

PROGRAMS FOR 2023 – Debbie Jungling



In February, SVQG members heard a presentation by member Nancy Roche on creating a Civil War Quilt.

March 18th: Member Kris Califano (A Rhinestone Genie Educator) will have a trunk show with a workshop to follow where we will create a notebook cover. This notebook cover would make a wonderful gift. Kits for the notebook cover are \$12 and payable to Kris. The Supply List for the

workshop is a separate document attached to this newsletter.

April 15th: Virginia quilter, Mary Kerr will present a quilt talk “Quilting Old Into Art” with a workshop to follow “Twist and Shout”. The cost of the workshop is \$60 for members and \$70 for nonmembers payable to SVQG. Participants in the workshop should also bring “old blocks”. We are trying to locate some for folks that may not have any. You can view Mary’s work on her website, [Home | Mary W Kerr](#)

May 20th: Regular service meeting

June 17th: National APQS winning quilter Cheryl See will present a trunk show with a workshop to follow.

July 22nd: Picnic

August 19th: All members are encouraged to participate in “First Quilt, Last Quilt”. Bring your earliest work still in your possession and your latest work to compare and discuss. This was a regular feature in Quilter’s Newsletter Magazine (no longer published). All quilters regardless of their current proficiency started somewhere and this is a fun and interactive way to share our quilting journeys. A very fun way to see how far we have come!

September 16th: Auction

October 21st: Charlottesville quilters and sisters Moira and Ellen MacAvoy will present a trunk show of their fantastic work, followed by a workshop where participants will create a wool applique needle case. This is Moira’s original design. You will not want to miss this!

November 18th will be our final service meeting of the year and December 16th will be out holiday get together to finish 2023!

VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM – Harrisonburg (Debbie Jungling)

Beginning January 10th – March 22nd OURstory: human rights stories in fabric

January 10th – April 29th Star Struck (historic star quilts)

January 10th – April 8th Jinny Beyer Retrospective This is a MUST SEE!

Now through 4/1 Connie Broy

SERVICE - Denise Rudolph

Thank you to Sue Jones, Sandie Hammel and those who made patriotic pillowcase kits. All the kits have been handed out!! Hope to have more p/t and pillowcases kits for the March meeting.

We have a new zoom sign in number for our Wednesday night Service Zoom. We meet from 7 to 9 pm and all are welcome to join. This is a great way to get ideas and advice on your hospice projects.

We will have our next collection in May and the meeting will be devoted to service. I am open to ideas on what you would like to do at this meeting. We can do another quilt top design, cut out kits, have Hospice volunteers come and speak.

I do have the larger labels now to use on the hospice quilts. You can switch the smaller ones for these larger ones.

The sizes of quilt tops - 35" to 60" in width and 45" to 60" in length. If you only like to make the tops, I will quilt and get them back to you to bind. If you want to do the whole thing that works

Scrappy quilting with my cats,
Denise Rudolph

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE – Lori Abbott-Herrick

Thinking of you (TOY) blocks have been made by the Sunshine Committee since the founding of the guild. It's always nice to know that someone is thinking of you on your worst and best days! Please email me at laherrick@gmail.com when you know of a member who needs a little reminder that they are not alone in their struggle and joys!

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE – Anna Lynn Bell

Looking ahead to the 2024 Quilt Show

The raffle quilt needs to be completed by the Christmas Party, 2023 so that photographs can be taken for publicity which starts in January 2024.

Quilt Shows 2023

Below is a listing of upcoming quilt shows.

Mar. 3-4 Charlotte Quilters Guild Show, Monroe, NC

Mar. 17-18 Capital Quilters Guild Show, Raleigh, NC

Mar. 29-Apr.1 Lancaster Quilt Show, Lancaster, PA

Apr. 26-29 AQS Quilt Week, Paducah, KY

For information about each show go to the following website and click on 2023 Quilt Shows:

Ronatheribbiter.com

RAFFLE QUILT – Monica Soebbing

We will be using Bonnie Hunter's pattern, "Blue Ridge Beauty". It is made up of 12" blocks. The directions for the constructing the block and color choices will be sent to each member in a separate e-mail/snail-mail document. We hope each member will make 1-2 blocks. Completed blocks are due at the September meeting.

2023 SVQG RETREAT

The retreat is planned for October 12 – October 14, 2023. There are multiple attendance options from a single-day attendance, to a full retreat with a few additional options. Please see the attached flier and application for more information.

MEMBER NEWS

An article that appeared in the MCC e-newsletter that talks about SVQG member, Carolyn Shank, work with donated quilts and also shows a picture of some of the quilts she has created can be found at <https://mcc.org/stories/building-connections-idaho> Many thanks to Sandie Hammel for providing us with this information.

2023 SVQG PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE QUILT



The thought behind the challenge quilt and the directions for the blocks were mailed with the January newsletter and can be found on the SVQG website under President's Challenge. An addition to the directions is that each member will sign their "swap blocks". I will have pens suitable for this purpose at the meeting. If you are unable to attend the meetings we would still like you to participate in this "Swap". You could do so by contacting Terry Wiita at 276-252-9909 or tcwiita@gmail.com and we can

devise a plan to get your blocks and return to you the swapped blocks. I really hope everyone will consider making a block a month – allowing you to add at least 12 blocks to your quilt top.

SHOW AND TELL – February

Pictures of the February Show and Tell can be found on the SVQG website under Show and Tell.

NEWSLETTER – Terry Wiita

The deadline for the April newsletter is Friday, March 24, 2023 . Please email any items to me at tcwiita@gmail.com. If you could possibly put "SVQG" in the subject line of your email submissions, it would greatly be appreciated.

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Board Members:

President	Terry Wiita
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Secretary	Judy Augst
Treasurer	Cerise Haas
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Program Coor. # 2	Melinda Smith
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Special Duties:

Facebook Facilitator	Debbie Jungling
Webmaster	John McMurray
SVQG/VQM Liaison	Debbie Jungling/ Trudy Van Dyke

Committee Chairpersons:

Service	Denise Rudolph
Ways & Means	Beth Cayer & Wanda Walker
Membership	Seana Powell
Sunshine	Lori Abbot-Herick
Hospitality	Monica Soebbing
Publicity	Anna Lynn Bell
Newsletter	Terry Wiita

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

DIRECTIONS TO THE SUNNYSIDE ROOM: After passing the guard station at the entrance, take the second right and follow the road up and through the portico in front of the main building. Continue to the bottom of the parking lot (where you are welcome to park). Then look to your right. Our meeting is held on the ground floor of that building (not the main building). There is parking in the front of this building as well.