

# SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILT GUILD NEWSLETTER



## NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

I have just returned from a week of babysitting my granddaughter and as a bonus seeing my grandson every day. What fun! This was the first trip that my featherweight accompanied me on a plane. I carried it on in its own little soft-sided bag and stored it under the airplane seat. I was delighted to have my sewing machine in Atlanta to use in my downtime. I'll have to show you my current project when I finish it. However, I neglected to pack a sewing project that did not require electricity and so my time in the airport was a bit tedious as I had nothing to work on. I needed an "on the go" project.

I think during the summer months we all find ourselves away from our sewing room and could use a portable sewing project to feed our creative juices when we are away from our machines. English Paper Piecing fits this bill as does embroidery of any kind. I think many quilters have a "to go" bag that holds the supplies for working on a hand-stitched piece that is portable enough to take on a traveling adventure. The phrase for this month is "on the go project". If you do not have an "on the go project", take time to design one today so you are ready for all life's journeys.

## CALENDAR

July 15th – Picnic (indoors in regular meeting room) with some activities. Come join the fun!

August 19<sup>th</sup> – Members share "First Quilt, Last Quilt"

September 16<sup>th</sup> – Annual Auction (start collecting your donations NOW)

*All 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 picnic is the month so bring a treat to share! The members with July birthdays are:

Josie Mott 7/2	Margie Hockman 7/2	Cerise Haas 7/4	Ofilia Harner 7/15
Joyce Aigner 7/20	Sandie Hammel 7/21	Barbara Smith 7/24	Anna Davis 7/26
Carolyn Shank 7/28	Linda Puhle 7/29		

Happy Birthday to these ladies.

## **JUNE MEETING MINUTES**

### **Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild Minutes**

The meeting was led by our President, Terry Wiita, who welcomed everyone and shared about this month's phrase -RED, WHITE AND BLUE. In our last meeting we heard about how our veterans have been recognized with the gifting of our quilts. Plus this time of year we have multiple red, white and blue holidays. American Flag Pins were available on the back table.

Terry also recognized the potato chip blocks, President's Challenge Blocks and the raffle quilt blocks. She commended the guild for being busy and encouraged all to join in the fun and make a few blocks.

We welcomed three visitors- Shawna O'Driscoll, Crystal from Elkton and Carla Kenney who has already joined.

### **Officer Reports**

President-Elect- Leigh Ann McMurray-not present. Leigh Ann is helping her husband with the food truck this morning. Terri pointed out a newspaper article about their food truck is on a table for members to see.

Secretary- May minutes approved.

Treasurer-Cerise Haas was not present but sent a report showing a deposit of \$30 from ways and means from the sale of guild pins and the following expenses: newsletter \$119.46, tax filing \$40, programs \$18, and service \$366.15. The guild has a CD of \$2867.13 and a checking account of \$9,981.55 for a total of \$12,848.68.

Program #1-DebbieJungling- Debbie announced the Quilt Museum's changing exhibits: Cathedral Windows exhibit ends 7/5, Cradle to Crib ends 7/8, Out of Whole Cloth ends 7/8, Quilts Gone Wild ends 8/26. The program for July is our picnic which will be a potluck lunch in our normal meeting room. Everyone is to bring a covered dish to share. The August meeting will consist of members showing the first quilt they made and the last quilt they made. Debbie encouraged us all to participate because it can be encouraging to new and experienced quilters. The September meeting program will be our auction. So start gathering your items!

### **Committee Chair reports:**

Hospitality and Auction Quilt- Monica Soebing-Monica announced we have reached the goal of 64 blocks for the auction quilt. She will buy new batting and backing. Monica asked for the group's recommendations for batting and Quilters Dream 80/20 was mentioned. A stripe was suggested for the binding. Monica plans on quilting the quilt edge to edge with a scroll or feather pattern.

Hospitality- Monica stated the Keurig had died and she is using the coffee urns for brewed coffee. She apologized for forgetting the tea bags. Jane suggested we each could bring our own beverage if it becomes a burden to serve coffee.

Membership- Seana Powell reports we have 79 members!

Newsletter- Terry Wiita- Newsletter items are due to Terry by June 23. A member suggested it would be helpful if the newsletter were posted on the website.

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Publicity and quilt pins- Anna Lynn Bell- quilt pins have been given to Ways and Means and are for sale to members.

Service-Denise Rudolph- Denise clarified the drainage bag handles need to be longer than the tote bag handles. She has kits for pillowcases, drainage bags and breast cancer pillows and bags available to take home.

Sunshine—Lori Abbott-Herrick-Lori asked members to let her know if anyone is in need of a card.

Ways and Means- Beth Cayer and Wanda Walker are not present but have a wonderful raffle basket with books provided by Patchwork Plus.

Guild Retreat-will be Thursday 10/12 thru Saturday 10/14 with lots of attendance options. Please come and sew with us!

Quilt Show Chairman or Co-Chairman- we are still in need of a volunteer or volunteers to chair this committee. The show will take place in the summer of 2024.

President's Quilt Challenge- We are in our sixth month of the challenge. Please continue to make blocks and bring them to meetings to swap.

Membership pictorial Directory-Terri will print the pictorial directory for those members that don't have email.

The meeting was followed by a refreshment break, show and tell and a program by Cheryl See

### **MEMBERSHIP –Seana Powell**

The most recent edition of the Membership Directory is attached.

### **PROGRAMS FOR 2023 – Debbie Jungling**

I think we all enjoyed Cheryl See's presentation. What an amazing quilter!

July 22<sup>nd</sup>: Picnic

Coming up in July is our "summer picnic". I know we will all enjoy lots of good things to eat!

August 19<sup>th</sup>:

In August our program will be US! We will be talking about "First Quilt, Most Recent Quilt". This program will only be successful if everyone is involved. PLEASE bring in your earliest quilt that you still have or can borrow back, and your latest creation. The idea is to show how far our years (or maybe months) of experience and or class taking can bring us. We are mimicking a column that ran in Quilter's Newsletter magazine regularly which showed amazing current day quilters and where they started from. I think this program will be enjoyable for all. You do not have to limit yourself to two quilts, bring anything which shows your evolution as a quilter and artist....

September 16<sup>th</sup>: Auction - Please bring your donated items packaged, labeled and ready to sell.

October 21<sup>st</sup>:

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Our October program will feature the Macavoy Sisters from Charlottesville. Our workshop will be creating a cute needle book, pictured here:



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

### **Virginia Quilt Museum – Harrisonburg (Debbie Jungling)**

The Harrisonburg Quilt along. If you participated in the Harrisonburg Quilt along with the museum, be sure to register for the virtual (online) show. You can also meet Pat Sloan and Wendy Shepard at the museum September 16, 2023. You must register for this event and there is a small fee.

Ongoing and upcoming exhibits are:

Cathedral Windows by Lisa Ellis thru July 5th  
Crib Quilts curated by Bunnie Jordan thru July 8th  
Out of Whole Cloth by Anna Chupa thru July 8th  
Quilts Gone Wild thru August 26th  
Playland by Susan Lapham July 7th thru Oct 4th  
No Boundaries July 11th thru Oct 7th  
Stories are made Loop by Loop July 12th thru Oct 7th

The Museum's website is <http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org>

### **SERVICE - Denise Rudolph**

Thank you, Carolyn Shank, for showing us your 11 black and white quilts. It is fun to see the various ways that the black and white combo can be made into quilts. I have a box of those fabrics, but they are in the category of “saving, touching, and not so using”!! I may be tempted to get them out and use them. I can always buy more to replace them.

The sizes of quilt tops - 35” to 60” in width and 45” to 60” in length.

I have kits for pillowcases, breast cancer pillow and totes and drainage bags. If you like to cut out quilts and make kits that would be great.

Next collection will be the November meeting.

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## NEWSLETTER – Terry Wiita

The deadline for the August newsletter is Friday, July 21st. Please email any items to me at [tcwiita@gmail.com](mailto:tcwiita@gmail.com). If you could possibly put "SVQG" in the subject line of your email submissions, it would greatly be appreciated.

## FOR SALE

Moving, must sell. Avante 18" long arm with 12 foot table. Includes quilting templates, laser guide, bobbin winder, user manual, extra feet, bobbins and tools. Like new condition, lightly used with original packing box included. Local pickup only. Interested parties should contact Pauline Messier of the SVQG. See below for pictures.



# SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTER'S GUILD

PO Box 913

Harrisonburg, VA 22803

## Board Members:

President	Terry Wiita
President -Elect	Leigh Anne McMurray
Secretary	Judy Augst
Treasurer	Cerise Haas
Program Coor. #1	Debbie Jungling
Program Coor. # 2	Melinda Smith
Immed. Past President	Cindy Holland

## 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.