

# Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

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## THE PRESIDENT\*S SEWING CORNER -

What an exceptional program we had with Kathleen Conery, about the entire costuming process at JMU. I bet she would be great at designing Halloween costumes. Thanks Bev\*you\*re off to a great start with two successful events. Even the rain cleared up for the Tour de Guild.

The Hospitality Ladies had a great suggestion for changing the line at the \*food corner\*. Now the line doesn\*t back up in front of the restrooms, making for easier access at break time. Thanks Ladies!

Our quilt show is just about nine months away and we all need to start thinking about which of our expertly crafted quilts we will be entering. SVQG has such a wealth of talented quilters that I\*m sure that this next show will display AAA rated quilts. We will have the Pillow Puddle again and will need lots of pillows to fill up the swimming pool. Sample blocks, blocks gone wrong or newly created blocks all make wonderful pillow fronts. These are small projects you can take with you as you go outside to sit and enjoy the evolving fall colors.

A quilting hint for this month has to do with binding a baby or child\*s quilt. When sewing on the binding, and I like to use my serger because it trims the edges and gives affirm edge, attach it to the back side (rather than the front) and then bring the binding to the front and use a decorative machine stitch to sew in place. This is especially good on quilts which will receive much love and many washing.

October is known as Bat Appreciation Month (wonder where that came from) and starts with World Vegetarian Day on the 1st and almost ends on the 30th with Candy Corn Day.

October is also Breast Cancer Awareness month. I will not be in attendance, but will be sending in some delectable goodies to help you remember.

Still tangled in my loose threads, .....Sally

P.S. For those of you taking part in the UFO Challenge, it is item # 4 that you need to be completing for the November deadline.

## SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD MEETING

Minutes - September 17, 2011

The meeting was called to order by President Sally Jones who welcomed visitors. The minutes of the August meeting were corrected to include that Lori Abbott- Herrick amended the motion that the Guild donate \$500.00 to the Virginia Quilt Museum by adding that this is to apply to the 1856 Fund. That motion was carried with this amendment. The minutes were approved as corrected.

Cerise Haas gave the Treasurer\*s Report. A copy is filed with these minutes. There was a motion that the Treasurer\*s Report be approved as read. The motion was carried.

The following Committee Chairs reported to the membership:

PROGRAM COORDINATOR #1: Bev London reported that the road trip this afternoon will begin with lunch at Olive Garden. She has directions for all drivers. The owner of the Scrappy Apple also noted that she would be organizing a trip to Ireland that would include attending the Quilt Show scheduled there. Bill Dean will be the speaker in October and in November Sue Jarvis will be coming from Hospice. The number for the UFO program will be picked after break. About 33 members have signed up for this program to complete their UFOs.

MEMBERSHIP: John Hammel introduced Larry Brown who is our 114th member.

NEWSLETTER: Sandie Hammel thanked everyone for being patient about the Newsletter distribution. Because some members were not able to download the issue, she will now send out fewer at a time. The deadline for the October issue is September 23rd.

SERVICE: Lori Abbott-Herrick announced that there will be two projects this year. On the second and fourth Thursdays there will be sewing lessons taught from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Our Community Place. Their goal is to make a group quilt. Our Community Place is located at 17 East Johnson Street in Harrisonburg. Volunteers are needed to help teach classes. The next dates are October 13th, October 27th, November 11th and December 8th. The second service project is lap quilts for Hospice patients. November will be our service month. They are asking each member to contribute one lap quilt. Size should be from 36\* x 50\* to 50\* x 60\*. There are kits available to sign out.

Sandie Hammel is working with \*Equipping the Saints\* in Weyers Cave. They are interested in providing a few sewing machines for SVQG service project of sewing classes at Our Community Place. Any donations of sewing machines by guild members will be welcome.

September 17<sup>th</sup> minutes *(continued)*

This was followed by Show and Tell, which was most interesting. The Art Group invited anyone who was interested to join their group.

The program for the day was given by Kathleen Conery, who is in charge of costuming at James Madison University. Not only was the program completely entertaining, but it was also spiced by demonstrations of how the costumes are assembled, thanks to several willing members who acted as models. This was a program not to be missed!

Submitted by,

Norma Harris, Secretary

### **PROGRAMS! -**

I hope you enjoyed Kathleen Conery's presentation as much as I did. Thank you, Liz and Thurston, for being such willing models (although we all secretly wanted to play \*dress up\*). I encourage all of you to take advantage of the offerings at the Forbes Center \*it's an awesome facility. ([www.jmu.edu/jmuarts](http://www.jmu.edu/jmuarts))

I am so pleased to announce we have 36 participating in our UFO Challenge. 36 of us are working with great determination to get our #4 UFO ready for November's \*UFO No-More\* Show and Tell. (Thus far, I have managed to identify the proper box in the closet and set it out on my sewing table. Now the trick will be to open the box and get busy.) Show and tell will take on a whole new meaning this year.

Our Tour de Guild was a huge success. 33 of us took to the highway! It was wonderful to enjoy a meal and our stops at The Scrappy Apple and Web Fabrics together. I hope, too, that you got to know some of your fellow guild members a bit better. Carly's chat really made me think about the trends I've witnessed just in the two years since I joined our guild. (Some of us left knowing we'd never be trendsetters, and I'm quite okay with that!) Then, of course, there were those gadgets!

October 15th

Our program will be a bit different next month, too. Still quilt related, though, I'd like to think of it as SVQG's own \*How It's Made\*-Bill Dean, Transprint's Plant Engineer will be here to tell us about their process. I promise it won't be boring. If you remember those fabric samples I brought to September's meeting-well he's going to tell us how, when, why, who, etc. of those glorious colors.

## **Programs - (continued)**

After the morning meeting we'll be getting together for a UFO sew-in. If you're not participating in the Challenge, stay any way. Bring a bag lunch and your sewing goodies and we'll have at it! I will ask that you let me know if you intend upon staying and whether or not you'll be bringing a machine, need a table for cutting or pinning, etc. You can drop me a quick email, snail mail (162 McKinley Drive, Broadway, VA 22815) or just give me a call (540) 578-3658.

November 19th

Our Service Committee will be providing our program and afternoon activity. Our program will be dedicated to learning about our Valley hospice programs. Sue Jarvis, Volunteer Coordinator at Blue Ridge Hospice Services will be with us.

The Service Committee has a very ambitious goal of 125 quilts! With a guild as large and as generous as ours, we should be able to reach their goal. If you don't have a quilt and/or pattern, there are \*kits\* ready for you. Just bring your machine, don't forget your lunch and we'll be at it again. Another afternoon of sewing with your friends!!

December 10th

SVQG's annual Christmas Celebration. Mark your calendar, our gathering will be held the SECOND Saturday of December! We will also be partying @ Sunnyside.

January 21st

SVQG Annual Guild Auction

February 18th\*

Our own \*Basket Case\* Diana Norman J Diana has put together a great \*Embellishment\* workshop for us, educational and entertaining! Another afternoon of stitching with your friends. .

Bev

## **PROGRAM COORDINATOR #2 -**

Since many of the teachers book a year in advance, I have been working on programs for the year of Sept 2012 thru Aug 2013. There are a few slot that are in need of a program. Do any of the members have any suggestions as to what they would like to learn in a workshop? Please let me know and I will see what I can do. email: [clbroy@shentel.net](mailto:clbroy@shentel.net), or phone 540-436-3054 or 540-335-1039. ....Connie "B"

## **SERVICE -**

Our first service day at Our Community Place will be October 13th. We will have a few sewing machines to teach on. A Community quilt by members of our sewing classes and those who visit Our Community Place is planned as well as simple sewing projects that will be easy to teach. We will need at least 3 people per visit to Our Community Place to help teach these classes. This is an important program Our goal is to teach basic sewing skills that can be used in everyday living, or as a possible source of income for those who are down on their luck. The face of homelessness is not what you may expect, it is around every corner of our community. Come join us in this endeavor to help improve the lives of those in Rockingham County and the City of Harrisonburg. Please check out their web site at [ourcommunityplace.org](http://ourcommunityplace.org).

In November we will have a chart to track our goal of 125 Hospice Quilts for the year. The need is great for the comfort that a quilt can give to the terminally ill and their families.

Please support service in your quilt guild.

Thanks to all,

Lori

## **SERVICE - HELP!!!**

Volunteers needed to teach beginning sewing at Our Community Place October 13th and 27th, November 10th, December 8th from 1 - 4 PM.

Email Lori at [laherrick@gmail.com](mailto:laherrick@gmail.com)

## **MEMBERSHIP -** by John Hammel

The Membership year is half over and we still have a lot of great things on tap. Come on out to our meetings and enjoy the fun.

Last year the Guild voted to offer Guild memberships at half rate after six months of the year had passed. It\*s that time again. If you know any past members who need a nudge to return, let them know. From now through the rest of the year, new and renewal memberships are only \$10! This is half of the regular \$20 membership rate but it includes all the features and benefits. So get those who are interested in joining the best Guild in Virginia (or anywhere else, for that matter) to sign up. They can email me for an application or pick one up at the October meeting.

Happy Quilting!

John Hammel - Email: [jthammel@gmail.com](mailto:jthammel@gmail.com)

## **HOSPITALITY -**

Thanks to everyone who participated in furnishing refreshments for the September Quilt Guild Meeting and for the positive comments about the change of picking up your goodies.

We are looking forward to what our October Birthday People will have to share with us at our meeting on Saturday, October 15th. ....Anna Lee, Dorice and Vickie

## **WAYS AND MEANS -**

A big thank you to all who supported the raffle on September 17. Elizabeth Beall was the winner of the mum, fabrics and patterns. We raised \$91.

Don't forget to pick up your raffle tickets for the 2012 raffle quilt. I always have more tickets. Let me know if you have ideas on events we can take the quilt to sell tickets. It is currently with the library. ....Denise Rudolph

## **NEWSLETTER -**

Next Newsletter deadline will be OCTOBER 21ST. Don't miss putting in your article or announcement!! Your copy can be emailed to sandie419@hotmail.com or snail mailed to Sandie Hammel, 419 5th Street, Shenandoah, VA 22849.

## **LIBRARY -**

I will be going to Houston again in November. I will be ordering books for the Guild Library. If there are any book titles that you want me to try to buy please give me titles at the meeting in October. You may also email me your suggestions at kckwilter@hotmail.com.

## **FREE SPIRITS ART BEE -**

We are having such fun at the Free Spirits Art Bee. You all seem so interested in our little projects at Show and Tell. I would like to invite anyone who is interested to please join us. We meet the second Tuesday of the month at the North River Library in Bridgewater at 10:00 am. Since we have finished our Whisper Quilt Challenge, we will be starting a new series of projects in the next month or so. Please join us. If you want more information, you can email Kathy Christy at kckwilter@hotmail.com or phone me at 540-652-8671. Hope to see some newcomers there.

### **NEW APPLIQUE QUILT GROUP -**

If you appliqué, or are interested in learning to appliqué, a new group is forming. We will have our first meeting on Tues. October 18th at 1:00 pm. We will be meeting once a month at the Shenandoah County Library in Edinburg in the Activities Room on the third Tuesday of each month from 1:00 to 4:00. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thanks, Mary Carlton [qltnfsh@shentel.net](mailto:qltnfsh@shentel.net)

### **MEMBER INQUIRY -**

Will the person who made a quilt with the pattern "Bears Need Houses , too" please call or email Leslie Bulken and tell her where that pattern is to be found. What magazine? Separate pattern? I had it and cannot locate it now. Phone 828-3118 or [lbquilter2@yahoo.com](mailto:lbquilter2@yahoo.com).

Thanks, Leslie Bulken

### **VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM FUND RAISER -**

On Saturday, October 22, 1-4 pm prize winning quilter, teacher & author Barbara Cline will open her home for a show of her quilts. There will be quilts that have been featured at the Paducah Quilt Show, Quilt Odyssey, Mid-Atlantic and Hoffman Challenge as well as quilts from Barbara's book *\*Star Struck Quilts\**. You don't want to miss this behind the scenes look at a master quilter's work. The tour includes refreshments and the cost is \$15 per person.

Call the VQM at 540-433-3818 or email us at [info@vaquiltmuseum.org](mailto:info@vaquiltmuseum.org)

### **REGIONAL LIBRARY QUILT PROGRAM -**

Massanutten Regional Library will be hosting Judith Shuey as part of their annual Deyerle Program Series on Thursday, October 20, 2011 at the Main Branch in Harrisonburg at 7 pm. Her program is entitled: *\*Hard Times, Soft Quilts\* Depression Era Quilts and Their Stories.*

### **BOUTIQUE NEWS -**

There will be two boutiques at Guild in October. Barbara Paulson will be selling feed sacks and Kathy Christy will be selling fabric. If you are interested in having a boutique table at a future meeting, please email Kathy Christy at [kckwilter@hotmail.com](mailto:kckwilter@hotmail.com). Only two tables are allowed per meeting and it is first come, first served.

## **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS -**

Beth Hollen\*\*10/4

Beth Wampler\*10/6

Gae Baker\*\*10/7

Alice Zuidema\*10/10

Janet Dixon\*\*10/11

Lori Abbot-Herrick\*10/11

Frances Ritchie\*10/11

Cheryl Hawes\*10/20

Suann Edwards\*10/27

Kathleen Chunta\*10/29

Jude McLaughlin\*10/30

Bev London\*\*10/31

## **RECIPE OF THE MONTH - EASY CARAMEL APPLE BARS**

1-1/2 \*cup cold butter\*\*\*\*\*2\*cups finely copped/peeled apple

1\*pouch Betty Crocker oat meal cookie mix\*3/4 \*cup caramel topping

1 \*egg\*\*\*\*\*1/4 \*cup all purpose flour

Heat oven to 350 F, spray bottom of 13 x 9 inch pan with cooking spray

In a large bowl, cut butter into cookie mixture using fork or pastry blender. Stir in egg until mixture is crumbly.

Reserve 1-1/2 cups cookie mixture. Press remaining cookie mixture into bottom of pan. Bake 15 minutes. Sprinkle apple evenly over crust. In small bowl, mix caramel topping and flour; drizzle over apples. Sprinkle reserved cookie mixture over apples.

Bake 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely. For bars, cut into 9 rows by 4 rows.

Makes 36 bars.

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**TO JOIN:** the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild, send \$20.00 Annual Dues to:

SVQG Membership Chairman  
PO Box 913  
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The Guild year runs April 1st through March 31st. To have your Newsletter mailed please add an additional \$7.50. The Newsletter is included in the membership fee if you have your newsletter sent via email.

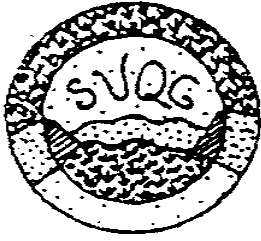
**PLACE OF MEETING:** The Sunnyside Room, Sunnyside Presbyterian Retirement Community, Harrisonburg, Virginia

**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 is 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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