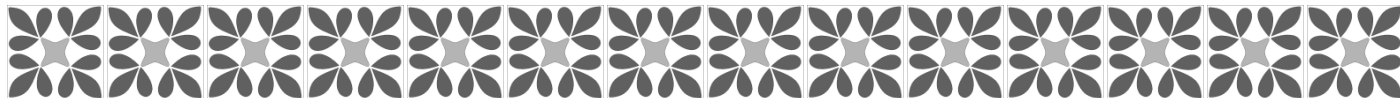


# Valley Quilt Notes

SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Holiday time is upon us with the hustle and bustle just beginning. However, there are the most organized of us who are half way through holiday shopping, have planned all the festivities for November and December and just have a little to go to complete everything except the food preparation and perhaps a little home decorating. Kudos to those who fall into this category! As for me I am just in the beginning stage (thinking mostly). Somehow with the help of my better half I pull it off each year, with a little “bah humbug”, on my part, thrown in for good measure. Didn't we just celebrate the holidays a month ago, where does the time fly?

Speaking about time flying, our November Guild meeting is just around the corner with a wonderful visit from VQM Director, Judith Shuey and a mini VQM Gift Shop to help us with our holiday shopping. The gift of giving is there for all who want to participate with our November Service Workshop. This service project is to help the guild reach the goal of **350** Comfort Pillows and Totes. It is a time to work, share, laugh, learn and get to know your fellow guild members while giving to your community. Each helping hand will bring us that much closer to our goal.

Don't forget that in December we have the guild Christmas party. This is a time for celebrating with guild members, sharing great food and fellowship, while taking a few hours to relax away from our usual busy lives. Our Christmas Party Hosts this year will be the Free Spirits Art Bee. As usual our parties always have a few surprises. If you have an early visitor for the holidays on this date don't let that stop you from

coming, just add a little more to your holiday dish and bring them along to share in the fun.

As we reflect on the happenings during the past year, and think about our resolutions and goals for the year coming, remember all the blessings that have been bestowed on each and every one of us during 2010. You, our guild, are one of my blessings. Thank you for sharing your quilting knowledge and talent with your fellow guild members. To guide new quilters on their learning journey keeps quilting alive for generations to come. Happy Holidays to all and to all a good..... (well you know the rest of the story)!!

Your President,  
Sandie Hammel



## PROGRAMS

The November program has a variety of activities. Our morning program follows the business meeting with a guest speaker, Judith Shuey, Director of the Virginia Quilt Museum. She will update us on the current quilt collection, the operations and outreach of the museum, and volunteer opportunities. Dianne Reasons and Josephine Millett, Museum Gift Shop managers, will bring gift shop merchandise and we'll be able to shop at the end of Judith's presentation. Christmas shopping is in order and the Museum will benefit.

The afternoon activity will focus on our Service Project—making Breast Cancer Comfort Pillows and Totes for the local hospitals. For

years Sue Jones has managed this guild program and we are pleased to provide an opportunity for you to join her this year for an afternoon of fellowship and service. Elsewhere in this newsletter Sue will give more details about the kits provided and supplies for you to bring. We will have a group lunch with soups provided and we ask you to bring rolls, or cheese and crackers, or fruits. Tea, coffee, and water will be available.

Some of us have made pillows and totes through the years but this year we would like to spend some time to demonstrate the process (it really is simpler than reading the directions!) and pair the less-experienced with the more-experienced for the afternoon. We hope you will not feel hesitant to come and be a part of this worthwhile program just because you haven't had a chance to learn the process. **If you can turn pillows/totes and press we need you!!** We will have lots of helpers too. The Service Committee members (Sue Jones, Dorice Graham, Pauline Messier, Sandie Hammel, Carolyn Shank, and Fran) are preparing kits and planning to make this an enjoyable and productive time.

The December 11<sup>th</sup> program is our traditional Christmas Celebration and being planned by the Art Bee. Remember to go to Bridgewater Town Hall for this program. Look for details elsewhere in the newsletter. And looking ahead to January 15, 2011--- we'll have the fun auction, organized by Denise Rudolph, Chairman of Ways and Means.

Also in this newsletter you will find a questionnaire intended to explore your interest in a guild retreat and/or a guild trip. If you think this is something you would enjoy, please give us some feedback through this questionnaire.



Fran Miller

## SHENANDOAH VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD MEETING

Minutes - October 16, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Sandie Hammel who welcomed everyone. She asked that committee reports be as short as possible since we have a busy morning. The minutes of the September meeting were approved as printed in the Newsletter. The Treasurer's Report was read and filed for audit.

**PROGRAM:** Fran Miller introduced Augusta Cole who will be presenting the program today. In November the director of the Virginia Quilt Museum will be presenting a lecture and a "shop" will be set up by Diane Reasons and Josephine Millett to sell items from the VQM store to benefit the museum. In the afternoon we will be making pillows and totes for the service project.

**HOSPITALITY:** Pauline Messier announced that we have a new coffeepot. She is serving decaf coffee today and hot water is available in the second pot. Please let her know if this is agreeable to you.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Sandie passed information from John that this is a good time of the year to invite friends to join. Dues are reduced after September and are not renewed until April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**LIBRARY:** Kathy Christy showed the 20 new books the guild has acquired; she announced that she would be going to Houston for the International Quilt Show. She asked members to let her know if there are specific types of books that they would like the guild to buy.

**PUBLICITY:** Lou Emswiler sent notification of the meeting to local newspapers in the Valley. Please let her know if an announcement is included in your local newspaper. She would appreciate a copy of the announcement.

**SUNSHINE:** Carolyn Shank happily said that only birthday cards were sent during the past month. Let her know of any other reason to send TOY cards.

WAYS AND MEANS: Door prizes were given out. There will be a raffle after break time and members were encouraged to buy raffle tickets.

Visitors were introduced and presented with gifts.

2012 QUILT SHOW: Connie Broy, Co-Chair, brought the new raffle quilt and asked everyone to bind five inches each. The quilt will go to the NQS Show and she asked members to think of a name for the quilt. A questionnaire was included in the Newsletter and she brought extra copies for those who forgot theirs.

QUILT MUSEUM: Josephine Millett mentioned that the exhibit at the Virginia Quilt Museum has changed. Barbara Cline's new book is for sale at the museum. Diane Reasons announced that the next Virginia Consortium of Quilters' meeting will be in Martinsville on November 13<sup>th</sup>. There will be a Quilt Show the evening before and classes and the meeting will be held at the Dutch Inn.

ROUND ROBIN: Mary Carlton announced that the next exchange for participants in the Round Robin will be in December. Two participants were not here today.

SERVICE: Sue Jones spoke about Breast Cancer Month (October). We have made 350 pillows and totes, our goal for the year. Next month we will be sewing and putting together pillows and totes for our service meeting. Last week 25 were donated to Augusta Health and Denise will take 50 to Winchester.

Anneka Dean from the American Cancer Society spoke about what they are doing and the services they provide to patients. In 2009 207,000 women and 1970 men were diagnosed with breast cancer. There is a 98% survival rate after five years.

Sandie introduced Wendell Coleman, Volunteer Coordinator from the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Organizations at the Center. Cerise Haas, Treasurer, presented him with a check representing the donation by the Guild and the shared profit from the ticket sales for the 2010 raffle quilt. Mr. Coleman thanked the Guild for their generosity and interest in the

Center. The money will go to provide services not covered by the State to students.

Show and tell included the new raffle quilt and was enjoyed by all.

Following a break, Augusta Cole gave a presentation on "Tricks, Tips, and Tidbits." She gave a workshop on Friday on the Curved Log Cabin; this afternoon there will be a workshop on "Snappy Scrappy Fat Quarters." We were all reminded why Augusta is one of our favorite teachers!



Norma Harris,  
Secretary

## MEMBERSHIP

We are halfway through our membership year. It has been a good time so far with many more special meetings to come until the next membership year begins in April 2011.

With the recent changes to the by-laws, now is the perfect time to bring in new members, or even bring back some former members. Anyone can join SVQG for the remainder of the 2010-2011 membership year for only \$10.00. They will have all the benefits and privileges of membership through March 2011.

So go out and help build our Guild by recruiting some new members. Our Guild will be stronger for it and that person will become a part of a pretty neat organization.

Remember, full 2010-2011 Membership for only \$10.00!

See John Hammel or any of the board members for details.

Happy Quilting!

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



## 2012 RAFFLE QUILT

Wasn't it beautiful when you saw it at Guild meeting in October? Our 2012 Raffle Quilt that is! Bonnie Spoon did an absolutely fantastic job on the quilting and now all guild members have the opportunity to help sew the binding in place. We will be able to say that this quilt has truly been made by the members of the SVQG.

Some beginning discussion was held as to naming the quilt and we will follow this up at our November meeting and vote on it in either December or January. Then we are going to enter it into at least one quilt competition. How exciting it would be if our quilt were to receive a ribbon! It would definitely increase the value and that would make selling the raffle tickets a bit easier.

We will also be entertaining suggestions as to the organization (s) that would receive a portion of the profit. Guild members should start thinking about this at this time. We will discuss organization(s) in the spring of 2011, which would give us time to have our raffle tickets printed up during the summer.

The 2012 Raffle Quilt Committee:  
Joan, Connie & Sally



## HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES

Get ready for some holiday fun on Saturday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am (the **second** Sat. of the month). The December meeting of The Guild

will take place at the Arey Meeting Hall in the Bridgewater Community Center. We would like each member to bring a wonderful side dish or a fabulous dessert. Meats and drinks will be provided.

In lieu of a gift exchange, we will be collecting food for the local food pantry and toys for "Toys for Tots". This will be our way of sharing the holiday spirit with our community. You may contribute to one or both of these as you like and we will make sure they are delivered.

We will have musical entertainment and a special contest -- It is party time! We love to dress up for holidays, don't we? This year we are going to celebrate the season by having a contest--we will be giving out prizes for our holiday outfits. It will be a viewer's choice for the three categories of Sweaters, Vests and Sweatshirts. So wear your fanciest or wildest or prettiest or craziest sweater or vest or sweatshirt. If you don't have one--make one! We will be the most festive looking group around! See you on December 11th!

Free Spirits Art Bee



## SUNSHINE

Just a reminder to let me know of any guild member who could use our get well wishes, sympathy thoughts, etc. Call me at 540-867-9486 or email me at [ceshank@juno.com](mailto:ceshank@juno.com).

Carolyn Shank

Barb Lambert passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 19th. She was only a guild member for a year or two several years ago. Many of us knew her because she was the store manager at Shenandoah Sew and Vac and she started the Quilters Cabin there. And we are grateful to her for this little quilt shop in Woodstock. The

Quilters Cabin has had a vendor booth at our last two quilt shows and Barb was responsible for that.

Mary

## WAYS & MEANS

Thanks to everyone who supported the October raffle of my UFO converted to a fall bag!!! We raised \$96 and Pat Albaugh was the winner.

Remember we have the auction coming up this winter so be thinking what you want to donate to the quild.

Denise Rudolph



## ROUND ROBIN

Last Saturday we all picked up our next round robins. We've looked at them and some of us know exactly what we're going to do with them and some of us wonder what we could possibly do. We'll all figure it out by December and we'll all have done something absolutely wonderful. Holidays coming up, get this done now before you're in a big rush. Next exchange is at the December Christmas Party.

Mary



## LIBRARY

1. Quilting with Precuts and Shortcuts by Terry Martin
2. Superstrata Quilts: Celebrating the Colors of Bali by Pamela Mostek and Susan Nelsen
3. 'Tis the Season by Jeanne Large and Shelley Wicks
4. Superstrata Quilts: Celebrating the Colors of Bali by Sarah M. Bisel

5. Start with a Sweatshirt 2 by Nancie M. Wiseman

6. Exploring Embellishments: More Artful Quilts with Fast-Piece Appliqué by Rose Hughes

7. Spectacular Rectangles by Ilene Bartos

8. Twist-and-Turn Bargello Quilts by Eileen Wright

9. Simple Style: Easy Weekend Quilts by Sara Diepersloot

10. At Play with Appliqué by Dilys A. Fronks

11. Fabric + Paint + Thread = Fabulous by Pat Durbin

12. Country Comforts by Cheryl Wall

13. Rule-Breaking Quilts by Kathryn Schmidt

14. Take Five by Kathy Brown

15. Pinwheel Party by Ellen Pahl

16. Baker's Dozen: 13 Quilts from Jelly Rolls, Layer Cakes and More by That Patchwork Place

17. Fabric Art Journals by Pam Sussman

18. Flowers All Around: Garden-Inspired Quilts by Cindy Lammon

19. Double Take: Quilts with That Hopscotch Twist by Heather and Elissa Willms

20. Schnibbles Times Two: Quilts from 5" or 10" Squares by Carrie Nelson

21. Appliqué Workshop by Laurel Anderson

22. Another Season of Beautiful Blooms by Susan Taylor Propst

Kathy Christy



## COMFORT PILLOWS/TOTES

We donated 25 pillows & totes to Augusta Health and 50 to Winchester in October. You donated 73 p/t at our October meeting! Great job!! We have a total of 107 on hand. So we are well on our way to the goal for the year of 350. You are encouraged to join us at the November service project when we will be making pillows & totes from kits. We will demonstrate the process of making them from kits. After you have made one, the second is much easier. We will provide kits and polyfil to finish the p/t, no cutting necessary. Each kit provides you with a handle, outside fabric and lining, outside pillow fabric, flannel backing and

2 pieces of soft batting. If you would like to sew, bring your machine with walking foot. Irons and ironing boards will be provided. Bring with you: thread (light, dark, neutral), needles, pins, scissors, and thimbles, if you use them. We will have extra supplies on hand. Come join us for an afternoon with friends and fellow quilters to work on a guild service project that is so appreciated by breast cancer patients. If you have questions, please contact me, Sue Jones at 540-949-0872.

**DEADLINE FOR JAN. NEWSLETTER**

Friday, December 17, 2010

Vicki Graham  
 4142 Traveler Road  
 Harrisonburg, VA 22801  
 540-433-9877  
 E-mail: grahamvl@comcast.net

**HANKIES NEEDED**

If you have hankies you want to donate to a good cause, please contact Evah Roller at 879-2843. She knows someone who makes caps out of them for cancer patients.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

The following Guild members are having a birthday in November, December or January:

Carol Ervin	11/3
Dianne Reasons	11/3
Phyllis Hollowell	11/4

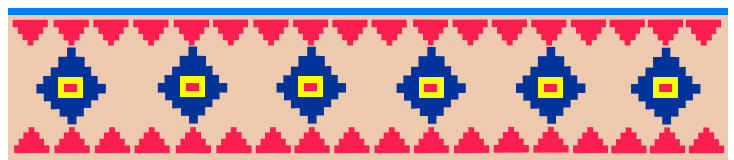
Celia Mitchell	11/5
Elizabeth Adams	11/7
Susan Browning	11/11
Rachel Herrick	11/13
Caroline Hardy	11/15
Phyllis Liskey	11/21
Barbara Cline	11/28
Linda Quintrell	12/13
Linda O'Leary	12/13
Lois Johnson	12/13
Judy Randow	12/17
Nellie Pitcock	12/18
Aleris Wright	12/18
Jan Hood	12/21
Betty Wood	12/28
Kay Stilwell	1/3
Marcia Hill	1/4
Marcia Vehrs	1/4
Carol Sloan	1/9
Jane Crockett	1/9
Joan Leffel	1/12
Calvin Phillips	1/16
Edith Ramey	1/16
Margaret Wade	1/16
Betty Clatterbuck	1/19
Elizabeth Beall	1/21
Luella Emswiler	1/23
Sue Jones	1/23
Pat Patterson	1/27

To everyone having a birthday in November, December and January, Happy Birthday! Enjoy YOUR day!

**HOSPITALITY**

Thank you to all of our October quilters who brought in treats for our refreshment table last month. This month it is November Birthday's turn to bring in the goodies.

Pauline Messier



We are presently researching future programs and/or trips and need your ideas/suggestions for workshops, etc.

**Please circle the appropriate answer:**

Would you be interested in a QUILTING RETREAT?	Yes	No	
If so, how many nights are you willing/able to be away from home?	2	3	4
Do you feel the Retreat would need to offer a specific workshop or would you be more interested in "doing your own thing", basically enjoying the fellowship of being together and meeting new friends?	Workshop	Free Time	A Little of Both
Do you have a destination/venue to suggest? Location:			
Please elaborate:			
Would you be interested in a bus trip? To a quilt show? Floyd? Paducah? Vermont? Hampton?	Yes	No	
If so, how many nights are you willing/able to be away from home? Day trip only is fine, too.			
Do you have a destination suggestion?			
Please elaborate:			
Have you any suggestions for workshops? Think! What/WHO would really grab your interest?			
Any other suggestions you may have are welcome. Please take this opportunity to offer your input.			
We really do appreciate it! <b>Please attach any additional information you'd like to offer.</b>			

Name (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete this form and leave it at the Sign-in table at our November meeting or email it to [svqg.programs@yahoo.com](mailto:svqg.programs@yahoo.com)**

**SVQG BOARD MEMBERS**

President	Sandie Hammel	Ways & Means	Denise Rudolph
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Program Coor. #1	Fran Miller	Comfort Pillows	Sue Jones
Program Coor. #2	VACANT	Quilt Show	Connie Broy and Sally Jones
Immed. Past President	Barbara Linzey	Sunshine	Carolyn Shank

**SVQG STANDING COMMITTEES:**

Nominating	Sally Jones
Newsletter	Vicki Graham
Membership	John Hammel
Publicity	Lou Emswiler
Historian	Roberta Patterson
Hospitality	Pauline Messier

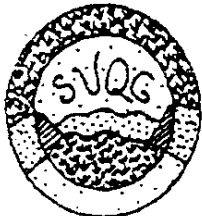
**SPECIAL DUTIES:**

NQA Liaison	Sally Jones
VCQ	Norma Harris
Web Master	Roberta Patterson

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 To join the Shenandoah Valley Quilters' Guild, send \$20 Annual Dues to: Membership Chairman SVQG, PO Box 913, Harrisonburg VA 22803. The Guild year runs 4/1-3/31. Newsletter mailed - \$7.50/yr.

PLACE OF MEETING--THE **SUNNYSIDE ROOM**, THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED) Time: 9:30 am

SUNNYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN RETIREMENT COMMUNITY, HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA  
 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 **DO NOT PARK IN THE NUMBERED SPACES**. These numbered spaces are for residents. Please observe the 15-mph speed limit while on the grounds of Sunnyside.



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