



Valley Forge Homestead
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Guild Newsletter

May 2013

President's Message

Spring has sprung! Spring brings new life and I love seeing all the beautiful plants and trees come back to life! Does spring make you want to start something new? Get your creative juices flowing? Or, does it make you want to finish something you have been putting off for a while? Whatever it is and wherever it takes you, enjoy the process.

I am very proud to be a part of this guild with all of its talented members who are so willing to share their knowledge. I look at the show and tell projects and feel blessed to be in the company of such talented people! Thank you all for sharing at the meetings and the bees.

Our Facebook has a new spring look too! We have moved to a Facebook "page" rather than an "account". This will allow us to share with our friends but won't show information posted on individual friends Facebook. Here is the link so take a look! Don't forget to "like" us!

https://www.facebook.com/?ref=tn_tnmn#!/valleyforge.homesteadquilters?hc_location=stream

Happy Mother's Day to all! Even if you are not a mother to a human, you are probably a mother in some fashion. God Mother, wife (you know you mother your husband), pet owner... so... ENJOY!

Candy

Next Guild Meeting – May 21, 2013

May Meeting Location Different Due to Election

Due to May 20 being Election Day, our monthly guild meeting will be held at the Upper Merion Township Building across Henderson Road on Rt. 23. We must park in the rear of the building and enter through that door. Our meeting will be held on the second floor in Freedom Hall. An elevator is available for use. See the [map...](#)

Program

Our program will feature two of our members. Mary Molettiere will share her secrets for successful binding. Gina Shevchenko will tell us how to get our quilts ready to take to our favorite longarm quilter. Come with your questions.

Refreshments

Sweet

Charlene Hagerty
Marebeth Conard
Sally Lightcap
Becky Weiland
Gail Forster
Molly Lorenz
Joy Brown

Savory

Paula Pettyjohn
Patricia Brant
Sue Fisher
Sally Chillington
Hedy DeMito
Ann Palmer
Karen Glasthal

Setup

The refreshment committee is looking for some helping hands. If you want to help out, see Mary Larkin at the meetings.

Set-up for guild meetings start at 6:00 and any help with this is appreciated.

Next Guild Meeting – May 21, 2013

Fat Quarter Raffle:

A Tisket, a Tasket, Solids for a Basket

Please bring in a solid fabric to have your name entered in the fat quarter raffle drawing. In addition to that, there's a new twist to the usual. Please send or give any generic basket patterns to Sue Fisher. So-o-o, you may enter your name in the drawing by submitting a solid fat quarter or a basket pattern (picture and directions, please).

The member or members who win the drawing will receive fabrics and patterns. This will be fun.

Gloria Clark

Want to be a Quilting Buddy?

Would you be willing to be a buddy to a new quilt guild member? This would involve sitting with the new member and explaining what happens at the meeting. Between meetings you could call or e-mail her to remind her of the next meeting or invite her to a bee or workshop.

If you are a new member and would like a buddy, please sign up for one.

Please see Judy Snook if you are interested in either part of this Buddy system.

Block of the Month

We all survived *Mrs. Cleveland's Choice* block! Now for a brief rest with *Dolley Madison Star* block. But be careful, the block can be tricky. Read the directions carefully. Remember that the June block is *Mrs. Roosevelt's Favorite*.

Keep up the good work! Bring in your blocks to share your work with the guild and enter for a chance to win the door prize.

Jackie Gauker



May Dolley Madison Star



June Mrs. Roosevelt's Favorite



July Lincoln Block



August Harrison Rose

“Trash to Treasure” Sale

Sale for quilters, crafters and friends presented by Main Line Quilters on Saturday June 22, 2013, from 10 am to 2 pm at the Tredyffrin Township Library, 582 Upper Gulph Road, Strafford, PA. No admission charge.

For sale:

- quilt fabric - yardage, fat quarters, and some vintage fabric kits, orphan blocks, and UFO's
- skeins of yarn
- cross-stitch and needlepoint kits
- lace, beads and embellishments
- books, magazines and patterns

Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales Volunteers

I am in need of volunteers to sell raffle tickets at the Hershey Quilt Show, July 25-27th, 2013. The show runs from 10 am to 6 pm every day. We will be doing 2 hour shifts during each of the days (10am-12pm; 12pm-2pm; 2pm-4pm; 4pm-6pm). If you can volunteer please contact me. Thank you.

Linda Vanek

New Member Welcome

Our newest members are Meghan Heslin from Bridgeport and Linda Wilson from Royersford. Take some time to meet them at the next meeting.

Bees

Appliqué Bee 1st Tuesday

June

June 4th from 7-9 PM,
at the home of Martine Green

July

July 1st from 7-9 PM,
at the home of Judy Snook

Afternoon Bee 2nd Tuesday

May

May 14th from 12:30-3:30 PM,
at the home of Sally Rapp

Please register with Jean Hayden for this bee
only. She will be collecting \$5.00 for lunch
and making a list for car pooling.

June

June 11th from 12:30-3:30 PM,
at the home of Hedy DeMito

Evening Bee 4th Tuesday

May

May 28th from 6:30-9 PM,
at the home of Patti McLain-
Fulton

June

June 25th from 6:30-9 PM,
at the home of Candy Garrido



Our Bees are open to all members of the Valley Forge Homestead Quilt Guild. We work on our own hand projects (there's not usually room for sewing machines); we assist each other by suggesting ways to lay-out quilt blocks, work with colors, etc.; and we enjoy each other's company in a smaller venue. Check your calendar and see if you are able to join one or all of the Bees this month.

If you would like to host one of the Bees, please contact Jean Hayden (Afternoon Bee), Donna Raymond (Evening Bee) or Gloria Clark (Appliqué Bee). Donna Raymond is looking for some members to complete the list for this year for the evening Bee.

June 18, 2013 Meeting Preview

Annual picnic and Debbie Butler Miller's trunk show.

Reminder: The meeting starts at 6 p.m. because of the picnic.

[Debbie Butler Miller](#), Fiber Artist and instructor will offer a trunk show of some of her quilts. She will highlight her "Best Friend" Portraits. These are quilts that have been made from her patterns based on pictures of her animals.

Last names beginning with

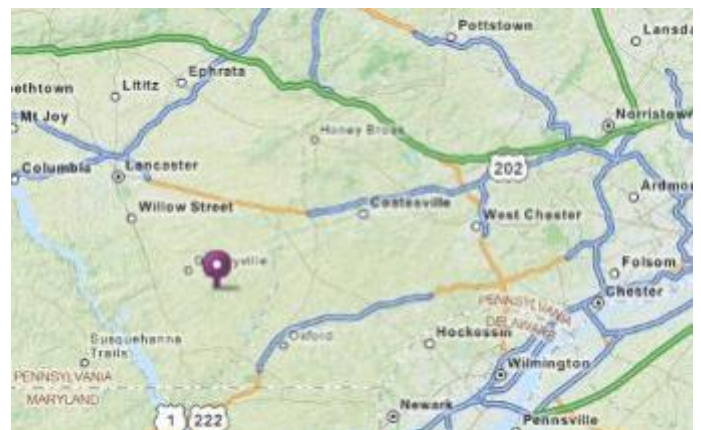
- A –F Should bring a main dish
- G-L Should bring a dessert
- M-Z Should bring a salad or hors d'oeuvre

Beverages will be provided. Please include a label of ingredients with your item.

Fall 2013 Quilting Retreat!

- Thursday, October 3, to Sunday, October 6, 2013
- Sign-up with \$30 non-refundable deposit at May 21st Guild Meeting (balance due by August 20).
- 3 and 2 night packages available
- 24 person minimum
- New location for 2013 Black Rock Retreat Center in Quarryville, PA
- Check out the website at www.blackrockretreat.com.

Coordinator, *Sue Fisher*



2013 Guild Workshops

UFO or Dottie's Dolls—

Dottie Dolgash

DATE: May 18, 2013 (Saturday)

TIME: 9:30 AM – 4 PM (8:30 set up)

PLACE: [Good Shepherd Lutheran Church](#)

PRICE: UFO free or...

Purchase Dottie's Dolls pattern for \$10.00:

[Sweet Meadows Farm Annie's Cat Bag holder doll](#)

LUNCH: Please bring your own lunch.



[Sweet Meadows Farm Annie's Cat Bag holder Doll](#)



[Blume pattern free](#)

Starlight Surprise—

Sally Rapp

DATE: June 22, 2013 (Saturday)

TIME: 9:30 AM – 4 PM (8:30 set up)

PLACE: [Good Shepherd Lutheran Church](#)

PRICE: \$20.00 pattern included.

LUNCH: Please bring your own lunch.



UFO—

Jackie Gauker with Block of the Month ideas: Harrison Rose Block, silhouettes and other ideas for the center.

DATE: July 20, 2013 (Saturday)

TIME: 9:30 AM – 4 PM (8:30 set up)

PLACE: [Good Shepherd Lutheran Church](#)

PRICE: Free

LUNCH: Please bring your own lunch.

Workshops Notes:

- **Registration Forms** will be emailed to members. Print it, fill it out, and bring it to the meeting with your check. You can also mail the signup sheet and check to Jean .
- **Workshop fees** are non refundable.
- When attending workshops at [Steve's Sewing Vacuum & Quilting](#) please unload in the upper parking lot then park your car in the lower (Acme) parking lot while in class.

UFO

DATE: August 17, 2013 (Saturday)

TIME: 9:30 AM – 4 PM (8:30 set up)

PLACE: [Good Shepherd Lutheran Church](#)

PRICE: Free

LUNCH: Please bring your own lunch.

“Apron Strings” Friendship Tea and UFO — Jacqui Santangelo

DATE: September 28, 2013 (Saturday)

TIME: 9:30 AM – 4 PM (8:30 set up)

PLACE: [Good Shepherd Lutheran Church](#)

PRICE: Free

LUNCH: Member sign up sheet for Tea Lunch either: Soup / Tea Sandwich / Salad / Dessert

MORE INFO: Spend a fun day getting to know new things about your fellow guild members. Keeping with the theme - members wear your best vintage, retro or modern apron.

Tell us who was your favorite apron wearing TV mom.

Was it June Cleaver, Harriet Nelson, Donna Reed, Mary Tyler Moore, or Peg Bundy? Sign up to get your own little apron quilt pattern.

More ScrapNation projects to demonstrate for using up your scraps.

You can also bring your UFO projects to complete.

Pineapple Wallhanging—

Nancy Bills

DATE: October 26, 2013 (Saturday)

TIME: 10 AM to 4 PM

PLACE: [Steve's Sewing Vacuum & Quilting](#)

PRICE: \$25.00

LUNCH: Please bring your own lunch.





Quilt Shows

The **Art Quilt Gallery** presents contemporary art quilts shows at 133 West 25th St, New York City. For more info visit www.artquiltgallerynyc.com/.

My Mother's Stitches - May 9-10, 2013. Presented by Calvary United Church of Christ at 1231 Route 100, Barto, PA. There will be over 90 quilts exhibited with some dating into the 1800s. They will include the Boyer/Endy quilt created in the 1890s and featured in the crazy quilt display at the Berks County Museum in the 1990s. This project started two years ago as part of our churches 150th anniversary. All of the quilts came from the closets and cedar chests and attics of our church family. It was such a success that we have searched further and asked our extended family to join us for this repeat project. We ask for a \$5.00 donation. For more info call Pauline Weller at 610-845-8059.

A Quilted Garden Quilt Show - May 31 - June 1, 2013. Presented by the Bayside Quilters of the Eastern Shore Guild at St Paul's Church, 225 S. Morris Street, Oxford, MD. For more info visit www.baysidequilters.com.

Fabulous at Forty - May 31 - June 2, 2013. Presented by Quilters Unlimited at Dulles Expo Center, South Building, Chantilly, VA. For more info visit www.quiltersunlimited.org/show.htm.

Sounds Like New Jersey - June 1-2, 2013. Presented by Garden State Quilters Guild at the William G Morris Sports Arena at 161 Hanover Ave, Morristown, NJ. For more info visit www.gardenstatequilters.com/quiltshow.html

Amish Country Quilt Show - June 6-8, 2013. Presented by ProShow, Inc at the Buckeye Event Center, 624 Henry St, Dalton, OH. For more info visit www.amishcountryquiltshow.com/.

Quilts by the Bay 2013 - June 15-16, 2013. Hosted by the Annapolis Quilt guild at the Annapolis Senior High School, 2700 Riva Road, Annapolis MD. For more info visit www.annapolisquiltguild.org.

West Virginia Quilt Festival - June 20-23, 2013. Presented by the Quilt Guild of West Virginia at the Summersville Arena & Conference Center in Summersville, WV. For more info visit www.wvquilters.org/.

Stitching in the Valley - June 22-23, 2013. presented by the Milford Valley Quilters Guild at the Delaware Valley High School, 252 Rte 6 and 209, Milford. PA. For more info visit sites.google.com/site/milfordvalleyquiltersguild/home.

NQA 44th Annual Quilt Show - June 27-29, 2013. At the Greater Columbus Convention Center, Columbus, OH. For more info visit nqaquiltshow.org/Show.

Vermont Quilt Festival - June 28-30, 2013. At Champlain Valley Exposition, Essex Junction, VT. For more info visit www.vqf.org/.

Quilt Odyssey - July 25-28, 2013. At the Hershey Lodge & Convention Center in Hershey, PA 17033. For more info visit server7.pacecomputing.com/quiltodysseycom/www/index.php.

Kansas Troubles: Traditional Quilts with a Twist - July 30, 2013. Presented by Quilt Museum at the Old Country Store, features nine original quilts designed by Lynne Hagmeier, a nationally recognized fabric designer. Lynne Hagmeier is also making an appearance at the show. At the Old Country Store, 3510 Old Philadelphia Pike, Intercourse, PA. For more info visit www.ocsquiltmuseum.com/.

Basket of Friendship 2013 - August 2-3, 2013. Presented by Four County Quilters Guild at the Frederick County Fairgrounds, 797 East Patrick Street, Frederick, MD. For more info visit www.fourcountyquilters.com/quilt-show.html.

Diamond State Quilt Show - August 8-10, 2013. Presented by Ladybug Quilt Guild at The Delaware School for the Deaf, Route 4, Newark, Delaware. For more info visit ladybugquiltguild.weebly.com/.

World Quilt Show - New England XI - August 15-18, 2013. Presented by Mancuso Show Management, one of the most internationally diverse events of its kind in the world of quilting and the textile arts. at The Radisson Center of New Hampshire, Manchester, New Hampshire. For more info visit www.quiltfest.com/activities.asp?id=18.

Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza XVIII - September 19-22, 2013. Presented by Mancuso Show Management, the largest and most prominent quilting arts event in the Northeast all under one roof at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, Phoenixville, PA. For more info visit www.quiltfest.com/activities.asp?id=4.

Meeting Minutes – April 16, 2013

Candy welcomed members & guests

Distributions – Connecting Threads – Ruth Heslin will be placing the order

Comfort Quilts – Charlene Haggerty read a thank you note from St. Christopher's Hospital. We received an invitation from St. Christopher's to attend a volunteer recognition luncheon on April 23 and from the South East Veteran Center on April 27. Please contact Charlene if you are interested in attending.

Library - Thanks to Ethel Hutchinson and Karen Wu for assisting Diana in weeding out the books from our library. This gives us room to expand our library with more up-to-date books. Any books you would like to add to our library, please let Diana know.

Class – Barbara Jones is teaching a class at Steve's on Paper Piecing on June 9. Please call Steve's if you are interested in attending.

Retreat – Sue Fisher talked about fall retreat at Black Rock Retreat in Quarryville – Dates are October 3-6, 2013 with many options available. Registration forms were distributed, and will need to be completed by May. Additional information will be on our website.

Bees - see page 3

Door Prize - Membership count = 78

New members: Megan and Linda. Welcome!

Winners: Marge Quinn, Rose Warren and Mary Molettieri

Winner: Ann Palmer who was not wearing her pin. **Wear your Pin**

Workshops – see page 4

Fat Quarter – Challenge for this quarter - A Tisket, A Tasket, Solids for a Basket. You may also enter if you download a basket pattern and give to Sue Fisher.

Four Seasons 2013 Challenge

I read an interesting article in Quilt Life called "Timeline for the Quilt-Challenged". The author mentions some phases she goes through in accepting the theme of the challenge. She says she goes through excitement, panic, procrastination, design, deadline, reality, relief, and then repeat. Are you excited about designing your Seasons Challenge quilt? Are you procrastinating? Are you in a panic – you can't think of a design or you are wondering how you are going to accomplish what you have in mind?

Block of Month–Next month: Dolly Madison Star pg. 57

Winner: Ruth Heslin

Old Business

May 21 meeting – Reminder that due to Election night in May our meeting will be held across the street at the township building. We need to park in the back and enter the building. Go to the 2nd floor to Freedom Hall. An elevator is available. We will have refreshments but limited to bottles of water for drinks and finger foods for eating.

New Business

Newsletter - items to Kate by April 30th.

Program – Chris Candello introduced speaker Sue Reno, fiber artist

Thank you to our refreshment committee beautiful spring flowers were everywhere that you looked.

50/50 – winner Gail Forster

Show and Tell

Next meeting May 21at Township building– presentation by members Gina Shevchenko and Mary Molettieri – will also hear from our new slate of officers

Meeting adjourned at 9:00

Respectfully submitted, Marebeth Conard, Secretary



The reality is this: September seems way off but if you work on your challenge quilt right now and even finish it, you will feel relief – and then you will want to repeat the process with next year's challenge! So – go forth and do it!

For details about the 2013 challenge go to our website at <http://www.valleyforgequilters.org/Pro-Challenge-Pg.html>.

Any questions, ask Judy Snook

Dear Sew-n-Sew

This month I'm off on Safari looking for some answers to your many questions about quilting. I'll return next month with more advice.

Please keep sending your questions, comments or whatever to valleyforgequilters@gmail.com with Dear Sew-n-Sew in the subject line.

Fondly, Sew-n-Sew



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Guild Meeting Responsibilities

Hospitality	Norma Brechbiel, Jean Corday, Deb Graves, Catherine Morano & Barb Wright
Hostess/Door Prizes	Patti McLain Fulton, Cynthia DiLorenzo & Aline Hewitt
Programs	Chris Candello
Refreshments	Mary Larkin, Ann Palmer & Ethel Hutchinson
Set-up	Cathy Fennell

Guild Events Responsibilities

Bees	
Afternoon	Jean Hayden
Evening	Donna Raymond
Appliqué	Gloria Clark, Martine Green & Judy Snook
Excursions	TBD
Quilt Show	Chris Candello & Jean Hayden
Retreats	Joan Gunder
Workshops	Jean Hayden
Projects & Support	
50/50 Raffle	Laura Chaplar & Barb Jones
Block of the Month	Jackie Gauker & Beth Quigley
Challenge	Judy Snook
Comfort Quilts	Charlene Hagerty
Dear Sew-N-Sew	Deb Bianco
Fabric Raffle	Gloria Clark
Member Comfort	Judy Snook & Rosemary Geisler
Raffle Quilt	Sally Chillington & Jackie Iglehart
Raffle Quilt Exhibiting	Linda Vanek
Sunshine	Norma Brechbiel

Birthdays

May

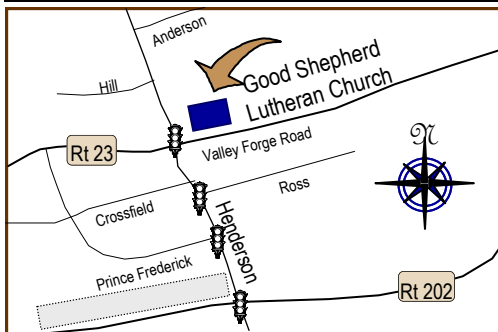
May 2	Beth Quigley
May 6	Cynthia DiLorenzo
May 6	Margaret Gingerich
May 9	Harriet Kagen
May 14	Ruth Heslin
May 22	Carol Dilks

June

June 4	Sally Rapp
June 5	Marebeth Conard
June 5	Phyllis Manley
June 6	Sue Fisher
June 8	Nancy Hannum
June 19	Jackie Iglehart
June 20	Candy Garrido
June 23	Susan DeVoe
June 23	Joyce Stemple
June 28	Donna Raymond

Guild Meetings

DAY: Third Tuesday of each month
TIME: 7 p.m.
PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
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Newsletter Submissions

Information for the next newsletter must be received by May 31st.

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