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Valley Forge Homestead Quilters

Guild Newsletter

November 2014

Presidempress' Message

I had planned on talking about the Quilt Show in this message, but something else interferred. I am a grandma 3 months earlier than anticipated. Due to complications, Callie Anne was born Monday, October 27! She is doing great. She weighed one pound nine ounces and she is perfect! Mom is recovering nicely. My daughter-in-law is one tough and determined woman.

The Quilt Show was also perfect. We have a lot of very talented members and it showed in the quilts displayed and in how smoothly the show proceeded. Thank you to everyone involved, most especially Chris and Jean.

Jackie Gauker

And the winner is...



President Jackie Gauker drawing winning ticket

Next Guild Meeting – November 18, 2014

Program

The November 18th meeting will be an entertaining one as we learn which quilts won Viewer's Choice and hear the story of how they were made.

Refreshments

Sweet

- Gloria Clark
- Karen Glasthal
- Peggy Melachrinos
- Judy Snook
- Barbara Hughes
- Nancy Hannum
- Lisa Steur

Savory

- Cathy Fennell
- Marie Politowski
- Lynn Radliff
- Linda Hamel
- Sally Lightcap
- Dottie Dolgash

Beverage

- Donna Raymond
- Julia Taylor
- Karen Wu
- Paula Pettyjohn
- Theresa Martini

Set up:

- April Hostler
- Karen Wu

Clean up:

- Ann Palmer
- Charlene Hagerty

Next Guild Meeting – November 18, 2014

Fat Quarter Raffle: Holiday

I don't know about any three month period that has more holidays in it than October, November, and December. Your fat quarter or quarters may represent on of the many holidays in this time period. They may be print appropriate, color appropriate, etc. You may be the lucky winner who gets to add lots of varied fabrics to an ever growing stash.

Gloria Clark

Block of the Month

These are the November blocks. Bring your October and November blocks to the November meeting. There will be two baskets and two drawings in November to get us caught up.



#33 Twin Sisters—
Easy



#22 Piwheel—
Womewhat Ex-
perienced



#49 Order #11—
Difficult

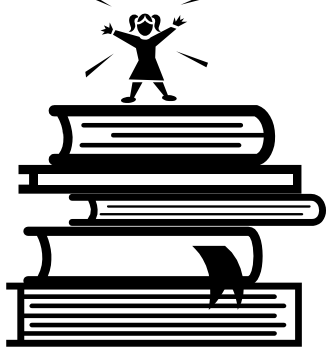
Charlene Hagerty

Redner's

Do you shop at Redner's? If so, you may put your receipts in the container on the information table for the guild to earn money as they accumulate.



The Library Corner

The new ruler and template library is up and running. A list of the rulers that we have so far is clipped to the front of the sign out sheet. Smaller rulers in plastic envelopes listing their contents will be found in the marked box on the lower shelf. Over size rulers, like the circle wedge rulers, hopefully will be able to be hung on the side somehow. We are still working on that. If you don't see something, just ask us. Sign out for rulers is the same as for books. Ruler loans are for one month only so that everyone can have a turn.

Another topic that is not too early to bring up is our 2015 guild challenge – Animals. We have a number of books that include paper pieced, appliqued and/or regular pieced representations of animals. Don't forget that there are dozens of interesting quilt blocks out there with animal references that also fit the spirit of the competition. The classics Bear Paw and Monkey Wrench come readily to mind, but what about Mare's Nest, Squirrel in a Cage, Virginia Worm Fence, Leo's Lion or Fish Scale? The latter pattern names came out of my personal block encyclopedia index, but we have a number of quilt block collections in our library as well. Check the "Topic" section of the catalog for the keyword 'animal' or 'blocks'. The topic section does not list all books that have a pattern or two relating to the topic, only those that are primarily based upon the topic so do also check out books that might contain a pattern or two based on your quilting preferences (applique, art, paper piecing etc.).

From your librarians
Diana Heiney and Sally Chillington

Bees

Evening Bee 4th Tuesday 6:30-9 PM

November

November 25 Donna Raymond hostess

December

No evening bee due to holiday

Afternoon Bee 2nd Tuesday 12:30-3:30 PM

November

November 11 Judy Snook hostess

December

December 9 Paula Pettyjohn hostess

Appliqué Bee 1st Tuesday 7-9 PM

December

December 2 Martine Green hostess

Northern Bee 5th Tuesday 6:30-9 PM

December

December 30 Joyce Stemple hostess



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 layout 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), Gloria Clark (Appliqué Bee), or Mary Molettiere (Northern Bee).

Comfort Quilt Gathering

There will not be a gathering in November. Look forward to making kits for the February workshop and enjoy a Christmas lunch at Maxine's. The date is to be announced.

Maxine Close

New Members

Sheila Brassington

Sheila Brassington began sewing clothes for her teddy bear at the age of seven. She quilted tentatively in the 80s, badly in the 90s, and began really quilting in the 2000s. She remembers tying quilts with her aunts as a child. Sheila usually makes bed size quilts. She discovered it's much easier to wash quilts than clean cat hair (she has nine) off upholstery so she has made small chair cushion sized quilts for her sewing room chair. Sheila likes to needlepoint, knit, embroider, read, walk, and work out. She is a consulting accountant and is married.

Ruth Ann Joslin

Ruth Ann has been sewing for fifty years, quilting for twenty. She originally thought quilting would be more affordable than needlepoint. Now she does both and also knits. She designed the needlepoint kneelers on the altar of Good Shepherd Church. Ruth Ann also likes to make wedding dresses! She is an office manager of a company, is married, and enjoys her three grandchildren.

Any new members that have not emailed their 'Welcome New Member' form that was in your blue folder, please do so. We would love to have you included in an upcoming newsletter to introduce you to everyone.

Thanks Mary Molettiere (Marymolly@comcast.net)



Guild Workshops

January—

Scrap Workshop with Jacqui

DATE: January 24, 2015
 TIME: 9:30 AM to 4 PM (8:30 set up)
 PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
 PRICE: \$10.00
 LUNCH: Please bring your own lunch.

Your Scrap Director, Jacqui Santangelo has another workshop planned for you.

Leftover fabric from your Quilt Show projects? I have two Villa Rosa Design Cards to choose from to use up those scraps. Start now. The patterns call for 37 to 40 strips cut to 2 1/2" with 2 yards of background fabric also cut to 2 1/2" strips. Use your scraps, dig into your stash or take the easy way and use a Jelly Roll. You will have another nice throw quilt in no time and not another UFO.

Sign up sheet will be distributed at the November meeting

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.

Remember if you signed up for a workshop and find you cannot attend, please phone Jean Hayden to let her know.

She's back! Our Scrap Queen! Workshop in January



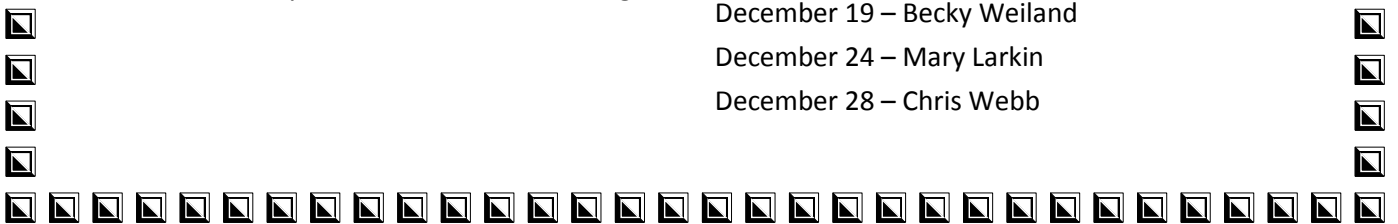
Birthdays

November

- November 12 – Sally Lightcap and Wanda Marrone
- November 13 – Sandy Darlington
- November 17 – Aline Hewitt
- November 19 – Joan Markowitz
- November 21 – Hedy DeMito and Sheila Brassington

December

- December 2 – Joan Gunder and Karen Wu
- December 3 – Ethel Hutchinson
- December 4 – Kim Girard
- December 5 – Ann Palmer
- December 8 – Gerry Fontaine
- December 12 – Dottie Dolgash
- December 19 – Becky Weiland
- December 24 – Mary Larkin
- December 28 – Chris Webb



VFHQ Challenge 2014-2015

Our challenge this year is: Animals

Your challenge quilt this year revolves around the theme Animals. This can be:

- ◆ Applique
- ◆ paper pieced
- ◆ quilt pattern that suggests animals such as Bear Paw or Flying Geese, or any other construction technique

Certain rules must be followed:

- ☞ The quilt must represent animal(s). This can include birds and fish.
- ☞ Your quilt should be no larger than 50 inches on any side.
- ☞ It may be any quilted item such as a quilt, jacket, bag, pillow, etc.
- ☞ Your quilt should be made during the coming year, October 2014 – September 2015.
- ☞ Include with your submission, a typed or neatly printed description of your quilt including possibly a unique technique or something that occurred during the making of your quilt. Use 50-70 words in your description on a card no larger than 8" x 8".
- ☞ As usual, only one entry per person will be accepted.

Completed challenge quilts will be displayed and voted on at the September 2015 guild meeting.

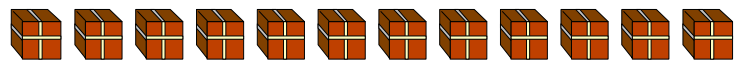
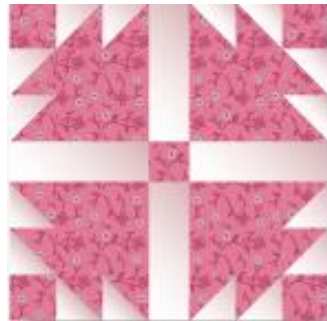
Any questions can be directed to Judy Snook, judyann112@verizon.net or call 610-933-8094.

Spring 2014 Retreat
April 9-10-11-12, 2015
 Blackrock Retreat Center
 1345 Kirkwood Pike
 Quarryville PA 17566
<http://www.blackrockretreat.com>
 Coordinator: Sue Fisher
 (sewingbysue@comcast.net)

3 Night Pkg -- \$320pp // 2 Night Pkg -- \$220pp
Now Accepting Reservations!
 \$50 Deposit Due by December 16



Drawing of winner of Bernina sewing machine donated by Steve's Sewing Center



December Meeting Preview

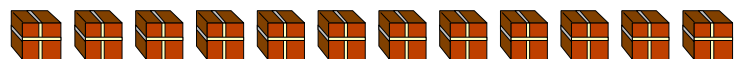
The December 16th meeting will be our Holiday Party. You may bring a Pollyanna gift (\$15 value that is sewing or quilting related) to participate in an exchange guided by A Secret Person.

If you signed up to bring refreshments in December, disregard that sign up. Instead bring the appetizers or desserts according to the first letter of your last name.

A – J - dessert

K – Z - appetizer

Beverages will be provided by the Board



Meeting Minutes – October 21, 2014

Members signed in quilts for the quilt show. There was an abbreviated business meeting. Members did handwork, socialized, and enjoyed the food.

Standing Business

The refreshment list was circulated.

AccuQuilt® die cutter: Jackie requested a show of hands how many were interested in using a snowflake die. The \$99 die makes 7” snowflake shapes.

Comfort Quilts – Maxine Close had delivered quilts to University of Pennsylvania Abramson Cancer Center. The guild received e-mail from a leukemia patient thanking us for a quilt. Maxine made posters about our comfort quilts and related activities. These will be displayed at the quilt show.

Membership – Mary Molettieri: look for your new membership card in your name badge.

Retreat – Sue Fisher: Sue announced the spring and fall retreats. See elsewhere in this newsletter.

New members, Visitors and Door Prizes – no door prizes tonight. New members: Joanne Franklin and Judy Tokar.

Fat Quarter Raffle – Suspended for this month. Next month the theme is seasonal holidays.

Block of the Month – Suspended for this month. Bring October and November blocks (see elsewhere in the newsletter) in November. There will be two drawings.

Suggestion Box – Suspended for this month.

New Business

Program: Our crack team efficiently collected everyone’s quilts for the show.

Show and tell – Suspended for this month.

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 18, 2014: Quilt Show recap.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Graves, 10/22/14

Local Quilt Shows

8th Annual Exhibition of Quilts 2014 - November 21-23, 2014. Presented by Lebanon Quilters Guild at the Lebanon Expo Center, 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA. For more info visit <http://lebanonquiltersguild.com/exhibition-of-quilts/>.

For info about more quilt shows...

Checkout our website for local and regional quilt shows.



Donna LeBlanc with her quilt



Patti McLain Fulton with her quilt



A sale is made in our show boutique



Sally Rapp in workshop room

Newsletter Submissions

Information for the next newsletter must be received by November 25, 2014

Send to:

Judy Snook

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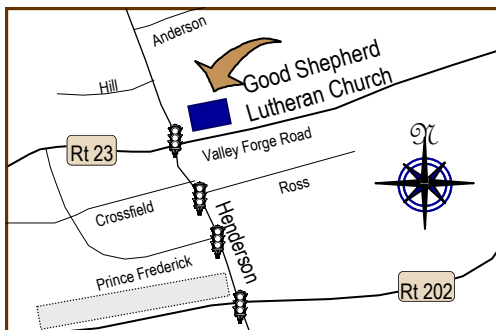
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Guild Meetings

DAY: Third Tuesday of each month

TIME: 7 p.m.

PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,
King of Prussia, PA



Board of Directors

President	Jackie Gauker
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Workshop Chair	Jean Hayden

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Guild Meeting Responsibilities

Hospitality	Cynthia DiLorenzo, Marebeth Conard, & Winnie Spoons
Hostess	Cynthia DiLorenzo, Sue Fisher, Patti McLain-Fulton, & Ailene Hewitt,
Programs	Chris Candello, Laura Chaplar, Gloria Clark, Jean Corday, Rosemary Geisler, Beth Quigley, & Judy Snook
Refreshments	Ethel Hutchinson, Kim Girard, Arlene McCall, & Joyce Stemple
Set-up Coordinator	Cathy Fennell & Linda Wilson

Guild Events Responsibilities

Bees	
Afternoon	Jean Hayden
Evening	Donna Raymond
Appliqué	Gloria Clark
Northern	Mary Molettieri
Excursion Coordinator	Open
Quilt Show Chair	Chris Candello
Retreat Coordinator	Sue Fisher
Workshops	Jean Hayden, Marilyn Lorenz, & Kate Sevensky

Projects & Support

50/50 Raffle	Laura Chaplar
AccuQuilt Coordinator	Maxine Close
Block of the Month	Charlene Hagerty & Donna Raymond
Challenge	Judy Snook, Carol Olinick & Rose Warren
Comfort Quilts	Maxine Close, Marsha Bullwinkle, Sally Chillington, Sandy Dounce, Susan Dryburgh, Charlene Hagerty, Mary Larkin, Catherine Morano, Carol Olinick, Ann Palmer, Paula Pettyjohn, Joan Shaw, Barb Wright, & Karen Wu
Dear Sew-N-Sew	Deb Bianco
Fabric Raffle	Gloria Clark & Sue Fisher
Member Comfort	Rosemary Geisler & Judy Snook
Raffle Quilt Coordinator	Sally Chillington
Raffle Quilt Exhibiting	Linda Vanek
Sunshine	Norma Brechbiel