



Valley Forge Homestead Quilters

Guild Newsletter

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February 2018

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Chatter with Cathy

I always find it interesting that various companies decide to have a "color of the year" and usually they are colors I'm not particularly fond of or would use in a quilt. This year is no different! Kona's color of the year is Tiger Lily; while Pantone's color of the year is Ultraviolet



Again, I would probably not use either of these colors although my daughter does like purples. I could see using these together but not something I would keep for myself. What are your favorite colors? Do you try to be trendy and use the colors of the year or is it something that is of no importance? Whatever your color choices, make the quilt that makes you happy no matter what the trend is at the time. Let it sew! Let it sew! Let it sew!

Cathy Fennell

February 20, 2018 Guild Meeting

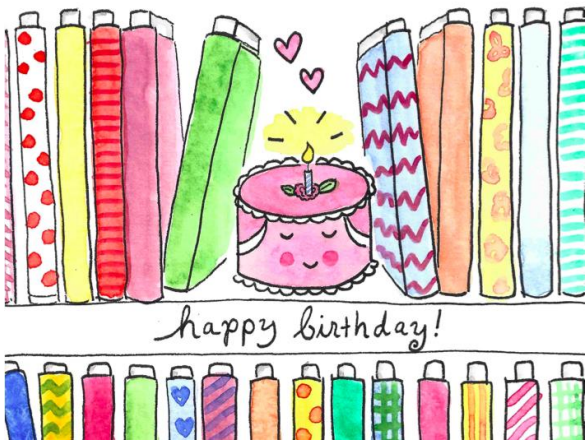
In February, four members of our guild will demo four different ways to bind a quilt. They will do it up close and personal. Sometimes members in the back of the room can't always see what's going on up front. Cathy Fennell, Susan Glaser, Nancy Hannum, and Beth Mancini will demo their specific technique and we will rotate around the room.

March 20, 2018 Guild Meeting

In March, Kelly Meanix will speak on "How Blogging, Instagram and Facebook Changed the Way I Quilt". Kelly's workshop on **Free Formed Trees** will be held Saturday, March 3rd. There is still room for you to sign up and take this workshop.

Gloria Clark





Birthdays

February :

- 3 Arlene McCall
- 9 Molly Lorenz
- 10 Barbara Jones
- 19 Ann Lister
- 24 Sandy Dounce
- 28 Lynn Horne
- 28 Linda Vanek

March :

- 4 Lou Chandler
- 4 Susan Glaser
- 9 Patti McLain Fulton
- 13 Gail Forster
- 15 Lisa Steuer
- 18 Cathy Fennell
- 19 Joan Hagerman
- 26 Barbara Wright
- 27 Pat Brant
- 29 Miriam Bermudez



Guild Meeting Minutes

There are no Valley Forge Homestead Quilt Guild minutes from January 16, 2018. Meeting cancelled because of weather.

The Table Runner Bliss Club 2018

Our Tablerunner Club has officially begun and I am so excited that we have 35 ladies sewing along for a year. We will be making a total of 6 projects. At our February meeting Judy Snook, Cathy Fennell and I will show you what we made with our first project.

And then at our March meeting, all the ladies will have their reveal. It will be so much fun to see their colors and fabrics. Did they decide to make the table runner, a wall hanging, a table topper, or a pillow? The possibilities are endless!! And we have prizes to give away too.

Jean Corday

Raffle Quilt Tickets

Each guild member is responsible for selling quilt raffle tickets. Have you picked up yours? See Marge Quinn. How about selling even more tickets! See Marge. This is one way to make our quilt show a success. Please do your part.

What If It Snows?

In case of inclement weather, the president and vice president decide together whether to hold or cancel a meeting. If the meeting is cancelled, an email blast will be sent out to all members by noon of the day of the meeting.

Hohl Challenge Quilt

If you are participating in the HOHL Challenge, your 24" x 24" quilt needs to be handed in at the February 20 guild meeting to either Cathy Fennell or Phyllis Manley. Please put a label on the back of your quilt as well as a hanging sleeve. The submission form below needs to be filled out and attached to your entry. So far, three members are participating; I hope there will be more

Cathy Fennell

Hohl Challenge Quilt Submission

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Guild: _____

Name of Quilt: _____

Brief Description:

Techniques used: _____

Tell us about your quilt: (This info will go on your hang tag.)

Please take a cell phone picture of your quilt and attach it to this form. (In case your quilt and your form part ways, we can easily identify your quilt.)

Local Quilt Shows

February 2018

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival - February 22-25, 2018. Presented by Mancuso Show Management at the [Hampton Roads Convention Center](#), Hampton, Virginia. <http://www.quiltfest.com/>.

World War I Centennial - March 2-3, 2018. Presented by Susquehanna Valley Quilters at Warrior Run Area Fire Dept. Social Hall, 1st Street, Allenwood, PA. For more info visit <http://susqvalleyquilters.org/2018quiltshow>

Loose Threads Tea - March 10, 2018. Presented by the Loose Threads Quilt Guild at the First United Church of Christ, 145 Chestnut Street, Spring City, PA. For more info visit <http://www.theloosethreadsquilters.org>

Art Quilt Elements 2018 - March 18-April 28, 2018. At the Wayne Art Center, 413 Maplewood Ave, Wayne, PA. For more info visit <http://artquilelements.org/>.

AQS Quilt Week - March 21-24, 2018. Presented by AQS at the Marriott at the [Lancaster County Convention Center](#), Lancaster, PA. For more info visit <http://aqsshows.com>.

Lancaster Quilt Show - March 21-24, 2018. Many vendors at the [Continental Inn](#), Lancaster, PA. For more info visit <http://www.lancasterquiltshow.webs.com/>.

2018 Relief Sale - April 6-7, 2018. Since 1957, all sale day proceeds benefit the worldwide relief efforts of Mennonite Central Committee which include aid to the victims of poverty and other man-made and natural disasters. At the [Farm Show Complex](#), Harrisburg, PA. For more info visit <http://www.pareliefsale.org/>.

Around the Garden Path Quilt Show - April 14-15, 2018. Presented by County Line Quilters at St. Cyril of Jerusalem Social Hall, 1410 Almshouse Rd., Jamison, PA. For more info visit <http://countylinequilters.org/>.

Roses 2018 Quilt Show - April 14-15, 2018. Presented by Beachplum Quilters of the Jersey Shore at [Tom River Elks Lodge #1875](#), 600 Washington Street, Toms River, NJ. For more info visit <http://www.beachplumquilters.org/>.

AQS Quilt Week - April 18-21, 2018. Presented by AQS at the Paducah-McCracken County

Convention & Expo Center, 1 Executive Blvd, Paducah, KY. <http://aqsshows.com>.

The Quilt & Sewing Fest of New Jersey - April 26-29, 2018. Presented by Mancuso Show Management at the [Garden State Exhibit Center](#), Somerset, NJ. <http://www.quiltfest.com/>.

For info about more quilt shows...

Checkout our [website](#) for local and regional quilt shows.

Cathy Radcliffe

How To Finish Your WIPs

Kim Jamieson-Hirst of Chatterbox Quilts has some ideas on how to finish those WIP/UFO projects you have hanging around. You can follow her on her blog and on her Chatterbox Quilts Facebook Group page (www.chatterboxquilts.com/fbgroup). Here are a few of her suggestions.

1. Set a time to take out pen and pencil to gather your thoughts about those projects.
2. Gather all of the projects. Yes, all of them.
3. Decide if each project is one that you want to finish or one that you aren't interested in any more.
4. Make two piles, one of projects that you still want to finish and the other of ones you no longer want to make. Put this last pile out of sight.
5. Take out that pen and paper (it could be a notebook) and list all the projects and what needs to be done on each. (You can make a checklist to keep track of what needs to be done. Each item checked off shows accomplishment!)
6. Storage - decide where and how you are going to store each project so it is easy to grab one to work on.
7. Choose a WIP to work on and go to work!

Kim has suggestions of what you can do with that pile of WIPs you have no interest in finishing. Next month you will find out what she says.

Workshops

Maxine has set a goal of 125 charity/comfort quilts for 2018. So far three have been turned in. Here is an opportunity to work toward that goal!

Charity Comfort Quilts

DATE: Saturday, February 24, 2018
 TIME: 9:30 am to 4 pm
 PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
 PRICE: Free
 LUNCH: Provided

Free Formed Trees with Kelly Meanix, all pieced, not appliqued.

This workshop has been opened to other guilds in the area. Feel free to invite any of your friends or family members to sign up at this time.

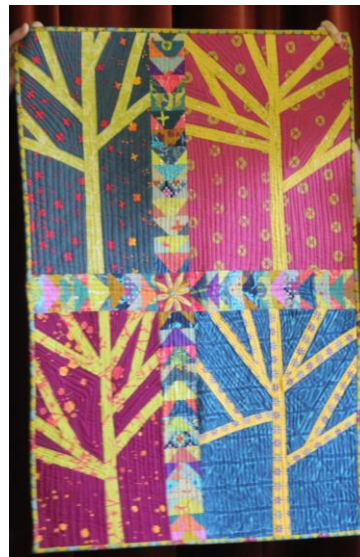
DATE: Saturday, March 3, 2018
 TIME: 9:00 am to 4 pm
 PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
 PRICE: \$30 to \$40 depending on number of people who sign up for the class. \$10 non-refundable deposit required.
 LUNCH: Please bring your own

UFO Workshop

DATE: Saturday, April 28, 2018
 TIME: 9:30 am to 4 pm
 PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
 PRICE: \$10
 LUNCH: Please bring your own

Workshop Notes:

Workshop fees are non-refundable. Fees can be given to Jean Hayden at guild meetings or mail her a check. Remember if you sign up for a workshop and find you cannot attend, please call Jean.



Workshop Tip

Don't rely just on your memory! Remember that your phone's camera is your best friend when taking a workshop. Take photos of any class instructions or examples that you may forget later on.

February Refreshments

Savory Appetizers	Sweet Desserts	Beverage
Linda Ulinski Paula Pettijohn Linda Mitchell Sue Fisher Hedy DeMito Lisa Long Ann Palmer	Arlene McCall Ruth Heslin Marjorie Gavitt Linda Hamel Phyllis Manley	Sheila Brassington Molly Lorenz Mary Molettiere Barbara Hughes



Bees... Bees... Bees... Bees



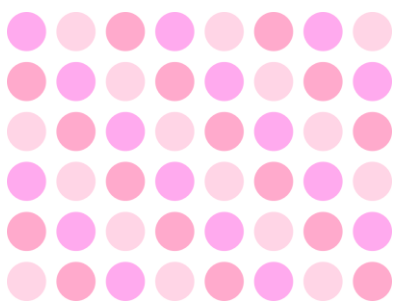
Bees are a very good way to meet friends while doing a variety of handwork. Soon the coordinators of each been will be looking for members to host a bee during 2018. Hosting a bee is easy. You greet your fellow members, provide a place to sew, and provide a dessert/snacks if you wish. Rosemary Geisler will be looking for volunteers for the applique bee (where you can work on whatever you wish; it doesn't have to be applique). Jean Hayden will be filling up the afternoon bee times. Judy Snook will be interested in finding people to host the evening bee. The Northern Bee is already set as is the fourth Thursday bee with Ruth Heslin which meets at the Fairview Village Church from 6:00-8:30. Now you need to use the main entrance because of added security.

Applique Bee	Afternoon Bee	Evening Bee	Northern Bee	Thursday Evening Bee
1st Tues 7-9 p.m.	2nd Tues 12:30-3:30 p.m.	4th Tues 7-9 p.m.	5th Tues 6:30-9:30 p.m.	4th Thurs 6-8:30 p.m.
February 6 th Judy Snook	February 13 th Judy Snook	February 27 th Jean Hayden	May 29 th Ann Palmer	February 22 nd
March 6 th TBA	March 13 th Karen Glasthal	March 27 th Martine Green		Fairview Church <u>Use Main Entrance</u>

Fat Quarter Raffle

With the snow days we have had so far this year, hopefully you are going through your stash and have found some polka dot fat quarters you can bring to the meeting for the fat quarter raffle. Is there a project on your WIP checklist that could use some polka dot fabric? Bring a fat quarter in hopes of winning many.

Lisa Long



Comfort Quilts Needed

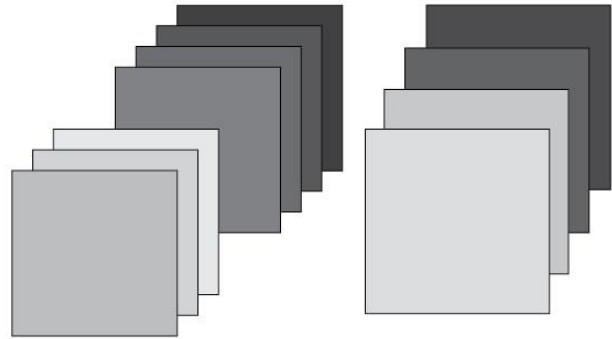
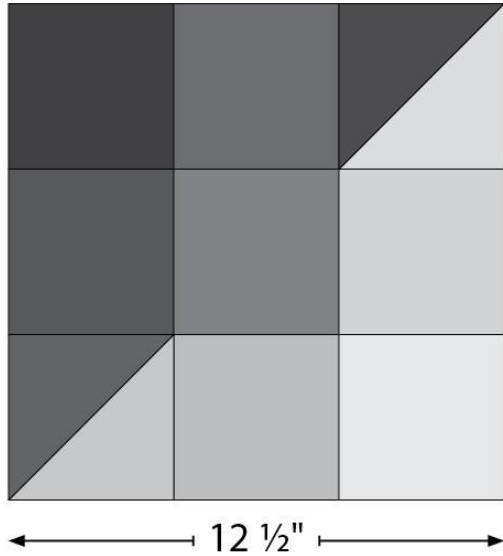
Quilts and quilt blocks are being gathered nationwide to help those in California who are recovering from the fires and mudslides that have devastated their homes and lives. Sandy Darlington has offered to be our coordinator for this effort. She will be sending our contribution to the Ventura Modern Quilt Guild in California who are asking for our help. They asked for the Perkiomen Valley to be made. If enough blocks are collected, Sandy will make them into a quilt. Any color combination can be used; the emphasis is on lights and darks.

More information and the directions for the Perkiomen Valley block can be found on page 7 of this newsletter or at www.venturamodernquiltguild.com Please bring any blocks you make to Sandy at our February and March meetings.

Perkiomen Valley Block

Thomas Fire Relief Quilts

Thank you for joining us to give comfort to those who have endured the Thomas Fire.



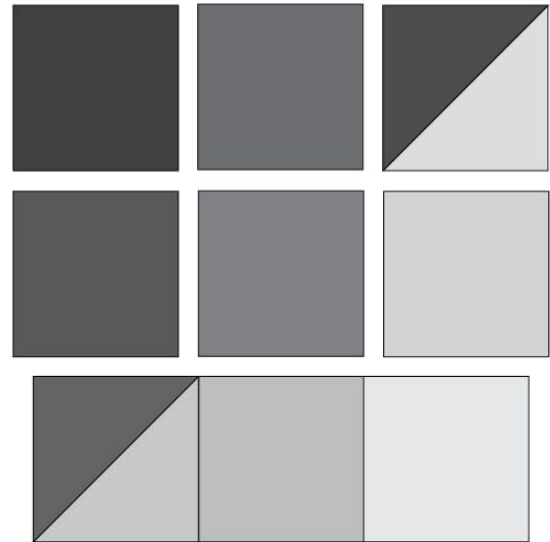
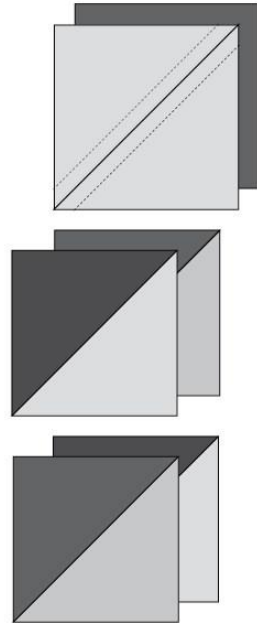
7 – 4 ½"
Squares
4 Dark
3 Light

4 – 5"
Squares
2 Dark
2 Light

Draw a diagonal line on the back of both of the 5" light squares.

Place 1 of the light square on a 5" dark square, right sides together, and sew a scant ¼" seam on both sides of the drawn line.

Cut on drawn line for to create 2 half-square triangles, measuring 4 ½". Repeat with other set. You will end up with 4 half-square triangles (you only need 2, so you will have enough to make another block.)



Sew pieces together as illustrated using ¼" seam allowance.

Go to www.venturamodernquiltguild.com for more information.

Please send completed blocks to:

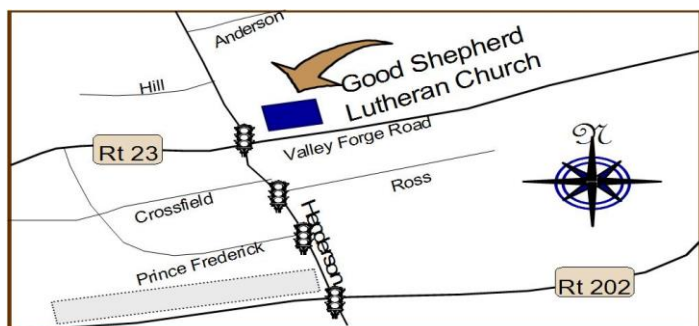
superbuzzy
attn: Ventura Modern Quilt Guild
1794 E. Main Street
Ventura, CA 93001



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Monthly Guild Meetings are held on the **Third** Tuesday of every month at 7 P.M. at the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in King of Prussia, PA



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Send to: Judy Snook
Information for the next newsletter must be received by the 25th of the month.

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