



Valley Forge Homestead Quilters

Guild Newsletter

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January 2019

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Chatter with Cathy

New Year resolutions to go; I have the best intention of really cleaning out my sewing room and reorganizing fabric in a way that makes sense, at least to me. My problem is that my closets are short and it is not easy to get to my bins of fabric, not sure how to change this but maybe switching closets will work. I resolve to finish all my WIPs and will try not to start anything new until the WIPs are finished. Sounds like a plan but may not be feasible unless we have lots of unexpected snow days. I, for one, can't wait to hear our January speaker to find out what I can do with my stash, uh oh, that would be a new project. What quilting resolutions are you making for 2019? Happy, happy New Year!

Cathy Fennell

January 15, 2019 Guild Meeting

In January Janalea Macbeth will speak to us about scrappy quilting. She has written a book entitled SCRAPSTASHTIC, and, even if you do not make scrap quilts, you will enjoy what she has to say about organizing your stash.

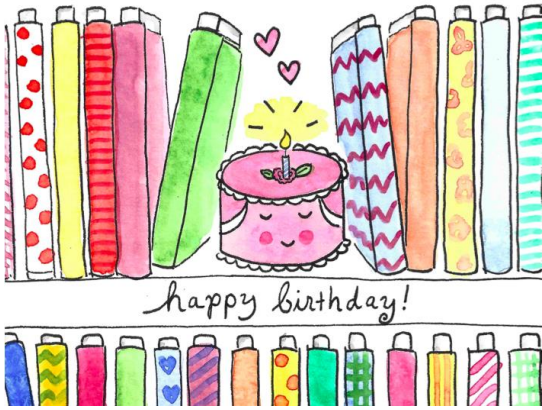
Gloria Clark

January Refreshments

Savory	Sweet Desserts	Beverage
Linda Vanek Sally Chillington Sandy Dounce Gerry Fontaine Gina Arasin Chris Candello Joan Shaw	April Hostler Linda Hamel Karen Glasthal Linda Newpher Lisa Long	Sandy Darlington Meghan Heslin Marebeth Conard Mary Stefanelli Joann Kirschenmen



February 18, 2019 Guild Meeting



Birthdays

January :

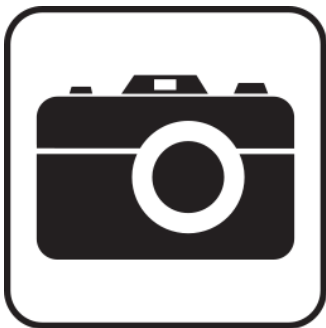
- 4 Rosemary Buritt
- 9 Donna LeBlanc
- 14 Martine Green
- 21 Mary Molettiere
- 30 Debbie Bianco
- 31 Marie Fitzgerald

February :

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

BLASTS FROM THE PAST describes our February program, and you will enjoy hearing from four of our members who will speak on their personal quilt journeys. You may even see some "first" quilts. Then you will see how their work has progressed over the years. It should be a fun evening. You may get a chuckle at some of those really early quilts from the seventies. Fabric has certainly come a long way.

Gloria Clark



Many thanks to Deb Graves for all the wonderful photos she provides every month to brighten our newsletter.

Comfort Quilts

The total for the year is 132!! Our goal was 125. Hooray for everyone who helped make quilts for people who will cherish them.

Maxine Close

Meeting Minutes December 18, 2018

WELCOME: President Cathy welcomed all members to our special evening. We had no visitors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Cathy made these announcements. The January theme for the Fat Quarter raffle is Food. The Tablerunner Bliss Club will show their projects in January. The workshop for January is a UFO workshop and help with past workshop projects. Joan Gunder is collecting deposit money for the spring retreat.

REFRESHMENTS: Cathy Fennell called the tables using the Twelve Days of Christmas theme. While we were eating and enjoying our food, each place setting had a beautiful card, a candy cane, and a swatch of fabric wrapped around a pencil. The card had a special message that our guild is making a donation to The Laurel House, a women's shelter. Cathy told us we donated to Good Shepherd Church from the quilt show proceeds.

PROGRAM: Before our program started, we cleared the tables and made a circle around the room with our chairs. Gloria Clark introduced the special guest who assisted with our gift exchange. Judy Snook read a story that she wrote about baking holiday cookies and with each word, "Right" or "Left," we passed our gifts back and forth, back and forth...such fun!!

SHOW AND TELL: While we were still in our circle we had a display of show and tell.

NEXT MEETING: In January Janellea Macbeth will have a presentation entitled *ScrapStashtic Quilts*.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:20 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: January 15, 2019

Respectively submitted
Jean Corday

Table Runner Bliss Club 2018

At the January meeting our club members will show the project they have chosen from the Tablerunner Bliss book. I can't wait to see what everyone has selected and what fabrics you are using. This will be the last reveal using the Bliss book.

BUT I have something special planned for 2019!! You will hear all the details at the January meeting. And the best part, we are not using a book so there will be no cost (\$\$\$) and with each project you should be able to use scraps, so this will be FREE to everyone. We must come up with a new name though.

Jean Corday



Gloria Clark – December Show and Tell

Local Quilt Shows

Katagami: The Japanese Stencil through July 28, 2019. At the Allentown Art Museum at 31 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA. The Japanese have printed fabric for centuries using katagami, hand carved mulberry paper stencils. These stencils' intricate designs and bold style amazed the European and American artists who encountered katagami at the turn of the century. Many became collectors and drew inspiration from these stencils—including architect Frank Lloyd Wright, whose library from the Little House is on view at the Museum. This selection of katagami from the collection highlights their appealing designs and cross-cultural history. For more info visit

<https://www.allentownartmuseum.org/exhibitions/on-view/katagami-the-japanese-stencil/>.

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival - February 28 - March 3, 2019. Presented by Mancuso Show Management at the [Hampton Roads Convention Center](#), 1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, Virginia. For more info visit <http://www.quiltfest.com/>.

AQS Quilt Week - February 27–March 2, 2019. Presented by AQS at the Ocean Center, 101 North Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL. For more info visit <http://aqsshows.com>.

Quilter's Tea – March 9, 2019. Presented by Loose Threads Quilters at the First United Church of Christ, 145 Chestnut Street, Spring City, PA. Admission is \$25 per person which includes buffet lunch. For more info visit <http://www.theloosethreadsquilters.org>.

Quilt Expo 2019 - March 23-24, 2019. Presented by the Baltimore Heritage Quilters Guild at The Park School Athletic Center, 2425 Old Court Rd, Baltimore, MD. For more info visit

<http://www.baltimorequilters.com/>.

AQS Quilt Week - March 27-30, 2019. Presented by AQS at the Marriott at the [Lancaster County Convention Center](#), 25 South Queen Street, Lancaster, PA. For more info visit <http://aqsshows.com>.

Lancaster Quilt Show - March 27-30, 2019. **Note new location!** Many vendors at the [DoubleTree Valley Resort](#), 2400 Willow Street Pike, Lancaster, PA. For more info visit

<http://www.lancasterquiltweek.com>.

2019 Relief Sale – April 5-6, 2019. 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/>.

Blooms of Spring - April 5-6, 2019. Presented by Homemaker's Country Quilters at the Penn State Extension Building, 1015 Bridge Road, Collegeville, PA. For more info visit

<http://homemakerscountryquilters.org/2019-quilt-show/>.

AQS Quilt Week - April 24-27, 2019. Presented by AQS at the [Schroeder Expo Center](#), 415 Park Street, Paducah, KY. For more info visit <http://aqsshows.com>.

Birds and Blooms and Butterflies Quilt Show - April 26-27, 2019. Presented by Ocean Waves Quilt Guild at Sussex Academy, 21150 Airport Road, Georgetown, DE. For more info visit

<http://www.oceanwavesquiltguild.org/quilt-show>.

For info about more quilt shows...

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

Cathy Radcliffe

Workshops

UFO and Refresher Workshop

Need help finishing projects from our past workshop? Find help for your mosaic, trees, thread painting or bargello projects!

DATE: Saturday, January 19, 2019
TIME: 9:30 am to 4 pm, setup at 9 am.
PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
PRICE: \$10
LUNCH: Bring your own lunch.

Comfort Quilt Workshop with Maxine Close

DATE: February 23, 2019
TIME: 9:30 am to 4 pm, setup at 9 am.
PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
PRICE: Free
LUNCH: Wonderful lunch provided by the Comfort Quilt Committee

Mini Hexies Workshop with Kelly Meanix

DATE: April 27, 2019
TIME: 9:30 am to 4 pm, setup at 9 am.
PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
PRICE: \$25-Payable to Jean before the workshop
Kit fee: \$10-Payable to Kelly at the workshop
LUNCH: Bring your own lunch.

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.

In Case of Snow



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.

Fat Quarter Raffle



FOOD! January is the month for the drawing to see who will take home all the fat quarters of food items. Bring one or more in for a chance to be the winner.

Lisa Long

New Year's Resolutions

It's true that eating healthy and moving our bodies will make us healthier but what will make us feel happier? Why seeing how many projects are languishing in drawers and closets. No, that doesn't make us happier! But tackling them does. Whether you follow the American Patchwork and Quilting UFO challenge or not, a good new year's resolution would be to see how many UFO/WIPs you can finish in 2019.

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



NEWS ABOUT BEES! You can knit, crochet, embroider, work with wool, or any other project at all of the bees. Some hostesses have room for you to bring your sewing machine. This will be mentioned in the weekly reminders.

<p>Afternoon Bee 2nd Tuesday 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. Coordinator – Jean Hayden</p>	<p>Evening Bee 4th Tuesday 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Coordinator – Judy Snook</p>	<p>Northern Bee 1th Tuesday 6:30-9:30 p.m. Coordinator – Mary Molettiere</p>	<p>Thurs Evening Bee 4th Thursday 6:00-8:30 p.m. Coordinator – Ruth Heslin</p>
<p>January 8th - Joan Shaw February 12th Marge Quinn</p>	<p>January 22nd – Joan Shaw February 26th Judy Snook</p>	<p>January 29th – Sue Fisher</p>	<p>January 24th Fairview Church <u>Use Main Entrance</u></p>



Family 'Comfort' Quilts

I heard somewhere about an old quilt in a family being referred to as the 'measles and mumps' quilt. It was so named, because it was placed on the bed when one of the children in the family was ill. The quilt, which was entirely made out of scraps was used as a game by the convalescing child. The idea was to find 'pairs' on the quilt. The possibilities for games and 'stories' are endless and today's quilter has access to the huge variety of fabrics with realistic motifs of every sort and description.

Caroline Wilkinson



Holiday Party



Our gift exchange emcee –
Judy Snook



Vicki Lopresti



Meghan Heslin



Our delicious holiday buffet



Maxine Close & Judy Tokar

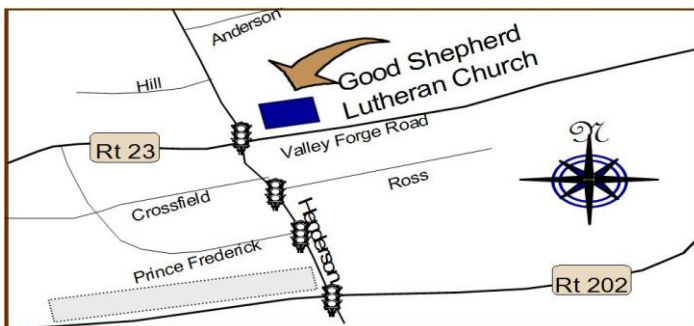




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Monthly Guild Meetings are held on the **Third** Tuesday of every month at 7 P.M. at the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in King of Prussia, PA



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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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