



Valley Forge Homestead Quilters

Guild Newsletter

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March 2020

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Chatter with Cathy

Although it is March it looks like spring has sprung. Many flowers are already blooming, and the greens of grass are vibrant. Nature is already celebrating St. Patrick’s Day! There is more to celebrate in March especially National Quilting Day which is March 21. The guild will honor this quilt holiday on March 14 as it is holding a Mystery Workshop. There’s still space if anyone is interested in taking up the challenge. Please contact Jean Hayden. The AQS Lancaster Quilt show is also this month, March 25 – 28 at the Lancaster County Convention Center. It is the last time it will be hosted in March so don’t miss this opportunity to see wonderful quilts and maybe take a workshop. As the weather warms up so do the opportunities to applaud quilting, please check out the newsletter with lots of quilting opportunities. Keep in mind as you are creating quilts, be they mystery or other, exhibiting them at our Quilt Show in October is a celebration of sharing. Happy Quilting! Happy Spring!

Cathy Fennell

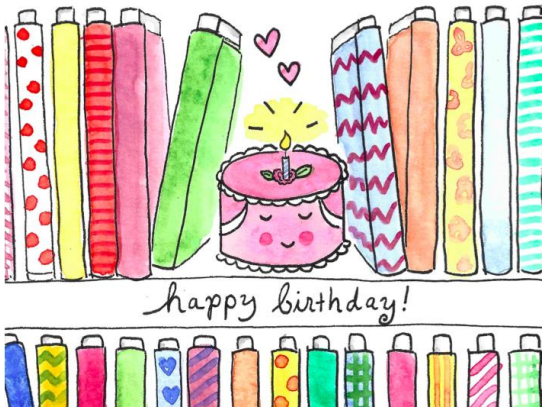
March 17, 2020 Meeting

Joan Radell of Bucklebee Bags will discuss *"Sticks & Stones"- Sewing History, Tips and Tricks*. She will have many quilting and sewing items for sale including several new items debuting this spring. Joan's booth at the Oaks Quilt show was always full with eager buyers so bring your wallet!

April 21, 2020 Meeting

Gail Kessler from Ladyfingers Sewing Studio will bring her vast Accu-quilt knowledge and show us how easy it is to learn to use our guild's Accuquilt Studio for lots of projects. She will have door prizes and will also bring quilting items to sell from her quilt store.

Ruth Heslin



Birthdays

March:

- 4 Lou Chandler
- 4 Susan Glaser
- 11 Benita Holden
- 13 Gail Forster
- 15 Lisa Steuer
- 18 Cathy Fennell
- 19 Joan Hagerman

April:

- 4 Rosemary Geisler
- 6 Marge Quinn
- 8 Carol Olinick
- 8 Babette Sutherland
- 9 Jean Corday
- 23 Kate Sevensky
- 27 April Hostler



Potholder-of-the-Month

There have been many beautiful snowmen and valentine potholders (and other items!) shown at the guild meeting. For March you can make Lamb Chop or Home Sweet Home – or both! April will be April Showers.

Molly Lorenz

Refreshments - March

Savory	Sweet Desserts	Beverage
Joan Gunder	Kate Sevensky	Sheila Brassington
Rose Warren	Nancy Hannum	Carol Olinick
Lisa Steuer	Linda Hamel	Laura Ocker
Molly Lorenz	Barbara Hughes	Marebeth Conard
Linda Jarosz	Babette Sutherland	
Linda Vanek		

Comfort Quilts

Fourteen quilts plus fifteen dolls were turned in at our Tuesday guild meeting. The total for the year is 39.

Maxine Close

PhD Challenge

Please bring to Show and Tell a completed PhD (Projects Half Done). The number you should complete is **5**. Keep on quilting!

Cathy Fennell

Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2020

WELCOME: Cathy Fennell welcomed new members and two visitors, Judy Norman and Carolee Rounsaville. Members were reminded to sign in when they arrive at the meeting.

DOOR PRIZES: The door prizes were won by Linda Jarosz, Joan Shaw, and Debbie Bianco.

COMFORT QUILTS: Maxine Close said twelve quilts were handed in. Twenty-five were completed at the workshop. Thank you notes were received from the VA and CHOP.

RAFFLE QUILT: Linda Newpher reminded members to purchase raffle tickets and gave the treasury report.

PROGRAM: The program was introduced by Ruth Heslin. Laura Chaplar showed an easy machine sewn quilt binding method. Nancy Brown showed a variety of things that can be made using a Silhouette/Cameo cutting machine. Becky Weiland demonstrated free motion quilting on her domestic sewing machine.

WORKSHOPS: There are twenty people signed up for the workshop with Karen Eckmeier on Saturday. Ruth Heslin shared some details about the workshop. In March Barbara Jones will lead a mystery workshop. The cost is \$15. Judy Snook talked about the April Accuquilt workshop. We would like members to share their Go! cutters and dies. Judy mentioned some of the dies we have and showed sample blocks.

QUILT SHOW: In Chris Candello's absence, Cathy shared a list of all the people who signed up for various committees for the quilt show. We especially need help with publicity, vendors, Chinese auction, and the kitchen. Extra hands are welcome in all places.

BUCKET LIST: Judy Snook won the prize for completing 43 of the items on the Bucket List for 2019.

RETREAT: Joan Gunder spoke about the June retreat at the Amish Inn. She can still take two more people if anyone is interested.

POTHOLDER-OF-THE-MONTH CLUB: Molly Lorenz spoke about the Potholder of the Month program. Sixteen members exhibited their potholders and other items using the valentine potholder design. Gail Forster and Connie Stevenson were the winners from a drawing of participants.

PhD CHALLENGE: The PhD drawing winner was Meghan Heslin. Next month is #5.

50/50 DRAWING: The winner of the 50/50 was Judy Snook.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM Joan Radell of Bucklebee Bags will discuss "Sticks and Stones, a Sewing History", and tips and tricks at our March meeting.

SHOW AND TELL wrapped up the meeting that was then adjourned.

Respectably submitted by
Molly Lorenz





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

Come to a bee! Time to work on your project while chatting with friends. Please RSVP to the hostess to say you are coming. Let the hostess know if you are bringing your sewing machine.

Afternoon Bee 2nd Tuesday 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. Coordinator – Jean Hayden	Evening Bee 4th Tuesday 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Coordinator – Judy Snook	Northern Bee 5th Tuesday 6:30-9:30 p.m. Coordinator – Barbara Hughes	Thurs Evening Bee 4th Thursday 6:00-8:30 p.m. Coordinator – Ruth Heslin
March 10 th Ruth Heslin ** SEE BELOW April 14 Nancy Hannum	Gather again in the spring	March 31 th Joyce Stemple	March 26 th Fairview Church <u>Use Main Entrance</u>

**** A UNIQUE AFTERNOON BEE**

March 10th - Tuesday Afternoon Bee

We are meeting at Fairview Village Church from 12:00-3:30. The address is 3044 W. Germantown Pike, Fairview Village 19403. We will have the opportunity to eat in the cafe and then remain in the same area and enjoy the huge fireplace. There is room for sewing machines and also comfortable chairs for hand sewing and chatting.

Please RSVP to Ruth Heslin if you are planning to join us.

The Quilt Show is Coming - Are You Ready?

Many people have signed up for various quilt show committees. This is great news. The not so great news is that no one has volunteered for Vendors or Publicity. Without vendors or some publicity, our quilt show will not be as successful as it could be. Please call Chris Candello and help! The Chinese Auction could use some help too.

Mini Raffle Quilts – Our mini raffle quilts were a success in the 2018 show so we are going to do them in the 2020 show. We will make mini quilts and sell raffle tickets during the show. We are asking members to consider making a 16" x 20" mini quilt to donate. It can be any style of your choosing. There will be more information given at our March meeting. Ruth Heslin can answer any questions.

Local Quilt Shows

AQS Quilt Week - February 26-29, 2020. Presented by AQS at the Ocean Center, 101 North Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach, FL. For more info visit <http://aqsshows.com>.

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival - February 27 - March 1, 2020. Presented by Mancuso Show Management at the Hampton Roads Convention Center, 1610 Coliseum Drive, Hampton, Virginia. For more info visit <http://www.quiltfest.com>.

Lancaster Quilt Show - March 25-28, 2020. Many vendors at the [DoubleTree Valley Resort](#), 2400 Willow Street Pike, Lancaster, PA. For more info visit <http://www.lancasterquiltweek.com>.

AQS Quilt Week - March 25-28, 2020. 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>.

A Quilter's Home 2020 Quilt Show - March 28-29, 2020. Presented by County Line Quilters at St. Cyril of Jerusalem Social Hall, 1410 Almshouse Rd., Jamison, PA. Info: <http://countylinequilters.org/>.

Art Quilt Elements 2020 - March 29 – May 2, 2020. At the Wayne Art Center, 413 Maplewood Ave, Wayne, PA. For more info visit <http://artquilelements.org/>.

2020 Relief Sale – April 3-4, 2020. 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. <http://www.pareliefsale.org/>.

Sharing the Quilts XXXVII - April 4, 2020. Presented by Harvest Quilters at Willow Grove Presbyterian Church, 1961 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains, NJ. For more info visit <http://www.harvestquilters.com/quiltshow.htm>.

Quilts in Full Bloom 2020 - April 18-19, 2020. 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 22-25, 2020. Presented by AQS at the [Schroeder Expo Center](#), 415 Park Street, Paducah, KY. For more info visit <http://aqsshows.com>.

2020 Annual Quilt Show - May 7-9, 2020. Three Rivers Quilters sponsors an annual quilt show at The Meadows Racetrack and Casino, 210 Racetrack Rd, Washington, PA. For more info visit <http://www.threeriversquilters.org/quiltshow.html>.

Celebration of Quilts 2020: A Quilter's Journey: Then and Now - May 29-30, 2020. Presented by the York Quilters Guild at the York College of Pennsylvania, Grumbacher Sport and Fitness Center, 899 South Richland Ave, York, PA. For more info visit <http://www.celebrationofquilts.com/>. Note that the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania, District IV, invites you to its Flower Show, which is being held at the same time and location. There is one admission for both events.

QU Goes to the Zoo - May 29-31, 2020. Presented by Quilters Unlimited at the [Dulles Expo Center](#), Chantilly, VA. For more info visit <https://quiltersunlimited.org/quilt-show/>.

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

Cathy Radcliffe

Shop Hops

Quilts Around the Bay - 3/6/2020 - 3/15/2020 (DE and MD).

For more info visit <https://www.facebook.com/pg/QuiltsAroundTheBay/>.

Ohio One Stop Shop Hop - 4/3/2020 - 4/4/2020 Fairborn, OH.

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

New Jersey Shop Hop - 4/24/2020 - 5/3/2020. For more info visit

<https://www.facebook.com/NJShopHop/>.

Quilter's Trek (previously Row by Row Shop Hop) - 5/22/2020 - 8/31/2020 (US and Ontario).

For more info visit <http://www.rowbyrowexperience.com/>.

Cathy Radcliffe

Workshops

Mystery Quilt with Barb Jones

DATE: Saturday, March 14, 2020
TIME: 9:30 AM - 4:00 pm
PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
FEE: \$15
LUNCH: Please bring your own

Rainbow Riot with Deb Graves

DATE: Saturday, May 16, 2020
TIME: 9:30 AM - 4:00 pm
PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
FEE: \$15
LUNCH: Please bring your own

AccuQuilt Workshop and Demonstrations

DATE: Saturday, April 25, 2020
TIME: 9:30 AM - 4:00 pm
PLACE: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
FEE: \$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 Hayden.



Deb's Rainbow Riot pattern made as a baby quilt.

March

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Afternoon Bee Ruth Heslin	11	12	13	14 Workshop Barb Jones
15	16	17 Guild Meeting Joan Radell	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Thursday Evening Bee	27	28
29	30	31				
<u>Karen Eckmeier's Saturday Presentation</u>						



Karen Eckmeier gave a lively talk beginning with how her Accidental Landscapes evolved and turning to Happy Villages, a fabric collage. She showed many examples of her technique encouraging us to give her methods a try.

February Meeting

March 2020



Wonderful Show & Tell!

Rosemary Geisler



Laura Ocker



Meghan Heslin



Jean Corday



Karen Glasthal



Charlene Hagerty



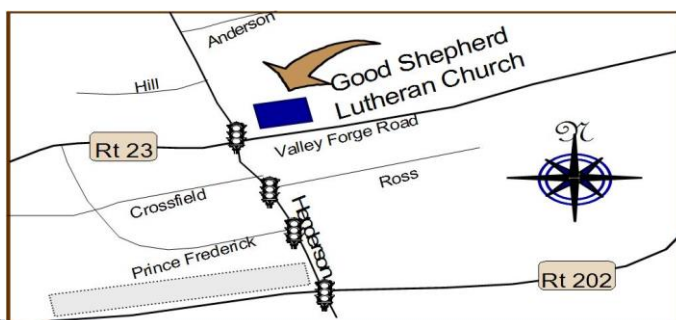
Nancy Hannum



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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



Newsletter Submissions

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

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Guild Committees and Resources

50:50	Debbie Bianco
AccuQuilt Die Cutter	Chris Candello
Bees:	
Afternoon	Jean Hayden
Evening	Judy Snook
Northern	Barbara Hughes
Thurs Evening	Ruth Heslin
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