

September 2019 Newsletter

Star Quilters Guild of Roanoke, Virginia, and the surrounding area of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains http://starquilters.org/

Our September Program: Christmas in September

at Christ Lutheran Church, corner of Brandon and Grandin in Roanoke on <u>Monday, September 9, at 7 PM</u>

Need some inspiration to get you started on holiday projects? Cathy Fandel will present a trunk show of her Christmas quilts. From traditionally-pieced and appliquéd quilts to quilts made from precuts and quilts made with vintage linens, there should be something to please everyone. Also ... please bring a holiday quilt of your own (or maybe two) to share with the quild.



Photo: Dawn Schaben displays the Moda House Christmas Quilt (2017).

PROVIDING COMFORT...

In August, Comfort Quilts delivered 97 quilts to different agencies in the Roanoke Valley... 23 to Turning Point; 7 to Bethany Hall; 14 to the Ronald McDonald House; 13 to the Blue Ridge Women's Center; 18 to Family Promise; 4 to Street Ransom; and 18 to Matthew's Child.

Officers and Committee Chairs for 2018-2019

President	Judy McWhorter
Vice-President	Susan Kraterfield
Secretary	Claire Hightower
Treasurer	Sue Berry
Historian	Kelly Zuber
Hospitality	Gisela O'Connor & Judy Bird
Library	Betty Tyree & Linda Badger
Membership	Jennifer Adams & Bonnie Blessing
Newsletter	Laura Perry
Programs	Dawn Schaben
Publicity	Linda Badger
Quilt Show	Judy Coffman
Service Projects	Judy Bradley & Ethel Simmons
Sunshine	Sue Thurston
Ways & Means	Donna Bohon (books and magazines)
Ways & Means	
Web Page	Susan Kraterfield

Their telephone numbers and email addresses are in the Membership Directory.

What's Ahead at our Monday Meetings

October 7 - to be arranged. Read all about it in the October newsletter!

November 4 - Indoor Yard Sale. Guild members will be able to "rent a space" for \$15.00. The guild will provide a table per space. All proceeds from your sales will go to <u>you!</u> Here is your chance to clean out your sewing space and get rid of that UnFinished Object you don't want to finish, fabric you can't imagine why you purchased, the rulers, patterns, etc. that you don't need or want. And just in time to put some extra cash in your pocket before Christmas! We already have five guild members signed up for a spot. Please call or text Dawn Schaben at 540-354-8464 with questions you have, or to add your name to the list of sellers.

December 2 - Our Holiday Social

<u>January 13</u> - to be arranged. Let me know if you have ideas!

<u>Future programs</u>: UFOs, and Marietta Price (make accessories to go with that lovely quilt!), to mention only two...

~Dawn Schaben, Program Chair

ONLY 12 MONDAYS UNTIL VIRGINIA DAY

Are you working on a quilt that says something special about Virginia? Be ready to show it at our December meeting. See Susan Kraterfield for more information.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW GUILD MEMBERS!

Patricia Gayeski Arlene Blackburn Kellean Gale Donna Conner Clare Melick Deborah Shealy Susie Ross Melody Sutphin Neva Hart Jordis Allen Carolyn Zaleski Dolores Thompson Susan Dewberry Billie Jean Webb Jenny Fenderson Cheryl Ford

Active membership is now at 111, including these new members. Join us in welcoming our newest quilters! I have a board with Membership cards and NEW name tags -- remember to check for yours.

Be watching your email for the new directory. Please be sure to replace the draft directory that was sent earlier, as it is full of errors.

Thank you, members, for recording your attendance when you get to our monthly meetings. See you at our September meeting!

~ Jennifer K. Adams and Bonnie Blessing, Membership Committee



Mark your calendars for the 51st Annual
Fincastle Festival on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>September 21</u>, 2019.

A <u>quilt show</u> will be part of this year's festival.
For information on how to become an exhibitor, click here: HFI Festival 2019quilts show form2.
The deadline for entries is September 6th.
For more information: https://hisfin.org/
~Cathy Henderson

GOOD LUCK TO OUR QUILT RETREAT PARTICIPANTS

A couple of dozen of our guild members are going on the guild retreat at the 4H Center at Smith Mountain Lake in Franklin County this month, and we're sure they'll have a fun and productive time together! Special thanks are due to Cathy S. Russell, our Special Events Chair, for organizing this event.

Judith Byrd's Last Will and Testament

Judi, a guild member who passed from this life during July 2019, bequeathed in her final will a gift to the Star Quilters Guild of the contents of her sewing room and her finished quilts.

Judi was a member of Christ Lutheran Church. Joyce Noell and I, who are members of the same church, have completed an inventory of the quilting items left in Judi's home. This inventory consists of many quilting supplies, a Bernina Artista 180 sewing machine, along with 70 quilted items and ten quilted jackets and vests. We have already given the Comfort Quilts coordinators fabric and batting they can use in making comfort quilts.

In the coming months, we will set up a special table in the Ways and Means area of our meetings to sell Judi's quilting items to guild members. This table will have its own money box so that the proceeds can be tabulated as a separate entity in guild financial reports.

May Judi rest in peace for all eternity.

~ Sue Berry, Guild Treasurer

... and here's one of the items that will benefit our Guild ...

Judi Byrd Sewing Machine for Sale

Perfect Machine for Classes and Workshops



Bernina Artista 180 Machine with Fitted
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(regularly maintained by Alpine Sewing)
Features: It is computerized, with a Needle
Threader, Needle Up/Down Setting,
Embroidery Stitches, one-step Buttonhole,
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Pressure, Adjustable Needle Position, and
Auto-Threading.

Contact Sue Berry, Treasurer, 540-204-1994, for more information.

SHOW AND TELL PHOTOS

Photos from Show and Tell at the August meeting are available to see at https://www.facebook.com/groups/114448361921935/

If you don't have a facebook account, ask a friend to show them to you.

HELP THE VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM ... without sending MONEY

The Virginia Quilt Museum's online auction, "Sew Much Talent," will be held October 14-27. Donor registration form and donations are needed by September 27. The items I have seen in other years were little quilts or objects like purses, table runners, Christmas tree skirts, toys, ornaments, etc. But larger quilts are welcome, too.



I am trying to find out how we could send items for this year's sale. <u>Is anyone going to Harrisonburg soon</u>? This could be a great thing to do with Challenge Quilts, which tend to be small. I expect many of us have items we could donate to help the museum. ~ Laura Perry

QUILT EVALUATIONS AT THE VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM

Pam Pampe will be at the VQM evaluating quilts on Saturday, September 21, 2019, from 10 am to 2 pm. For members, entry to the museum is free, and quilt evaluations are \$10.00 per quilt. For nonmembers, entry is \$8.00, and quilt evaluations are \$15.00 per quilt. Contact vqmevents@gmail.com to make an appointment. At last word, there were still a few slots available.

Find out more about current exhibits at http://www.vaquiltmuseum.org/current-exhibits

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Minutes of the Star Quilters Guild Monthly Meeting on August 5, 2019

President Judy McWhorter called our meeting to order at 7:03. She began our meeting with a few announcements, followed by a short business meeting, our program, and Show and Tell.

Announcements

Board Meeting: The board will meet on September 23. Please submit discussion topics to Judy.

Recent Deaths: Judy called for a moment of silence for the recent passing of member Judy Bird and the shooting victims in El Paso, TX and Dayton, OH.

Meeting Agenda: The Program Chair requested that we reverse our normal order by holding our business meeting first, followed by our program.

Business Meeting

The Secretary's report is in the newsletter.

The Treasurer's report is available online.

Twelve comfort quilts were turned in, and more kits are available.

Special Events announced that there is one opening for the September 11-15 Quilt Retreat. Contact Cathy Russell if interested.

Membership reported that 51 members were in attendance.

Ways and Means reported an income of \$156.50 from the evening's sales. As a reminder, Ways and Means accepts magazines donations from 2011 and later. Please do not bring older magazines.

Historic Fincastle Inc will hold a quilt show in Fincastle on September 21.

<u>Program</u>

Cecily Sue (CS) Roth of CSThreadz presented our program. Her life as a quilter began as therapy to improve her dexterity following a battle with Lyme disease. While she was still a novice quilter, her in-laws requested that she make a bed-sized quilt for a relative's wedding. The pattern was complicated and the quilt was large, but she managed to complete the top and quilt it on her home sewing machine, and another dedicated quilter was born!

CS inherited money from a relative, which enabled her to open her shop. She carries the full line of Martelli and Quilters Select quilting products, as well as lots of fabric and notions. She will have Brother machines for sale in the Fall. She offers training on her Martelli longarm quilting machines, and once trained, students may rent the machines for \$20 per hour. CS offers classes for making purses, rugs, rayon batik shawls, tuffets, etc. She also offers block-of-the-month.

CSThreadz is located in Hardy on Route 122 opposite Kroger. The shop is open 9:30-5:00 Monday through Friday and 10:00-3:00 on Saturday. CS publishes a monthly newsletter by email to those who sign up for it; her website is under construction.

Following her program, members eagerly shopped in the cache of fabrics CS brought from her store.

Show and Tell

Our members brought a wide variety of items for Show and Tell, including blocks from a series of hand-applique classes, a completed Phyllis Reeves Aura quilt from a guild workshop earlier this year, a Quilt of Valor, an antique half-square triangle quilt top turned into a completed quilt, and many other items. Great work, quilters!

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07. Remember that our September meeting will be held on the second Monday due to the Labor Day holiday.

Respectfully submitted, Claire Hightower



to Guild members born in September

3 Natalie McMahon

13 Arlene Blackburn

14 Linda Rhodes

15 Ethel Simmons

18 Diana Van Hise

24 Angie Miller and Deborah Shealy

25 Judy McWhorter, Cathy Henderson, and Joyce Noell



Busy Hands

All members are welcome to join a group of members working on hand-pieced projects. We meet on the 3rd Monday of the month, which is September 16th at 6:30. Location is Barnes and Noble at Tanglewood in the cafe area. We meet for about $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Any questions, text Ann Ware.



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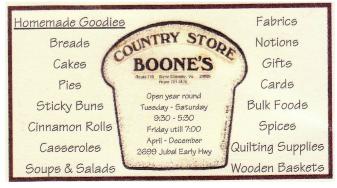
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Guild Income and Expenses, May 1, 2019 - August 31, 2019

Income \$2,083

Expenses \$1,540

August 31, 2019 Cash-on-hand: \$14,448

Notes: I made no payments in August. However, I did renew our charity designation with the IRS.

Cash-on-hand includes carry-over amounts from previous years, quilt show proceeds from the 2019 show, and memberships for this accounting year paid in the previous accounting year.

Please call me if you have any comments or questions, 540-204-1994.

~ Sue Berry, Treasurer

FUN WITH THE FLOYD QUILT GUILD

Monday, September 30 10:00 am - 12:30 pm at the Floyd Center for the Arts

Carole Nicholas Program "Rising to the Challenge: A Trunk Show of Quilts"

A retrospective of Carole's work, spanning 4 decades, including quilts juried into books and exhibits, pieces created for numerous challenges, as well as quilted clothing. Carole will comment on the techniques used and the inspiration for her designs. Visitor fee: \$5







Tuesday, October 1 (at St. Michael's Church, 2308 Merrimac Road, Blacksburg)

Lecture "Making Fabric Work for You" presented by The Quilting Party

7 pm at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Blacksburg

Wednesday, October 2 at 9:30 am at the Floyd Center for the Arts

Carole Nicholas Workshop "Rising to the Challenge: From Idea to Reality"

Inspired by the quilts viewed in Monday's Trunk Show and Tuesday's lecture, come to this workshop with an idea for a design with one of these themes:

- ♦ "IMAGINE....." (Let your imagination run wild)
- ♦ "INSPIRED BY ______"(You fill in the blank)
- ♦ "I DID IT MY WAY"
- \$65 workshop fee per person for non-members
- \$55 for members of Floyd Quilt Guild (or The Quilting Party Blacksburg)

The September 30 program and workshop (October 2) are being held at the Floyd Center for the Arts, 220 Parkway Ln. S, Floyd, VA 24091. The October 1 lecture is being held in Blacksburg. Registration forms for the workshop are located here: https://www.floydquiltguild.com/workshop-lecture

Check with Sue Berry, 540-204-1994, for more details of the two lectures and workshop; she also can give you a copy of the workshop supply list.

Membership in the Floyd Quilt Guild is usually \$20 a year, but new members joining after July 1st pay half-yearly dues (\$10). So if you are interested in these events, you may as well join! - Editor

THE LATEST FROM BOONE'S COUNTRY STORE

FABRIC Expo

We have just returned from Fabric Expo. We brought back lots of beautiful new batiks, 108"-wide quilt backings and many name-brand cottons perfect for quilt projects.

Kathy Wickham has come by to see them already. Come and See for yourself!

Boone's Country Store, 2699 Jubal Early Hwy., Boones Mill, VA 540-721-2478

We're only 15 miles (less than 30 minutes) away!

FREE QUILT FRAME

Large handmade quilting frame from family estate -- free, with delivery included! If you're interested, call or text Judy Coffman at 540-588-6283 and she will put you in touch with the family.

LOOKING FOR A LAPTOP

I am looking for an inexpensive used laptop computer. If you have one, please talk to me at the next meeting or write to me at keyesperry@msn.com. Thanks ~ Laura Perry

THE STOCKED MARKETPLACE IS COMING

Many of us like to shop at the Junior League's Stocked Market every autumn. This year it will be on November 8-10 at the Berglund Center. Guild member Jessica Tims <u>jessicajnorris@hotmail.com</u> will have tickets for sale at our October meeting. Learn more here: https://www.jlrv.org/?nd=stocked_market Interested in *selling* at the event? https://www.jlrv.org/?nd=stocked_marchant_info

YOU CAN HELP TO PLAN PROGRAMS FOR THE GUILD

In May 2020, I will be stepping down as Program Chair. I would like anyone out there who is interested in working with programs to start working with me for the last few months of my tenure. (It could be more than one person.) Please contact me if you are interested in planning programs. It will be exciting to have a new perspective on what programs the guild has!

~ Dawn Schaben dschaben@aol.com

A Word of Warning ...

Since July 1st, police have been ticketing drivers for driving in highway construction zones while *holding a phone*, which is now against the law in Virginia. Police have issued several tickets near Virginia Western Community College, where three roundabouts and sidewalks are being installed on Colonial Avenue a few blocks from Towers.

A conviction costs over \$300. Don't be caught red-handed!



If you're interested in going, mention it at the meeting. Maybe we can carpool.

SEEN ON FACEBOOK...

Tonya Harmon on English Paper Piecing

Val Stricklin, you have changed my life. Every afternoon I spend about 40 min in the car at school to pick up my two little people. You inspired me to try EPP. My little kit even fits perfectly on top of my console and the lid is perfect as a lap desk to work on. My first project is coming along. Hopefully I'll start sewing some together tomorrow so I can harvest some papers.



A SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT WAYS AND MEANS FABRIC

Fabric from the Ways and Means committee will not be available for purchase at the September meeting. I will be on my way to Paducah for the AQS fall show. I apologize for disappointing anyone and promise to be back in October!

~ Cathy Henderson fincathyrd@ntelos.net

Things You Might Want to Bring to Monday's Meeting



- (1) Christmas/Chanukah/Winter Solstice/ Advent/Kwanzaa items you have quilted - to show other members what it's possible to do with holiday fabrics and themes.
- (2) Comfort Quilts you've finished making and want to turn in.
- (3) Items you'd like to Show and Tell.
- (4) Books and magazines and fabric to donate to our Ways and Means table.
- (5) A friend who is interested in quilting ... or in decorating for the holidays!
- (6) Books to return to the Guild Library.
- (7) Your name tag. Let Guild be a place where "everybody knows your name"!



Credit: SunnysideQuilts.com. See their signs for sale at $\underline{\text{https://sunnysidequilts.com/}}$ and other funny bits at at $\underline{\text{https://sunnysidequilts.com/pages/laugh-with-us}}$