



Valley Forge Homestead Quilters

Guild Newsletter

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August 2021

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Chatter with Cathy

This is my last chatter as president of the Valley Forge Homestead Quilters Guild. It is bittersweet. I have enjoyed my time as your president and I know that Deb Graves will excel as our new president. After four years, I'm ready to pass on the president responsibilities to Deb. Thanks to all of you for your support during these four years and especially during this past year with the zoom meetings, etc. It really goes to show what a great club we have as so many of you continued to participate via technology. I'm hoping to see many of you in person at our August meeting to thank you personally for the past four years.

Keep on quilting!

Cathy Fennell

August 17, 2021 Meeting

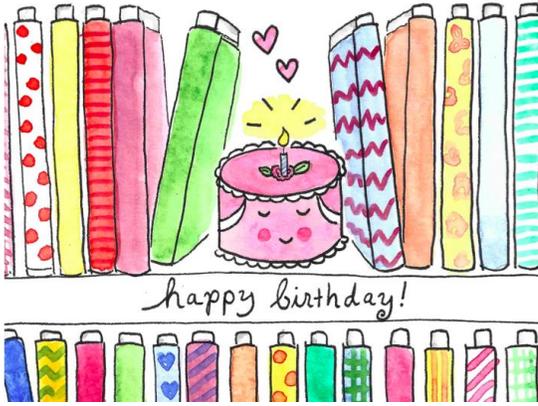
Tuesday, August 17 is our first in-person guild meeting since February 2020! Our speaker is Denise Martin, whom many members may know from **Seamless Sewing Arts Ltd** in Phoenixville. Among other topics, Denise will tell us how she happened to open her quilt store in the middle of a pandemic! Tonight, will also be our ice cream social!! For members unable to attend, you will be able to join us via **Zoom**. This is an experiment to see if **Zoom** will work at a meeting. At the meeting it is necessary that you put your phones on airplane mode or turn them off so there is less interference with the **Zoom** set up. The first row of seats is designated for those who have trouble hearing. The church requires everyone to wear a mask whether vaccinated or not vaccinated. Please remember to honor their rules and wear a mask

Ruth Heslin

Membership Renewal

Dues will be \$35 for the 2021-2022 year. Please bring your check made out to VFHQ to the August meeting.

Barbara Hughes



Birthdays

August:

- 7 Elsa Scherphorn
- 9 Marjorie Gavitt
- 13 Gina Arasin
- 14 Kathy Graff
- 15 Vicki Lopresti
- 19 Rose Warren

September:

- 1 Meghan Heslin
- 2 Linda Hamel
- 5 Deb Graves
- 12 Cathy Radcliffe
- 15 Jacqui Santangelo
- 22 Jean Hayden

Comfort Quilts

There were 6 quilts turned in for the month of July making a total for the year 109!!! At our meeting in August you will be able to pick up prepared kits. Please email me if you need batting or backing brought to the meeting. If you have finished quilts, you may bring them to the meeting. I can't wait to be in person once again!!!

Maxine Close

An Apology and a Request

You recently received a survey from the guild asking about attending the August meeting in person and about participating in an upcoming All Star Teachers event. Unfortunately, the free account doesn't allow access to more than the first 40 responses. The cost of a paid account is beyond our means. Therefore, we need to ask everyone to please email

baarbhughes@verizon.net (note the two a's in Barbara's email) to indicate whether or not you plan to attend the August meeting. **Please reply to this even if you did the survey.** Do not reply to the guild email.

I apologize for the redundancy here but I'm learning as I go. It seemed like quite an easy way to get the info we need to get enough ice cream but unfortunately it didn't work out as was initially planned.

Barbara Hughes

New Member - Gale White

Welcome to our guild, Gale! Gale was a sewing teacher once upon a time. She has been quilting for 40 years yet really got into quilting three years ago when she retired as a lawyer. She likes to piece traditional quilts and create holiday projects and gifts. Gale likes to travel and read and spend as much time as she can with her six children in a blended family plus six grandchildren. She likes going to the gym. Handwork, especially knitting, interests Gale also. Gale is "looking forward to getting to know the group" and we are looking forward to meeting you too.

Meeting Minutes July 20, 2021

WELCOME: Cathy Fennell welcomed everyone to our guild meeting.

MEMBERSHIP: Barbara Hughes will start collecting dues in August. The dues will be \$35.

COMFORT QUILTS: Maxine Close told us we have made 109 this year. Saturday, July 14, is the comfort quilts **Zoom** workshop. The preferred size for a comfort quilt is 36x48 with the quilt being no larger than 40" wide.

WORKSHOPS: Jean Hayden talked about the upcoming workshops. **July 3, 10, 17, 31, August 7, 14, 21, 28** – Summer BOW (block of the week) WOW (work on whatever) with Deb Graves. Each Saturday a block will be taught by Deb Graves; **July 24** - Comfort Quilts via **Zoom** with Maxine Close; **September 18** – the Friendship Tea with Jean Hayden and Dottie Doldash as hosts. November and December will have **Zoom** workshops.

CHALLENGE: Nancy Hannum explained the challenge for September. She needs help hanging the challenge quilts. Jean Hayden, Carol Olinski, Debbie Bianco, Sharon Berry, Rita Mack, and Joann Kirschenmann volunteered. Participants are to bring in their challenge quilt in a brown paper bag along with the paint chips on a 3x4 card.

FUTURE MEETINGS: Our August meeting will be in person at Good Shepherd Church. It starts at 7:00 and will be an ice cream social.

UFO CHALLENGE: The UFO challenge number for August is #9.

PROGRAM: Ruth Heslin introduced Dana Jones from Colorado. She is a former editor of *Quilters Newsletter* magazine. Dana gave a historical background of the people and the quilts made on Coahagan Island in the Philippines.

AUGUST MEETING: Our next meeting is on August 17th. Our Ice Cream Social in person at Good Shepherd Church. Our speaker will be Denise Martin, owner of Seamless Sewing Arts located in Phoenixville, Pa. Bring your money as she will have items for sale from her shop.

Respectfully submitted

Molly Lorenz

Pagtinabangay is a Visaya word that means cooperating and collaborating for the well-being of the community. This is the spirit of Coahagan Island. This is the spirit of the Coahagan quiltmakers. This is the spirit of this book.

Pagtinabangay: The Quilts and Quiltmakers of Coahagan Island by Dana E. Jones

Through personal and collective stories and more than 300 photos, *Pagtinabangay: The Quilts and Quiltmakers of Coahagan Island*, introduces the art of quilting on this 13-acre island in the central Philippines. You'll join the Coahagan Island quiltmakers as they stitch their lives and loves in brilliant colors and designs. Get to know an island that's home to 600 women, men, children and youth that is thriving because of quilting.

Cost on website \$20 [BOOK | Mysite \(danajonesquilts.com\)](http://danajonesquilts.com)



Quilt Shows

Now through September

Sleep Tight! Bedcovers and Hangings from Around the World – May 16-September 12, 2021. Presented by the Allentown Art Museum at 31 North Fifth Street, Allentown, PA. Also see two quilts and two prints from Gee's Bend on view in a neighboring exhibition, Roots: Sources for American Art and Design. For more info go visit <https://www.allentownartmuseum.org/exhibitions/sleep-tight-bedcovers-and-hangings-from-around-the-world/>.

Quilt Show Exhibition - July 17 to September 17, 2021. Presented by the Perkins Center for the Arts at 30 Irvin Ave., Collingswood, NJ. A Quilt Show Exhibition featuring contemporary and traditional quilts from four quilting guilds in the region. Perkins Center is excited to exhibit this unique show because they have never featured quilts in an art exhibition and look forward to viewing contemporary styles. For more info visit <https://perkinsarts.org/event/quilt-show/>.

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World Quilt Show Online - August 11-14, 2021. Presented by Mancuso Show Management. For more info visit <https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/httpswww-onlinequiltfestival-com/>.

September 2021

The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show Online - September 9-11, 2021. This virtual experience will include live, interactive educational opportunities, shopping options and more. For more info visit <https://quiltshow.com/>.

A Quilt Affair - Saturday, September 11, 2021 9 AM – 2 PM. Presented by the Loose Threads Quilt guild at First United Church of Christ, 145 Chestnut Street, Spring City, PA. Admission \$5. Included in the day's events: Member Quilt Show, Sewing Room Sale, Craft Sale, Book Sale, Raffle Baskets, and Demonstrations on ½ hour. No food will be served at our event but bottled water will be available. For your convenience, a list of local restaurants open for lunch will be provided.

Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza - September 16-19, 2021. Presented by Mancuso Show Management, the largest and most prominent quilting arts event in the Northeast all under one roof at the Greater Philadelphia Expo Center, 100 Station Avenue, Phoenixville, PA. For more info visit <https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/pennsylvania-national-quilt-extravaganza/>.

Penn Oaks Quilters Market – September 25, 2021 from 9 am until 1 pm. Penn Oaks Quilters is hosting a flea market at Covenant Presbyterian Church, 400 Lancaster Ave, Malvern, PA. Fire Sale follows market with reduced prices from 1 pm - 2 pm (Consigned items not included). For more info visit <http://www.pennoaksquilters.org/quilt-market.html>.

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Quilt Show 2021 - October 16-17, 2021. Presented by County Line Quilters at St. Cyril of Jerusalem Social Hall, 1410 Almshouse Rd., Jamison, PA. For more info visit <https://countylinequilters.org/quilt-show-2021>

November 2021

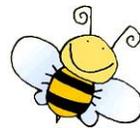
14th Annual Exhibition of Quilts - November 12-14, 2021. Presented by Lebanon Quilters Guild at the Lebanon Expo Center, 80 Rocherty Road, Lebanon, PA. For more info visit <http://lebanonquiltersguild.com/exhibition-of-quilts/>.

Quilt & Sewing Fest of New Jersey - November 17-20, 2021. Presented by Mancuso Show Management at the [New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center](#), 97 Sunfield Ave, Edison, NJ. For more info visit <http://www.quiltfest.com/>.

The Quilt Show schedules for 2022 are being announced, checkout our [website](#) for info!

Cathy Radcliffe

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



A Zoom link will be sent out before each bee.
Mark your calendar!

Afternoon Bee 2nd Tuesday 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. Coordinator – Jean Hayden	4th Thursday of the month 6:00-8:30 Fairview Church, Germantown Pike, Fairview Village, Pa. Machines welcome. MASKS required. Coordinator – Ruth Heslin	Northern Bee 5th Tuesday 6:30-9:30 p.m. Coordinator – Barbara Hughes
August 10 Maxine Close September 13 TBA	August 26 Ruth Heslin <u>Use main entrance</u>	August 31 Barbara Hughes

September Program

September 21 will be the Paint Chip Challenge quilt display and voting. Please bring your quilt in a paper bag by 6:30. Remember to attach a 3x4 card with your paint chips. Nancy and her helpers will take your bag, give it a number and hang it up so later we can all view all the quilts and vote for our favorite. Make sure your name is **Not** visible on your quilt. Look forward to seeing the quilts and hearing the background on each one.

Ruth Heslin

Cathy's UFO Challenge 2021 - July's Finally Finished Projects

Please bring your finished UFO project to the August meeting. The number you should complete for the August meeting is **9**. Keep on quilting!

Cathy Fennell



Linda Jarosz



Judy Snook



Jacque Paltrineri



Meghan Heslin



Sandra Dounce



Ruth Heslin

Workshops

BOW WOW with Deb Graves

Block of the Week or Work on Whatever

Saturdays, August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021

The weather is hazy, hot, and humid. Let's spend Saturday mornings inside for the Dogs Days of Summer BOW WOW. Zoom opens at 9 am for visiting and we start the block about 10 am. The blocks are getting more challenging as we go, so we might be Zooming until 1 or 2 pm some weeks.

Watch for the emails each week with the Zoom invitation and the link (and pre-work or tips) for that week's block. You can join any week even if you have not previously attended.

The August blocks include piecing, a little bias appliqué, templates, paper piecing, and Y-seams. These blocks provide an opportunity to try some new (or old-fashioned) techniques but with only the commitment to make one block.



Friendship Tea with Jean Hayden and Dottie Doglash

Saturday, September 25, 2021

Time: 9:30 to 4:00

Location: Good Shepard Lutheran Church, King of Prussia

Jacque Paltrinieri will have a demo on English Paper Piecing

Accuquilt Workshop

Saturday, October 25, 2021

Time: 9:30 to 4:00

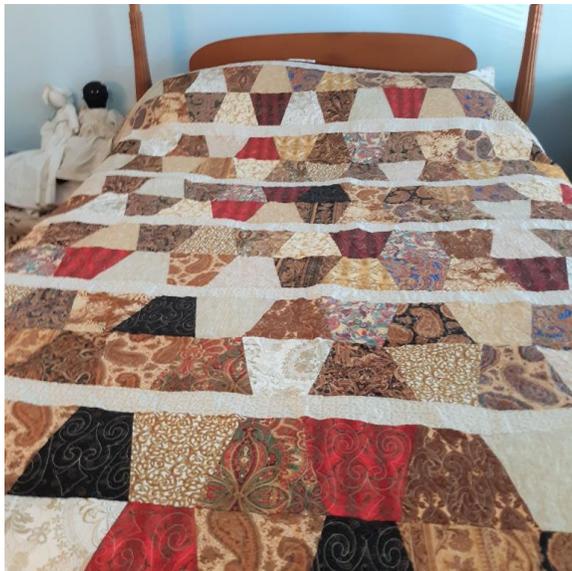
Location: Good Shepard Lutheran Church, King of Prussia

More information on how you can participate to follow.

August

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Zoom BOW WOW
8	9	10 Zoom Afternoon Bee	11	12	13	14 Zoom BOW WOW
15	16	17 IN PERSON Guild Meeting Denise Martin	18	19	20	21 Zoom BOW WOW
22	23	24	25	26 Thursday Evening Bee In person	27	28 Zoom BOW WOW
29	30	31				



Marebeth Conard
– King-size
Tumbler Block
Quilt with
beautiful quilting
by Susan of
Seamless Sewing.

Member's Show and Tell

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Sue Fisher



Deb Graves



Kate Sevensky – Hawaiian Applique made into a table topper



Ruth Heslin - Dresden Village Workshop



Nancy Hannum - Hawaiian Applique Workshop

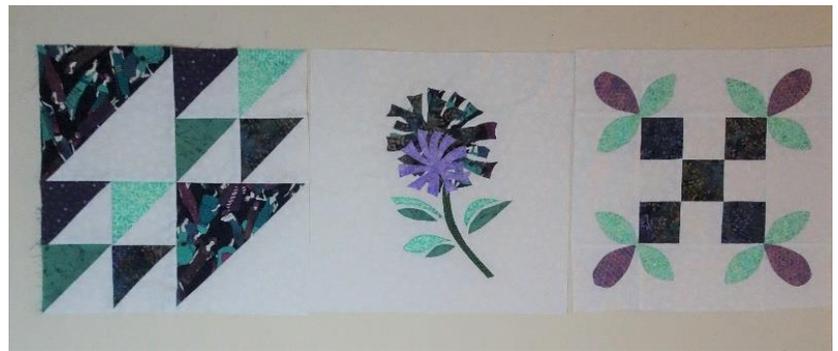
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Laura Chaplar – Hawaiian Applique Workshop



Linda Jarosz – Window Coverings



Nancy Hannum – BOW WOW Blocks



Kate Sevensky – BOW WOW Firecracker block



Ethel Hutchinson – Double Irish Chain



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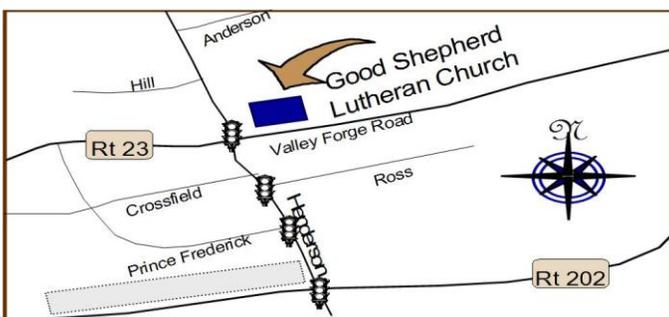
Monthly Guild Meetings are held on the **Third** Tuesday of every month at 7 P.M. at the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in King of Prussia, PA

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Newsletter Submissions

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