



VILLAGE QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

October 2019

Next Meeting October 17, 2019

2019 – 2020 VQ OFFICERS

- President: Rene Stiebing
- Vice President: Donna Shroff
- Secretary: Jane Stolte
- Treasurer: Sheri Thompson
- Programs: Donna Badgett and Dori Batavick

Dear Village Quilters,

SHOW AND TELL is the last item on each Village Quilters meeting agenda. But instead of an ending to our monthly meetings, I've come to view it as my inspiration for quilts to come. Each month I look forward to seeing how our members express their creativity through the selection of materials, colors, patterns and sewing to achieve amazing works of art.

Beyond the physical aspect of quilting is the other equally significant aspect of quilting – the inspiration or why of creating. The stories shared of gifts for new babies, celebrations of life's milestones, personal expression, charitable donations or any combination of reasons bring joy to both the quilter and the viewers. We all celebrate the accomplishment, effort and commitment necessary to produce our art. This community recognition supports and encourages us all to continue on our own creative journey.

What a wonderful way to end a meeting!

Rene Stiebing, VQ President

BINGO – October 25, 2019

Bingo is just around the corner!



Any last minute donations for door prizes or raffle baskets should be brought to the October VQ meeting. All unsold tickets and money for sold tickets MUST be brought to the October VQ meeting!

Set-up for Bingo will begin at 4:00 PM on the 25th at the Lodge.

Cindy Hickman 410-940-8730

PROGRAMS

In October, Nancy Bills will be treating us to her new trunk show "What To Do With Things You Don't Know What To Do With." She will show us how to take scraps, pieces of old quilts, antique linens, orphan blocks, doilies and tablecloths and even old postcards and recipes and incorporate them into a new quilt with a fresh perspective. Take a look at some of her wonderful creations on her website: nancybills.com and then come join us to see them up close and personal!

Donna Badgett and Dori Batavick
Co-Program Chairs for VQ

SEPTEMBER WINNERS

Summer Apron Challenge:

First- Lynn Hastmann, Second- Patty Stenpeck,
Third- Barbara Fryer

Block of the Month: Patty Stenpeck

Name Badge: Norma Peterson

RAFFLE BASKETS

Raffle Baskets made \$112. The winners were:
Rene Stiebing, Chris Fittro, Jane Stolte

Our guild members have provided loads of quilting supplies and ufo's for monthly raffle baskets that appeal to the group. Please continue to bring in items you'd like to share and ultimately scale down your sewing room / surplus.
Janet Ruehl

KITCHEN NOTES

Thanks to all the folks who signed up to help in the kitchen for the coming months. We ask that members volunteer to help just at 1 monthly meeting. The clipboards will be back in October - please sign up for one of the jobs. Also, the people that sign up for the month are responsible for bringing the drinks - don't forget to mark that. And members are supposed to bring a dish or dessert to share each month. Feel free to leave your serving utensil at home as we have pretty many on hand. Please give us heating instructions and let us know if anything has nuts or shellfish. Things that need re-heating should be left out on the labeled counter and refrigerated items in the labeled refrigerator - post-its and helpers should be around. Thanks.



For the October meeting:

CHECK - IN: Betty Sterner, Rosemary LeBlam

LUNCHTIME HELPERS: Kathy Appleton,
Bernadette Burley, Pat Lieske, Carol Phillips

CLEAN-UP HELPERS: NEED 3

TABLECLOTHS: Donna Badgett

We have most of the sodas for Oct. - Donna will bring some diet cola.

Carol, could you please bring a flavored seltzer?
Thanks.

Joan Costello
jcostello@umbc.edu

PREGNANCY CENTER QUILTS

Wowee! At the last VQ meeting I collected fourteen quilts and one blanket for the Center for Pregnancy Concerns. Thank you to Dori Batavick, Chris Fittro, Jacque Formica, Peggy Graff, Eloise Labram, Norma Petersen, Rene Stiebing, Jane Stolte, and Sheri Thompson!

Daria Phair

LIBRARY

At the October meeting all of the Village Quilter's library books will be for sale. The book prices range from \$1-\$3, and the new books which were purchased last year will be half of the list price (\$10-\$14). So please bring some extra money to purchase your favorite book or books at the October meeting.

Donna Shroff

SUNSHINE

Please remember to send me news of your friends in Village Quilters whom you know could use a bit of sunshine ☀ so I can send a card and alert our webmaster in order to send out a guild-wide message.

Janet Ruehl

PROJECT LINUS

It was wonderful to see everyone after our summer break. We collected so many useful items at the September meeting: fabric, batting, 4 quilt tops, and 9 finished quilts. Please stop by at the next meeting if you can help with our Project Linus quilts. At every meeting, kits are available to sew and finished quilt tops (with backs and batting) are ready to take home and machine quilt. Charity quilts are a great opportunity to practice and improve your quilting skills.



Stephanie Sanidas

5" SQUARE EXCHANGE

Happy autumn, exchangers! Our October exchange will be 2 sets of 10 patriotic fabrics – red, white, or blue. They could be useful in your Quilt of Valor blocks.

Kathy Appleton

CHARITY GIVING

Kindly continue to bring your non-perishables for the local charity. In addition in November, we will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for the Toys for Tots.

Kay Worley

CATONSVILLE 4th OF JULY QUILT



I am happy to report that the quilt Patty Wheeler made for this year's fundraiser for the Catonsville 4th of July Parade raised \$1,100. Joe told me that they don't need a quilt for next year but would like us to make a quilt for the 2021 fundraiser when they celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Catonsville Parade. So, it would be nice to have a group of ladies work on this. Think about whether you would be interested in this project.

Daria Phair

FALL 2019 RETREAT

All balances of \$120 must be paid by the October meeting. All checks should be payable to Village Quilters.

I still need people to volunteer to do Friday's lunch and someone to do place cards. If anyone is interested please let me know.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to email me at ladybug3157@gmail.com.

Sharon Coffman

QUILT SHOW AT SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 10, 2019 - January 5, 2020

If you are participating in this exhibit and haven't given me your quilts yet, bring them to the October meeting. Please note that the opening reception will be Sunday, November 10th from 12:15 to 2 p.m.

Daria Phair

HOMETOWN GIRL QUILT EXHIBIT

Your Personal Invitation!

Visit the Maryland Historical Society to see Mimi Dietrich's Hometown Girl quilt exhibit and the new Spectrum of Fashion exhibit. Mimi will meet the group on Tuesday November 12 for a gallery tour. The bus leaves at 9:15 from the Arbutus Senior Center and there will be time for lunch, returning by 3. To sign up, visit the Arbutus Senior Center to reserve a seat by Friday October 11 (final deadline!) If you have any questions, call Carol Phillips 410-744-6452.



Mimi Dietrich

SPRING 2020 RETREAT

Spaces are available the Spring 2020 Retreat. It's March 9 to March 12 at the Clarion in Ocean City, Maryland. The cost is \$325 a Triple, \$360 a Double and \$510 a Single. This includes three dinners, three breakfasts, and three lunches. It's a productive but relaxing and fun time with the ladies.

Deposits of \$100 are due to me by November 21. If you are interested or have any questions, give me a call.

Cindy Reisberg

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

For October's BOM we will be participating in the Quilts of Valor National Block Drive. This year they have chosen a simple 12 1/2" (unfinished) 9-Patch, which uses 4 1/2" squares. The quilts made with these blocks are awarded to our service members and veterans across the nation. Because Maryland has no state coordinator and because their deadline is fairly soon, I will mail the blocks, rather than a finished quilt(s), to the national office in Texas after the November VQ meeting. The color scheme for each block is either blue and white OR red and white OR patriotic fabric and white. Directions can be found at the end of this newsletter and on the VQ website.

Daria Phair

Quilts of Valor®

2020 Block

Drive Patriotic

9-Patch

October 2019



Sample block



Sample block

Block Size: 12 1/2 inches (unfinished)

The purpose of the *QOV National Block Drive* is to give individuals or groups a way to participate by making blocks and having their blocks used in Quilts Of Valor, which are awarded to our service members and veterans across the nation. Maryland has no state coordinator, so the blocks will be mailed to the national office in Texas.

Block Guidelines

- Two fabric colors are needed:
 - #1 Red or blue solid or tone-on-tone or patriotic print
(DO NOT MIX RED & BLUE IN THE SAME BLOCK)
 - #2 White or white on white.
- Block should measure 12 1/2" as sewn and will finish at 12" in a quilt.

Cutting Directions

#1 Red, Blue or Patriotic Print - Cut five (5) 4 1/2" squares

#2 White or White on White - Cut four (4) 4 1/2" squares

Sewing the Block

The #1 squares go in the four corners and in the center of the block. On each horizontal line of three squares, press the seams toward the darker fabric.

Collection and Mailing of the Blocks

Blocks will be collected in October and November and mailed by November 23rd (NO late blocks accepted).

YOUR BLOCK SHOULD MEASURE 12 1/2" X 12 1/2". DO NOT TRIM IT!