



May 2021 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Each month I have tried to write a message that would convey to Village Quilters members just how special you are. How truly talented and giving, and smart and caring you are. Especially during this seemingly never-ending pandemic, I have felt, as we all have, the anxiety of the unknown, the loss of our former relatively carefree lives. (They were carefree, weren't they? I think I remember them that way, or maybe not, I'm really not sure.) Anyway, it seems that there is a light at the end of this long tunnel. Despite what we all have been through, there have been some positive aspects to this part of our lives. What I hope remains of this time is the caring, generosity and more relaxed pace that have sprouted like mushrooms overnight.

To that end, we all need to adopt the philosophy of a wise old refrigerator magnet.

***"Until Further Notice –
Celebrate Everything!"***

To make this activity as stress-free as possible, I am offering some suggestions courtesy of [Better Homes and Gardens Weekly Decorating Newsletter – April 21, 2021](#). Choose those you like, disregard those you don't. Add anything you find missing. Please be prepared to share some of the tales of your celebrations at the June In-Person and Zoom Guild Meeting. There is

no excuse not to celebrate something in May!

Monthly Observances in May

- American Cheese Month
- Correct Your Posture Month
- [National Asparagus Month](#)
- [National Barbecue Month](#)
- [National Bike Month](#)
- [National Egg Month](#)
- [National Hamburger Month](#)
- [National Mediterranean Diet Month](#)
- National Photography Month
- National Preservation Month
- [National Salad Month](#)
- [National Salsa Month](#)
- [National Strawberry Month](#)
- Women's Health Month

Weekly Observances in May

- National Pet Week (May 2-8)
- National Small Business Week (May 2-8)
- National Travel and Tourism Week (May 2-8)
- [Teacher Appreciation Week](#) (May 3-7)
- [National Nurses Week](#) (May 6-12)
- [National Hurricane Preparedness Week](#) (May 9-15)
- National Police Week (May 9-15)
- National Skilled Nursing Care Week (May 9-15)
- National Etiquette Week (May 10-14)
- National Transportation Week (May 16-22)
- National Safe Boating Week (May 22-28)
- [National Backyard Games Week](#) (May 23-29)

Daily Holidays in May

Saturday, May 1

- Keep Kids Alive – Drive 25 Day
- Kentucky Derby
- [Learn to Ride a Bike Day](#)
- [May Day](#)
- National Chocolate Parfait Day
- New Home Owner's Day
- School Principals' Day
- World Lyme Day

Sunday, May 2

- National Fitness Day
- National Truffles Day
- World Laughter Day

Monday, May 3

- Garden Meditation Day
- Melanoma Monday
- National Raspberry Popover Day
- National Specially-abled Pets Day
- National Textiles Day
- World Press Freedom Day

Tuesday, May 4

- National Candied Orange Peel Day
- National Orange Juice Day
- [National Teacher Day](#)
- Star Wars Day
- World Asthma Day

Wednesday, May 5

- African World Heritage Day
- Bike to School Day
- [Cinco de Mayo](#)
- National Astronaut Day
- National Hoagie Day
- World Portuguese Language Day

Thursday, May 6

- National Beverage Day
- National School Nurse Day

Friday, May 7

- Military Spouse Appreciation Day
- National Space Day

Saturday, May 8

- [National Coconut Cream Pie Day](#)
- National Student Nurses Day
- National Train Day
- World Fair Trade Day
- World Migratory Bird Day
- World Red Cross Red Crescent Day

Sunday, May 9

- [Mother's Day](#)
- National Butterscotch Brownie Day

Monday, May 10

- [National Shrimp Day](#)
- World Lupus Day

Tuesday, May 11

- Eat What You Want Day

Wednesday, May 12

- [International Nurses Day](#)
- Limerick Day
- National Nightshift Workers Day
- National Nutty Fudge Day
- National Receptionists Day
- End of Ramadan

Thursday, May 13

- Ascension Day
- Children of Fallen Patriots Day
- [National Apple Pie Day](#)
- National Fruit Cocktail Day
- [National Hummus Day](#)

Friday, May 14

- National Buttermilk Biscuit Day
- "The Stars and Stripes Forever" Day

Saturday, May 15

- Armed Forces Day
- International Learn to Swim Day
- National Chocolate Chip Day
- National Slider Day
- Peace Officer Memorial Day

Sunday, May 16

- International Day of Light
- International Day of Living Together in Peace
- Ride a Unicycle Day

Monday, May 17

- [National Cherry Cobbler Day](#)
- National Walnut Day

Tuesday, May 18

- International Museum Day
- Visit Your Relatives Day

Wednesday, May 19

- [National Devil's Food Cake Day](#)

Thursday, May 20

- National Rescue Dog Day
- World Bee Day

Friday, May 21

- Bike to Work Day
- Endangered Species Day
- International Virtual Assistants Day
- National Eat More Fruits and Vegetables Day
- National Pizza Party Day
- National Strawberries and Cream Day
- National Waitstaff Day
- World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

Saturday, May 22

- Canadian Immigrants' Day
- International Day for Biological Diversity
- National Maritime Day
- [National Vanilla Pudding Day](#)

Sunday, May 23

- National Taffy Day
- World Turtle Day

Monday, May 24

- Brother's Day
- International Tiara Day

Tuesday, May 25

- African Freedom Day
- National Brown-Bag-It Day
- National Missing Children's Day
- National Tap Dance Day
- [National Wine Day](#)

Wednesday, May 26

- Full Flower Moon
- Lunar Eclipse
- [National Blueberry Cheesecake Day](#)
- [National Cherry Dessert Day](#)
- National Senior Health and Fitness Day
- World Otter Day

Thursday, May 27

- National Grape Popsicle Day

Friday, May 28

- [National Hamburger Day](#)
- [National Sunscreen Day](#)

Saturday, May 29

- International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers

Sunday, May 30

- [National Mint Julep Day](#)
- Indianapolis 500

Monday, May 31

- [Memorial Day](#)
- National Macaroon Day
- World No-Tobacco Day

HAVE A WONDERFUL MAY!

Rene Stiebing, VQ President

**PROGRAMS**

May's speaker will be Pat Yamin, whose mail order shop, "Come Quilt With Me" has been a quilter's delight for over 40 years. Pat will be sharing her journey from a child learning to quilt from her grandmother in the Arkansas Ozarks to a city gal in New York, stymied by the need for a fully stocked quilt shop to feed her ever growing love for her art. Pat is also a learned lecturer on antique quilt conservancy and will tell us a bit about that, too.

I think we're going to enjoy her trunk show quite a bit, so please join us to welcome her on Thursday, May 20.

Donna Badgett, Programs

LINUS PROJECT

Our inventory is running low on quilt tops. If you have finished quilt tops or want a quilt kit to sew, let me know. We can arrange a pick up or drop off at your convenience.



Thank you for any help you can provide.

Stephanie Sanidas

SEW & CHAT

As you know, Sew & Chat is continuing every Thursday from 10-12, aside from the guild meeting day. It is a great opportunity to sew along with friends and catch up on news.

Hope you join us.

Joan Costello

SHOW AND TELL

Pictures of recent projects for the May Show and Tell can be sent to Joan Costello at fcostello@umbc.edu or texted to 443-286-7927. Remember to send them in jpeg format by Tuesday, May 18, 3pm. They will be posted on the VQ Facebook site after the meeting.

Joan Costello

CHARITY GIVING

It was a great Zoom meeting— I cannot believe we have so many Techies among us—who knew? Thanks for making the programs available --- and the speakers have been great. Please remember to donate to the local food banks, either by check or by dropping off your canned goods. Stay in touch with each other--- it's been a long 13 months. Stay safe and healthy.



Kay Worley

SUNSHINE NEEDED

Some of you may remember Lois Wilson, Elaine Loughlin's sister and past Village Quilters member. Her Alzhiemers is progressing and sadly her memory is failing. Elaine feels that cards would make her smile. Simple "thinking of you" or something Christian in nature would be great. Thank you



NEXT MEETINGS

Thursday, May 20

Thursday, June 17

Thursday, July 15

Thursday, August 19

PLUS Sew & Chat Sessions
Via Zoom every other Thursday
From 10 am – 12 noon