



March 2019 Newsletter

Star Quilters Guild of the Roanoke, Virginia, area

<http://starquilters.org/>

Our March Program:

Challenge Quilts Displayed, Judged, and Explained

at Christ Lutheran Church, corner of Brandon and Grandin in Roanoke
on Monday, March 4, at 7 PM

This year, guild members were challenged to make small (less than 100 inches around) quilts that use only one color (and members of its color family) plus a neutral color. Members who accepted the challenge will bring these quilts to Monday's meeting. Neva Hart from the Virginia Quilt Museum, well-known for her knowledge of the history of Virginia quilts and expertise in evaluating them, will be joining us to judge them.

After the judging and awarding of ribbons, each entrant will explain the "inspiration" for the colors and design. The theme for this year's quilt show is "Inspired Piece Makers," and the quilters were invited to let their imaginations run free within the restrictions of a monochromatic scheme. It WAS a challenge, and on Monday you will see how our friends rose to the challenge!



INSPIRED PIECE MAKERS

A QUILT SHOW SHOWCASING
SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA QUILTERS

March 29 & 30, 2019

Berglund Center Exhibit Hall

710 Williamson Road at I-581, Roanoke, VA

Friday: 9 am to 5 pm

Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm

\$7 per person (12 & under free)

Over 150 Quilts on Display

★ Certified Judge ★ Featured Quilt Artist ★

Vendor Mall ★ Log Cabin Quilt Raffle ★

Door Prizes ★ Bed Turning Program ★

Hosted by Star Quilters Guild of Roanoke, Virginia

Visit our website at starquilters.org/2019-show/

Officers and Committee Chairs for 2018-2019

President	Judy McWhorter
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Ways & Means	Cathy Henderson (fabric)
Web Page	Susan Kraterfield

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

NOTES FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

SPRING is time to RENEW!

It's about time to renew your guild membership. If you can, please print and fill out the Membership Form attached to this newsletter and bring it with you to either the March or April meeting. I will have extra forms at the meeting as well. Check the date on the form you are using. It should be May 1, 2019 - April 30, 2020. Write a check made out to Star Quilters Guild for \$20 or bring cash.

If you have not had your picture taken for the Membership Directory, or would like a new photo, please let us take your photo. Or submit a headshot to Jennifer at aboy4me4x@gmail.com.

NEW GUILD MEMBERS

We received four new members at our February meeting. We would like to extend a special welcome to Julie Farmer, Jill Moody, Delta Thompson, and Angie Miller.

All members are encouraged to pick up a sheet with new member contact information (people who are not in the current directory) at the membership table. We currently have 103 members.

~ Jennifer Adams and Bonnie Blessing, Membership Committee

What's Ahead at our Monday Meetings

April 1 - "The Fiona Quilt Block" by Carolyn Goins. Carolyn will present a trunk show on her most recent book, *The Fiona Quilt Block*. She will bring the book as well as other quilt patterns for purchase. See below for more information.

May 6 - The Spring Social - probably including a floor show of winning quilts from our quilt show.

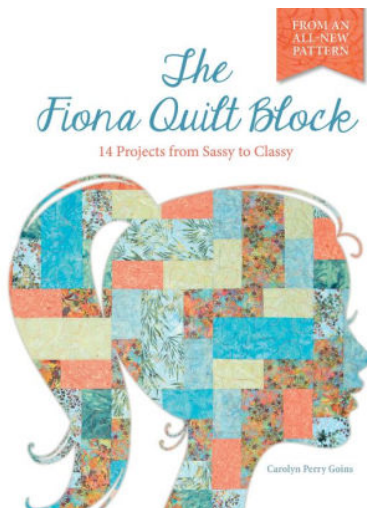
June 3 - Nancy Oldham will show her collection of old quilts and share their stories.

Future programs: Bonnie Scott, the new quilt store at Smith Mountain Lake, UFOs, and Marietta Price (make accessories to go with that lovely quilt!), to name a few.

~Dawn Schaben, Program Chair

Our April Program: Carolyn Perry Goins

Carolyn Perry Goins is an instructor, author, and designer of quilt patterns with the beginner in mind. Carolyn made her first quilt in 1978 using a how-to book. While that quilt has long since departed this life, her desire to quilt has grown stronger each year. She took her first formal class in 1981 and has continued her quest for learning by attending conferences and quilt festivals, and by studying from notable instructors. She has designed and made several raffle quilts for quilt guilds and organizations. She has been active in quilt groups around the world as she traveled with her husband. Her husband has now retired from the military and they call Virginia home.



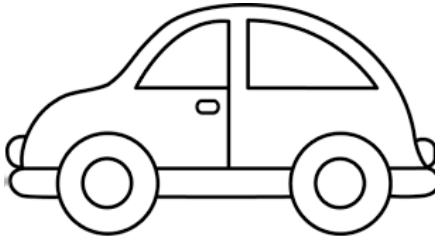
The "Fiona Quilt Block" presents a single quilt block with many layouts, each very different. It's great for the beginner and the experienced quilter also. Makers of donation quilts really enjoy the variations this block provides.

Carolyn will be bringing copies of this book and other patterns for the convenience of guild members to purchase.

THE "AURA" WORKSHOP WITH PHYLLIS REEVES

As of February 26, there was only 1 remaining space for the "Aura" workshop by Phyllis Reeves on April 27. Dawn Schaben is compiling a waiting list.

Join Us on a Field Trip to Quilt Stores on March 16, 2019



We're having a field trip to the fabric store and primitive store in Fancy Gap, the quilt store in Wytheville, the Chinese restaurant in Wytheville for lunch, and the new location of the quilt store in Radford. We will be leaving from Cave Spring Baptist Church on 221 at 8:30 on Saturday, March 16.

Please come join me for some fun and quilting fellowship!

~ Cathy Russell bfmshmk@yahoo.com

Guild Income and Expenses, May 1, 2018 - February 28, 2019

Income \$7,245.89

Expenses \$6,593.56

Cash-on-hand: \$12,376

Note: Cash-on-hand includes carry-over amounts from previous years.

Reminder: Payments for advertising in the guild newsletter or on the long-arm quilters listing on the guild web-site are due when advertisers pay for their guild membership.

~ Sue Berry, Treasurer

STARRY EYED QUILTERS

This group meets to try new techniques to make quilts different and modern. Talk to Susan Kraterfield if you'd like to join them at a meeting or on facebook.

QUILT EXPO IN BALTIMORE IN MARCH

The Baltimore Heritage Quilters' Guild will present Quilt Expo 2019 on March 23 & 24 in Pikesville, Maryland. Featured quilters will be Amy Krasnansky (contemporary quilts) and Kathryn Fader (traditional quilts).

For information about Quilt Expo 2019, or to buy tickets in advance at a discount, see <http://www.baltimorequilters.com/expo-2019/>

Adventures in Gelatin Plate Printing

A workshop by Kevin Womack, a textile artist now living in Lynchburg

Tuesday, April 2nd, 2019, from 9 AM to 3 PM

Blacksburg Presbyterian Church, 701 Church Street, Blacksburg, VA 24060

For more information, registration form, and supply list, please visit our web page:

<http://kutauber.wix.com/the-quilting-party>

Minutes of the Star Quilters Guild Monthly Meeting on February 4, 2019

President Judy McWhorter called our meeting to order at 7:00. She began the meeting with a few reminders:

- ★ Registration forms for entries to our 2019 Quilt Show are due February 8. The quilt need not be completed at the time of registration.
- ★ Challenge Quilts must be submitted at our March 4 meeting. Neva Hart will judge the quilts during the meeting.
- ★ We will have a workshop by Phyllis Reeves featuring the Aura quilt on April 27. Registration forms are available.
- ★ Our 2018-2019 Star Quilters Guild year ends April 30. Please pay your dues for 2019-2020 by the end of April.

Business Meeting

Secretary: Minutes of our meetings appear in the following month's newsletter. Our January meeting was canceled due to weather.

Treasurer: The Treasurer's report appeared in the newsletter.

Library: No update.

Comfort Quilts: Ten quilts were turned in at the February meeting. Kits are available for members to take home to complete for the next meeting.

Hospitality: Chair Gisela O'Connor announced the January and February birthdays.

Membership: Chair Jennifer Adams announced that 62 members, four new members and two guests were in attendance.

Ways and Means: Members spent \$455.13 at our Ways and Means table, where a large quantity of recently donated fabric was available in addition to our usual assortment of member-donated items.

Quilt Show: Members of the Quilt Show Committee summarized their committee activities:

- Award ribbons are ready. A sample ribbon was displayed.
- Registration is open through February 8. Forms may be mailed, emailed or handed to Jennifer Adams.
- Challenge quilts are due at our March meeting. The theme is What Inspires You, done in monochrome with one neutral color, with a perimeter of 100 inches or less.
- Sponsorships are available; a sign-up sheet was passed around.
- Bed-turning will have about 16 quilts, and the event will be held three times each day of the show.
- The Door Prize committee has enough donations for four baskets plus one special prize, a Moda Martinique quilt kit.
- Volunteers are need for the show Wednesday through Saturday. Sign-up sheets for two-hour shifts on Friday and Saturday were passed around. White Glove volunteers will change locations every half hour so they will see all the quilts.

- Publicity post cards are available at the meeting for distribution to shops, libraries, business locations, etc. Yard signs are also available, but please get permission from property owners before displaying them.
- Vendors will be treated to snacks; a sign-up sheet to provide specific items was passed around.
- Tickets for the Raffle Quilt, which was on display, were available at the meeting.

Program

Program Chair Dawn Schaben presented our program, "T-Shirt Quilts, A Labor of Love." Dawn's excellent slide show provided many tips for making T-shirt quilts and many photos of finished quilts, and she summarized her tips on a handout. She advised interfacing for easier quilting, fusing the interfacing before trimming the shirt to the desired block size, and using a single piece of interfacing for a single shirt block because piecing lines will show through the shirt. If your interfacing has directional stretch, place the direction of stretch opposite the direction of the shirt's stretch. Dawn recommends pre-washing the shirts (without fabric softener for better interfacing adhesion) and pre-washing any sashing or border fabric you plan to use. Put some thought into the layout of the shirt blocks; you will find many examples online by searching online for T-Shirt Quilts. Use press-and-seal on the shirts while machine quilting to keep the quilting foot from sticking to the shirt's design. Look for Dawn's handout on our guild website.

Show and Tell

Members brought a large variety of beautiful creations to share; photos appear on our facebook page. Unusual items included a tote bag crocheted from grocery store plastic bags, wall hangings using hot-fix crystals, a duster-style jacket made from a sari, a wall hanging using a gelli plate fabric, and a quilt with an underwater scene including painted fish.

Closing

Following Show and Tell, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM. Our next meeting will take place on March 4.

Respectfully submitted,
Claire Hightower, Secretary

Exciting Prizes: Earrings, a Bracelet, or a Gift Certificate

Bonnie Scott of Joyful Adornments Glass Studio has donated a glass spool bead bracelet, a pair of spool earrings, and a \$50.00 gift certificate for a drawing from the names of people who have collected ads for the Quilt Show program. Ads cost from \$10 to \$100, and a limited number are available. Download the form at <https://starquilters.files.wordpress.com/2018/09/sponsoring-2019-good-one.pdf> and think about inserting a memorial line or getting businesses you know to buy an ad.

Quilt Show Gift Baskets

We have received some really wonderful items for our door prize gift baskets. When you come to the quilt show, be sure to register for the one you'd like to win.

~ Cathy Fandel cathy@blueridgequilting.com



to Guild members born in March

1 Carol Sheldon

2 Gisela O'Connor

5 Bonnie Blessing

10 Cathy Russell

11 Linda Cronise

14 Cindy King

19 Jane Chichester

23 Ann Andrews

25 Linda Badger

25 Jane Holmgren

26 Bonnie Scott

29 Sarah Smith



The Virginia Quilt Museum will have a table at our quilt show, and they will be selling tickets to win their own fund-raising quilt, "English Flower Garden," made by the Tuesday Morning Chapter of the Charlottesville Area Quilters Guild. 94" x 94"



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This month at Bargain Barn Fabrics: 20% off all outdoor fabrics and marine vinyls. Our workshop is available to help you make cushions and do re-upholstery. Upcoming classes: March 9th-Baby Kisses quilt class; fee \$45. March 16th- Painting on fabric; class fee \$35. March 23th- Hexagon quilt class; fee \$45.



Busy Hands

You are welcome to join a small group of members (not always the same ones!) on the 3rd Monday of the month for Busy Hands. This month, we will meet on Monday, March 18th, at Barnes and Noble, Tanglewood Mall, at 6:30 for about

1½ hours. It's a great time to work on those hand-work projects. Do you need to finish sewing on a sleeve for that quilt you are entering into the quilt show? Enjoy a cup of coffee if you like while working and discussing your project. Any questions, call, text, or email Ann Ware.



OUR 2019 QUILT SHOW

The Quilt Show committee met Tuesday with 17 people in attendance. Judy Coffman opened the meeting and distributed copies of the agenda and the show checklist.

We discussed the treasurer's report and discussed items that need to be addressed before the show opens.

Our Featured Artist, Nancy Oldham, would like to have a designated time each day of the show to have a brief demonstration of a non-sewing textile art technique. The committee agreed this is a good idea. It was suggested that 11:15 am (when the first Bed Turning is finished) would be a good time.

Publicity for the show was next on the list. Have you seen the show ad in the *Virginia Register*? What about the Berglund Center event board from I-581? Have you helped distribute cards and flyers? Do you have a yard sign to put up the week of the show? Have you told all your friends about the show?

All the sub-committees were discussed. The important items discussed were check-in and volunteers. We will have a sampling of check-in at the March guild meeting when we bring our Challenge Quilts for judging. It will be exciting to have Neva Hart with us to judge our Inspiring Monochromatic quilts. Volunteer duties will also be brought up at the March meeting. It is not too late to sign up to be a "white glove" volunteer at the show. This is an important job at the show. The ones with white gloves do more than guard and show the backs of the quilts. We get to meet and greet the people attending the show and discuss the art and inspiration of quilting. And don't forget we have eleven vendors, a Round Robin display, the Virginia Quilt Museum with a raffle quilt, our Community Service display, our Log Cabin Star Raffle quilt, and Ryan's Case for Smiles also at the show.

Our next committee meeting will be March 19th at Roanoke Christian Church at 6:30 pm. The show will be here very soon!

~ Kathy Wickham

PICK UP A SIGN ADVERTISING THE QUILT SHOW

We will distribute yard signs after the Guild meeting, so be thinking of locations and how many signs you need. Also if anyone has unused advertising cards or posters, please leave them on the membership table so they can be distributed around the Roanoke Valley. Remember to tell everyone you see about the show and invite them to attend - the Bed Turning is a great conversation topic!

~ Judy Coffman

Our Quilt Show Depends on Guild Volunteers - Can You Be One?

We are going to need LOTS of help with running our quilt show on March 29-30. People who work on Friday often volunteer on Saturday. People who don't work on Friday are especially welcome then, as this tends to be the busier day of our shows. We have "sit-down" jobs as well as "standing" jobs. There's a place for you!

One of the best jobs is "white glove volunteer." This is a person who stands in one of the four rows of our exhibit and talks to people about the quilts. The white gloves are if someone wants to see the back of the quilt (not the whole thing, just a corner), because sometimes the quilting is more obvious on the back. These guides get rotated every half-hour, so you get to see the entire exhibit during your two-hour shift.

It probably makes sense to explain again that everyone, even the workers, pays for admission to the show. This is a requirement of the Berglund Center, and they post an employee to keep count of the number of visitors to make sure that we pay them the correct fee. On the bright side, buying a ticket gets you into both days of the show, and also gets you an entry into the drawing for a great door prize full of quilting and sewing items.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting on March 4, or you can talk to Sallie Powers or Judy Coffman. Their phone numbers and email addresses are in the Membership Directory.

Things You Might Want to Bring to Monday's Meeting

- (1) Your Challenge Quilt!
- (2) Items you'd like to Show and Tell.
- (3) A friend who is interested in quilting -- or would like to know why you like to quilt.
- (4) Your name tag. There are a lot of us, and it takes time to learn all those names.
- (5) Comfort Quilts you've finished making and want to turn in.
- (6) Books you're ready to return to our library.
- (7) Money or a check to buy raffle tickets. They cost \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. Get a packet of 24 for only \$20. Also, bring your filled-out tickets to put into the raffle box. The drawing will be held at the Quilt Show.
- (8) Filled-out forms for advertisements in the Quilt Show program.
- (9) Non-perishable items you are donating for the gift baskets for vendors.
- (10) Your membership renewal form and \$20 for your 2019-2020 membership. (If it's more convenient, you can print out the form on the next page and bring it with you. There also will be forms available at the meeting.)



Member Information

May 1, 2019 – April 30, 2020

☐ New Member

☐ Renewing Member

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Birthday: Month: _____ Day: _____

(We do not share our mailing list or email list. We use this information for the Guild Membership Directory, to send our monthly Star Quilters Guild Newsletter, and to send notices regarding seminars or classes sponsored by the Guild.)

I would like to serve on the following committees:

☐ Hospitality

☐ Newsletter

☐ Historian

☐ Workshops

☐ Ways & Means

☐ Membership

☐ Service Projects

☐ Publicity

☐ Quilt Show

Emergency Contact Person during Star Quilters Guild Meetings:

Name

Telephone Number

Please return this Member Information form and your money (\$20) to the membership desk or mail it to Jennifer Adams 5929 Brahma Road, Roanoke, VA 24018