



## June 2019 Newsletter

Star Quilters Guild of Roanoke, Virginia,  
and the surrounding area of the  
beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains

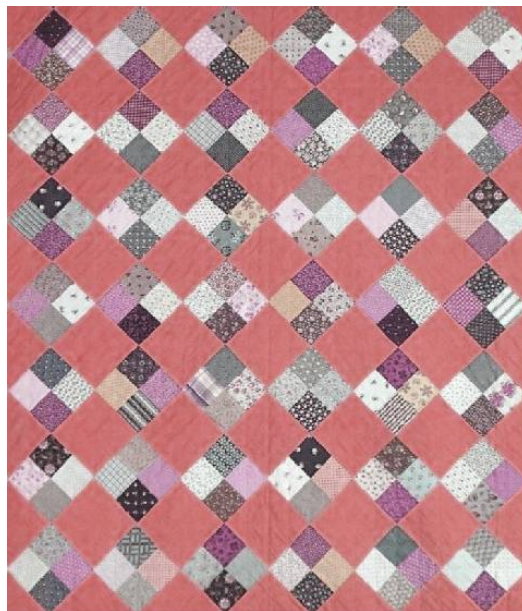
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### Our June Program: A Trunk Show of Antique Quilts

at Christ Lutheran Church, corner of Brandon and Grandin in Roanoke  
on Monday, June 3, at 7 PM

Guild member Nancy Oldham has been digging into her blanket chests for treasures from Pennsylvania quilters. She will have quilts made by her husband's mother and quilts given to her or purchased at auctions, including a very old four-patch from York County, Pennsylvania. They include many different patterns, including a log cabin quilt made out of clothing strips and an old friendship quilt. She will share with us what they show about the history of quilting.

She may also ask our advice about removing from an old quilt the charcoal markings that showed hand quilters where to quilt!



### Our New Guild Challenge: What's Virginia Known For?



Here's a "just for fun" guild challenge.

Our home state is filled with so many remarkable things. Let's commemorate them in quilts! There are no rules:

- ◇ Traditional, art, modern, or downright *avant garde* if you wish
- ◇ Miniatures, queen-size, and barn quilts are all welcome.

Work on your idea for 6 months and bring it to the December social to share with all of us. No judging; but you'll vote for your favorites.

Need something to light a spark? Think ... Dogwoods. Cardinals. Your high school or college (or grade school or kindergarten!). Booker T. Washington. Colonial leadership. Blue Ridge. Bunker at Greenbrier. Galax music. Natural Bridge. Big Lick. Railroad. Virginia Beach. D-Day. Rivers, lakes, mountains, hills, swamps, lighthouses...

~ Susan Kraterfield

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Ways & Means .....	Cathy Henderson (fabric)
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Their telephone numbers and email addresses are in the Membership Directory.

### What's Ahead at our Monday Meetings

July 8 - Bonnie Scott -- "The Creative Process." She will talk about how having fun has led to creativity in her glass work, in her quilting, and in her drawing - with examples. This is a program for people who feel they have little creativity and few original ideas, who hesitate to take on new projects because they fear failure, or who have hit a brick wall on a project. We will discuss how to think outside the box while playing and experimenting without defined limits and no judgment, so that "creative accidents" can happen.

August 5 - to be arranged

September 9 - Cathy Fandel will lead a program on Christmas Quilts and other Christmas ideas. Everyone is invited to bring Christmas quilts to share with the group.

Future programs: 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*



Guild members will be sorry to hear of the death of Betty Tyree's husband Jimmy. The family will receive friends at Oakey's South from 3-5 on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Details here: [https://www.memorialsolutions.com/sitemaker/sites/Oakeys1/memsol.cgi?user\\_id=2172064](https://www.memorialsolutions.com/sitemaker/sites/Oakeys1/memsol.cgi?user_id=2172064)

## A NOTE FOR OUR QUILT RETREAT PARTICIPANTS

Our Star Quilters Guild Retreat at Smith Mountain Lake in September is complete with 24 people. If you would like to be on the standby list, let me know.

People who have signed up, all payments need to be in by the Guild Meeting in August. You can pay me before then and not wait till the last minute. That would be great if you could.

Thank you all that have signed up to go. You might want to start getting your ideas in order, as it is really helpful to have everything cut out before you go. That way, you can spend your retreat time on sewing and quilting!

~ Cathy S. Russell

## HOW TO FIX FABRIC BLEEDS

**Editor's note: I have been informed that credit for this information should go to Vicki Welsh, whose article "Save My Bleeding Quilt" was published before Suzy's. See Vicki's website at <http://www.colorwaysbyvicki.com>.**

Just because one (or more) of your fabric colors has run and dyed other parts of your quilt, it doesn't mean all is lost. Put on your gloves, and let's get to work.

(1) Fill your bathtub up with water as hot as you can. (Different people have different limits set on their hot water heater, so if your hot tap water is sort of meh, add some pots of boiling water. Boiling water is hot! I know! This is why you need gloves!)

(2) Add Some Suds. This part is important. Though people get all excited about Synthrapol (and it does work well, so you may want to keep some on hand), Dawn Ultra Pure dish detergent will do the trick, too. Add as much as half a cup of the good stuff.

(3) Oh, and make sure your quilt is in there, too. [...] Now swish things around for a good ten minutes. Note: if the water gets REALLY dark REALLY fast, you'll want to drain the water after about 10 minutes or so, and refill with new hot water and detergent.

(4) Let it Rest. [...] Make sure every bit of the quilt is underwater (so none of the water dye sticks to the quilt at the water line), and give it a full 12 hours. [...] Don't worry if things are looking very dye-ey up in there - the soap's job is to keep the dye suspended in the water, and not in your quilt.

(5) Rinse and Repeat... if necessary. It's time consuming, but if you really want to heal your precious quilt, keep repeating the process until the water is clear. This may take 6 hours or so.

(6) When things are looking clean and clear and under control, go ahead and give your quilt a final cold-water rinse. This is also a good time to add some Retayne to the water to firmly lock in the remaining fabric dye. Now carefully remove your quilt to dry.

Disclaimer: This process may not be 100% successful 100% of the time, but every medical procedure has risks. It's the best, most effective method out there, so it's worth a shot, especially when a quilt's life is at stake!

Source: <https://suzyquilts.com/fix-fabric-bleeds/>

## Convergence Quilt Workshop on Saturday, June 15, 10-3

This workshop is now full. I look forward to seeing you there and seeing the variety of convergence quilt tops you will create! Full details are in the May newsletter.

~ Susan Kraterfield

## SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA QUILTING NEWS

Guild members with an email address have been sent a copy of the June issue of *SWVA Quilt News*. It has information about upcoming quilt shows, workshops, and a bus trip from Lynchburg to Richmond quilt shops on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Check it out!

## Deadline June 14<sup>th</sup> for entering THE 2019 SMOKY MOUNTAIN QUILTERS SHOW

The Smoky Mountain Quilters of Tennessee will offer more than \$6,000 in awards at their show on August 2 and 3, 2019 at the Knoxville Expo Center in Tennessee. There will be 16 categories in which to enter your quilts and 12 special awards. Deadline for entries is June 14, 2019. Please visit <https://www.smokymtnquilters.com/quilt-show.html#/> for more information on the competition, for entry forms, and for a slide show of past winners.

## Do You Know a Quilter Who Could Help Clare?

I have a question to ask about getting a quilt quilted economically. I cannot afford to pay for computerized long-arm quilting. Is there anyone in the area who has an older, hand-operated long arm? Or is there an Amish community that does hand quilting? The quilt I have now is about 80 by 88 inches. Call me at 540.339.9788 and leave a message, please. - Clare Melick

Also, I'd be glad to put such information in the newsletter. ~ Laura Perry

## HELP THE VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM ... without sending MONEY

The Virginia Quilt Museum's online auction will be held in October, and it is accepting new donations for that fundraiser! The items sold usually are little quilts or objects like purses, table runners, Christmas tree skirts, toys, ornaments, etc. Would you like to donate something? The sale of your work will benefit the museum!

## MEET YOUR QUILTING FRIENDS and do a little sewing

The Quiltessas meet on the first Friday of each month from 10 to 2 at Our Lady of Nazareth Church on 419. Bring your machine and tools. There are always comfort quilt kits, or you can work on a project of your own. No machine? Come to help iron or cut. To confirm that they are meeting on Friday, June 7, or if you have questions, ask Judy Bradley [bradxjude@aol.com](mailto:bradxjude@aol.com)

## Minutes of the Star Quilters Guild Monthly Meeting on May 6, 2019

Our meeting started an hour earlier than usual for our May Salad Bar Social. Both the salad bar table and the dessert table overflowed with delicious items provided by our membership. Hospitality provided beautiful Spring-themed table decorations, including hand-made tulip centerpieces. Our meal, which lasted until 7:30, was followed by a few announcements and Show and Tell.

### Announcements

**Guild Challenge:** Susan Kraterfield announced a six-month challenge to create a quilt of any size illustrating what Virginia is known for. A winner will be determined by Viewers' Choice ballots.

**Convergence Workshop:** Susan Kraterfield will lead a Convergence Quilt workshop at Cave Spring UMC 10:00-3:00 on June 15. The cost is \$5. Please let Susan know if you plan to attend.

**Quilt Retreat:** Cathy Russell announced that there are two spots remaining for the quilt retreat to be held September 11-15. A \$50 deposit is required to sign up.

### Show and Tell

Members showed a wide variety of beautiful quilt projects, including row-by-row; P. Buckley Moss panel and landscape quilts; art and modern quilts; jelly roll rugs; round robin and convergence quilts; Native American, cowgirl, Christmas, and movie-themed quilts; wall hangings and home decor; a family tree of eyes; and baby and children's quilts. Nice work, everyone!

### Closing

Following Show and Tell, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06. Our June meeting will be held on June 3 at our regular 7:00 meeting time.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Claire Hightower, Secretary*

## **BREAKING NEWS:**

### **A SALE AT ALPINE SEWING MACHINE COMPANY**



Our friends at 2609 Brambleton Avenue in Roanoke are having an Early Bird Sale on Tuesday, June 4th. Sewing machines, sergers, embroidery machines, cabinets, and accessories are on sale at 30% off the manufacturer's suggested retail price from 7 to 10 am, and at 25% off from 10 am to noon.

Prefer not to make a decision with the clock ticking? Shop the Preview Sale on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> (9 am - 4 pm), or Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> (9 am - 6 pm), and choose what you want. Alpine will have your purchases ready for you on Tuesday morning.



*to Guild members born in June*

*June 7 Stephanie Woods ~ and ~ Susan Parr*

*June 12 Kristen Farwig*

*June 20 Janet Lemons ~ and ~ Susie Ross*

*June 25 Kathy Martin*

*June 28 Julie C. Farmer*

### **Busy Hands**



Any member of the guild is welcome to join a small group of members working on their own projects.

We meet at Barnes and Noble Tanglewood on Monday, June 17th at 6:30 for about one and half hours. You can enjoy a cold beverage from the cafe during this hot weather.

Stuck on the next step of your project? We are there to give our advice. Contact Ann Ware if you have questions.

### **Guild Income and Expenses, May 1, 2018 - May 31, 2019**

Income (May 1 - May 31, 2019) ..... \$790.00

Expenses (May 1 - May 31, 2019) ..... \$ 60.70

Cash-on-hand as of April 30, 2019: \$13,908.56

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

The Guild's accounting year ended on April 30. I have placed four end-year reports on the Guild's web-site:

2018 - 2019 Checking Account Monthly Detail

2018 - 2019 Deposits to the Guild Checking Account

2018 - 2019 Disbursements from the Guild Checking Account

2018 - 2019 Budget to Actuals Report

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

~ Sue Berry, Treasurer



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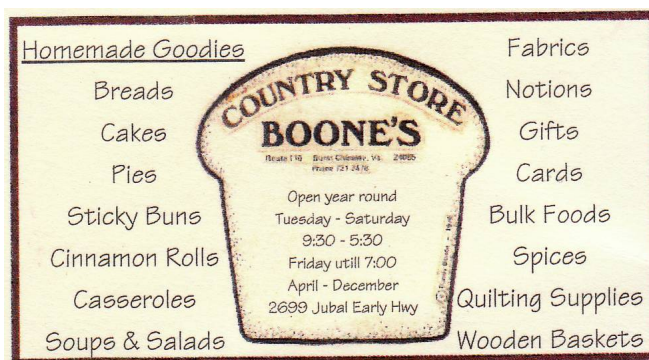


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## **A Request from Joyce Noell**

At our May meeting we had wonderful salad fixins' and I believe all enjoyed. Someone brought KROGER BUTTERMILK FIELDS SWEET & SOUR DRESSING. It was wonderful. I have tried Kroger Ridgewood Farms, old Harris Teeter Kroger, the Cave Spring Corners Kroger, and still have not been able to locate it. Please, whoever brought it - where did you find it? Many thanks... Joyce [joycenoell@cox.net](mailto:joycenoell@cox.net)

## **Things You Might Want to Bring to Monday's Meeting**

- (1) Items you'd like to Show and Tell.
- (2) Your name tag - don't be a stranger!
- (3) Comfort Quilts you've finished making and want to turn in.
- (4) Books and magazines and fabric to donate to our Ways and Means table.
- (5) Books to return to the Guild Library.
- (6) A friend who is interested in quilting.
- (7) \$20 for your 2019-2020 membership, if you haven't already renewed.



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## **YOU CAN HELP PRESERVE VETERANS' MEMORIES**

Guild member Natalie Norris is one of the sponsors of a project at the History Museum in downtown Roanoke. On Saturdays in June and July, recollections of military service will be taken from military veterans and their families.

Dates are June 8, 15, and 29 and July 6, 13, 20, and 27. Appointments are required. Phone 540-982-5465 or email [info@vahistorymuseum.org](mailto:info@vahistorymuseum.org).

Sign up for yourself or someone you know! Stories from veterans and their families will be recorded and shared with the Library of Congress.