

PATCHWORK



The Vernon Silver Star Quilters Guild Newsletter—January 2024 Vol 17, Issue 5



Musings from our President...

Happy New Year! I trust everyone had a good Christmas and that we are all ready to move into 2024! With a green Christmas our daughters from Red Deer Alberta where able to drive out. My youngest with her

two children arrived for Christmas and then left on Wednesday morning. Her sister arrived that afternoon and they are with us until either the 31st or January 1st. Two grandchildren and two dogs made for a busy Christmas!

With all the company we have not much sewing is being done but that is okay. Just a reminder our first meeting for the new year is on the 4th of January and I look forward to catching up with many of you at that time. I know that the workshop committee has been at work arranging activities for the new year and that sign up for April retreat will start at our first meeting in January. So do consider attending!

See you all on the 4th!

Julie

January 4 9:30 am	Business Meeting
January 8 9:00 am	Classics Sub Group
January 11 9:00 am	Newcomers Tote Bag
January 15 9:00 am	Scrappy Sub Group
January 18 9:30 am	General Meeting
January 22 9:00 am	Talk ATB Subgroup
January 25 9:00 am	Open Sewing/Pizza

Guild Meeting Days

*Doors open at 9:00 am
Meeting begins at 9:30 am*

Subgroups and Classes

*Doors open at 8:45 am for set up,
Ending at 3:00 pm.*

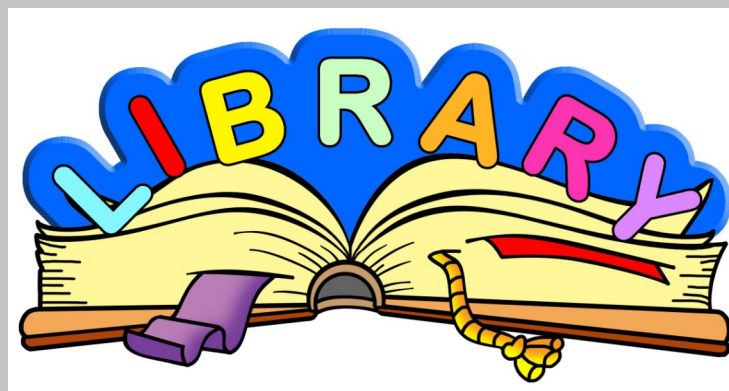
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Deadline for February Newsletter submissions is January 25, 2024

Library News—Rhonda Harvey & Marlene Lawrence

Happy New Year everyone. We introduced some new books at our December 7 meeting. They were promptly signed out for the holiday season and will hopefully be returned at our meeting on January 4 to rotate amongst the members. The following are the new titles added to our collection.

- Quilts As You Go for Scrap Lovers
 - Quilt Your Own Adventure
- Simple Double-dipped Quilts
 - Zig Zag Rope Sewing Projects
- Tumbler Quilts
 - Barn Star Sampler
- Twist and Turn Quilts
 - Quilts from Tilda's Studio
- Crumb Quilts
 - Quilting with Panels and Patchwork
- Exploring Dimensional Quilt Art
 - Just One Charm Pack Quilts
 - Just Two Charm Pack Quilts
 - Quilts from Quarters
- Third Time's a Charm
 - Trendy Table 2



Remember: Please try to have your books returned at the first meeting of the year and find some new treasures to sign out and explore.



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Workshop Committee

Wishing you the very best for 2024. The New Year brings new opportunities for members of the guild. Your Workshop Committee has been working to bring you new and different options. Stay tuned—there will be lots to come!

Mark Your Calendar

- ⇒ January 11th - Newcomers Tote Bag Workshop
- ⇒ January 18th—Sampler Workshop Show & Tell at the Business Meeting
- ⇒ January 25th—Pizza Lunch & Open Sewing Day. 9—2:30. \$12.00 Temperature Quilt Presentation
- ⇒ February 8th—Newcomers Tote Bag Sewing Day #2
- ⇒ February 15th—Paint chip Challenge Reveal at the Business Meeting
- ⇒ February 22nd—Paper Piecing Round Table Workshop—Traditional and Freezer Paper Methods
- ⇒ February 29th—Community Care Day

We remind you that you can register for workshops even if you are not at a guild meeting. How? Simply e-transfer the workshop fee to vssqtreasurer2@gmail.com and put in the comments section what the workshop is that you are paying for. For example, send \$100 to the address and comment that it is the Make and Take Workshop. Treasurer will advise workshop committee of receipt and you will be sent the requirements for the workshop. Easy Peasy and no line up either!

We continue to look for members to share an area of expertise or knowledge with other members. If you have had positive feedback from something you have shared with the guild and would be interested in sharing "the how to" with others, fill out the form (which is on the website - Members Only Page - in the shaded box on the right-hand side) and pass to one of the Workshop Committee members. If you are unsure, just talk to us and we are more than willing to help.

Thanks for your consideration in this matter. Sue Beaudry, Deborah Coffey, Julia Jones & Susan Wilson

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Still! Happy New Year



Please remember! All our meetings are scent free. Thank you!

Paint Chip Challenge

Participants!

Remember that February 15th is the date for presenting your completed or partially completed challenge entries.

Please do not be concerned if your project has grown and wants to be bigger than the suggested finished size. Any size is fine!



Julie Jones

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January 2	Helen Eggen, Sheila Patt
January 3	Julie Glinsbockel Deborah Coffey
January 6	Joan Griffith
January 8	Debbie Bachman Pat Bennett
January 10	Sharon Roddy
January 11	Marlene Cummings
January 12	Glenda Goodman Yvonne Hayden
January 17	Christine Robson
January 20	Patty Greenwell
January 21	Daryl Pike
January 27	Valerie Goodale
January 28	Mary Prentiss Miriam Bowles
January 30	Dorothy Spina
January 31	Lynn Dyck



Spring Retreat!

Spring Retreat is Coming!

Date: Monday April 8 to Thursday April 11/24

Cost:\$310

Registration starts January 4, 2024

Minimum 24 attendees

Refund policy- no refunds after we submit numbers to Gardom usually 10 days before retreat. Cancellation due to illness will be considered. Requests for room assignments will be considered but no guarantees!

We will consider outside people who will need to pay a guild membership fee so they meet Quilt Canada's criteria for guild activities covered by insurance.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Maggie

Grocery Receipts!!! Linda Ensing

What's in the Green Box?

During the VSSQ guild meetings there is a collection of items on the stage at the "front of house." If you are new to the guild, you may have wondered about the green box! It is a container for you to drop off any Butcher Boys or Nature's Fare grocery receipts. Both businesses very generously offer gift cards in exchange for receipts collected. Every guild meeting these receipts are collected and totals tallied. Every \$5000 purchased at Butcher Boys provides us with a \$50 gift card. Nature's Fare offers 3% of your purchases back to our organization. The cards are used at the guild's discretion. They may provide grocery help to a needy family that our host church is aware of, they may be donated to a nonprofit organization like the Salvation Army, they may purchase sugar and cream for our coffee break. If you shop at either of these stores please say "yes" to receiving the receipt, collect them, and bring them to the guild meetings to put in the "green box." It's easy and it's good for our community.

Thank you! *Linda*



Cruise our Library for Lots of Inspiration Using Fat 1/4's

Fat Quarter Draw

- The theme for the fat quarter draw for 2023-24 will be “Shades of Colour”.
- **January** will be shades of Blue. From light pastel blue to dark navy and everything in between
- February will be shades of Pink.



Note from Editor: If you would like to be featured in our “Getting to Know You” column for the newsletter, please let me know! This is a great way for you to share how you got started in quilting, projects you are currently working on, and anything else you would like to share about yourself. You will be sent a set of questions to answer if you wish in order to help you get started. Don’t worry about your writing style—I can edit. Thanks for considering being our Person of the Month! My email address is at the bottom of page 7 of the newsletter.



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2023 Guild Christmas Luncheon

Food bank Quilt Winner - Kate Bennett

Money raised for food bank 270.55

Viewers Choice - Oyama Group. The round table Topper was made by the whole group. Each participant made a tree and a house. Thanks to Pat Libby for a new punch and Endie Turner for kitchen cleanup.



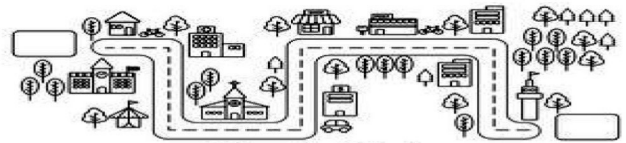
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Quilting Here & There
A Twist on Mystery Quilts

Winter Workshops now out.

Here are some of the top quilting fabric trends to watch for in 2024

Bold Bright Colours: The use of bold, bright colours is expected to be a major trend in quilting fabrics in 2024. Expect to see fabrics featuring vibrant shades of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple.

Natural Fabrics: In recent years, there has been a growing trend towards using natural fabrics in quilting. This trend is expected to continue into 2024, with quilters choosing fabrics made from materials like cotton, linen, and wool. A sustainable option.

Geometric Prints: Quilting fabrics featuring geometric prints are also expected to be a popular trend in 2024. These prints, which include shapes like triangles, square and circles, will add a modern touch to traditional quilting designs.

Metallic Accents: Metallic threads or metallic foil applied to the surface of the fabric will be another 2024 trend. Adds a touch of glamour to any quilt.

Nature-Inspired Designs: Floral and botanical prints will also be a popular trend in quilting fabrics. Excellent for creating quilts that reflect the beauty of the natural world.

Textured Fabrics: Raised designs or embossed patterns will be popular. These fabrics add depth and interest to any quilt.

Batik Fabric: Offering a one-of-a-kind look perfect for creating truly unique quilts has always been a benefit for using batik in quilts.

Digital Prints: Digital printing technology has made it possible to create quilting fabrics with incredibly detailed and intricate designs, not to mention a plethora of colours. Creates stunning quilts.

In 2024, there will be something for everyone in fabric choices. Visit our local quilt shops to touch and feel (and buy!) their offerings.

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