# PATCHWORK



The Vernon Silver Star Quilters Guild Newsletter—March 2024 Vol 17, Issue 7



## Musings from our President...

Where did February go? It seems as if it has come and quickly gone. With this blue sky and warm weather as I write this note, I for one am looking forward to getting out in the yard. I am sure our fish are confused as one day the pond they are in is ice free and the next day it is partially if not totally frozen.

I will miss the March 7th meeting but Maggie will be there to chair the meeting. We are off for a week to Phoenix, Arizona to watch the NASCAR race with my husband's brother and Sister-in-law. I have never been to a race so it shall be interesting. I enjoy people watching but not so much the loud noise of the cars so I will have my noise cancelling headphones on.

I hope that the April Retreat is able to go ahead. Just a reminder we need a minimum of 24 people to make the event a go. I am sure there are many members out there that, like me, have lots of UFOs that need to be worked on and or finished. Retreat is a great way to relax, visit, get inspired, eat good food, and enjoy the fresh air.

Thank you to all the volunteers! Remember there are a number of volunteer opportunities available (secretary, greeters, and a few others) so check with Maggie for the positions needing to be filled. Stepping up is another way of not only helping the guild but meeting members of the guild and having a part in making our guild the functioning, vibrant group it is.

Have a wonderful March and enjoy the March school break if you will have your grandchildren around.

Happy Quilting,

Julie



March 4 9:00 am Scrappy Sub Group

March 7 9:30 am Business Meeting—Life

**Member Presentation** 

March 11 9:00 am Classics Sub Group

March 13 9:00 am Open Sewing

March 25 9:00 am Talk Around The

**Block Sub Group** 

March 27 9:00 Grab Some Grub Lunch Bag Workshop—\$45 includes pattern

\*\*\*Please Note: No Guild Meeting Scheduled

For March 21As the Church Not Available.

### **Guild Meeting Days**

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

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### Subgroups and Classes

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

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Deadline for April Newsletter submissions is March 25, 2024



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### Library News-Rhonda Harvey & Marlene Lawrence

Check out some of our new titles:

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 next meeting and find some new treasures to sign out.



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### **Workshop Committee**

Spring is right around the corner and there are lots of opportunities for you to satisfy your quilting addiction. Check page 1 of the newsletter and the online Guild calendar for scheduled times for Sub Groups this month.

\*March 13th - Open Sewing Day

\*March 27th - Grab Some Grub Lunch Bag Workshop - Cost \$45.00 includes the pattern

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.

Believe it or not we are already planning for next year. We are looking for suggestions. Please contact Sue Beaudry with your ideas.

And finally, a reminder that all guild activities are deemed scent-free in consideration of those members with "scent-sitivities". Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

Sue Beaudry, Deborah Coffey, Julia Jones & Susan Wilson







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



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### Hayley's quilt

Some members from the Scrappy Group decided they would finish the quilt for Hayley. Her mother Denise is part of the Scrappy Group. Between the five us, Betty Dobson, Debbie MacLeod. Ester Pitt, Shirley Gregorash and Susan Pliska, we had it completed in 30 hours. Most of the blocks were finished, we just had to make a few more blocks to complete it and sew them together. Debbie MacLeod graciously quilted it for us. Hayley was so grateful to us for completing the quilt.





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| Joyce Evanishen   | March 2  |
| Deb Green         | March 12 |
| Nonie Davies      | March 15 |
| Pat Libby         | March 17 |
| Rene Gutyan       |          |
| Mari-lou Wightman | March 18 |
| Evelyn Harding    | March 20 |
| Marilyn Buhler    |          |
| Kay Loshney       | March 25 |
| Leslie Qazilbash  | March 27 |
| Karen Penner      | March 28 |
| Joyce Heard       | March 29 |
| Marilyn Wardlow   | March 31 |





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### **Spring Retreat!**

Spring Retreat is Coming!

Date: Monday April 8 to Thursday April 11/24

Cost: \$310 Minimum 24 attendees



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Sign up for Retreat has begun. It is a two step process. We are collecting money and names until we are over 24 people. Refunds will be given if we don't reach 24. Deadline is Mid March. The theme is the Turtles Return.

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

### Retreat—Spring 2024 Project Opportunity

Learn to make a small zip pouch! Or placemats for Meals on Wheels! Or work on donated blue & yellow blocks.

The zip pouch is big enough for a large rotary cutter or other needed notions or small rulers. This quick and easy project is made with two fabrics, a zipper, batting, and vinyl. We have lots of fabrics to choose from and a kit will be made up for each participant. Extra supplies will be available to make more or you can change your fabric supplied in your kit.

An add a block activity is also available. We were donated beautiful blue and yellow quilt blocks that need a little tender loving care. Each block of the Yellow Brick Road quilt will need to be unpicked, pinned and resewn.

Also, an opportunity to make placemats for Meals on Wheels for Christmas is also available if you so choose. Yes, we are getting started early. To help you on your way, patterns and Christmas fabric will be available for spring and fall retreats. You can also bring a fun fat quarter for the back so they can be used year round. Masculine fat quarters for the men are greatly appreciated.

Any questions? See Maggie Tomich.

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### Community Care



Community Care had a sew day on February 29,2024 and, as usual, we had a great turn out. Kits were made, quilts were cut out and sewn. Thank you to all the members who generously attended and gave their time to completing Community Care Quilts. This was our last Community Care sew day for this year.

Betty Dobson Linda McGarvie Debbie MacLeod

### Fat Quarter Draw—March

The theme for the fat quarter draw for 2023-24 will be "Shades of Colour".

March will be shades of Grey.

April—Green

May—Purple

June—Black and/or White—either prints or solids







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### Newcomers—Shirley Weishuhn

The newcomers have been working on their tote and looking forward to showing them off to the Guild in a fashion show at an upcoming meeting. The sewing days have been a great time for sharing and getting to know each other.

We are preparing to start on the newcomer block by taking a trip to Batik Corner in Oyama to find appropriate fabric. A shop hop is in the works as well for this coming month.

Shirley







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### Quilting Here & There

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Sew Camp for Kids March 18, 19, 20, 21

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### Scrappy project for that new little one in your life!



Turn scraps into cute patchwork bibs. See more examples and get the free instructions at <a href="https://quiltingdigest.com/patchwork-bib-will-wow-new-moms/">https://quiltingdigest.com/patchwork-bib-will-wow-new-moms/</a>



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