

PATCHWORK



The Vernon Silver Star Quilters Guild Newsletter—November 2024 Vol 18, Issue 3



Musings from our President...

Thanksgiving is done and we are into Fall. My garlic is planted and our pond should be shut down for the fish's hibernation. I just need to get some candy in for the kids at Halloween. Where has the summer gone? :)

The Guild is still looking for someone to step up to take over as Vice President for the rest of our current year. I know that it is a bit scary knowing that this leads to becoming President for two years but speaking from experience it is not that bad. In fact it is kind of fun! I was only just under 4 years with the Guild when I came on as Vice President! The biggest responsibility of Vice President is arranging our spring and fall retreats but Maggie has said she would assist with the spring retreat which would be the only retreat you would look after as normally you roll into the President position as of the end of June 2024. I will take the role of Past President after my term ends as President. I will be around to provide any guidance needed. There are several who have held the position of Past President who are more than happy to provide any assistance as well. There is also a binder that provides directions on what your role as Vice President and President entails. Please seriously consider filling the role of Vice President. Your guild needs you!

What in particular makes this group so special is the support and camaraderie that exists. Respect is essential in making groups such as ours a welcoming place. Respect fosters a positive and collaborative environment. It encourages open communication, teamwork, and strengthens the relationships among members. As we not only move into a new Guild calendar year can I remind members to treat people with courtesy and politeness, listen and phrase your comments positively and be sensitive to people's feelings, and finally speak in a calm tone.

Julie

November Happenings

- November 4—9:00 am Scrappy Sub Group
- November 7— 9:30 am Guild Business Meeting
- Note: No Show and Tell today
- November 12 Quartz Sub Group
- November 14-9:00 am Open Sewing
- November 18-9:00 am Classics Sub Group
- November 21-9:30 am Guild Meeting
- November 25-9:00 am Talk Around the Block
- November 28 9:00 am Make and Take

Check our online calendar for updates.

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.*

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

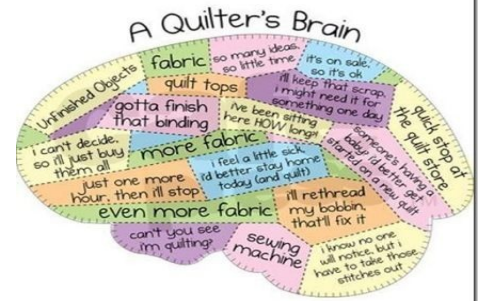
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Deadline for December Newsletter submissions is November 25, 2024

Make and Take Workshop

The Make and Take workshop on November 28 will be led by Lori Hansen and Susan Wilson. There will be 5 or 6 projects to be completed. Items will be suitable for your home decor or for gifting. Techniques/products we will explore and share include:

- * making circles and applying without pins
- * 4 at a time HST (half square triangles)
- * Kraft Tex
- * raw edge applique
- * trapunto



Did You Know? By Susan Wilson

Did you know? For several years VSSQ has contributed \$100 to the IPE prize purse for quilting class. This past year the purse was divided into four \$25 prizes which were awarded as follows:

Pieced, twin or larger, hand quilted
Machine embroidered and/or appliqué
Modern style/design
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Linda F.
Anita R.
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Christmas Party

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**December 12
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a colourful
Christmas Cracker gift exchange!

You only need 1 of these from
your favorite toilet tissue!

Let your imagination
run wild.
The gift must fit
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Fall Retreat—Maggie Tomich

Retreat was a Stellar Success!

With 25 guild members attending the biannual event, Fall Retreat was a truly wonderful experience. Call Me, a By Annie pattern, proved to be a challenge but many finished this useful phone carrier. We now have 14 placemats for our meals in the dining room and 26 placemats for Meals on Wheels were returned. Beautiful quilt tops were displayed in our TADA! moments and cozy sits by the fireplace with library books were enjoyed by many. Our dates for the Spring Retreat are April 7th to 10th. Hope to see you there for our Spring Revival. Add it to your calendar.





Autumn Sale—Susan Wilson

The Autumn Sale was/will be held November 2nd and what could/can be said? We had a successful day and will provide an accounting at the December business meeting as it is too soon to do so this month. Did you see the feature on Global TV? This promo came about as a result of submitting a press release for the station to use on the events information page. Sydney Morton contacted me and we set up a time to do a little photo shoot. Our guild vendors brought in a small selection of items to show. However, in order to meet the criteria set by the station Sydney required some additional footage of the quilting process. In order to accommodate her last minute requests, the demonstration footage was quickly arranged. Apparently, it was shown several times including provincial coverage. Thanks to all who brought stuff in and made the shoot a success.

Quilt Show 2024—Susan Wilson

The committee is meeting Nov 7 and you can look forward to all kinds of information coming thereafter. We will issue the show challenge this month and reminders of it in the meetings to come as well as in the newsletter.

Membership—Susan Wilson

I have provided the membership list up to Oct 24 to Nancy, the guild webmaster, for publication in the members only section of the website. At that time there were 131 Members in Good Standing meaning, members that had completed and submitted both the membership form and payment of dues. This includes fifteen Life Members of which ten opted to pay the membership fees.

You may note there are two separate pages - at least that is how I sent them - one for Executive and Committee Heads and a separate one that has all members listed alphabetically by first name. New members appear in the list in *italics*, lifetime members in **bold** and everyone else is standard font.

Please take a few minutes to review [your](#) details; I have tried to ensure accuracy with a double and sometimes triple check of entry but of course errors happen. If there is an error, or you have changed some aspect of your details, please send an email to quiltingforyou2@gmail.com indicating what needs to be changed.

Community Care

FIDGETS

This year we have had a request to supply Fidgets to VJH for their dementia patients. For any new members, a “Fidget” is a small hand-held mini quilt or pillow, with various textures to be used for its calming effect. They are usually no bigger than 20”x20”, and can include cotton, flannel, minky, zippers, Velcro, ribbons, or other embellishments. **HOWEVER**, because these are intended for **Dementia Patients**, the hospital has requested that we **do not** include **Beads nor Buttons** as the patients mistake them for candy and try to eat them causing a potential frustration/choking issue.

Your fidgets can be brought to any VSSQ meeting and given to Deborah Coffey or myself, and we will make sure that they are given to the hospital.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support,
Angie Wood



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Workshop - Christine Wejr

Welcome to a new season of fun activities. Your Workshop committee has been busy lining up a great schedule for the coming year.

Upcoming events:

November 14th – Open Sewing Day

November 28th - Make & Take \$100.00. See Susan Wilson or Lori Hansen for more information

December 12th - Community Care Day

December 16th – Workshop by Jane Burzinski at Country Quilts - Part one of two. - \$60 for both parts

December 19th - Christmas Potluck

January 20th – Workshop by Jane Burzinski at Country Quilts Part two of two

March 13th – Catherine Henderson workshop – more information will follow

Block Challenge information with pattern is on the website. Each person makes one block with the resulting quilt being donated to charity. Please pin your suggestion for a charity on each square.

Other activities planned for the next year include Open Sewing Days, a May Make & Take, Trunk Shows, Workshops, and a wind up Potluck.

Our committee is always open to new suggestions so if you have an idea for a workshop, short presentation or activity please contact Sue Beaudry. If you would like to share your skills with the group or lead a workshop we would love to hear from you. You can access the workshop proposal form available on the 'Members Only' page on the VSSQ Website. Please complete the form and submit to any member of the Workshop Committee.

Committee Head: Sue Beaudry. Other members: Pat Bennett, Yvonne McReary, Christine Wejr.



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Fat Quarter Draw

The Colour Wheel is This Year's Theme

October - 3 primary colours—pure yellow, red or blue

November - Shade (with black added) of yellow, red or blue

December - Tint (with white added) of yellow, red, or blue

January - Mix Yellow & Red = Orange

February - Mix Yellow & Blue = Green

March - Mix Red & Blue = Purple

April - Neutral Colour

May - Favourite Colour

FQ draw is held on the 2nd meeting of each month starting in October and ending in May. Fat Quarters should measure 20" x 22" and consist of good quality quilting cotton.

Each FQ you bring entitles you to one entry to win the lot!

Good Luck!



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