

Beaver Valley Piecemakers September '23 Newsletter

Hello Guild Members,

Welcome to another year of the Beaver Valley Piecemakers. Our first meeting is Wednesday, September 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. I hope you are all looking forward to our upcoming year. We have a lot of activities to start off the year. At our September business meeting, we will be playing Bingo, winning prizes and just having fun.

With our Quilt Show on the week of October 10th through October 14th. We will be needing a lot of help. Judging will be on Tuesday, October 10th, Hanging will be on Wednesday, October 11th, leaving Thursday-Saturday, October 12th-14th for the quilt show. The Quilt Show is the major fundraiser for us that pays for all our activities throughout the year. So please consider volunteering in some way. Help is always needed and would be very appreciated.

At each of our meetings, we will have some type of program. We currently have two workshops scheduled, as well as Saturday Sew, Block Lotto, Challenge, Mystery, Community Service and of course the February Weekend Retreat.

Make sure you come to the September meeting to learn what every committee has in store for you!

Janice Rockage

President

Beaver Valley Piecemakers



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Kathy Farra	09/16
Darlene Muntean	09/16
Tamara Price	09/20
Sheila Snyder	09/20
Judith Stiener	09/25
Dorothy Carr	09/28

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. Guild Meeting	09/06
Saturday Sew	09/09
October Meeting	10/04

BRING TO MEETING

Name Tag
Block Lotto Block – Christmas
Membership Application
w/check in sealed envelope
Ticket stubs w/money for
raffle quilt & sewing machine



QUILTS OF VALOR – Louise Grant

Quilts of Valor Committee is recruiting members for the committee, particularly to assist with our presentations this coming year. Please contact Louise Grant if interested.

A QOV workshop is planned for **the 3rd Thursday of August (August 17) from 10am - 4 pm** at the Hopewell Twp Administration Bldg located at 1700 Clark Blvd, Aliquippa.

Please bring your machine and supplies as well as your lunch. (Note - we do not have refrigeration storage).

If you plan to attend, please send Louise Grant a text or email before Wednesday of that week so she knows how many working projects to have on hand.

QOV Group Award Presentation is scheduled for our November 1st meeting, which will be held at the Community Life Center of the Chippewa UM Church. Nomination forms are available on the BVPM website under the QOV Committee. All nominations for that presentation must be received no later than September 30th. Please make sure all requested information is completed. Nominators and recipients will be contacted in October to make sure the nominee is willing to accept the Quilt of Valor and can attend the presentation ceremony in person.

Thanks to all those who have contributed to Quilts of Valor!

MEMBERSHIP – Joy Brieck

I just want to let the members and future members that I will not be able to attend the September meeting. The Membership Form for the coming year is on this website. Please fill it out completely and include either Cash or a Check (preferable) and put it into a SEALED ENVELOPE with your name on the outside of the envelope; place it into the basket on the Sign-In table. Do not leave forms with loose cash or checks.



CHALLENGE

Hi! This is Kathy Trzeciak

I am excited to tell you I am this year's Challenge Coordinator. That being said I am choosing to do a challenge for me! I am in love with fabric panels. I have purchased/been given approximately 20 telling myself I will make this panel with blah blah and yet they are still in my stash. Now my challenge to myself is also your challenge. Get those panels out and make a quilt, a bag, or whatever you would like to make. (Any size and shape) At the end of year celebration ribbons will be given for first, second and third place chosen by your fellow guild members.

I am not going to leave you out there without ideas. As to not tie up the meetings I will be putting them in the newsletter. So, this month's idea is to go see our Librarian Amy Daily in the library I found two books. Quilts of Valor and Learn to Quilt with Panels by Carolyn S Vogts. Both of these books offer suggestions/ideas on using different panels. Imagine your panels and your fabric in these patterns. So go ahead and look through your stash.



RETREAT – Sheila Drevna and Jeanette Kent

February 16 thru 18, 2024 at the Sheraton Pittsburgh Airport Hotel. The cost is \$348 for a single room and \$243 for a double room. If you are getting a double room, it is your responsibility to find a roommate. Sheila and Jeanette can accept partial or full payment beginning at our September 6 meeting. Full payment must be made by the January meeting. We will have a teacher this year, for those interested.

The class will be a *Wool Applique Needle Case*

Teacher for the class is Claire Neff from Village Quilts In Canfield, OH



DREAM BASKETS – Diane Schwartz

Please remember while you are out shopping prior to our meeting to pick up one or two items (don't forget to use coupons!) to be included in the Dream Baskets. If you have NEW, UNOPENED items at home, suitable for a Dream Basket, these are also great for contributions. Please bring them to the September Guild Meeting.

You are also encouraged to let our Dream Basket Chair, Diane Schwartz, know if you would be interested in preparing a special basket yourself, or with a group of friends. What kind of basket sounds good? Teas, Italian, Lottery Tickets, Chocolates, Wines; if you have an idea for a basket, get in touch with Diane as soon as possible to let her know!



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP FORM – Vivian Oaks

An error in the last email that went out was brought to my attention. I had said to check under “Other Committees” to find the Membership Page. This wasn’t correct! Click on the “About Us” tab on the top of the Home Page. At the bottom of this page is a button to click to join the guild. Clicking here will take you to the “Membership” page, where you will find the button to click for the Application for Membership. Print out this page, fill it out and bring it with you to the September meeting, along with a check for \$20 in a sealed envelope. Please read the Membership notice at the top of page two in this newsletter for what to do with your envelope.



PROGRAM ADVERTISING – Vivian Oaks

You will find a form attached with this newsletter concerning advertising in the Quilt Show Program. PLEASE print out the form and take it to a local business. Talk with the owner about the possibility of advertising in our Quilt Show Program. Have them fill out the form and send the information for their ad to vkoaks@gmail.com. A business-card size may be perfect for them, and a copy of that card is all we need to advertise for them. There will be 750 programs printed this year! Let them know how much advertising they can get for only \$20!! Ask your hairdresser, a local business owner or a friend. Ads DO NOT NEED TO BE QUILT-RELATED. ANY business is appropriate – grocery store, gas station, boutique, candy store – ask them all!! These ads are to cover the cost of the Programs. Please help by asking at least ONE business.

28th Annual Quilt Show October 12, 13, 14 Chippewa UMC Community Life Center 118 McMillen Ave. Chippewa (Beaver Falls) PA

