

BEAVER VALLEY PIECEMAKERS FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



Hi Ladies,

I can't believe it's going to be our February meeting in a few weeks.

Our February meeting will begin with "Happiness is Half Square Triangles" by Create with Claudia.

For those who are going, I hope you're all excited and getting your supplies ready for the retreat on February 16-18.

Remember to keep working on your Mystery and Challenges. Block lotto has a great block this month, you still have time to make it.

Hope you're all able to make it to the February meeting. Let's keep fingers crossed for good weather.

Janice



LIBRARY NEWS – Amy Daily

I have updated the book list on line. I'll be glad to bring any books in for you if you call (724-843-3197) or email before the date of the next guild meeting.



FREE FABRIC, BOOKS AND MORE!

That's right, ladies! Judy Davis is cleaning out her house, and after years of working at a quilt shop, she's downsizing her sewing room, and if you're here for the February meeting you'll have a chance to pick out anything you'd like from her donations! Bring a tote bag to help make transporting goodies home easier.



BINDING AND EDGE FINISH WORKSHOP – Linda McCuean

Save Tuesday, March 12th for this workshop from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the New Brighton Methodist Church. (Same location as Saturday Sew). We will cover a basic binding, as well as how to plan and navigate a shaped edge or a faced edge finish. You can bring a small quilt to bind or several placemat-sized pieces to work on, as well as fabric for binding. You may also just observe and take notes if you wish. **Bring your lunch!** Sign up with Linda McCuean at the February meeting with a \$20 check, made out to BV Piecemakers to hold your spot. Your check will be returned when you attend the class. If you reserve a spot but don't attend, your check will be cashed.

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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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| Lynn Morris | 2/10 |
| Alycia Lyons | 2/15 |
| Darlene Reehl | 2/18 |

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Monthly Meeting | 2/07 |
| Saturday Sew | 2/10 |
| Retreat | Feb 16, 17, 18 |
| QOV Thursday Sew | 2/15 |

BRING TO MEETING

Name Tag
Block Lotto Block
Workshop check(s)

QUILT BOOKS AVAILABLE

Quilt books on a variety of quilting subjects have been donated to the Vicary House in Freedom. They are being sold to raise funds and are available for prices ranging from \$3-\$5 for most. Stop in at the Vicary House anytime they're open to see if there's something you can't live without! You certainly won't find them anywhere else for less!



SATURDAY SEW – Debbie Jewell

Each second Saturday of the month, September through May (except October) we get together to sew, share, help each other and socialize. There's no cost to join in – just come to the New Brighton Methodist Church anytime between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM to join in the fun. We enjoy a meal together at noon, so please bring \$5 for your lunch. This is your chance to meet and get to know your fellow members of the guild and get some sewing done at the same time!



QUILTS OF VALOR – Louise Grant

The third Thursday of each month is a time for those of us who are able, to get together at the Hopewell Municipal Building (downstairs) to work on quilts for our QOV presentations. This past November we presented 21 quilts to veterans, nominated to receive the quilts by friends or family. Please join us if you're able, and let Louise know you'll be there so she can bring enough work for us all. Our February Sew is the 15th, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.



BLOCK LOTTO – Pam Mason

The block lotto this month is especially nice – if you like cardinals, you'll want to take the time to make this block! The pattern is available free of charge on the Block Lotto page on our website – www.bvpiecemakers.com. Make one to bring for the block lotto and one for yourself or make just the one for the lotto and maybe you'll win all that are made!



BUS TRIP – Samantha Stewart

Samantha has been hard at work, checking with bus companies and quilt shops, to plan a trip for anyone interested. At this time, she's hoping to have a trip planned for some time in May. If her plans come to fruition, we should have all the details soon. Start saving now so you'll be ready to join us. Full details will be released as soon as they're available, so keep your eyes open and read your newsletters all the way through!

BARN QUILT WORKSHOP

Don't forget our upcoming workshop – making your very own Barn Quilt! The workshop is set for Saturday, April 20th from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Choose your own quilt block, attend the workshop, and when you're done, you'll have your very own Barn Quilt to hang on your barn, your shed, your fence, or even your house! There is a \$70 fee for all the supplies, plus your \$20 check to hold your reservation. (Your \$20 check is returned when you attend the workshop.)



EMAIL ISSUES

It has come to our attention that several people have not been receiving the monthly newsletter emails. Hopefully, if you don't receive it, you can check the guild website to read it there (toward the top of the Home Page). If you aren't receiving the newsletter in your email, please let Vivian know so we can try to figure out what the issue is and correct it. Thanks for keeping her informed. We can't fix a problem if we don't know about it. (And she DOES sometimes forget to fix a problem even after being told, so don't hesitate to remind her in case the problem isn't taken care of. (She won't take offense...honest!))



QUILT SHOW – Vivian Oaks

It's not too early to remind you to start thinking about donations for the Dream Baskets. These baskets are a huge part of raising funds at our Quilt Show. Bring any new, unused quilting or sewing item, and pass it along to Diane Schwartz. Think of how great these baskets will be if we start now! 😊



NOTICE: Reminder for long-time members, and news that newer members may not be aware of...

The "Member-Only" page on the website is, as it says, only available to members of Beaver Valley Piecemakers. If you haven't signed in to the member-only page on the website, please do so. Minutes from the meetings are available here, as well as the pictorial member directory. This directory is immensely helpful in learning people's names and faces. With almost 100 members, using the directory is the easiest way to become familiar with everyone. Please make use of this resource, along with everything else on the website, to help you become an active, involved member of the guild.

To sign in, on the Home Page, locate the "Members Only" button next to the Dove. Click on the button and you'll be taken to the sign-in page. Make sure you have clicked to "Sign UP", not "Sign IN". Fill in the form and submit it, and Vivian will be notified that you're requesting access. You will be approved as quickly as possible. (Sometimes it's a minute, sometimes it's day, but it depends on when she is made aware of the request.) If you're in a hurry, send Vivian a text to let her know, and she'll usually get right on it. (Barring any unforeseen circumstances.) You'll be notified as soon as you're approved, at which time you can again go to the member only page, then click to "Sign IN", not "Sign Up."