# **BEAVER VALLEY PIECEMAKERS MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER**

Hi Ladies,

By the time you get this, for those who went to the retreat, I hope you're all rested. Our program for March will be Margaret Miller from Little Foot. She will be doing a Trunk show of different types of tablecloths. I hope the weather continues to go in our favor so that everyone is willing to make it. See you then. Don't forget your block of the months, your books and continue working on your challenges, mystery and service projects. Also for those who signed up for the Binding and Edge Workshop with Linda McCuean, it will be on Tuesday, March 12, 2024.

## **QUILTS OF VALOR – Louise Grant**



• The 2024 QOVF Block of the Year, the Special Ohio Star block was introduced at the February meeting. Twenty-six block kits were picked up by members. When returned they will complete at least one QOV top. More kits will be available in the months

to come. Members are encouraged to download the sewing instructions located at the BVPM website under the QOV Committee link. There are also suggestions for tops included in the directions from the QOVF.

 QOV workshops will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays in February, March, April, May and June at the Hopewell Municipal Bldg, 1700 Clark Blvd., Aliquippa from 10 am - 4 pm. Please join other sewists to work on QOV projects.

#### MARCH BIRTHDAYS Carol Selepec 3/04 Christine Huska 3/06 Caroline Morse 3/11 Betty Davidson 3/16 Sharon Elliott 3/16 3/18 Ginny Johns Susan Bevington 3/21 Jan Garland 3/21 Jill Holt 3/23 Marilyn Ann Crain 3/24 3/25 Roger Davis Alycia Huffman 3/26 Mona Shoaff 3/28 **UPCOMING EVENTS** 3/06 March Meeting Saturday Sew 3/09 **Binding Workshop** 3/12 QOV Workshop 3/21 **BRING TO MEETING** Name Tag Block Lotto Block

- A special thanks to the members who have volunteered their machine quilting services in 2023 and 2024 to-date: Mary Kowach, Bev Miller, Sharon Welsh, Sheila Drevna, Judy Steiner, Rick Slater, Linda McCuen, Louise Grant
- If you feel ready to try your hand at machine quilting just let Louise know. We have several waiting for quilters.
- We have several quilts ready for binding. We do ask binders to machine sew binding and to machine wash and dry the quilt before returning.

Thanks to all for your contributions to our service members and Veterans!







Check for Workshops

**Completed QOV Blocks** 

# **COMMUNITY SERVICE** – Bonnie Reyes

Pam Mason has completed six more dog beds ready to be donated to the Beaver County Humane Society. That gives us a total of 12 dog beds donated by our quilt guild in 23-24. Thanks so much for your dedication and caring, Pam! Bowl Cozies can still be brought to the meetings and left at the church.



## **BLOCK LOTTO - Pam Mason**

The block for March is called "One Special Star" and is a beautiful star for your Christmas quilt! Make one for your own quilt and one for the block lotto. You may just win ALL the blocks turned in at the March meeting! The instructions are available on the website, "bvpiecemakers.com". While you're downloading your block, check out the other committees on the website and see how you can get involved.









Block Lotto – Pam Mason

Friendship – Lynn Morris

Media – Alycia Lyons

## **UPCOMING WORKSHOPS** – Linda McCuean

**Tuesday, March 12**<sup>th</sup> is our **Binding and Edge Finish Workshop** at the Methodist Church in New Brighton. The church is located at the corner of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 11<sup>th</sup> Street, kitty-corner from the Post Office. If you can't remember if you signed up, give Linda a call. Her phone number is listed in the member directory on the "Member-Only" page on the website. Bring some small projects to work on the bindings or just come to watch and take notes. Either way, you'll be sure to learn lots from Linda! The workshop runs from 9-4.







**Saturday, April 20**<sup>th</sup> is the **Barn Quilt Painting Workshop** with Barb and Glen Gross!! This workshop will also take place at the New Brighton Methodist Church at 1033 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue in New Brighton from 9 AM – 4 PM. Please remember to bring your check for \$20 to hold your seat (which you get back at the workshop) Also, note - There is a kit fee of \$75 to be paid at the class that covers everything you need for the class including the board, the paint, etc. If you have any questions, please contact Linda.







Retreat – Judy Steiner and Lydia Stewart

Newsletter & Website - Vivian Oaks

#### **OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS NEEDED FOR 2024-2025**

We are at the point in the year where we need to start thinking about next year's board. Thank you to the people who have stepped into these positions:

Treasurer – Rose Hufnagel
Membership – Tamara Price
Workshops- Linda McCuean
Saturday Sew– Debbie Jewel
Mystery – Sharon Welsh
Community Service – Bonnie Reyes

Reyes QOV – Louise Grant and Lydia Stewart

Thanks to all who are filling these positions.

## We still need:

Library – Amy Daily

**Vice President** – job includes; covering for the president if they are unable to be at the meeting. Also includes: putting together programs for the meetings and taking care of the nominating committee. The Vice President also will be the president for the next year.

**Secretary** – Takes notes during the meetings and provide a copy for the newsletter chairman.

Challenge – comes up with an idea for the members to make. Use your imagination to challenge us!

**Bus Trips** – Plan a spring bus trip going to different quilt shops in the Spring.



Thanks to all those who have stepped up in previous years to fill positions in our guild. Everyone is important to the guild, and we can only continue as a group if everyone commits to helping. Most of the positions are for one year, if that's what you want. A few are multiple years. Take the time to go through them and see what you're capable of helping with. Find a friend and do a job together. Talk to any of the officers now about available positions. Please volunteer if you can!!