

# Beaver Valley Piecemakers May 2022 Newsletter



## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

### Being Unique is Better Than Being Perfect

I've been told that the best way to make new friends is to meet and connect with others that have the same interest as you do. That's why I first came to a Beaver Valley Piecemakers Guild meeting. I wanted to meet others who had the same interests as I do. We all have a love of quilting! As your President, I've had an opportunity to meet and get to know many of you, for which I am grateful. Not only did I learn that we all have a love of quilting, I also learned that there are some really interesting and special ladies in our group.

***"Why Fit in When You Were Born to Stand Out!" - Dr Seuss***

Our Guild is filled with women who have vast wisdom and experiences in all walks of life. I've learned that one of you has five college degrees, another is a member of Mensa, one is a ventriloquist, and another was on the Let's Make a Deal television show. There are so many more unique and wonderful things about all of you. That is why I've loved our Mystery Quilt project so much because it gave me an opportunity to learn more about you. If you just take the time to get to know each other better, you will learn that each person's uniqueness is special and should be celebrated. Be sure to join us at our end of year Luncheon Celebration on Sunday, June 12 and take the time to learn what is unique about all the ladies sitting at your table. I'm sure you will be greatly blessed!

Your Chief FUNraiser,  
Mary Lee Green

## May Guild Program May 4<sup>th</sup>

**Fab Labs** – Mary Lee Green

**6:00 PM - Be Sharp, Be Accurate, Be a Rotary Cutter Master!**

Our next Fab Lab will be hosted by Samantha Stewart on May 4 at 6 pm before the guild meeting. Don't miss this opportunity to come and learn how to master your rotary cutter!

**6:30 PM - Sales will begin so members will have time to shop prior to the meeting.**

**7:00 PM -** Our May 4<sup>th</sup> program will host speaker, Lugene Shaver, from the Quilt Peddler in Johnstown. She will have kits and patterns for sale, so be sure to arrive early! Lugene will speak about her pieced and frayed quilts.

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

Joy Brieck	5/02
Terri (Teresa) Goodwald	5/02
Malinda (Mandy) Gilberti	5/03
Loretta Haskins	5/13
Dee Byers	5/16
Cherie Moore	5/18
Sheila Drevna	5/20
Lisa Cope	5/24
Linda Kline	5/25
Karen Bequette	5/30

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Fab Lab	5/04
May Guild Meeting	5/04
Saturday Sew	5/14

## BRING TO THE MEETING

Name Tag
New Quilting Item for Baskets
Block Lotto Block
Check to reserve workshop

**PLEASE NOTE:** When you hear a bell ring, that means we have a guest or new member joining us. Please be sure to welcome her and say hello. When the lights go off/on, that means that the meeting will be starting momentarily. Please take your seat (and turn it if necessary) and give your attention to the speaker at the lectern. Thank you!

## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Rose Hufnagel**

May 4, 2022 meeting, we will vote for officers and committee chairs for next year. At the time of this newsletter, we do not have anyone willing to serve our guild as Vice President or Workshop Chairman. According to our By-Laws (look on the member section of our website) the stated purpose of our guild:

**The purpose of this organization shall be to preserve the tradition, culture and history of quilting, to encourage and advance the knowledge and understanding of all aspects of quilting, and to promote good fellowship through the art and finished products of quilting.**

Both of these positions are important to the future of our guild, obviously ongoing workshops and programs for the following years ..... As previously stated, most of the work is already done for 2022-23. .... The guild is here for all of us, and to encourage new quilters. Please take a few minutes to consider how you can use your talents to support our purpose. Many times we find that the rewards we get back are much more than we give.

## **HOSPITALITY – Tamara Price**

What are YOU doing on June 12 at 1:00? The Fez is the place to "bee"! Our spring luncheon is happening this year! The cost is \$20 your choice of entrees is a marinated grilled chicken salad or marinated grilled steak salad. The meal includes rolls, dessert and tea or coffee. The registration form is available for download from the members only page of the website as well as at the May meeting. We have to pay for 50 lunches, so please plan to attend!

The doors will open at 12:00. This will allow time to display all the challenge quilts and mystery quilts along the railings in the Terrace room. There is a place on the reservation form to indicate if you have a quilt for display. Please plan to bee present!

## **LIBRARY – Amy Daly**

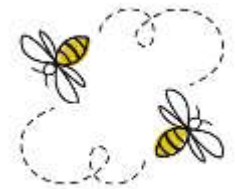
While compiling an updated book list, I culled two boxes of books from our guild library. I have limited room in my home to store them. They were duplicates of some books we already have as well as books which are dated and unlikely to circulate. I will bring them to the May meeting for you to look through and take some home with you.

We had a donation of some books about big machine quilting at last month's meeting. I will bring them to the next meeting.

## **Mary Lee's BEE ATTITUDE FOR May: Bee Unique!**

I think we all want to "fit in" because sometimes it can be uncomfortable to be different or unique. But, we really should be celebrating our uniqueness. Here are five ways that you can dare to be different:

1. Embrace your talents, skills, beliefs, and who you are.
2. Stop comparing yourself to others.
3. Find your tribe. If your "friends" don't embrace you, find new ones!
4. Don't ask for validation.
5. Love yourself.



**MYSTERY QUILT** - Mary Lee Green

**Mystery Quilt in a Box: A little bit of mystery and a whole lot of fun!**

May is the month when you get to work on your own quilt by adding the borders. If you choose, you can quilt and bind as well. My borders are already on and I'm looking forward to quilting and binding before bringing the quilt to the June Luncheon for the reveal. Remember, this project is not designed to make show quilts, but rather it gives us an opportunity to experience working with lots of different fabrics and learn more about each other. It's all about the process and not about perfection!

Be sure to sign up to attend the Celebration Luncheon so you can share your finished quilt top and enter your name into the drawing for prizes. I can't wait to see all the finished quilts and everyone's fabric choices!

**SATURDAY SEW** - Debbie Jewell

**IN PERSON Saturday Sew** – May 14 – 9 AM – 4 PM - First United Methodist Church; Corner of 6th Ave and 11th Street, New Brighton, PA, across from the New Brighton Post Office

**No VIRTUAL Saturday Sewcial in May**

**FINAL CALL!!!**

Have you made your Friendship Block for Cindy Magee yet? With a membership over 100, we've only had 26 blocks turned in. To make it even worse, some people made extras and let others sign them!!! The blocks will be sent out following the May meeting. Please do what you'd want if you were the one who moved... You can find the block instructions on the website on the Friendship page.

**Beaver Valley Piecemakers Quilt Guild and Hopewell Quilters QOV Workshop & QOV Presentation**

Date: Thursday, May 5, 2022                      Workshop Time: 10 am – 3 pm                      QOV Presentation: 11:00 am  
Location: Hopewell Administration Bldg,    1700 Clark Blvd, Aliquippa, PA

We will be presenting a Quilt of Valor to a Navy veteran who works at the Hopewell Administration building at 11:00 am. We suggest you arrive at or before 10 am and get your work station all set up before we stop to do the presentation! Bring your lunch, snacks and beverages.

The Hopewell Quilters have some sewing supplies on hand, i.e., cutting mats, ironing board, iron. Extra cutting mats and rotary cutters will be needed. Extra irons and ironing boards will be appreciated. Please contact Louise Grant if you are willing to bring any. Piecers should bring their sewing machines and supplies. Don't forget extension cords!

Driving and Parking Directions: From Brodhead Road turn onto Clark Blvd. Continue straight after the first stop sign and turn right into the parking lot just past the Hopewell Police Station. You will use the lower-level entrance to the Hopewell Administration Bldg.

Questions?? Call or text: Louise Grant, 724-777-2726 or: [lpgrant100@comcast.net](mailto:lpgrant100@comcast.net)

**Vicary Mansion will be displaying BVPM Quilts of Valor during Beaver County's History Weekend, May 7-8. 2022**

Five QOV quilts made by guild members will be on display at the Beaver County Historical Research & Landmarks Foundation (BCHR&LF) located in the Vicary Mansion the weekend of May 7 (10a-4p and May 8 (1p-4p). This display is part of a Graebel/Heinz History grant on "Communication through Quilting" written by Brenda Applegate, Executive Director (and BVPM member!).

Various other quilts will also be on display as well. Be sure to stop by!

1826 Captain William Vicary Mansion  
1235 3rd Avenue  
Freedom, PA 15042

**QOV Nomination Forms**

The form to nominate a Service Member or Veteran for a Quilt of Valor (made by BVPM Quilt Guild) is available on the BVPM Guild webpage on the QOV section of the Community Service Committee page. The Guild plans to host a group QOV presentation at the November 2022 meeting. In addition, as we build up our supply of quilts we may make individual and/or off-site presentations.

Please read the criteria for nominations and make sure the form is filled out in its entirety. Incomplete forms will be returned. Nominees will be contacted in advance to ensure the recipient is willing to accept a QOV and has never received one previously.



**CHALLENGE QUILT – Brenda Sadler**

Don't forget to finish up your quilt top for the June Luncheon! We look forward to seeing the great variety of bookcase quilts!!!

**Quilt Show**

Presented by  
Pieceful Pursuits Quilt Guild  
Saturday, May 14, 2022  
10 AM – 3 PM  
Lakeside Evangelical Church  
3203 N. Hermitage Road  
Transfer PA 16154

Enjoy the quilts, bazaar table, quilt shop vendor, live demonstrations and a QOV (Quilts of Valor) presentation.

Raffle quilt drawing will be the same day as the show.

Purchase raffle tickets from guild members.

Contact info: [piecefulpursuits@gmail.com](mailto:piecefulpursuits@gmail.com)

Admission \$5

Lunch available for purchase

Welcome to one more new member, who I had listed as a member all along!!! Glad to have you join us again, Marianne Stalder!



Please look through your new items at home, or use a 40% or 50% coupon at Jo-Ann Fabrics to purchase items for the Raffle Baskets at the Quilt Show. Jeanette Kent is in charge of the Raffle Baskets this year, so give your notions, fabrics, kits, batting, or anything else that's appropriate to Jeanette.

If you have other ideas for Raffle Baskets (Italian Dinner, Greek Desserts, Chocolate, Knitting/Crochet, Doll Clothes, etc) you are more than welcome to prepare a basket yourself, or ask a friend or two to join you in filling a basket with something that inspires you and might inspire someone else! Be inventive!!

## FALL 2022 WORKSHOP November 4 & 5

WORKSHOP FOR NOVEMBER 2022 - Our workshop for this fall will be with Linda Hahn. She sent me this Bio to share with you. Thought you would enjoy classes; a beautiful quilt called Lime Twist (not on her website yet) on Friday and her New York Beauty on Saturday. Feel free to sign up for both classes or just one. It's your choice. I will take sign-ups beginning at the May meeting. More details as I get them. Linda classes are both educating and entertaining! Her passion for quilting shines through in everything she does! Linda is best known for her unique technique for creating perfect New York Beauty blocks with just ONE PIN! and no puckers! Everyone is successful on their first attempt! Linda is the author of three books featuring this fun block! She also has six other books! Four of her books have been award winners in the Independent Publishers Book Awards. Linda is a fabric designer with Banyan Batiks/Northcott and her third collection Island Vibes II, will be available in early summer 2022 with a fourth collection in the works already. Four of her five books with AQS Publishing have won awards in the Independent Publisher's Awards! Linda has taught at most major quilt shows across the country, many more than once, including Quilt Festival (Houston), AQS Shows in Paducah, Grand Rapids, Lancaster, Quilt Odyssey, Road to California, Vermont Quilt Festival, Pigeon Forge Quilt Fest, and many others. She has also taught on quilting cruises and twice in Bermuda. Linda is a Janome Artisan as well as an EQ Artist. She also offers classes in EQ8. She has had over 50 quilts and articles in your favorite quilting magazine. A quilt that features her new fabric collection will be featured in the upcoming July issue of American Quilter Magazine. Linda served as the virtual class coordinator for Road at Home (a division of Road to California) and is also part of the show management team. In 2009, she was named the National Quilting Association Certified Teacher of the Year. Linda specializes in taking complex looking projects and breaking them down into simple doable steps and with quick piecing options. She is a high energy—low stress instructor. When not quilting, Linda is a Zumba fitness instructor and holds several Zumba specialty licenses in Aqua Zumba, Zumba Gold, Zumba Toning, Zumba Kids and Zumba Sentao. Linda hosts zoom Zumba classes with quilters, shop owners and teachers from all over the country! Linda Hahn – [www.froghollowdesigns.com](http://www.froghollowdesigns.com)