

BEAVER VALLEY PIECEMAKERS JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

Hi Ladies,

Happy New Years! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and New Year!

I can't believe where the time is going. Now that the holidays are behind us, I hope everyone is starting up on their Mystery and Challenge again. I personally never start on mine until after the holidays. Remember to make your bowl cozies and you just have to bring them to our meeting and leave them right in the window opening from the hall to the kitchen. We also have our block lotto, being made this year with Christmas fabrics. Also anyone wanting to bring in their scraps for pet beds can give them to Pam Mason or Dee Byers.

Also coming up is our quilt retreat. I hope everyone is all ready for a great time. Remember we have a teacher this year on wool applique. If you ever wanted to learn, this is a great time to do it, class is free! Remember to bring your final payment to the January meeting.

Our program for January will be Kim Nixon from Sewing Original Stitches. She will be doing a demo on EQ8. It's a great program on making blocks and quilts tops.

Remember our next meeting will be January 3, 2024. Remember to start using 2024, I always need practice!

Hope to see you all at our January meeting!

Janice Rockage



RETREAT – Sheila Drevna and Jeanette Kent

LAST CALL

Last call for the 2024 Retreat! Final payment is due at the January 3 meeting. February 16-18, 2024 at the Sheraton Pittsburgh Airport Hotel.

If you are still interested in this fun event, let us know ASAP. There are two double rooms left at a cost of \$243 per person. It is your responsibility to find a roommate. Also, who can resist this wool applique needle book project? Please let us know if you plan to attend the class on Saturday from 10 – 4.



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Karen Fotta	1/02
Michelle Wilcox	1/05
Diane Smith	1/12
Diana Sommerville	1/19
Gwen Cain	1/20
Kimberly Nixon	1/20
Pamela Mason	1/23
Sharon Welsh	1/30
Shirley Loose	1/31

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Meeting	1/03
Saturday Sew	1/13

NO QOV Thursday Sew

BRING TO MEETING

Name Tag
Final Retreat Payment

WORKSHOPS – Linda McCuean

Our Barn Quilt painting workshop is coming up April 24, 9 to 4, with Barb and Glen Gross!!

Please remember to bring your check for \$20 to hold your seat (which you get back at the workshop)

Also to note - There is a kit fee of \$70 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.

Ode to My Wife the Quilter

She learned to quilt on Monday
Her stitches were very fine
She forgot to thaw out dinner
So we went out to dine

She quilted miniatures on Tuesday
She says they are a must
They really were quite lovely
But she forgot to dust

On Wednesday it was samplers
She says the stippings fun
What highlights ? What Shadows ?
But the laundry wasn't done

Her patches were on Thursday
Green, yellow, blue and red
I guess she was engrossed
She never made the bed

It was wallhangings on Friday
In colors she adores
It never bothered her at all
The crumbs on all the floors

I found a maid on Saturday
My week is now complete
My wife can quilt the hours away
The house will still be neat

Well it's already Sunday
I think I am about to wilt
I cursed, I raved, I ranted
The maid has learned to quilt!

Author Unknown



BLOCK LOTTO – Pam Mason

The newest block is available on the website! It's the 3rd Star Block of our Christmas themed blocks for the year. If you haven't started a quilt for yourself from these blocks, don't wait any longer! All the previous blocks since September are still available for you to download for yourself. Join in the fun and make a block for the January meeting; bring it to the meeting and see if you can win ALL the blocks for the month!



Thanks to Janice and Kaye for the fun at our December meeting! They prepared a "Make & Take" for everyone at the meeting, and we had a great time making fabric postcards. Everyone's ideas were imaginative and they all turned out fabulously!!



MEETING MINUTES

For those who have been looking for the meeting minutes on the website, you've obviously noticed that there are none currently on the site for this year. Vivian has received them from our secretary, but with the holiday fast approaching, hasn't had a lot of time to get them reformatted and online. Please bear with her...they'll be on the website as soon as possible!! Thanks so much for your patience!