# BEAVER VALLEY PIECEMAKERS MARCH 2021 NEWSLETTER

## **Volunteers Needed**



Ladies, it is imperative that someone step forward soon to volunteer for the positions of President, Vice-President and Secretary. We've had no one volunteer to be on the Nominating Committee. This committee contacts possible officers for the coming year. Since no one has been asked, we are in need of volunteers. PLEASE consider this opportunity to continue building our guild!! Help will always be available from previous officers to help you along the way – just ask!! But first you need to volunteer! We depend on YOU to do your part – don't just show up at meetings and programs – take a pro-active step forward to become a leader. Speak with any current or former officer if you'd like to see what each office entails, then jump in with both feet and get involved!

#### March Birthdays 3/4 Carol Selepec 3/5 Ann Niemann Christine Huska 3/6 3/9 Debi Cattley **Sharon Elliot** 3/13 Marjorie Gordon 3/14 **Betty Davidson** 3/16 **Ginny Johns** 3/18 3/21 Susan Bevington Jan Garland 3/21 Marilyn Crain 3/24 Alicia Huffman 3/26 Mona Shoaff 3/29 Dianne Thompson 3/31 **Upcoming Events**

Mar 3 – Zoom Meeting 7:00PM

## Time to Experiment – Let's Zoom in March

Nineteen members attended this month's workshop that was hosted on Zoom. This **group overwhelmingly** endorsed the idea of using Zoom for a guild meeting and to virtually gather for a Saturday Sew (or, similar free sew activity). The combination of the positive workshop experience and because group gatherings are still limited, as an experiment, Vickie will purchase a one-month subscription to Zoom for March. This will cost less than \$30. Since the budget item to purchase a Zoom subscription was removed at the October meeting, we will try this for a single month.

On March 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> Vivian will send out an email message with the Zoom meeting hyperlink and a set of telephone numbers. If you don't have internet, challenged internet, or don't have computer skills, then you will be able to use a telephone number, the meeting identification number, and passcode to join the meeting using audio-only.

To summarize, we will meet using Zoom this March. If there is interest, another *social* free sew and chat will be scheduled on a Saturday in March. To maintain some security, **any meeting information will be available from the Members' only page and distributed in an email message from Vivian.** This meeting information will not be published in the newsletter or placed on the website home page.

Zoom meeting invites contain the following information:

1. Date and start time for the meeting. These times will be Eastern.

- 2. A hyperlink to join the meeting. Upon clicking the hyperlink, a browser window opens. If you have not used Zoom previously on your device, follow the directions to download the Zoom app.
- 3. A meeting identification number and passcode. These meeting unique numbers are needed if you are dialing any of the telephone numbers to join the meeting. Write them down if you will be using a telephone number to join.
- 4. One tap hyperlink to join the meeting using a mobile phone or tablet. This set of numbers contains a telephone number, the meeting ID, and passcode so that you don't have to manually key them into your mobile phone or tablet.
- 5. A set of telephone numbers that can be used for the audio portion of the meeting. Once connected, follow the directions provided to provide the meeting ID and passcode.

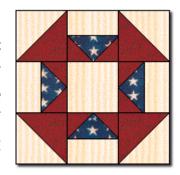
It will be fun to visit, chat and see everyone the Wednesday March 3 at 7 PM. Vickie will open up the meeting around 6:45 PM so you can join up to 15 minutes prior to the meeting start time.

### **Special Thanks**

...to Jan Garland for setting up the Zoom Workshop held earlier this month. Many of the participants have shared their completed tops and quilts on our Facebook page, which you're welcome to join if you are a member of the guild. The quilts are Miniature Four-Patch patterns in a variety of fabrics and colors. They are all beautiful, and many of the ladies expressed their appreciation to Jan when they shared their quilts. Find our Facebook page and request to join if you're a guild member, then enjoy the pictures of this workshop. Thanks, Jan!!!

#### Block Lotto — Vivian Oaks

Our block lotto is "A Dandy" this month. It's a fairly easy block with a patriotic vibe that won't take long to make. Because of the pandemic we haven't had a lot of participation in the block lotto this year, so why not make an exception this month! Make a block or two with the thought that possibly the winner of the blocks could make a Quilts of Valor quilt from the blocks!! Keep yourself involved in doing something for others while you're enjoying your sewing time.



## Community Service — Bonnie Reyes

Keeping involved in doing for others? Don't forget the "Book Buddies" and Pillowcases the guild is making this year for the Women's Shelter. Continue making as many as you'd like, and Bonnie will collect them the next time we meet. A You-Tube video tutorial is available by searching for Cara Sorella – Sewing and Embroidery Tutorials How To Sew A Pocket "Book" pillow with lined pocket – 16" x 16"