

BEAVER VALLEY PIECEMAKER'S NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

Felice Dahlhausen of Felice Quilt Designs will be our February speaker and will present a PowerPoint Trunk Show of her quilt projects, processes, resources and materials used. Felted wool has become her favorite medium combined with cotton fabrics and LOTS of embroidery stitches! This will be a great preview for the guild members participating in the workshops on the 8th or 9th. You can explore her website at www.felicequilt designs.com.

FEBRUARY 2018 RETREAT

Send any remaining payment funds to **Debbie Jewel**. The retreat committee needs all funds collected no later than January 31. Last day to mail your payment to Debbie Jewel is January 26. **Call Debbie if you do not already have a reservation.** February 2018 retreat will be from Friday, February 16 through Sunday, February 18, 2018. We will return to the Park Inn in Beaver Falls. The cost for the week-end is \$257.00 (double occupancy) or \$302.00 (single occupancy) and includes your meals Friday evening through Sunday brunch.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Lynore has sent mail messages to all participants and will confirm the location for these workshops.

Sampler with Four Circles

We've scheduled Felice Dahlhausen of Felice Quilt Designs (www.felicequilt designs.com) to conduct an embroidery stitching workshop on Thursday, Feb. 8 from 9:00-4:00, and a second, identical workshop on Friday, Feb. 9. The location is TBD, but it will be held at one of 2 churches in Hopewell. The specific location will be communicated directly to the participants once it is determined.

Using Studio 180 Tools in Your Project

Barbara Dann of Alleycat Quiltworks (<http://www.alleycatquiltworks.com>) is a Certified Instructor for Studio 180 Design; home of Deb Tucker's patented quilting tools, including the Wing Clipper, Tucker Trimmer, Rapid Fire Hunter's Star, and Rapid Fire Lemoyne Star. The workshop will be on Thursday, March 8 from 9:00-4:00, location is TBD, but it will be held at one of 2 churches in Hopewell. We will use some of the tools in our project, and Barbara will share lots of hints and tips on machine piecing, matching points, organizing, cutting and pressing. She has emailed a list of class supplies needed and cutting instructions for the quilt directly to those who have signed up for the workshop.

Birthdays

Marianne Beck	2/10
"Aggie" Maiuro	2/13
Lynn Morris	2/10
Janet Parsons	2/10
Lynne Pfaff	2/17

Upcoming Guild Events

- 1/22: Quilt Show Committee Wrap-up Meeting
- 1/26: Last day to mail payment for retreat
- 2/7: Meeting
- 2/8 or 2/9: Workshop
- 2/10: Saturday Sew
- 2/16-2/18: Retreat
- 3/7: Meeting
- 3/8 or 3/9: Workshop

What to Bring to Meeting

- Block Lotto Blocks
- QOV Blocks
- Name tag
- Show-n-Tell

Our project will be Love Links; a difficult looking design is made easy using flying geese, making this a quick and easy quilt to master. Barbara recommends waiting until the class to purchase the tool and pattern. That way, you won't pay shipping, and the participants can purchase items at 10% off at the workshop. Based on the interested expressed on the signup sheet, our project will be Love Links. Interlocking chevrons make a fun and unique looking quilt. A difficult looking design is made easy using flying geese, making this a quick and easy quilt to master. Barbara recommends waiting until the class to purchase the tool and pattern. That way, you won't pay shipping, and the participants can purchase items at 10% off at the workshop. She will email a list of class supplies needed and cutting instructions for the quilt directly to those who have signed up for the workshop.



BUS TRIP

The bus trip page on the website has been updated with this year's description. Contact Kathy Broskin to make reservation. Cost is \$33 for members and \$43 for non-members. This includes transportation, driver's tip, goodie bag, lunch and ice cream social. Trips is Saturday, May 19 (Saturday after Mother's Day). The bus will leave from the Beaver Court House parking garage promptly at 7am.

QUILT OF VALOR NEWS

This year we are adopting a block lotto idea to help make quilts for Service Men and Women as part of the Quilts of Valor effort.

The blocks can be made with the guild's monthly block lotto pattern or any other 12 1/2-inch block you like to make. Please use red, white or light cream, blue or gold when constructing block and only use quilt shop quality fabric. Our service folks deserve the best!

For each block you make, your name will be put into a drawing for a \$25 gift card. The winner of the gift card will be drawn at the June dinner. The more blocks you make, the more chances you have to win!!!!

In 2019, we will be having a few sewing days where we will be sewing these blocks into quilts. There will be more information on this at a later time.

If you have any questions, contact Diana Somerville

CHALLENGE

This year the Challenge is to make a table runner. Made of any fabric and pattern of your choice. There will monetary prizes given to the top three chosen by members at the dinner. Please bring your runner to the dinner in a brown paper bag. I am limiting one to each as space to display is limited. Happy Sewing. Rita Paliotte.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS AND MEMBERSHIP LIST CHANGES

Send any **newsletter** articles to Vickie at vscott3412@gmail.com by 5pm the Tuesday after the meeting. I no longer monitor the old Verizon.net email address as it only has junk mail! Send any changes to the membership list to Sue Ellen Wagner, Membership Chair.

Any changes to your email address should be sent to BOTH Sue Ellen and Vickie!

The Beaver Valley Piecemakers meets on the first Wednesday,
September through June at the Chippewa United Methodist Church, 2545
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