



April 2025

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Also find us at Facebook (for members only at their request)

Website: www.avntquiltguild.org

The Apple Valley Needle Threaders meet at Berryville VFW
on the second Thursday of each month.

Meetings are from 9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

Quilt Bees are held on the fourth Thursday and start at 9:30 a.m.

The VFW is located at 425 S. Buckmarsh St, Berryville, VA 22611

AVNT Board Members 2024-2025

President - Barbara Corey

Treasurer/Budget - Kate Carey

Secretary - Melissa Mattice

Care and Comfort Coordinator - Peggy Ronan

Programs - Linda Suter

VFW Liaison for Meetings and Speakers - Brenda Goodwin

Newsletter/Members Roster/Photographer - Pamela Lakin

Other AVNT Committees 2024-2025

Sunshine - Rebecca Harriett

Kennel Quilts - Stephany Wisecarver

Care and Comfort - Diana Anglero, Arden Eden, Pam Jones,
Carolyn Mathieu, Kate Carey and Felicia Finneran

**Membership /
New Members/Welcome Packages** - Mary Libby



AVNT President's Message - Barbara Corey

April 2025

Happy Spring everyone! Lots of beautiful daffodils are up and the tulips are coming. Clorinda Fresquez-Tria came for two meetings in March. She presented her trunk show and then welcomed spring with a tulip project at the workshop. We learned how to use colored pencils on fabric. She provided a really nice overview and then we had time to practice. This is a skill that can be used in future quilt projects. Everyone's tulip looked different, and I enjoyed seeing all the variety of colors and versions of the project. Clorinda is offering some classes with *Inktense* pens and thread painting in the near future. Check her website for the information. www.clorindadesignstudio.com

At our March meeting we introduced Kate Carey who is taking over treasurer duties from Kathleen Hintz. We thank Kathleen so much for guiding us through the last several years and keeping our budget in good order. Kathleen is stepping down due to a change in her eyesight. The board thought that we could create a position of Director At Large which Kathleen would be the perfect fit and thus keep her on the Board. This person would be a direct link for members to discuss anything, make suggestions, ask questions and have those thoughts brought to the board for consideration. We have updated the bylaws and added this position. The bylaws are also included along with this newsletter, so please read through them and pay particular attention to the new board position.

We would like to vote on the bylaws at the April meeting and if they are approved, put forward Kathleen for the position. This position will be voted on every two years.

Our April meeting is a little different from the usual. We will have a one-hour business meeting followed by a workshop on Mock Molasses given by Alice Ridge. Do come to the meeting even if you are not taking the class. We will have a show and tell. I encourage you to take the class too. It is not too late to sign up!



Show and Tell

The March meeting had 35 members attend. Pamela Lakin won the door prize. The following members shared their work: Kathleen Hintz, Helen Kardos, Pam Pampe, Lynn Harbour, Heidi Haynes, Kate Carey, Barbara Lake, Pamela Lakin, Lisa Rainey, and Mary Bright. We had a inspirational trunk show by Clorinda Fresquez-Tria, an Award Winning Fabric Artist and Teacher. At the March Bee, Clorinda held a tulip drawing workshop with ten of our members.



Pamela Lakin



Rebecca Harriett is our club contact for Sunshine or Sorrow cards. Let her know of any events in our members' lives to acknowledge with a card.

EMAIL: rlharriett@gmail.com

Sunshine cards were recently sent to...
Sue Adams, Mary DeMott, Irene Sullivan, Kathy Pietri, Colleen Stivers and Joannie Eubanks.



Please welcome
Cathy Kennedy
to AVNT.



ARTISAN Boutique

Eyeglasses Case

The quilt show is in 12 months and WE NEED YOU to start creating product to sell at the Artisan Boutique! Here is a link to a great pattern for a eyeglasses case that appears to be sturdy enough to keep glasses safe in a handbag. Try it out this month, and turn it in anytime! Go to <https://www.applegreencottage.com/eyeglasses-case-pattern/>, join to get the newsletter and you'll get the free pattern in your email. Here is an additional link to help with magnetic snap installation. <https://www.applegreencottage.com/how-to-add-magnetic-snaps-to-bag>. Then it's time to get sewing!

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?

Please contact your trusty
Artisan Boutique co-chairs:

Stacy Hetzel

StacyHetzel@gmail.com

Katherine Genung





The Fabric Ladies

Spring Sale

Thursday May 22nd 4:30 - 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, May 22nd and 24th, 10-4

As always all kinds of quilting items will be available. Wide backs \$10 yard.

Other fabrics \$5 and less. Rulers, kits, panels and fill a bag for a \$1.

New this spring, new shop fabric \$8 yard.

946 Calvert Cr
Bunker Hill, WV

Jayne...304-240-7527

Sue...540-336-8761



Road to Virginia Conference and Showcase

June 26-28, 2025

At the Greater Richmond Convention Center

ROAD2VA.com for more information.

COMMUNITY QUILTING BEE EVENTS:
Quilt Honoring the People Enslaved
at Belle Grove
Saturday, March 29, 2025
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Belle Grove Plantation
336 Belle Grove Rd., Middletown, VA
RSVP by March 25 at <https://bellegrove.org/calendar/quilt>

Saturday, April 26, 2025
12:30 PM - 2:30 PM and 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Bowman Library
871 Tasker Rd., Stephens City, VA
RSVP by April 21 at <https://bellegrove.org/calendar/quilt>

Come learn about memorial quilts that will honor the 270 individuals enslaved at Belle Grove from the 1780s to the 1860s. Community members stitched the name and birthdate of each person on fabric. Textile artist Carole Gary Staples of Ohio has arranged these blocks into family trees, bordered with vibrant African batik fabrics. Local quilt expert Pam Pampie has prepared the quilt for hand quilting, and now we invite you to join in the final steps of this tribute.

All materials and instructions will be provided. There is no charge to participate but space is limited.

For more information and to RSVP visit:
<https://bellegrove.org/calendar/quilt> or scan

BALTIMORE HERITAGE QUILT GUILD PRESENTS

QVILT EXPO 2025

Saturday, April 26 and Sunday, April 27
10am to 5pm

Maryland State Fairgrounds
4H-Home Arts Building
2200 York Road
Timonium, MD 21093

Admission \$12 at the door
Advance Tickets \$10
Available online





www.baltimorequilters.com/expo-2025



Kennel Quilts - Stephany Wisecarver

I received a whopping 44 kennel quilts at the March meeting. Hooray! That's 44 pets having a cozier stay waiting for a forever home. Many, many thanks!

A note regarding kennel quilts for disasters. I was able to get in touch with the official Kennel Quilts program coordinator. (That is the program that posts the requirements for the kennel quilts that are sent to shelters housing pets from disaster areas and also posts addresses for quilters to send their quilts to.) She sent me a very nice email praising us for our efforts to help local shelters. But, she said, they are unable to use our quilts since they are not 100% cotton on advice from their veterinarian. If anyone would like to make 100% cotton kennel quilts for disasters pets please visit the kennel quilts website—[kennel quilts.com](http://kennelquilts.com). As a result of this communication our guild will just distribute our kennel pet products to local shelters.

Quick reminder- kennel quilts are 12" x 18", no binding, sewn and quilted with small (2mm) stitches , made from any washable fabric with no loosely wove thread for animals to catch their claws on. Fleecies are fringed approximately 20" square. Flannels are enveloped, same finished dimensions and also stitched about 2" from each side.





Museum Minute - Nyra White and Heidi Haynes

Current Exhibits:

To April 5! Vantage Points by Kevin Womack. Lynchburg artist, Kevin, is passionate about hand dyeing and patterning fabrics with surface design techniques.

And: Spotlight on Virginia Quilter Emily Martin, featuring seven of her amazing applique quilts.

To April 26: Micropiecing: Quarter Million by Amy Pabst. Twenty-seven miniature quilts by Amy, who grew up in rural West Virginia. Each quilt features thousands of individual pieces.

And: Log Cabin Fever! Simple fabric strips making log cabins! Learn the history and explore the variety of old American log cabin quilts.

Opening April 8:

Spotlight on Virginia Quilters II will be Emma Allen.

Teal Trace by Barbara Hollinger.

Meet Emma and Barbara on April 12 during Meet the Artist Afternoon!

April 12: Spring Stash Blast! 10:00-4:00, with early access for members: 9:00-10:00!

\$10 per pound! Winter stash gone? Come for some great finds for Spring projects!

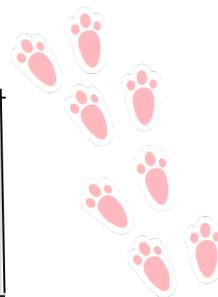
Stars Abound Mini Quilt Challenge. Mini quilts made by members and supporters of the museum. To May 14.

VQM's Barn Quilt Collection Virtual Exhibit: April 1-October 4. Throughout the town of Dayton, view barn quilts derived from an antique quilt in the museum's collection. Locations for each quilt and the unique stories behind each one can be found at the museum.

Evening Escapes: Wine, Dine, and Stitch. The April gathering is sold out. Watch for the next one at www.vaquiltmuseum.org.

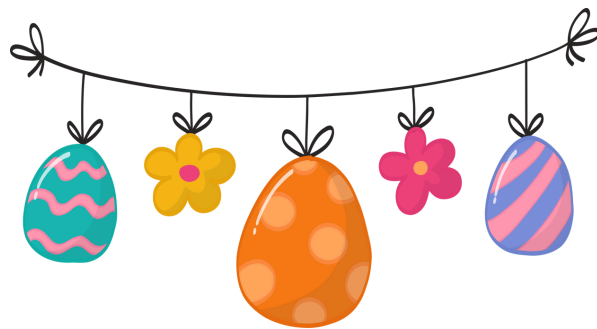


Visit our new location at
The Silver Lake Mill,
2328 Silver Lake Rd. Dayton, VA
Hours: 10:00-4:00 Tuesdays through Saturdays. Admission,
\$8.00; Age 65 plus, \$7.00, VQM Members: Free.





The North Shenandoah Valley Quilt Show will be held next April 2026. Here is the raffle quilt made by the following AVNT members: Brenda Goodwin, Melissa Mattice, Barbara Corey, Mary Brookfield, Diana Anglero, Lisa Rainey, Stacy Hetzel, Gretchen Young, Linda Suter, and Peggy Ronan..





AVNT Program – April 10, 2025

A Special Program Meeting and Class to Make Mock Molasses with Alice Ridge

<https://aliceridgequilts.com/product-category/mock-molas/>

Our regular program meeting will be a short one on April 13th. We have an opportunity to make Mock Molasses with Alice Ridge following our meeting. The meeting will last one hour along with Show and Tell. The class should start at around 10:30 am and last for about 3 hours. This is truly an opportunity that you don't want to miss! Alice is bringing all her supplies - the fabric, embellishments, threads, and designs. You select the design and color way making it uniquely yours! Alice will then lead us through the techniques to create our masterpieces! Look through Alice's website prior to the class to get an idea of what you would like to make. Class fee is \$25 and includes all materials. You bring needles, needle threader, and usual sewing supplies.



AVNT Bee April 24, 2025



Make a Rope Bowl and Coasters, too! With Kate Carey

A great way to use up scraps. Make these quick, fun scrappy rope bowls and coasters for your friends and for yourself.

\$10 class fee

Sign up required

Supplies You Need to Bring



- Cotton Clothesline...7/32" or 1/4"
- Glue stick
- Fabric scraps cut into 3/4-1" strips...20" long or so
- fabric clips and or pins
- Several blue jean needles
- Zig-zag foot
- Sewing machine and usual sewing supplies

WORKSHOP SIGN UP COUPONS

Below are 2 workshop sign up coupons. If you are unable to make it to an AVNT meeting, but still want to attend one of these workshops, just complete the appropriate coupon, make out your check to AVNT and mail it to our treasurer as listed on the coupon. Easy peasy!

Name _____

Email _____

Payment for APRIL 10th – DESIGN AND MAKE YOUR OWN MOCK MOLA

After program meeting – taught by Alice Ridge

Class fee is \$25 and includes the KIT

Total Enclosed _____ Check Number _____

Complete and mail this form and your check to the AVNT Treasurer:

Kate Carey, 401 Hancock Court, Berryville, VA22611



Name _____

Email _____

Payment for APRIL 24th – MAKE A ROPE BOWL AND COASTERS, TOO!

Taught by Kate Carey

Class fee is \$10

Total Enclosed _____ Check Number _____

Complete and mail this form and your check to the AVNT Treasurer:

Kate Carey, 401 Hancock Court, Berryville, VA22611



Heads up - In addition to the calendar activities, AVNT has several other projects in the planning stages. They are -

AVNT Cookbook

A brand new project for AVNT - we are creating our very own cookbook! First off, we need recipes. Here is the cookbook link and information you need to start entering your recipe. Give it a try!

Any questions, contact Linda B, our AVNT cookbook coordinator at AVNTLindaB@gmail.com

Here is the LINK to the cookbook entry system:

<https://www.typensave.com/html-app/#/332066>

USERID/GROUPNAME: [AVNTCookbook](#)

PASSWORD: [eggnog100](#)

Please read the guidelines to writing recipes (first button on the left). This will help you format and write your recipe in a manner consistent with all the other recipes being submitted. Plus, following the guidelines will lighten the burden on volunteer editors.

AVNT Lancaster AQS Quilt Show

AVNT is sponsoring a bus trip to the AQS Lancaster Quilt Show again. Sign up early so you don't miss out. This trip sold out last year.

Any questions, contact our bus trip coordinators - [Kate Carey at quiltsbyksc@gmail.com](mailto:kate.carey@quiltsbyksc@gmail.com) - or - [Barbara Lake at barblakeo9@yahoo.com](mailto:barblakeo9@yahoo.com)

Either sign up at an AVNT meeting or complete this coupon and mail it along with your payment per the instructions on the coupon.

Name _____

Email _____

Pick Up (Circle one) – Rec Center, Berryville, VA – **or** – Charleston, WV, Food Lion Parking Lot

Payment for SEPT 11th - LANCASTER QUILT SHOW BUS TRIP - \$55

Total Enclosed _____ Check Number _____

Complete and mail this form and your check to the AVNT Bus Trip Coordinator:

Kate Carey, 401 Hancock Court, Berryville, VA22611



Heads up - In addition to the calendar activities, AVNT has several other projects in the planning stages. They are - an AVNT Quilters Cookbook, a field trip to see some vintage textiles and quilts, and a special program to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States in 2026.

Stay tuned for additional information in future newsletters.

AVNTCALENDAR 2025			
4/10/25	Short Business Mtg followed by Mock Mola 1/2 day class by Alice Ridge Sign up required - \$25 class fee includes kit https://aliceridgequilts.com/product-category/mock-molas/	4/24/25	Bee - Making a Fabric Bowl Make a fabric rope bowl with Kate Carey Sign up required \$10 class fee
5/8/25	Textiles of India with Kathy Pietri - talk Spring Luncheon - by all	5/22/25	Bee -
6/12/25	Kiley Ferons of Kiley's Quilt Room - quilter, author, teacher - talk and trunk show https://kileysquiltroom.com/	6/26/25	Learn Quilt As You Go - and make a quick quilt
7/10/25	AVNT Cooks Up A Kaleidoscope of Color	7/24/25	Virginia Quilt Museum - field trip Sign up required
8/14/25	Sarah Thomas - Sariditty - talk and trunk show	8/28/25	Bee
9/11/25	SAVE THE DATE - SIGN UP EARLY - THIS SOLD OUT LAST YEAR AQS Show in Lancaster Bus Trip	9/25/25	Bee
10/9/25	Northern Shenandoah Valley Quilt Show information meeting	10/23/25	Sarah Thomas of Sariditty - workshop - color Sign up required tbd fee
11/13/25	tbd		NO BEE - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!
12/11/25	AVNT Potluck Christmas Luncheon Project Linus		NO BEE - MERRY CHRISTMAS!





Cultivate and Preserve the Quilting Arts in Virginia

February 4, 2025

Kathleen Hintz
Apple Valley Needle Threaders
81 Oxbow Ct
Harpers Ferry, WV 25425-2600

Dear Kathleen, *and Apple Valley Needle Threaders!*

Thank you for being a member of the Virginia Quilt Museum. Members are a vital source of support for the museum and ensure we can accomplish our mission of cultivating and preserving the quilting arts in Virginia. Your Piecer Guilds membership is good through January 31, 2026.

Your membership at VQM includes free admission, member-only emails, and the knowledge that you support the only museum dedicated to quilting in the mid-Atlantic region. In 2025, we have amazing exhibitions and wonderful programs scheduled, including an exhibition and several programs to celebrate VQM's 30th Anniversary. The museum opened to the public for the first time on August 26, 1995. Our anniversary celebration will start in late April and continue through mid-September. I hope that you'll be able to take part in the fun events we have planned. Our members like you are how we have existed for 30 years and how we'll continue for the next 30.

I encourage you to check our website regularly and follow us on social media to see all our events, exhibitions, and programs. Thank you for being a member of the Virginia Quilt Museum. I truly appreciate it and hope to see you at the museum soon.

Best,

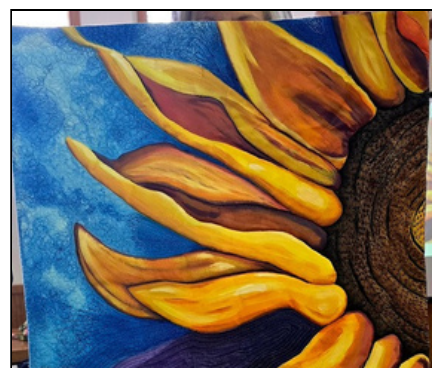
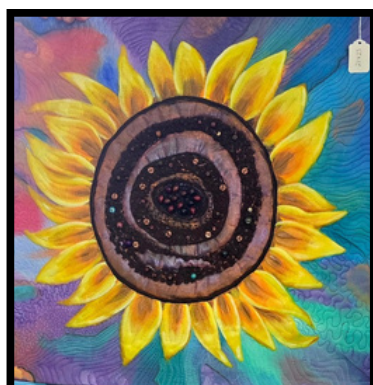
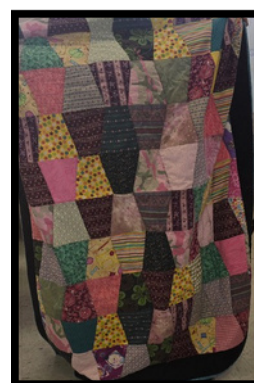
Alicia Thomas
Executive Director

Thank you!

2328 Silver Lake Rd, Dayton, VA 22821
540-433-3818 www.vaquiltmuseum.org



March 13 , 2025
Clorinda Fresquez-Tria
Award Winning Fabric Artist and Teacher





Kathleen Hintz

