

Village Quilters, Inc.

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The Village Quilters will be meeting September 8, 2023 at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church at 260 Wade Rd. West, Loudon, TN. Social time is 9:15, general meeting starts at 9:30.

<u>Words from your President – Terri Rose</u>

There is nothing quite like the feeling of satisfaction when a quilt is finished – whether it is your first or your fiftieth. This sense of accomplishment is one motivation for quilting. Studies show quilting can lower your heart rate, making it an excellent form of stress relief. A study by the American Heart Association found quilting can help reduce both systolic and diastolic blood pressure. In the study, participants who quilted for 30 minutes per day for two weeks saw a significant reduction in their blood pressure levels. The next time you feel guilty about buying fabric, just think of it as a health benefit.

For me, there is no season better for quilting than Fall. Tired of the summer heat, September is the perfect time to slow down and enjoy the warm days and cool nights. I hope everyone is enjoying the end of summer and the beginning of Fall. Happy quilting!

<u>New Member Luncheon – Sept 8th</u>

For those new members that have signed up for the luncheon please remember that the luncheon is at the Yacht Club immediately following the meeting. Please call Penny Quick if there are any questions at 678-316-6460.

Baby Shower for New Borns In Need

At the October 13 Guild meeting, we will "throw" a baby shower for Newborns in Need – East TN Chapter. The need is great, and the previous shower (approximately 8 years ago) was a great success. For the October meeting, all our donations

will be displayed for everyone to see the Guild's generosity. Barb Jones will be collecting donations at the September and October meetings. Baby quilts and receiving blankets at least 30" square are among the items needed. If you have any questions please call Barbara Jones at 865-441-5178

Programs

September 8: Elizabeth DeCross – Pojagi – From Ancient Korea to Modern Canada

Elizabeth DeCross from Epida Studios will present <u>Pojagi - From Ancient Korea to</u> <u>Modern Canada.</u> This will be a zoom presentation that is part lecture and part trunk show. This fun talk tells of Elizabeth's journey from Canada to Korea and back again. While in Korea she studied the ancient art of Pojage, which is Korken patchwork. The Korean materials were more difficult to find, so she adapted pojagi techniques to readily-available western materials. Elizabeth will be offering a zoom class in the afternoon on making a maple leaf window hanging.

Elizabeth lives in Ontario, Canada. Besides pojagi, she does quilting, embroidery and sewing. She offers classes and patterns. Elizabeth has been featured in the Quilter's World, Canadian Quilter, and Stitch magazines. Her philosophy is that everyone can add joy to their lives by making ordinary things beautiful.

October 13: Carole Liebzeit - "The Ugly Fabric Scraps with Color"

Carole is all about color and design! She travels the world inspiring fiber artists and quilters to stretch their color boundaries and creative spirt. Her degree in art, use of the color wheel, nature, tribal textiles and extensive travel have all contributed to her popularity and success. A forty-year background in art education allows for a progression of skills to be introduced and a color confidence developed in a relaxed atmosphere.

Her work revolves around traditional books with clear, bright colors used in unconventional ways! Bring your most challenging fabric to the meeting and sit back for a thoroughly enjoyable, humorous fabric experience as Carole pulls fabrics from her inventory that will make those ugly fabrics sing. Be sure to bring the most difficult fabric you have. This is very educational and fun at the same time.

November 10: Terri Ayers – Implementing Wool Into Your Quilts

December 8 – Jingle Bell Holiday Luncheon at the Yacht Club - \$30

This year's holiday lunch will be at the Yacht Club, 100 Sequoyah Rd. in Loudon immediately following the general board meeting. The Yacht Club is always beautifully decorated for the holiday season. Sign-ups begin this month. Lunch will consist of a salad, chicken marsala or eggplant parmesan, beverage and dessert.

January 12, 2024: Rob Appell – Quilts from the Sea and Beyond

Classes

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September 8: Elizabeth DeCross – Maple Leaf Window Hanging (1:30 – 4:30) \$33 - CANCELLED

Global Quilt Connection (on-line) \$3 September 23 (3:00 – 6:00 p.m.) and September 24 (3:00 – 6:00 p.m.)

Six hours of live streamed demos from some of Global Quilt connection's best virtual teachers will be available! Learn a ton of different techniques in these fantastic 15-minute demos.

November 9 - Terri Ayers - Wool Table Runner (9:30-4:30) \$25 + Kit

Terri has designed this project just for the Village Quilters. Using wool is a popular trend now. Learn how to cut and stitch the pieces. This is a hand sewing project. With winter coming and we're inside more, it's nice to have something to do with our hands in front of the TV or fireplace. The project will be displayed at the September meeting.

November 10- Terri Ayers - Wool Pin Cushion. (1:30 – 4:30) \$15 + kit

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January 12 – Rob Appell – Strip Pieced Tumbling Blocks Quilt. (1:30 – 4:30) \$30

This will be a fun and fluid class building blocks for a Strip Pieced tumbling Block style quilt. You may bring scraps, or totally organize your colors. Rob will help assist in the construction and layouts. No Y seams.

Workshops

Workshops will be held at the Chota Recreation Center, 145 Awohili Dr., Loudon, TN. All workshops are from 9:30 to 4:00 and are \$10 per session. The supply list for all workshops is available on the website. Some workshops require homework to be done PRIOR to class. If you are unsure about any directions, please contact the teacher.

September 21: Adventure in the Pines with Sandra Douglas

The perfect table runner to add a bit of charm to your winter decor.

September 28: Flower Pressing with BJ Pierce

Learn this technique to decorate with flowers from your own garden.

October 19: Tea Time with Pat Bilski

Have you ever wondered what you could make with just one jelly roll? This quilt uses no additional fabric, unless you decide to add borders. This is a free pattern on the Jordan Fabrics website. It uses the Strip Tube ruler.

October 26: Clam Up with Pat Bilski

"Extra Easy and Fun to Make". Zippered pouches in five sizes are perfect for storing sewing supplies and more. Make one or all five. We will learn how to use zippersby-the-yard to make these bags with double-slide zippers. Purchase the pattern at a quilt shop or on the By Annie website.

November 16: Hexagon Mat with Peg Purdue

Start with a hexagon and watch it grow by adding strips. You will have the option to make a candle mat, mug rug, placemat or table cover. No pattern is required.

Quilts of Valor (QOV)

I know it is not here yet (not with 90-degree temps), but Labor Day and the month of Sept always means fall to me - back to school time and the long slide into fall and winter holidays. For QOV it is the lead-up to the late fall time surrounding Veterans Day when we do a lot of awards. If you haven't already, check the website for the 2nd quarter QOV quilt pictures; soon the 3rd quarter will be going up. Make sure to visit the QOV Blockheads table and see what they have for you this time. If you haven't already, turn in your Tilted Pinwheel blocks and Hour Glass units; the Floating Star block are due this month. As always, if you have any other questions about how to get a QOV you make for friends or family registered and official with a label and certificate, please don't hesitate to contact me. You can find the request form on the website - look for Community Outreach then Quilts of Valor. Our workdays are always on the 4th Monday of the month so our next is scheduled for Sept 25th at 9am-12pm in Chota A. We've been able to get quilts reserved for most outstanding requests but more always come in! Thanks to all for your contributions. Happy quilting! Arliss Barber

Community Service

Just a reminder to bring your finished twin size quilts or twin size tops for Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Their build date is September 9th so we will be delivering to them shortly after that. Our other needs remain constant month to month - longarm quilting, domestic quilting, completed quilt tops plus the quilts you all make on your own. Thank you for your contributions.

2024 AQS Guild Challenge – Quilt Notes

The theme of the 2024 AQS Ultimate Guild Challenge for the Village Quilters is Quilt-Notes, a takeoff on Cliff Notes. The rules of the Challenge are posted on the Village Quilter's website. Everyone has plenty of time to plan and create a quilt. We look forward to a successful challenge.

Material Girls

The History-Holics Bee are asking for 12 10" squares of blue fabrics of quilt store quality. Please place your 12 pieces of 10" square blue fabrics (all the same or all different) in a zip lock bag with your name written on the bag. Your bags will be accepted at both the August and September Quilt Guild meetings. At the end of the September meeting, you will get your zip lock bag back with 12 new, different fabrics.

Bee Spotlight - Helping Hands

The Helping Hands Bee gathers twice a month on the second and fourth Saturdays at Chota Recreation Center. There is fellowship, fun and laughter as they work on a variety of projects including UFO's, piecework, and machine applique. There is always someone willing to help with block layouts and new techniques. New members are welcome to contact Donna Moore at 865 455-5759.

Membership Report

Village Quilters membership is at 291. Please welcome new and returning members: Caroline Marti, Pat Miller, Kay Velarde, Melanie Slouka and Beverly Cherry.

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