



*Hybrid Meeting.....April 4*  
*Village on Antioch 14895 Antioch*  
*Overland Park, KS*  
*Social time @ 9:00*  
*Meeting @ 9:30*

# Patchworks

## April 2023



**HAPPY  
EASTER**

*The Blue Valley Quilters Guild  
is dedicated to preserving and teaching  
the fine art of quilting.  
We welcome newcomers  
as well as experienced quilters to be part  
of this guild.*

# Welcome New Members

The Membership Drive for 2023 is official wrapped up. As of March 20th, the BVQG guild membership is at 249 members.

We are happy to welcome **new guild members** joining us in February and March:

- ◆ Lynn Gallagher
- ◆ Marie Braunsdorf
- ◆ Mia Dohrman
- ◆ Linda Marereau
- ◆ Karen Hovanec
- ◆ Karen Gogolski
- ◆ Patrica Goyer
- ◆ Lisa Bruce
- ◆ Bree Graham MacTaggart
- ◆ Donna Walker
- ◆ Laurie Hackworth
- ◆ Kelly Meyer

Please extend a warm welcome! We look forward to meeting you at our monthly meeting and/or a sewing gathering.

Sue Tuttle and Lori Lange, Membership Chairs

## Message from the President

Hi All!

“Two quilters who have just met will be strangers only until their mutual passion for quilting is revealed. Then they can talk for hours like the best of friends.” Jennifer Chiaverini

Many of you who have read Jennifer Chiaverini's novels have surely run across this quote. And I'm sure you're as convinced as I am that this holds so true! I was just at a Retreat this past weekend and sat with a few women unknown to myself and my friend and we worried the strangers looking for a place to sit were hesitating to sit at our table since we were strangers, but how long do you think it took before a friendship started up for all of us?? Not long at all...our 3 days went fast with learning each others likes and dislikes in quilting, admiring each others projects, comparing notes on favorite techniques, designers fabric styles and most of all color favorites! Our conversations proved we had so much in common and we literally ate meals together, laughed together, shared funny stories and realized we'd be at another upcoming retreat together and planned to sit together! We literally talked 'for hours like the best of friends'!

I hope you've had experiences like these and will be part of the BVQG Run For The Roses Retreat coming up on May 6th at Holy Rosary Church in Wea, KS from 9-7:30pm. Barbara Bruce is well experienced in planning this Spring Retreat and a fee of \$50 includes a wonderful lunch catered by Jack Stack and a baked potato bar dinner catered by Hy-Vee! Bring a snack to share and projects to work on. Our BVQG retreats have always been a great way to get to know our fellow Members by seeing the projects they bring to work on, helping with color choices, having just the right piece of fabric or a notion someone needed but left at home. We as quilters are skilled at finding solutions to problems and seem to do our best job when we help each other, but the benefit of making new friends and getting to know each other better is really the benefit to all of us!

Whether you're a Member who's been with BVQG for a long time or a fairly new Member, come join the fun on May 6th and get to know new friends. We all have the same passion for quilting and making new friends is such an easy and fun thing to do in this Guild.

Also, I'd like to request you think about taking on a small role in our Guild by sharing your knowledge or a particular sewing/quilting technique with fellow Members. We have a great opportunity on the 3rd Wednesday of each month to volunteer to share your talent with other Members at Let's Bee Sewing from 9-2pm. This can be a large or small technique and you'll get to know more friends through your effort. Contact Barbara Bruce or myself if you have a technique or some knowledge to share. Stay tuned for fun coming up with the Accuquilt Machine and some EPP (English Paper Piecing) to name a few.

Ibby ❤️

This Slate of Officers was presented to the Membership at the March BVQG Meeting for consideration. Nominations from the floor will be accepted at the April BVQG Meeting and a vote of Membership will be taken. Executive Officers will take office at the end of the April 4, 2023 Meeting.

**BLUE VALLEY QUILT GUILD  
SLATE OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS**

PRESIDENT **IBBY ROLLERT**

PROGRAM CO-VICE PRESIDENTS 2023-2024

**LINDA MAIER**

**ANNE GUNDRY**

**BETSY RUSSELL**

PROGRAM CO-VICE PRESIDENTS ELECT 2024-2025

**BETSY RUSSELL**

**KAREN RICHARD**

**DIANE JENNERICH**

**JAN KAHLFELDT**

TREASURER **MARY LANGENBERG**

SECRETARY **DOTTIE SALCHOW**

TECHNOLOGY **JUDY DANZ**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

**KATE THOMPSON AND ROXANNE WYSS-BATEMAN**

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

# Programs

April

Jennifer Rapacki

Ancient Inspiration



Travel back in time to see examples of quilt patterns going back to the middle ages along with information about the evolution of quilt making over the years. Flying Geese, Sawtooth, Birds in the air are just a few of today's quilt blocks that can be seen in ancient mosaics and architecture.



## Workshop 4/5 (9-4) Jazzy Zippered Pouch

Jazz up that purse, iron tote, bag, quilt, shirt (the list can go on and on) with custom-made woven fabric. It's surprisingly easy to do and worth the effort. Students will learn how to weave 1" wide strips of raw edge fabric to create a whole new unique piece of fabric that will be used to make a zippered pouch. Thread Embellishment adds the final pizzazz.

# May



Annie Smith

Help! My Fabric Stash is  
Growing and  
I Can't Make it Stop

## Workshop 5/3 – Machine Applique for the Modern Quilter

Learn Annie's way to beautiful machine applique and take the fear out of the "A" word. Start by making your own pieced fabric, then create large scale motifs that are easy to embellish with decorative stitches. Annie will share all of her tips for successful machine applique, and the shallow learning curve for amazing applique - which is raw-edge, fusible and stitched. P.S. You can do it and be happy with your project!



# June

Norene Skies

“Use it All,  
You Paid for It”



## **Zoom Lecture & Trunk Show -**

Quilters are the curators of extensive textile collections and should use their materials wisely, without waste. Norene will explain how she organizes her collection and scraps, her techniques as well as ideas for using all your scrap fabric and batting. She will show how her scrap quilting has progressed including how she up-cycles old quilt blocks and clothing. She is a firm believer that you should use it all since you paid for it. The lecture is centered on the Reduce, Reuse, & Recycle theme.

Norene is a retired public school Library Media Specialist and Nationally Board Certified Teacher. She learned to sew at an early age, made mainly garments until 1995 when she began quilting. She has quilted nearly everyday since retiring. Starting as a traditional quilter, she dabbled in art quilting, and is now a scrap quilter who tends toward modern improv. She thinks creating is as necessary as breathing.

## **June 7 - 6 Hour Zoom Workshop 9am-4pm Scrappy Improv 4 Ways – Quilt as You Go**

Learn four different techniques to make “Quilt As You Go” scrappy improv blocks that include endless variations. You will also learn to use your fabric and batting scraps to make blocks that will be joined by 2”sashing and how to “add a border”. This technique can be used on countless types of quilts making your domestic machine quilting easier to handle and quilt. The “add a border” makes the back of your quilt perfectly centered and bordered.

**\$35 No pattern or other additional fees. Use your own scraps.**



# July

*Teresa Duryea Wong*  
The Calling of Quilt Collector



Quilt collectors play a critical role in the circle of life of art. By purchasing a quilt, the work of the artist is immediately validated, and the quilt obtains a monetary value that didn't exist before. The collector also has a critical role in preserving quilts, and ideally, presenting them to viewers, either by hanging it in their home, or loaning it to museums. This lecture will explore the collections of major antique quilt collectors such as Joanna Rose, Eli Leon, and Robert & Ardis James --- and why their vision and passion are so important to quilt preservation. Learn how 651 red and white quilts belonging to Joanna Rose revolutionized quilt exhibitions in 2011, and how one quiet collector living in a small home amassed an enormous collection of African American quilts. Plus, how 1,000 quilts from the James' founded the world's finest quilt collection and museum in Lincoln, Nebraska. In addition, you'll be introduced to the collections of contemporary art quilt collectors Frank Klein, Marvin Fletcher, and Jack Walsh. Lastly, hear tips on how to have your own quilts acquired by collectors or museums.



# August

Chris Jacobs

August 1st Lecture/Trunk Show  
T-Shirt Tell All  
\*August 15th- Workshop -  
Silhouette T-Shirt Quilt

Kate Quinn

September 5th Lecture Scrappy Anniversary:  
A Quilt Journey in Scrap Quilting  
September 6th Workshop  
Mad Modern Sampler: A Beginning Rule-work  
Introduction

# September

# October

Overbrook Quilt Connection

October 3rd - Lecture What is a Barn Quilt?  
October 4th - Barn Quilt Block Painting

Amy Bradley

November 7th Lecture Trunk Show and Getting  
Ready for Market  
November 8 - Workshop,  
Machine Appliqué

# November

# December

Christmas Party



*Run for the Roses Retreat*

*May 6<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 7:30pm*

*Queen to the Holy Rosary, Wea  
227 Metcalf Rd., Bucyrus, KS*

*Reservations are filling up! Be sure to get yours in through Sign Up Genius. The deadline to reserve & pay \$50 is April 29<sup>th</sup>. The Race Steward is offering prize money for the Best Chapeau, \$50 for 1<sup>st</sup>, \$30 for 2<sup>nd</sup>, and \$20 for 3<sup>rd</sup>! We are in contact with the Technology Manager at the Church to possibly broadcast the race! You may want to include a wrapped gift, value less than \$10, to participate in a secret gift exchange, be sure to hide your name on the inside! Bring your sewing projects of any kind & celebrate Spring with friends.*

*Barbara Bruce---chairperson*



# Quilted Table

September 16



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**Sign up Genius  
Is now open to sign up to be a  
table hostess**

**&**

**To volunteer to help set up, help the  
day of the event and  
Help clean up.**

**Links to Signup Genius on Facebook**

**Table Hostess - 12 of 25 tables have been spoken for**

**Sept 15 8-11 a Setup**

**Sept 15 11a-3p Quilts**

**Sept 15 12-3p Kitchen**

**Sept 16 10-1145a Kitchen**

**Sept 16 1015-1130a Ushers**

**Sept 16 1245-230p Scribe**

**Sept 16 1245-230p Auction**

**Sept 16 230-400p Clean Up**



# 2023 BVQG BEATLES CHALLENGE

This year's BVQG member challenge will be to create a quilt representing your favorite Beatle, favorite Beatles' song, a line in a Beatles' song, favorite Beatles' album, a Beatles' concert attended or anything Beatles related.

1. **Entry Must Be a Quilt:** defined as having a fabric top layer, batting middle layer and a fabric bottom layer; joined together by quilting with edges finished, e.g., binding, facing, etc.
2. **Entry Must Be a NEW Quilt:** Entry must be a new quilt, created in 2023 specifically for this challenge. Any technique may be used in creating your quilt, e.g., piecing, applique, collage, etc.
3. **Size:** Entries may be any size but may not be larger than 60 inches x 60 inches.
4. **Artist's Statement:** Members will submit a written statement with their quilt explaining what your quilt represents, what inspired you or just a simple explanation of your entry.
5. **Labels:** Any labels attached to your quilt that identify you as the maker must be covered before submitted.
6. **Due:** Entries are due at the November 7, 2023 Monthly Guild Meeting at Village on Antioch. Bring your quilt in an unmarked bag that your quilt cannot be seen through. You will sign in your quilt with the Challenge Committee.
7. **Voting:** A voting form (Google doc) containing a photo of each quilt along with its artist's statement will be emailed to every member on November 24. Members will vote on this form for their choice for 1st place (3 points), 2nd place (2 points), and 3rd place (1 point). Voting will run November 24-December 1. Entries will be displayed and winners announced at the December 5, 2023 Holiday Party.
8. **Prizes:** First, second and third place prizes will be awarded based upon number of points received. In the case of a tie, the committee will ask a non-member to break the tie. Prizes will be gift cards to local quilt shops and amounts will be announced once a new budget is set for 2023

# THE BEATLES

# Community OUTREACH



## Community Outreach

For the next few months we will be adding our touch to the Tiny Houses sponsored by the Veteran's Community Project.

We will be making:

Pillowcases – Patriotic or Bright with Children in mind

Placemats – Patriotic or Color



# Let's Sewing



## Let's Sewing!

**April 19 - Machine Piecing "Web Style"**  
**Led by Carla Timberlake**



**May 17 - Accuquilt Let's Go!!!**  
**Led by Judy Danz**



**June 21 - English Paper Piecing**  
**Led by Joyce Bardeen & Jan Shipman**



**VOA (Church) Fellowship Hall - 9:00 to 2:00**  
**Bring a lunch or run out - Always FREE !**



**NO MAY ZOOM SEW DAY SO WE CAN  
ALL ATTEND THE BVQG RETREAT**

## **ZOOM SEWING BEES**

**Always the 1st Saturday of the month**

**from 10-2pm CST.**

**Register through SignUpGenius**

**on Facebook for Zoom link.**

**If not on Facebook,**

**the sign up link will be sent to you.**





# UFO AND TGIF WORKSHOP



- Join in the fun and get projects done!  
(Now–November 30, 2023)
- No list necessary. When project is complete, fill in the [online form](#)
- Upload a photo. Be a star in the slide show celebrating everyone's accomplishment.
- There are four ways to “motivate” you *and* earn some money.
  - Total Points Earned based on categories. (Listed on form.)
  - Total Inches Completed (Size Matters!)
  - Most TGIF BVQG 2023 Workshops with completed project
- Entry Fee Drawing (Optional \$5 one-time fee payable via check or PayPal)
- Email [bvqgtgif@gmail.com](mailto:bvqgtgif@gmail.com) with questions or suggestions.

Response in 72 hours

TGIF



*Happy Birthday to our members having April Birthdays*

2—Deb Bilyew

3—Carolyn Chaffin

5—Ibby Rollert

6—Shary Kreiling

6—Edith Pryor

8—Vicki Nagel

15—Mary Lynn Bajt-Jaeschke

17—Brenda Carlson

19—Elaine Elliott

19—Betty Lynn

19—Judith Schwanz

20—Cindy Abrams

22—Ann Schuller

24—Shirley Petersen

25—Lynn Gallagher

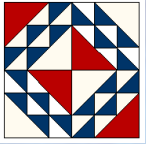
25—Wendy Sime

28—Gene Wall

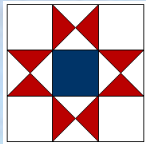
30—JoAnna Gorthy



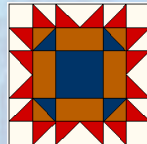
# Happy Birthday America!!



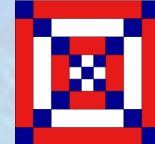
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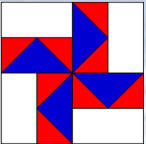
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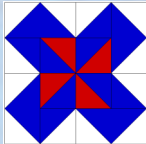
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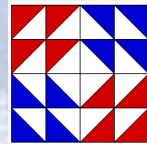
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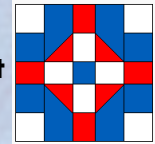
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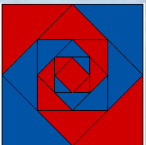
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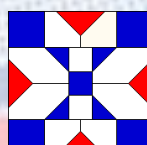
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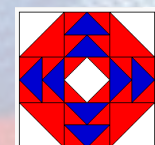
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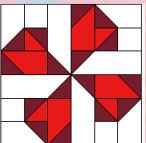
Oregon



Illinois



Kentucky



Oklahoma



Maryland

[Maryland - Block 15 of 50! - Celebrating the States! - Block of the Month - a 4+ year quilt project! - YouTube](#)



**Judy Brennan— Sunflower Point**

Custom Machine Embroidery. Some ideas include: quilt labels, nametags, blankets, tooth fairy pillows, garments, ornaments, wedding hankies (male & female), and SO MUCH MORE. Call: **913-788-0582**.

Members can advertise their services for free in the newsletter

Contact : Joan Horton  
to place an ad

**5acre Designs Quilting - Mindy Peterson**

Affordable longarm quilting. All over meander, pantographs (over 100 different designs available). I have been in business for over 12 years. Will meet you at a convenient location.  
(913) 481-2113

**Longarm Service. B&L Quilting**

I do E2E Longarm Quilting.  
Linda VanDivner, Cell: 913 469-9522



*Quilts of Valor*  
Quilting to Honor & Comfort



The following is a list of Local venues that support

## Quilts of Valor

and have scheduled sewing days if  
you would like to join us!

Quilter's Haven and Tallgrass QOV Groups have merged.

The group is now known as **Johnson County KS QOV Group**. We meet in two locations.

The group which meets at Quilter's Haven, 116 N. Clairborne, Olathe, will be taking a break. We'll let you know when they resume.

The second location is in the fellowship hall at the Village Presbyterian Church on Antioch, 14895 Antioch. We meet the fourth Saturday of January-April and June-October from 9:30-3:00. We do not meet in May, November or December due to the holidays. Bring your machine and a project to work on. You may bring a lunch, or go out to one of the many local eating establishments. For questions about Quilts of Valor or our Johnson County KS QOV Group, please contact Kristi McGinness, 913-244-9125.



**Prairie Point Quilt Store:** Join us at Prairie Point Fabric and Quilt Store, 12116 W 95th St, Lenexa, KS 66215 on the **third Monday** of each month to work on QOV quilts. We start at 9:30 and stay as long as you like - the store closes at 5:30 p.m. Bring your lunch or there are many places around their shop to eat. If you have questions please contact John or Susan Thorup @ 913-268-3333



2022—2023

# *Blue Valley Quilters Guild*

## *Officers and Committees*

### **Executive Board**

**President:** Ibby Rollert

**Vice Presidents Programs, 2022-23:**

Pam Thomas, Jan Shipman, Judy Whitehill

**Vice Presidents Programs:** Anne Gundry, Linda Maier, Betsy Russell

**Secretary:** Dottie Salchow

**Treasurer:** Mary Langenberg

**Technology:** Leta Richards

**Past President:** Rita Porter

### **Committees**

#### **Community Outreach**

Chairperson: Lynn Droege

Members: Pat Thomson, Joyce Bardeen, Judy Lindberg,  
Terry Lindberg, Kari Seim, Kristen Smith, Cathy Buckley

#### **Library**

Chair: Jeanette Baumler

Members: Patricia McLaughlin, Rosalie Meredith

#### **Membership (includes Facebook Roster)**

Chair: Sue Tuttle

Members: Nancy Taylor, Lori Lange, Kristen Smith

#### **Newsletter Editor**

Chair: Joan Horton

#### **Let's Be Sewing**

Chair: Barbara Bruce

## **Technology**

Chair: Leta Richards

Members: Susan Byrne, Sherri Dolly, Lynn Droege, Stephanie Dodson, Brenda Mosley

## **ADJUNCT GROUPS**

### **By-Laws Review**

Chair: Mary Langenberg

Members: Barbara Bruce, Ibbly Rollert, Lynn Droege, Barbara Alsup

### **Facebook Administrators**

Leta Richards, Sherri Dolly, Lynn Droege, Pam Thomas, Sue Tuttle, Ibbly Rollert

### **Facilities**

Chair: Lynn Droege

Set Up/Tear Down: Kate Thompson

Greeters: Jane Drugg, Priscilla Alberg, Sharon Haertling

### **Free Table and Donations**

Diann White, Kim Mapes

### **Instagram**

Chair: Sherri Dolly

### **Quilted Table**

Chairperson: Joan Horton

### **Quilt Challenge**

Co-Chairpersons: Gayla Spurlock, Jane Miller

### **Retreats**

Chair: Barbara Bruce

### **SignupGenius**

Chairperson: Lynn Droege Member: Leta Richards

## UFO/TGIF

Co-Chairpersons: Kathy VanCleave, Cindy Kuhn

### Website

Susan Byrne, Leta Richards

### Zoom Schedulers

Lynn Droege, Leta Richards, Ibby Rollert

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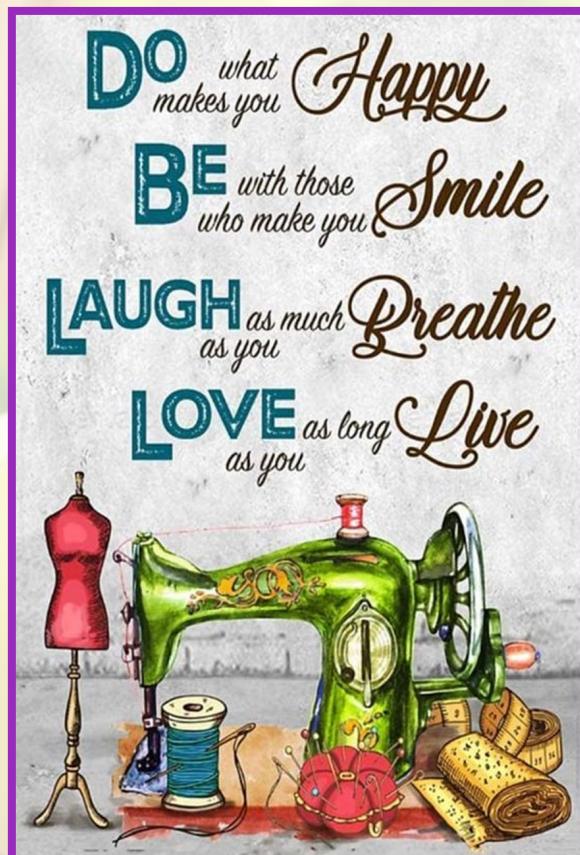
### Special Committees:

#### Auditing Committee

Consists of one guild member, appointed by the President to correlate receipts and disbursements of the Guild immediately after the March meeting and report to the membership at the April meeting.

#### Nominating Committee

Consists of three to five Guild members appointed by the President by December and shall submit a slate for March publication and April vote.





The best things in  
life are quilted.

To leave you in  
stitches!!



There is a very fine line between  
hobby and mental illness.

—Dave Berry



**I RESCUE FABRIC  
TRAPPED IN THE  
QUILT SHOP  
I'M NOT A HOARDER  
I'M A HERO**

