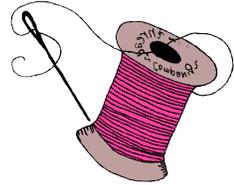


And sew on...



Newsletter of the Springfield Chapter of Quilters Unlimited

November 2018

Our 2018-2019 Volunteers

**President—Lisa Langlais	**VP (Programs)—Sandra Israel
**Treasurer—Nancy Moore	**Secretary—Tonda Hunsinger
**Nominating—Penny Boyanton	In-House Programs—Lynn Munch
Newsletter/Hot Flash—Kim Fess	Door Prizes—Nancy Karpowicz
Quilt Show Rep—Robin Wilson	Library—Loretta Shinol
Holiday Party— VACANT	Sunshine—Ann Littleton
Quilt Camp—Barb Hall	Web Page Contact—Julia Renken
Farewell Blocks—Cynthia Johnson-Daily	Refreshments—Barb Sherwood
Fall Retreat—Joan McGowan	Spring Retreat—Kim Fess
Membership/Welcome—Scotte McElwain	Photographer—Carol Valent
Coffee—Nancy Vogel	Pillowcases—Cindy Niles
Yard Sale—Jill Redding	Quilt Collectors—Chris Prestenbach
Social Media—Lisa Langlais	Outreach Coordinator—Lisa Langlais
Auction-- VACANT	
Quilting for Others/Donation Coordinators—Julia Renken & Lisa Langlais	
** Elected and voting members of the SQU Board	

Happy Fall, Quilters. I fear the cold weather is here to stay. Just today I read that Fairfax County is predicting a particularly cold and snowy winter. Drats! How many of you brought out extra quilts for the bed? I think we all might have seasonal bed quilts that we use to welcome the change in weather. I added two to our bed alone.

Great job on the Shirt Off My Back-president's challenge. Well done! There were so many fun ideas and quilts. Thank you for participating!

What FUN the In-House Programs committee has come up with for SQU in projects, the bingo card and accountability task list! I'm rather a list maker myself and this will help me along with some of the quilts that I can make or finish through the rest of the year. Please contact Lynn Munch if you weren't able to get one of the folders that IHP passed out. They're happy to make sure you get one. Again, thank you to the IHP committee for their presentation. Your enthusiasm is contagious and we are inspired.

Peacefully,

Lisa Langlais

President SQU

SQU Weather Cancellation Policy

If Fairfax County schools are closed due to inclement weather, SQU will NOT meet. If Fairfax County schools announce a delayed opening due to inclement weather, SQU will meet at its usual time. Hot flashes will not be sent out for weather cancellation.

Springfield Chapter Quilters Unlimited 2018-2019

Tuesday	October 23	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	October 30	9:30 Sit and Sew, Quilting for Others	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	November 6	9:30 Business meeting	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	November 13	9:30 Anne Smyers trunk show	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Wednesday	November 14	10:00 Anne Smyers workshop	The Quilters Studio
Tuesday	November 20	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	November 27	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	December 4	9:30 Business meeting	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	December 11	11:00 Holiday luncheon	Springfield CC
Tuesday	December 18	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	December 25	NO SIT and SEW	Bingo Hall CLOSED
Tuesday	January 1, 2019	NO SIT and SEW	Bingo Hall CLOSED
Tuesday	January 8	9:30 Business meeting, Meet the Quilter	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	January 15	9:30 Karen Johnson trunk show	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	January 22	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	January 29	9:30 Sit and Sew, Quilting for Others	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	February 5	9:30 Business meeting	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	February 12	9:30 Quilt Camp	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Wednesday	February 13	9:30 Quilt Camp	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Thursday	February 14	9:30 Quilt Camp	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	February 19	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	February 26	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	March 5	9:30 Business meeting	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	March 12	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	March 19	9:30 Marisela Rumberg trunk show	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Wednesday	March 20	10:00 Marisela Rumberg workshop	The Quilters Studio
Mon - Fri	March 25-29	Spring Retreat	Massanetta Springs
Tuesday	March 26	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	April 2	9:30 Business meeting	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	April 9	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	April 16	10:30 AUCTION	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	April 23	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	April 30	9:30 Sit and Sew, Quilting for Others	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	May 7	9:30 Business Meeting	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	May 14	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	May 21	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	May 21	9:30 Bus to VA Quilt Museum	Harrisonburg, VA
Tuesday	May 28	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Thursday	May 30	9:00 Quilt Show set up	Dulles Expo Center

Friday	May 31	Quilt Show Opening Day	Dulles Expo Center
Saturday	June 1	Quilt Show	Dulles Expo Center
Sunday	June 2	Quilt Show Last Day	Dulles Expo Center
Tuesday	June 4	9:30 Business meeting	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	June 11	9:30 Sit and Sew	SVFD-Bingo Hall
Tuesday	June 18	10:00 End of Year Picnic	Joan McGowan's Pool

programs

November Events

November Lecture:

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NOVEMBER LECTURE IS ON AN OFF TUESDAY !

Anne Smyers, Fiber Artist--A Creative Journey-My "Aha!" Moments Along the Way

Date: November 13, 2018 -This is the 2nd Tuesday

Time: 9:30 am

Place: Bingo Hall

November Workshop:

Making a Floral Mandala with Anne Smyers

Date: November 14, 2018

Time: 10-4:30pm

Place: The Quilters Studio, Fairfax, VA

Cost: \$50 plus \$10 kit fee

Sign up with Sandra at the fire station

"The word 'mandala' is from the classical Indian language of Sanskrit. Loosely translated to mean "circle," a mandala is far more than a simple shape. It represents wholeness, and can be seen as a model for the organizational structure of life itself--a cosmic diagram that reminds us of our relation to the infinite, the world that extends both beyond and within our bodies and minds." from themandalaproject.org

In this workshop participants will create a small (about 12 x12") mandala constructed from floral fabrics. No sewing required. Kits provided by instructor, or bring your own fabric and pla



Have you had a chance to volunteer with Springfield QU in the last three years? Or, are you a BIG QU volunteer? We love having you be a part of QU either way. We're still looking for a quilter and her committee, which could mean her quilt bee, to chair the Holiday party at the Springfield Country Club on December 11, 2018. Party favors are NOT necessary and there IS a budget to help supplement the luncheon. We're all just happy to get together and enjoy a nice lunch. Please call, text or email me.

Thank you in advance! Lisa

Minutes of the Springfield Quilters Unlimited Meeting 2 October 2018

Loosen Up!

- **9:45 Welcome**, Nancy Moore, Acting SQU President
- **Welcome** New Members, Welcome Visitors, Scotte McElwain
- **Approval of the minutes** for September 4, 2018 in the October, 2018 newsletter – Minutes were approved by Lynn Munch and seconded by Denise Racz
- **Treasurer report** - Nancy Moore – Current Bank Balance \$22,080.21. The audit was completed following the auditor procedures outlined in the Big QU FY 2018 Treasurer Guidelines. All items passed audit and there were no major findings or discrepancies found.
- **Vice President/programs** – Sandra Israel
 - The field trip to Gunston Hall is postponed to another date. There is construction at the facility and it would interfere with the accessibility and program. Will let all know when we can reschedule.
 - 13 November program is Anne Smyers – Fiber Artist A creative Journey – My Aha Moments Along the Way (due to Thanksgiving) – it is the Mandela kit. Workshop will be on Wednesday, 14 November at the Quilter’s Studio. No machines needed. Making a Floral Mandala - Kits are \$10.
- **Committee Reports**
 - o Fall Retreat – Joan McGowan – Great Fun! Very productive Show and Tell!
 - o Newsletter – Kim Fess, articles are due Friday, 19 October
 - o Spring Retreat – Kim Fess 24-29 Mar 2019 – all slots filled, and taking wait list names!
 - o Auction, Need a Chair and 4 POS leads – Diane has documentation with suggestions as to how the auction can be run and an after action information learned from the 2018 auction to help the new auction lead. See Diane Murtha for further details.
 - o Holiday Party – 11 December - The Springfield Country Club is booked (thanks to Anne Hyde) and we just need a chair to work out the details. See Nancy if you want to know what is involved.
 - o Library – Loretta Shinol
 - o WEB Page Contact, SQU to Big QU – Julia Renken – SQU page is updated on Big QU web page
 - o Outreach / Social Media – Lisa Langlais
 - o Farewell Blocks – Cynthia Johnson-Daily – Need white center blocks
 - o Coffee – Nancy Vogel - going well – Thanks Nancy!!!!
 - o Refreshments – Barb Sherwood, need any sign ups? We found the book, please sign up for next meetings. We have enough members that people will only have to sign up once for the year.
 - o Quilt Camp – Barb Hall – Feb 12-14, 2019
 - o Quilting for Others – Lisa Langlais & Julia Renken – Julia gave us an update on Operation Homefront. The charity is for young military families, E6 and below. Quilts or crocheted items can be a reasonable baby size. Not a specific size.
 - o Pillowcases – Cindy Niles – We have turned in 400 already. We will work on things at an extended Sit and Sew soon.
 - o Quilt Show Rep/Layout - Chris Prestenbach - NSTR
 - o Quilt Boutique - Tonda Hunsinger – Asked members for the ideas for new Boutique items – things useful for other quilters. If someone else wants the lead – you will have plenty of support.
 - o Sunshine - Ann Littleton – Any Requests?
- **BREAK 15 minutes**
- **New Business**
 - o Reminder – the President’s Challenge – The Shirt Off Our Back - is due at the Program Meeting, October 16.

- **In house programs** –Lynn Munch, Penny Boyanton, Alice Richbourg, Ann Collins, Michelle Stolte, Beverly Pontius and Julie Kay– Loosen Up
Lynn provided an excellent presentation and warm up for Fussy Cutting programs on 16 Oct and Nov business meeting. Keep in mind to build in a surprise.
- **Show and tell – Lovely results from Fall Retreat**
- **Door Prizes** – Winners were Judy Bell and Karen Burshnick.
Yard Sale – Great participation and we made \$830.49. Thanks everyone!



November Treasurer's Report

Our current bank balance is \$17,878.48. The decrease of \$4,206.91 is due to the final fall retreat venue payment and the payment to QU for their membership share. These expenses are offset by the revenues received for the 2019 Spring Retreat. This is a normal dip in the bank balance at this time of the year.

The Yard Sale was a success, we earned \$386.00 more than last year. THANK YOU to all of you who donated and purchased items for the Yard Sale! Start planning your donations for the April Auction – April will be here before we know it! Remember, all donations are tax deductible, if you need a receipt for tax purposes please see me.

The FY 2018 (prior year) audit was completed following the auditor procedures outlined in the Big QU FY 2018 Treasurer. All items passed audit and there were no major findings or discrepancies found. Year to date activity is detailed below. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Respectively submitted, Nancy Moore

Year to Date as of October 19, 2018

	<u>BUDGET</u>			<u>ACTUAL</u>			<u>Notes</u>
	Income	Expenses	Net	Income	Expenses	Net	
MEMBERSHIP							
Dues	\$3,245.00	\$1,515.00	\$1,730.00	\$1,240.00	\$1,576.06	-\$336.06	We have 127 members as of this date.
QU Pins	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
SQU Pins	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	
SUBTOTAL:	\$3,345.00	\$1,515.00	\$1,830.00	\$1,270.00	\$1,576.06	-\$306.06	
EDUCATION							
In-House Programs	\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00	\$0.00	\$51.31	-\$51.31	
Quilt Camp	\$1,700.00	\$1,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Workshops	\$1,875.00	\$3,815.00	-\$1,940.00	\$400.00	\$957.69	-\$557.69	Workshops to date - Nancy K. My Kinda Town and Heather Kojan's Mesh Tote. There were 15 participants in the Mesh Tote Bag and the workshop portion of the event basically broke even.
SUBTOTAL:	\$3,575.00	\$5,815.00	-\$2,240.00	\$400.00	\$1,009.00	-\$609.00	
FUNDRAISERS							
Auction	\$6,500.00	\$700.00	\$5,800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Boutique	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	\$49.00	\$0.00	\$49.00	Revenue from late 2018 boutique sales.
Yard Sale	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$880.49	\$50.00	\$830.49	Yard sale revenue for this year is \$386.00 more than the previous years yard sale! Thank you to all who donated and purchased!
SUBTOTAL:	\$7,800.00	\$700.00	\$7,100.00	\$929.49	\$50.00	\$879.49	
RETREATS							
2018 Fall Retreat	\$0.00	\$7,555.00	-\$7,555.00	\$3,130.00	\$9,547.57	-\$6,417.57	Expenses include \$2,259.00 in refunds and \$7,109.25 paid to the Claggett Center. Remaining is for other retreat expenses. Okay to go over the budget as refunds are not a line item that can be budgeted for.
2019 Fall Retreat	\$9,500.00	\$2,400.00	\$7,100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
2019 Spring Retreat	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,730.00	\$1,262.77	\$3,467.23	Initial deposits received from members for retreat. Expenses include \$550.00 in refunds and the first deposit paid for the Spring Retreat Venue.
SUBTOTAL:	\$14,500.00	\$14,955.00	-\$455.00	\$7,860.00	\$10,810.34	-\$2,950.34	
ENTERTAINMENT							
Bus Trips	\$900.00	\$1,210.00	-\$310.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Door Prizes	\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00	\$0.00	\$116.01	-\$116.01	
Holiday Luncheon	\$1,700.00	\$2,500.00	-\$800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Hospitality	\$0.00	\$100.00	-\$100.00	\$0.00	\$10.49	-\$10.49	
SUBTOTAL:	\$2,600.00	\$4,210.00	-\$1,610.00	\$0.00	\$126.50	-\$126.50	

Year to Date as of October 19, 2018

	<u>BUDGET</u>			<u>ACTUAL</u>			<u>Notes</u>
	Income	Expenses	Net	Income	Expenses	Net	
OTHER/ADMIN							
Donation to VA Quilt Museum	\$0.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Library	\$0.00	\$75.00	-\$75.00	\$0.00	\$30.00	-\$30.00	
Meeting Space	\$0.00	\$2,700.00	-\$2,700.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	-\$800.00	First rental payment for Bingo Hall.
Miscellaneous/Other	\$2.00	\$200.00	-\$198.00	\$0.35	\$100.00	-\$99.65	Income is for interested paid. Expense includes \$100.00 paid to the auditor for the FY 2018 audit.
Newsletter Distribution	\$24.00	\$20.00	\$4.00	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$12.00	
Outreach	\$0.00	\$700.00	-\$700.00	\$0.00	\$41.78	-\$41.78	\$41.78 for SQU Business Cards
Presidents Discretionary Fund	\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
QU Show Advertising	\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Quilting for Others	\$0.00	\$350.00	-\$350.00	\$0.00	\$118.72	-\$118.72	Expense is for batting used for the QFO quilts.
Sunshine	\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00	\$0.00	\$16.35	-\$16.35	
SUBTOTAL:	\$26.00	\$4,945.00	-\$4,919.00	\$12.35	\$1,106.85	-\$1,094.50	
GRAND TOTAL:	\$31,846.00	\$32,140.00	-\$294.00	\$10,471.84	\$14,678.75	-\$4,206.91	

Beginning Bank Balance as of 7/1/18: \$22,085.39
 YTD Net Activity: -\$4,206.91
 Current Bank Balance: \$17,878.48

IN-HOUSE PROGRAMS (IHP)

We apologize for not having enough folder handouts for everyone at the Program meeting. But we are thrilled there is so much interest! We have your names and will have folders for you and a few extra at the November business meeting, November 6.

I want to give a very big shout out and thank you to our members who graciously brought in their fussy quilts: Kim Fess, Ann Littleton, Jan Fitch, Loretta Spittle, Michelle Stolte, Penny Boyanton, Nicki Brown, Diane Murtha, and our very new member, Gale Umemoto. The wide variety was fantastic and the excellent show of Stack and Whack, hexagons, and other EPP made a great addition to the program.

So now I will ask you to bring in a sample or two of foundation or paper piecing, and Flying Geese for showing at our Nov 6 IHP after the business meeting.

Don't forget to bring your October BOM, a pair of Kaleidoscope Hexagon halves for the drawing on November 6. An IHP team member will be at the October 30 Sit and Sew if you need help.

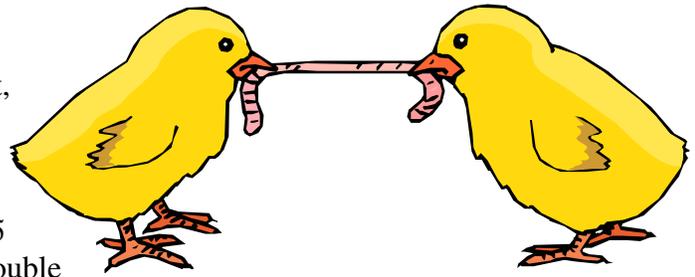
Lynn Munch

Quilt Collecting/Quilt Show

Get ahead of your schedule and start thinking about the quilts you'd like to enter in the 2019 QU quilt show! Blocks of the month, quilts from classes you've participated in, The Featherweight or My Kind of Town workshops would be good, just to name a few. We don't judge your quilts into the show, it's YOUR choice. At press time, every QU quilter is allowed to hang up to five. Big QU is hosting a quilt show challenge, Sea to Shining Sea, quilts inspired by the American landscape, to be hung together. The guidelines are on the Big QU web site, <https://quiltersunlimited.org/quilt-show/> SQU will start photographing and measuring quilts after the new year.

Spring Chicken Retreat 2019

Fall is here and it's time to think about Spring—Spring Retreat, that is! This year's retreat will once again be held at the beautiful Massanetta Springs Conference Center in Harrisonburg, VA, Monday, March 25 through Friday, March 29. The price this year is \$330 (down \$25 from last year!) for 5 glorious days of fun, fiber, and frivolity! The price includes double rooms, continental breakfasts and our use of the meeting room. Evening meals are provided by Retreat volunteers. And, this year again, lunch will be on your own. Space is limited to 14 participants, and the retreat is now full. But if you're interested, you are invited to get on the wait list. For more information, contact kimfess@aol.com.

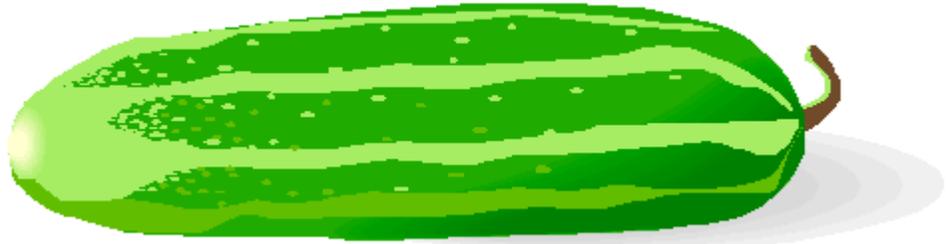


FALL Retreat

It's that time again. I will start taking deposits for the 2019 Fall Retreat at the business meeting on Tuesday, November 6. The deposit is \$50. The retreat will be held at the Bishop Claggett Conference Center in Buckeystown, MD, from Tuesday, September 24 to Sunday, September 29, 2019. We are limited to 20 participants. It's lots of fun so hope you can join us.
Joan McGowan Fall Retreat Chair

Judy Shapleigh's Cucumber Sandwiches

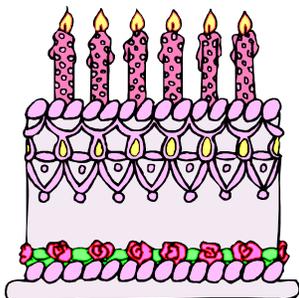
- 1 loaf of sandwich bread
- 1 8-oz. package of cream cheese
- 1 packet of Good Seasons Dry Italian Seasoning
- 2 cucumbers



The day before mix softened cream cheese with the seasoning mix. Chill.

Next day, cut circles in bread pieces. (I use a biscuit cutter) Spread the cream cheese mixture on the bread circles. Top with a sliced cucumber piece. (You can run a fork down the outside of the cukes for a decorative look).

Optional: Sprinkle with paprika.



Happy birthday and congratulations to all of our SQU members who are celebrating their special days in the month of **November**:

Alice Richbourg 11/02
Irene Schutt 11/15
Ann Collins 11/27

Sallie Flavin 11/05
Cathy Flanigan 11/16
Cindy Niles 11/27

Connie Hallam 11/08
Dana Olness 11/20
Sally Bustamante 11/29

Springfield QU Basics

If you are new to Springfield QU, here is the lowdown on SQU meetings...it's easy—we meet EVERY Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.!

- The **first** Tuesday of each month is our business meeting. It sounds like something you might want to miss, but believe me, you don't. Besides business, there is always a lot more...block of the month, meet the quilter, or whatever. "Stay tuned" to your monthly newsletter to find out what will be taking place at each business meeting.
- The **third** Tuesday of each month is our program meeting. The **second** and **fourth** Tuesdays of each month are known as "off-Tuesdays" and are Sit 'n Sew. Come to the firehouse bingo hall; bring a quilt to baste; bring sewing; bring knitting, or just bring yourself. Sometimes our "special interest groups" also meet on these days. Whatever is going on, since Springfield QU is "where the fun is," you can be sure that there will be lots of laughter on these days. **During the summer EVERY Tuesday is an "off-Tuesday."** **We have no formal meetings in July and August.**
- **Fifth** Tuesdays are the days that we devote to Quilting for Others—our on-going charitable efforts. Usually working in assembly-line fashion, we make quilts for wounded and ill soldiers or pillowcases for children for ECHO. The newsletter will always give information about upcoming fifth Tuesday projects.

Our schedule is designed to make your calendar planning easy! Just don't ever plan anything else for any Tuesday morning; you already have plans! Yes, if you want the full "Springfield Experience," come to a meeting every Tuesday.

NEWSLETTER NEWS

Past issues of our newsletter are archived at the Springfield chapter section of the QU Website (www.quiltersunlimited.org) and... please send your articles for the **December issue of the newsletter** to kimfess@aol.com **NLT Friday, November 23**. Please include the word NEWSLETTER in your subject line.

**And please do not send items that you want in the newsletter as attachments or PDFs;
send items as Word documents**

