

MERRIMACK VALLEY QUILTERS GUILD

Encouraging the art of Quilting in the Merrimack Valley, MVQ was established in 1980

January 2022



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2021 – 2022

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President's Message January

Hello and Happy New Year Everyone.

Our first real snow fall of the year looks beautiful!

Sadly, the new year is not starting out as we had hoped so we will adapt. In the interest of safety, our next meeting on January 20th will be via Zoom. I hope to 'see' all of you there. We have a lot to cover. I am hoping that February will be back in person, but we will make that decision based on how the Pandemic numbers are trending at the next board meeting.

We are still looking for a chairperson or co-chairpeople for our quilt show. There are many members happy to support you and most of the subcommittees have someone already in place who are experienced in each position. Without a duo to pull it together, we will not have a show.

The same can be said for our Programs. Without someone to organize it, we will have no programs at our meetings and no workshops.

Not having an in-person meeting in January along with the uncertainty about next month, has forced us to move our UFO Auction to June. I'm still working out the details and we may have to move the date of that meeting. More information on that will follow at a later date.

I look forward to Zooming with you at our meeting. In the meantime, stay warm and stay safe.

Lynette Pisani

MVQ President

Next meeting will be VIRTUAL

January 20, 2022

Membership News

Due to the pesky COVID Omicron variant, the board has decided that we should hold our January 20th meeting via Zoom for everyone's safety. Look in your email for a link a few days before our meeting. When joining, please remember to identify yourself with your first and last names. This will help us get to know each other better and eliminate any confusion. Also, feel free to forward the link to a friend. Then, remember to introduce them to the rest of us so we can give them the welcome they deserve and show them what a friendly group we are! With COVID rearing its ugly head again, it is important that we stay connected and have an outlet to share our passion for quilting.

Take care and stay safe.

Linda Lydecker, Membership Chair

SEW AND KNOW

Janice Jones

janicemaejones@gmail.com

Anyone have a favorite quilting tip or technique? Something you've been working on and want to share? Please email me!! We are in desperate need of Sew and Know presenters. (Presentations are brief and stress free).

2021 – 2022 Comfort Quilts Project

Vice president – Jamie Ruh – Comfort quilt project this year is The Pregnancy care Center of Haverhill. More information to follow when available.

2021 – 2022 Programs

January 20th – Journeys ... Virtual Meeting

February – 17th – TBD

March – 17th - Kathie Beltz - <https://kathiebeltz.com/>

- Trunk Show - Studio 180 Design
- Workshop – March 19th – Around the Pond

April 21st – Linda Pearl - <https://www.onequiltingcircle.com/>

- Trunk Show – If You Give a Quilter a Challenge
- Workshop – Friday, April 22nd – The Jane Quilt, A Flying Geese Pattern

May 19th – Michelle Banton – <https://www.littlepupdesigns.com/>

- Trunk Show - Looking Great Dresden Plate lecture
- Workshop - May 21nd - Dresden Neighborhood workshop

June 16th – TBD

March 19th	April 22nd	May 21st
Kathie Beltz Around the Pond	Linda Pearl The Jane Quilt	Michele Banton Dresden Neighborhood
 <p data-bbox="164 1455 516 1486">An intermediate workshop</p>		

Details of supplies, prep work, and other needs will be provided.

To sign up for workshops go to <https://mvquilters.org/lecturesworkshops/current-lecture-schedule/>. There are still a lot of seats available. Contact Judy Naylor if you have questions or need assistance, at judy.naylor@gmail.com or 978.476.2525 for cell or text

Programs, CONT

All workshops will again be held at West Congregational Church in Haverhill. Details will follow as we get closer to the event. There will be signup sheets at the table as you enter for our meeting.

This year we are adding the option to register and pay through PayPal. Now you don't need to remember your wallet or your checkbook. Our PayPal account also lets you use your credit card. When the links for this registration are ready, you will receive notice by email and on our websites.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Judy Naylor at judy.naylor@gmail.com 978.352.2210 (H) or 978.476.2525 (C)



I am looking for someone to help me with setup at each of our three workshops. One volunteer will receive free participation for each workshop. If you are interested, contact Judy Naylor at judy.naylor@gmail.com 978.352.2210 (H) or 978.476.2525 (C)



The **Programs Chairperson** position will be open for the 2022-2023 year. If you are interest or have questions, please contact Judy Naylor or Lynette Pisani. You will have plenty of support and there are a lot of resources to help you with this enjoyable and necessary guild function. Please consider taking on this challenge. Or team up with a friend and be the programming duo.

MVQ Guild Meeting Minutes

MVQ December 2021 General Meeting

December 2, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by President Lynne Pisani.

Lynne Pisani – Welcome to holiday party

October guild meeting minutes are accepted

Committee Announcements

Membership – Linda Lydecker – 134 members, 33 members are in attendance tonight. 2 new members joined last meeting. Members may pick up raffle tickets and membership cards in January.

Door Prize – Raffle Tickets Winners – Liz Swan, Layne Rando, Andrea McMahon

Vice president – Jamie Ruh – Comfort quilt project this year is The Pregnancy care Center of Haverhill.

UFO Auction – Stacey Caruso – Sign up to come to the church and help out for sorting of UFO donations. Help is also needed for set-up on the meeting night.

Bev Valle – She is missing a serving spoon from retreat. Please contact Bev if you have it.

Marianne Karp is missing Boutique items from the quilt show. If found, contact Marianne.

Show and Tell

Program – Christmas Music Bingo

Raffle Drawings

Fabric Drawing – Ann Stobbs, Mary Stobbs, Dot Tyler, Layne Rando, Maggie Rodgers,

Ann Hockmeyer, Marilyn Dutton

Adjourn meeting at 8:11 PM

Facebook:

Did you know that MVQ has two Facebook pages? One is Merrimack Valley Quilters Guild. This page is managed by Cathy Harnisch and Elizabeth Swan. It was created purposely to give members and friends an additional venue for sharing information specifically about our guild. Viewing the information posted is available to the public. Only the managers can post on this page.

The other is a Group page called MVQ Members. Members of the group are welcome to post questions and information on this Facebook page. If you have something to sell or want to share information with other guild members, this is the page for you. Want to show off your recently completed quilt or other accomplishment? You can post it here. Only members of our guild are invited to join this page. If you wish to join, please contact Cathy Harnisch and she will send an invitation to you. Cathy monitors this page for content.

Board Meetings

Until further notice, all board meetings are virtual. They are scheduled in advance on the first Wednesday of the month, starting at 6:30 pm. The dates are listed on the MVQ website under "Calendar of Events". All members are welcome to attend by contacting Lynette Pisani at least 2 days before the meeting and request an invitation.

NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM

Need a fun day trip? Try the New England Quilt Museum in Lowell. They are open with reduced hours, Wednesday – Saturday 10am-4pm. As with all things New England, you should call first before heading over there (978) 452-4207.

Newsletter items must be submitted on the first FRIDAY after the board meeting to Mary or Ann Stobbs:

ams01938@hotmail.com



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Guidelines for Coming to the Northern Essex Community College Campus

When on the NECC campus, you are asked to follow the protocols as set out by the federal, state, and local government.

Please plan to wear a mask at all times indoors.

- Out of an abundance of caution, and in order to best serve and protect our community, we (NECC) are implementing a **campus wide mask requirement** as of Monday August 2nd.
 - Observe all posted signs and policies regarding occupancy numbers, social distancing and mask wearing. These requirements are subject to change based on the campus location.
 - For additional information, please visit the NECC Coronavirus Information and Updates page.
 - By coming on campus, you attest that you have read this information and agree to these protocols.
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NEXT MVQ MEETING

WHERE: **VIRTUAL MEETING,** ZOOM link to be sent

Link to a map of NECC campus: [Haverhill Campus - NECC \(mass.edu\)](https://www.mass.edu/haverhill-campus)

WHEN: January 20, 2022.

Doors Open:

Meeting starts: ~7 PM

REFRESHMENTS: On your own



