

Village Squares Quilters Newsletter

May 2025

MESSAGE FROM VSQ PRESIDENT - JANET BOZZONE

Welcome to May, Village Squares Quilters!

I think spring is actually in full swing now. I'm sure this will be a busy month for many of us, whose plans may include weeding, planting, fertilizing, and mulching our gardens, in addition to sewing. Personally, I am trying to figure out how to fit that all in before I leave on my next European adventure with three friends from high school on May 7th. So, if anyone would like to assist me with the former, I welcome all volunteers.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 6, 2025

Location: Westchester Reform Temple
255 Mamaroneck Rd
Scarsdale, NY 10583

Program:

Schedule:

10:30 a.m. Board Meeting
11:00 a.m. Meeting Room available for sewing, mingling, etc. and Lunch.
11:45 a.m. VSQ Meeting
Followed by Show'n'Tell
Followed by VSQ Program.
2:30 p.m. End of the day's activities.

Fortunately, this month's date change will allow me to participate in our "Members Teaching Members," program on Tuesday, May 6. This year I am trying out a new format. With the help of a document camera, I will be able to project and record our presentations via Zoom. Each member teacher will present just once, and their presentation will be displayed on the monitor so everyone can watch and participate in real time. We have got an exciting lineup of presenters this year:

- Leni Weiner (Sashiko by machine)
- Rose Fox (more ways to use Scraps)
- J Bo (creating one-block wonder quilts)

While I hope everyone will be able to join us in person, this hybrid Zoom format will also allow others to log in from home if they can't physically make it to our meeting. I will send the Zoom invite via email when the day draws nearer. I am planning on holding this month's board meeting on-site at 10:30 a.m. The full board consists of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurers, along with the chairs of the standing committees: Communications, Membership, Program (which is still vacant), Outreach Coordinator, and our Member-at-Large. Everyone is welcome to attend the board meeting if they desire.

All are welcome after 11:00 a.m. for sewing, mingling, and lunching. I anticipate beginning our business meeting at 11:45, followed by our Show & Tell. I can't wait to see everyone's new creations and then expect to be 'wowed' by my sister presenters that will be following. Remember to mark your calendars for June 10th for our annual luncheon. Members should plan to bring their own main course, but everyone is asked to bring additional refreshments for appetizers and desserts. Additional details will be discussed at our May meeting.

Hope to see you all on May 6th!
J Bo

REMINDERS

- Food restrictions at WRT – no pork products, no shellfish and no nuts
- **Should there be any last-minute changes to the meeting location, VSQ will contact you via email (for those with email) or phone (all others) as per VSQ's snow emergency procedures. So, please check email (or voicemail) before leaving home for the meeting.**
- **Please wear your name tag.**



CALENDAR – Upcoming VSQ Meetings

2025	
May 6	In-person: Members-Teaching-Members or speaker
Jun 10	In-person: Annual Luncheon



Upcoming Program – VSQ Annual Luncheon

Join us on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, for the VSQ Annual Luncheon. Members, please plan to bring your favorite main dish. Also, everyone is asked to please bring additional refreshments for the appetizers and desserts table. This is a wonderful time to connect, share stories and enjoy the incredible VSQ community.

See the current Outreach Sites, corresponding VSQ Contact and recommended donations below.

Outreach Sites	VSQ Contact	Recommended Donations/Quilt Sizes
Elizabeth Seton Children's Center	Jean Borsellino	All sizes
Furniture Share House	Susan Wolman	Full size (60" x 80")
Marymount Convent	Georgina Correa	Wheelchair bags*, Lap quilts (50" x 65")

Outreach Sites	VSQ Contact	Recommended Donations/Quilt Sizes
Montrose VA Veterans	Rhona Hiney	Wheelchair bags*, Lap quilts (42" x 60"), Bed runners (30" x 60"; Charm packs work well)
Pins and Needles (for their annual donation to Blythedale and Beacon Health)	Lee Kimmel	Children's crib size (36" x 45")
Project Linus	Janice Ewing Susan Wolman	All sizes accepted.
White Plains Hospital (NICU)	Janet Bozzone	Baby quilt sizes (40" x 46")



Batting and Labels

Full and queen-size batting is available to members for charity quilts. The batting is currently being stored at Janet Bozzone's house -- please contact her for charity batting. Quilt labels are available at the meetings. If you need one, please see Maria Eyckmans.

April 2025 Quilt Donations

A heartfelt thank you to our generous members for their beautiful quilt donations at the March meeting! **Janice** Ewing - (8) quilts for Elizabeth Seton Children's Center, (3) quilts for Furniture Sharehouse and (5) quilts for Project Linus



QUILT SHOWS, EXHIBITS OF INTEREST (and other miscellaneous quilting-related info)

May 3, 2025 (10am to 5pm) and May 4 (10am to 4pm) - World of Quilts XLIV – A Celebration of Traditional, Modern and Art Quilts; presented by Northern Star Quilt Guild at Purchase College, Physical Education Building, 735 Anderson Hill Rd., Purchase, NY 10577. Admission is \$15. Speakers include Sue Brenner and Marge Tucker. For mor information, go to programs@northernstarquilters.com.

September 11, 2025 – The Creative Quilters (formerly Pelham Quilters) are sponsoring a bus trip to the AQS Lancaster Quilt Show in Lancaster, PA. The bus will depart from the Doles Community Center (250 South 6th Avenue, Mount Vernon 10550 (parking will be available). The trip includes shopping at the Country Store & Kettle Village and Log Cabin Quilt Shop, the AQS Show at Lancaster Convention Center (admission to show \$15 – AQS members 20% off.

The cost for the trip for Pelham Quilters is \$60 and for non-members it is \$70. The bus will board at 6:45 a.m. and departs promptly at 7:00 a.m., and will return at approximately 8 p.m. Please make checks payable to the Creative Quilters and mail them to Doris Green at 40 East Sidney Avenue, Apt. 18C, Mount Vernon, NY 10550 (payment due by August 8, 2025) or contact Ernestine Bryant at 914-522-9671 for more info.

A website that may be of interest – www.shophopinc.com: Here you will find Shop Hops organized in the different regions of the U.S. FYI – the All New York Shop Hop is scheduled for May – June, 2025; the All New England Shop Hop (includes CT) is scheduled for September – October, 2025.

Hurricane Helene Relief (ongoing) Keepsake Quilting, a shop in North Carolina, is collecting and distributing quilts to hurricane victims. Please send donations to: Keepsake Quilting, 505 Aztec Drive, Archdale, NC 27265.

Juki Quilt Model machine - Mitch from Sewing Machines of White Plains at 6 N. Central Avenue, Hartsdale, has a Juki quilt model 2010q brand new sealed sewing machine that lists for \$1080 on sale for \$900. Please contact him if you are interested at (914)682-0595

2026: Handwork: Celebrating American Craft 2026: Craft in America (www.craftinamerica.org) is a LA-based non-profit organization founded in 2004 with the mission to promote and advance original handcrafted work through programs in all media. Craft in America has announced **Handwork: Celebrating American Craft 2026**, a year-long collaboration among organizations, educators, and makers to celebrate the diversity of the crafts that define America, bringing compelling stories and underrepresented art and artists into the spotlight. The Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian American Art Museum is the lead partner for the initiative and will host the core exhibition for the project. For more info: www.craftinamerica.org


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