



Village Squares Quilters Newsletter

October 2024

MESSAGE FROM VSQ PRESIDENT - JANET BOZZONE

Buongiorno a tutti!

Just a quick message from beautiful Salerno, Italy! It has been a whirlwind month for me...an oral health conference in Baltimore, my last stint in the North Country, and now I am in the middle of a 15-day trip to Italy with four friends from high school. We managed to survive a train strike, a harrowing (but fun) golf cart tour in Firenze, some torrential rain and spotty internet coverage. Unfortunately, I have not been able to drag my friends to any fabric or quilting stores during our adventure.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 29, 2024

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

Program: Barbara Vedder

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

The VSQ has not been without challenges this month, either. We did finally manage to find a date for our meeting in October, after several back-and-forth changes, we managed to settle on Tuesday, October 29th for our next meeting.

I know this interferes with some other plans our members have made, but there was no other alternative. Fortunately for the guild, our speaker Barbara Vedder, was able to arrange her schedule to accommodate the date change. Phew! Fortunately, for me I will be back from my trips to attend. I am so intrigued by the title of her presentation "Applique Passionate Pursuit," and can't wait to learn more. We will need to find a home for our little quilt library unless the WRT changes its mind about

continuing to house it for us. If anyone has an idea where we could keep it, please let me know. Our November date remains unchanged, November 12th when Jane Davila will make a return appearance at our guild.

Well, back to living la dolce vita! I hope to see you all at our October 29th meeting.

Ciao!

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

An update from the VSQ Website

Important update – the next meeting will be Oct 29

2024

Oct. 29 In-person: Barbara Vedder: “*Appliqué Passionate Pursuit.*”
Nov. 12 In-person: Jane Davila Topic (TBD)
Dec. 3 In-person: Speaker (TBD)

2025

Jan. 14 Zoom
Feb. 11 Zoom
Mar. 11 In-person
Apr. 8 In-person
May 6 In-person
June 10 In-person

OCTOBER’S PROGRAM

Barbara Vedder will be our featured speaker at the October meeting.

ABOUT Barbara Vedder - Barbara has been involved in quilt making and design for 30 years. She will share her appliqué knowledge with us in her lecture: “*Appliqué Passionate Pursuit.*”

ABOUT her lecture “Appliqué Really Is For Everyone”

In this PowerPoint lecture I will share my 30+ year passion for Appliqué. I will discuss my journey from commercial patterns to my own designs. Using my quilts as a guide I will discuss how I choose quilt themes, colors and design elements including the quilting process. I will provide an overview of all forms of appliqué techniques I use from needle turn to machine top stitch. Lecture will include a trunk show of current work.”

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Carol Smith. I started quilting in 2012, making my first queen-size quilt on a Singer Patchwork, and I've been hooked ever since. After retiring from the NYPD in 2013, I began working at the Viking Sewing Gallery in Scarsdale in 2018. This experience introduced me to a variety of fabrics and art mediums, like fabric embellishing, dyeing, yarn, and fabric paints, and I have had the joy of meeting many creative people who have become wonderful friends.

Experimenting with fabric manipulation has helped me develop my own style, and I am always learning. Right now, I am taking a Metalsmithing class and plan to incorporate metal elements into an art quilt in the near future. Carol

SPECIAL VSQ MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Susan Wolman writes: Hi VSQ, we are downsizing and moving within New Rochelle, and I've decided to hold a small but carefully curated sale of high-quality fabric. All proceeds will go to the guild, and I hope you will find something both beautiful and useful! Susan's curated stash will be on sale at the October 29 meeting. See you on the 29th.

BEDFORD BABIES

Ida Pucino

Our visits to Bedford continue to inspire the mothers who have never sewn before. With the new, brightly colored fabric generously donated by Rose Fox, the enthusiasm only grew during our last two quilting sessions.

Our supply cabinet is bursting with fabric, and we have a whole bolt of batting. We will not be running out of materials any time soon.

The Bedford Babies Core Team (Doris, Alice, and Ida)

OUTREACH

Thank you to the following members for their quilt contributions at the September meeting:

Ida Pucino	Two quilts for Project Linus
Jean Power	One quilt for VA
Jean Borsellino	Two quilts for Project Linus
Anne Frascatelli	Four quilts for Project Linus
Janice Ewing	Three quilts for Project Linus
Diane Coldrick	Collaboration quilt -Project Linus
Maria Eyckmans	Collaboration quilt -Project Linus
Debbie Johnston	Collaboration quilt -Project Linus
Nancy Pruyne	Collaboration quilt -Project Linus

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Maria Eyckmans
Outreach Coordinator

Current Outreach Sites, corresponding VSQ Contact and recommended donations are listed below:

Outreach Sites	VSQ Contact	Recommended Donations/Quilt Sizes
Furniture ShareHouse	Susan Wolman	Full size (60" x 80")
Marymount Convent	Georgina Correa	Wheelchair bags*, Lap quilts (50" x 65")
Montrose VA	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)	Rhona Hiney	Baby quilt sizes (40" x 46")

*Instructions for making wheelchair bags are available on the VSQ website.

NOTE: If you are donating your quilt or wheelchair bag to any of the above sites, please log it in the green logbook on the attendance table and give it to the member whose name appears above next to that site for delivery. Similarly, please log all donations to other sites, including site name.

Remember – if you are not at the meeting and you donate a quilt or quilts and/or wheelchair bags, please e-mail Maria with the details. This way, our count of Outreach donations can be kept current/up to date.

Help keep our list of Outreach Sites current: If you have an organization that you coordinate (or would like to coordinate) for quilt donations, please let Maria know.

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. Check with Maria Eyckmans if you need one.

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

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.

Sept 21, 2024 – Jan 19, 2025: The Rockwell Museum (a Smithsonian affiliate located at 111 Cedar St., Corning, NY 14830) is presenting "Stephen Towns' Private Paradise. The exhibit is inspired by Black American History, and features Town's paintings and quilts that bring hidden stories back to life. Group tours are also welcome.

Oct 31 – Nov 3, 2024: "International Quilt Festival - Houston" Quilts, vendors, speakers and more. Location: George R. Brown Convention Center, Houston TX. For more info: www.quilts.com.

Nov 25- Nov 26, 2024 – 10am-4pm – 51st Annual DCCF Holiday Craft Fair – Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie NY – This will be Jeneric Bags' 2nd year participating in this esteemed event! Come and find us in Falcon Hall <https://www.facebook.com/events/266544526379042?ref=newsfeed>

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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