

Chesapeake Treasures Chapter



NEWSLETTER FOR MARCH/APRIL 2022

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Yet another year is flying by! Before we know it, Spring will be here. Many of you are working on special items for Easter, whether for a special little someone, yourself or to decorate your home. Be sure to share your creations with Karen Lang to add to the online Show and Share presentation or bring to the March 10 meeting to share.

Congratulations to Marina Rutkowski on the arrival of her new baby and to Mitzi Mariella on the soon to be arrival of a new grandbaby! Welcome back to Barbara Johnson who renewed her membership at West River and congratulations to Meghan Furth Buchanan on her new home. Our sympathies go out to the family of Bonnie Holland and to Sue Hoge. Please keep them in your thoughts.

Last weekend was the annual West River Retreat! Many Thanks to Jo Shaw and the Retreat Committee for hosting such a lovely and relaxing few days, to the cooks who brought yummy soups, sandwiches, and salads for Friday night dinner and to the snack makers who brought yummy cakes! A full range of garments, quilts, knitted items, convention favor production, Wee Care, hand and machine embroidery were brought to work on, many special items for family and dear friends. I had a very productive few days making a few pairs of Frannie Baby bloomers, sewing up a bishop dress for smocking and, of course, socializing. We are already looking forward to next year which is scheduled for Feb. 24 – 27, 2023!

Chesapeake Treasures has quite a few fun activities coming up in the next few months. In March, Kathy Furth will show us how to create angelic pleat counting pins. April will be a full month- April 14 meeting with Kelli Fox leading a 2-month program on the construction of an iron caddy and formation of the Nominating Committee and Lisa Hawkes April 23 and 24 workshop for working on knits. The June 9 Program will be the annual Spring Potluck Supper. If you would like to host the Potluck, please contact me! Looking for other ways to get together with your stitching friends, Joyce Ross hosts a monthly Sit and Stitch at the Waugh Chapel Panera. Be on the lookout for information each month for day and time.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at the meeting on March 10!

Happy Stitching, Lindsay



Chesapeake Treasures Co-Builder for March - April 2022

March is here already! We have a truly unique Co-Builder for you. Since we will be working on an iron cover monthly Chapter program very soon, what would be more appropriate than an ironing board? Not just an ordinary board but a very unusual one!

- Full size, full height, but the board splits in ½ ! Perfect for ironing each leg of a pair of slacks or even a single large sleeve. When the two halves of the board are slid together again, it becomes a regular board. **Donated by Carolyn Dalton**
- 5 yds. of plaid 100% fine cotton (from Farmhouse Fabrics) perfect for a jumper, a skirt, a boy's suit, or a mother-daughter outfit. The fabric is 60" wide!
- A \$15.00 gift Card (from Children's Corner) to order on-line -- a pattern, or threads, or other embellishments.
- *"Reader's Digest – Complete Guide to Needlework"* a 500 page information and instructional book. **Donated by Martha Sykora.**
- Reindeer Games Smocking kit. (You can start even before Easter!!). Includes Ellen McCarn's plate, 8 DMC full skeins of floss, and pleated fabric for smocking the insert. All ready to go!

April, and Spring is here! We have "Mommy and Me" (adult and child) Co-builder this month! Quite a variety---

- *"Handmades for your Baby" garments* and ideas for Baby and Toddlers, techniques, designs, and fantastic hints in working on projects in this book.
- A complete kit-- Class 106 by Phyllis Brown *Daygown with Faggoted Edges*.
- *Bunny Bootie Kit* by Kari Mecca-- Wool felt, silk threads, silk ribbons, and Mother-of-Pearl buttons!
- A Janlynn Baby bib-- ready for embroidery of your choice.
- Antique Button and Trinket Mini Pincushion kit by Jan Kerton . Complete directions just for Mom! Then-----
- Shaker Pincushion Form by Sudberry House- 3 ¾ round (for the kit above).
- 2 yards of surprise "fishing" fabric.
- DMC floss -12 pastel skeins.
- 120- inch tape measure (yes, 10 feet long!).
- Washout Pencil package - one each of red, blue and white .

Enjoy!!

Mary Margaret Kasulke and Joan Messinger, Co-Chairs

Report was submitted to SAGA on February 01, 2022

Info reported as 0 items donated in 2022.

Wee Care Counts—

September - Out 34	In -0
October - Out 24	In -8
November - Out 3	In - 3
December -Out 2	In - 12
January – Out 8	In – 12
February – Out 14	In – 24

In February, Joyce and Sandy joined in with the Cardinal Chapter to talk about Wee Care. They talked about why we do Wee Care and how we do it. The Cardinal Chapter is in the process of setting up a Wee Care Committee. Joyce and Sandy offered their Wee Care knowledge to their new committee.

In February, Joyce and Sandy joined the SAGA Wee Care Chairperson, Tawn Hunka, to talk about how Wee Care is done in all our chapters. The SAGA website was discussed – how to improve the Wee Care section, the Facebook SAGA Wee Care group was also discussed. Lots of positive discussion, how to improve and the best ways to do it. A possible Share-Along section was discussed. This section on the Facebook page would have ideas, inspiration and how to. If you have a special technique you would like to see on the page, please let Sandy know. These will be short files, with pictures.

Have you been to PinkHollybushDesigns.com website? Lisa has Wee Care Smocking Graphs to share.

Thanks to Everyone that helps us with our Wee Care. It is so much appreciated.

Sit N Stitch Info

Ladies I just want to give you a heads up to put on your calendar that **Sit and Stitch** will meet at Panera Bread in Crofton on April 1 and May 20. Both dates will begin at noon. Don't forget to email me if you plan to come so I can save enough seats. Hope to see you there.

Joyce Ross

In Memory of Bonnie Holland



Bonnie Holland passed away on Monday, February 28. In recent years she bravely fought several battles with cancer. Bonnie worked on several Chesapeake Treasures committees. Her role as Chair of the Library committee should be noted as she undertook on the arduous task of cataloging all the items in the library. To accomplish this task, she learned how use excel and cataloged more than 11 pages of materials. Bonnie was a regular at Sit and Stitch and active with the Wee Care committee. We will miss her commitment to the chapter and her friendship.

Bonnie's daughter, Lorraine shared the following message:

Mom passed the day before yesterday, on 2/28/22 at 6:30 in the evening. She was sleeping and passed peacefully. Up until that day, she was in good spirits and wondering why everyone was making such a fuss over her because she said she didn't feel like she was dying. Even though we knew the end was near, it was quite a surprise to us that she passed so quickly.

Her funeral service will be Friday, March 11th at 11:30am at Grace Baptist Church in Bowie, just down the street from our home. We will receive visitors between 10-11:30am just before the service. Burial will follow at The Crownsville Veterans Cemetery.

Although we grieve at the tremendous loss, we are so thankful she is at peace and stands in the presence of her savior...right where her heart has longed to be.

Bonnie's obituary can be found here <https://www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/bowie-md/bonnie-holland-10612195>

Bonnie's daughter address is:

Lorraine Fortlage
Grandchildren Mason and Avery
15505 Overchase Lane
Bowie MD 20715

Please keep our members in your thoughts and prayers.

Sue Hoge's mother passed away on March 1. If you would like to send a card this is the address:

Sue and Philip Hoge
Greg and Brian
1539 Eton Way
Crofton, MD 21114

Recipe – Soup recipe that my mom made for retreat

Lasagna Soup – Barbara Green

1 lb Sweet/mild Italian sausage
2 small or 1 medium shallot – chopped
1 cup sliced carrots (Lindsay adds more as she likes the veggies)
2 cups sliced zucchini (Lindsay adds more as she like the veggies)
2 tbsp minced garlic (2 Dorit frozen cubes)
4 cups fat free, low sodium chicken broth
1 (14 ½ oz.) can Italian chopped tomatoes
1 (10 ¾ oz) tomato sauce
1 cup pasta – San Giorgio Trio Italiano (freezes and reheats well)
2 cups chopped fresh spinach
When you serve, sprinkle parmesan cheese on top
Brown sausage in a large saucepan over medium high heat.
Add shallots and carrots. Sauté 3 minutes.
Stir in zucchini and garlic. Sauté another 3 minutes.
Add broth, tomatoes, tomato sauce. Bring to a boil.
Drop in pasta and simmer till cooked. (about 10 minutes)
Stir in spinach and cook till wilted.
Garnish with grated parmesan cheese when you serve.
I usually double. Freezes well!

PROGRAMS FOR MARCH, APRIL, AND MAY

March Program – making smocking pins – kits will be provided.

April and May – an iron caddy by Kelli Fox.

June – Spring Potluck before we meet again in September. Volunteer needed to host.

Meeting Dates: Please check email each month for meeting location.

March 10, 2022

April 14, 2022

May 12, 2022

June 9, 2022

Workshop with Lisa Hawkes – Pink Hollybush Designs – Understanding and Working with Knits.

You should have received an email with information on this exciting workshop. If you need more information, contact Kelli Fox. The class registration will be closed on March 18. The workshop is a two-day techniques class and construction of a really cute knit top on the second day. Lisa will also have a market during the workshop. Her knit fabrics are just wonderful. Please check with Kelli if you still need to sign up.

Chesapeake Treasurers had their annual retreat at **West River Retreat** Center in February. Here are some of the pictures – looks like everyone was very busy.



I drove from Concord, NC to spend 3 days sewing with friends! I was amazed how far some had come to join us. Brook, the young one of the group, came from Orlando. She has only been sewing a year. She did an amazing job! Barb Johnson and I brought our big embroidery machines to work on Kimberbell quilts. Some worked on UFOs, while some brought kits to work on. Joan Messenger surprised us with delightful treats! The food was good (yummies brought by members and the meals prepared by the dining center). Thanks to all who work all year to make this a fun getaway. Till 2023... may God bless you All! Sewing Sallie

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Look for “Chesapeake Treasures Smocking Guild” on **Facebook** and our website

www.chesapeaketreasures.org Contact Carolyn Dalton if you want to add something to the website. Carolyn has lots of information on our website. Be sure to check it out!



March	Lauren Lyles – 2 nd Carolyn Dalton – 28 th Kelli Fox – 30 th
April	Dawn Watson – 3 rd Peggy Hueston – 4 th Meghan Buchanan – 9 th Barbara Meger – 13 th Susan Hoge – 24 th Joan Messinger – 17 th Karen Lang – 24 th



**SAGA—The Smocking Arts Guild of America -
“Our purpose is to preserve and foster the art of
smocking and related needlework for future
generations, through education, communication,
and quality workmanship.”**

www.smocking.org

When and where we meet: Watch your email for any changes.

The Chesapeake Treasures Chapter meets at 6:00 pm the 2nd Thursday of the month at

Crofton Library, 1681 Riedel Rd, Crofton, MD

At each meeting there is a show and share, a program or demonstration.

Business meetings are by Zoom the Monday before the Membership meeting.

**Should there be inclement weather, please check the library site to see if they
are open or call [410-222-7915](tel:410-222-7915) <https://www.aacpl.net/location/crofton>**

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