



Chesapeake Treasures Chapter



April 2024

PLEASE NOTE!!!!

Our upcoming meeting is this week! Thursday, April 11.

We will meet at the **ODENTON** Public Library as the Crofton Library remains unavailable. Check your email for more info from Lyn.

We will also meet on Zoom:

<https://zoom.us/j/98588783642?pwd=YUtUNnVna0ZlbURaemJKMEhlQWZZdz09>



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SAGA Smock-A-Long

Log on to the smocking.org and under the Education tab is a new Smock-A-Long Vaune Pierce shows how to make the Bereavement Envelopes using smocked insertion and piping. The supply list and first lesson is up now. The 2nd lesson is April 13th.



CO-BUILDER FOR April AND May

Chesapeake Treasures Co-Builder April 2024

Spring is here and let's get ready for the Children's World.

- 4½ yards, 42" wide, Sports equipment design in a flannel fabric.
- 1 yard (3-pieces-) Construction Vehicle design, blue background.
- 3⅓ yards (7 pieces) Construction Vehicle design, red background.

(Not leaving the girls out!)

- 4 yards, 42" wide, kitty cat and pumpkins on a yellow background.
- 2 yards coordinating orange solid fabric.
- 2 yards, 42" wide, clothesline of fashion design fabric.
- 2½ yards coordinating blue solid fabric.
(both solids can also blend with" the Vehicle design fabrics)
- 15 skeins of DMC *Etoile* – "*Smocking with the Stars*" floss in the traditional DMC "Gold Box".
- Packet of #5 Tulip Embroidery needles.
- Donated by **Marlene Mehn from** the Wendy Schoen Designs
"Little Bo- Peep"-applique and construction techniques included.

Chesapeake Treasures Co-Builder May 2024

This is our final drawing for the 2023-2024 Co-Builder. Our final items are perfect for travel or storage—We have done this before, but these are a different design! Yes, a coordinating set of bags (plus a bonus).

- A large, duffle bag size tote (11" X 20" X 9") that fits a travel sewing machine or ½ dozen projects! Zipper closure.
- A medium size tote- shopping bag size— (12" X 15") 6 inside small pockets, zipper closure. Great size for a single project.
- A small purse tote (closed size 6" X 4") zippered sections with 6 small pockets perfect for needle packets a small tool.
- We have added 3 yards of waffle weave pique fabric in a sailboat design. (Have you guessed the design of the totes??)
- Donated by **Marlene Mehn**, this is another of the Wendy's Embroidery Club Designs. It is *Boudoir Accessories*. A great final set of patterns and projects to work on for the summer.

Again, we want to thank the people who donated their new, unused items to the Co-Builder this year.

A happy, stitching summer to all.

Mary Margaret Kasulke and Joan Messinger, Co-Chairs

Woodlawn Needle Arts Show

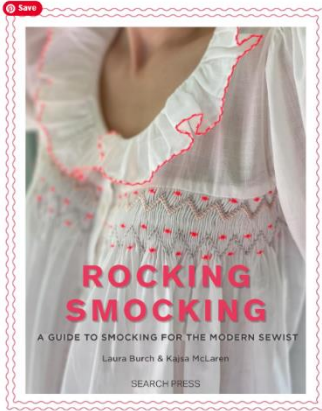
On March 18, a mix of 9 Chesapeake Treasure members and their friends gathered at Woodlawn Historic House to tour the 61st annual Woodlawn Needlework show. On display among the antique furnishings was a wide variety of needlework pieces, representing a mix of original designs as well as commercial designs of embroidery, cross stitch, needlepoint, smocking and fabric manipulations. While many pieces were framed or made into pillows, I particularly enjoyed a stunning needlepoint backgammon board stitched with a sea life theme and a denim jacket with a darling sunflower design (courtesy of my sister-in-law).

I was happy to see so many smocked garments on display as well. The day we visited it just so happened that Lauren Lyles was busy demonstrating the art of smocking. Lauren had a beautiful display of dresses she created for her daughters as well as the darling, silk ribbon smocked egg Barbara Meger taught us at the West River retreat.

Once we toured the exhibit, the group had a delicious lunch served by the Nelly's Needlers. While the chicken salad and variety of quiches were delicious, the desserts were the star of the show. Which is your favorite- Lemon tart, chocolate cake or ginger cake?

After the exhibit tour, many of our group stopped at the Hollins Hall Variety Shoppe, which Lauren had recommended. We were not disappointed. On display was a wide variety of items for every project or activity you might be working on, whether gardening, crafts, home repair, entertainment, and children's gifts. I was thrilled to find such a large variety of Colonial Candles, which are no longer available near me, as well as Caspari paper goods and invitations. To learn more about Hollins Hall Variety Shoppe read this article <https://alexandrialivingmagazine.com/business/hollin-hall-variety-store/>

Lindsay C.



New Smocking Book – Rocking Smocking by Laura Burch and Kaja McLaren

Rocking Smocking is a new book on smocking written by 2 British women who run a business creating modern women and children's garments. The book offers a few designs with a contemporary twist, as well as planning and construction instruction. It can be viewed and ordered at Barnes and Noble and Amazon.

https://www.amazon.com/Rocking-Smocking-smocking-modern-sewist/dp/180092223X/ref=pd_ci_mcx_mh_mcx_views_0?pd_rd_w=UW6A8&content-id=amzn1.sym.8b590b55-908d-4829-9f90-4c8752768e8b%3Aamzn1.symc.40e6a10e-cbc4-4fa5-81e3-4435ff64d03b&pf_rd_p=8b590b55-908d-4829-9f90-4c8752768e8b&pf_rd_r=BYJQHKG1877M45QPQESR&pd_rd_wg=gE9b5&pd_rd_r=50e13769-f91a-4789-b732-5cb348bba140&pd_rd_i=180092223X

Sit and Stitch April 5,2024

We had a great turnout for lunch, chatting, new friendship building, and more chatting!

We even had some knitting, smocking and needle case projects in progress.

Maybe you can make it to our last Sit & Stitch on June 21, before we take a summer break!

Hope to see you in June! There will not be a Sit n Stitch in May.

Happy stitching!

Joyce



FUTURE MEETINGS

April 11, 2024

May 9, 2024

June 13, 2024 - Potluck with meeting - hosts - Carolyn Dalton and Cheryl Brown at Carolyn's home

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We are on **Instagram** under *Chesapeake Treasures SmockingChapter* – Brooke Palmer

Contact Carolyn Dalton if you want to add something to the website

www.chesapeaketreasures.org. Carolyn has lots of information on our website. Be sure to check it out!

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



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| April | <p>3 – Dawn Watson</p> <p>4 – Peggy Hueston</p> <p>9- Meghan Buchanan</p> <p>13 – Barbara Meger</p> <p>17 – Joan Messinger</p> <p>24 – Sue Hoge</p> <p>24 - Karen Lang</p> |
| May | <p>3- Jean Andres</p> <p>3 - Terry Faber</p> <p>4- Kathy Furth</p> <p>16 – Marlene Mehn</p> <p>Morganlee Pazdur</p> |
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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 held at the beginning of our regular 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>