

Chesapeake Treasures Chapter



March/April 2019

Letter from our President

I am sitting in my kitchen thinking about what to put in this bi-monthly newsletter and overwhelmed with thoughts of all I must do to finish my spring house cleaning and yard work. I can't wait to enjoy the outside.

I look forward to seeing the many projects completed at the West River Retreat at Show and Share. With Easter right around the corner (April 21), I hope each of you have your Easter projects nearly finished and they will be presented at the March and April Show and Share.

I hope you are taking advantage of the Cindy Foose Workshop on April 26, 27, and 28th. A thank you goes out to our education committee for making this possible.

We finally have a Publicity Chairman. I am excited to announce that Mary Beth Russell agreed to accept responsibilities of that committee.

It is time to think about next year and where we go as a chapter. We will select our nominating committee in April and vote for officers in June. I want to encourage each of you to consider an open officer position. These positions are essential to the health and growth of Chesapeake Treasures. Each person has talent needed by our chapter and some have talents that are not currently being used. You may be one. Please consider offering your talent/expertise to make our chapter even better.

Dawn Watson, President



Please remember that we will need all items turned in by the May meeting. Our counts go in to SAGA in June. Please return bonnets and gowns together and boy's caps and gowns together in their labeled bags. This saves us so much time when we start sorting for the hospitals. Joyce also has buntings to be completed if you need more items. These do not require smocking, just a few seams and they are finished.

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**Education**

The Education Committee has a 2 ½ day workshop with the very fabulous **Cindy Foose** scheduled for **April 26, 27 and 28, 2019!** The brochures were available at the November meeting. There will be a different class offered each day. Group dinners will be organized for April 26 and 27. Be sure to save the dates!! If you haven't registered yet registration will open to other chapters on January 11, 2019. If you need a brochure email Mitzi, mmariella@verizon.net

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MEETING CHANGES!!!

Meeting Locations: Meeting location for March is **Odenton Regional Library**. The change is for March only. We will return to Crofton Community Library in April. Information for the meetings is:

March: **Odenton Regional Library**, 1325 Annapolis Road, Odenton 21113 (Ph: 410-222-6277)
 Directions: Just off I75 at Winmeyer Avenue, close to the intersection of I70 and I75.

April: Crofton Community Library, 1681 Riedel Road, Crofton, MD (Ph: 410-222-7915)

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**Refreshments:**

| Month | Sweet          | Savory            | Drinks and Ice |
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| March | Lauren Lyles   | Barbara Meger     | Carolyn Dalton |
| April | Lizzette Smith | Mary Beth Russell | Carolyn Dalton |

2019 Chesapeake Treasures Retreat  
At West River Methodist Camp

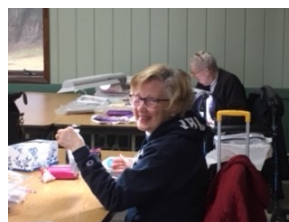
What a wonderful weekend we had with fellow SAGA members and chapter members. Four new people attended and from what I heard all had a great time.

The amount of sewing skills was amazing. Everyone had so many different projects that they were working on, both new and UFO's. The theme for the favors were, Pins and Needles and related items. Very creative and useful notions. Thanks to all those on the committee and others who gave out favors.

The staff at the facility were excellent in my opinion. They had the rooms set up with tables and chairs upon our arrival, ice and paper supplies were stocked. The meals were great, and filling. Some had gluten free meals and a comment was said, this it was better than at home! The weather wasn't wonderful but we stayed dry and cozy all weekend.

Can't wait for 2020 to do it again!

Joyce Ross



Marlene wanted to share a handy notion she purchased from Nancy's notions.

<https://www.nancynotions.com/snap-caddy.html>



**From Your Monthly Raffle Committee - For March and April**

Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets at each meeting. Check out the variety of items being offered. We have new exciting raffles with a variety of stitching to do! Remember --- the money from the monthly raffle is the **only income, other than dues**, that we have had in the past 3 years!

The **March 2019 Raffle** will be:

*“The Encyclopedia of Needlework”*

A complete guide to handiwork techniques. This is a very large volume of all types of stitches, project, craft ideas and more!

Felt Work Project Kit by Jan Kerton

*“Blue Pastel Pincushion”*

All the pre-cut wool felt fabrics, needles, threads, and full instructions are included.

Inuit Pincushion from Alaska

The **April 2019 Raffle** will be:

*“A to Z of Smocking”*

Step by Step instructions on how to smock using many different stitches printed by Country Bumpkin.

Donated by **Susan Learn**

Imperial Batiste Bishop Dress (size 12 months)

This is a completed (except for the hem) dress—all you have to do is hem to the desired length, select a plate (design pattern), decide on colors of floss, and then do the smocking.

You have a wonderful gift with no worry about pleating, blocking, a neckline or sleeve trim being even, or a placket and snaps that do not match. It's all done. You just smock!!

Mary Margaret Kasulke and Joan Messinger



**Show and Share** is an opportunity for us to show off our finished projects and to be inspired by what our fellow members made. So that we can fully appreciate Show and Share Marlene is trying something new. Forms to be filled out for each item with information about the item was emailed by Marlene. This will not replace the traditional handling of Show and Share, but be an enhancement. As our group gets bigger we often have a lot of items and a limited time for presentation. This will also highlight our WeeCare items which don't receive the traditional presentation.

## Sit and Stitch Schedule

Meeting at 12 noon in the Wegman's food court, in Crofton. If you are planning to come please drop me a text or email so I can keep an eye out for you. Plan to join us for lunch or a snack if you choose, and bring whatever you are stitching on or need help with. ***If the weather is bad please don't risk driving. Use your own discretion.***

Joyce Ross, text: 410-570-6901, email: [dc1joyce@yahoo.com](mailto:dc1joyce@yahoo.com)  
 March 19, 2019

April 16, 2019

May 16, 2019

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Are you going to Woodlawn?

We will be visiting Woodlawn Annual Needle art show and sale on March 15. Carpool will be leaving from The Dollar Tree parking lot in Crofton (shopping center at the corner of 424 and 301N) at 9 a. m. returning at 3 p. m. We will have lunch at Woodlawn and visit a fabric store and/or In Stitches Needlework store.

Contact Joyce Ross to arrange for the carpool.

dc1joyce@yahoo.com or 410-570-6901.

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**Programs—Linda O.**

March - Embroidered Salt Cellar pin cushions- Linda Ownby

Bring several colors of floss for making a flower on linen, scissors, and an embroidery needle.

April - Laces by Nancy

Learn the difference and history of laces from different countries.

May - Learn how to embellish buttons for baby clothes with Marleen.

Sept - Open for volunteers

Oct - Wee Care Gowns

November - Snowman necklace by

Peggy

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“Tips for what not to do when sewing on Minky”

When my daughter was visiting last November she was making a baby quilt. She had the soo soft Minky for the backing. The problem was that she had to piece two pieces of the Minky together. I looked at it and guess what, MINKY HAS A NAP. We had to take it apart and correct the issue. Being the good mom I am, I took it apart and sewed it back together. Then I promptly pressed the seam. Guess what- ALL THE BUMPS IN THE MINKY PRESSED OUT FLAT. I am sure there are other things I don't know about sewing on Minky. Some lessons learned the hard way. And now you know the Minky story.

Linda O.

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Look for “Chesapeake Treasures Smocking Guild” on **Facebook** and our new website www.chesapeaketreasures.org Contact Carolyn Dalton if you want to add something to the newsletter.

Thank you to all that donated articles for the newsletter. Remember, when sending articles for the newsletter, please do your submissions in **Microsoft Word**. When you send info in an email I have to retype it. In your email to Sandy, fringes51@gmail.com, please put Chesapeake Treasures Newsletter in the subject line. The next newsletter will go out about May 1, 2019. Plan to have any submissions to me by April 27.

Thanks, Sandy Suhrie

Recipes:

Below are two dessert recipes that were a hit at the West River Retreat. Marlene shared the recipes with retreat attendees, but thought all members would enjoy trying.

Mocha Chocolate Chip Cookies

1 stick unsalted butter
4 oz unsweetened chocolate, chopped
3 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 ½ cups sugar
4 eggs
½ cup flour
½ tsp baking powder
1 ½ Tbsp instant coffee or espresso powder
2 tsp vanilla
2 cups toasted pecans, chopped

Melt butter, unsweetened chocolate and 1 ½ cups of chocolate chips. Cool slightly then add sugar. Mix in eggs, one at a time. Add vanilla and coffee powder and mix well. Blend flour and baking powder, add to chocolate mixture. Fold in remaining chocolate chips and pecans.

Drop by spoonful onto cookie sheets lined with parchment paper.
Bake at 350 for 10 minutes or until top of cookies are cracked and shiny.
Cool completely.

Chocolate Peanut Butter Candy recipe is at URL below:

<https://tastykitchen.com/recipes/desserts/peanut-butter-meltaways-2/>

Meeting Dates 2019
Meeting Location is now at Crofton Library
1681 Riedel Rd, Crofton, MD

Business Meetings will now precede the General Meeting, starting at 5:45.

There are no meetings during July and August. Meetings resume in September.

Date	Scheduled Program (subject to change)
March 14, 2019	Salt Cellar Pincushions—Linda Ownby
April 11, 2019	Laces by Nancy
May 9, 2019	Learn how to embellish buttons for baby clothes with Marleen.
June 13, 2019	Spring Pot Luck Meeting

West River Retreat: Next year's dates: 21-23 February 2020



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March/April Birthdays

March

2—Lauren Lyles
 28—Carolyn Dalton
 30—Kelli Fox

April

3— Dawn Watson
 4—Peggy Hueston
 9—Meghan Furth
 13—Barbara Meger
 17—Joan Messinger
 24—Sue Hoge



CONGRATULATIONS to Meghan Furth on her engagement!



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When and Where we meet:

The Chesapeake Treasures Chapter meets at 6:45 p.m. (business meeting precedes the general meeting at 5:45) on the 2nd Thursday of the month at

Crofton Library, 1681 Riedel Rd, Crofton, MD

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

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)

Exchange Newsletters from other chapters should be emailed to Martha Sykora, mnsykora@earthlink.net We will be happy to reciprocate.

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