



Chesapeake Treasures Chapter



November 2025

Dear Chesapeake Treasures,

It seems like Fall came in with a blast! After 10 days in warm Charleston, first at Convention and then a little vacation, coming back to 40 and 50 degrees in the mornings has been difficult!

Convention was fantastic! The hotel and convention center were connected to each other making for ease of access. Most classrooms were on the same level as was Hospitality.

The hotel rooms were similar to the Embassy Suites rooms generally available – a worktable and seating area closest to the hallway with a private bedroom by the exterior wall, ensuring a quiet night sleep. The teachers were enthusiastically engaged with their students, and the class projects were outstanding. There were 97 raffle baskets (!!!) received this year as well as many delightful chapters donated table favors. A registration gift, several door prizes and a lovely basket of threads and notions were donated by Coats and Clark, the SAGA convention corporate sponsor! Hope to see you in Charleston next year! Ask Pat Conklin about the best place to get pimento cheese!

The last few months our chapter has enjoyed a fabulous series of programs making a beautiful, embroidered ornament. Techniques such as 3 dimensional leaves and gold work accents have been learned. Don't worry if you are a little behind as there are wonderful videos of each program on the Chesapeake Treasures You Tube

channel. <https://www.youtube.com/@ChesapeakeTreasures23> If you haven't joined You Tube and subscribed to the Chesapeake Treasurers page, now is the time! Not only is the ornament program available, but past programs have also been uploaded for your reference. **Thank you** to our program leaders and to **Charrise Lomas** for filming and uploading this priceless reference material.

Before we know it, it will be time for the Chesapeake Treasures **holiday Potluck supper!** **Barbara Meger has volunteered to host the December 11 event starting at 5:30 pm.** There will be a sign-up sheet going around at the November 13 program meeting follow up by an

online sign up on Sign Up Genius from Marina. As the Yankee Swap has been popular in the past, we will offer it again. Please bring a gift valued at no more than \$15 to participate in the exchange. "Stealing gifts will be limited to 2 steals 😊

Membership renewals are being collected by Carolyn Dalton, Vice President of membership. Please turn in your membership registration or renewal with a completed form and payment to Carolyn no later than the November 13 program meeting.

Mark your calendar for the **April 11-12, 2026, workshop with Debbie Glenn at the Edgewater Police Station**. Pat Conklin and I visited Debbie's sewing room when in Charleston and enjoyed seeing not only examples of the workshop project but also of her extensive sample collection! Her sewing room is one dreams are made of!!!

Look forward to seeing you at the **Business meeting at 7:30 pm on November 6** and the **Program meeting at 5:30 on November 13**.

Lindsay Carroll

President, Chesapeake Treasures

West River Retreat 2026

Dates for 2026 are Feb 20 – 22/23, 2026 – This retreat is now full! To be put on a waiting list in case someone cancels, notify Lindsay and she will add you to the list.



Birthdays – Happiest of Birthdays to our Ladies

November: Lyn Leet and Sally Rifenburg



KEEP IN YOUR THOUGHTS

- All members who are facing health issues, either their own or those of their family.

CONGRATULATIONS to the Furth Family on the birth of a beautiful girl.

Programs for 2025/2026

September/October/November – working on the Christmas ornament we started earlier this year. Be sure to bring your project and all your sewing supplies you are using to the next meeting. We will be working on the back of the ornament. If you have a light box, please bring it to trace the design. If you don't have one, someone else will have one to borrow.

December: Pot Luck – host Barbara Meger – watch for signups

January/February – Jackie is doing "White on White Hardanger Towel, Parts 1 and 2"

March/April – Barbara is teaching a smocked baby hanger cover

May – Spring potluck - Will need a host – Last get together until September 2026

Nashville Sewing Trip

I recently went to Nashville, Tennessee for a three-day workshop at Children's Corner Fabric shop. We made the Frannie Dress, by Lyn Weeks. My teacher was Bonnie, a seasoned teacher at Children's Corner.

My fabric choice was a newly created Liberty Tana Cotton, the 150th Anniversary Collection, Made in Italy.

There were five ladies in the class. All were local except for me.

The lady sitting next to me was Cheryl, who reminded me of our friend, Jan Tatum with all her Southern charm and sayings. The one I loved the most was, "I feel like a ball in tall weeds" and her favorite, "Bless your heart ". Which was the loving not sarcastic endearment. She was so sweet and kind and brought me snacks and a drink the following days. I'll be staying in touch with her via email.

Bonnie, our teacher, knew many of our SAGA friends including Barbara Meger.

Bonnie told us she sews without pins for the most part as she does a lot of commissioned sewing work and her results were beautiful.

The best part was a new way to apply the piping on the sleeve edge area. The most challenging was her technique of sewing the arm facing in. I hope I remember it in the future!

My dress is close to being finished but here is a picture of it now as I test out my floss choices for the smocking.



Hubby kept himself busy on food and civil war tours. It was a great trip. Joyce Ross

CONVENTION NOTES

Debbie Glenn not only taught us how to accomplish honeycomb smocking on this sweet baby jacket but gave us some ideas for other applications. If you have a top that is a little too large in the shoulders, you can add a few lines of honeycomb smocking near the shoulder seams to get a better fit.



***Taking a convention break with the
"Old Fashioned Club". Club members:***

***Frances Jones, Karen Lang, Ann
Peebles, Marlene Mehn, Janet Bond.***



Sit N Stitch

Hope you can make it. Please drop me a line if you can. See you at noon. It's a great time to invite a friend to join us!

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Sept. 28, 2025, Oct. 17, 2025

Nov. 20, 2025, Dec. 8, 2025

All meet ups will be at Panera in Waugh Chaple

Meeting time: 12 pm – Don't forget to let me know if you are coming

Where We Meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month

We are in the First Baptist Church of Crofton, in the large central hall which will be partially set up for us each month. Depending on attendance we might need to put up an extra table or two and add more chairs. There is a large TV/monitor available for Charrise and our Zoom members.

The church is located at 1690 Crofton Pkwy, Crofton, Maryland 21114. It is conveniently located just off the Crofton Parkway and is easily accessible from Route 3 as well as 450 and Davidsonville Road. For some of you, it may even be within walking distance!

The parking lot is located just outside the entrance to the meeting space. It is a level lot.

We have the room from 5 pm – 8:45 pm each month - Jan – May, Sept, -Nov.

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