



# Lake Quilters' Tidings



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## Ripples From Our President

By Sharon Pafford

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*Happy St. Patrick's Day!*

### NEXT MEETING

March 27

Trinity Ecumenical Parish

QIY-12 noon

Guild meeting 1:00 PM

**Board Meeting, Mar. 2**

9:30 a.m. Janie Lawless's

Today we are celebrating the start of our 17th year as the Lake Quilters Guild. Thanks to Ginny Watson and Betty Hatfield for taking the initiative to gather the ladies together for that very first meeting. We will celebrate with cake and drinks provided by Sandee Burt. Thanks Sandee!!



Special thanks to Irene Capps and Teena Livsey for providing us with guidance, fabric, patterns, stuffing and enthusiasm today as we **sew, sew, sew!** Let's set a record for the most bears and blankets made today!

Our Challenge Quilts were shipped last week for the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival at the Hampton Roads Convention Center in Hampton, Virginia on February 22-25. I am hoping that you had the opportunity to fill your car with quilters and drove to Hampton to visit the show and see our exhibit. We have also been asked to exhibit our Challenge Quilts at the Quilt Festival of New Jersey in Summerset, NJ during the week following the Hampton Show, so tell all your friends up that way about our quilts. A group of us will have arrived in Hampton the day before the show around noon to hang our quilts. I'm really proud of our guild for providing such a fun exhibit. It's just sad that we were limited on the number of entries.

Someone asked me if we still had tickets for the upcoming **National Quilting Day on March 24** at Resurrection Catholic Church. As the requestor is part of a small quilting bee in Rocky Mount, I was so glad to her that other quilters are planning to attend. **Don't forget to see Mimi McDermet today and register for this fun-filled day and to see Alba Papa or Sandy Horan to buy a raffle ticket for the Irregular Block Quilt that will be raffled that day.** Augusta Cole is a delightful speaker and will keep us all entertained for the program. We will not have another meeting before NQD so we are finalizing our plans today.

Remember to check our website each month to see the new entries. Bette Stubbs has provided our programs through April and Bonnie Bull has posted them on the website. Please tell Bonnie how much you enjoy her efforts.

*Sharon Pafford, President*

**WEATHER CANCELLATION** notice of guild meetings can be found on Roanoke's NBC TV station WSLs Channel 10. Or visit the WSLs website and click on "weather closings." Bette Stubbs (721-4858) is the contact for cancellations should you have questions.

## Program Information by Bette Stubbs

### Monthly Doings

Do you know how to print pictures of your family onto fabric using your jet printer? Do you know how to incorporate these photos into quilts for weddings and other family occasions? In **March Joyce Noell** will demonstrate the various ways of printing pictures onto fabric. She also plans to show us her own photo printing techniques on her quilts. Don't miss this very informative program.

In **April** international quilting teacher and author of several quilting and applique books, **Mimi Dietrich**, will present a trunk show of her award winning Baltimore Album quilts. She is one of the founding mothers of the Baltimore Applique Society. This lecture features a variety of appliquéd quilts, including floral wreaths, baskets, bouquets, quilts inspired by antique appliquéd quilts and contemporary Baltimore Album quilts. Mimi will also share secrets for making group applique quilts. She will bring the quilts from her book *Baltimore Bouquets*.

Mimi will be giving a **day-long Baltimore Applique workshop** at Trinity Church on Monday, April 23. During this workshop learn fun applique techniques for a variety of dimensional flowers using a 10 inch pattern from Mimi's book *Baltimore Bouquets*. Techniques include thin stems, pinched leaves, folded rosebuds, gathered buds, gathered blossoms, roses and bluebells. Some knowledge of applique is helpful but Mimi is a delightful and patient teacher who inspires everyone. The workshop will be \$45.00 to members and \$55.00 to non-members. Signup begins at the January meeting and is limited to 20 students. The class list and photo are available on <http://www.mimidietch.com> under Baltimore Bouquet workshop.

Mimi will also teach a **half-day Beginner's Applique Workshop** Tuesday morning, April 24, from 9:00 am to noon. Participants will learn to do a little heart, circle, stems and leaves. A kit will be provided for this session. Please bring: applique needles, thimble, paper scissors, small sharp scissors that cut to the point, straight pins (1/2" or 3/4" applique pins recommended), fabric marker that will show on background fabric (silver pencil recommended), 12" square of freezer paper, tape (Scotch Removable Magic tape recommended), glue stick, and small tweezers. Registration fee is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members.

If you are interested in receiving a Group Registration Discount for the **Ricky Tim's Seminar (July 19-21 in Richmond)**, please contact Linda Quinn. *Completed registration forms and checks made payable to Ricky Tim's Quilt Seminar must be submitted at (or prior to) the March Guild Meeting.*

### Guidelines for Workshops

Workshops are special opportunities for a small group of people (usually only 20) to have instruction from a guest teacher. Please follow these guidelines when signing up for a workshop.

- \* Sign-up will begin at 12:30 at the guild meeting in the month announced for the workshop sign-up. Only people who have signed-up AND paid can attend the workshop. You are not considered "signed-up" until you pay your money!
- \* If you are unable to attend the guild meeting at which the sign-up occurs, have a friend sign you up and pay your money. We will **NOT** be taking phone sign-ups before this time.....Please don't ask us to break this rule.
- \* Once the workshop is filled, a waiting list will be formed. If someone drops out of the class, the next person on the waiting list will be called. Please do not by-pass the waiting list by selling your spot to a friend. It is not fair to those who have been put on the waiting list.
- \* Once you are on the list, and find you will be unable to attend, you will not get a refund unless someone is found to take your place. Please call **Bette Stubbs** at **721.4858** as soon as you know you can't come and the next person on the waiting list will be called. If there is no one on the waiting list, you may then find your own replacement.

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Thank you all so much for the wonderful sign-up response for clean-up after the meetings. As a reminder, I am listing the people who signed up for February and March:

**February:** Kate Holdgreve, Carol Thommen, Mary Johnson and Joyce Moorman

**March:** Cindy Stachelski, Nancy Miller, Sandra Ferguson and Melissa Hizy

Sandee Burt 297-1884 or [slburt18@myway.com](mailto:slburt18@myway.com)

Be sure to visit our website at

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## 2006 LQG CHARITY PROJECT DONATIONS

Bedford Hospice-30 bears, 5 quilts

Carilion Franklin Memorial Emergency Dept.-20 bears

CASA Lynchburg-4 bears

Franklin County Social Services-60 bears, 4 knitted hats, 2 baby outfits, 5 knitted baby sweaters, 2 filled stockings

Franklin County Family Resources-10 quilts

Franklin County Hospice-26 quilts, 12 bears

Franklin County Sheriff's Dept.-20 bears

Moneta Volunteer Rescue Squad-20 bears

New Life Birth Center-1 quilt

Rocky Mount Police Dept.-24 bears

Harvest Outreach of Rustburg-17 empty Christmas stockings

Step, Inc. of Franklin County-19 quilts, 37 knitted hats, 47 pair of mittens, 15 knitted scarves, 80 empty Christmas stockings

**NATIONAL QUILTING DAY**-by Sandra Ferguson

March 24 is just around the corner, along with some warmer weather. We hope you're planning to join us for **National Quilting Day at Resurrection Catholic Church** in Moneta. We have a great day planned and we're looking forward to hearing Augusta Cole of Richmond. Since our guild is hosting the event, we hope we have a lot of our members there. It's going to be a lot of fun.

We all want to see what you've been doing, so won't you please get together some of your projects to display at our celebration? We've planned a big "show and share" segment for the event.

**Send in your registration forms.** They're available at the meeting in February and at <http://www.lakequilters.org>. It only cost \$20 and includes lunch. We will have lots of door prizes and favors (Alba Papa and Sue Dixon and their committee members have really been working hard on them), and there will be vendors there with the latest quilting stuff. **The deadline for registration is March 10.**

Be sure to buy a chance on our raffle quilt (see picture on page 7). There won't be a lot of tickets sold in advance, so your chances are really good that it will go to someone who attends the celebration. Come help us celebrate!

**CHARITY PROJECTS**

**February is our LQG annual charity quilt-in day...time for "Sharing the Love of Quilting"!**

I hope you are looking forward to sewing for charity as much as we are. It's a great feeling to be doing something special for someone...a child needing something to hug...showing a critical-care patient that someone cares. That's why all of our work is so important. Sometimes there is very little you or I can do for someone, but making bears and quilts is something we can do. And our supply of bears and quilts is depleted after the Christmas holidays!

Please come and sew bears and/or quilts...or stuff bears...and have a good time too. Thanks to Geri Grindle, we'll have lots of stuffing for our bears. And thanks to a couple of our Bees, we'll have some bears ready to stuff and some fabric pre-cut and ready to sew for rail fence quilt tops and checkerboard quilt tops. We'll also have a couple of quilt tops with batting and backing that will be in need of some machine quilting...if anyone is interested!

Following is a list of the major projects we will need people to do:

- sew around bears that have already been cut out
- stuff bears that have been sewn before the quilt-in
- hand sew up the backs of the bears after they're stuffed
- machine sew across the bears arms, legs and ears so they're easily movable
- clip the outside edges of the bears
- tie ribbons around the necks of the finished bears
- sew pre-cut fabric into rail fence or checkerboard quilt tops ..and
- machine quilt already pieced quilt tops

Think about what you'd like to work on and bring the supplies you'll need to do that project. Things you may want to bring:

- sewing machines and sewing supplies plus extra bobbins and colored thread
- knitting needles, crochet hooks, chop sticks or instruments for stuffing bears
- your favorite sewing needle to hand sew bears after they're stuffed

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**NOTICES**

- ◆ Please take newsletter to a friend or neighbor who is absent today
- ◆ Trinity Ecumenical Parish requests No Smoking in its building or on the grounds
- ◆ Guild pins for sale through Marie Schoepke, Treasurer
- ◆ Submit newsletter copy by 10th of month to:  
[marniebsml@earthlink.net](mailto:marniebsml@earthlink.net)



**Treasurer's Report - by Marie Schoepke**

<b>Balance (12/31/06)</b>	<b>\$6767.32</b>
<b>January Income</b>	
Dues	1160.00
National Quilt Day	247.00
Advertising	90.00
Fons & Porter	40.00
Miscellaneous	24.25
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1561.25</b>
<b>January Expenses</b>	
Sunshine	12.34
Fons & Porter	30.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>-42..34</b>
<b>Balance (1/31/07)</b>	<b>\$8286.23</b>

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**FEATURED QUILTER OF THE MONTH**



**Madeline Demchak**

Hi, my name is Madeline Demchak. I moved here from Levittown, Long Island about eight and a half years ago after retiring with my husband Al to Boones Mill.

Not knowing anyone, I had joined several different clubs both at the Lake and in Roanoke-mostly dealing with day trips, plays and handcrafts (such as quilting, knitting, crocheting and cross-stitching).

I only got involved with quilting about six and a half years ago. I was a little reluctant to join because I "hated sewing". My best friend encouraged me to go and I've been hooked ever since.

I've met many friends through the guild and quilting has become one of my favorite passions.

I didn't think I'd find many finished items in my stash since I've given quite a few away. But in my search I found some of my first quilts and others I've done along the way and even worked on finishing some in these past few weeks.

**Quilt in a Year 2007**

This year's project is titled "Celebrating the 400th Anniversary of Jamestown and our State of Virginia." We are leaving the fabric color and print choice up to each quilter. We do suggest that you pick a focus fabric and color before you begin to unify the various blocks. Also, consider using reproduction fabrics to achieve an aged look, but again, it's your choice.

We will be teaching 10 blocks...you may do all of them and have a bed sized quilt or some of them and have a wall hanging. Sandra Ferguson will be teaching this month's block, the Virginia Reel. Each teacher is making two blocks, one to keep and one to donate for a raffle quilt to benefit our guild. Please keep in mind that we do have our Guild Quilt show in 2008, and it is hoped that many of these projects will be on display. Keep up with your blocks!

We will meet at noon, prior to the regular monthly guild meetings, in one of the classrooms. (Note: Smith Mountain Lake Quilting has several copies available of the book we are using as reference, *Quilts of Virginia 1607-1899*, if you'd like to purchase one.)

Susan Palmer

**2007 LQG Quilt Challenge**

**Thinking Outside the Box?** Let's hope everyone is working on ideas. It's really amazing how soon the deadline comes around. Remember, our library is a wonderful source of ideas. A lot of times you can get a basic idea from one of our books and then tweek it and develop it into your own unique project.

Lots of you will want to try different types of borders to meet the challenge, but we're not limited to borders. Try something different that you've not done before. Doing something new can always be a challenge.

Don't forget-we will display our challenge projects at the December luncheon, and we hope to have viewer's choice for prizes. (Board members-can you come up with a little prize money?)

Get to work now. Summer probably isn't a good time to start a project that has a deadline. These winter days are perfect for "Thinking Outside the Box".

Sandra Ferguson

**CHARITY PROJECTS (Cont'd from page 4)**

- good scissors for clipping around the edges of small bears after they're sewn and stuffed
- don't forget to bring your lunch and beverage!**

It'll be fun to see what everyone is working on...and how much we can accomplish in a day! Thanks in advance for all your efforts. It should put a smile on your face to know you'll be spreading some joy when someone hugs a bear you made or is kept warm by a quilt you've made!

Irene Capps and Teena Livsey



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**QUILT IN A YEAR 2006**

Just a reminder gals-get those quilts finished up so we can put them on display at the March meeting. I have the names of 9 quilters who indicated that their quilts should be ready to show. We will have a judging and there will be ribbons for 2 or 3 categories. More on this later. **KEEP FINISHING THOSE QUILTS!!!!**

Marcia Wright for the Quilt in a Year Committee

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

by Janie Lawless

We currently have 130 active members in the Lake Quilters Guild. Our directory will be ready at the March meeting. If you have not paid your dues by March 1st, you will not be included in the 2007 copy. Please pay at the February meeting or you can mail your checks to me at Janie Lawless, 11 Marvin Gardens Drive, Moneta, VA 24121. If you know of anyone who would like to join the Guild, now is a good time so they too can be included in the directory.

**New Members:**

Susan Suter-[pssuter21@aol.com](mailto:pssuter21@aol.com)

Paula Meighen-[psmrm@msn.com](mailto:psmrm@msn.com) (returning member)

**Changes:**

Helen Duffany-[duffany@b2xonline.com](mailto:duffany@b2xonline.com)

**FEBRUARY FEATURED BEE**-by Alma Carter

The Bee display table this month features **THE MATERIAL GIRLS**. This bee's main objective for 2007 is to "Finish UFO'S". Other activities on their agenda consist of a "Scraps Sleep Over" at a member's home and a week-long "Quilting Retreat" on the mighty Potomac River, south of Colonial Beach, Virginia near West Moreland State Park. They will spend the entire week sewing and quilting various projects, and should have lots for show & tell when they return. As they travel to and from the retreat, stops will be made at fabric shops along the way to search for unusual and interesting fabrics.

"Charm Quilts" are in their dreams as they collect and share fabrics for 2 inch squares. Charm quilts have no two squares alike, so this will be an ongoing swap. If their busy schedule permits, they hope to squeeze in the "Virginia Quilt Blocks" and complete a quilt depicting the 400th anniversary of Jamestown. "Day Road Trips" this year will be to Randy's Quilt Shop in North Carolina and to the Material Girls Quilt Shop in LaPlata, Maryland and who knows where else.

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**LQG MISSION STATEMENT**

Dedicated to the art and joy of quilting, exchange of ideas, making items for charity and appreciating each other's work. Monthly newsletter, workshops, demonstrations, and guest speakers enhance our craftsmanship and knowledge.

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**REMINDER**-When donating fabrics or charity quilts please remember to make sure that household pets (cats, especially) have not been sitting on the fabrics or quilts. Many individuals are highly allergic to cats and this can cause a very serious situation for the unsuspecting recipient of these items.



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**Featured Bee (Cont'd from page 6)**

Members of the Material Girls are Karen Arends, Sharon Pafford, Marcia Wright, Kate Holdgreve, Jean Hensley, Stephanie Schaefer, Cindy Stachelski, Janie Lawless, Mary Stuart Link and Peggy White. They meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm and rotate their meeting places. Be sure to check the bee display table to see some of their beautiful work.

FOR MEMBERS you know who need a bit of cheer, please contact our Sunshine Chair Madeline Demchak at 334-3854 ([madal687@charter.net](mailto:madal687@charter.net)).



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## Buzzings from the Bees by Alma Carter

**THE BUZZIN BEES** (*Boones Mill*) meet at **Velma Meador's** home (334-1957) **1st Thursday** of month, **9:00 am until ?** Bring works in progress or get help in quilting. Bring a sandwich. Will display in March.

**THE SHADY LADIES** (*Moneta*) have split into two Bees –Shady Ladies and The Hardy Bee with Eileen Gore mentoring both groups. **THE SHADY LADIES** meet at **Margaret Harmon's** home (721-6675) **1st Monday** of the month, **9:30 to 11:30 am**. Beginning quilting will be their focus. They will display in May.

**THE HARDY BEE** meets at **Dot Jackson's** home (721-4859) the **2nd Monday** of the month, **9:30 am until 11:30 am**. Various charity projects are being made by this more advanced quilting group. Will display in August.

**KEPT IN STITCHES** (*Hillcrest Heights*) meets at **Alma Carter's** home (721-5671) **1st & 3rd Thursday 10:00 am to ???** Projects in progress: baby charity quilts and quillows. This bee will display in September.

**SOUTHSIDE BEE** (*Union Hall*) meet **second Thursday** of each month, from **10:00-2:00pm**. Bring a bag lunch. Call daytime hours only **Sandy Randall (576-2082)** for meeting info. New "worker bee" members welcome.

**THE MATERIAL GIRLS** meet the **first & third Tuesday** of the month, from **9:30-2:30 pm**. Call **Karen Arends (721-5449)** for information. Will display in February.

**THE HAPPY HOOPERS** meet the **third Tuesday** of the month at **10:00 am**. Contact **Lucy Ricardo (483-1039)**. Machine embroidery. Open to new members. This bee will display in November.

**STITCHES IN TIME** (*Goodview*) Appliqué bee, meets **2nd Tuesday** at **10:00 am**. Call **Kinza Pickelsimer (297-4824)** for meeting location. Bring a sandwich. Open to new members. Will display in October.

**RIVER QUEEN BEE** (*Goodview*) meets the **3rd Tuesday** at **12:30 pm** at **Jeanie Ireland's** home. Call (297-1173) for more info.

**NEW-SUNSHINE BEE** (White House Corner/Huddleston) meets at **Cindy Clark's** home (297-0043) **1st Thursday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Bring a bag lunch. Project plans to be made. Open to new members.

**NEW-BLUEWATER BEE** (*Moneta*) meets at **Marnie Brush's** home (721-4390) **1st Tuesday** from **10:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Projects to include baby and lap quilts for charity and improving quilting techniques. Bring a bag lunch. Open to new members. Will display in July.

**NEW-MARY ANN'S BEE** meets the **1st and 3rd Tuesday** at **10:00 am** at **Mary Ann Spangler's** home (297-1335). Open to new members.

The Guild would like each Bee to exhibit some of their work one month during the next year. Call Beekeeper Alma Carter (721-5671) to sign up for a month and to announce any changes for your Bee.