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Ripples From Our President

By Sharon Pafford

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NEXT MEETING

June 26
Hales Ford Baptist Church
Rt 122, Wirtz

Quilt in a Year-12 Noon
Guild Meeting-1:00 PM

Cindy Stachelski, Susan Palmer and I presented a Quilting program for the May meeting of the Newcomers Club. I gave an overview of our guild and our activities and Cindy explained our challenge and showed our 2006 Challenge quilts. Susan showed our Block of the Month/Quilt in a Year projects. There was a nice display for the members to see. We were well received and hope to get new members from this meeting.



Need a Challenge? I received a call from a woman on Scruggs Road about finishing a quilt that a family member started but did not finish because she died suddenly. It is a hand-pieced hexagon basket quilt. The family is willing to pay someone to finish it. Look for a picture of this quilt in the newsletter (page 7). It would be a shame if this quilt didn't get completed. Maybe this would be a great project for a bee to undertake. Please let me know if you're interested.

I also received an email from Judy Ralph who is planning a ladies retreat at her church in October. She is interested in offering a class in Chicken Scratch Quilting if possible (Chicken Scratch is a type of embroidery that is usually done on gingham) and would like to talk with someone from our organization about this method of quilting. She would be interested in having someone from our guild conduct a quilting workshop at the retreat, even if it's not the chicken scratch method, although that is what she would like more info on. If you are interested in teaching this workshop or have information for her, please contact her at melodimker@cox.net.

I have our Challenge Quilts to return to the owners today. Thanks so much for allowing us to exhibit them. Please make arrangements for someone to pick up your quilt if you will not be at the meeting.

The 2008 Quilt Show Co-Chairwomen need us to volunteer to be a part of the committee. Although the meetings will not begin until the fall, it's nice to have the committee members on board and ready to go. Please see either Joyce Moorman or Joyce Noell and volunteer to serve on the committee.

Reminder: Due to Trinity Ecumenical Parish (TEP) having their Bible school during the last week of June, our **June 26** meeting will be held at the Hales Ford Baptist Church, our previous meeting site on Route 122.

Sharon Pafford, President

Program Information by Bette Stubbs

Monthly Doings

JUNE

Susan Brittingham will teach a new and exciting technique on upside down sewing machine applique from 9:00 am to noon. These are gorgeous pieces of different sizes. She will also give us a trunk show of her newest, beautiful landscape quilts and her new interest, applique quilts.

WORKSHOP- JUNE 26, 2007-9:00 AM, Hales Ford Baptist Church (Cost: \$20 for members)

In this sewing machine class, students will be given the choice of creating a tulip (the easiest), a hummingbird and flowers (more difficult because of tiny pieces), or a seahorse and sea scene (medium difficulty).

Samples of these creations should be available to you to view at May's meeting and are available to view on Susan's website <http://www.sbrittingham.freesevers.com>. If you let Susan know by June 15 (or Bette Stubbs 721-4858 or Linda Quinn 576-5071), Susan will kit these patterns for you for \$12 to \$15 and have them available at the meeting. The kits will include fabric and stabilizer. You will still need to bring your sewing machine and a variety of threads, including embroidery threads (see next paragraph).

If you choose not to purchase a kit, please bring several different pieces of fabric (supply list available at May meeting), a variety of cotton, rayon/embroidery threads, invisible thread (Sulky is recommended), tear away stabilizer, sharp, pointed scissors, blue water-soluble marking pen, basic sewing supplies (yes, you will need a seam ripper), sewing machine with a **darning or quilting foot**, and some extra bobbins.

JULY

This month is our traditional "Christmas in July" meeting with patterns and demonstrations of tote bags, sewing bags, log cabin Santa ornaments and many others. If you would like to demonstrate at this July 24 meeting, please let one of the Program Chairs know.

AUGUST

VIP/Cranston fabric representative will be driving here from Massachusetts to discuss their fabric and may have some free fat quarters for our members who are present. Please try to come as they want to have 100 people at the 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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John Deere Teddy Bear on Tractor Panel & Coordinating Print, Patriotic prints, baby prints, butterfly prints, dragonfly prints OH MY!

NEW BOOKS: Quilts of Virginia 1607-1899, **Eleanor Burns** Egg Money Quilts, Delectable Mountains, Quilts Through the Seasons and Quick Trip Quilt

NEW PATTERN: Stow and Go Quilt Organizer by Janie Lawless

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Volunteer Clean-Up Schedule

Another month has rolled along. I'm starting to think about December already. Our Christmas luncheon will be catered again this year. I thought last year went especially well. I've been getting quotes and it looks like we can do it for \$10-\$12. So, please think about it and make plans to be there.

May

Bernice Alcorn
Shirley Graham
Betty Graham
Lucy Ricardo

June

Velma Meador
Pamela Skilton
Ann Whelan
Madeline Demchak

I'll be passing the sign-up sheet around again in June because the last half of the year has some vacancies on the list. Thanks again for your help.

Sandee Burt

CHARITY PROJECTS

Charity items distributed since last newsletter:

Carilion Franklin Memorial Emergency room-20 bears

Check out the Charity Projects table ... we plan to have Christmas stocking patterns cut out of material for the May and/or June meeting! These are meant to be used as a foundation for the front of the stocking...for sewing strips onto or "crazy" quilting...but you can use them however you wish. So start gathering your Christmas material and thinking about ideas of how to make the Christmas stockings for Step, Inc. (Head Start of Franklin County). This way if it's raining and you can't get out in the garden, you'll have a quick project ready to sew...and feel like you've accomplished something...and beaten the Christmas rush!! *Stockings should NOT be filled...empty stockings are preferred by the teachers.*

If you need labels for your completed charity projects...they are located in the library cabinet on the left...on the lower left shelf in white and teal plastic boxes. Take some home and have them ready to sew onto your finished projects.

Thank you for all your efforts on the charity projects...they really are very much appreciated by our community!

Your Charity Committee..Irene Capps, Teena Livsey and Sandy Horan

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YOUR LOVE OF QUILTING WITH A CHILD**

by Lucy Ricardo

October may seem eons away-but now is the time to think *Mountain Comforts Quilt Show* and the *Young Quilters Division*. School vacations, visiting grandchildren, favorite neighborhood youngsters, nieces, nephews-why not share your love of quilting with your special young people! Each child age 13 and younger who makes a quilt of any size receives a beautiful tote bag filled with an incredible supply of fabric, ruler, scissors, thread, batting, book, pattern and more. The "Bag Ladies" have already started work on the tote bags; this year these are a bright blue. The "filling" for the bags is pouring in. A special thanks to sisters Ann Bannan and Cathy Fandel who each have cut and donated stacks of luscious fabric squares. (Ann was snow bound in New York state last winter and spent several days whacking away-Cathy was inspired by Ann!)

This year Mountain Comforts is Saturday, October 27 at the Ferrum College/Blue Ridge Institute Folklife Festival. Hopefully you are working on your entry for the show. This year we will have a special category for quilts (whether old or new) which contain a significant portion of feedsack fabric. If you think you might be interested in making a feedsack entry and would like to obtain some authentic fabric, please check with me.

DON'T FORGET TO SAVE THOSE ALTOID (OR OTHER METAL) BOXES! After painting, we fill them with buttons or small spools of thread for the Young quilters.

QUILT RETREAT

News Flash!! The LQG Annual Retreat is scheduled for November 9-11 in Lexington, VA. Lots of great projects are in the works and best of all-Augusta Cole will be with us the entire day Saturday! The hotel chosen this year offers free hot breakfast every morning, free coffee available all day, refrigerators, TV's and phone in all rooms. Each of us will have our own 8' table in the meeting room.

Registration forms will be available at the June meeting. Cost this year remains the same-\$125.00 for the retreat which includes all the above (double occupancy). Single occupancy rooms available for an additional \$75.00. Anyone wishing to go the night before can add an additional \$35.00 for a shared room. Lots of shopping available in Lexington on Friday! For more info call Stephanie Schaefer at 314-4288.

2008 QUILT SHOW

The Art of Quilting Quilt Show will be presented April 4 and 5, 2008. Save the date. I know we have some great quilt blocks being made each month-not to mention the ones from last year. Dig out those unfinished blocks that you have been trying to finish. Piece those tops, add those borders and there you have it. If you can't find time to quilt it, send it out to one of several great long arm quilters we have in our area. Remember we had almost 200 items in our last quilt show. Wouldn't it be nice if we could top that. What a great show it would be! We have had several people volunteer for the planning committee but we could use a few more. If you'd like to help, let us know.

Joyce Moorman and Joyce Noell

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:
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Treasurer's Report - by Marie Schoepke

Balance (3/31/07) \$10904.11

April Income

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|---------------------|------------------|
| Dues | 100.00 |
| Workshop | 1500.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 58.00 |
| Total Income | \$1658.00 |

April Expenses

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Program | 644.00 |
| Rent | 75.00 |
| Workshop | 1045.00 |
| Charity | 200.00 |
| Newsletter | 97.92 |
| Miscellaneous | 55.81 |
| Total Expenses | (\$2117.73) |

Balance (4/30/07) \$10444.38

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2007 LQG Quilt Challenge

Challenge: Think Outside the Box

Are you thinking outside the box? There are a number of different border treatments shown in our library books which should give you some ideas. One book to check out would be Happy Endings by Mimi Dietrick (our guest speaker last month) Also, be sure to check the web sites like McCall's Quilting and look through magazines and catalogs. I've gotten a lot of ideas by tweaking patterns I've found in Keepsake Quilting and other catalogs, without buying their patterns.

Your project doesn't have to be large. Some of the smaller wall hangings turn out to have the neatest ideas, as was shown by our collection of song quilts. Keep working. It will be December before we know it. I know everyone will be excited when we display our quilts at the December luncheon.

Sandra Ferguson

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. Jan Hagen and Dottie Wilson will be teaching this month's block, the Virginia Lily. 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! (NOTE: I have an optional redwork block of the state of VA...with the state motto. It is a 12 1/2 " block. Anyone interested can bring a 14" square of their fabric and I will iron on the pattern. I will be there Tuesday at 11:00 am, so anyone who wants to avoid the rush, come a little early and bring your lunch.) We have almost all our blocks done for the raffle quilt so we'll be assembling it soon and getting raffle tickets ready to sell, sell, sell.

Susan Palmer 721-5299

FEATURED QUILTER OF THE MONTH



Gerri Grindle

I am a native of Roanoke and after studying fashion and dress design at William Mary's Art Extension I wanted to pursue a career in the home sewing field. My first position was with Talon Zipper, where I traveled and worked with Home Economics classes in schools teaching installation of zippers. Then with Simplicity Patterns I traveled and presented fashion shows in schools and department stores. Tired of traveling, I became Fashion Coordinator for Springs Mills Retail Fabric Division which meant I could settle down, taking an apartment in Manhattan where I met my husband to be. There I was a member of the New York Fashion Group and American Women in Radio and Television.

Eventually back in Roanoke with my husband and our son and still interested in the sewing field, I began a life of creative sewing and crafts. I was a judge with the state Make It With Wool Contest. There I met another judge Bev Cobb who invited me to join the Floyd Quilt Guild and I started taking classes in quilting-which started me doing quilted garments and wall hangings. I'm very happy to be a member of the Lake Quilters Guild.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

by Janie Lawless

We had one new member join the Guild in April. We welcome **Judy Blosser** of Ferrum. If you see Judy please say hello and let her know we're happy she has joined our group. We also had 3 familiar faces rejoin us: **Linda Dodd, Trudy Dewitt** and **Patricia Snowadzky**.

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Judy Blosser-2100 Fairystone Park Rd., Ferrum, VA 24088
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MAY FEATURED BEE - by Alma Carter

This month the Bee table features the **SHADY LADIES BEE**. This group is mostly beginner quilters, and they are privileged to have our very own Eileen Gore as their mentor and teacher. Eileen is guiding them into the wonderful world of quilting by teaching basic quilting techniques and hand quilting. Thus far, they have explored how to prepare and properly cut fabric and have pieced the Jacob's Ladder block. Hand quilting was another experience, and this month they will learn how to applique and will be making a wedding ring block. They are enthusiastic and have lots to share with us, so do stop by the Bee table and admire their handiwork.

The Shady Ladies meet at Margaret Harmon's home the first Monday of each month from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. Following the Bee, light refreshments are served. Members of the Bee are Eileen Gore, Margaret Harmon, Jan Hagen, Kathleen Lewis, Sue Dittler, Paula Meighen, Sue Suter, Barbara Lees, Mimi Haris, Joan Baloth and Betty Lou Cooper.

Plans are underway for a special event in June, as this Bee will not be meeting during the summer months of July and August. They will resume in September. We will look forward to seeing some of their projects in our quilt show next year.



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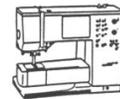
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Buzzings from the Bees by Alma Carter

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. March project is chenille scarves. 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: Quilt in a Year blocks and learning new techniques.. 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. Project for this year is a Kansas Album Quilt. 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.

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.

BLUEWATER BEE (*Moneta*) meets at **Smith Mountain Lake Quilting** (contact **Marnie Brush at 719-7845**) **1st Tuesday** of the month 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.

THE BAG LADIES (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. Will display in June.

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.

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