

Lake Quilters' Tidings



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Ripples From Our President

By Sharon Pafford

The guild retreat at Lexington was another great success where 31 ladies sewed, finished a Country Tote, fabric bowl and a wine bag. We learned to use a couple new tools, got some helpful hints and made new friendships. Thanks to Stephanie Schaefer and her committee for a wonderful weekend even with the electrical problems. Stephanie is handing the retreat notebook over to Sandee Burt who will chair the event next year. Plan to join the committee and become involved in our next retreat.



This is my last article to you. As I look back over the past two years at our many activities, I feel very blessed to have worked with such a great group of quilters. The guild had a fabulous quilt show in 2006, hosted National Quilting Day in March 2007 where we shared our love of quilting, added quilter of the month and door prizes to our meeting activities. I can say finding Bonnie Bull to create and administer our website was truly an exciting event for me. I hope you are using this informative tool.

The LQG board and committee chairwomen made my job easy. Bette Stubbs provided us with informative programs and we thank her for her dedication and enthusiasm. Linda Quinn will move up to be Program Chairman for next year. Board members Marie Schoepke, Janie Lawless and Eloise Vass will continue on the board next year.

Thanks to Marnie Brush for providing us with our wonderful newsletter for the past two years. Gwen Bruington has volunteered to be our newsletter editor for next year. Irene Capps and Teena Livsey will turn the Charity Committee over to a new committee. Thanks for all their dedication and hard work providing us with cut bears, stockings and blanket supplies and distributing these items to the charities. The Quilt in a Year group led by Susan Palmer provided us fun blocks commemorating Jamestown's 400th anniversary. Special thanks for their prior planning to provide us with our grand door prize (raffle quilt) for our quilt show in 2008.

Our guild could not exist without our dedicated committee chairwomen: Librarian, Anne Ochs; Beekeeper, Alma Carter; Farewell, Alba Papa; Historian, Jean Hensley; Hospitality, Sandee Burt; Name Tags, Judy Bukauskas; Publicity, Maureen Abdo; Sunshine, Madeline Demchak. They work behind the scenes to provide us with many services. Your dedication and work is much appreciated.

Cindy Stachelski will share her enthusiasm for quilting with you next year as President and has been working on new ideas for us all.

Sharon Pafford, President

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NEXT MEETING

January 22th
Trinity Ecumenical Parish

Quilt in a Year-12:00 Noon

Guild Meeting-1:00 PM

Program Information by Linda Quinn

NOTE: Melissa Hazy would like to thank Bette Stubbs, Anne Ochs, Suzanne MacLaughlin, Linda Quinn, Carolyn Fields, Barbara Gregory, Jean Hutson, Carol Thommen, Carol Althoff, Cindy Clark, Alice Vreeland and Madeline Demchak for helping her with the Wool Crazy Patchwork Program she presented at the October meeting.

January 2008

We are fortunate to have several long-arm quilters in our guild. They will share their insights and expertise during our **January** program: **"Quilt as Desired"**. It's the sentence that is always used at the end of pattern directions and it really does open up a world of possibilities and a world of confusion for most quilters. The program will include information about how to prepare the top and choose the batting, backing and a quilting pattern whether you are having it long-arm quilted, or machine or hand quilting it yourself. Tips about attaching borders, attaching binding, and the do's and don'ts of working with a long-arm quilter will be shared.

February 2008

In February we will have our annual **Charity Quilt-In** from 9 AM to 2 PM. (You may want to bring a lunch.) We will also celebrate Founder's Day.

March 2008

Linda Fiedler will be here in March. Her **morning workshop** (9 AM-Noon) will be **Crazy Log Cabin**. Linda developed this crazy log cabin piecing technique to use as a background for her unique quilts and garments. None of the blocks are the same size, and none of them are square, but Linda will show us how to sew them together using straight seams to make a pieced background that is wonderful in either quilts or garments. This is a wonderful workshop for beginning to advanced quilters. Registration will begin in January. You won't want to miss this experience so remember to register and pick up your materials list. Enrollment is limited.

Linda Fiedler will also be providing our **program** in March. She will share information about her trip to **Switzerland**. Her factory tours included **Bernina** and **Mettler**. She also experienced a virtual tour of a **needle factory**. This will be a great opportunity to hear a quilter's perspective.

WEATHER CANCELLATION notice of guild meetings can be found on Roanoke's NBC TV station Channel 10. Or visit the WSLs website and click on "Weather Closings." Linda Quinn (576-5071) is the contact for cancellations should you have questions.

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 **Linda Quinn** at **576.5071** 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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Hospitality Committee Report

The only person signed up for November clean-up is Margaret Harman. I know everyone is going to help and I thank you for making a point of doing that.

The Christmas Luncheon is going to be a great time. The Material Girls are making favors and we'll have centerpieces to raffle off. We have 85 people signed up so far.

If you mail your reservation **after** November 23, please mail to:

Stephanie Schaefer

258 Chestnut Pointe Dr.

Hardy, VA 24101

December 1 is the deadline so hurry and get those reservations in!

Sandee Burt

2007 LQG Annual Retreat Wrap-Up

Lexington, Virginia-Home of VMI, the Virginia Horse Center and...the 2007 LQG Annual Retreat. Thirty-one LQG members traveled to Lexington on November 9 for three days of sewing, quilting, camaraderie and relaxation. Each participant received a T-shirt with this year's logo, the Country Tote pattern, 5 fat quarters and a cap with redwork pattern. This year's theme was "Scraps Happen" and the weekend was spent appropriately working with scraps. On Friday evening Cindy Stachelski instructed the group on a scrappy tote bag which almost everyone finished that evening. Saturday brought nationally known instructor, Augusta Cole, to our midst for a fun exchange of strips for another scrappy event which all enjoyed. Augusta was a hoot and stated many times she had never been with such a "fun" group. Thanks to Janie Lawless, our Quilt Retreat Game Director, we all participated in the quilter's version of "Family Feud." Lots of fun, laughs and super prizes finished out the evening. Sandee Burt was the Door Prize Chair and gifted each of the participants with 2 door prizes during the weekend. Sunday's instructors, Dottie Wilson and Stephanie Schaefer, assisted with the making of a fabric bowl and a wine bag.

I highly recommend spending a weekend with a group of quilters of varying levels of expertise. You'd be surprised at the tips you pick up and

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THE ART OF QUILTING-QUILT SHOW COMMITTEE

APRIL 4 & 5, 2008

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Door Prizes	Katherine Lewis & Terry McNichol
Bee Demonstrations	Alma Carter
Charity Display	Alba Papa, Teena Livsey & Irene Capps
Antique Display	Ginny Watson
Grand Door Prize	Chair-Susan Palmer, Cindy Clark, Sue Dixon, Sandra Ferguson, Jan Hagen, Betty Hatfield, Sandy Horan, Joyce Noell, Anne Whalen, Dottie Wilson, Avis Withers

We will start doing sign up sheets for the quilt show in January. Please give all our volunteers your support when they ask you to participate in our quilt show. There is a job for everyone. If you haven't started your quilt for the show, ask Santa to bring you a gift certificate from your favorite quilt shop. We are looking forward to seeing all the beautiful quilts you have made in the last two years. Let's break our 2006 record of 167 quilts. Wouldn't 200 quilts be a nice show?? SEW, LADIES. SEW!

Joyce Moorman & Joyce Noell

CHARITY PROJECTS

Since the weather has gotten colder the Charity Committee has been out delivering our "made with love" donations to the following agencies so they'll be in good hands for the holiday season:

Carilion Franklin Memorial Hospital (ER)	30 bears
CASA of Franklin Co. (Social Services)	15 bears, 8 sweaters, 16 hats, 15 quilts, 26 pair mittens
Franklin Health Care Center (for Rehab)	8 quilts
Franklin County Family Resource Center	5 large quilts, 6 sweaters, 21 hats
Franklin Co. Social Services (Foster Care)	50 Xmas stockings, 20 hats, 7 quilts, 10 bears, 11 pillow pals, 2 scarves, 22 pair mittens, 3 hat & mitten sets, 6 hand knitted sweaters
Step Inc. (Franklin Co. Head Start)	50 Xmas stockings, 9 quilts

The committee was very heart-warmed because of all the Christmas stockings that have been received. It was wonderful to get them delivered early, so that the people stuffing them can get started and won't have to rush during the busy Holiday season! Guess it

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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:
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Treasurer's Report - by Marie Schoepke

Balance (9/30/07)	\$ 11527.38
October Income	
Retreat	880.00
Dues	20.00
Pins	13.00
Guests	12.00
Total Income	\$925.00
October Expense	
Quilt Retreat	702.51
Programs	74.45
Newsletter	50.76
Challenge Door Prizes	50.00
Miscellaneous	23.65
Total Expenses	(\$ 901.37)
Balance (10/31/07)	\$ 11531.01

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FEATURED QUILTER OF THE MONTH



Katherine Lewis

For over 30 years we have camped or had a summer home here at the lake. When we retired, we did not want to leave our home state so we became permanent residents. I started sewing in Jr. High, making "in style clothes" and later my wedding dress. This was when sewing was much more economical than buying garments.

After having my children and returning to work full time, all hobbies went by the wayside. When I retired after 30 years in education, there were two things I wanted to do-quilt and garden.

I made two or three quilts before I took a class. Our classes in the Guild and Bee are great! Although I'm a sloppy quilter, I have great fun. Friends knowing I wanted to quilt gave me lots of scraps. Hence I do lots of scrappy quilts. These are made more as blanket type quilts.

All my quilts are done on the sewing machine and quilted by me on my regular sewing machine. Joining the Guild has been wonderful!

LQG 2007 Quilt Retreat Wrap-Up (Cont'd from page 3)

the friends you will make! We had lots of new quilters as well as new LQG members attending this time and everyone happily helped those who needed assistance. We all shared fabrics, thread, snacks and wine!

Next year's Quilt Retreat Chair will be Sandee Burt and she is looking for ladies to join the committee. If you're interested, please call Sandee. I know she will do a fabulous job for next year's group.

No retreat can be complete without door prize contributors and our thanks to the following for their generous support of this event: Fallon's Restaurant, Smith Mountain Lake Quilting, Cindy Stachelski and Joe and Janie Lawless. Thanks also to the 2007 committee members: Cindy Stachelski, Janie Lawless, Sandee Burt. Linda Quinn, Paula Stevens and Dottie Wilson.

Stephanie Schaefer



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Reminder: Membership renewals are due in January. Your check or cash (\$20.00) must be accompanied by a renewal form. Remember, this is an opportunity to express your ideas for future programs and activities as well as update your address, email or phone changes. No checks will be cashed until after the first of January, so if you submit your form and check in December (which would be great), the check will not be cashed until after the first of the year. Renewal forms are included in this newsletter or they can be found at the Sign-In Desk at the November meeting. These can be mailed to Janie Lawless at 11 Marvin Gardens Dr., Moneta, VA 24121.

Janie Lawless

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2007 LQG CHALLENGE

Think Outside the Box!

Please come a little early in December so we can get your quilt registered and displayed. I will give you a number tag on which you can write the name of your quilt and attach it to your project. We will display them on the floor around the edges of the Fellowship Hall. Everyone will get a ballot to vote for her favorite quilt. Everyone is going to be really excited to see all the different ways we "Think Outside the Box!"

Thanks to everyone who has participated.

Sandra Ferguson

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Kate Holdgreve has offered to mentor a week long quilt program for beginning quilters. This is a wonderful opportunity to work closely with an experienced quilter as you learn the basics with other beginning quilters. The program is tentatively scheduled for late January/early February 2008. Please contact Linda Quinn at smlquinn@gmail.com if you would like additional info or are interested in being part of this group.

BEE BUZZINGS

by Alma Carter

Bee Keeper Alma Carter wishes to thank all our Bees that have displayed their beautiful works of art this year. You have certainly added to the spice of our monthly meetings and we look forward to more displays next year. This month Buzzings from the Bees on page 8 features the display schedule for 2008. Please notify me if the month you have chosen needs to be changed. January will feature the River Queen Bee.

Looking forward to next year-2008 promises to be another exciting year in quilting with new techniques being shared and lasting friendships being made. Our Bees will be displaying for the Quilt Show as well as monthly meetings. If you want to be part of this excitement and are not currently in a Bee, call me and I will try to place you in an existing Bee, or a new Bee can be formed. We currently have no report of a bee meeting in the Roanoke area. Hopefully one will form in 2008 as we have several members from Roanoke in Lake Quilter's Guild.

CHARITY PROJECTS (Cont'd from page 4)

truly pays to start early! If we get more, we'll call around to see if anyone else can use them.

Attention "Queen Bees": If your Bee is looking for small projects, we'll be needing teddy bears that are already cut out, sewn together and ready to be stuffed at the February 2008 Charity Quilt-In. Check the Charity Projects table for hearts and labels for the bears.

Note: If anyone has taken quilt tops home to quilt but haven't had time to do so, please bring them to the next meeting so we can get them to someone to complete.

Thank you for all your efforts on the charity projects. They really are appreciated by the community. We're always greeted cheerfully when we deliver the guild's donations...what a special warm, fuzzy feeling!!

Irene Capps, Teena Livsey and Sandy Horan

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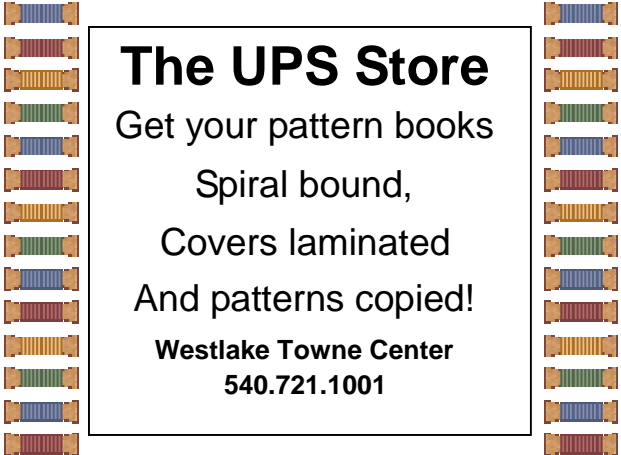
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Buzzings from the Bees by Alma Carter

THE BUZZIN BEES (*Boones Mill*) meet at **Velma Meador's** home **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 **1st Monday** of the month, **9:30 to 11:30 am**. Beginning quilting will be their focus. Will display in May.

THE HARDY BEE meets at **Dot Jackson's** home the **3rd Tuesday** of the month, **9:00 am until 12:00 noon**. 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 **1st & 3rd Thursday 10:00 am to ???** Projects in progress: Quilt in a Year blocks and learning new techniques. 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** for meeting info. New "worker bee" members welcome. Will display in April.

THE MATERIAL GIRLS meet the **first & third Tuesday** of the month, from **9:30-2:30 pm**. Call **Marcia Wright** or **Kate Holdgreve** for information. Will display in November.

STITCHES IN TIME (*Goodview*) Appliqué bee, meets **2nd Tuesday** at **10:00 am**. Call **Kinza Pickelsimer** 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 for more info. Will display in January.

SUNSHINE BEE (White House Corner/Huddleston) meets at **Cindy Clark's** home **1st Thursday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Bring a bag lunch. Open to new members. Will display in February.

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 1:00 pm**. 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. Open to new members. Will display in June.

Call Beekeeper Alma Carter (721-5671) with any changes for your Bee. Have a happy holiday season and see you next year.

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