



Lake Quilters' Tidings

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Programs and Workshops

By Kinza Pickelsimer

October 27: Workshop (9:00 am to Noon) and Program (1:00 pm)—Bette Gove

We will be having our own Bette Gove providing a workshop (9:00-12:00) on Dale Fleming's Technique—6 Minute Circle and Sinuous Curves Workshop.

Bette has been sewing since she was a little girl making doll clothes. She graduated with a BFA in Fashion Design from Pratt Institute in 1970. However, at that time a career in the fashion industry meant living in or near a large metropolitan area (not in her plans). Therefore, Bette comes to quilting from a clothing background. She took quilting lessons about 20 years ago and decided it was not something she wanted to do and never finished a project. Before retiring, she and her husband owned and Bette managed a Nautilus Fitness center in a small town in upstate New York. That kept her busy for about 18 years and no sewing to speak of was done. After retiring to Smith Mountain Lake, she began to watch Carol Duvall and Alex Anderson shows. Getting back into sewing by quilting seemed intriguing. After making a couple of small projects, Bette joined our guild in 2004.



Bette loves to experiment with all different kinds of techniques, therefore feels like a master of none. The cost of the workshop is \$10 and \$5 for a kit. Other materials list will be available at signup.

The afternoon program will be "Give Yourself Permission to be Creative." Bette will also show some of the creative projects she has done.

November 24: Workshop (9:00 am to Noon) and Program (1:00)—Rachel Brown: "Our First Quilts—How we developed our passion for Quilting"

In first grade Mrs. Ruth Kachel taught Rachel to read. In third grade Mrs. Naomi Bard taught her to write beautifully with her left hand. Mrs. Zoe Kauffman taught art in her elementary school, and she learned about color and proportion. As a senior in high school, Miss Mary Lee Forney opened her mind and her heart to children's literature. Rachel's mother, Anna Mary Neff, set up the Singer sewing machine in the kitchen, and tolerated the creative mess she made as she learned to sew. Rachel learned to sew her own wardrobe and .

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For up-to-date information and photos of Guild happenings... Be sure to visit our website at <http://www.lakequilters.org>

Email additions or questions to bonnie@lakequilters.org
Bonnie Bull,
Webmaster

NEXT MEETING

November 24, 2009
Trinity Ecumenical Parish
1:00 pm
Block of the Month 12:00 Noon

Board Meeting TBA

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CELL PHONES
DURING MEETINGS**

Ripples From Our President

By Cindy Stachelski



I can hardly believe that's it has been a year since my 12 day "vacation" at the beautiful resort called "Carilion Roanoke Memorial". I certainly have had to make some changes in my life but they are all well worth it. The experience helped me learn the importance of living each day to the fullest. We all need to be the best friend we can be, to share a smile each day with the world, to laugh more, and most importantly, to finish some of those #*?!# UFOs we have sitting in our sewing rooms. Your family is just going to get rid of them if they aren't quilts, so finish them and give them a life!!! And see if you can do that before March so we can put them in the quilt show!! ;-)

And one more thing, if you are feeling any flu like symptoms, please do not come to the guild meeting. We all need to stay healthy.

Cindy Stachelski
President

Membership News

We have 1 new member who joined the Guild last month. Please be sure and give her a warm welcome at the October meeting.

Carol Hendrix

As a reminder, the Guild is no longer mailing copies of the newsletter. If you receive a paper copy of your newsletter, please remember to pick it up at the sign-in desk.

Paula Stevens

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

Notice of guild meeting cancellations due to bad weather **WILL NOT** be on Roanoke's NBC TV station Channel 10. However, that information **will** be available on the WSLs website at www.norwestinteractive.com/wsls/sls/weather/closings_and_delays/ For further information or questions, please contact the Guild President or the Program Chairperson (VP). Their contact information is listed in the newsletter under the current officers.

Volunteer Clean-Up Schedule

Thanks to everyone who offered to set up before and clean up after Guild meetings. If you are unable to attend, please find a member to substitute for you. Try to arrive by 11:30 to finish setting up in time for Block of the Month at noon. Clean up immediately follows the Guild meeting. Please remember to remove any trash bags that our members fill and visit the dumpster on the way home.

*Those who signed up for **October** are:*

Pat Blice
Cindy Clark
Jan Hagen
Kate Holdgreve

*And for **November**:*

Gwen Bruington
Reginia Cosgrove
Sue Dittler

*Betty Huffman
(540-483-0775)*

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 **Kinza Pickelsimer at 297-4824** 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.

Programs and Workshops *(Continued from Page 1)*

dressed her little daughters until they learned to read designer labels. Reading, writing, drawing and sewing all bring special memories of life's unique journey

In 1972 Rachel moved with her pastor husband to the Antioch Church of the Brethren in Franklin County, Virginia. There she was introduced to serious quilting. She learned to quilt first and later learned to piece from the Georgia Bonesteel books. Her first serious quilt was a log cabin pieced with the scraps from her little girl's play clothes. She used a yard stick to measure and scissors to cut the strips. Embarrassed because the quilt was 1" larger at the top than it was at the bottom, she put the top away and worked on smaller projects. Eventually the quilt came back out of the chest and was quilted. It is one of her favorites. She has not stopped. Ideas bud and bloom. Rachel loves the craft and the art blended together in fabric and pattern.

When she is not sewing, designing, or managing things at the shop, Rachel enjoys time spent on vacations at Top Sail Beach with friends; impromptu lunches with girlfriends; Tuesday's with her sister, Merti; setting a beautiful table and preparing special meals for friends and family; and spring mornings writing in a favorite wicker chair on her front porch. In addition to her husband, Dennis, she shares her home with Jesse, a very loyal miniature schnauzer, and Gershwin and Zoey, two cats she rescued and who sometimes rescue her.

Rachel opened her shop in 1997. She is the mother of 2 daughters (both married) and 1 son (still single), and expecting first grandchild October 12. She is also author of a children's book "Small Camel Follows the Star, published by Albert Whitman.

Rachel will teach a hand embroidery/crayola workshop. She will bring a selection of patterns by Plum Creek (see example) so that everyone does not have to make the same one. Cost of the workshop is \$20 plus \$10 for cost of the pattern. This is an ideal workshop for you grandmothers to make quilts for your grandchildren for Christmas. For our program, Rachel will present a trunk show.



December 8—Christmas Luncheon

Our annual holiday luncheon will be held at the Waterfront Country Club on Tuesday, December 8. Please bring your "Going Green" challenge quilts at 11:00 for display and voting. Lunch will be served at 12:00, followed by a handmade ornament exchange. Please mark your luncheon menu choice on the enclosed insert and send it with a check for \$10.00 (payable to Lake Quilters Guild or LQG) to:

Betty H. Huffman
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Rocky Mount, VA 24151

Menu choice and payment must be received by November 24.

2009 Challenge - Think Green!

"Little Gems" Being Collected for Challenge Voting

So far, I have collected a dozen quilts for the challenge. They are all marvelous "little gems." I can't wait for all of the guild members to see them. At my October bee meeting a friend gave me one that made me laugh out loud. When I showed it to my husband he laughed and said, "What a great sense of humor _____ has!"

Remember our rules, "your interpretation of the color green, and no more than 120 inches in diameter."

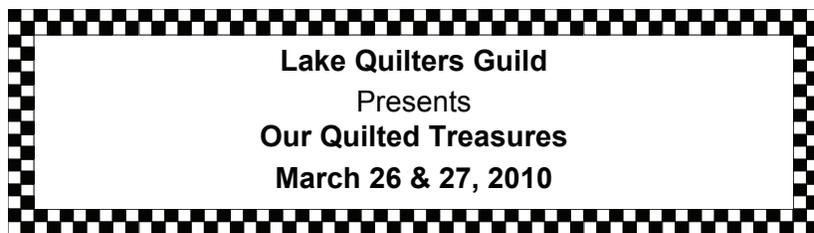
I have been collecting quilts at various meetings. If you give your quilt to me before the party, your quilt will already be at the party when you arrive. All you have to do the morning of the party is get dressed, put on your Christmas jewelry, and travel to the party.

However, you can still bring your quilt to the party. I will put a number on it for the voting and write out a card for you to attach with your comments. Or you can write out any comments you want and attach them to your quilt.

I'm trying to run a challenge where everyone feels they can participate no matter when you get your "little gem" done. As I have said in some of our meetings your inspiration may come the night before or very early in the morning of the party, December 8.

Happy quilting!

Sue Dixon



Don't forget while you are sewing up a storm, to make something for us to give away as door prizes at the show. We want any quilted items, such as table runners, placemats, etc., purses, tote bags and even small wall hangings. Give these items to Katherine Lewis. Also we are collecting books, patterns, sewing tools, etc. These prizes are for those of you who help with any part of the quilt show. You can give these items to either of the Joyces. We had 99 people work on our last show. Can we top that this time? I bet we can!! Thanks for all your help!

Joyce Moorman and Joyce Noell



Treasurer's Report

By

Sandra Ferguson

Balance (8/31/09)	\$5883.63
Income:	
Dues	10.00
Retreat	1800.00
Workshops	210.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$2020.00
Expenses:	
Newsletter	22.05
Workshop	100.00
Rent	275.00
Program	50.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$447.05
Balance (9/30/09)	\$7456.58

Please remember that our balance is inflated because of Retreat fees.



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NOTICES

IN MEMORIAM

Pat Mohler, one of our members who had been suffering from cancer, passed away on Monday, October 19th. She had gone to visit her daughter, went to the hospital there and never recovered sufficiently to return home.

Currently, we have no details on funeral arrangements. Please check your local paper. We should have more information at the October meeting.

For those wishing to send condolences to the Mohler family, the address is:

1160 Scuffling Hill Road
Rocky Mount, VA 24151

NOTICES

- ◆ Trinity Ecumenical Parish requests **No Smoking** in its building or on the grounds
- ◆ Guild pins for sale through Sandra Ferguson, Treasurer
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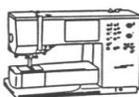
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Block of the Month 2009

In September, Janis Hagen taught us a cute and easy "Pumpkins" wall hanging. At our October meeting, Alice Vreeland will teach us how to make a Thanksgiving wall hanging or banner.



For a complete list of all the Holiday Banners we'll be doing this year, you can go to the Guild website: <http://www.lakequilters.org/bom/2009BOM/>

Helen Buchanan, Chairperson

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- * New display of jigsaw puzzles in time for Christmas gifts.
- * 2010 Thomas Kincaid calendars.
- * Stop by and sign up for a quilt class!

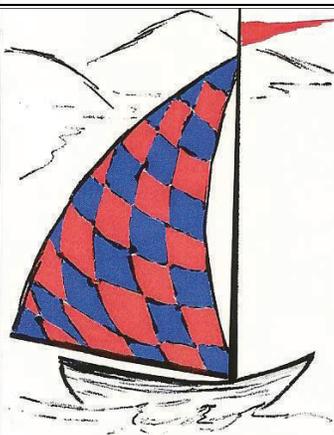
LQG Annual Quilt Retreat November 6-8, 2009

By now, all Retreat participants should have made their final payments and received emails about supplies needed for the Cotton Theory class and info about the optional trip to Old Salem.

For those interested in more information about the additional project, Jitterbug Rug, you can go to the following website: www.tatteredrabbit.com and click on "Tattered Classes." Then you can click on "Cotton Theory Jitterbug Rug" in the bottom right column. That will take you to a picture of the project and some more information about it.

We look forward to seeing everyone in Winston-Salem on November 6th!

Sandee Burt & Paula Stevens



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**October 2009 Featured Bee:
KEPT IN STITCHES BEE**

By Sue Dittler



“Kept In Stitches” is this month’s featured bee. These ladies meet with a bag lunch in hand, at 10:00 on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. Members include Alma Carter, Helen Buchanan, Linda Burke, Marilyn Doble, Peg Jeans, Susan Palmer, Melba Smith, and Bette Stubbs. In 1995 there were no established Quilt Bees in Lake Quilters. Alma Carter organized 6 bees that year, “Kept In Stitches” being one of them. The bee has been meeting at Alma’s home ever since.

Alma mentors the group, but the members also mentor each other as they learn new skills and projects. This is a proficient group of quilters, and some of the members have outgrown the group and moved on to more advanced bees. One of the members of the group, Bette Stubbs, is their appliqué “go-to” person, while the others prefer piecing.

In the past some of the members made Jamestown quilts and Wildflower quilts which they learned at the Guild’s Block of the Month classes. They have also made cell phone covers, Stow and Go Quilts (from a pattern of Janie Lawless), black and white bags (from a class taught by Janie Lawless) and Split Nine Patch Blocks (taught by Velma Meador and Pat Mohler). Currently they are working on their own UFO’s and Charity Quilts. In their words, they like to dabble in all aspects of quilting.

An interesting observation when listening to these women is how active they are in the guild. For instance, Susan Palmer is Vice President of programs, Helen Buchanan is in charge of the Block of the Month program, Alma Carter has been the Bee Keeper at 2 different times, as well as a former President and Vice President, and Bette Stubbs has been a former Presidents of Programs. These are just some of the things these ladies have done! What great role models they are for the rest of us!

CHARITY BEE NEWS

The following items were recently donated in Bedford:

- Social Services – 14 quilts
- Hospital – 8 pillow pals, 5 bears
- Domestic Violence – 6 quilts, 13 totes
- Hospice – 5 totes, 5 wheel chair bags, 1 lap quilt
- Nursing Home – 7 bibs, 4 lap quilts, 10 wheelchair bags

In addition, the following were donated:

- Franklin Co. Hospital – 24 pillow pals, 5 bears
- (they can use up to 50 items in the emergency room per month)*

We need all items returned as soon as possible. We need 25 more **Stockings** by the November meeting as we need to deliver them by December 1st.

Don't forget FAT QUARTER TUESDAYS will end on 12/31/09! Prizes to be awarded to the top three with the highest number of fat quarters purchased!

Check our website for new classes through March 2010! In November, Make and Take Christmas Ornament class \$5.00 includes fabric.

Big News: We have named our quilters paradise downstairs "The Quilt Shack"
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Buzzings from the Bees by Susan and Chris

- **Bag Ladies Bee** (Moneta area)—meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 10:00 am to ??? at Mary Ann Spangler's. Bring lunch. Current project is Friendship Squares. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Blewater Bee** (Moneta)—meets 1st Tuesday, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, at Smith Mountain Lake Quilting Shop; Contact Marnie Brush (719-7845). Working on a Charity Quilt for Bedford Social Services, and favors for the guild Christmas luncheon. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Buzzin' Bees** (Boones Mill)—meets 1st Thursday 9:00 am to ??? at Velma Meador's home. Bring lunch. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Friendship Bee** (Hardy)—meets 2nd and 3rd Tuesday, 9:30 AM to ??? Call Gloria. Bring lunch. Bring anything you've started or want to start; there will be help for new quilters. (Thank you Gloria). **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.**
- **Hardy Bee** (Moneta)—meets 4th Tuesday, 9:00 am to noon, at Dot Jackson's home. Working on "row by row" quilts and continuing making charity projects. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Kept in Stitches Bee** (Hillcrest Heights)—meets 1st and 3rd Thursday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, at Alma Carter's home. **FEATURED BEE THIS MONTH.** Fall projects are charity quilt-as-you-go quilts and finish UFO. Remember to bring your scrappy squares to be assembled, and any charity quilts you are making. Machines needed. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Ladies of the Evening Bee** (Wirtz) Paula Stevens. Meetings temporarily suspended until new host/meeting location identified.
- **Lake Park Bee** (Penhook-Union Hall) Members have disbanded group. Members have joined other bee groups.
- **Material Girls Bee** (Walnut Run)—meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Call Marcia Wright or Kate Holdgreve (890-2027). Bring lunch. Will display in October 2010. **(Full at this time.)**
- **River Queen Bee** (Goodview)—meets 3rd Tuesday, 12:30 pm at Jeanie Ireland's home. Working on UFO's, one of which is a charity quilt. Will display in August 2010. **(New Members welcome.)**
- **Sassy Stitchers Bee** (Roanoke)—*meeting time changed to 3rd Tuesday*, 10:00 am to 3 pm at St. John Lutheran Church. Contact Joyce Noell for information. Ongoing Block Exchange Project. Will display November 2009. **(Always open to new members.)**
- **Shady Ladies Bee** (Moneta)—meets 2nd Monday, 1:30 to 3:30 am at Margaret Harman's home. Beginning quilting is their focus. Will be working on gift projects in Fall and quilt starting in January. Will display January 2010. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Southside Bee** (Union Hall)—meets 2nd Thursday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Bring lunch. Call daytime hours only Sandy Randall. The Southside Bee will not hold its regular meeting in October. They will be enjoying a retreat instead. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Stitches In Time** (Goodview)—Appliqué Bee meets 2nd Tuesday, 10:00 am. Bring lunch. Call Kinza Pickelsimer. Project: Hearts and Flowers blocks by Kathy Delaney. Will display in November 2010. **(Full at this time.)**
- **Sunshine Bee** (White House Corner/Huddleston)—meets 1st Thursday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, at Cindy Clark's home. Bring lunch. Will display in April 2010. **(Full at this time.)**

IF YOU WISH TO BECOME A MEMBER OF A BEE or IF YOU HAVE ANY UPDATES/CHANGES FOR THE ABOVE BEES, CALL SUE DITTLER (540-587-5925) OR CHRIS PATANE (540-297-0994) BEFORE THE 3RD OF EACH MONTH.

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