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## Programs and Workshops

By Kinza Pickelsimer

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### September 28th—Workshop (9:00 am to Noon) and Program (1:00 pm)—Cindy Clark



(photo from Bonnie Bull)

Our January program and workshop were cancelled due to bad weather, so we have rescheduled them for the month of September. We will be having our own Cindy Clark providing a workshop (9:00-12:00) on Floating Foundation Bargello. Cindy has been quilting and teaching quilting for about 30 years and has lived at the Lake for the past 3 years. We are privileged to have someone with so much talent in our Guild and appreciate Cindy sharing her talents with us.

In the workshop, participants will be making either a heart pillow or a wall-hanging. Examples of the projects, sign-ups and supply lists will be available at the November meeting.

For our September program, Cindy will give further demonstrations and examples of work she's done using the floating foundation bargello technique. This is a meeting you won't want to miss!

### 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.

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For up-to-date information  
and photos of  
Guild happenings...  
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Bonnie Bull,  
Webmaster

### NEXT MEETING

October 27, 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't believe it's Fall already. I don't think summer lasts long enough although some may disagree. The extra visitors, more traffic around the lake both on the roads and in the water, running here and there... summer time is a busy time. But now that's over. We can take a deep breath and relax. Maybe do something we like to do, like quilt. But don't get too comfortable; the holidays are just around the corner. They are putting Christmas stuff in the stores as we speak!! It seems our break from all the craziness will be brief. So take advantage of the time. Breathe deep... and then get started on your Challenge (Think Green) and the quilt for the quilt show, and all those Christmas gifts you are going to make. Remember also to finish those charity projects and get them turned in. There are many in our community that need to know we care.

*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 September meeting.

### Pat Orange

*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/](http://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.

## 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.

## 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 September are:*

Barbara Lees  
Ruth Ann Assaid  
Margie McGuire  
Linda Rogers

### *October:*

Pat Blice  
Cindy Clark  
Jan Hagen  
Kate Holdgreve

*Betty Huffman  
(540-483-0775)*

## Programs and Workshops (Continued from Page 1)

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 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 an embroidery/crayola workshop. She will bring a selection of patterns by Plum Creek so that everyone does not have to make the same one. Cost of 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.

#### **Supplies for Workshop:**

- 10 x 12 inch piece of neutral fabric backed with freezer paper for ease in tracing. Fabric can be solid or a small scale tone one tone or batik. Iron the freezer paper to the wrong side of fabric.
- A fine permanent marker: brown if you are using brown thread and black if using black thread.
- Black or brown embroidery floss or #8 pearl cotton.
- A box of regular crayons--NOT the iron on kind.
- An embroidery hoop, no larger than 6 or 7 inches. Rachel likes the small "spring" hoops.
- Small scissors.

## 2009 Challenge - Think Green!

### About 75 Days until Challenge Display

After our September Guild meeting there are about 75 days left for all of us to finish a small quilt for this year's challenge. Now, I don't know about you, but that seems like a lot of time to get an entry together for this particular challenge.

At the September meeting and subsequent meetings, you can pick up a form to use to give me the name of your entry and any comments you want to make about your quilt. I will type the information for each quilt on a card. The cards will be attached to the quilts when they are displayed at the Christmas party. Each quilt will have a number for the voting – your name will not appear on the card, just your quilt's number and your comments about the quilt.

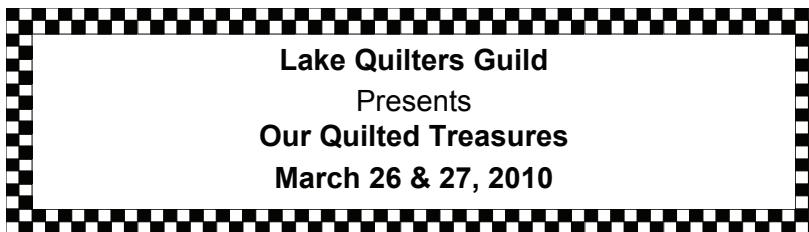
If you want, you can give me your entry at the Guild meeting in September, October, or November. Some members have already given me their entries. I promise to take good care of them. I live in a condo building with tight security and fire sprinklers.

If you bring your entry to the Christmas party, my team of volunteers (you know who you are!) will neatly write out a card with your comments for your quilt.

Remember the other Challenge rules: make a small quilt that the perimeter is no more than 120 inches; have your work ready by the Guild's December Christmas party or give it to me earlier if you want.

Happy quilting!

Sue Dixon



*Did someone say 6 months!!* Yes, it is only 6 more months to the quilt show. But in 6 months we ladies can move mountains when we set our minds to it. So get those creative juices flowing and the sewing machines humming. We can't wait to see all the wonderful work that you all will enter in the quilt show. Last show we had 181 quilts and 22 wearable entries. We certainly hope we will have that many this time. We might could even squeeze in a few more.

We will have 7 categories for the viewer's choice awards this year. There will be cash prizes for 1st-3rd places of the viewer's choice. In 2008, every quilt had a vote from a viewer so I don't want to hear that your quilt is not good enough. You just never know, you might be a winner. You can put anything in the show that has not been in one of our shows before. There will not be a limit, unless we run out of room, but there will be a March 1st deadline for entries. Registration forms will be handed out in January and February.

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 (7/31/09)	\$6868.82
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#### Income:

Dues	10.00
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Raffle Quilt	65.00
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Guests	10.00
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TOTAL INCOME	\$85.00
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#### Expenses:

Newsletters	22.05
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Raffle Quilt	16.80
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Administration (stamps)	8.80
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Insurance	295.00
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Quilt Show	83.58
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Door Prizes	6.30
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Sunshine	14.40
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Library	70.85
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Program	552.41
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1070.19
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Balance (8/31/09)	\$5883.63
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*Please remember that our balance is inflated because of Retreat fees.*

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## NOTICES

**LIBRARY CORNER**

Below are 3 new DVDs added to the library in August:

*Judith Baker Montano Teaches You Crazy Quilting*  
by Judy Baker Montano



*Machine Appliquéd for the Terrified Quilter*  
by Sharon Pederson

*Sally Collins Teaches You Precision Piecing*  
by Sally Collins

Note: All DVDs must be returned after one month.

Also, Judy Bukauskas will be covering the Library at the September meeting.

**Sunshine:** Only have two cards being sent out this month, one for Gloria Willis - her husband passed away and one for Cyndi Mitchell, she had foot surgery.



**Door Prizes:** We only have a few more months for door prizes this year. Got to be in it to win it.

FOR MEMBERS you know who need a bit of cheer, please contact our Sunshine Chair, Madeline Demchak ([madal687@yahoo.com](mailto:madal687@yahoo.com))

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- ◆ 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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## Block of the Month 2009

Marcia Wright taught us how to make a Fall banner and demonstrated several variations of how it could be put together. Then she shared strips of orange fabric to help us get started.



In September, Janis Hagen will be presenting a "Pumpkins" wall hanging.

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/>

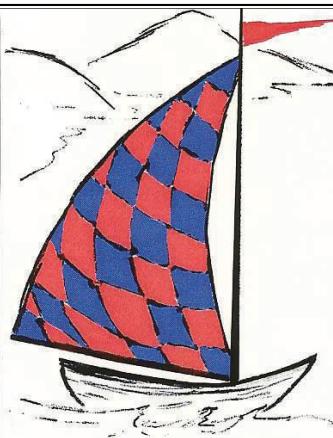
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### LQG Annual Quilt Retreat November 6-8, 2009

Ladies, the countdown is upon us! Retreat is only 6 weeks from the Sept 22nd Guild Meeting. Your final payment of \$100 is due at the September Guild meeting. Paula Stevens will be at the meeting to collect. If you cannot make the meeting, please make arrangements to send your final payment to:

Paula Stevens  
205 Inlet Dr.  
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or  
Sandee Burt  
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Thanks,

Sandee Burt  
Paula Stevens  
Co-chairs

**September 2009 Featured Bee:  
MATERIAL GIRLS BEE**  
By Cindy Stachelski

The Material Girls Bee started in January of 2003. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, mostly at Marcia's, Janie's or Cindy's houses. We take turns. Our members include Kate Holdgreve, Janie Lawless, Sharon Pafford, Mary Stuart Link, Peggy White, Marcia Wright, Cindy Stachelski, Karen Arends, Jean Hensley, and Stephanie Schaefer. We generally start each year with a list of projects we want to work on or techniques we want to learn. By May, that list usually has to be redone because of things we've seen or heard of that take priority over what we thought we wanted in January.

Presently, we have decided to make each other a quilt. We drew names in December and Jean Hensley was lucky enough to be #1 so her quilt was made first. She got to choose the pattern and bought all the fabric. She had everything cut out and brought it to the bee and we got started making her a quilt. It will be on display at the guild meeting. It turned out fantastic!! Kate Holdgreve was next. We have put together her quilt but it hasn't been quilted yet. I'm sure you will see it when it's done. We are starting on Sharon Pafford's quilt next month.

Another thing we like to do is celebrate each other's birthdays. Again, we pulled names to see whose birthday we were in charge of. Then, we asked everyone what their favorite dessert was and your birthday person would make it for you along with making a small wall hanging as a gift. We have had some GREAT desserts, from homemade coconut cake to Tiramisu. We love birthdays!! You can see some of the wall hangings on display at the guild meeting.

We also like to challenge each other. So, last year, for our birthdays, we all gave each other a fat quarter of black and white fabric. With those different fat quarters, we were challenged to make something. Only rules were that you had to use some of each fabric. You could add more black and whites or add another color if you liked. We had one year to meet the challenge and everyone did!! We had the "Big Reveal" in July and you will be able to see our projects at the guild meeting.

Lastly, we work on Charity projects. We have made 2 quilts for the Alzheimer's Association to raffle off along with a quilt that we donated to the Discovery Shop to raffle off. We all feel that we have something that we can give to our community and we have a responsibility to do so when we can.



**The Material Girls Bee members**

Just arrived, the entire collection of Vine Creek - Kansas Trouble from Moda is now here!

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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.**)
- **Bluewater 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. Not meeting in July or August; will resume in Sept. on the 1st. (**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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 9:30 AM to ??? at Gloria Thar's home. Bring lunch. Bring anything you've started or want to start; There will be help for new quilters. Note: Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> meeting will be a road trip. (Thank you Gloria). **NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.**
- **Hardy Bee** (Moneta)—meets 4th Tuesday, 9:00 am to noon, at Dot Jackson's home. The group will not meet during the summer; meetings will resume in September. At that time they will begin working on "row by row" quilts and continue making charity projects. Will display August 2009. (**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. Summer break has ended - meetings resume Sept. 3rd. Bring blocks for charity scrap quilts or finished charity quilts to show. (**Full at this time.**)
- **Ladies of the Evening Bee** (Wirtz) meets 1st and 3rd Thursday evenings at 6:30 pm. at Paula Stevens' home, 205 Inlet Drive, Wirtz. Not meeting in summer. Next meeting on September 17. (**Full at this time.**)
- **Lake Park Bee** (Penhook-Union Hall) meets first and third Tuesdays, 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at Edythe O'Connell home. Contact Edythe or Suzanne McLaughlin. Group will not meet during the summer months. Will resume Sept. 1, 2009. We will except new members at that time.
- **Material Girls Bee** (Walnut Run)—meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Call Marcia Wright or Kate Holdgreve. Bring lunch. Will display Sept. 2009 and 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 1st Monday, 9:30 to 11:30 am at Margaret Harman's home. Beginning quilting is their focus. Next meeting will be on September 14th to work on a "mystery quilt." 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. Planning a quilt camp retreat for the fall. (**Full at this time.**)
- **Stitches In Time** (Goodview)—Appliquéd 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 (587-5925) OR CHRIS PATANE (297-0994) BEFORE THE 3RD OF EACH MONTH.**