

LAKE QUILTERS NEWS

January 2024



A WORD (OR TWO) FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Happy New Year!

January is traditionally a time for **Review, Reflection and Resolutions** and thus as we approach the second month of 2024 (already – wow), look back with gratitude and REVIEW just a few of the great things LQG did in 2023...

Last Year

- Our Charity committee was reenergized, resulting in over 700 items donated in the surrounding area and beyond...
- Ways & Means contributed over \$1800 to the Treasury –
- The Program committee's activities and programs kept us honing old skills and learning new ones – sometimes in fun ways that encouraged us to interact and get to know one another better...
- Twenty-three members happily stitched to all hours of the night at our Fall Retreat,
- Efforts to reorganize as a 501c3 charitable organization were successful.
- Our quilt show committee has plans and ideas well under way to help make the 2024 show fun and exciting .
- A spectacular raffle quilt was created and now ticket sales efforts are off to a strong start .
- The December Alphabet challenge showcased the creativity and talent of 31+ members and
- The December Holiday Potluck Luncheon capped the year in a most delicious way with a bevy of food that showed at least 40+ members not only can sew – but can cook too 😊

WHAT FUN!

As I REFLECT on all the successes of the year, a common theme presents itself – and that is **TEAMWORK**....so much more was accomplished when we worked together, supporting each other in all these efforts...and it's so much more fun that way!

And thus – as we turn the page to a New Year, with new opportunities for fun and fellowship, RESOLVE to keep the momentum alive! Resolve to get (or stay) involved...There's always room for one more person willing to share time and talents. Working together, we can make 2024 another banner year.

Happy New Year everybody – it's going to be a great one!

Joy Shannahan

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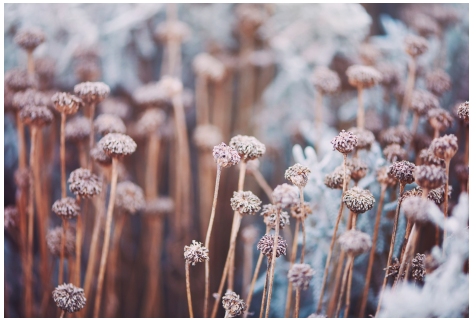
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JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!				BOARD MEETING 1-3pm Moneta Library	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		1-4 PM STITCH & CHAT BEE		10-2 PM KEPT IN STITCHES BEE 10-12 PM SHADY LADIES BEE		
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		1PM River Queen Bee				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
2-5 pm WORKERBEE	9am-3:30 pm BAZAAR BONANZA WORKSHOP	9am-noon Continue Bazaar Workshop 1-3 pm QUILT GUILD MTG				
28	29	30	31			

BUZZING OF THE BEES



Kept in Stitches Bee meets 2nd Thursday at the SML Association Meeting Room (lower level behind Old Oak Café-Rt 616 at Westlake) 10 am - 2 pm. Members work on individual projects as well as charity quilts. Call Bev Seaver (860-573-8798). Bring lunch. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

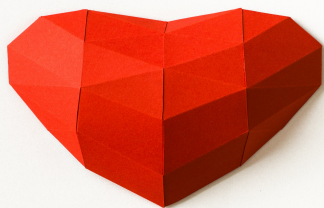
Stitch & Chat Bee meets at the Moneta Library on the first Tuesday of the month from 1-4 pm. NEW MEMBERS are invited to attend for sharing and to help decide on projects (and just plain conversation!!) Cathy Scott is current point of contact (540-882-3828 and email is tcscott1693@gmail.com).

Worker Bee meets at Patmos United Methodist Church, the 3rd Sunday 2-5pm. Working on various charity projects as well as individual projects. NEW MEMBERS and others contact Jan Emerick-Brothers (703-927-1930).

Two of our Bees are full, at this time. But if you want to contact them:

River Queen Bee- Sharon Cullen (540-798-3827). **Shady Ladies Bee**- Nadine Smith (540-721-5054)

If you have any updates or changes for the above, contact *Judy Edgeworth*:
Jedgeworth49@gmail.com or 540-588-0719



LQG 34TH ANNIVERSARY

During Our February meeting we will have CAKE and a beverage to celebrate our 34th anniversary!!

We hope to see everyone at our FEBRUARY meeting!!



2024 CHALLENGE

2024 Challenge is a 14"X14" wall hanging in colors from the piece of candy you have taken from the "Guild Challenge Candy Bag", two or more colors from the wrapper must be used and any other colors you may want to include.

This must be completed by the Dec. luncheon and submitted by **11:15** that morning.

Contact Sharon Cullen (SharonKCullen@gmail.com) with any questions

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

June Surface 2/16

Suzanne Brehm 2/22

Jackie Hodgson 2/25

Cindy Holland 2/26

Sue Whitney 2/27

Maxine Edwards 2/29



SUNSHINE UPDATE

At year end, we sent greetings and best wishes to JAN EMERICK-BROTHERS who missed our luncheon due to ill health. We sent "thinking of you" wishes to KAY MCKOY, and get-well greetings following their respective surgeries to VERONICA CHURCH and JOANNE HOUP. In early January 2024, we sent a get well message to Linda Burke, who suffered a fall on Christmas eve.

Happy or sad, please request a card from the guild for any member by either texting or phoning Ruthe at 203-645-7030 or emailing her at rploskunyak@outlook.com



2023 CHARITY REPORT

2023 was a very successful year for the Guild's charity work! Over 1,200 items were donated throughout the year – all thanks to your hard work making the various items for donation. The attached year-end report provides additional information about the various types of items that have been donated.

Our plan for 2024 is to provide information each month about what is needed based on feedback we receive from the various charitable organizations. Our current understanding is that the following items are needed:

- Nursing Homes need the small lap quilts.
- Foster Care and Domestic Shelters need single and double quilts.

And it's always a good time to make stockings and ornaments in preparation for next holiday season!

We have volunteers who make the deliveries; however, If you deliver any quilts or quilt items, please be sure to complete the LQG Charity Delivery Form and provide it to Cheryl Nylund so that we can track all donated items. The form may be found on www.lakequilters.org under the Community Service tab.

Thanks again for helping the Guild to reach such impressive charitable contributions. Here's to even more charitable donations in 2024!

(Chart Showing What Was Donated is on the Next Page)

Lake Quilters Guild 2023 Year End Charity Report

Donation	Qtr 1 (Jan-Mar)	Qtr 2 (Apr-Jun)	Qtr 3 (Jul-Sep)	Qtr 4 (Oct-Dec)	TOTAL
Bags of Hope			35	158	193
Bears/Owls			80		80
Bedspreads			2		2
Bibs			8		8
Curtains			6	4	10
Ditty Bags	18				18
Hand Roll			1		1
Lap Quilts	1		16	2	19
NICU Hearts		176	143		319
Ornaments				75	75
Pet Beds			26	25	51
Pillowcases	41		14	17	72
Quilts - Baby			24	58	82
Quilts – Single/Twin	12	2	37	11	62
Quilts - Double		1			1
Quilts – Fidget				17	17
Star Tree Topper				1	1
Stockings				117	117
Totes/Wheelchair			29	25	54
Walker Bags				16	16
Wash Cloths			29		29
Yoyo Garland				1	1
TOTAL ITEMS	72	179	450	527	1,228

Quilts and Quilt Items were donated to the following organizations:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bedford County Animal Shelter • Bedford Domestic Shelter • Bedford Hospice • Bedford Humane Society • Carilion Franklin Hospital ER • Carilion Hospice • Carilion Hospital NICU - Roanoke • Chemawa Indian School • Children’s Hospital NICU – Dallas TX 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family Resource Center • Franklin County Hospice • Franklin County Humane Society • Franklin County Perinatal Clinic • Franklin Health Center • Moneta/SML Library • Loudoun County (Northern Virginia) Teachers Making Tracks for Relay for Life • Roanoke Memorial Emergency Room • Rocky Mount Health & Rehab
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Hi Quilters – **Happy New Year!** Here's a couple of interesting quilty things you might enjoy:

Mancuso Quilt Shows

The Virtual Quiltfest online quilting and textile arts seminars will continue in 2024.

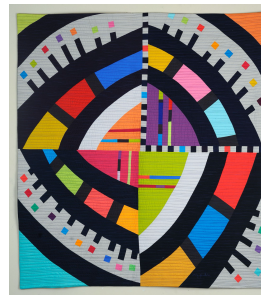
For more information, please visit:

<https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/quiltfest-virtual-schoolhouse-5/>

Virginia Quilt Museum www.vaquiltmuseum.org

Abstractions in Color by Cindy Grisdela Exhibit Dates: January 9, 2024 through March 30, 2024

This exhibit features a range of Cindy's abstract designs throughout her career. She creates her work free hand on the sewing machine without computer programming, so no two pieces are ever exactly alike. She hopes to reinforce the concept of the quilt as art that belongs on the wall, exploring color, line, and shape in the same way as a painter, with the added textural dimension unique to quilting.



The Quilting and Needle Art Extravaganza – January 26 and 27, 2024

This show attracts quilters and knitters from all over the Piedmont of North Carolina.

Small town America at its best - shop, eat, plan, and create all in one place!

Admission is \$5, and information may be found at www.quiltersgallery.net

COMMUNICATIONS CORNER CONTINUED...



Shady Valley Festival of Quilts, Shady Valley, TN – April 12 & 13, 2024

Bev Seaver received an invitation for the Lake Quilters Guild to participate in the first ever Shady Valley Festival of Quilters! You may submit a quilt, purchase a ticket, be a vendor or sponsor, or provide a donation. Entry fee for quilts is \$10/each, and entry forms must be submitted by February 10, 2024.

Accepted quilts must be submitted by March 1, 2024.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Tammy Love at 407-575-7703.

The Virginia Consortium of Quilters - CELEBRATION! 2024 - April 18-21, 2024

A 3-day workshop and retreat at the Skelton 4-H Center at Smith Mountain Lake.
See the CELEBRATION! 2024 brochure at www.vcq.org

*You are never too old to set another goal,
or to dream a new dream.” - c.s. Lewis*

A Note from the Editor

I hope you are enjoying the January issue of the newsletter! If you have thoughts or suggestions, I would appreciate your feedback.

Please reach out to me at Wandalou.wg@gmail.com

Thank you and happy quilting!

Wanda

PS: If you can help with Newsletter in March, let me know.





QUILT SHOW 2024

Your [Quilt Show Committee](#) is busy moving forward with planning and crafting with you. Here's our update on progress:

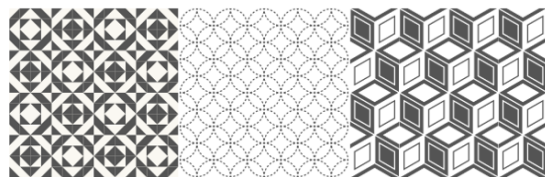
We are happy to announce that registration forms became available in December. We wanted to make sure you could review submission criteria before planning your quilt. The form is on the LQG WEBSITE under the Quilt Show section.

All bees are contributing items for a fundraising basket and the Quilt Show will be able to offer three baskets on each day. Thank you for your help and creativity!

Members will begin making items for our Boutique this month and Cindy Holland will be collecting your donations each month at the general guild meetings. Your generosity and talents are much appreciated!



Boutique Idea of the Month



In preparation for the boutique at the upcoming Quilt Show, we are introducing an “idea/project” of the month. The project for January is a cover for a composition book. (Directions available at the January Sew Day ([Jan 22-See Programs](#))). It does not have to be done in January. You have until JUNE. We have two volunteers for the February idea, which will be presented in January. [See Instructions on next page.](#)

If you have a project/idea, please contact me: [Sue Wilson: suefredwilson@iCloud.com](mailto:suefredwilson@iCloud.com). And let me know what month you want to sign up for. THIS IS NOT TEACHING –JUST AN IDEA AND INSTRUCTIONS.

JANUARY PROJECT OF THE MONTH- NOTEBOOK WITH PEN POCKET

All seam allowances ½ inch! You need one black and white composition pad – check sizing before final step.

CUTTING

One piece 27" x 11 ¼" of exterior fabric and lining fabric (watch direction 11 ¼" is vertical)

OPTIONAL fusible fleece one piece 15" x 11"

Pockets – 2 pieces each: 2 ¼" x 6 ½" and 5 1/2" x 6 ½" (watch direction 6 ½" is vertical)

Tie- one piece 2" x WOF (I cut mine 1 ½" as I felt 2" was too wide for a tie.)

Exterior & Lining: (if using fusible, fuse to wrong side of exterior fabric first, centering as it is smaller)

Place exterior and lining pieces RST, pin, sew with ½" seam, backstitch beginning and end, leaving 4" open on the long side to turn, turn, and clip corners & press seam edges flat.

Press well, top stitch ¼" from each of the short ends. (Decorative stitch looks pretty) Use matching thread.

POCKETS

Place pocket pieces RST, sew ½" around, leave 2" opening on long side for turning, backstitch at beginning and end to secure, turn, clip corners, press seam edges flat (including opening). Top stitch ¼" from the top edge of each pocket

Watch fabric direction. be sure the top opening is at the top of any design pattern.

TIE

Fold tie with wrong sides together, press with steam to form good crease line, fold each end in toward the wrong side approximately ½", fold each long end in to meet the center fold, press well with stem, fold in half again, edge stitch 1/8" around the entire tie. (I tried for a third line of stitching down the middle, but it was too small)

ASSEMBLY –All Measurements are from the right-hand side with exterior facing up.

Place cover piece facing you. Place pen pocket 1 ½" from the bottom edge and 10 ½" from the **right** edge

Place inner pocket 1" from the bottom and ½" from the **right** edge of the cover

Pin pockets in place, stitch three sides of pockets, leaving the top open, backstitch start and end (I used a stretch stitch for strength)

PLACING THE TIE

Measure 14" from the **RIGHT** edge and up 5 1/8" from the bottom edge, mark, fold tie in half, place the center of tie on the mark and stitch across the width of the tie several times (I used the stretch stitch to secure)

COMPLETING

Turn the cover over so the lining is facing you. Fold in each short end 5 ½" toward the lining along the upper and lower edges (**I pinned and tested the size to make sure it fit the composition notebook as I found they are not all exactly the same**) Pin ensuring that the flap does not show on the front... If too small, make rear flap smaller. (I had to fold at 5") or trim notebook.

Insert notebook and tie shut.

Any questions call Sue Wilson 540-296-4222



LAKE QUILTERS GUILD 2024 MEMBERSHIP FORM

This form is required to renew your membership each year.

Dues for this year are \$30. (At-large membership \$20; defined as former member or individual interested in LQG but unable to attend meetings; wants to receive newsletter and/or participate in bees)

Please make checks payable to LAKE QUILTERS GUILD and mail to: Ms. Beverly Seaver, 3310 Lakewood Forest Road, Moneta VA 24121

Name (please print) _____

Phone () _____

Birthday ____ (month) ____ (day)

Address _____

City _____ ZIP _____

Email Address _____

Renewal Membership _____ At-Large Membership _____ New Membership _____

Please take a moment to answer the following questions (please continue on the back, if needed):

- 1) What do you like to quilt/sew? (Ex: pieced, applique, modern, small, art quilts, etc.)
- 2) What suggestions do you have for the Guild leadership team? How can we help you feel like a valued member of our Guild?
- 3) What types of programs/workshops would you like the Guild to offer?
- 4) Are you available to teach a workshop or provide a program for the Guild? If yes, please provide a description.
- 5) Are you available to serve on a committee? Check all that are of interest.

Charity	Beekeeper	Challenge	Block of the Month
Hospitality	Newsletter	Nominations	Programs
Sunshine	Ways & Means	Website	Quilt Show
Retreat			

- 6) Do you belong to one of the Bees? If not, are you interested in joining a Bee?

Additional Comments and Suggestions:

Thanks for being part of the Lake Quilters Guild at Smith Mountain Lake

Membership Only: Date Rec'd _____

Check # _____

Cash _____



JANUARY

Monday 22 **9 am to 3:30 pm** **WORKSHOP: Bazaar Boutique**

The Quilt Show Committee has planned a Boutique as a fun way to raise some funds. A Bazaar Bonanza table is planned with bazaar type items for sale, i.e. potholders, placemats, bowl koozies etc.

- We will have some donated fabric available, but you may want to bring your own (reduce your stash).
- Patterns for some items will be available, or bring a favorite pattern you would like to use.

COME PREPARED TO MAKE ITEMS FOR SALE WHILE HAVING FUN WITH YOUR FELLOW GUILD MEMBERS!!

-YOU are welcome to make items at home and donate to THE QUILT SHOW Bazaar Bonanza Table!

Tuesday 23 **9 am - Noon** **Continue Workshop**

1 – 3 pm **Meeting** ***WHAT'S NEW FOR 2024***

FEBRUARY

Monday 19 **9 am to 3:30 pm** **WORKSHOP: Charity Sew In**

This year the Charity Sew-In will be a two-day event focusing on Stockings and Quilt Tops. Patterns and pre-cut fabric will be available for making Stockings. There will also be a teamwork event to create as many quilt tops as possible using the 3-yard packages of fabric from Charity plus any fabric you'd like to bring.

Tuesday 20 **9 am - Noon** **Continue Workshop**
1 - 3:00 pm **Meeting** ***CHARITY SEWING***



MARCH

Monday 18 **9 am - 3:30 pm** **WORKSHOP: Small Bag Construction with Nadine Smith**

Cost: **\$5.00**

Material list:

Main Fabric 1 yard

Lining Fabric 1 yard

Focus Fabric 2 different fabrics 12x12 pieces for flap.

- Soft/Stable-18x24

- D rings (2) 1" for strap

- Velcro 5/8" x 2" outside pocket

- Fusible Interfacing - 2 pieces 12x12 light to medium weight

- Swivel hooks (2) 1" for straps

- Button optional for front flap

- Slider 1" optional for strap

- Magnetic snap 3/2" optional

Note: *Nadine* will have a sample at Jan and Feb meetings so you can ask questions and observe how these items are used in making the purse.

Tuesday 19 **9 am - Noon** **Continue Workshop**

1 pm - 3 pm **Meeting** Show off our purses.

APRIL

Monday 18 **9 am to 4 pm** **WORKSHOP: Twisted with Mary Kerr, AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser**

Ms. Kerr also lectures, teaches workshops, and is an author and curator.

The cost of the *WORKSHOP is **\$50.00** and **sign-up is required**. We will learn how to use pieces of old quilts or orphan squares in contemporary patterns. **If you desire a kit the cost is \$30.00. (You must indicate this at sign up so sufficient kits will be available!)**

Tuesday 19 **9 am - Noon** **Quilt Evaluations – by appointment**

Ms. Kerr will be available, by appointment, to evaluate quilts for information or for insurance purposes. She will meet with clients starting at 9:30. We will maintain a time schedule starting at 9:30. Cost is **\$25.00** for verbal evaluation and **\$75.00** for a written appraisal. Now is the time to have that cherished vintage quilt evaluated.

1 pm – 3 pm **Meeting**

Ms. Kerr will be speaking about using vintage quilts and orphan blocks to make contemporary quilts and she will have examples to show and display.

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For Sale

Bernina 180 offered for \$500 (LQG price)

My Bernina 180, which sews and embroiders well, is up for grabs to a LQG member for \$500.00. You'll see it on FB Marketplace currently priced at \$650.00. Go there for additional photos and please call me with questions at: 203-645-7030. Ruthe Ploskunyak



Did you know?

As a member of our Guild, you may place a *For Sale* ad in our monthly newsletter for your quilt or craft related hardware.

Ads are free to members and will appear in the newsletter for three months but can be renewed upon request. You may include a photo.

Email your ads to the Editor at Wandalou.wg@gmail.com

WORD format only, please

Photos in JPG

FOLLOWING ARE THE MOST RECENT MINUTES:

End of Year: November 30, 2023

January 2024

LQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES –November 28, 2023

ATTENDEES:

- Joy Shannahan, Membership and President-elect
- Fran Strumph – Secretary
- Janet Webster – Publicity and Quilt Show
- Jackie Hodgson – Newsletter
- Arlene Blackburn
- Jackie Hodgson
- Bev Seaver – Membership shadow
- Wanda Green – Newsletter
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Meeting was called to order at 1:05pm by Joy Shanahan.

President's Report

- The Guild made 80 ornaments for the Bedford Hospice and Bedford Welcome Center.
- LQG business cards have been made and were distributed.
- Dottie Wilson agreed to induct officers at the holiday luncheon on December 13.
- There was a misunderstanding with Bethlehem UMC about building fees, but this has been straightened out. The board will meet, when possible, at the SML Moneta library. The library takes reservations for only 3 months in advance, so this may change. There is no cost to hold meetings at the library.

Newsletter

- Wanda Green has agreed to take over the newsletter. Her daughter has helped with a new design, that includes a calendar, so that all dates are on one page. Ideally, we would like to do without a newsletter, and put all information on the website, but that is not currently possible, without a members' only portal.
- Joy will send out an e-blast in place of a newsletter in December, and Wanda will try to do January's newsletter.
- We will look for a co-editor of the newsletter to serve as backup (and assistant) for Wanda.
- May explore using Google Docs, so that the editing can be shared.
- We will have a strategy session in the future to re-vamp the newsletter.

Meeting Dates 2023

- With the exception of the January meeting, all board meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of the month, probably at the SML Moneta Library, but will have to confirm. The January board meeting will be on January 5 at the library.
- General guild meetings will be all held at the Water Authority on the third Tuesday, except January 22-23.

Secretary's Report – none

Membership Report

- Bev reported that there are 76 members, including business members.

- Renewals are coming in for next year. She will have a table at our holiday luncheon.
- Our “Meet the Member” feature will continue in the newsletter, perhaps with some fun new twists.
- More information will be given to new members but we are not going back to previous packets.
- Bev received an invitation for us to participate in a quilt show in Shady Valley, TN. Janet will put in publicity.

Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales

- Sales are going well. We still need to distribute tickets to all members – Fran emailed those who had not picked up their tickets on Monday, and has gotten a few replies.
- There will be a table set up at the luncheon to continue handing out tickets, take money and sold tickets.
- We need a person who will spearhead setting up dates and places to sell at various locations around the lake. Joy will send this request out in an e-blast after the luncheon (Fran will provide her with a blurb).
- If we plan on selling at the Hampton show or QuiltCon coming up at the end of February/beginning of March, we need to set that up and staff the table. Fran is probably not going to go to either show, so we need someone to take this on. Joy will include this in her e-blast.

Raffle Quilt 2026

- Ann Swank and Cindy Holland agreed to lead this effort for our 2026 quilt show. Joy has a Judy Neimeyer pattern that may work for this quilt.

Treasurer’s Report

- No report, as Veronica is having surgery.
- Income and expenses for the raffle quilt ticket sales will be reported in 2024, since that is when our budget begins.

Holiday Luncheon

- We have the Water Authority space all day on the 13th. Set up will be starting at 10am, doors open at 11:30, and lunch will follow at noon.
- Program committee will help with the setup.
- Fran will bring the Raffle Quilt to display, Arlene will bring the display frame.

Programs Report

- January program will be making items for our Boutique for the quilt show.
- We may combine item-making with our Block of the Month program – Sue Wilson may lead this.
- Kari Sebens suggested some fun short things to do at programs, e.g., 10-day challenge, folding quilts, etc. She will lead this.
- Arlene Blackburn told us about “Operation Kid Comfort” – a program that makes small quilts for children whose parents are deployed. Arlene knows the founder. The Quilt Show with Ricky Tims and Alex Anderson want to do a segment on the organization. There is a backlog of quilts needed, so Arlene suggested. That we do a sew day to help with the backlog and organization will take some video of us in the background while we sew. This would be scheduled on a random day, i.e., not on our regular meeting dates, and we could open it up to other guilds in the area. Arlene will lead this, and could be great publicity before our quilt show.

Charity Report

- Katherine Lewis is moving to Roanoke and will no longer be able to lead our charity efforts. We will need a new chair.
- There is a need for more comprehensive and concise information given to members – perhaps a presentation.
- Janet volunteered to give a presentation at the January meeting.
- We need to find out from Katherine what she still has to deliver, who has what, etc.
- Storage space is not adequate – we will need to discuss in the near future whether our storage space is adequate.

Overall, the board agreed that we need to have a strategy session to discuss who we are as a guild, where we are going, and what needs to be changed. Janet and Joy will take this on for the January meeting.

Quilt Show Report

- We have more space at our new venue, which translates into more quilts. The church will have final say on which quilts are “appropriate” to the church’s guidelines.
- There will be tables and vendors. Booths will be \$50 for a 10’x10’ size, and \$75 for a 10’x20’ booth. The committee is working on food vendors. Ann Swank is sending letters to potential vendors (food and otherwise).
- Budget has been worked and re-worked. Included in the income is income from the raffle quilt.
- VA Register publication will have two ads this year.
- Boutique sales – when the budget was drafted, it was with the idea that sales from this area would be from commissions, but as plans have been made within the guild to make items as a whole to sell, the boutique sales total should increase.

Publicity

- Janet is testing advertisers on the website.
- She is also clarifying whether we need to charge VA sales tax on items sold.

Hospitality

- Our annual Christmas Luncheon, on Wednesday, December 13th.
- The committee is providing drinks out of pocket, but should be encouraged to submit receipts to be reimbursed.

Challenge

- Sharon Cullen, Jan Brockman, and Diana Barrett will head this up.

Retreat – [need a committee chair](#)

Bee Report

- Judy Edgeworth has agreed to be our new beekeeper.

VA Quilt Museum

- The board approved our \$100 donation (Fran made the motion, Bev seconded, and all agreed).

[All job descriptions need to be updated in 2024.](#)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm

LQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES – January 5, 2024

ATTENDEES:

- Joy Shannahan - President
- Fran Strumph – Secretary, Raffle Quilt
- Janet Webster – Publicity and Quilt Show
- Wanda Green – Newsletter
- Arlene Blackburn – President-elect
- Veronica Church - Treasurer
- Bev Seaver – Membership
- Jackie McKeown – Raffle Quilt
- Peg Gorman – Raffle Quilt
- Ann Swank – Quilt Show
- Jan Emerick-Brothers – Past President
- Flo Hayes – Programs
- Sharon Cullen – Challenge 2024

Meeting was called to order at 12:55pm by Joy Shannahan.

Committee Reports:

Secretary's Report- None

Treasurer's Report - Veronica

- Veronica presented the 2023 budget vs. actual reports.
- We ended the year with a balance of \$8696.94.
- Veronica sent a \$100 donation to the VA Quilt Museum, and paid our SMAC membership fee of \$25.
- SMAC has a spring event in May and Veronica reserved the Guild a table to sell raffle tickets.
- Retreat deposit of \$100 has been paid to the 4-H Center and Veronica will sign the contract soon. The retreat still needs a chairperson, or we cannot have the retreat. We will reach out again in the newsletter for volunteers. Retreat dates are Oct. 23-27.
- 2024 budget doesn't include income projections for the Quilt show or the raffle quilt. Those committees will get this information to Veronica.
- Certificate of Insurance will be sent to Eastlake church for the show.
- All information on donations to charitable organizations needs to be sent to Veronica for her 501c3 records.

President's Report - Joy

- Jan Emerick-Brothers will be in charge in February and March, while Joy is out of town.

President-Elect – Arlene

- The financial review committee will complete its work by March board meeting.
- Flo Hayes will work with Arlene on review; one more person is needed.

Membership – Bev

- There are 41 renewed members as of today.
- We keep people active until the February guild meeting.

Programs – Flo

- Flo is sending out the contract to Mary Kerr in today's mail. Mary charges a flat fee per session vs. per person. The programs committee will charge a \$50 fee/person for the workshop, and if money is left over after paying Mary, this money will go into the treasury. If we don't have enough people signed up 30 days prior, the workshop will be cancelled.
- Julia Quiltoff has not gotten back to Flo for the May program, but Flo has another idea that the committee is working on for May.
- August program will be Methods of Applique, taught in house, and participants will have a project completed when finished.
- The committee has decided to charge a \$5 fee for in house workshops, so that people are more invested in attending.
- Will be opening up workshops to outside people and charging a bit more for those participants.
- Joy will reach out to Kari Sebens to remind her about small activities to do at guild meetings.
- Sue Wilson is getting people lined up to present monthly projects for the Boutique – "Idea of the Month".

Charity – Janet

- 2023 report is not finalized yet.
- Have a Charity committee: Patti Lively is chair, and will quilt items; Janet is co-chair; Cheryl Nylund is record-keeper.
- Still need more accurate records – this is especially needed for 501 3c records.

Publicity/Web/501c3 – Janet

- Will have a web payment due in March
- Janet has received our VA sales tax exemption number. This is for the guild to not have to pay sales taxes on things we buy.
- We must collect sales tax on Boutique items – this must be added to the price at time of purchase.

Hospitality – Marion not here, Joy reporting

- Marion will stay on the committee.
- There will be a cake for our February meeting.

Challenge – Sharon

- The 2024 challenge will be to make a 14" x 14" wall hanging using 2 or more of the colors of a candy wrapper that you will pick.

Newsletter

- Wanda is committing to the newsletter for one year, and then will re-evaluate.
- The newsletter will have some changes to it, which are currently being decided.
- Business meeting minutes from November will be included in this month's newsletter; December (November 28) and January minutes will be linked on the website.
- Many things (e.g., forms) can be linked to the website from the newsletter.
- Still need back-up committee and strategy session on communications.

Bees – Judy Edgeworth not present

Ways and Means – June Surface not present

Quilt Show – Ann Swank

- The committee is working on the sales tax issue.
- They have an updated budget.
- Working on the Boutique.
- There will be a \$10 admission fee to the show.
- Raffle basket tickets will be \$1 each or 6/\$5.
- Working on flyers and publicity. The show will be advertised in the VA Register twice.
- Cindy Holland is collecting Boutique items.

Old Business

Strategy Session – Janet and Joy

- Janet and Joy showed the presentation that they will make to guild members in January regarding the future of the Guild – what is working, and what could be improved, as well as new ideas. Then Jan and Veronica will present the findings from the January meeting at the February guild meeting.

Operation Kid Comfort – Arlene

- The date of this event will need to be changed to Wednesday March 6th (rather than the 7th) – will have to confirm with the Water Authority Building. This is because Facebook Live only broadcasts on Monday and Wednesday for The Quilt Show. More details to come.

Raffle Quilt – Fran, Peg, and Jackie

- The money raised from the raffle quilt will be used for charitable purposes, as designated on the flyer.
- CS Threadz has a “yard sale” event in May, we will reserve a table to sell tickets.
- The committee will address these things at the guild meeting: Money used for charitable purposes, need to sell tickets, people should turn in their money as they get it, update on sales to date, and we need a person to help coordinate local sales events.

Storage Unit

- We need to decide if we want to increase the size of our storage unit, which is completely full.
- Climate-controlled unit would double our cost.
- This item tabled until after the Quilt Show.

Job Revisions are due by April to Joy

New Business

Membership

- Janet will get Bev a new member packet from another guild. Bev is trying to decide what we need to give to new members.
- Need our brochure revised.

CORE Events – Jan Emerick-Brothers

- Jan has confirmed these CORE events:
 - o May 4 – May basket block at the SML library at 12:30.
 - o Nov 2 – Friendship star blocks or Crazy Quilt Blocks at SML library.
 - o June 13 – batik fabric using crayons.

- This is tentative: Sept 5th – Mini barn quilts (tentative)
- An April GSD (Get S*** Done) day at the Saunders fire hall. Jan made a motion for approval, Veronica seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Jan is also thinking of planning a limo field trip to the VA Quilt Museum with side trips to a winery or two. TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm.

