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### Virginia Quilt Museum Christmas Ornaments Update

A huge thank you to all the quilters who made and mailed Christmas ornaments to the Quilt Museum! Your generosity and creativity is greatly appreciated. We received over 150 ornaments for the Christmas in July Contest. They were all sizes, up to 6 inches, some embellished with beads and buttons, all very unique.

The ornaments were displayed in the lower level of the Museum until October 15 when the votes made by visitors were counted. The ornament made by Jan Hood of Woodstock, VA, had the highest number of votes and won first place. She won a \$25 gift certificate to be redeemed in the Museum Gift Shop. The creations of Patricia Bender from Shipman, VA and Loreen Ellis from Herndon VA tied for second place. They each received a \$15 gift certificate. Third place and a \$10 gift certificate went to Betty Marshall of Barboursville, VA.

Many of these Christmas ornaments had “sold” tags on them before they were moved to the gift shop. Visitors are very excited about buying such beautiful handmade in the USA gifts and decorations. All the money from the sale of the ornaments will be used to support the Museum.

As you see ideas, fabric and notions on sale and make you own ornaments this year, set aside one or two for next year’s Christmas in July at the Virginia Quilt Museum! Visitors will be asking for them next year.

Josephine Millett, Chairman of the Museum Shop Committee