

# Lake Quilters' Tidings





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## Ripples From Our President

By Sharon Pafford

Special thanks to Sandy Horan, Kate Holdgreve, Marcia Wright, Jean Hensley, Melissa Hizy, Sandra Ferguson, Eloise Vass and Katy Sulzman for sharing their Wearable Arts for a display at the Franklin County Library. The librarians said there were wonderful comments. There were even inquiries about whether any of them were for sale. I have them at the meeting today for return to their owners.



Special thanks to Sarah Baskett, Katy Sulzman, Marcia Wright, Kate Holdgreve, Jean Hensley, and Eloise Vass for sharing their quilting tools, miniature quilts, embellished wallhangings, antique blocks, post cards, fabric balls and a child's sewing machine for the display at the Moneta Library celebrating National Quilting Month. I heard lots of comments about this display. Maybe this will be an annual exhibit.

Our challenge quilts are now on exhibit at the Franklin County Library for the month of April. The librarians had a fun time guessing the song titles and they didn't even have a list to pick from. On May 14 we will share them with the Newcomers. I plan to return the challenge quilts to the owners at the May meeting. Thanks so much for allowing your quilt to be on this traveling exhibit.

I got a wonderful surprise this month when two members of our guild volunteered to be our Co-Chairwomen for our **Quilt Show 2008.** Joyce Moorman and Joyce Noell are these wonderful ladies. Hear more about the upcoming Quilt Show at our April 24 meeting. The new 2007 rules for use of TEP facilities will affect our show. They are listed below:

- (1) TEP does not allow commercial entities, including groups of artisans, to use TEP premises to promote, market, or sell products.
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**Reminder:** Due to Trinity Ecumenical Parish (TEP) having their Bible School during the last week of June, our June 26 meeting will be held at the Hales Ford Baptist Church, our previous meeting site on Route 122.

Sharon Pafford, President

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Have a Happy Mother's Day!

#### NEXT MEETING May 22

Trinity Ecumenical Parish

QIY-12 noon
Guild meeting 1:00 PM

Board Meeting, May 4 9:30 a.m. Janie Lawless's

## Program Information by Bette Stubbs

#### **Monthly Doings**

#### **MAY**

Representatives from **Creative Stitches** in Lynchburg will discuss sewing machine maintenance, needles, thread and stabilizers. Creative Stitches runs the "buy one package of Schmetz needles and get the second package free" ads in our newsletter. If you wish to bring your coupons and let one of the program chairs know if you want a particular Schmetz needle, they can have them at the meeting for you. You can also call Creative Stitches at (434) 385-4134.

#### **JUNE**

**Susan Brittingham** is well known for her landscape quilts and for her ability to show depth and distance in a quilt. Her work has been showcased in <u>Quilter's Newsletter Magazine</u> and her quilts have won many awards. Susan teaches a variety of classes at Quilt University, including flower quilts, illusion quilts, machine applique quilts and embellishment quilts.

Susan will teach a workshop class June 26, 2007 on Upside Down Machine Applique. Students will choose from a small hummingbird pattern or a tulip pattern. The workshop begins at 9:00 a.m. and continues until noon at Hales Ford Baptist Church. In this class students learn a new machine applique technique that is easy and accurate achieve perfect shapes and accurate placement of all your applique elements, no matter how small or complex. To see samples of the project, please visit <a href="http://www.sbrittingham.freeservers.com/upside-down.htm">http://www.sbrittingham.freeservers.com/upside-down.htm</a>.

#### SUPPLY LIST

#### <u>Hummingbird pattern</u>

- 12 1/2" square (or larger) background of printed or hand dyed fabric conveying sky
- 1/8 yard dark green or other color for hummingbird body, small pieces of red, purple or other colors for throat and head, dark gray for a beak and eye, plus small pieces of one or more sheer fabrics that go well with your hummingbird colors
- fat quarters or small amounts of several shades of blue, periwinkle, lavender and purple, plus several shades of (Continued on page 4)

**WEATHER CANCELLATION** notice of guild meetings can be found on Roanoke's NBC TV station WSLS Channel 10. Or visit the WSLS website and click on "weather closings." Bette Stubbs (721-4858) 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 **Bette Stubbs** at **721.4858** 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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#### **MAY HIGHLIGHTS**

**NEW FABRIC:** Come see Marcus Brothers **Sienna**, Henry Glass **Gentle Bloom**, Michael Miller **"Go Bunny Go"** 

John Deere Teddy Bear on Tractor Panel & Coordinating Print, Patriotic prints, baby prints, butterfly prints, dragonfly prints OH MY!

NEW BOOKS: Quilts of Virginia 1607-1899, Eleanor Burns Egg Money Quilts, Delectable Mountains, Quilts Through the Seasons and Quick Trip Quilt

NEW PATTERN: Stow and Go Quilt Organizer by Janie Lawless

Come quilt with The Girls Down at The General Store

213 Scruggs Rd., Moneta, Virginia 24121 540-721-3009



#### Volunteer Clean-Up Schedule

Greetings, Ladies. Those signed up for clean-up are as follows

April.MayMarcia WrightBernice AlcornPat MohlerShirley GrahamSusan PalmerBetty GrahamSharon ReillyLucy Ricardo

Everyone is doing a great job. I surely appreciate it.

Sandee Burt 297-1884

Be sure to visit our website at <a href="http://www.lakequilters.org">http://www.lakequilters.org</a>
Email additions or questions to <a href="bbull@lakequilters.org">bbull@lakequilters.org</a>

#### **CHARITY PROJECTS**

Charity items distributed since last newsletter:

Carilion Franklin Memorial Hospital 10 bears

Foster Care of Franklin County 10 bears, 10 guilts

Franklin County CASA 10 bears
Franklin County Hospice 10 quilts
Franklin County Family Resource Center 10 bears
Rocky Mount Police 20 bears

Just a reminder...If you're still in the mood for sewing and remember where you put those scraps left over from your Christmas projects...you may want to get a jump on Christmas stockings for Step, Inc. (Head Start of Franklin County). Stockings should be around 15 inches in length and they should **NOT** be filled as empty stockings are preferred.

If you need labels for the charity quilts and teddy bears you've made...they are located in the library cabinet on the left...on the lower left shelf in white and teal plastic boxes.

Thank you for your efforts on the charity projects...they really are very much appreciated by our community!

Your Charity Committee...Irene Capps, Teena Livsey and Sandy Horan

## PROGRAMS-(Cont'd from page 2)

green for leaves and stems for flowers and leaves

#### Tulip pattern

- a 12 1/2" square-(or larger) background fabric, beige, tan or any color that will go with the rest of your fabrics
- fat quarters or small amounts of several green fabrics for leaves and stems and several shades of red, yellow or other colors for the tulip petals

#### For both projects

- threads-a variety of decorative cotton, rayon and metallic threads to match, blend and accent your fabrics
- invisible thread-Sulky polyester invisible thread recommended
- Tear-Easy or other tear away stabilizer
- a pair of small, sharp, pointed scissors
- a fine line blue water soluble marking pen, or permanent marking pen
- basic sewing supplies-pins, scissors, seam ripper
- machine embroidery needles-size 75/11 and 90/14, or sharp machine needles, size 80/12
- sewing machine-clean and in good working order with a darning or quilting foot
- your machine manual, if you aren't thoroughly familiar with free motion stitching
- extra bobbins

#### LOOKING AHEAD-MOUNTAIN COMFORTS QUILT SHOW

By Lucy Ricardo

Mark your calendars! The 34th Blue Ridge Folklife Festival and the 19th Mountain Comforts Quilt show will be held Saturday, October 27, on the campus of Ferrum College. Although the show involves many quilters and sponsors from our region, it is members of the Lake Quilters Guild who provide the major leadership for the show. The move of the show, last year, to the spacious Swartz Gym gave us lots more space, room for more quilts, better display provisions, wide aisles, a volunteer's lounge and space for demos and guild displays.

One improvement (we hope) is permission to open the show earlier, at 9:00 a.m. (For the rest of the Festival the opening time is 10:00 a.m.) There have always been people begging to get in before 10:00 a.m., especially the craft demonstrators, the food vendors and the car show folks. This year they can! Kinza Pickelsimer and Ann Whalen have volunteered to recruit and schedule volunteers to work at the show, replacing Evelyn Decker (who moved back to New Jersey). Another change/improvement: we have contracted with two judges who will work two days-Thursday and Friday, October 18 and 19. We hope this will result in more time for better evaluations-plus more opportunities for volunteers to assist the judges. (Being a judge's helper is the very best learning opportunity-ask anyone who has ever done this!) Sandra Ferguson and Cindy Stachelski will be in charge of the judge's assistants. Mary Ann Spangler is organizing her Bag Ladies to make the totes for the Young Quilters. I will need helpers to make the ribbons and to make the additional back drapes needed for the expanded rack system. Would you like to help?

AND DON'T FORGET TO SAVE ALTOID BOXES TO FILL WITH STUFF FOR THE KIDS!

#### 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:

marniebsml@earthlink.net



**Treasurer's Report -** by Marie Schoepke

ce (2/28/07) \$10246.39

Balance (2/28/07)

March Income

 Dues
 220.00

 National Quilt Day Raffle
 576.00

 National Quilt Day
 2006.00

 Miscellaneous
 76.00

 Total Income
 \$2,878.00

March Expenses

 National Quilt Day
 1793.62

 Rent
 175.00

 Membership
 114.02

 Block of the Month
 60.10

 Miscellaneous
 77.54

 Total Expenses
 (\$2220.28)

Balance (3/31/07) \$10,904.11

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#### 2007 LQG Quilt Challenge

Challenge: Think Outside the Box

Are you thinking outside the box? There are a number of different border treatments shown in our library books which should give you some ideas. Also, be sure to check out the web sites like McCall's Quilting and look through magazines and catalogs. I've gotten a lot of ideas by tweaking patterns I've found in Keepsake Quilting and other catalogs, without buying their patterns.

Your project doesn't have to be large. Some of the smaller wall hangings turn out to have the neatest ideas, as was shown by our collection of song quilts. Keep working. It will be December before we know it. I know everyone will be excited when we display our quilts at the December luncheon.

Sandra Ferguson

#### Ouilt in a Year 2007

This year's project is titled "Celebrating the 400th Anniversary of Jamestown and our State of Virginia." We are leaving the fabric color and print choice up to each quilter. We do suggest that you pick a focus fabric and color before you begin to unify the various blocks. Also, consider using reproduction fabrics to achieve an aged look, but again, it's your choice.

We will be teaching 10 blocks...you may do all of them and have a bed sized quilt or some of them and have a wall hanging. I will be teaching this month's block, a redwork block. Each teacher is making two blocks, one to keep and one to donate for a raffle quilt to benefit our guild. Please keep in mind that we do have our Guild Quilt show in 2008, and it is hoped that many of these projects will be on display. Keep up with your blocks!

Please bring a piece of fabric at least 16" by 20" and you can choose the  $12\ 1/2"$  design or the  $12\ 1/2"$  by  $18\ 1/2"$  design. The larger design will require additional piecing on the sides in order to equal two  $12\ 1/2"$  blocks. I will have both patterns with me on April 24, or if you are having a bee soon, and we can work it out, give me a call and if possible, I will bring them to you. Just think, another technique to learn this year!!!

Susan Palmer 721-5299

#### FEATURED QUILTER OF THE MONTH



Susan Dittler

I have always been drawn to quilts, as they look so warm, comforting and inviting. Not knowing of any quilters in my family, I figured if I ever wanted a quilt of my own, I would have to learn to make one. I bought a book, made a simple quilt for my son's bed, and was hooked. That was probably around 1988. When my husband was at sea for 9 months while in the navy, I kept myself busy by quilting. By then, I had found a nearby shop in Chatham, VA where I could take some classes.

We moved to Rocky Mount in 1992 and I started quilting with a group of ladies at my church. After a while life got busy, we moved to Goode, and I didn't have time to quilt. Eventually I joined a bee here at the lake, and unbelievably, I discovered the person guiding the group was none other than my former teacher from Chatham, Ilene Gore! I joined the guild here, and I have been quilting ever since

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#### MEMBERSHIP NEWS

by Janie Lawless

We welcomed three new members to our guild this month: Lois Atkins from Roanoke, Kathy Gunderson from Wirtz and Sunni Swisher from Roanoke. Please be sure to introduce yourself when you see them. We are glad to have them join our guild.

Please be sure to submit any changes on a paper form (available at the sign-in desk). Please submit a form even if you just change your email so we don't have returned emails. Thank you for all your help and patience.

#### **NEW MEMBERS:**

Lois Atkins-

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Kathy Gunderson-

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Sunni Swisher-

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**CHANGES:** 

Karen Arends-kdarends@earthlink.net

#### APRIL FEATURED BEE - by Alma Carter

The Southside Bee is displaying their projects this month on the Bee table. Be sure to check out their lovely works of art and thank them for sharing with us the results of their many talents.

Members of this bee are Irene Capps, Teena Livsey, Melissa Hizy, Betty Hatfield, Barbara Dill, Barbara Armstrong, Sandy Randall, Linda Quinn, Adele Shaffer, Rose Ann Smith and Edythe O'Connell. They meet in the Union Hall area on the 2nd Thursday of each month, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Contact Sandy Randall (576-2982 daytime only) for meeting place information.

This diversified group of quilters made a quilt for children called "Critters" and donated it to the Franklin County Library in Rocky Mount. It hangs in the children's section of the library. They also made a quilt depicting the Under Ground Railroad and donated it to the Booker T. Washington Museum. Featured today is their most recent charity quilt which was made for the Glade Hill Rescue Squad for the Squad to use as a raffle quilt fund raiser.

Recently some of their members attended the Patches and Pieces Quilt Show in Lynchburg, and several members attended the Shop Hop. They make baby quilts and bears and work on individual projects. We will look forward to seeing many of their quilts in our next quilt show.

#### LQG MISSION STATEMENT

Dedicated to the art and joy of quilting, exchange of ideas, making items for charity and appreciating each other's work. Monthly newsletter, workshops, demonstrations, and guest speakers enhance our craftsmanship and knowledge.

#### **Please Turn Off Cell Phones During Programs**

If you have a sewing, quilting or embroidery item for sale, call Marnie Brush at 540.721.4390 or email at

marniebsml@earthlink.net. Include all pertinent information regarding the item(s) as well as condition, price, your name and a contact phone and email. Your ad will be placed (space available) in the newsletter.

**REMINDER-**When donating fabrics or charity quilts please remember to make sure that household pets (cats, especially) have not been sitting on the fabrics or quilts. Many individuals are highly allergic to cats and this can cause a very serious situation for the unsuspecting recipient of these items.



Cathy Fandel 1164 Dry Hill Road Ferrum, VA 24088 (540) 365-7430

TRINITY CHURCH requires all groups to clean up any portion of the church used, including the restrooms. Please do your share at the end of each meeting ...rack your chair. Look around and help clean our space, such as by removing trash from the building.



#### **RICKY TIMS OUILT SEMINAR**

Lake Quilters Guild has agreed to be a promotional partner for the upcoming **Ricky Tims Super Quilt Seminar** to be held in Richmond this July. Along with Tims, Alex Anderson and Libby Lehman will be featured speakers. The two and a half day seminar includes sessions on a variety of exciting topics, a quilt show and a concert. Don't miss this opportunity to hear and learn from these master quilting teachers. Flyers with additional info are available on the front table at our meeting.



#### **Bits & Pieces**

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Sandy Horan has 22 wooden quilt pins left for sale from the National Quilting Day Celebration. Cost is \$8 each. Please see Sandy if you'd like to purchase one.

Judi Byrd, who was president of the Lake Quilters Guild in our early years, has, sadly, developed some very serious medical conditions. Judi, a nurse, only recently retired from her full-time profession, and because of work had not been able to continue her membership in the Guild. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers. Should you like to send Judi a card or note, her address is 2828 Lansing Drive SW, Roanoke, VA 24015.

FOR MEMBERS you know who need a bit of cheer, please contact our Sunshine Chair Madeline Demchak at 334-3854 (madal687@charter.net).

#### E-mail Issue of The Lake Tidings Available

To date, over 100 members have signed up for the newsletter by e-mail. You receive your issue prior to the meeting, in color, and print it out right in your own home.

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## Buzzings from the Bees by Alma Carter

THE BUZZIN BEES (Boones Mill) meet at Velma Meador's home (334-1957) 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 (721-6675) 1st Monday of the month, 9:30 to 11:30 am. Beginning quilting will be their focus. They will display in May.

THE HARDY BEE meets at **Dot Jackson's** home (721-4859) the **2nd Monday** of the month, 9:30 am until 11:30 am. Various charity projects are being made by this more advanced quilting group. March project is chenille scarves. Will display in August.

**KEPT IN STITCHES** (*Hillcrest Heights*) meets at **Alma Carter's** home (**721-5671**) **1st & 3rd Thursday 10:00 am to ???** Projects in progress: Quilt in a Year blocks and learning new techniques.. This bee 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 (576-2082)** for meeting info. New "worker bee" members welcome.

THE MATERIAL GIRLS meet the first & third Tuesday of the month, from 9:30-2:30 pm. Call Karen Arends (721-5449) for information. Will display in February.

THE HAPPY HOOPERS meet the third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am. Contact Lucy Ricardo (483-1039). Machine embroidery. Open to new members. This bee will display in November.

STITCHES IN TIME (*Goodview*) Appliqué bee, meets **2nd Tuesday** at **10:00 am.** Call **Kinza Pickelsimer** (**297-4824**) 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 (297-1173) for more info.

NEW-SUNSHINE BEE (White House Corner/Huddleston) meets at Cindy Clark's home (297-0043) 1st Thursday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Bring a bag lunch. Project plans to be made. Open to new members.

**NEW-BLUEWATER BEE** (Moneta) meets at **Marnie Brush's** home (721-4390) **1st Tuesday** from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Projects to include baby and lap quilts for charity and improving quilting techniques. Bring a bag lunch. Open to new members. Will display in July.

NEW-THE BAG LADIES (MARY ANN'S BEE) meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 10:00 am at Mary Ann Spangler's home (297-1335). Open to new members. Will display in June.

The Guild would like each Bee to exhibit some of their work one month during the next year. Call Beekeeper Alma Carter (721-5671) to sign up for a month and to announce any changes for your Bee.

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