

Lake Quilters' Tidings

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Programs and Workshops Teena Livsey and Sharon Reilly

April 24, 2012—Cindy Clark—Expandable Tote workshop 9 to 12 Lecture: *Common problems in quilting and simple solutions*: borders, squaring quilts, etc.

Our April presenter, Cindy Clark, is a current member of the Lake Quilters Guild and has been quilting for 30+ years. Cindy has been machine quilting for ten years. When moving from state to state with her husband, Bob, and children, Andrea and Brian, the first thing she would do after unpacking was find a quilt guild. SML guild is the fourth and largest guild to date; she also leads the Sunshine Bee group monthly. Basically a self-taught quilter, she favors traditional patterns made with new and improved techniques. Teaching quilting, judging at state fairs (by the way, if you win first prize two years in a row, they make you a judge) and working in quilt shops kept her busy over the years.

May 15, 2012—Marianne Beeson—Sashiko—no workshop *Note: This meeting will be the <u>third Tuesday in May.</u>*

Marianne will present a practical lecture on "sashiko". The guild will provide kits for members to follow along during the lecture. Kit will contain needle, thread, stamped fabric. Please bring thimble, 3 inch hoop if you have one, and small scissors.

Add this program to your **2 + 2 Challenge** tool kit. Sashiko is a Japanese technique and thread used in quilting. Usually sashiko thread is a soft, white, thick thread worked in geometric patterns on a dark blue or black background fabric as quilting or embellishment. On page 5 of this newsletter there will be a list of books about this technique.

June 12, 2012—Lori Clayton—Using Specialty Rulers and the Results *Note: This will be the <u>second Tuesday in June.</u> No workshop.*

Join Lori as she introduces us to more rulers and the resulting quilts than you can imagine. This is for all of you "Tool Gals" who **love** new tools!

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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

May 15, 2012

Board Meeting

June 1, 2012

10:00 am Westlake Library

~ Ripples From Our President

Dottie Wilson

Spring Has Sprung

Don't you just love the vivid colors Mother Nature presents to us! They are so in-tune and inspirational for our minds and fingers as we sew each day.

By the time you read this we will have completed another very successful quilt show thanks to Vicki, Lori and their hard working committees. The giraffes were whimsical addition to all the beautiful quilts, wearables, and Bee displays. A great big THANK YOU for a job well done to all who participated. It's not too early to be thinking about our 2014 show. If you and a friend are interested in chairing our next show, now is a perfect time to meet with Vicki and Lori to get all the facts on what is involved.

Be sure to check out our web site and the newsletter for up-coming events in our area.

Celebrate Spring!

Happy Quilting, Dottie

WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

Notice of guild meeting cancellations due to bad weather will be posted on the WSLS website: http://www.wsls.com. Click on "Weather"/"Closings". A link to the WSLS web site can be found at the bottom of the HOME page on our web site (http://www.lakequilters.org)

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.

Membership

Your membership directory was sent to you in March as a pdf for you to print out, save in a folder, or manage for your convenience.

Check with Kathy or Marnie if you do not have access to a computer and printer. They will arrange a printed directory for you.

See page 5 for new member names. They will be listed near the Sunshine column.

Membership Chairs:

Kathy Gunderson 721-0116

Bonnie Campbell 297-6390

Ps...Don't forget your name tags! If you do, see Judy Bukauskas at the sign-in table.

Volunteer Clean-Up

Hospitality Co-Chairs

Jennifer Jones

297-4550

Donna Broomhall

721-3645

2 + 2 = 2012 Quilt Challenge

Now that the 2012 Quilt Show is behind us, start thinking about our challenge. For inspiration, consider our raffle quilt!

The rules are simple:

- 1. Use **two colors** and only two colors of fabric. Different shades of each color are acceptable. **White <u>does</u>** count as one of the colors. So does **black**.
- 2. Incorporate **two quilting techniques** in your project. Techniques include, but are not limited to traditional piecing, paper piecing, applique, thread painting, redwork, embroidery, English paper piecing, etc.

That's it! There are no other rules, so have fun and make the two color quilt that has been on your quilting "bucket list" for so long!

Pat Blice, Challenge Coordinator. Question? Email me at pmblice@gmail.com

Places to go, things to do and see......

May 4 and 5, Spring Fling Shop Hop, from Westlake (General Store and Smith Mountain Lake Quilting) to Boones Mill (Quilt Connection) to Rocky Mount (Crooked Stitch) - More details to follow as an attachment to this newsletter.

June 20—23, Blue Ridge Quilt Festival 2012, Blacksburg High School, Blacksburg, Virginia. For more information, visit our website under Special Events or go to www.BRQGestival.com

July 12 to 15, The Quilt Shop Rally, Wytheville, Radford, Roanoke (Peter's Creek Rd.), Lynchburg, Boones Mill, and Martinsville **(2 stops).** This year visit the Martinsville/Henry County Visitor Center & Artisan Center and maybe enter a quilt in a show there. Check their website at www.VisitMartinsville.com

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 Teena Livsey(540-576-2031) or Sharon Reilly(540-297-1926) 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.

May 15, 2012 ... Marianne Beeson presents Sashiko

Our May presenter, Marianne Beeson, was born and raised in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She graduated from Lake Erie College and received her Masters degree from LSU. During her college years she studied in France. She taught at the University of Tennessee in the mid sixty's, Textiles, Tailoring, Design, History of Costume, etc. After her husband, Bennie, received his Doctorate, they moved to Radford, Virginia. Bennie was a professor at Radford University and Marianne taught for 4 years at Virginia Tech. Between graduation from college and during teaching at Virginia Tech, Marianne had two children, Brad and Katie. Marianne decided she wanted to try something else, and with the support of her family she bought her first tiny retail space in East Radford, 800 sq ft on Main Street, then called Norwood Street and "Sew Biz" was born.

She began receiving requests for classes at the new store. She could teach how to tailor a jacket, sew a ball gown, design an original dress, etc. but she had no experience in quilting. Quilting demand was just beginning in 1981- 82; this interest had started at the time of the 1976 bicentennial and grew...

There were two or three quilt teachers in the area, and she called on them to teach her early classes. Pretty soon she had a lively schedule of classes and events including quilt classes. Early on, the challenge was to find quilt fabrics to work with. At that time, most fabrics were pin dots, checks, a few florals, and of course solids. Twice a year she attended the new fabric releases in Atlanta. Quilting cottons slowly came into the market and have now pushed out apparel fabrics to the point where it is very hard to find quality fabrics to make garments.

After 10 years at Norwood Street and expansions to adjacent space, she moved to the old Central Depot Hotel, 92 & 94 Harvey Street, in Radford. This space of 3600 sq. ft. gave her two levels, and facilitated a large classroom, a courtyard, patio, front porch and space for 4,500 bolts of fabric.

Marianne saw Shasiko first at a Trade show and continued to explore its application in quilting. She will help us practice using sashiko in quilting with the kits provided by the guild. This should be a treat for those of us who despair of ever achieving 12 or more stitches per inch!



Treasurer's Report by Marnie Brush

Balance (2/29/12)	\$4490.66
Income	
Dues	545.00
Raffle quilt	182.00
Workshop	234.00
Total Income	\$961.00
Expenses	
Newsletter	18.90
Quilt Show	126.51
Programs	535.16
Workshop	250.00
Website	67.83
Membership	19.95
Total Expenses	\$1018.35
Balance (3/31/12)	\$4433.31

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About Ruth Ann's Frog Quilt....

Several of you grandmotherly types have shown a great interest in Ruth Ann's frog quilt. She got the pattern and the frog fabric at Patchwork Plus in Dayton, Virginia. The name of the pattern is "Frog Pockets" by Ruth Jensen from Thimbleart. Marnie is going to try to get the pattern in at SML Quilting, so let her know if you want one.

Sashiko Quilting Books...

The Classic Quilting of Sashiko Quilters' Resource

ISBN I-889682-07-1

Asian Elegance: Quilting with Japanese fabrics and More Kitty Pippen and Sylvia Pippen, Martingale & Co.

ISBN 978-1-56477-483-5

New and renewed members

The following people joined or renewed membership after our directory was published. Their names are listed here for you to add to your printed list. Instead of publishing it in the newsletter, we will send a pdf. email list to you later this week-end containing names and emails for your use.

New Members

Margaret Brager Janis Hagen Nancy Robbins

Dawn Saunders Ruthann Werkheiser

Renewals

Diann Brown Gayla Heath
Linda Rogers Polly Weinmann



Cathy Fandel

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cathy@blueridgequilting.com

SUNSHINE

Get well wishes were sent to:

Shirley Graham and Ginny Watson

Ginny Watson attended the Quilt Show on Saturday, April 14. She looked great! What a pleasure to see her and her lovely smile back in Franklin County after her winter in Florida.



For MEMBERS you know who need a bit of cheer, please contact our Sunshine Chair, **Donna Kittelson at 989-0803.** (snickelfr@cox.net)



Block of the Month 2012 Susan Palmer, Chair

Last month, Alice Vreeland presented a mini-workshop on "The Buildings I Have Loved". She gave us great ideas on coloring and painting our buildings (and even pets).

For this month, Helen Buchanan will be doing "Smile, You're on Candid Camera". Remember, you may bring a photo to be copied onto fabric.

Reminder:

Please share with us news of classes, shows, shops, museum exhibits, new books or patterns that you find interesting. If you have found a great little restaurant, café, or grille on your "shop hops", let us all know. Quilters <u>love</u> to eat while they are out and about.

Send news to bettyjhuffman@embargmail.com

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LIBRARY CORNER



Anne Ochs

Are you Spring cleaning? Do you have double copies of books on your quilting room shelves? Donate your extra copies to our library corner. If the library has a copy, remember our recycle/reuse table.

If you find library books during your cleaning spell, return them Tuesday and look for new titles or patterns while you are in the library; perhaps you'll find just the inspiration or push you need to start this year's **2 + 2 challenge**.

QUILTING ESSENTIALS

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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

I WILL BE SENDING AN ATTACHMENT

WITH THIS NEWSLETTER:

MAY 4 AND 5 QUILTED TOGETHER SHOP HOP INFO

FEATURED BEE

Friendship Bee

The Friendship Bee began with a chance meeting at the 2008 Christmas luncheon at the Waterfront Country Club. Gloria Thar and Betty Huffman found themselves in a room grouped by bee membership. They did not belong to a bee but knew before the luncheon was finished that they wanted to start one.

We have grown from three members in the spring of 2009 to six or more in 2011....

Gloria Thar, Betty Huffman, Linda Rogers, Linda Brown, Shirley Curry, Polly Weinmann and honorary member, Sandy Arnett.

Most months we meet on the third Tuesday at Gloria's house at 10:30, bringing our lunches and something to work on. We have been helping one member at a time make a 1600 squared quilt (or two or three).

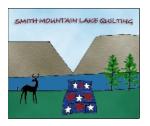
We've joined our scraps to complete charity quilts, pillow cases and pillow pals and bears.

During May, June and July, we are planning to substitute the Shop Hop, Blue Ridge Quilt Festival, and Quilt Shop Rally for our bee meetings to accommodate vacations and our summer visitors.

To join an existing bee, start a new one, or to update your bee information and sign up for a month to display, please contact:

Joyce Disbrow ... gwdlake@verizon.net

Dale Stellhorn ... dstellhorn@aol.com



FABRICS, NOTIONS, BOOKS

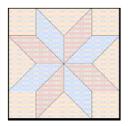
THREADS, GIFTS & CLASSES

Join us May 4th-May 5th for the

"Quilted Together Shop Hop"

** Free patterns* *door prizes* *

** Grand prize drawing**



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Buzzing from the Bees by Joyce & Dale



Bag Ladies Bee (Moneta area) - meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 10:00 am to ???? at Mary Ann Spangler's (297-1335). Bring lunch. Will continue to work on charity items for children. Making bears, wheelchair bags, and lap guilts for charity. (**Full at this time**.)

Bluewater Bee (Moneta) - meets 1st Tuesday, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, at Smith Mountain Lake Quilting. Contact Marnie Brush (719-7845). Members will demonstrate different techniques or projects each month. We will also be starting a new round robin block exchange. (**Full at this time**.)

Buzzin' Bees (Boones Mill) - meets 1st Thursday 9:00 am to ??? at Velma Meador's home. Bring lunch.

Friendship Bee (Hardy) - meets 3rd Tuesday, 10:30 am to 3 pm. Call Gloria Thar for meeting location. Bring lunch. Bring anything you've started or want to start; there will be help for new guilters. **(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 to work on charity projects. (**Full at this time.**)

Kept in Stitches Bee (Hillcrest Heights) - Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday, 10 am to 3pm at Alma Carter's home. Bring lunch. (Full at this time.)

Material Girls Bee (various towns)- meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Call Marcia Wright or Kate Holdgreve. Bring lunch. Making quilts for each member. (**Full at this time**.)

River Queen Bee (Goodview) - meets 3rd Tuesday, 12:30 pm. Call Linda Pote or Sharon Cullen for meeting location. Working on UFO's, charity items for hospitals and battered women shelters, and a new round robin quilt. (New Members welcome.)

Sassy Stitchers Bee (Roanoke) - Meets 3rd Tuesday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at St. John Lutheran Church. Contact Joyce Noell for information. (Always open to new members.)

Shady Ladies Bee (Various locations) - Meets 1st Monday from 10 am until Noon Call Hallie Ruedi for meeting location. Working on two round robin (row-by-row) charity quilts. This year's plan is to have a member demonstrate a different project/technique each month. (**Full at this time**.)

Southside Bee (Union Hall) - meets 2nd Thursday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Bring lunch. Call Irene Capps. Working on scrappy charity quilts. (**Full at this time**.)

Stitches In Time (Goodview) - Appliqué Bee—2nd Thursday, 10:00 am. Bring lunch. Call Kinza Pickelsimer. Project: Hearts and Flowers blocks by Kathy Delaney.

Sunshine Bee (White House Corner/Huddleston) - meets 1st Thursday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, at Cindy Clark's home. Bring lunch. (**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 JOYCE DISBROW (297-7262) OR DALE STELLHORN (297-1020) BEFORE THE 3RD OF EACH MONTH.

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