

LAKE QUILTERS NEWS



October 2024

A WORD (OR TWO) FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Last month I went back to school— boating school 😊 ...My husband and I traveled to Traverse City, Michigan (beautiful place) to take in four days of boating safety/handling classes. We have been boating for many years, but this stepped things up a notch. While I was learning new skills, I was reminded of how much I had forgotten.

Quilting classes are often just like that 😊 !

For starters I couldn't believe the nautical "vocabulary" I had to learn – so many words and pictures of possible light patterns and worse – acronyms!!! HELP! I felt like a beginning quilter reading a new pattern and encountering HST, UFO, BOM, EPP – and here's a new one - FART 😊 Let's see if anyone can guess that one! (Remind me and I'll tell you at the next meeting).

Learning a new skill often means learning a new "language" at the same time. I remembered how nerve-wracking and challenging learning can often be - especially when there are tests or projects where the "results" of the workshop or class are clearly visible to all. Sometimes just the thought of beginning something new where others might evaluate our skills can heighten the tension level to such a degree we procrastinate or say the dreaded "I can't" - a phrase every teacher or parent loathes to hear. Remember – Can't means won't 😊 **There are no quilt police here!** LQG is a safe, fun, friendly place to try new things.

Let me remind you – **Practice doesn't make perfect, it makes better** 😊 ! That's what's so great about participating in quilting classes and workshops. It's an opportunity to learn something new while at the same time improving current skill levels. Often, surrounded by friends and fellow quilters who I've come to believe are the most kind, helpful, supportive folks around...

We are blessed to have a vibrant guild that brings us many opportunities to work together to practice our craft and learn new ways to improve it. Don't even get me started on YouTube and virtual workshops; there's just no end to all the learning opportunities we have today. What a blessing!

So, think about stepping out of your comfort zone and trying something new and different with fellow quilting friends—like Sharon's 3-D painted leaves which look great on Fall quilts. Or check out the new Art Bee which welcomes all. Many more opportunities through quilt shops, the guild, bees and other friends will come your way – grab them. Lifelong learning has so many benefits – not the least of which is the satisfaction we feel with a job well done!

I am feeling satisfied – I passed my boating classes 😊 ...now if I could just actually get the time to continue sewing all the projects I have begun...

Happy Fall all

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LQG BOARD MEETING MINUTES – October 1, 2024

The November 5th board meeting will be held between 1-4 pm at the Beechwood West Clubhouse (310 Oakcrest Drive, Moneta; 24121). Moneta Library will be closed due to Election Day.

ATTENDEES:

- Joy Shannahan - President
- Fran Strumph – Secretary
- Veronica Church - Treasurer
- Jan Emerick-Brothers – Past President, CORE
- Judy Edgeworth – Beekeeper
- Bev Seaver – Membership
- Janet Webster – Publicity, Charity
- Flo Hayes – Programs
- Lynn Coleman – Art Quilt Bee

Meeting was called to order at 1 pm.

President's Report – Joy

- It was suggested that we donate a microwave to the Water Authority as a thank you. Cindy Regan has offered hers to give. Joy will check with the Water Authority to see if they would even want it.

Secretary's Report – Fran

- Joy was hacked, emails received by Veronica and Fran. Joy will send out a notice to the Guild to ignore.

Treasurer's Report – Veronica – see reports

- New storage unit is operational and paid for. One year contract through 8/31/2025 is \$1,153.54.
- Bank balance as of 8/31/24 is \$21,961.72.
- Quilt show net income (incl. Raffle Quilt sales) = \$7,042.41.
- 2025 budget – let committee heads know that they need to put together their projected budgets and submit to Veronica by 10/30/24.

Charity Report – Janet

- Patti and Janet are ending their terms.
- Ann Hoar has indicated interest in the administrative part of Charity, need a replacement for Patti's job.
- Currently collecting Christmas ornaments and stockings.

Quilt Show 2026

- Karen Taylor is working on getting the church reserved with a similar June date in 2026.
- Karen is meeting with Eastlake pastor in December

Newsletter – Jan B - absent, various members reported

- We need a backup person to do the newsletter.
- Ads – should be moved out of newsletter and placed separately on the website, or kept as is? Discussion for future, including re-thinking whole newsletter. Lots of man hours put into working on the ads for very little return.

- Joy will talk to Jan in more detail.
- Bev will put together a very brief survey for the November meeting, canvassing members of their favorite part(s) of newsletter and least favorite part(s).

Membership – Bev

- 82 members, including 2 new, and one returning member at the September meeting.

Programs – Flo

- Upcoming programs:
 - Leaf painting (at Saunders) – October
 - Quilts of Honor – November
 - Nametags (at Saunders) – January
- Flo still working with Paula Golden on a program
- Possibility of virtual programming through Global Quilt Connections or Creative Sparks, where nationally known speakers give workshops virtually – perhaps have a try out of this in 2025. Consider as CORE event. Lyn Coleman and Joy will also work on this.

CORE – Jan E-B

- Runk and Pratt reached out to Ann Hoar about the Guild giving a presentation on quilting to their community. Ann and Jan will work on this.
- Friends of the Library considering a crafts boutique event in May or June; more information will come.

Publicity - Janet

- At last meeting, Janet relayed that Peaks and Pieces Guild (Bedford) had reached out to see if any of our Guild members would be willing to teach a workshop to their guild. Cathy Fandel and Laura Cox volunteered.

President-elect – Arlene - absent

Retreat – Veronica

- We have 18 people signed up.
- Information for attendees going out today.

Bees – Judy

- Art Bee (Bee Artful!) is meeting at the SMLA office, Lynn Coleman is doing a program.

Ways and Means – June - absent

- \$269 raised at September meeting
- Since the serger did not sell within the Guild, Cathy will explore selling it through the American Sewing Guild or on Facebook Marketplace.

Hospitality – Kari/Sue - absent

- It has been suggested that we have some “greeters” at Guild meetings to greet and “plug in” new members and visitors. Membership will ask a Board member to do this as needed.

Nominating – Joy

- Still have a few positions open: Publicity, Charity Co-Chair, Photographer, Quilt Show Chair and Quilt Raffle Sales Chair, most important to fill by November meeting

Other Business

- Review 2024 strategy session notes in November meeting, Janet will re-send out information to us.
- Job revisions in process
- Future fundraiser ideas – in future
- Raffle Quilt sales – in future
- Meeting was adjourned at 3:10



***STILL WANTING*– Fun-loving and Friendly,
LQG QUILT LOVERS to fill the following positions:**

**Publicity Chair(s)
Charity Co-Chair (Patti's job)
Photographer
Quilt Show Chair (s)
Quilt Raffle Sales Chair(s)**

*See Nominating Committee Member (Joy, Jan B, Bev, Peg or Arlene)
for more information or to volunteer. Your Guild thanks you!*

BEWARE!!

We Have Been Hacked Again!

At no time will a LQG board member solicit funds from guild members by email or text requests asking you to Venmo/Zelle money. Ignore such requests.

If you have concerns about the legitimacy of a request, contact the board member by text/email in a different message.

DO NOT REPLY TO THE REQUEST!

4th Annual LQG Retreat
PLEASE JOIN US - October 23 thru October 27
at the 4-H Center (Wirtz, VA)



It's time for the retreat ladies!! See all of you at 10am at the 4-H Center on 10/23 or 10/24. Please remember to bring your lunch on your first day. HAPPY SEWING!!!

Questions? Please contact Veronica at vchurchlqg@gmail.com

Happy Sewing,

Veronica & Bev

C.O.R.E. 2024 Lake Quilters Guild

Community **O**ut **R**each Explorations

Please contact Jan Emerick-Brothers at scooter_brandy@hotmail.com if you have ideas for 2025.



October

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
		Board Meeting 1:00-3:00 Library		10:00 am Bee Artful Quilters		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		1-4 PM STITCH & CHAT BEE		10 AM -2 PM KEPT IN STITCHES BEE		
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
		3d Painted Leaf Workshop 9:00-12:00 Guild Meeting 1:00-3:00 Saunders Fire Hall				
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
2-5 PM WORKER BEE		1 PM RIVER QUEEN BEE	Retreat	Retreat	Retreat	Retreat
27	28	29	30	31		
				Happy Halloween		



November

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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
2-5 PM WORKER BEE	Quilts of Honor 9:00 – 4:00 Bedford Water Authority	Quilts of Honor 9:00 – 12:00 1:00 – 3:00 Quilt Guild Meeting Bedford Water Authority				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
		1 PM RIVER QUEEN BEE		Happy Thanksgiving		



November Birthdays

Let's give thanks that we have these special birthday quilters in our guild!!

Marie Miller	11/8
Sarah Swan	11/11
Delia Cogar	11/12
Diana Barrett	11/15
Carole Thommen	11/22
Melissa Hizy	11/30

2024 CHALLENGE

2024 Challenge is a 14"X14" wall hanging or a 14"X14" pillow 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. One entry per person.

This must be completed by the Dec. luncheon and submitted by **11:15**. Voting will begin at **11:45**.

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



Sunshine Update

Keep your fellow members in mind for any reason and request a guild card either by texting or phoning Ruthe at 203-645-7030 or emailing her at rploskunyak@outlook.com We all like to be remembered.

In September we sent a get-well card to Madeline Demchak following her hospitalization for kidney stones and we sent a condolence card to Sue Wilson following her sister's sudden passing.



Ways and Means

A HUGE THANK YOU to all of our Guild Members who shopped at Ways and Means in September!

Our total sales were an amazing \$266.

Shopping at Ways and Means is a win for all of us. The money goes to support the Guild and its Mission. It pays for batting and supplies for our charity efforts, insurance, storage, other guild expenses and speakers for guild programs.

In October we will again have lots of new fabrics and sewing supplies. The "O Tannenbaum " 10-month Block of the Month is still available. It includes all of the fabrics and patterns needed to complete the quilt top. Make us an offer!

ATTENTION ALL KNITTERS, CROCHETERS, AND CRAFTERS:

We will be having a HALF PRICE SALE on all YARNS in October.



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Welcome returning member Holly Smith and new members Kim Middleton and Sue Utterback!!



CHARITY REPORT

October 2024

Patti Lively and Janet Webster

It's time to start making tree ornaments and stockings! Last year the Guild donated 75 ornaments and 117 stockings – let's see if we can get to 100 ornaments and 150 stockings this year! Ornaments and stockings will be collected at the October and November Guild meetings so we can donate them to Bedford Hospice and Bedford Domestic Shelter in November. There are lots of free patterns available online.

Also, in addition to Twin and Full quilts, there is a need for wheelchair bags and fidget quilts at the Bedford Nursing Home.

The following items were donated in September.

- 3 Fidget Quilts
- 2 Large Quilts
- 1 Dog Bed

The following items were delivered in September

- **Bedford County Nursing Home**
- - 3 Lap Quilts
 - 3 Twin Quilts
 - 8 Wheelchair Bags
 - 5 Fidget Quilts
 - 12 Bags of Hope
- **Bedford County Animal Shelter**
- - 2 Dog Beds

***When you finish a quilt top & are almost ready to donate it, please check to be sure your seams are pressed and threads are trimmed.

Also, if you have backing material, please include it with the quilt top****.

*Thanks for your continued support of the LQG Charity Efforts
LQG Charity Committee*

Communications Corner – October 2024

Janet L. Webster

Hi Quilters! As a follow up to a request I mentioned during the September meeting, I wanted to share with you that Cathy Fandel and Laura Cox each volunteered to possibly speak at the Peaks & Pieces Guild. Many thanks to Cathy & Laura!!

Don't forget to work on those holiday ornaments and stockings!! More information is available in the Charity section of the Newsletter. Ornaments and stockings will be collected at the October and November meetings.

The year is winding down, but there are still a variety of quilt-type activities available. Check it out!

Mancuso Online Event – November 6-9, 2024

The 9th QuiltFest Virtual Schoolhouse will take place, **ONLINE, November 6-9, 2024.**

Mancuso Show Management is no stranger to online quilting and textile arts seminars. They've learned that many students enjoy learning new and exciting techniques from the comfort of their homes. The great strength of this platform is that both instructors and students do not have any country borders or cultural barriers to their participation from around the world. Put on the tea, get comfortable in your PJs and slippers, and join us for another in the Virtual Schoolhouse series.

Please note the workshops and lectures presented for QuiltFest Virtual Schoolhouse are live on Zoom and not recorded.

For additional information, please visit:

<https://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/quiltfest-virtual-schoolhouse-6/>

Textile Artists of Virginia presents:

“Stone Portraits and Stonescapes” by Denise Labadie – Nov 17, 2024, at 1:30 pm

Denise makes art quilts of megalithic stones, monoliths, and centuries old monastic ruins. Drawing on what is now a portfolio of nearly sixty "stone portraits", Denise will discuss her development of both a recognizable style and self-identifying "story", and her evolving adoption, use, and "tweaking" of select art quilt composition and construction techniques (including fabric painting) and "best practices".

This lecture is sponsored by TAVA.

Registration for zoom presentation, lecture ticket (\$10 for non-members) and more info [HERE...](#)

Programs

Quilters- Cut with hope, stitch with grace, quilt with dreams, bind with laughter, share with love.

October

This class is full.

**October 15 Tuesday 9:00 – 12:00 (Program)
1:00 – 3:00 (Meeting)
Saunders Fire Hall**



Program: 3D Painted Leaf Workshop taught by Sharon Cullen (sharonkcullen@gmail.com). The cost is \$10.00 for supplies provided. Participants need to bring- sewing machine, black thread, black permanent marker, and small scissors (not your best you will be cutting Tyvek). Pattern will be provided for the 19X21 wall hanging (this will be done on your own.)

November

November 18 Monday 9 :00 – 4:00 pm (Program)

November 19 Tuesday 9:00 – 12:00 (Program)

1:00 – 3:00 (Meeting)

Bedford Water Authority

Program: Quilts of Honor – Join the fun and become a part of a team or work on your own if you so desire. We have 2 patterns picked out (you or your team can choose either pattern) which will be distributed the day of the workshop for those who want to work as a team to complete a Quilt of Honor. You may also work on your own Quilt of Honor project.

We will have some material available but if you have any plain or printed red, white, or blue (flag colors) material or printed fabric suitable for a Quilts of Honor you would like to donate, please bring it on the day of the event. Come, have fun, and enjoy a day of working together with like-minded folks.
No Cost for this project.

December

December 17 Tuesday LQG Luncheon (more information to follow)

January

January 21, 2025 Tuesday 9:00 – 12:00 (Program)
1:00 – 3:00 (Meeting)

Program: Name Tags - Arlene Blackburn will be teaching us how to make our own unique name tags using some of our sewing skills. We will sign up at the October and November meetings. There will be a \$5.00 charge for this class.



Bee Buzz News

October 17 - The Bee Artful Quilters (formally the Art Quilt Bee) are going to see Karin Tauber International Fiber Artist at the Bower Center in Bedford on October 17th at 11:00 am. Everyone is welcome. Immediately following the trip to the Bower Center, we will meet for lunch at the front door of Bella Italian; 401 East Main Street in Bedford. If you have any questions, please direct them to Lyn Coleman

November 7 - Bee Artful Quilters will hold their monthly meeting on November 7th. The program will be Technology and how to use your computer or laptop in Excel to download pictures to quilt and print on fabric. All members of the Guild are invited.



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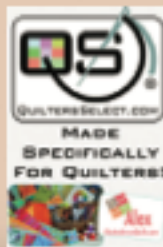


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Haul Out the Pumpkins!

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It may not be sweater weather, but we can pretend
and SEW UP SOME FALL
quilts, table runners, or wall hangings.*

HAPPY SEWING TO ALL

BOONE'S COUNTRY STORE



Come visit us to find a little bit of everything and a lot of name-brand quilter's cottons and 108" wide backing fabric.

Shop the other half of our store to find homemade bakery items made here in our kitchen with time tried recipes.

Don't forget to show your material purchase card. You receive one punch for every \$20 worth of fabric in one visit.

Time for pumpkin and apple pies, pumpkin rolls, and gingerbread!!