

VIRGINIA CONSORTIUM OF QUILTERS

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Susan Price

Happy summer! It feels like we've skipped a whole season. My last newsletter message was back in January, in the midst of a long, cold, snowy winter, so it's wonderful to be enjoying some beautiful weather! Since then, we had a great meeting in Kilmarnock in March, and a wonderful Celebration retreat at Smith Mountain Lake in April. Thanks to the Tavern Quilt Guild and Rivah Quilt Guild for hosting us in March. We had 75 members and friends joining us in Kilmarnock where we enjoyed the town's hospitality, welcome sign and a fun day of quilting. We kicked off our new service project of making comfort pillows for mastectomy patients. We would **love** to have a volunteer coordinate this project for us. It is our volunteers who keep VCQ a vibrant, successful organization. Look for directions for this project elsewhere in this newsletter.

If you were at Celebration at the end of April, you know what a great time we had. The committee did a fabulous job. If you weren't there, we're sorry you missed it and hope you will come next time! Check out our VCQ Facebook page for pictures of the "tea party", show & tell and our guest lecturers. Except for one cloudy day, the weather was perfect and the setting beautiful. It's such a treat to return each year to enjoy the fellowship and great classes with fellow quilters of all skill levels. There is something for everyone. Speaking of next time, we are considering our options for planning 2016. You should have received my email in May looking for someone to chair the 2016 committee. We have volunteers for the committee and some key jobs covered, but are still looking for that key person(s) to be the coordinator and delegator. Could it be you? You may not be aware that the committee members attend at a reduced rate in recognition of their hard work in planning the event. Please contact me ASAP as the ball needs to get rolling to contract teachers for 2016.

Looking ahead to our upcoming meeting in August, I am looking forward to a new location for us. We will be in South Boston, VA, at the Berry Hill Resort and Conference Center where we will be staying and meeting in the same place. The resort is a former plantation, and I've heard wonderful things, so I'm really looking forward to seeing it and hope the venue works well for us. Our November meeting will be in Harrisonburg in conjunction with the quilt museum to celebrate VCQ's 30th anniversary. I hope to see many of you at these next 2 meetings!

If you follow our VCQ Facebook page you'll know that Neva Hart needs volunteers to help with quilt documentation on July 12 in Blacksburg and July 19 in Bluefield. Documentation is an interesting and educational experience. You won't regret it if you choose to help! Whatever amount of time you can contribute would be much appreciated. Our first documentation days in the 1980s resulted in the birth of the VA Quilt Museum and later the book **Quilts of Virginia**. We continue to look for ways to partner with the museum and support their efforts in quilt conservation.

We have 2 positions available on the board. First is secretary, an elected position, with the term starting in January of 2015 for 2 years. The other is an appointed position and is the Southern Shenandoah Valley Area Rep, which runs from Lexington to Christiansburg. Since this is an appointed position, there is no specific term of office. Please contact me if you are interested in either of these positions and/or would like more information. I hope you have a wonderful summer and I look forward to seeing you in August.

Susan Price, VCQ President

**Board Meeting: Friday, August 7th @ 6:30 pm in
the Meeting Room at Berry Hill Resort
Celebration 2016 Committee Meeting 8PM**

MEET YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

VCQ Board & Area Reps 2014

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13	Community Service	Vacant		

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Advertising for Newsletter & Roster

	<i>Newsletter</i>	<i>Roster</i>
Business Card	\$10.00	\$20.00
¼ Page	15.00	30.00
½ Page	30.00	60.00
Full Page	50.00	100.00
Inside Back Page		125.00
Classified Ad (50 word max – Newsletter only) \$5.00 – available ONLY to VCQ Members		



VCQ General Meeting Kilmarnock, VA
March 8 2013

The meeting was held at the Kilmarnock Baptist Church and called to order at 12:41 p.m. by Susan Price, President. Susan thanked the Tavern Quilt Guild and Rivah Quilt Guild for hosting the event, especially Betty Lee Stickler, area rep. Susan also thanked Linda Montross for hosting tea at her home Friday afternoon. The Kilmarnock Deputy Town Manager, Susan Crockrell, welcomed VCQ to town. Reporter Audrey Thomasson of the Rappahannock Record is writing an article about the event. Susan Price welcomed 3 new members and 1 returning member. Gifts were given.

A motion was made and accepted to approve the November 8, 2013 minutes. Pat Schoenfield made the motion to accept the minutes, Judy Beigbeder seconded.

Three cards were passed around for members Arlene Williams, Pat Turley, and Terri Hanson. Any pillowcases from the November meeting should be turned into a board member to distribute to foster care facilities. Virginia Quilt Museum's current exhibit (From Bedroom to Boardroom) is there through April 26. The Quilt Discovery Day is the 2nd Saturday of the month. The museum curator will examine & date up to 3 quilts per person (first one free and \$5 for each additional). The VQM raffle quilt will be at the Highland Co. Maple Festival March 8-9 and 15-16. March 15 is National Quilting Day.

November 2014 elections will include President, Secretary, and Historian. The secretary position will definitely be open. Susan asked members to let an area rep know if they are interested. The Roanoke Rep is still open. Celebration 2016 will need a new planning committee.

Faye Hannah presented Treasurer Reports from January through December 2013. The checking account balance as of December was \$24,823.77. The money market balance was \$10,371.23. Celebration Income and Expenses were separated on report – Norma Harris made the motion to separate Celebration Income and Expenses. Marty Green seconded. The proposed 2014 budget was

presented to the membership for a vote. Monique Moody made the motion to accept the budget. Judy Beigbeder seconded.

Betty Blessin reported 228 members as of March. The new member incentive for 2014 includes a space on the membership form to name the member who referred. The member names will go into a drawing for 30 fat quarters at the November 2014 meeting. The theme for the year is "Quilting – Pass it on

Karan Fisher reported 75 registered at March meeting.

The next newsletter deadline is June 13, 2014 for the August meeting. Information can be sent to Heather Zavagnin.

Joan McGowan, Historian, reported on VCQ's 30th anniversary president's quilt will be displayed November 2014.

Celebration is 47 days away! The Vi Graves Celebration Scholarship was award to two (2) members. Sue Price reminded everyone to bring items for the silent auction and peddlers table. The new Community Service Project is comfort pillows for mastectomy patients. A volunteer for Project Coordinator is needed. Directions for pillows will be published in the next newsletter. Kits were given out. Directions were copied or will be e-mailed to those interested. Monique Moody will add a page on the Web regarding VCQ's Community Service Project.

The next dates for quilt documentation are March 22 – Heathsville, VA hosted by Tavern Quilters Guild; July 12 – Blacksburg, VA hosted by Blue Ridge Quilt Festival; July 19 – Bluefield, VA hosted by local guild quilt show; a tentative date in Warsaw, VA. Volunteers are needed and appreciated. The information obtained will be used to create a database of documented quilts at VCQ as well as a possible future book.

Donations to the Vi Graves Scholarship fund were made in memory of Charlotte Veregee. Any future donations to VCQ will be added to the Scholarship fund unless otherwise directed.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Grey Castro, Secretary

Calendar of Events

July 12, 2014

Quilt Documentation Day planned from 9 - 5 in conjunction with the Blue Ridge Quilt Festival. Community room of Blacksburg High School, 3109 Prices Fork Rd, Blacksburg, VA 24060. Neva Hart is the contact person

July 9-12, 2014

Blue Ridge Quilt Festival
Blacksburg Middle School
3109 Price's Fork Rd, Blacksburg, VA 24060
brqfest@aol.com
www.brqfestival.com

August 22,23, and 24, 2014

"Stories in Stitches", presented by the Durham-Orange Quilters' Guild will be held at the Durham Convention Center, 302 W. Morgan St, Durham, NC. Hours are Friday and Saturday, 10AM to 6PM and Sunday, 10AM to 4PM. There will be 300 quilts, a juried show, raffle quilt, vendors, a Quilts of Valor display, a boutique, wearable art, a silent auction, demonstrations, and more.
Admission is \$6.00. Parking vouchers will be available. For more information, please visit
www.durhamorangequilters.org

September 20-21, 2014

2014 Richmond Quilt Show
Sponsored by Richmond Quilters Guild
Commonwealth Building at the
Richmond International Raceway
Sat 10-6pm, Sun 11-5pm
\$7 adults, \$3 children 16 and under
\$5 group tickets (five or more) in advance through
rqgshow@gmail.com
www.richmondquiltguild.com/quiltevents.shtml

October 18-19, 2014

QUILT SHOW sponsored by Madison County Quilt Guild & Madison Parks & Rec - Waverly Yowell Elem School
1809 North Main St., Madison, VA 22727
<http://www.madisonquilters.org/>
"Dear Jane" quilt raffle drawn end of show

November 7-16, 2014

Quilter's Quest Shop Hop - MD & northern VA
www.quiltersquest.org

Calendar of Events Cont'd

SWVA Quilt News

We bring you news and updates on quilt and fiber art related events and activities in Southwest Virginia. Would you like to receive this monthly e- newsletter? Please sign up at

<http://kutauber.wix.com/SWVAQuiltNews>

Do you know of an upcoming event? Would you like to see it listed in the SWVA Quilt News? Send an email to SWVAQuiltNews@aol.com

VCQ Events:

November 8, 2014 Harrisonburg

March 14, 2015 Williamsburg

May 9, 2015 Blackstone

August 8, 2015 TBD

November 14, 2015 TBD

The following are the Deadline Dates for item submissions to the newsletter staff:

September 12th 2014 for November 8th meeting

January 16th 2015 for March 14th meeting

March 20th 2015 for May 9th meeting

Material can be sent electronically (preferred) to queennefri@aol.com OR mailed to: Heather Zavagnin, 87 White Oak Landing Rd, King William, VA 23086:

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The current newsletter and past newsletters can be viewed and downloaded from the VCQ website at www.vcq.org

Please contact Heather Zavagnin, queennefri@AOL.com or (770)845-5190, or Mary Grogan at webmistress@vcq.org if you are having trouble downloading a copy from the website or if you wish to receive a paper copy of the newsletter thru the US Postal Service.

If your current physical and/or email address needs to be updated, please fill out the application for membership form at the back of the newsletter or download from the website and send to Betty Blessin, the Membership Coordinator.



VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM
301 S. Main Street Harrisonburg, VA 22801
Phone 540-433-3818
Preserving, celebrating, and nurturing Virginia's quilting heritage

www.vaquiltmuseum.org

Designated the “**official quilt museum of the Commonwealth**” by the General Assembly

VIRGINIA QUILT MUSEUM SPOTLIGHTS REGIONAL ARTISTS IN 2014

In 2014, walls of the Virginia Quilt Museum’s historic house will spotlight traditional along with contemporary quilted textiles, created in separate regions of the state.

May 6 to August 23, 2014

Stitching It All Together - the Threads that Unite Us curated by Wilma Gerald, this amazing and vibrant exhibit shows off the talents of a wide range of quilt artists from the Tidewater Region of Virginia. Visit the museum to be inspired!

VIRGINIA’S QUILT MUSEUM NEEDS HELP

Harrisonburg, VA, June 16, 2014 - Summertime often includes vacation trips. For museums, summer is often the busiest time because of increased visits from tourists. But museum volunteers also take vacations in summer, leaving organizations short of help. That is especially true this year at the Virginia Quilt Museum in Harrisonburg, VA.

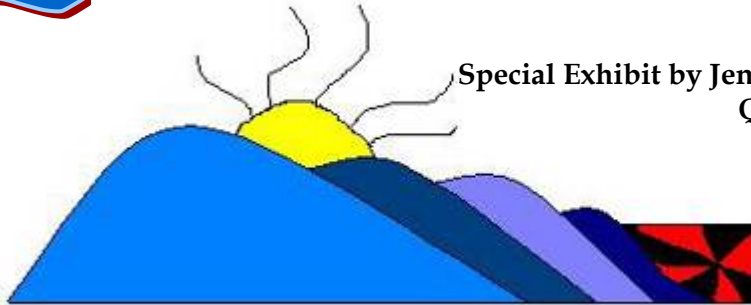
The Virginia Quilt Museum needs volunteers. Meg Carr, executive director for the museum, explains that volunteers don’t have to be quilters. “We need help in the gift shop, doing inventory, in the library and doing graphic arts -- among other things. And we need helpers now as well as into the heavy Autumn tourist season.” Internships are available, and senior citizens are welcome. “A few hours a week or as much time as someone would like to spend -- there’s plenty to do. And you get to see beautiful art work created by Virginians,” she added.

Harrisonburg is located near several exits off Interstate 81, which runs the length of the beautiful Shenandoah Valley,. The city attracts tourists interested in civil war, history, several colleges and universities, and gorgeous scenery. The quilt museum attracts visitors who want to see the modern and antique textile art on exhibit, and also folks who are interested in the antebellum home which houses the museum. The museum and the house are listed on many websites (including those for haunted houses). Typically, travelers discover it while doing online trip planning.

To volunteer please contact Meg Carr at the museum. Phone 540-433-3818 or email at info@vaquiltmuseum.org. For information on the museum, see www.vaquiltmuseum.org. The museum is open Tuesday-Saturday, from 10 am to 4 pm. Located near the Downtown Farmer’s Market, the museum is in the historic Warren-Sipe House at 301 S. Main Street, Harrisonburg, with parking behind the building. As a member of the Blue Star Museum group, admission is free to active military and their families.

July 9 – 12, 2014
Blacksburg, Virginia

Blue Ridge Quilt Festival



Special Exhibit by Jennie Rayment from Great Britain
Quilts and Wearables, Art Quilts
Vendor Sponsored Awards
"Viewers Choice" Contest
Workshops and Lecture
Extensive Vendor Mall
Appraisal on Saturday

Workshops starting July 9th with:

- * Jennie Rayment from Great Britain * Susan Brittingham, VA *
- * Amy Stewart Winsor, NC * Marilyn Wall, SC * Mary Kerr, VA *

Class registration required

Vendor Mall and Quilt Exhibit

Wednesday, July 9: "Artist Reception & Book Signing"	2.30 – 4 PM
" Grand Opening of Exhibit"	3 – 6 PM
Thursday, July 10 & Friday, July 11:	10 AM – 6 PM
Friday, July 11: "Award Ceremony and Lecture"	starting at 6.15 PM
Saturday, July 12:	10 AM – 5 PM

Daily Admission:..... \$7.00
Multiday Admission:.....\$10.00
Carpool (5+ each/daily):..... \$5.00
Children 12 and under FREE

Air Conditioned
Elevator to Classroom
Handicapped Accessible
Free Parking

Blacksburg Middle School
3109 Prices Fork Road
Blacksburg, VA 24060

For a show brochure please send long self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Blue Ridge Quilt Festival c/o Karin Täuber

P.O.Box 11151 Blacksburg, VA 24062

Email: BRQFest@aol.com

www.BRQFestival.com

Virginia Consortium of Quilters 2014 Application for Membership

Name: _____ Phone: () _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____

Email address: _____

(By providing my email address I understand that I will receive the newsletter electronically unless I check the box below.)

I wish to receive a *paper copy* of the quarterly newsletter.

Your membership can be paid for multiple years (up to 5 years) with this form. This date will be on your membership card and the mailing label of each newsletter. If dues increase during this period, yours will not.

New Member (Referred by _____)

Amt: \$ _____ (Make check payable to "VCQ")
(\$20.00 per year up to five years.)

Renewal Amt: \$ _____ (make check payable to "VCQ" and include **SASE**)

(\$20.00 per year up to five years.)

Renewal Members Only: Please enclose with your payment, application and a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) for your membership card.

I am a member of a local quilt guild/group: _____
(-list all guilds)

I teach and/or lecture about quilting. _____

I may be willing to drive others from my area to VCQ meetings. Yes No

Mail to: **Betty Blessin, Membership Coordinator**
105 E. Church Street
Martinsville, VA 24112

For Membership Only:	Date Rec'd: _____	Amt: _____	Area: _____
	Ck. No. _____	Exp. Year: _____	
	MCard Date: _____	Name Tag: _____	
	MList: _____	NPacket: _____	

Virginia Consortium of Quilters Meeting in South Boston, VA August 9, 2014

MORE INFO ON SOUTH BOSTON ON PG 20

Meeting Location:

The Berry Hill Resort and Conference Center, South Boston

3105 River Road, South Boston, VA 23492 Phone (434) 517-7000;

www.berryhillresort.com



Berry Hill is a beautiful four star, old southern mansion converted years ago into a college and is now a conference center. It has a spa, pool, beautiful grounds and meeting rooms. VCQ member Nikki Moshier, who recommended this location, states “It is something out of Gone With the Wind and totally gorgeous!” It is ranked by Martha Stewart Weddings as one of the top 25 wedding venues on the East Coast.

It is 114 miles southwest of Richmond and 28 miles from VA International Raceway. As you proceed down the winding half-mile drive toward the mansion, you can expect to be transported back through the pages of Virginia history, and indeed you are. You are traversing along land that has known the footsteps of Native American tribes, Colonial planters, slaves and free people of color, Union and Confederate soldiers and some of the Commonwealth's most distinguished families.

The Berry Hill Estate originally was part of a 105,000-acre tract granted by the English Crown in 1728 to William Byrd II and was one of Virginia's largest and most prosperous plantations. It became a self-sufficient operation, producing vegetables, hay, oats, corn, livestock, tobacco and wheat. The property has changed hands many times, showing ownership throughout the years by a number of notable Virginia families. Counted among them were Benjamin Harrison, the fourth Governor of Virginia as well as a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and Edward Carrington. It lay vacant until 1997, when a global corporation joined forces with the Virginia Board of Historic Resources in an ambitious collaboration to restore the property to its original grandeur. After its multimillion restoration and conversion project in July 1999, The Berry Hill Estate celebrated its grand re-opening as a premier executive conference facility and leisure destination.

Accommodations: Lodging will be at The Berry Hill Resort and Conference Center. Located at 3105 River Road, South Boston, VA 23492 Phone (434) 517-7000. Berry Hill features luxurious rooms adorned with antiques, sleigh beds, four posted beds,

towel warmers, in-room coffee and wireless internet. Most have a spacious veranda viewing the 650 acre estate. The special group rate is \$129 (\$142.55 with tax) per room for single Queen bed or \$149 (\$164.65 with tax) per room for two double beds. Make sure to mention VCQ when making your reservation. The special group rate is guaranteed for 2 nights, should you want to stay. Due to a wedding also taking place at the resort that weekend there are a limited number of rooms being blocked for us. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. After a block of rooms is released, July 25th, there may be some additional two queen beds rooms available to change to.

For those staying at the resort, a complimentary continental breakfast is included and served from 6-9 a.m. We will be having a wonderful lunch buffet.

For those arriving in the morning there will be coffee available. There is also a covered ramp walkway off the parking lot to bring your luggage and supplies into the facility. All classes and lunch will be on the main floor.

On site, Berry Hill provides several choices of dining establishments and experiences. There are two locations to eat Darby's Tavern and Carrington's. To review hours of operations and menu's please visit www.berryhillresort.com. Click on Dining.

For those staying a second night, it is worth mentioning that for over a century guests have enjoyed the traditions of Berry Hills renowned Grand Ball Room. Perhaps the most eagerly awaited weekly event at Berry Hill is their famous Sunday Feast brunch buffet, from 10:00am-2:00pm.

Directions to Berry Hill Resort:

At the www.berryhillresort.com website, please click on the Location tab. You will see a number of cities listed. If you then click on that city it will give you directions to/from BerryHill.

At the intersection/stop light in South Boston (intersection of Hwy. 58/Hwy. 501—MacDonald's on one side Sheetz on the other) take Hwy. 501 North.

Continue on Hwy. 501 North for 4.3 miles. At the 6th stop light, turn left onto Green's Folly Road (Hwy. 654).

Continue STRAIGHT for 2.1 miles (Hwy. 654 turns into Hwy. 659) until you reach River Road (Hwy. 659) on your right.

Turn right onto River Road and continue for 1 mile to Berry Hill Plantation Resort on the left at 3105 River Road.

Notes from Karan:

Your registration form and check to VCQ must be **postmarked by Friday, July 25, 2014** (2 weeks prior to event). **Registrations will close after this date without exception. Any registrations postmarked after July 25, 2014 will not be accepted and will be returned.** Please fill out your registration form completely as this information is very vital to ensure proper confirmation mailing of your postcards.

You will receive a postcard with your registration confirmation – Bring your postcard!!
It is your MEAL TICKET for lunch and door prize drawing.

Any cancellations must be made by Friday, July 25, 2014 to obtain a refund.

Please wear your nametag to the meeting so we can put names and faces together.

Friday, August 8, 2014 Schedule: Dinner on your own

- 6:30 – 8:00pm VCQ Board Meeting (TBA)

Saturday, March 8, 2014 Meeting Schedule:

- 8:30 - 9:00 AM Registration
- 9:00 – Noon Workshops
- Noon – 12:45PM Lunch
- 12:50 - 1:20PM Business meeting
- 1:30 – 3:30PM Workshops reconvene
- 3:45 - 4:15 PM Show and Tell

Shops Near South Boston Area

Quilter's Nook
129 Bank Street
Boydton, VA 23917
www.pennyslatedesigns.com
coboring@kerrlake.com
PH: 434-265-6150

Threads Run Through It
961 Aspen Road
Phenix, VA 23595
www.trtiwequilt.com
PH: 434-376-7755

Workshop A: Fall Leaves Table Topper with Colette Boring



VA. 23917

Skill Level: Advanced Beginner/Intermediate

Press & Peel Applique Workshop: Colette will walk you through her Press & Peel process. Maximum of 10 students for this workshop.

Materials/Supply List:

Fall Leaves Pattern (\$12.00 + tax). This can be purchased from Colette at the workshop, ordered from her website www.pennyslatedesigns.com or purchased at her shop, Quilter's Nook, 129 Bank Street, Boynton,

- Machine in good working order. If you have a machine that you can adjust the pressure of the presser foot that would be ideal. Also, if you want to complete “Seal Stitching” in a satin or zigzag stitch you will need a machine that does those stitches.
- Machine Needle: Size depends on thread used. Bring according to weight of your thread.
- Machine Feet: Open toe foot if you have one, if not, a clear foot which allows zigzag stitching. Free motion or darning foot.
- Pre-wound bobbins
- Rotary cutter & mat
- Scissors – paper & fabric
- Starch – I recommend Mary Ellen's, but any good starch will do.
- Hand needles for binding – for the over achievers or eager beavers.

Fabric requirements:

- 1 generous yard background fabric
- Leaves require fat quarters of the following: yellow, gold, brown, rust, burgundy, orange any shades of these will be fine. The more colors they bring the more choices they will have for the leaves.
- Batting: fiber of their choice – low loft.
- 1 yd backing fabric
- Soft fuse or lightweight fusible bond of their choice. I will have soft fuse by the roll for purchase. Each roll measures 18” x 108” which sells for \$20.00.
- Curved basting pins.
- Quilting thread of choice

- Thread – matching colored thread to be used for “Seal Stitching” of the Leaves. Acceptable: rayon, cotton, poly, blends, silk, monofilament etc.
- Thread for machine quilting

About your teacher: Colette Boring began sewing around the age of 10 with her mom as her instructor. Her mom’s advice was to make the inside as neat as the outside. This has served her well in the quilting she does today. The artsy part came from her Dad as he enjoyed cartooning and art in his youth. Art and color have always been natural for Colette and it helps her to express herself when words won’t do. She enjoys designing and to see others add their spin and ideas to her designs. As Colette says, “Too many ideas and not enough time!”

Workshop B: Quilted Jacket with Cindy Meyers

Skill Level: Intermediate

Machine Workshop: Create a light weight jacket with the colors that you like to wear. Make it casual or a little more dressed up. Maximum of 10 students for this workshop.

Materials/Supply List:

- Neutral color all-purpose thread
- Rotary cutter and mat
- 1 prewashed sweatshirt (at least one size larger than you normally wear. It’s best to buy the sweatshirt in the men’s department because the sleeve length is longer and the quilting will reduce the length by approximately one inch.)
- Five ½” cover buttons (or other preferred method of closure)
- ¾ yd of braid or cord that is ¼” wide
- Fabric spray adhesive
- Marking pen
- Basic sewing tools & supplies
- Sewing machine in good working order



Fabric Requirements:

- 12 FQs of coordinating fabrics (14 FQs for XXL). The more variety of your fabrics, the “crazier” your jacket!
- 1 yd of contrasting fabric

About your teacher: Cindy Meyer started quilting 20 years ago. However, her career did not offer much time to quilt. When Cindy retired from the Department of Defense in 2008 she began experimenting with different quilting methods. She is most at home with traditional piecing but always looks for something new to try. Cindy launched Keepsake Kwilting, LLC in February 2011. Her company provides long arm quilting services as well as creating special order quilts. The

company's focus is on military veteran appreciation quilts, comfort quilts and memorial quilts. Cindy designs and creates memorial quilts using clothes of a family member. She finds creating these cherished keepsakes the most rewarding part of her quilting experience.

Workshop C: Butterfly & Poinsettia Broaches with Lori Clayton & Emily Isaman

Skill Level: Beginner

Hand Sewing Workshop



Supply List:

Travel iron and heat resistant ironing mat/board.
Kit is required for this workshop and will be provided for purchase.

Kit Fee:

\$15.00 for complete kit which includes pattern, fabric cut & ready to sew, thread and needle.
\$6.00 for kits with only fabric requirement for those who want to make two or more of these items.

About your teachers: *Lori Clayton* and her husband, Steve, are the owners of Threads Run Through It a full service quilt shop located in Phenix, VA. Her first career was that of a Navy Nurse, from which she retired from the military in 2001. Lori & Steve moved to Phenix, VA in 2003, and that is when she began her early sewing career with doing machine embroidery out of her home. She then broadened her skills into doing longarm quilting, and eventually grew to the quilt shop that stands today. She has been teaching quilting & sewing for over 25 years. *Emily Isaman* has 3 years experience in quilting and is an employee of Threads Run Through It quilt shop.

Workshop D: Community Service Project - Post Mastectomy Comfort Pillows



Skill level: All levels. We will only be able to allow 4 attendees with machines due to space limitations. Others can cut/iron/stuff.

Machine workshop: VCQ regularly selects a project as part of the guild's Community Service program. During calendar years 2014 through 2015 members may register to participate in this workshop to make these wonderful comfort pillows. VCQ will then give them to Breast Cancer Centers or clinics throughout Virginia for breast cancer patients. To help VCQ to achieve this, we ask members to either participate in the workshop, or donate 100% cotton or cotton flannel fabric of any color, pattern, or print, donate Fiberfil/Poly-fil for the pillow stuffing, and to provide names of Breast Cancer Centers, clinics, hospitals, etc. located in cities, counties, & communities in Virginia.

Materials & Supplies:

- A pattern will be provided in the workshop
- 1 FQ for pillows
- 1 FQ for cloth bag & strap (this can be identical or coordinating fabric)
- 8 oz bag of Fiberfil
- Rotary Cutter and Ruler – unless you precut your fabric
- Thread and pre-wound bobbins
- Sewing machine in working order, already threaded
- Basic sewing tools & supplies

Workshop E: Come Quilt With Me. Bring your own project to work on as you sit and quilt with other members and experience some good fellowship. Highly encourage attendees to bring hand sewing/quilting due to some space limitations. We will only be able to allow 10 attendees with machines and will be taken as “first come, first served” basis.



VCQ will be scheduling meetings all over the state. If your guild would like to sponsor a meeting contact one of the Board members. If you know of a quilting teacher we would be interested in, please contact Karan Fisher, Programs Chair at karanfisher@cox.net, or 757-761-1173

2014 Membership Incentive

2014 Membership

As of June 7th there are 248 members; 22 new members and 226 renewals. If you know someone who still needs to renew encourage them to send in their renewal now. If you have a new member prospect in mind please let them know that dues are just \$20 a year. VCQ is a great way to get together with fellow quilters from across Virginia and share our passion for quilting. A membership form may be found in this newsletter or online at www.VCQ.org.

2014 Membership Incentive

This year is the 30th anniversary of VCQ and to help celebrate our theme, "*Quilting. . . Pass it On*", we are offering our members chances to win a gift package of 30 fat quarters. Pass on the knowledge of quilting by referring a new member to VCQ. For each new member you refer, your name will be entered into a drawing for the gift package which will be held at the November meeting in Harrisonburg. The more members you recruit the more chances you have to win. Just make sure to ask the person you recruit to write your name on the membership form as recruited by.

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF June 16, 2014

Money Market: \$10,372.26
Checking Account: \$16,609.30

COMFORT PILLOW w/ BAG FOR MASTECTOMY PATIENTS

This pattern was originally designed by members of the Shenandoah Valley Quilters Guild. Pillows are used by those who have had breast or underarm surgery. The cushion is placed between the arm and the torso to lessen direct pressure on the wound area. Machine wash and dry all fabric before sewing. Remove all selvages. Use ½” seams, unless otherwise indicated. Please read all of the instructions before constructing the pillow or bag.

To make the pillow: (1 fat quarter needed, or fat eighth if using cotton & flannel)

Cut 1 piece cotton fabric, 8 ½” x 11 ½”
1 piece cotton flannel, 8 ½” x 11 ½”
2 pieces thin batting or fleece, 8 ½” x 11 ½”

Stack the pieces in the following order:

Batting or fleece
Flannel, right side **up**
Fabric, right side **down**
Batting or fleece.

Pin securely.

Leaving a 3” opening for turning, sew around the pieces using a scant ½” seam allowance. Lengthen your stitch to accommodate the bulk of the layers. Use a walking foot or even-feed system to help prevent layers from shifting. Clip the corners and turn the cushion right side out. Stuff lightly with polyester filling (you want the cushion to be full, but not hard). Hand stitch the opening closed.

CARRYING BAG: (1/2 yd needed)

Cut: 1 piece main fabric, 2 ½” wide from selvedge to selvedge, for the handle.
2 pieces main fabric, 10 ½” x 13 ½”
2 pieces lining, 10 ½” x 13 ½”

Make handle: Using 2 ½” strip of fabric, fold both long edges in, wrong sides together, to meet in the center of the strip. Press.

Fold length of strip in half with folded in edges inside and short raw edges matching. You should have a strip 1 ¼” wide by approximately 18-20” long. Press.

Topstitch 1/8” from each edge and one or two times down the center of the strip (the more stitching, the firmer the handle).

Place main fabric rectangles together and sew around three sides, leaving one short side open for the top of the bag. Repeat with lining fabric. Turn the main fabric bag right side out. Leave the lining inside out. Press both.

Fold top edges of each bag under about ½”. Place lining inside main bag, wrong sides together. Insert handle ends at each side seam between the main fabric and the lining.

Edge stitch around top of bag. Backstitch over each handle end to secure. Stitch around the bag a second time ½” from edge, being sure to backstitch over the handle again. Slide pillow inside bag.

Directions modified by Susan Price for VCQ, March 2014.



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WILL BE AVAILABLE AT AUGUST MEETING**

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	Celebration Bag \$15.00	
	Celebration Pin \$4.00	
	Name Tag Pouch \$4.00	
	Reusable Water Bottle \$5.00	
	VCQ Hand Sanitizer \$3.00	
		

And the Special item revealed at Celebration:
Travel Wine Glass \$10.00

VCQ WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

Registration form deadline: **July 25, 2014** Registrations will close after this date without exception. Any registrations postmarked after July 25, 2014 will not be accepted and will be returned. Any workshop cancellations prior to the deadline are eligible for a refund.

Name _____ Member _____ Non-Member _____

Address _____

Phone _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email _____

Choice of Workshop (includes lunch). Circle letters and indicate choice on line. **In the event your workshop choice is full and you are placed in CQWM, do you want the \$5.00 refund or donate it to VCQ? (please check your preference).** Refund VCQ

Workshop A: Fall Leaves Table Runner with Colette Boring

Workshop B: Quilted Jacket with Cindy Meyer

Workshop C: Butterfly & Poinsettia Broaches with Lori Clayton & Emily Isaman

Workshop D: Community Service Project

Workshop E: Come Quilt with Me

1st choice _____ 2nd choice _____ 3rd choice _____

Cost	
Member, Workshop	\$30
Member, Community Service/Come Quilt with Me	\$25
Non-member, Workshop	\$45
Non-member, Community Service/Come Quilt with Me	\$35
Host Guild Non VCQ committee member	\$10** lunch only

**A host guild non-VCQ committee member may register as a guest only for \$10 to include lunch and the business meeting. A non-VCQ visitor may attend any business meeting only and both must pre-register in order to have an accurate count for lunch.

Amount enclosed: \$_____ Pattern or supply fee, if any, is paid to teacher at time of class.

Are you willing to be a class helper? Yes No

Are you bringing a sewing machine to Come Quilt with Me? Yes No

Were you referred or invited by a VCQ member? Yes No

If so, please write in their name _____.

Special lunch requirements: Box lunches with a sandwich will be provided
Vegetarian _____ Gluten-free _____ Allergic to _____

Send Workshop registration form and your check made payable to VCQ to:

Karan Fisher, 1213 Rittman Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23464

Questions? Contact Karan Fisher @ 757-761-1173 or karanfisher@cox.net.

Sightseeing on the way to Berry Hill

Mountain Road is a gorgeous drive out from the Town of Halifax as is River Road where Berry Hill is located. In the decades preceding the Civil War, most of the wealth of the county was centered along these two roads. As fortunes rose, so did the mansions, equal to any in Virginia in style and elegance. You will probably be on these roads on the way to Berry Hill or if you come back into town Friday night to dine.

South Boston has one of the largest and architecturally interesting Victorian historic districts in Southside Virginia (check out Washington Street). See the site of the Revolutionary War Retreat to the Dan and home of former Governor William M. Tuck. Or if you are really brave, drive by my house at 1421 N. Main Street. We have been renovating for three years and it is a wonder I am still sane.

Restaurants in the Area

For a small town, I think we have several great dining options for you.

Molasses Grill, 63 South Main Street, Town of Halifax, (434) 476-6265 offers great southern inspired cuisine. It is owned and operated by Chef Steven Schopen and his wife, Karen. Chef Steve was born and raised in the countryside of Kent, England before he went on to work in restaurants all over the world including England, Germany, Sweden, Morocco, Washington D.C., and Michigan. Reservations will be needed. (This is my favorite restaurant.)



Bistro 1888, 221 Main St., South Boston (434-572-1888) is co-owned by one of the top chefs in the country, Chef Margaret Moorefield. A gluten free menu is available. Reservations will be needed.



Ernie's Restaurant, 1010 John Randolph Blvd, South Boston, (434) 572-3423 offers southern cooking buffet style. Reservations will probably not be needed.

Southern Plenty, 206 Main Street, South Boston, Virginia. If you are here during lunch hour, I highly recommend this spot. It is quirky, great lunches and to-die-for desserts...and two doors down; you can see Bob Cage's sewing machine sculpture, mentioned in Bonnie Hunter's blog during her drive through the area.



We also have Appleby's, Smokin' Jakes BBQ, several Chinese buffets, and fast food options.

Other items of interest (perhaps)

Cage's Sculpture Farm, Shanti Road and Cage Trail, South Boston,

VA, is an outdoor museum of modern sculpture. Bob delights in bringing creative arts to the public. His open field sculpture display is in continual evolution. It is fun to figure out the original objects each is made from.



Recently chosen as one of Car & Driver Magazine's top six road courses in the nation, VIRginia International Raceway is a multi-purpose road course offering professional and amateur auto and motorcycle racing. If your husbands are interested in spending the weekend with you (but you don't want to renew your vows at Berry Hill, Martha Stewart's wedding site recommendation) they might enjoy the raceway. Tell them to check out the web site at <http://virnow.com/> and look at what is happening that weekend.

Local area websites

Visit the following towns' websites for more information:

Boydton, home of Quilters' Nook, <http://www.boydton.org/History.aspx>

Clarksville, Virginia's only lakeside town, <http://www.clarksvilleva.org/>

Town of Halifax, on the way to Berry Hill, and location of Molasses Grill, a great restaurant, <http://www.townofhalifax.com/>

South Boston, home to a sewing machine sculpture, Bistro 1888, <http://www.southboston.com/>

The South Boston-Halifax County Visitor Center is located at the intersection of Highway 58 and Highway 360.

In conclusion

I hope I have sparked your interest in coming to our August meeting. I haven't even mentioned that we have a great wine trail (<http://www.sovawinetrail.com/>), horse resort (<http://shangrilaguestranch.com/>) and are now a part of Southern Virginia Wild Blueway, a canoeing trip, (<https://www.facebook.com/sovawildbluewayor>). Just keep in mind.....it will be August, in the south, it will be hot.....

Hope to see you in August.

Submitted by Nikki Moshier, VCQ Member and a quilter that is excited about your visit! Pictures taken by me also.

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