# VIRGINIA CONSORTIUM OF QUILTERS

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – Susan Price

Once again summer has flown by and here it is fall again. I'm looking forward to colorful leaves and cooler, crisper days after the heat waves of summer, but winter and snow can certainly take their time! I hope you made lots of progress on your quilting projects this summer; unfortunately, I did not accomplish nearly what I had hoped to but expect fall to be more productive.

We had a great August meeting in Blacksburg. Our hosts, The Quilting Party, did a lovely job setting up the facility and providing morning treats and lunchtime goodies as well. Both New River Fiber Co. and Sew Biz stayed open extra hours for us. The Virginia Quilt Museum hosted a Stash Blast at the hotel Saturday morning, opening up early enough for us to shop before heading to the meeting facility. The classes were awesome and we had a great day. The highlight for me was the Simply Elemental garden art exhibit at the Hahn Horticultural Garden on the campus of Virginia Tech. It was also fun to visit a few quilt shops that we had not been to before. We missed those of you who were unable to attend!

I am saddened to report the passing of two people known to VCQ. Arlene Williams of Tidewater Quilters Guild was a former member who had suffered ill health in the last few years, so wasn't able to attend meetings recently. She suffered a severe stroke this summer and passed away just after our August meeting. Cards may be sent to her family at 1201 Damyein Arch Chesapeake VA 23320. Susan Brittingham of Southwest Virginia was a talented quilter and fiber artist who taught for VCQ several times. She passed away in August from cancer. Cards can be sent to her husband Bruce at PO Box 543 Floyd VA 24091.

At our board meeting we discussed getting the postcard notifications out to meeting registrants in a timely manner. We are taking several steps to try to resolve this, including sending the newsletter a week earlier and moving up the registration deadline by a week. In addition, Sally will begin sending the cards when a class has met the minimum enrollment. We hope that combined, these steps will get the postcards to you in time to pack your class supplies. We ask you to bring the postcard as your lunch ticket, but it is not required. Everyone who is registered will get a lunch. If you forget your card, Faye always has extras; it's really used more for the door prize drawing at the end of the day.

We also started on some community service projects using the fabric that was donated by The Quilters Studio in Fairfax. One project is making bassinette mattress covers for Norfolk Sentara Hospital's NICU. The instructions are included in this newsletter in the event you have any child appropriate fabric in your stash and would like to make some at home. The other project is making lap quilts to donate to ALS. We will work on this in one of the November workshops.

November is our annual meeting and election. The positions and nominees to be voted on are: President – Heather Zavagnin; Secretary – Susan Fulton; and Historian – Joan McGowan. Also, Debi Harding will be stepping down as Facilities chair at the end of the year, so we need someone to take on this VERY important position. VCQ needs the support of our members to carry out the tasks that make our meetings all over the state possible. If you can help out with this position, please let me know. The job description can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

I am looking forward to our next meeting in Martinsville and the "Art of the Quilt" exhibit at the Piedmont Arts Center. This biannual show will have its opening Friday night of our weekend meeting. Be sure to RSVP if you plan to attend the opening and reception, info appears with workshop offerings. Happy fall!

Susan Price VCQ President

Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> Celebration 2018 Meeting held at 4:30 PM and the Board Meeting at 8 PM at the Hampton Inn

## MEET YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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#### VCQ GENERAL MEETING - AUGUST 13, 2016 -BLACKSBURG PRESBYTERIAN

Call to Order: 12:42 PM

**Welcome** - Judy Sewell, president of local guild - The Quilting Party.

President - Susan Price

- VQM Stash Blast is ongoing today at the hotel

- VQM current exhibits are thru Sept.10; include "Along the Spice Route and Inspired by the National Parks; see Webpage (vaquiltmuseum.org)

- AQSG - Summer Blanket Statements is available on their website, (access info slips available at front) articles are included

- 2 local shops open extra hours. Both New River Fiber Co. and Sew Biz are open till 6 PM.

- Welcome - New members and Guests, new members presented with "goodie"

- Cards- Three cards are in front for members, please take time to sign. Nan Losee, Arlene Williams, and Virginia Ruffner

- Thank You - Susan read a thank you from Memorial Hospital (Martinsville) for breast cancer pillows from the Nurse Navigator

#### Secretary - Martha Berry (absent)

-Susan Price called for ?'s or changes to the minutes of the November Meeting.

-being none, call for a motion to approve - Motion to approve by Cathy Tyler, 2nd Kathy Ackerson -Passed

**Treasurer** - Marty Green (absent)

- Faye Hannah presented report, no ?'s or changes , Motion to accept by Karan Fisher and 2nd Karen DuMont -Passed **V.P.** - Faye Hannah

-available for purchasing extra charms, pins and fabric boxes are near extra Celebration items

#### Membership - Karin McElvein

- 244 members and new member today

- several members have paid for years in advance ( some to 2020-21)

- 2016 membership roster - available on members only section of website

- Facebook Page membership is at 622 compared to 244 paying members, please encourage them to come to a meeting

and see how much fun we have in person.

Historian: Joan McGowan - no report

#### Facilities - Debi Harding

- Location for November 2016 - Martinsville

- Locations for 2017 - March - Staunton, May - (working on Richmond), August - (? Peninsula) November - Harrisonburg - if local guild or a group of VCQ friends would like to host a meeting in your area of the state or know of a good location for 2017 or beyond, please talk to Debi or Susan Price .

- we are looking for retreat locations or hotels that allow us to stay and meet in the same facility, or a church with nearby hotel facilities.

- \$500 max budget usually (size and info available)

- a group kind of place would be nice : like Berry Hill **Programs** - Sally Hurst

- for our November meeting in Martinsville some class samples and teachers are here

- Brenda Feeny, showed quilt as you go (QAYG) samples
- Karen DuMont, had several "Sew Together Bag" samples
- there are 2 more classes planned one will be tech related
- there will be date changes, a week earlier, to make

registration and post card confirmations get back in a timely fashion

**Betty Blessing: Piedmont Art Center** will be presenting "Art of the Quilt" 10th Anniversary - it will be in November while we are in Martinsville, usually on Friday night,

we are invited to the Opening reception - each person must call and sign up on the attendance list so that the museum has a head count. please make an effort to go, per Debi Harding : We do sponsor the show, and it is a "dressy" event.

Web Mistress: Mary Grogan - no report

Newsletter & Print Publicity: Heather Zavagnin

- next deadline- September 9th for November meeting Celebration 2016: extra items are for sale, final report in November

#### Celebration 2018 - Susan Beard

- Planning in Advance - please save April 26-29, 2018

- thanks for definite opinions (were pro/con for many of same categories ,

- ie: same teachers/new teachers

- planning is underway and a committee is at work

#### **Community Service Project**:

- The Quilters Studio in Fairfax has donated 100 yards of fabric, it is available to those who want to sew projects for our new community service projects.

- NICU basinet mattress covers for Norfolk Sentara

- ALS- Sponsored by Quilters Dream Cotton - patterns will go Online

- patterns and kits are available now and can be taken home **Old Business** 

Nominations for Slate of Officers to be Voted on in November, presented by Kathy Ackerson:

-President - Heather Zavagnin

- Secretary Susan Fulton
- Historian Joan McGowan

Kathy Ackerson made motion to accept and Karan Fisher 2nd Vacant Positions

- Southern Shenandoah Area (includes Roanoke)

- Southwest Virginia Area

- some explanations of job offered by D.H.and S.P. on the following, and thanks to Paula Golden for helping with planning today's meeting.

- Facilities for 2017

-Newsletter Editor for 2017 (Y.C. has volunteered)

#### New Business:

- due to some confusion, it was mentioned that if you forget your post cards that we receive to show our class selection, you are still registered and will get lunch.

- Cathy Tyler, has patterns that she taught in Charlottesville available today

will re-convene at 3:45 for show and tell

#### adjourn 1:15

submitted by - Bonnie Timm (for Martha Berry)

## **Calendar of Events**

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

### August 1-September 30, 2016 Simply Elemental, Hahn

Horticultural Garden, 200 Garden Lane (off of Washington Street, Virginia Tech Campus), Blacksburg. Simply Elemental is an outdoor art exhibit integrated along the garden paths, plantings, and trees of the Hahn Horticulture Garden at Virginia Tech. A variety of exhibits (including beautiful giant fiber butterflies) will be on view. Open 24 hours.

**16 Chairs in 16 Squares** (and more), Alexander Black House Museum and Cultural Center, 204 Draper Road, SW Blacksburg. 10 - 4 PM.

Located in the Alexander Black House, a historical house of Queen Anne Victorian architectural style, two lively exhibits by regional artists (including some in fiber) will be on exhibit beginning August 1.

#### September 29 - October 1, 2016

Original Sewing & Quilt Expo Fredericksburg Expo & Conference Center 2371 Carl D Silver Pkwy, Fredericksburg, VA 22401 www.sewingexpo.com/FredericksburgVA.aspx

October 1-2, 2016

Fall Fiber Festival & Montpelier Sheep Dog Trials Montpelier Station, VA

**October 6-10, 2016** Central Virginia Tour de Quilt

#### October 21-24, 2016

Stafford Piecemakers Quilt Guild Quilt Show Central Rappahannock Regional Library- Porter Branch 2001 Parkway Boulevard, Stafford, VA 22554 www.staffordpiecemakers.com

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#### November 4 – 13, 2016

Quilter's Quest Shop Hop Maryland & Northern Virginia www.quiltersquest.org

#### February 9-12, 2017

Birds of a Feather 2017 Newport News, VA Annual machine quilting event that includes longarm quilting, sit down & domestic machine quilting, digitizing, and fabric design. More info at: <u>http://thelongarmnetwork.com/be-birds-of-a-feather</u>

#### February 23-26 2017

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival Hampton Roads Convention Center 1610 Coliseum Dr, Hampton, VA <u>http://www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/mid-atlantic-quilt-festival</u>

#### March 23-26, 2017

3rd Annual East Coast Gammill/Statler Conference Wyndham Hotel & Conference Center 1000 Virginia Center Parkway, Glenn Allen, VA (810) 727-1400 This conference is for Gammill and Statler owners and those individuals thinking about purchasing a Gammill/Statler in the future. More than 80 classes will be offered in this 3-day event for beginners to advanced longarm quilters. http://www.trtiwequilt.com/

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VCQ Events: March 11, 2017 TBD May 13, 2017 Richmond, VA August 12, 2017 TBD November 11, 2017 Harrisonburg, VA

The following are the **Deadline Dates** for item submissions to the newsletter staff: January 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 for March 11<sup>th</sup> meeting March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for November 11<sup>th</sup> 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



# Please respond to Betty Kanode at <u>bkanode@piedmontarts.org</u> if you will be Attending the Reception on November 11, 2016.

Colorful Quilts and Fiber Arts Showcased at Piedmont Arts 10th biennial quilt exhibit Features 40 artists from across Southeast Martinsville, VA

For the 10th year, colorful textiles created by quilt artists from across the Southeast will be on display at Piedmont Arts as part of the biennial invitational exhibit, The Art of the Quilt: Let's Celebrate.

The exhibit will be on display at the museum November 12 – December 31, 2016.

Over 40 artists will take part in this fiber arts showcase curated by master quilter Linda Fiedler that features hand and machine stitched quilts, traditional textiles, clothing, accessories and quilt art. Fiedler is an award winning quilt maker from Meadows of Dan, VA Her quilts have won national and international awards and her quilted clothing has appeared in such prestigious shows as the Fairfield Fashion Show and the Hobb's Fashion Show in Paducah, Kentucky. Fiedler's quilts also hang in private and corporate collections throughout the country. Fiedler says two of her personal goals as a quilt artist are to educate the community to the many wonderful changes taking place in the evolution of the quilt and to present quilts in a gallery setting. "Piedmont Arts shares these goals and provides the beautiful gallery," she continued. "I applaud Piedmont Arts for their vision and commitment and look forward with a great deal of anticipation to future quilts and to future show in their state of the art galleries."

Quilts by local and regional artists will also be on display in the museum's Lynwood Artists Gallery as part of an exhibit curated by members of Martinsville's Virginia Foothills Quilters Guild. "Quilts are a universal art form," said Piedmont Arts Director of Exhibitions Heidi Pinkston. "Many of us have experienced the comfort of a special quilt, passed down from a loved one or made with purpose to celebrate a birth or event. We all know how to utilize quilts for their utilitarian purpose, but The Art of the Quilt offers us a chance to revel in the artistry required to create such amazing and intricate works."

Piedmont Arts will host a Members Only Reception in honor of these exhibits on Friday, November 11 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the museum.

Learn more at www.PiedmontArts.org



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## www.vaquiltmuseum.org

Designated the "official quilt museum of the Commonwealth" by the General Assembly

September 20 - December 17, 2016

#### Midnight in the Garden of Quilts Visiting Exhibit from the Polly Mello Collection

Prepare yourself for a walk down the dark side of quilting, with quilts and ephemera from the eerily wonderful "Quilts That Go Bump in the Night" collection of Polly Mello.

## A Potpourri of Quilts: The Floyd Quilt Guild

This guild exhibit displays some of Virginia's finest quilting talent. Southwest Virginia, long-known for its artisan crafts and Appalachian quilt-making talents, shines in this exhibit.

The Floyd Quilt Guild's members' interests are as diverse as quilting itself. In this exhibit, they pay tribute to time-tested styles and techniques, explore the diversity of fiber art, and study new trends as they emerge. The quilters share a dedication to the integrity of construction while pursuing their own unique and personal creativity.

## **Treasures from the Vault: Crazy Quilts From the VQM Collection**

Come view a selection of the Museum's own crazy quilts.

Popular throughout the late 1800s, the very labor-intensive style of "crazy quilts" features small and irregularly-shaped pieces of fabric. Exotic blends of fabric, such as velvet, silk and satin are common, as are embellished additions like lace, ribbons and beads. Early on, crazy quilting was a national fashion among upper-class, urban women, who took full advantage of the array of fabrics available from the newly-industrialized textile industry. These quilts are called "crazy" for a reason!







## Virginia Consortium of Quilters Application for Membership

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## November 12, 2016 Meeting & Workshop in Martinsville, VA

## **Lodging Accommodations:**

Hampton Inn Martinsville 50 Hampton Dr Martinsville, VA 24112 (276) 647-4700

The cost is \$119 plus state and local taxes, for a single or double queen room. We have blocked 5 single rooms and 20 double rooms. Make your reservation by calling the hotel directly at 276-647-4700, using VCQ – Virginia Consortium of Quilters. Last day to make reservations is Tuesday, **October 18, 2016**. Complimentary breakfast is included.

## **Directions to the Hotel (A)**

Located on US 220 Business, 3 miles south of US 220 Bypass from Roanoke, 6 miles North of US 220 Bypass from Greensboro. From East or West US 58 to US 220 Business then north 4 miles.



## Meeting Location (B):

We are excited to be meeting at this newly built facility

New College Institute (newcollegeinstitute.org) 191 Fayette Street Martinsville, VA 24112 (276) 403-5660

## Directions from the Hotel to New College Institute:

From the hotel, head east (right onto US-220 Business/Virginia Ave.) for 1.8 miles. Turn left onto SR 457/Fayette St. Continue about ½ mile to 191 Fayette Street.

#### Notes from Elizabeth and Sally:

Your registration form and check to VCQ must be postmarked by Friday, October 21, 2016 (3 weeks prior to event). Registrations will close after this date without exception. Any registrations postmarked after October 21, 2016 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 as your registration confirmation. Please have this postcard ready to turn in when you come to lunch. It will be used for the door prize drawing at the end of our day. If you forget/lose your postcard, please ask for a new one when you check in on Saturday morning.

Any cancellations must be made by Friday, October 21, 2016 to obtain a refund.

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

#### Friday, November 11, 2016 Schedule: Dinner on your own

- ▶ 4:30 PM Celebration 2018 Committee meeting at the Hampton Inn
- 5:30-7:30 PM Piedmont Arts Center Exhibit and Reception, 215 Starling Avenue, Martinsville; Please RSVP for the reception to Betty Kanode at bkanode@piedmontarts.org
- ▶ 8:00-9:30 PM VCQ Board meeting at the Hampton Inn

#### Saturday, November 12, 2016 Meeting Schedule:

- ► 8:00 9:00 AM Registration
- ▶ 9:00 Noon Workshops
- Lunch ➢ Noon − 12:45PM
- ► 12:50 1:20PM **Business** meeting
- ▶ 1:30 3:30PM Workshops reconvene Show and Tell
- ➤ 3:45 4:15 PM

Shops and exhibit near Martinsville area

Sewing Studio in Martinsville, VA. This store is for sale and is planning on closing at the end of 2016; see email sent out at the end of the newsletter. Please visit early in the day on Friday for the best selections and for many bargains. Brenda will keep the store open as long as customers are there but will close so vou can attend the Piedmont Arts show in the evening. If there is interest she will stay open Saturday evening. She is one of our fabulous teachers so be sure to let her know if you'd like to stop by after classes. Website:

http://www.thesewingstudio.com/index.html

### General Store at Smith Mountain Lake,

213 Scruggs Road, Moneta, VA Website: http://www.generalstoresml.com/home.html

Piedmont Arts Center "Art of the Quilt" exhibit 215 Starling Avenue, Martinsville, VA. The opening and reception of this exhibit has been coordinated to align with our arrival on Friday evening. Please RSVP to attend by sending an email to bkanode@piedmontarts.org Website: https://www.piedmontarts.org/

#### Workshops \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Workshops \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Workshops \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Workshop A: Sew Together Bag by Sew Demented with Karen DuMont



**Description:** This is a small versatile bag with three zipper pockets and ample room to store all of your small sewing supplies. Think outside of sewing and it makes a great travel companion for jewelry, medicines, makeup and small toiletries. With many holidays right around the corner it would make a wonderful gift for all ages. I am giving my two granddaughters these for Christmas with basic sewing supplies to encourage them to be future quilters!!!

Skill Level: Intermediate Technique Workshop: Machine

#### Materials/Supply List:

**Sew Together Bag** pattern by Sew Demented \$10.00. Available the day of class or contact Karen at: 804.233.7750 and she can mail the pattern to you. **See SPECIAL NOTE below as you need one template from the pattern prior to the class in order to prepare**.

Exterior fabric: 1 fat quarter (18" x 22") Lining fabric: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> yard x WOF Pocket Lining: 1/3 yard x WOF Binding fabric: 1 fat quarter <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> yard fusible lightweight interfacing **Refer to cutting directions if using your stash, you can get by with a bit less fabric on lining.** 1 18" x 20" piece of fusible fleece 1-18" zipper

3-9" zippers

Zipper presser foot (<u>a must</u>) Cutting matt, rotary cutter with sharp blade Rectangular ruler of your choice, preferably 6" x 12" Basic sewing supplies Sewing machine Notebook and pencil Not a necessity but if you have a smart phone please feel free to take a lot of pictures of the demos to refer to for future bags. CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS Virginia Consortium of Quilters September 2016 Pg. 10 To save time in class Karen suggests that you precut your fabric and iron the interfacing and fleece to your fabrics.

## **1. FROM EXTERIOR FABRIC:**

- a. Cut exterior  $-13\frac{1}{2}$ " x 9  $\frac{3}{4}$ "
- b. <u>Tip: for dimensional fabric, cut 2 panels 7" x 9 ¾" and seam along the 9 ¾"</u>
- c. Cut 2 side panels <u>make sure you cut both pieces on the fold</u>. This is the piece you <u>need the special template in order to cut</u>. See SPECIAL note below.

### 2. FROM LINING FABRIC:

- a. Cut 4 pieces 8 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" X 9 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>"
- **b.** Cut 2 side panels using special template, and once again, <u>make sure you cut each on</u> <u>the fold.</u>

### 3. FROM POCKET LINING FABRIC:

a. Cut 6 rectangles 4" x  $9\frac{3}{4}$ ".

### 4. From Binding Fabric:

- a. CUT 2 STRIPS 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" X 15" for side bindings
- b. Cut 2 strips 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 20" for exterior zipper binding
- c. Cut 2 strips 1 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 6" for zipper tabs

## 5. From fusible fleece

a. Cut piece  $13 \frac{1}{3}$  x 9 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> and iron to the back of the exterior piece

### 6. From lightweight fusible interfacing

a. Cut 4, 8<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" pieces and fuse the wrong side of lining fabric

<u>SPECIAL NOTE:</u> You will need to Cut 2 side panels of outer fabric and for lining, using a template from the pattern, which will be sent to you before the class for pre-cutting so please make sure you include your contact information, email or US mail, on the registration form so Elizabeth Gibson can send you this template which will be paid for at the class when you buy the pattern. Make sure you cut it on the fold. Fuse to the wrong side of fabric. If you already own the pattern and do not need one on the day of the class, the template is part of the pattern and is called "Side Panel".

<u>About your teacher:</u> Karen DuMont is a former dough artist and now a professional quilter. In her line of patterns, KariePatch Designs, quilters of all levels can pick from an array of simple pieced quilts to bright and whimsical applique designs. Her work has been featured in numerous quilt magazines over the years and she now has a line of fabric, Topsy Turvy along with Deborah Edwards for Northcott fabrics.

Today Karen will tell you that she is semi-retired from the quilting industry but she still loves "playing" with fabrics, teaching, and presenting trunk shows to quilt guilds.

### Workshop B: Quilt as you Go with Brenda Feeny



Sample Quilt Back

Sample Quilt Front

**Description:** This technique allows the quilter to quilt smaller areas that are easier to handle under a standard domestic machine than struggling with the entire monster king size quilt. The method I use lets the quilt lay flat and has no bulk when the blocks are sewn together. It can be done completely on a sewing machine. I ask the student to bring in a minimum of two sewn unquilted orphan blocks. Hopefully ones that at least have the same theme, close to the same size, and colors that will blend. Don't bring in Grandma's heirloom blocks to practice with. They do *not* have to be the same size as I'll show how to add to make them into a size that will join to the next. The first part of the class is devoted to talking about how to solve layout problems with orphan blocks, choosing fabrics for the joining strips and then we will do some very basic machine quilting to quilt at least two of the four blocks brought to class. They can bring sewn 9-patch if they don't already have a drawer of cast off blocks.

**Skill Level:** Beginner to Intermediate **Technique:** Machine Quilting

**Materials/Supply List:** A minimum of two sampler blocks. They can be as simple as a nine patch. If you have a whole set of blocks you can bring to get ideas of how to lay them out and join them.

A craft size pack of Quilters Dream batting in either request or select thickness. I can bring for you to purchase if you need.

A fabric to use for the backing of your blocks. It can be different for every section quilted or the same.

Fabric for the joining strips. This fabric can either match or contrast your blocks and on the back it could be the same as the backing fabric. If you look at the photos of my Two by Two quilt notice that on the front I used blue strips to contrast and on the back I used muslin to get an idea of how these strips are used. It will save time if you have some strips already pre-cut. Cut a few strips 1" that will be used on the back and a few strips

1 5/8" for the front joining strips.

Measure your blocks, If your blocks aren't the same size they will need to be "helped" a little bit, bring a fabric to frame your sampler blocks and we will insure they are all the same height and width.

Your sewing machine, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" foot, walking foot, and free motion foot. Bring a thread that will match the background of your pieced block. I like to use threads designed for machine embroidery such as Mettler poly sheen or Madera rayon. Have a few bobbins wound with a thread of the same weight and color that you used on front for the back of your quilt.

A large square up ruler, rotary cutter, ruler, and mat A heat erase marker (frixion pen) Painters tape or mask tape Scissors, seam ripper, pins

**About your teacher:** The Sewing Studio, Inc. opened in October of 1992. I originally started the store with the thoughts that it would be geared more towards the garment seamstress. I loved to sew clothes for myself and my family. I had always admired quilts but had never made one. As the store evolved I realized I would have to change in order to stay in business because there were just not enough people sewing clothes. However, the quilters in this area were begging for a place to have quality fabrics, notions, and classes. And so I made my first quilt. And that was all it took. I was hooked. Quilting became my new passion. I took classes myself anyplace that I could and had visiting teachers in the store to share their knowledge. I attended Markets to learn more and I can hardly wait each time a new fabric shipment comes in to see what new things can be created. We also started selling sewing machines and boy, have they evolved. From a top notch sewing machine with decorative stitches, to a world class embroidery machine and now the new wave is long arm quilting machines. Brenda's store will be closing at the end of December. If you are interested in purchasing a quilt store, now is a great time to contact her.

## Workshop C: BQ Nation Wall Quilt with Vicki Seekford and Lori Suon



**Description:** BQ3. Yes, the long awaited sequel to BQ and BQ2. We will be teaching the wall sized quilt. It has been changed up a little with the addition of a slightly angled 2 color side segment and a corner stone to set it off. This quilt can be assembled quickly and highlights a focus fabric. Quick sewers may get to begin quilting while still in class!

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Skill Level: Beginner and Up Technique Workshop: Machine

#### Materials/Supplies:

Fabric A -7/8 yard –this will be the largest block, set off a special fabric. Fabric B –  $\frac{1}{4}$  yard for cornerstones Fabric C –  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard for the angle Fabric D –  $\frac{1}{2}$  year for the other angle Border –  $\frac{3}{8}$  yard Backing -  $\frac{2}{3}$  yards Batting –  $\frac{47}{7}$  by 47" Binding –  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard

KIT CHOICE A: The complete kit is available for \$84.00 to include fabric for top (showcasing a digital print), backing, batting and binding. The kit includes the pattern with six sizes for the quilt KIT CHOICE B: Top only kit is also available without backing, pattern, batting and binding for \$39.00

**IMPORTANT:** If you chose to get a kit please email Elizabeth Gibson at <u>kunamola@aol.com</u> with your choice of Kit A or Kit B and cc: <u>jcvbseek@msn.com</u> prior to the October 26. If you are bringing your own fabrics you will also need to have a copy of the pattern. They will be available that day for a cost of \$9.00.

**About your teachers:** Vicki and Lori have been teaching at The General Store for the past 12 years. Lori enjoys teaching beginning quilting and offers diverse and unique patterns to teach techniques and color coordination. Vicki enjoys teaching small projects, accessories and table toppers. They strive to keep students on task while creating an enjoyable and relaxing experience.

## Workshop D: VCQ Community Service Project led by Susan Price



Skill level: All are welcome Technique: Machine

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Join us to work on some lap quilts for ALS using the beautiful fabrics donated to us by The Quilters Studio in Fairfax, VA. We will work on a simple rail fence design by The Quilters Cache which can be found online at <u>http://www.quilterscache.com/F/FourPartStripBlock.html</u>. The minimum size for ALS quilts is 35" x 44". The pattern uses 2 ½" x WOF strips, using a light, medium and dark that coordinate for each top. The plan is to have the strips cut ahead of time so that we can spend a productive day stitching. There may also be an opportunity to work on the bassinette mattress covers. If you would like to bring your own fabrics to work on either of these projects you are welcome to do so. The bassinette cover requires a 30" length by width of fabric. The rail fence pattern requires a 22" length by width of fabric of **each of 3** fabrics (plus borders and backing).

**Materials/Supplies**: Sewing machine in working order  $w/ \frac{1}{4}$ " foot; neutral thread; rotary cutter, mat and ruler for sub-cutting strip sets into 6.5" blocks. Other basic sewing supplies you normally travel with.

**About your teacher/leader**: Sue has been sewing all her life; she became a Home Economics teacher and taught for 11 years. While staying home with children, Home Economics in the schools declined; she returned to work in the school system becoming a school based technology specialist. Now retired, Sue has a small online business with Elizabeth Gibson as PGFiber2Art making and selling Thermofax screens. She also has served on the VCQ board for the last 8 years as secretary and president.

### **Bassinette/Mattress Cover for Hospitals**

Finished dimensions: 20" x 28" Cut 1 piece, 42" wide or WOF (width of fabric) by 29" long.

- 1. Fold fabric in half wrong sides together so 29" edges match.
- 2. Sew <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" seam across one short end (21") to within <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" of end, turn and continue on long edge, backstitching at beginning and end.
- 3. Finish raw edges of seam allowances with zigzag or other over-edge stitch.
- 4. Turn raw edge of opening <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" to the wrong side and press. Turn over one more time and stitch along the edge to hold in place.
- 5. Turn right side out and press.

**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.



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 Elizabeth Gibson, Programs Chair/Teachers at <u>kunamola@aol.com</u> or 703-481-6879

## **VCQ BOUTIQUE**

Items available for purchase at the next VCQ Quarterly Meeting Cash or Checks accepted

Zippered Project Bags	\$3.00
Celebration Tote Bags with Logo	\$5.00
VCQ Logo Wine Cups	\$5.00
VCQ 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Charms	\$3.00
Charm Holder	\$5.00
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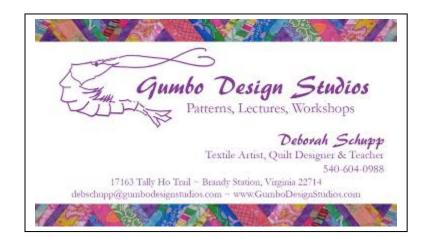
Please see Heather Zavagnin if you would like to purchase these during Lunch or at the end of the day.

THANK YOU

## **TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF September 11, 2016**

Money Market: \$8,300.50 Checking Account: \$14,781.53





## **MEMBERSHIP**

Don't forget to send in your renewals for 2017.

Application is included in the newsletter or you can find it on www.VCQ.org

The Sewing Studio, Inc. 1310 Memorial Blvd. South Martinsville, VA 24112 276-632-5700

To all my sewing friends and fellow fabric hoarders,

Get your tissues ready and join in with me please. I am totally sad and also delighted that John and I have decided to call it quits in the near future. We have set a tentative closing date at the end of December 2016, less than four months from now, but I look around at this mountain of inventory and just shake my head. We counted Tuesday and we have over 3500 bolts of fabric and that is not counting the sale corner or what is put back for our block of the month kits. If I average those at 8 yards on a bolts we have over 28,000 yards of fabric to sell. For my machine owners that are going nuts about now wondering who is going to service their Babylock machines, rest assured that we are not leaving the area and will continue to service and help answer questions. We will not leave any of you on your own. And boy, if you want a deal, now would be your best prices. Jenny will still be machine quilting and we will continue to be a drop off site for her until we close and after that we will arrange for quilts to be left either at her house or mine and John's. I'm hoping to supplement my retirement with some crafting, quilting, and binding and John with machine service and repair.

We have had most all of the fabric at a 20% discount the month of August and have been fielding questions so thought now is as good a time as any to prepare you for our closing. We have cancelled fabric orders but we are still going strong with our machine sales and have in stock all of the new Babylocks, including the Coronet and The Destiny II. Our new upgrades are in stock for your Destiny to bring it to the next level.

You my friends have got a job to do also in helping us close our store, You must get in here every week for the best selections of fabric and also for the next price reduction and make sure you tell every person you know just in case they are not receiving our emails. Starting today the new discount is 25% off all fabric regularly priced as well as notions and thread. All patterns with the exception of KariPatch patterns are 25% off. KariPatch patterns are not discounted.

Synchrony bank is having a free finance weekend and it is NOT strictly machines. That means you can buy a boat load of fabric at a discounted price and use your Synchrony card to space out the payments.

But why close you ask??? Well, John and I both are growing older every day and we still have a zillion things left we want to do. I have visions of sitting by my pool with a novel and a tall drink. I have 100's of unread books. I want to garden and make pickles and try out new recipes. I'll probably have to learn how to fight deer in my yard to accomplish this. I want to create some prize winning quilts . I want to be able to roll up to Rustburg for Grandparents day with Liam. And I need to clean out my closets -- that in itself might take a while. John just wants to fish. Dot wants time to work at her house and yard and Charlotte plans to enjoy her retirement as well.

I will of course be happy to talk to anyone about purchasing the store and continuing as The Sewing Studio, Inc if interested. If you have a serious interest I'll be glad to talk turnkey to you. We have a really good store reputation with customers who visit regularly from surrounding areas and an awesome Babylock dealership that would be a good business for somebody.

So dig deep in those purses and visit us. Pick up the phone to call your friends. Brenda

## VCQ WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

Registration form deadline: <u>Friday, October 21 2016</u>. Registrations will close after this date without exception. Any registrations postmarked after October 21, 2016 <u>will not be accepted</u> and will be returned. Any workshop cancellations prior to the deadline are eligible for a refund. Please fill out <u>completely</u> and please PRINT.

Name		Member	Non-Member
Address			
	City	State	Zip
Phone	Email		

Workshop A: Sew Together Bag by Sew Demented with Karen DuMontWorkshop B: Quilt as You Go with Brenda FeenyWorkshop C: BQ Nation wall quilt with Vicki Seekford and Lori SuonWorkshop D: VCQ Charity Project led by Susan PriceWorkshop E: Come Quilt with Me (CQWM)

1st choice\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2nd choice\_\_\_\_\_\_ 3rd choice\_\_\_\_\_\_

Cost	
Member, Workshop	\$40
Member, Community Service/Come Quilt with Me	\$35
Non-member, Workshop	\$55
Non-member, Community Service/Come Quilt with Me	\$45
Host Guild Non VCQ committee member	\$15** lunch
	only

\*\*A host guild non-VCQ committee member may register as a guest only for \$15 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 or the Community Service? Yes No

Were you referred or invited by a VCQ member? Yes No If so, please write in their name\_\_\_\_\_

Special lunch requirements: A sit down boarding house style lunch will be provided. Vegetarian\_\_\_\_\_ Gluten-free\_\_\_\_ Allergic to \_\_\_\_\_\_

Send workshop registration form and your check payable to VCQ to

#### Sally Ann Hurst, 4331 Rolling Hill Road, Red House, VA 23963

Questions? Contact Sally Ann Hurst @ 434-248-6212 VA or 6SallyHurst7@gmail.com

Please check your email blast or your newsletter mailing label to make sure this is not your last newsletter.

Don't forget to check for announcements and future updates on your VCQ website at <u>www.vcq.org</u>

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## **DATED MATERIAL**

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