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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT – 09/01/2021

Hello Quilters and Friends,

Hope you are having a busy summer now that we can be with family and friends more easily, with a bit of quilting in between.

Check out the workshops coming in the fall and the plans for our October General meeting.

VCQ has, once again, signed up for the Global Quilt Connection Sampler Platter for October 2 and 3, 3-6pm each day. A fantastic lineup of talented quilters sharing techniques you can use in your next project.

As Covid restrictions are being reduced, VCQ is planning for the 2022 schedule to include two Saturdays of workshops and meetings in person mixed with Zoom workshops in between - plus an exciting weekend of Celebration 2022 in April. Support your state quilt guild by attending workshops and meetings. Volunteer to be a board member. If you don't, who will!

Happy Quilting, Deborah

Slate of officers proposed for the election at the Oct 9 meeting:

Vice President - Lynn Garver Treasurer - Wendy Collyer Membership - Faye Hannah



YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board & Area Reps 2021

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Some appointed positions on the VCQ Board are currently vacant. The **PUBLICITY CHAIR** will get our name out to quilters in Virginia, most often via Facebook and Instagram. As we return to normal in Virginia, we will be returning to in-person meetings which require a facility in which to meet. The **FACILITY COORDINATOR** makes arrangements for meeting spaces and hotels. VCQ has met all over Virginia so most areas already have facilities previously used. If you are interested in any position contact Deb Schupp, President VCQ

MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING

Saturday, June 12, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Deborah Schupp at 10:04 am. Deb welcomed the members and called on Debi Harding, Programs, who introduced Julia Graves of Leesburg VA who spoke on "My Color Exploration".

After the lecture President Schupp reconvened the meeting at 11:04 and asked for corrections of the minutes of the last General Membership meeting on March 13, 2021 which were posted in the June newsletter. No corrections were noted so a motion was made by Paula Golden to accept them as posted. The motion was seconded and it carried.

Announcements:

President Schupp announced that Global Quilters Connection Sampler which VCQ offered free to the membership was a success for all concerned. We will participate again in the next sampler scheduled in October.

The 2022 meeting/workshop schedule will be a mix of virtual and in-person depending on pandemic protocols and meeting space availability. Celebration will be in-person in April

Debi Harding is compiling a monthly VCQ Events calendar.

The CQWM on July 17, 2021 will be a party. Wear a party hat!

Volunteer positions still open are Facilities Coordinator when venues which we have used before open again and Publicity Coordinator for postings on Facebook, Instagram, and a new YouTube channel

Elections will take place at the Membership Meeting on October 9, 2021. Positions to be elected are, Vice President, Treasurer, and Membership Chairman. The slate will be posted on the Members Only section of the VCQ website.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer Karen Brewster, explained our income and expenses in detail, stating we are ahead in our yearly goals. Checking account balance of \$5,414 and Money Market account balance of \$20,351. Kathy McCrae moved to accept the report, Millie Johnson seconded. The motion carried.

Membership Chair Karin McElvein stated membership is up to 176 members.

Programs Chair Elizabeth Gibson listed the up-coming workshops:

July 10, 2021 – Keven Womack teaching "Playing With Fabric Paints"

August 14, 2021 – Julia Graves teaching "Shimmering Triangles"

Sign up, contacts and supply lists are on the VCQ website. The September and November workshops will be announced in the next newsletter.

Community Service Chair, Karin McElvein, stated this year VCQ has donated 12 quilts to Quilters Dream for ALS. She has received a roll of batting to use in future projects. She has 75 bassinet covers to donate perhaps to a new hospital. She has 5 quilts to donate.

Celebration Chair, Sue Price gave a Power Point presentation of the Celebration brochure which will go live on the VCQ web site in early July. Registration will be begin August 1, 2021 at 9:00 am for members and September 1, 2021 for nonmembers. Registration is on-line through PayPal account or credit card. If your 1st choice is filled, be prepared to list another. There are about 140 spaces available at the same price as last year.

President Schupp reminded the members that CQWM will be held this afternoon 1-4pm. And, she concluded the meeting at 11:44 by reminding everyone the next General Membership meeting will be Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 10am via Zoom

Respectfully submitted Kathryn Gray Newsletter Editor

TREASURER'S REPORT

as of August 20. 2021

Checking \$16,167.27 Money Market \$20,126.27

Karen Brewster

Programs is looking for teachers who have a strong connection to the Commonwealth of Virginia and are comfortable teaching on-line using the Zoom platform. Please send along any of your suggestions to programs@vcq.org

A MESSAGE regarding MEMBERSHIP

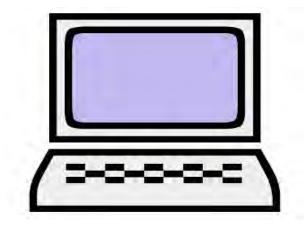
Our membership, at \$25, is a great value with lectures at each general meeting, special events like the Global Quilt Connection's virtual Quilt Sampler, workshops eight times per year, "Come Quilt with Me" each month, charity projects, support of the Virginia Quilt Museum, etc. Not to mention earlier registration for CELEBRATION!

At the moment we have 190 members with 18 of them being new members this year. I really appreciate all the renewals. Please don't forget to include a self addressed stamped envelope. Some of you do forget. Remember you must be a member in 2021 to be able to register for Celebration and of course a member in 2022 to be able to attend..

Here is a link to our Membership form:

http://www.vcq.org/documents/Membership.docx http://www.vcq.org/documents/Membership.pdf

COMING SOON TO A COMPUTER NEAR YOU UPCOMING VCQ LECTURES & WORKSHOPS



Fearless Applique Online Class, September 11, 2021



Last chance to register is this Saturday, September 4, 2021. Don't delay! VCQ will be hosting a 3 hour Zoom class **Fearless Applique** with **Betty Tucker Dietz** on Saturday, September 11, 2021. With the many methods of applique that you will learn in this class you are sure to find at least one method to overcome your fear of applique. You will learn four different hand applique methods: traditional needle turn, easy freezer paper methods, shadow applique and buttonhole stitch with DMC floss. And four different methods using your home machine: fine zig-zag stitch, buttonhole stitch, satin stitch and an almost invisible straight edge stitch. You will find yourself creating some amazing quilts in no time. Students will follow along as Betty demonstrates each of these different methods. The pattern FALL LEAVES is now available on her website as a PDF. You can purchase this pattern at <u>https://thequiltstudioinafton.com/product/fall-leaves-pattern/</u> Purchase of this pattern is OPTIONAL. For beginners and beyond. Join in the fun. Cost is \$30.00 for members, \$35.00 for non-members. To register: www.vcq.org/class_review.php?class_id=10 Questions? Please email programs@vcq.org

For our VCQ program October 9 in lieu of a lecture Let's Get to Know some of our newer Quilt Shops

We will feature three shops, letting each one present their specialties with a 10-15 minute presentation. You will be able to ask questions.



CS ThreadZ is located in Hardy (Smith Mountain Lake). Owner, Cecily Sue Ross, is working on their new website. They have over 2,500 bolts of fabric on line, with many Quilting and craft classes and Embroidery items. The shop sells and services Brother Products. They host UFO Fridays in the shop. She will be talking about all items and services they offer. Those traveling to and from Celebration will not want to miss a stop here.



The Fabric Shoppe is located in Suffolk.

In the 5th grade, Pamela Miller made her own sundress that she would wear to school. She had been sewing since 8, when her mother taught her the basics and she began crafting simple pillows and door draft stoppers. At 65, Miller has realized her dream of running her own fabric store. This summer, the longtime Suffolk resident and her husband, opened her Fabric Shoppe next to their older business on Bennetts Pasture Road, Embroidery & Print House Specialty Print Shop, where lots of unusual items can be found that they will embroider for you. The new store is packed with quilting and sewing supplies and will offer classes in both crafts come September.



Located in Newport News (former location of Nancy's Calico Patch). Jennifer Moose and Teresa Newton opened Sunshine Quilt Corner to help fill a void in the quilting community, after other shops in the area closed. Before they officially opened their doors (May 15, a few months into the pandemic) to the public, the owners were collecting face masks to donate to Children's Hospital of the Kings Daughters. A few months after opening, they started monthly charity sew events. Jennifer served as a Girl Scout troop leader and Teresa was involved with the Boy Scouts. The store has hosted sewists to make cage covers for cats and kittens, mastectomy pillows, hearts for mothers in the NICU, lap blankets for nursing home residents, pillows for the local animal shelters and dresses to send to Africa. It's just part of their way of giving back to the community. They teach a host of quilting classes.

Did you enjoy the June Quilt Sampler from the **Global Quilt Connection Group**? They will be back again with 16 new teachers the weekend of **October 2 and 3**. VCQ has paid to provide a link to all our members for this event. The good news is that the sampler will be available for 24 hours after originally broadcast so if you can't make it to watch live, plan to see it within the following day. VCQ will send the link out to members via an email blast a few days before the event. Look for it in your email (check that spam folder) or on the **members only** webpage.

Floral Portrait Wall Quilt Online Class, November 13, 2021



November's class will be a small quilt project with Karen McElfish. Karen will lead us through a small collage piece using her layered fusing and stitching techniques to create a botanical inspired piece.

Registration is open now at <u>www.vcq.org/class</u> review.php?class id=11 Class will be half a day on November 13, 2021.

To follow Karen please visit her website at: <u>www.karenmcelfishstudio.com</u>



VCQ sponsors *Come* Quilt *with Me* monthly, every third Saturday from 9-12 and Tuesday, as well as other times during the month. Check the calendar on the VCQ web site. Log in information for CQWM is in the "members only" section of the website. Log in information for the members only section is on the back of your membership cards. *Please do not share the password or log in information on social media or by email as they are not secure. If you need help with the user name and log in, please use the board* directory on page 2 to phone a board member for assistance

Would you like to learn how to moderate a Zoom class or a Come Quilt with Me? It is not difficult but does require a familiarity with your computer, a good internet connection, along with a knowing a bit about the Zoom platform which we can easily teach you by partnering with a mentor moderator. We are looking for people interested in moderating. Please send an email to programs@vcq.org if you would like to learn how to do this important job which is helping to support our members and teachers.



A MESSAGE regarding **CELEBRATION 2022**

CELEBRATION 2022 is coming! Have you registered?

Are you ready for a fun-filled weekend at Smith Mountain Lake next spring? We will be gathering on April 28 – May 1 for our 2022 retreat. We launched our online registration system on August 1 and the process is working well. Registration is now open to Members and Non-members at www.vcq.org/celebration/2022/celebration_register.php Non-members have the option to pay for two years membership along with the Celebration deposit for a total of \$150, or they can remain non-members, pay the Celebration deposit of \$100 now and pay the extra \$100 for non-members before March 1, 2022. If you are in need of a single room accommodation, please contact celebration@vcq.org. There may be an additional charge for a single room. Let your quilting friends and local guilds know about this opportunity! Registration will remain open until March 1, 2022, or when we reach capacity. The Celebration brochure with all the details can be found at VCQ - Celebration 2022. Pick your classes and sign up now! So far, only two classes on Friday are full (103 Over & Under Rainbow and 106 Painted Barn Quilt Block). All Saturday classes, including Painted Barn Quilt Block still have space available. When you register and choose your workshops, only those with open spots will show in the list. Whatever workshops you choose at that time, you are automatically in. You will receive a confirmation email from VCQ showing your entered information and chosen workshops. Then get busy finishing those Block Lotto blocks, making an entry for the quilt challenge, and get your decorated tote bag ready (see below). After more than a year at home due to the pandemic, we're all anxious to see our quilting friends again. So, mark the dates on your calendar and join us at our 2022 retreat, "Quilt Trails"!

Susan Price: celebration@vcq.org

Tote bag Challenge: It is never too early to start thinking about the tote bag challenge for Celebration2022. In an effort to keep down costs, no tote bag will be included with the goodies you will pick up at registration. Please plan to bring your own. If you would like, you may enter your tote in a contest to see who can create the tote most applicable to our Quilt Trails theme for Celebration2022.

Donations & Estate Planning

As you assess your estate planning and annual giving, please keep VCQ in mind and on your list of philanthropy. Cash donations support the operational expenses of the organization for workshops and lectures. Know that your love of the art of quilting will continue in Virginia after you are gone because of your gift. Use the link on the homepage to make a donation. Contact Deborah Schupp, President of VCQ, to discuss a bequest.

Your VCQ Board members want to hear from you!

VCQ will continue to subscribe to Zoom during 2022. What would you like to see from VCQ in this regard? Classes, challenges, peer demonstrations, shop tours? What are you willing to volunteer to help in arranging? We are all in this together and we need many volunteers to make the work lighter for all. Help us to keep this great group of quilters going.



The Virginia Quilt Museum was founded in 1995 by VCQ members, It grew out of VCQ's documentation project of the early 1990s, which also led to publication of our book, Quilts of Virginia, 1607-1899. VCQ has proudly supported the Virginia Quilt Museum since its inception 25 years ago and congratulates our museum for its well deserved reputation.

> Open: Tues - Sat, 10am to 4pm Virginia Quilt Museum 301 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, VA 22801 (540) 433-3818info@vaquiltmuseum.org

9/11 - Quilt Evaluation Day

9/17 - Last Day to see: Bindings from the Valley and Deeds not Words 9/21 - New Exhibits

9/18 & 9/25 - Two-part virtual event - Dimensional Flowers with Mimi Dietrich

10/9 - 25th Anniversary Celebration

10/23 - Stash Blast, Blacksburg, VA

American Quilt Study Group

Did you know that AQSG has a Facebook page? They are conducting "Quiltside Chats" on the 3rd Sunday of the month @ 3PM that you can access through Facebook. Search AQSG members only and request to join the group. If you miss the live event you can watch a recording on AQSG YouTube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnSdyh7Ji7GLiumC9-c9Xkg. See http://www.Americanquiltstudygroup.org for more information. AQSG also produces an online quarterly publication for members called Blanket Statements. You can access the summer issue at https://americanquiltstudygroup.org/docs/ForMembers/BStatements149.pdf It includes an article about the Virginia Quilt Museum by Neva Hart.

SWVA Quilt News

Receive once-a-month E-news and updates on quilt related events and activities in Southwest Virginia and surrounding areas. This newsletter is free and also offers free listing for any events you may have. Published by Karin Tauber **To sign up go to http://kutauber.wixsite.com/swvaquiltnews**

QUILTERS UNLIMITED 2021 ONLINE QUILT EXHIBIT Still available on-line at

https://quiltersunlimited.org/2021-quilt-show-2/

This year VCQ is running ads in the Virginia Register newspaper. This publication is available free at quilt shops, antique shops, and gift shops across the state. This year, we will have a 2"x2" classified ad which will help keep the VCQ name in front of quilters.

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Send ads to <u>newsletter@vcq.org</u> and check made out to VCQ



Some of the colorful quilt tops made from 9-patch and Sawtooth Star blocks created by VCQ members to be donated to the ALS Foundation. Thanks for all your creativity and great fabric choices!

Charity Report

VCQ came in 2nd this year in the Hopes and Dreams challenge.

I picked up 2 boxes of prizes and another roll of batting. I will bring them to our next in person meeting to share.

I have delivered a total of 17 quilts to Hopes and Dreams and one item they called a craft. I think the quilt was too small. I have also delivered almost 100 bassinet covers. Your generosity is much appreciated. I hope we can continue to make more quilts and covers in the coming year. I know I have several tops I just need to quilt. If you have some and can't quilt them, please contact me. We have members who would be happy to quilt them for you.

Thank you to all who have donated their time to our projects.

Please send all finished quilts and bassinet covers to: **Karin McElvein 8560 Executive Drive A3 Norfolk, VA 23503** If you have any questions, please email me at karinlisa7@gmail.com or call me at 754-572-1569 QUILTS: Have you finished all your UFO's? Would you like to make a charity quilt while you are sheltering at home? Susan Price has 3 lap size quilt kits cut for our charity project that are ready to be sewn, all that needs to be added is batting. She will mail you a kit if you are interested. We have also received an additional 61 yards of fabric donated by The Quilters Studio in Fairfax for our charity projects. This yardage will be used to create more quilt kits and some for bassinette covers. Contact Susan at mailto:vicepresident@vcq.org if you are interested in sewing a quilt kit.

<u>Charity quilts are being donated to the ALS Hopes and Dreams</u> <u>quilt challenge.</u> Minimum quilt size 35"x 44" or larger. Lap or bed quilts of all sizes are welcomed.

Karin McElvein is collecting both the quilts and bassinet covers. Contact her at membership@vcq.org

Too much fabric? Need space for more? Did you sort your fabric and organize your stash during the lock down? Here a quick, easy and useful project that uses some of that stash while contributing to our community. No need to prewash the fabrics – the hospital washes all donations before using them.

Bassinet/Mattress Cover for Children's Hospitals

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

- 1. Fold fabric in half right sides together so 29" edges match.
- 2. Sew ¼" seam across one short end (21") to within ¼" 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 1/2" 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.

French seams

- 1. Fold fabric in half wrong sides together so 29" edges match.
- 2. Sew 1/4" seam across short end (21") to within 1/4" of end, turn and continue along long side, backstitching at beginning and end.
- 3. Turn so wrong sides are together, carefully pressing it flat.
- 4. Sew (encasing previous seam) using a 3/8" seam allowance.
- 5. Turn raw edge of opening 1/2" to the wrong side and press. Turn over one more time and stitch along the edge to hold in place.
- 6. Turn right side out and press.

Don't want to make a whole quilt? How about a few blocks? Directions on the next page:

ALS Charity Quilt Blocks

Time for a new block to create charity quilts for the ALS Foundation. It's really simple and one that you can use in many creative ways.

- 1. Make a strip set: Cut 3 strips of different fabrics, each 3" wide by WOF (width of fabric), approximately 40° long. Sew together length-wise, scant ¾" seam. Press seam allowances all to one side. Strip set should be 8" wide x WOF.
- 2. Cut Strip Set into 8" squares. You will have 5 squares. 3. Cut 4 of the squares on the diagonal, the same way. The fifth square will be used to create a plano key border. 4. Separate your triangles into two groups of identical triangles. 5. Place the together to form a pinwheel design. Block 2 Block 1
- 6. Sew two triangles together. Press seam allowances to the side. Sew those two sections together to make the pinwheel.
- 7. Trim to 9 1/2" unfinished.

Mail both blocks and the extra square to:



Here is a sample of the ALS block. From one strip set you get two pinwheels and one rail fence. Send all three units to be added to an ALS quilt.

