



VIRGINIA CONSORTIUM OF QUILTERS

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It's beginning to look a lot like

CELEBRATION 2022!!!!

JOIN US ON THE QUILT TRAIL TO 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. Our online registration system is available for members and non-members alike 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 (which drops to \$50 on January 1) registration fee for non-members before March 1, 2022.

ACCOMMODATIONS

If you prefer a single room accommodation, please contact celebration@vcq.org. There may be an additional charge for a single room. We have 2 options available: a single room with a shared bathroom at no additional charge, or a private room/private bath for an additional \$50. Let your quilting friends and local guilds know about this opportunity! Registration will remain open until March 1, 2022, or when we reach capacity. We are currently at 106 registrations and can accommodate up to 150.

COVID-19

If you have concerns about COVID-19, the 4-H Center follows the CDC and state of Virginia protocols in place at the time of Celebration. They will have masks available as well as gloves and hand sanitizer in the dining hall for use at the buffet table. Of course, we all hope we will be beyond the pandemic and new variants by next spring but will have all possible precautions in place. Vaccinations and booster shots are highly recommended for those attending.

INFO ABOUT DEPOSITS AND BALANCE DUE

We will be sending invoices for the balance due, but not until after the first of the year. However, if you wish to pay your balance before that time, you may send your check to Kathy McCrea 3852 Persimmon Circle Fairfax, VA 22031. If you are a member who paid the \$100 deposit, your balance is \$285. For a non-member, the balance is \$385. If you requested a private room/bathroom, add \$50. Any questions can be addressed to celebration@vcq.org or Kathy at kathy.mccrea@cox.net.

QUILT CHALLENGE

We have several activities at Celebration that we hope you will participate in as well. The quilt challenge theme is “Quilt Trails” which you can interpret any way you like. You might showcase your favorite quilt block, a sampler of favorite blocks, or create a design that illustrates your quilting journey. Maybe you prefer Modern design; any interpretation of the theme is fine! The brochure has details as to size. So, get started with your entry and bring it to Celebration 2022!

SILENT AUCTION

There will be a Silent Auction going on throughout the weekend. We encourage you to bring quality items that you no longer want or need to contribute to the auction. That can include handmade items, fabric, kits, books, DVDs, sewing machines, and other like items. Any items not suitable for the auction will be placed on the Peddler's Table. Contact Betty Blessin with any questions at bblessin@triad.rr.com. The silent auction helps defray our Celebration costs, so please contribute generously.

CLASSES

The Celebration brochure with all the details can be found at VCQ - Celebration 2022. Pick your classes and sign up now! So far, two classes on Friday are full (103 Over & Under Rainbow and 106 Painted Barn Quilt Block). One Saturday class, 203 Glorified Nine Patch, is also full but all other Saturday classes including Painted Barn Quilt Block still have space available. There are a couple of classes (pictured below) with low enrollment; we would love to have more registrants join class 105 with Patty Murphy and 202 Brimfield Meadows. Therapy, 105, is a paper pieced design; Patty will share her tips for machine paper piecing as well as use of value and color. If you don't want to paper piece a full-size quilt, opt to make a smaller version or even a table runner. Brimfield Meadows, 202, is English Paper Piecing which is a hand piecing technique. The teachers have their own acrylic templates and perforated paper pieces for easier removal. 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. Any requests for workshop changes should be sent to celebration@vcq.org



TOTE BAG CONTEST

There is also an optional tote bag contest – choose a tote bag you already own and decorate it to fit the Quilt Trails theme. You might applique quilt blocks to cover any logos on the bag or decorate it with items to highlight your part of the state. Whether you participate in the contest or not, EVERYONE needs to bring a tote, as the committee will not be supplying them. We all have so many bags, let's make use of one you already have.



BLOCK LOTTO & ORPHAN BLOCKS

Block Lotto blocks should also be brought to Celebration or if you prefer, send ahead of time to Phyllis Keese; you can contact Phyllis at jophee@aol.com. One more request – we will be using orphan blocks to decorate the auditorium. If you have any to contribute, please send them to Susan Price 7414 Silver Pine Drive Springfield, VA 22153.

Have leftover blocks from your quilts? Bring them to Celebration 2022 to share with your friends

Orphan Blocks:



VI GRAVES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We are still accepting contributions to the Vi Graves Scholarship Fund. This scholarship provides the opportunity for quilters to attend who might not otherwise be able to due to financial hardship. All applications are confidential and should be sent to Deborah Schupp 17163 Tally Ho Trail Brandy Station, VA 22714. Contributions to the fund may be sent to Wendy Collyer, Treasurer, 16188 Glenhollow Ct, Culpepper VA 22701, wcollyer7175@gmail.com

OTHER FUN THINGS AT CELEBRATION 2022

Along with all of the above, we'll have the usual evening activities including lectures/trunk shows, show & tell, meet the teacher, vendors, buck night, square dance night, and strip night. 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"!

PHOTOS FROM PREVIOUS CELEBRATIONS



Questions? Contact Susan Price: celebration@vcq.org

and/or bring your questions to CQWM on any third Saturday



Two appointed positions on the VCQ Board, Publicity and Facilities Chairs, need volunteers to take on these jobs. The **PUBLICITY** chair will get our name out to quilters in Virginia and worldwide, 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. VCQ has met all over Virginia so most areas already have facilities found. If you are interested in any position contact Deb Schupp, President VCQ

PROGRAMS

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

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.

MINUTES OF THE LAST GENERAL MEETING

October 9, 2021 Virtual General Membership Meeting

President Deb Schupp brought our virtual general membership meeting to order at 10:04 am. She welcomed all members and gave a brief agenda for today's meeting. She also invited all members to attend the Come Quilt With Me virtual events the third Saturday of each month. She also invited members to use Zoom to meet with quilt friends anytime and keep connected until we can meet in person at Celebration 2022. She turned the meeting over to Debi Harding to introduce her shop owners for us to meet.

Sunshine Quilt Corner was represented by Theresa Newton. They opened in May of 2021 in Newport News. They are a Bernina shop but welcome any machines for on-site service. They are heavily involved in multiple charity work, have a long arm business, offer classes and a Sew Palooza, and offer a 10% discount to guild members.

CS Thread Z was represented by Cecily Ross located in Hardy Va. This shop is en route to Smith Mt. Lake where Celebration 2022 is being held. They are a Brother machine supporter and also have classes as well as UFO Fridays. They are currently undergoing an expansion and look forward to us visiting next March for Celebration and any time we are in the area.

Thank you to both shop owners for the virtual tours!

Deb Schupp brought the business meeting to order. The first item of business was the election of new officers. For Vice President – Lynn Garver, Treasurer – Wendy Collyer, and Membership – Faye Hannah. There were no nominations from the floor. An online ballot was sent. There were 37 members present and the slate of officers was passed unanimously.

Treasurer; Karen Brewster presented the financial report for the quarter. The income was \$9,055 and expenses \$6,928 leaving a surplus of \$2,127 for the quarter. The checking account has \$18,718 and the mm account has a balance of \$20,051. She also had a report on Celebration 2022. Mary Grogan made a motion to accept the report as presented, seconded by Elaine Briener. All in favor of motion, no opposed, motion passed.

Programs: Elizabeth Gibson announced our next workshop on 11/13/21 by Karin McElfish. This will be a wall quilt size class that is one of two options. She will post the options. The class is \$30 for VCQ members. The class is limited to 15 students and will last 2 ½ hours. This will be the last class for 2021. Starting in 2022 VCQ will be focusing on projects that will be leading up to Celebration 2022. We will be doing tote bags and challenges. More to come on these. Our first in-person gathering will be Celebration 2022.

Celebration 2022: Co-chair Sue Price reported that we have 105 quilters registered thus far. We can hold as many as 150. She announced that there are single rooms available. Some of these have shared bathrooms and the single rooms with private bathrooms will have a slightly higher fee. She encourages everyone to promote Celebration 2022 in your local guilds. She gave a rundown of the classes that are full and covered some of the other activities that occur during Celebration! Invoices for the remaining balance due for members that have paid their registration fee will be sent as soon as possible. Any member can also send their remaining balance to Kathy McCrea by postal mail also.

Deb Schupp announced that the board will be meeting for their working retreat to plan the upcoming year in early January. Future date for VCQ in-person meetings will be June 11, 2022, and October 8, 2022.

Debi Harding has our Tree of Life quilt. She was able to show this virtually.

The Virginia Quilt Museum is having a presentation from 1-3 today to introduce their new board. To see this presentation a representative was present and gave directions to get an on-line invitation and password.

Meeting adjourned 11:09

Minutes submitted by Susan Fulton

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 2022**

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.

You must be a member in 2021 to register in 2021 at the member rate. If you register for Celebration in 2022, then only 2022 membership is required for the member rate.

Here is a link to our Membership form:

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

Charity Report

Instructions for the bassinet covers and the current quilt block are on the VCQ website <http://www.vcq.org/>

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

Even when we can't be close ...



**We can still be close
on Zoom!**



Come Quilt With Me!

The 3rd Saturday of Each Month 9am-Noon

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***

QUILTING EVENTS AROUND THE STATE

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.



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
540-433-3818 info@vaquiltmuseum.org

CURRENT EXHIBITS
SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 - FEBRUARY 9, 2022

HOMETOWN GIRL: APPLIQUED QUILTS OF MIMI DIETRICH

35 years of appliqued quilts,
including Baltimore Album, traditional and modern.

TWISTED: QUILTS BY MARY KERR

An exhibit that focuses on the incorporation
of unfinished vintage textiles into a modern quilt aesthetic.

**WHAT THE BEES SEE:
BOTANICAL 3D QUILTS BY ANDREA FINCH**

Fanciful 3-D textile botanical creations that
stretch the definition of quilts

COVID-19 HOPE QUILTS

Eleven quilts honoring first responders and those who have been lost or affected by the pandemic. Made in Loudoun County.

American Quilt Study Group

The American Quilt Study Group's fall issue of Blanket Statements can be accessed online at [BStatements150.pdf \(americanquiltstudygroup.org\)](https://www.americanquiltstudygroup.org/BStatements150.pdf). In this issue: Southwest Louisiana Wholecloth Quilting Traditions, A Pennsylvania Chintz Wholecloth Quilt, Quilt Studies 22.

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>.

Textile Talks

ONLINE PRESENTATIONS

Textile Talks features weekly presentations and panel discussions from the International Quilt Museum, the Modern Quilt Guild, Quilt Alliance, San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles, Studio Art Quilt Associates, and Surface Design Association. The programs are held online at 2 pm Eastern (11 am Pacific) each Wednesday and last approximately one hour. Preregistration is required and recordings are available. Content in Textile Talks presentations is intended for personal educational and inspirational purposes. If you would like to use a presentation for a group, please contact the presenting organization.

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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