



June 2012 Newsletter

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Brandon Avenue
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What's in **YOUR** Quilting Future?

June—Yarn Explosion—She will be discussing the shop's different types of yarns and will bring lots of sample projects and information about classes.

July—Christmas in July—If anyone has any "quick gift" ideas, please bring them to Vickie Kulhman in June so that she can include them in her July program.

August—Gayla Heath will share information about feed sacks. She will bring her collection of feed sacks and quilts made from feed sacks and from fabrics from the same time period. You will learn how to tell the difference in these fabrics and how to tell the value of these treasures. If you have a feed sack quilt, or '30's-'40's reproduction quilt, bring it to share during the program.

September—Kevin Womack will be joining us to talk about Threads and Embellishments. Have you wanted to try metallics, supertwist, or speciality threads? Learn more about bobbin work, couching, thread play, and cutwork. Kevin will also cover embellishments such as foiling, angelina fibers, and paintsticks.

October—open to date

November—Lucille Amos, Certified Judy Neimeyer instructor will be doing a trunk show with her fabulous quilts. She will also be doing a workshop the day after our evening meeting which will be limited to 15 students. More information about costs, sign ups, and patterns coming soon.

December—Social

Are You Up-to-Date at Star Guild?

To be included in the Star Quilters Guild Membership Directory you must pay your dues by the June 4, 2012, meeting. This is your last opportunity to join and be included in the Membership Directory.

Please bring your \$15 and a smile to the meeting. I will take your photo for the Directory.

If you have paid and I have not taken your photo, this meeting will be your last opportunity to be photographed.

You will receive a copy of the Directory by email when it is complete. Members without email will receive a copy at the July meeting.



Linda Greene
Membership Chair



June 1 Quiltessas

Our Lady of Nazareth Catholic Church
2505 Electric Road
Rt. 419

10 a.m.— . . .

June 4

Guild Meeting
Yarn Explosion
Church of Christ
7 p.m.

June 20-23

Blue Ridge Quilt
Festival

July 6

Quiltessas

July 9

Guild Meeting
Christmas in July
Church of Christ
7 p.m.

August 3

Quiltessas

August 6

Guild Meeting
Feedsacks
Church of Christ
7 p.m.

September 7

Quiltessas

September 10

Guild Meeting
April 5 & 6,
2013

Quilt Show
Roanoke Civic Center

Show and Tell

Each meeting we have Show and Tell. This is the time members bring in what they have been working on to show the group.



Everyone is invited to bring in their handwork to share. We also invite guests to bring their work.

We love seeing what our friends have been up to.

Quiltessas

We are gearing up for our next chapter in the Bonnie Hunter scrappy quilt making. We will meet Friday, June 1, Our Lady of Nazareth Church on Rt. 419 from 10 a.m. until mid afternoon. Bring a sack lunch and a nonperishable food item for the food pantry downtown.

If you don't want to do this project, please come and be a cheerleader for the team. All knitters and needleworkers welcome.

Library News— Book it!

Need some new fat quarters to add to your stash? Check out some of the books from your library and your name goes in for the fat quarter drawing each month. Found a book that you really wanted at the quilt shop but the fabric urge won out? Contact me and we can order it for your Guild library. If you have suggestions for books for our Library, please contact me. Our website has a Library section which lists all of our library books. Books are listed by categories or subjects. All new books are listed in yellow each month. **Remember** to put your name in the FatQuarter Drawing for each book or DVD you checkout.

Chris Epperly, Librarian

Hats Off, Kudos Hospitality Ladies

Thanks to the outgoing Hospitality Committee for two fun-filled years of social events. You rock, **Ann Ware, Chris Epperley, and Ginny Vaden!** You did an awesome job!

Attention all strippers!

2 ½ Strip Fabric Exchange

The 2 1/2" Strip Fabric Exchange is a great way to add to your stash of fabric for the next project you do.

Members who want to participate should bring six(6) strips of 2 ½" (100% cotton) fabric strips of the same fabric cut the width of material (wof). You will turn in your strips at the beginning of the meeting in a zip lock bag with your name on the outside. After the meeting you will pick up your new pack of assortment of fabric.

You can participate every month or you can skip a month.

June—Beach Theme

July—Red, White and Blue

August—Hot colors (solid or prints)

If you have any questions, you can call Ann Ware who is organizing this Fabric Exchange.

Blue Ridge Quilt Festival

June 20 - 23, 2012

The festival will open its doors on Wednesday, June 20 from 4-6 pm for Opening Night and Artist Reception. Annette Kennedy, this year's featured artist, is an award winning quilter whose quilt: "Mountain Chapel" is part of the permanent collection of the National Quilt Museum in Paducah.

Annette will be at the Artist Reception to talk about her work and inspiration.

Please remember to register soon for Annette's classes. It is not often that we can host an award winning quilter from Colorado. For more workshop info please go to:

www.BRQFestival.com

Daily Admission: \$7, Multiday: \$10
Blacksburg, High School (same building, new name)
3109 Prices Fork Road, Blacksburg, Virginia
Other instructors include Paula Golden, Debby Kratochvil, Kathy Sevebeck, Barbara Cline, Susan Brittingham, and Karen DuMont. For questions please contact Karin Tauber, BRQFest@aol.com

Comfort Quilts

Comfort Quilts donated nine quilts to the Turning Points Women's Shelter in April, and one twin size quilt to the Rescue Mission in May. Six kits were picked-up at the May meeting. Thank you to all who do so much to give "comfort" to the Roanoke Valley through the Guild's outreach program.

Just in time for Memorial Day, I dropped off four soldier quilts at the Salem VA. They were delighted to have them and thanked us for our time and generosity.



Terry, the coordinator, who I gave the quilts to, shared that she just had an older veteran who had been so excited to receive one of our quilts. The quilts that were just dropped off were made by Kathy Wickham, Glo How-

ell and Diana Van Hise (2). Thank you for the time you have taken to give comfort to our military heroes.

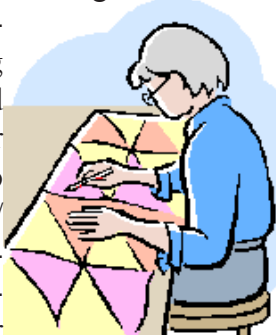
If you have ever found the size of these quilts daunting, you might consider pairing with our two long arm quilters who have offered their quilting services. You would make the top and piece the back, then deliver it to the long arm quilter. Once it was quilted, you would do the binding and sew on the label. If this is something that would work out for you, I have phone numbers to pass on.

Tool Opportunity

I have an Alto Quilt Fabric Cutting System for sale. Used one time. \$250. Call Charlene Wolfe, (540)344-3423 or cell 761-3999.

Are you a hand quilter that just can't get comfortable?

The GraceHoop Squared 24-inch square hand quilting hoop adjusts and the stand foot slides right under your chair and you tilt it right into your lap to quilt. \$299.95 w/ free delivery on line at Sewing Machines Plus.com however I have one for sale for \$75. Just like new--downsizing. Call 537-7368 if interested.



Busy Hands

Our Busy Hands group has not met for a while. We have changed our location to Starbucks inside Barnes & Nobles at Tanglewood Mall. We will meet the 3rd Monday of each month at 6:30 PM. We invite anyone interested in joining us to bring whatever hand work you are working on and meet us on June 18 and join us.



We will enjoy sharing our work and maybe a cup of coffee or two. If you have any questions you can call Sallie Powers or Linda Greene.

2nd Helpings Gallery

The 2nd Helpings Gallery, a venture of the Rescue Mission Ministries, is looking for quilters interested in selling their work.

The 2nd Helpings Gallery, located in the Civic Plaza on Williamson Road, offers eclectic works of art from more than 100 talented, regional artists. The purchase of original art from the gallery blesses the shopper in three ways: first, the beauty of the piece itself will enhance the office or home; second, the purchase of the art will encourage and support local artists; and finally, the purchase will provide funds for a homeless person to access the medical attention they need.

Marjorie Joyce, Gallery Manager, said that they are interested in "wall hanging" quilts (as opposed to full size quilts) to display in the Gallery at 2nd Helpings.

When a piece of artwork is sold, the artist receives 60% of price (set by artist) and the Rescue Mission receives 40%. All artwork is reviewed before being accepted for display. Interested members may contact Marjorie to schedule an appointment or send a digital picture of their work. An artist contract is necessary and delineates the terms of the agreement. 2nd Helpings Gallery is primarily interested in small quilts which lean toward being "artistic" rather than "functional". If you have a piece you are interested in selling, please contact Marjorie at (540) 491-9405 or marjorie.joyce@rescuemission.net. More information about 2nd Helpings may be found at their website at <http://www.2ndhelpings.org>.



May social Good Eats

Ambrosia Salad—Linda Crowley

2 lb cans fruit cup drained
 1 lb can pineapple tidbits drained
 1+ cup miniature marshmallows
 ½+ cup coconut
 1 8 oz tub Cool Whip
 Mix all ingredients together. Chill and serve as salad.
 Can add any seasonal fruits of choice.

Citrus-Marinated Feta and Olives—Ann Ware

¼ cup chopped fresh basil
 ¼ cup olive oil
 1 Tablespoon orange zest
 1 teaspoon ground pepper
 1 garlic clove, minced
 1 cup pitted kalamata olives
 1 cup pimento-stuffed Spanish olives
 1 8oz feta cheese block cubed
 Whisk together first 5 ingredients in a medium-glass bowl. Gently stir in olives and cheese. Cover and chill 24 hours. Serves 6-8.

Sweet & Sour Cucumber Salad—Madeline Demchak

7 cups sliced cucumber
 1 medium onion sliced
 1 Tablespoon Kosher salt
 Let stand 2 hours and drain.
 Mix
 1 ½ cups sugar
 1 cup vinegar
 1 teaspoon celery seed
 Mix with cucumbers. Let stand 1 day in covered container in refrigerator.

Summer Squash Salad

2 cups julienned zucchini
 2 cups julienned summer squash
 1 cup sliced radish
 ½ cup vegetable oil
 2 Tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons cider vinegar
 1 Tablespoon Dijon mustard
 1 Tablespoon minced fresh parsley
 ½ teaspoon dill weed
 ¼ teaspoon pepper
 In large bowl, toss vegetables. Combine remaining ingredients & whisk or shake well. Pour over vegetables. Cover. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours. Serves 6-8.

???Have a Heart???

If YOU still have the Heart Applique project we did in March “please” bring it to June meeting so that we can put it together and take advantage of Pam Mann’s offer to quilt it for us. Even if you have not sewn the heart—I understand applique is not for everyone—just return the heart and we will get ‘er done. Thanks again.

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