



Threads of Thought

A Quilter's Exchange

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From Elma

When you read this, I will probably be sitting in a cabin in the North Carolina mountains, watching the rain. We have a 7-day weather forecast of rain – each day; rain! Good thing I brought extra projects to do. I'll have my sewing machine humming. We nearly always need the rain and I'll not complain. Just sit and enjoy it.

Hope you enjoyed your summer, whether or not you felt you were on vacation. Did you see the quilt that Nancy Buckland created and donated for auction, with the proceeds going to the Chesterfield County Food Bank? A beautiful pineapple creation. And guess what? It was won by Richmond Quilters' Guild member, Jody Hirschfeld (Hospitality)! Several of our members helped Nancy sell quilt raffle tickets at the Fair. Thank you, Nancy, for sharing your knowledge of quilting with others. And Congratulations to Jody!

Some of us will have an opportunity to share that knowledge and love of quilting at Eppington Plantation on October 6th. This event is in celebration of Eppington's 250th anniversary. Hope to see you there.

Rita Verocca will be sharing her talents with us during her Trunk Show at our Fall Meeting on September 22. There's no business meeting; just an opportunity to share quilting education and the company of friends. Rita's Trunk Show will be followed by an RQG Fashion Show, Bring Your Own Lunch and an opportunity to sit and stitch. Should be lots of fun.

Leaves will soon be falling and the evenings getting crisp. Fall is just around the corner. I expect that you are busy working on holiday gifts. I think that's one of the best parts of the holidays – sharing our custom-made gifts with others.

Please check another section of *Threads of Thought* for details about the above-mentioned activities. I hope you will take advantage of these opportunities provided to the Guild members. Stay dry!

Elma

Looking Forward To. . .

September 21 – **Rita Verocca Workshop.**

Workshop full.

September 22 – **Fall Meeting** - Trunk show by

Rita Verocca; Fashion Show by RQG members; Sit and stitch. All activities, beginning with registration at 9:00 AM, are at Southside Baptist Church on Ironbridge Road in North Chesterfield. Bring your own lunch. Morning snacks provided by the RQG Board. Please let Nancy Buckland know that you plan to attend so that we can estimate the number of people for whom we should prepare.

October 1 – November 30 – Hospitality's display of "**Fidget Quilts**" at Chester Library.

October 4 – RQG sponsored **bus trip** to Virginia Beach Quilt Show. Reservations required.

October 6 – RQG **demonstration of handwork** at Chesterfield County's Eppington Plantation's 250th Anniversary event. All welcome (10:00 – 4:00).

November 4 – RQG Board meeting.

Announcing the Fidget Quilt Exhibit

The Hospitality Chapter will present “Focus on Fidget Quilts” at the Chester Public Library, 11800 Centre St, Chester, from October 1 through November 30. This exhibit will be part of the library's Brain Health Awareness program. The fidget quilts, made and donated by Hospitality members, will be given to Alzheimers Association, Greater Richmond, at the conclusion of the exhibit. There is a delightful poster included in TOT and also posted on our website, advertising the exhibit. Please feel free to print a copy and post it in any neighborhood gathering place you frequent.

This will be a great opportunity to promote RQG, including a brief history, mission statement, and a list of supported charities for all chapters. Our handy Guild bookmarks listing chapter meeting times and locations will be available to members of the public. We hope this will bring us all some new members, as well as giving the Guild a bit of publicity. Come on out and see the exhibit! (And remember, The Busy Bea is right down the street from the library!)

The Hospitality Chapter wishes to express our gratitude to members from other chapters who helped with this effort, as well as to Cathy Chase at Busy Bea for helping us promote the exhibit. *Thank you!! Sharon Gallegos*

FIDGET QUILT EXHIBIT

AT THE CHESTER LIBRARY
11800 Centre Street, Chester, VA



October 1 through November 30, 2018

WHAT ON EARTH IS A FIDGET QUILT?

Each fidget quilt is unique. There will be over 20 on exhibit, including one touchable example. All have been created by members of the Richmond Quilters Guild, and will be donated to the Alzheimers Association at the close of the exhibit. Information about the Richmond Quilters Guild and its five chapters will be available at the library.
COME SEE THESE UNUSUAL QUILTS!

TOT Deadline

The next issue of Threads of Thought will be the December/January issue. How quickly the year has flown by! The deadline for this issue will be **November 10**.

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Board Meeting Minutes Richmond Quilters' Guild August 19, 2018 3:00PM

Bon Air Christian Church, Bon Air, VA

President Elma Cooper welcomed members and a quorum was confirmed. The attendees approved the previous board meeting minutes as published in the *Threads of Thought*. The Treasurer reported a RQG checking account balance of \$8,980.89 and a quilt show account balance of \$12,467.62.

Elma and Treasurer Shawne Kaeser reviewed the financials and reported a successful Tuckahoe Tea and Quilts event with a profit of \$882.18. The weather was good, the attendance was good, the food was good. Deborah Pinion (and family) did an excellent job organizing the event; the raffle quilt that Deborah put together was also a success. A very nice "Thank You" note was received from Mr. Thompson from Tuckahoe Plantation; they wish to make this an annual event.

Chapter Reports

Bits & Pieces – Susan Cook -The chapter recently had their summer potluck dinner, programs are continuing to be provided by members and charity project including pillowcase are continuing.

Crazy Quilters – Deb Bosse – The chapter had a program titled "What's Your Angle" with Lee Taylor and a wallet program by member Linda Barker. There was no July meeting and a potluck dinner/yard sale was held in August. In September, a program on bobbin lace will be presented. The monthly mini-retreats continue on Thursday, Friday and Saturday (the second Saturday weekend) and the retreats are open to the guild.

Hospitality – Dorothy Griffith – The chapter is working on their December Bazaar including goody baskets. The Arts Acquisition Committee at the VA Treatment Center for Children is looking for a display of artwork as part of a possible permanent display. The chapter is also making quilts for the visually impaired, i.e. tactile quilts and learning how to prepare weighted quilts. There was a question as to whether the guilds insurance covers the donated quilts; it does. There will be a display of "Fidget Quilts" that can be used for Alzheimer patients at the Chester library during October and November.

James River Heritage – Liz Bradshaw – In August, the chapter completed their annual quilt-a-thon/pizza dinner. Projects are underway for the Spring Meeting including favors and centerpieces. A mystery quilts is also ongoing with chapter members

Piecemakers – No Report

Committees

-**Audit Committee** - Elma Cooper - the audit of the 2017-2018 financial records was completed and all was found in order

-**Programs** - Nancy Buckland –

Othe September Fall Meeting will present a Trunk Show by Rita Verocca on the 22nd at Southside Baptist Church; a member's fashion show is planned if at least a dozen participants reach out to Nancy Buckland. The workshop on the 21st is full with a wait list started.

Othe Spring Meeting is scheduled for March 23 and will feature Mary Kerr from Northern Virginia. There will be a 1-hr lecture with a workshop in the afternoon. A likely program is "Wonky Stars-Old Things Become New Again". She is a humorous speaker and can take 20-30 in her workshop. Her fees are \$400/lecture, \$450/workshop and \$0.57/mile for travel.

OTea At Tuckahoe – Elma Cooper – Since both the Guild and Tuckahoe would like to make fund-raiser an annual event, there is a need to formalize the raffle quilt donation since this raffle is

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responsible for a large part of the funds raised. Each chapter would be responsible in rotation for providing a quilt to be raffled. Since alphabetically Bits & Pieces is the first chapter, they will be responsible for the quilt supply in Spring 2019; at least a full/queen sized quilt is desired. A motion was made/seconded and passed to provide the quilt. Additional discussions ensued about chairperson and advertisement needs. The intent is to limit it to 150 people. Elma indicates that she (and others) will meet with Rita from Kahoe.

OGuild Quilt/Lifetime Quilt– Debbi Quitquit – the Guild quilt does not represent the current set-up of the guild and the lifetime membership quilt is out of space on the front for additional members. After several different discussions, it was decided that the dates for each chapter would be added to the Guild quilt, including those chapters that no longer belong to the Guild. All names will be removed from the current Lifetime Members quilt. The names will be re-entered in chronological order from the first year to present, in rows. All names will be embroidered in the same font so that they will match. A number of fabrics will be purchased for use as background for each name. The fabrics will remain with the banner to be used for several years. Debbie indicated that Linda Barker can embroider/digitize the names.

ONominating Committee – Elma Cooper – a volunteer from each chapter is needed to form the nominating committee for the guild officers; nominees will be for President and Vice-President. Please provide Elma with the volunteer's name so she can reach out to them.

OQuilt Show 2020 – Elma Cooper – Feedback is needed as to whether or not to have a show. It is a lot of work but it does fulfill part of our mission by being a good educational venue to share quilting. Many questions are yet to be answered including documenting what has been done in past years to host a show. Elma asked attendees to discuss whether to have a show at their chapter meetings. Displaying at the State Fair was discussed.

OEppington Plantation – Elma Cooper – the guild has been invited to demonstrate hand quilting on October 6th at Eppington from 10-4; an inside venue has been requested. Volunteers are needed.

OMid-Atlantic Challenge – Sharon Gallegos is chairing this " 'Til the Cows Come Home" event; the quilt is 36"x36".

Elma announced that the remaining board meetings are scheduled for November 4th and March 10th. The meeting then adjourned.

Anne C. Wright, Secretary

Virginia Quilt Museum's New Curator

The Virginia Quilt Museum is welcoming Hannah Facknitz as their new curator. Hannah graduated magna cum laude from James Madison University in May 2018. She received a Bachelor of Arts in history with distinction, having completed a senior thesis awarded the Phi Kappa Phi Best Thesis Award for JMU. Her research focused on the indigenous experience in the nineteenth century as well as technology, labor, and racial histories of North America. Throughout her undergraduate career, she presented research nationally and internationally in places like Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Hiroshima, Japan. Arts and crafts have long been a passion of hers, and she ran her own crafting business for several years during a hiatus from college. She is a lifelong resident of Harrisonburg, and has a deep love for the local community. Her hobbies include excessive reading and spending inordinate amounts of time snuggling her fifteen year old puppy, Rufus. We are excited to have Hannah as part of the VQM team and look forward to her contributions in the future!

(From the Va. Quilt Museum "September News & Notes")

Quilt Raffle Results

Nancy Buckland annually donates and raffles off a quilt at the Chesterfield County Fair to benefit the Chesterfield Food Bank. She asked Guild members to help her man the booth at the Fair, and this year Guild member Jody Hirschfeld won the quilt!

We raised \$1568 for the Chesterfield Food Bank. I presented the check to Kim Hill, Director of the Chesterfield Food Bank. Nancy thanks all her friends who helped with this effort. "I could not have done it without your help."

Nancy Buckland



Nancy presents the check to Kim Hill, Food Bank director.

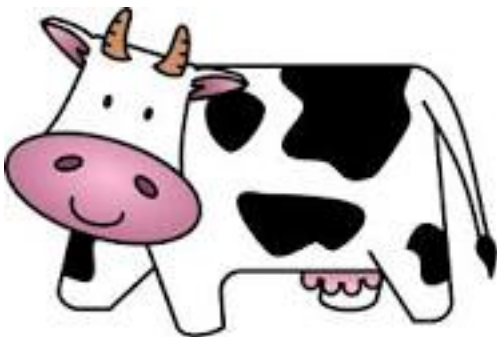
At left, Jody with her new quilt

New Mid-Atlantic Challenge

Richmond Quilters' Guild has been invited once again to participate in a guild wide challenge for next February's Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival. We are excited about this opportunity and are looking forward to many of you participating in the challenge. Next year's theme will be '**Till The Cows Come Home**'. Your entry can be whatever comes to mind when you think of cows. Your cows can be realistic or whimsical, a play on words, the sound "moo" or whatever comes to mind relevant to the theme. Get busy thinking about your entry and submit your form to participate no later than November 20, 2018. If you have questions you may direct them to Sharon Gallegos..

The form for entry can be found on page 8 and more contest rules and design ideas are on page 9. Both are also on the Guild website.

Sharon Gallegos



Chapter News

Bits and Pieces

Bits & Pieces will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 9th at the Laurel Hill United Methodist Church in Varina. Sue Rainey will be our program host with a fun and easy technique for making "Basket Blocks". Please bring any completed pillow cases and charity items. Don't forget Show n' Tell!



Bits & Pieces will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13th at the Laurel Hill United Methodist Church in Varina. Marguerite Harkness will be our program host with "3D Snowflakes" just in time for winter! Please bring any completed pillow cases and charity items. Don't forget Show n' Tell!
Anna Williams

Hospitality

Hospitality Chapter meets for social time at 9:30 on the first Wednesday of the month at Community of Grace Church, 2240 Cranbeck Road. The business meeting begins at 10:00 followed by a program and Show & Tell from members. Visitors are welcome.



Wool appliqué has grown in popularity over the last few years and in October we welcome Beverly Spivey, who will have you enthusiastic about beginning your own wool appliqué project. Beverly is self taught and makes beautiful wool appliqué table runners and many other projects with wool. She will present a trunk show of her work and inspire you to give wool appliqué a try if you haven't explored this versatile and fun technique before. Quilters can expand their repertoire of hand appliqué working with wool and gain new skills that can be incorporated in to many types of projects.

In November we are excited about our program presented by Pat Brunette. She is a talented designer of numerous landscape quilts and the annual Row by Row's for Lib's Place in Rice, VA. Showcasing her designs, Pat will share her tips and ideas that we can use in designing our own landscape quilts. Pat's ability to

make landscapes come to life with great contrast and interest will surely make for an interesting program.

Hospitality members are very busy preparing for a Christmas Bazaar to be held at Community of Grace Church during their December meeting. There will be lots of great items for sale that will make a very special Christmas gifts for many on your list. Members have already turned in many great items and we're looking forward to having a large variety for all age levels. for sale Proceeds will go to support future Hospitality programs.

Sharon Gallegos

James River Heritage

With the end of summer and start of school we are looking forward to the exciting things coming up this fall.



The James River Heritage Quilters will be having their first Quilt In retreat September 15th, we are hoping this will be the first of many. We will be seeing many of you at the Fall Meeting the next weekend.

In October we are having members giving the program by giving "Tips, Tricks, and Techniques".

November we will be having Our Annual Auction with Lisa Adams as our auctioneer. All members will be bringing hand made items for auction. Please come out to help support us and pick up some wonderful items for gifts or something for yourself!

Debbie Quitiquit



Chapter News

Piecemakers

The Piecemakers chapter of the Richmond Quilt Guild meets on the second Wednesday of each month at the New Bethesda Baptist Church in Mechanicsville. Social time starts at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 10:00 a.m.



The program for October is by Sherry Whitford. She will present her originally designed "Birth Of A Sampler" quilt. I am looking forward to seeing her quilts, hearing about the design process and her inspirations.

The program for November will be presented by Chandra Parker of the Central Virginia Modern Quilt Guild. Her presentation is "What Is Modern Quilting." We'll learn more about modern quilts and another local quilt guild.

Reminder: Each month on the third Friday there is an open sew day for all chapter members to come and sew on whatever you want and enjoy the fellowship of other quilters. It is a great opportunity to get to know more of your guild members. Hope to see you there. Sewing starts at 9:30 a.m.

Tammy Weston, Programs

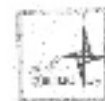
New Exhibits at the Va. Quilt Museum

Beginning September 18 the following exhibits are open for viewing.:

1. Mountain Mist Quilts; 20th C. Favorites. Curated by Neva Hart
2. American Quilt Study Group Basket Quilts. 25 quilts inspired by a 19th C quilt, quilt top, or block with one or more baskets.
3. Sacred Threads. Curated by Sanah Entsminger. An international exhibit of quilts with themes of spirituality, joy, inspiration, peace, grief, healing.
4. Treasures From the Vault: This is My Name. Curated by Gloria Comstock. Rare signature quilts from the museum collection.
5. Vive La Difference by the Apple Valley Needle Threaders, Berryville, VA. Curated by Nyra White and Pam Pampe. A variety of works by members of an area quilt guild, each reflecting the personality and talent of its maker.
6. And, a new permanent Exhibit: New History of the House Exhibit, located in the old jail cell examining the history of the house and the people who have occupied it, plus including each month a new Civil War quilt from the museum collection.

Crazy Quilters

Crazy Quilters will meet on Tuesday, October 2, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Mechanicsville Presbyterian Church, corner of Atlee Road and Signal Hill road. Our program that evening will be a demonstration by the program committee of embroidery stitches on wool — small kits and instructions for embroidery stitches will be provided.



Our November meeting on November 6, beginning at 7 p.m., will also be at Mechanicsville Presbyterian Church. The program will be a presentation by Durwood Dommissiee, Professor Emeritus, Communication Arts and Design Department of VCU, and an accomplished artist of landscapes in oils. He will talk to us about color theory (hue, value and tone). Some of us have heard his presentation before and it is extremely insightful. Please join us for his entertaining and enlightening program.

Deb Bosse. (and Katia Simmons)

Richmond Quilters' Guild Challenge 2019-MAQF

Please note: Form must be turned in to Sharon Gallegos, Hospitality Chapter no later than 11/20/18. (Sooner is encouraged.)

Name: _____

Cell Phone: _____ **Home Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____

Chapter: _____

Title of Quilt: _____

Dimensions of Quilt: _____

Insurance Value of Quilt: _____

Brief Description of your quilt that will be posted next to your quilt at the show: Include details such as inspiration for the design, techniques used, etc.

Quilts will be collected by a representative from your chapter and must be turned in at your January Chapter meeting.

Questions, please contact Sharon Gallegos. Email sgg7777@aol.com (804) 382-7536

Richmond Quilters' Guild Challenge 2019-MAQF

An invitation has been extended to the guild for a special exhibit at the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival in February 2019. The theme for the challenge will be “**Till The Cows Come Home.**” All guild members are invited to submit an entry to the challenge using the criteria as outlined below:

1. The challenge is to create a quilt using a cow as the central design theme.
2. You may use any techniques that you wish. Traditional piecing, paper piecing, appliqué of any kind, etc. You are encouraged to try a technique which is new to you.
3. Size range: The quilt can be no larger than 30”x30”. Any shape is acceptable.
4. Your entry must have three layers including batting and must be quilted by machine or hand.
5. The quilt must have a hanging sleeve and a label on the back that includes both the name of the quilt and the maker of the quilt. If your quilt is quilted by someone other than yourself, that information must be included as well.
6. **Submission deadline** is November 20, 2018. You must include a brief description of your quilt that will hang with your quilt during the show.

Some ideas to get you going.....

Use a play on words to incorporate the cow theme in your quilt.

Your cow can be realistic or whimsical.

You may submit more than one entry if you're so inclined.

Allow your imagination to “moo”ve you to create something to inspire others!!

