



Threads of Thought

A Quilter's Exchange

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Happy New Year from Elma!

You may or may not have made any New Year's resolutions but if you did, I suspect they include some quilting or other needlework. I am about to set forth on a new adventure for me – slipcovers! I know many of you have experience with this. I have only one chair that needs slipcovering but I'm looking forward to the adventure with trepidation. I've carefully removed the old covering, labeled it significantly and plan to use it as a pattern. Wish me luck!

Last fall the decision was made to have a Quilt Show in 2020. A regional Quilt Show, such as we normally provide, benefits both our Guild and local Chapters in numerous ways. It provides an opportunity for:

- non-quilters, as well as experienced quilters, (possible future Guild members) to meet current members
- members to display their creations
- vendors to showcase their newest gadgets and fabrics
- the Guild to fund future programs and activities
- continuing the tradition, culture and history of quilting

I have scheduled our Quilt Show at Richmond Raceway for September 25-27, 2020. Now we need a Quilt Show Chairperson to lead the Show. This person will facilitate a committee of many willing workers (I already have several volunteers.) Because of this division of responsibility the entire show accountability does not fall on the Chairperson. I am most hopeful that someone will step forward and volunteer for this position. We must pay a large non-returnable deposit to the Raceway in mid- February. If we do not have a Chairperson at that point, we may have to cancel the Quilt Show. Please seriously consider volunteering. (Just call me at 804-320-8773 to volunteer.) Thanks!

If you or your Chapter wish to nominate someone for Life membership please remember that the nomination must be affirmatively passed by your Chapter and then presented to the Guild Board at its meeting on March 3, 2019. The life membership designation should be considered an exceptional award.

Our Annual meeting will be held on Saturday, March 23rd at Transformation Church (formerly Southside Baptist Church.) The election of a new President and Vice President of the Guild will be held at this meeting. All other Guild officers have one year remaining on their terms of office.(nformation about the program and lunch plans for this meeting are elsewhere in this issue of *Threads of Thought*.

I'm looking forward to Tea 'N Quilts at Tuckahoe. Plan to see you there on April 28th (rain date is May 5th.)

Our recent winter weather has provided us more indoor time than usual. Hopefully you've been able to use that to your quilting advantage. I'll see you on March 23rd, if not before.

Guild Nominees Named

The Nomination Committee reports the following candidates for the offices of Guild President and Vice President. They are: President, Sherry Whitford (CQ) and Vice President, Bobbie Stein (CQ). Additional nominations, with approval of the nominee, will also be accepted from the floor. Voting will take place at the Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 23, 2019.

Nomination Committee

In Memoriam

In our last issue we noted the passing in October of Lillian Earhart. Now we have been notified that still other Life Members have died. Nina Hancock, Hospitality Chapter, died on December 8, and Ruby Habron of the Crazy Quilters Chapter passed away on December 26. Ruby's online obituary can be accessed at https://www.richmond.com/news/local/hanover/mechanicsville-local/obituaries/ruby-a-habron/article_3c531e76-1356-11e9-b91b-3f76cb59c012.html.

We could find no death notice for Nina, and her final services were private.

The Guild has lost three Life Members in the past few months. We remember these ladies and their quilting time with us fondly.



Membership Renewal

Memberships in the RQG from from April to April, so it is time to think about renewing your membership. A basic renewal form can be found on page 3, but most chapter treasurers will have forms available.

Checks should be made payable to your chapter treasurers and given or mailed to them.

They are responsible for forwarding names, addresses, etc. to the Guild Treasurer who maintains the membership list and prepares the Guild Directory.

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Spring Meeting Plans

The 2019 Spring Meeting for the Richmond Quilters Guild will be held on March 23, 2019 at Transformation Church (formerly Southside Baptist), 6000 Ironbridge Road, Richmond, VA 23234. The agenda will be e-mailed around the end or middle of February.

This year we have Mary Kerr, a lifelong quilter who has been teaching since 1987. She is an AQS certified appraiser and a member of Professional Appraisers Association – Quilted Textiles. Her current work marries her love of all things vintage with the freedom of expression that is encouraged in the Art Quilt community. Her series of workshops and lectures is designed to focus on quilting history and the preservation of these artifacts. Her lighthearted and engaging approach allows quilters of all levels to connect with our quilting heritage. Her website is www.marywkerr.com if you want to see more information about her.

In the morning she will present a lecture called “Out of the Trunk and off the Table.” It is an inspirational trunk show of quilts created from “found” fabrics and cherished textiles. After lunch, there will be a 3-4 hour class called “Twist and Shout.” It will teach how to showcase vintage quilt top fragments in a contemporary quilt. The class will be limited to a minimum of 20 and a maximum of 30 with a cost of \$25 per person. If you are considering taking the class you might want to search out some of your family heirlooms that you would like to use in a quilt. I understand also she might have kits; Nancy Buckland is checking on that and what the cost would be. Detailed information will be sent out at the middle or end of February for signups for the class.

For those not wishing to take the class, there will be three make and take activities in the afternoon. Each activity will last about an hour. These will be easy to make and require no machines. Details will be coming via email the middle or end of February for signups.

Members may purchase a bag lunch from Sally Bells or bring their own lunch. The bag lunch will include a sandwich on a yeast roll, a side of potato salad and a delicious cupcake. The cost per member is \$5.00 and the Guild will paying the balance. Three options for the sandwich will be available the end of February.

I think we will all have a great day and will learn a lot of new things. Watch for the email coming the middle or end of February for information on class signup, lunch sign up and make and take signups.

Nancy Buckland, Program Chair

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Regular member: \$20 Make checks payable to your chapter treasurer and
Senior memner (65+): \$16 mall or hand them to her.

Chapter News

Bits and Pieces

Bits & Pieces will meet on Tuesday, February 12th, 7:00 p.m. at Laurel Hill United Methodist Church in Varina. Meade Welch will lead with our annual fleece drive as we assemble packages of fleece blankets and pillows made by our group for donation to the Massey Cancer Center. Please bring any completed pillow cases and charity items. Don't forget Show n' Tell!



Bits & Pieces will meet on Tuesday, March 12th, 7:00 p.m. at Laurel Hill United Methodist Church in Varina. Barbara Vonada will lead our program titled "5 Inch Blocks = 2 Quilts". Please bring any completed pillow cases and charity items. Don't forget Show n' Tell!

Here is the partial slate of officers for Bits & Pieces. We will announce President asap!

President: TBA
Vice President: Fran Cunningham
Secretary: Anne Wright
Treasurer: Janet Christopher
Historian/Web: Chris Pandel
Programs: As One (we'll continue as before committee of the whole)
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Crazy Quilters

Crazy Quilters February meeting is February 5th at 7pm at Mechanicsville Presbyterian Church on the corner of Atlee Rd & Signal Hill Rd. The program will present a program by Kathy Shelley and Linda Barker showing an update on scarves-"Get Them Out of the Drawer and Wear Them."
Our mini-retreat will be February 7, 8, 9th.



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Crazy Quilters officers serve two year terms, so the current officers will continue for next year.

Seen below is a photo of Linda Barker's gorgeous charity quilt that she made as auction quilt for Hanover Safe Place for a fundraiser for their Casino Night in February. Their colors are purple and teal.

Katia Simmons



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.



Our slate of officers for the coming year are as follows:

President - Sandy Collins
Vice President - Diane Phillips
Secretary - Dee Klotz
Treasurer - Polly Oliver
Program Chairs - Gerri Coggins & Haxall Ward

The February 6 program will feature Maryethel Miller

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presenting an exciting program entitled, "Feed Sacks: Then and Now." She will give an informative lecture about the history of the textile feed sack bag and what can be done with them now. Maryethel will share an extensive collection of feed sack bags as well as articles ranging from the early 1900's to the late 1950's. She will also show quilts from her collection of antique feed sack quilts as well as some of her own quilts made from feed sacks.

The March program will be given by our own Hospitality member, Brenda Niedermayer. She will present a program on aprons, bringing with her a collection of aprons that span a number of years. Her interest of aprons came to her from her grandmother. Probably most of us can recall our grandmothers proudly wearing their aprons as they labored over meal preparation. All members are requested to wear an apron to the meeting in March.

It will be interesting to see the different styles and varieties of fabrics that will be represented in those aprons as some will probably be from days gone by and some likely more modern. Please plan to join us.

Sharon Gallegos

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 February is Attic Windows by Sarah Spivey. Please bring your fabric panel, cutting board, long ruler and rotary cutter. The program will consist of trunk show, explanation of how to construct quilt and you will start to cut the panel.

The program for March will be the first part of the Blended Ninepatch Quilt class by Tammy Weston. Please start thinking of your focus fabric selection that you want to build you quilt around. Additional

Additional details will be provided at the February meeting.

Don't forget Third Friday Sew Day at the church each month.

Slate of Officers for 2019 - 2020:

President: Vicki Daniels

Vice-President: Delores Crooke

Treasurer: Debbie Agee

Secretary: Noreen Deyo

Programs: Mary Noel

Tammy Weston, Programs

James River Heritage

James River Heritage Chapter meets at 7 pm on the first Wednesday of each month at the Bon Air Christian Church on Buford Road. The next meetings will be February 6 and March 6. We hold a Sit and Stitch on most third Wednesday's at the same location fro 10 till around 4. Contact any member for updates on these times.



Elma Cooper will be presenting our February program. The topic will be a surprise for the members! She never fails to have a wonderful program.

In March we will have a Potluck dinner with Election and installation of officers.

At the January meeting the Chapter welcomed Terry Muller who gave a program on "Inktense" pencils. All those present were able to color a sample using these pencils before leaving the meeting.

The following members are willing to be nominated for office as follows:

President. Sandra Armantrout

Vice President. Elma Cooper

Secretary. Ann Wright

We are looking forward to a great year with interesting programs, Ugly fabric Challenge, and a Mystery Quilt to name a few.

Debbie Quitiquit

Fidget Quilt Exhibit and Presentation

The Hospitality chapter provided 25 fidget quilts for an exhibit at the Chester Library, during the months of October and November last year. This was part of the library's Brain Health Awareness month. We received many compliments and much positive feedback from library patrons, who enjoyed seeing the quilts and learning something about them. Additionally, they were able to pick up information about our guild, including meeting times and places for all five chapters.

At the end of the exhibit, a presentation was organized that included representatives from Dunlop House (memory care,) Richmond Alzheimer's, the library and the guild, with each organization speaking about its mission and about how fidget quilts help those with advanced dementia and other mentally debilitating illnesses. It was inspiring to hear some of the personal stories from these speakers, and to understand how meaningful our charitable contributions can be. At the end of the presentation, the quilts were given to Marie Kolendo, CEO of Richmond Alzheimer's, with Elma Cooper and Polly Oliver in attendance. We were pleased to accept a Certificate of Appreciation from the library for our participation in the event.

A sincere thanks to everyone who made a quilt for the exhibit and to those who helped with advertising, set-up, and walk-through gallery tours. Your efforts made this event quite a success!

Polly Oliver



Marie Kolendo, CEO of Richmond Alzheimer's accepts a fidget quilt from Hospitality member, Polly Oliver.



In the group photo, from left to right:

Jessica Gonzalez, Chester Library Branch Manager, Amanda Griffith, Dunlop House, Marie Kolendo, CEO Richmond Alzheimer's, Polly Oliver, Hospitality, Elma Cooper, RQG President, Kim McCray, Assistant Librarian, Danielle Tarullo, Assistant Branch Manager, Chester Library