

A Stitch in Time

2005 - 2006 Calendar

January 11
Business Meeting

January 25
Quilto

February 8
Business Meeting

February 22
Back to School Night

March 8
Business Meeting

March 25 (Saturday)
Workshop - Mickey Depre

March 29
(note change in date)
Mickey Depre

April 19
Business Meeting

April 26
To be Announced

May 10
Business Meeting

May 24
Debbie Kratovi

May 24
Debbie Kratovi - Workshop

June 14
June Social

**Burke QU's meetings are held the
2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 7:30PM
Cherry Run Elementary School
9732 Ironmaster Drive, Burke VA 22015**

Happy New Year from the President

I wish you lots of happy quilting adventures for 2006! May your designs flow and your colors and fabrics abound with fun and excitement.

What a great time we had at the Hoiday Social. Thanks so much to Kathy Lyon and Mary Grace Ronan who delivered a fun evening with super door prizes and yummy food. Thanks also for all the other "elves" who helped to make the party go smoothly. The show-and-tell was wonderful, please keep it coming and think about the items that you would like to share with the guild in the June show.

We are still missing a quilt collector for our chapter. If no one volunteers, I'll collect and return quilts to the show, but I'll need help with measuring and taking pictures for the January and February meetings. Please let me know if you can help with that.

Let me pass on this item from the Quilt Digest:

If you are a fan of Simply Quilts, the news isn't good. Simply Quilts will have no new programs and show only re-runs through 2006. Since quilters constitute a very large amount of the \$\$\$ spent in our economy and are a very large audience, one wonders if HGTV and the owner of the program truly understand what it has meant to us. Perhaps if we all "voice" our wanting the program to continue...they might understand....it's perhaps worth a try. If you agree, here's the info to e-mail. Pass this on to quilters on your list. And then e-mail to both places: corpcomm@scripps.com and comments@hgtv.com or write: Home and Garden Television, Attn: Programming, 9721 Sherrill Blvd., Knoxville, TN 37923."

Speaking of quilting shows, early-bird Judy Gravitt led me to **Long Arm Quilting** with Linda Taylor at 6 am, Saturday on channel 22, followed by **Fons and Porter's Love of Quilting** at 6:30. The Fons and Porter show is repeated at 6 pm on channel 32. I found Linda Taylor's show a wonderful guide to machine quilting, not just for long-armers.

One of my wishes for the New Year is for warm clear weather for Burke's Wednesday nights, so that we can all be together for the wonderful meetings and programs that Sandy Kretzer has in store for us. See you then.

Linda

PS. Confidential to the retreat quilter I lent my library copy of *Quilts with a Spin* by Becky Goldsmith and Linda Jenkins. It's due at the library and I can't renew it again.Thanks.

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Calendar Update

March 29th – We will have a change to our program date from the 22nd to the 29th for quilter Mickey DePre. www.mdquilts.com Mickey will also be conducting a workshop (or two) on Saturday, March 25th, stay tuned for sign up information.

Brilliant Bingo

Now that winter is officially here, most of us are ready to brighten things up and what better way to do this than with fabric! There will be lots of prizes and lots of beautifully brilliant fabric.

Burke QU members play for free and are eligible to win prizes. Each member will automatically receive one Quilto card with the option to buy up to two more cards for \$1 each. All money goes to Burke QU Ways and Means.

We'll play fourteen games of Rainbow Bingo, including the final "cover all" game for the Rainbow's End. Ties will be settled by drawing from a deck of cards. High card will win the game and all others will win consolation prizes while they last.

To keep spreading the wealth, each member can win only one Brilliant Bingo or consolation prize. If you win a Brilliant Bingo prize after you win a consolation prize, you'll need to return the consolation prize for another lucky winner. Of course, all members are eligible for the Rainbow's End, whether they've won already or not. We'll draw names for the leftover consolation prizes.

Don't miss Brilliant Bingo on January 25th, 2005. Don't forget to bring buttons or M&Ms or something to mark your cards. See you there!



Back-to-School Night

Would you be willing to share a technique or tool you use in your quilting? We are looking for 4 or 5 people willing to offer a 15 minute mini-course to other guild members during our program meeting on February 22nd. Some ideas are quilt labels, quilt marking techniques, machine quilting tips, color selection.... but I'm sure that many of you have even better ideas. Please contact Sandy Kretzer, skretzer@cox.net to volunteer.

Treasurer's Report - Gen Meyer

The current balance of Burke QU's checking account is \$7,808.93. At this half-way mark, the chapter is within its spending limits for all approved budget categories. Status of project funds is available at meetings or via e-mail to the treasurer.



Spring Retreat Update

When: Thursday March 30-Sunday April 2, 2006

Where: 4-H Center in Front Royal, VA

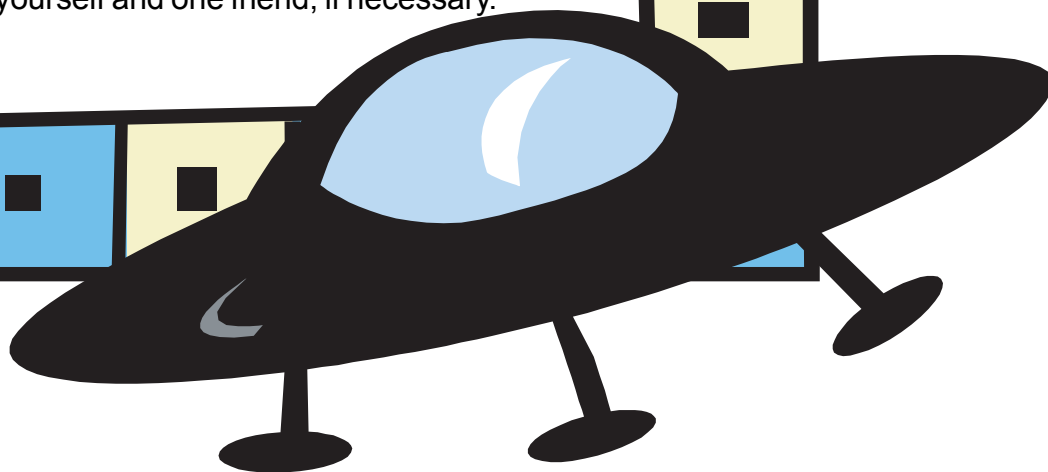
Theme: **Quilting is Out of this World!**

Bring your UFO's!!!

Price: The 4-H Center has increased its' prices by 5%, so to stay in a 4 person room, the price will be \$200.00. To stay in a 3 person room, the price will be \$180.00.

Reminder:

Sign-up will be at the **January 11th business meeting**. Sign-up cost is \$25.00. We will begin the orderly sign-up process at 6:30. The usual rules apply, you will be able to sign up yourself and one friend, if necessary.



Newsletter Articles

All submissions should be emailed to mhock@cox.net. Submit articles by the 25th of each month for publication in the following month's newsletter. Articles received by February 25th will be published in the March Newsletter.

If you have any questions call Maria Hock at 703.913.2966 or email mhock@cox.net.