

A STITCH IN TIME

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BURKE CALENDAR

January 2008

1-9 Business Meeting

1-23 Quilto

February 2008

2-13 Back to School Night

2-20 Business Meeting

March 2008

3-12 Workshop with Paula Nadelstern
Needle Stars

Location: TBD

3-12 Program: Paula Nadelstern
*Symmetry and Surprise: The
Kaleidoscope as Design Inspira-
tion*

3-15 National Quilt Day

3-26 Business Meeting

April 2008

4-9 Business Meeting

4-10 to 4-13 Spring Retreat

4-H Center, Front Royal, VA

4-20 Workshop with Barbara Olson

Prismatic Flowers

Location: TBD

4-23 Program: Barbara Olson

*Quilting A Life — A Creative Jour-
ney*

May 2008

5-1 QU Annual Meeting with Carol
Doak

5-2 to 5-3 Workshops with Carol Doak

5-14 Business Meeting

5-28 Carly Mul—"News From Market:
A Look at Colors and Trends"

June 2008

6-6 to 6-8 QU Quilt Show

6-11 June Social

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thanks to everyone who presented at our "Back to School" Night. I had a good time and learned several new tricks!

March will be a big month for Burke. We have Paula Nadelstern as our speaker on March 12th (note the reversal of our usual business and program meetings). She is also doing a workshop for us on the same day.

There are three positions that need to be filled very soon. The first is the Fall Retreat Committee. This is a perfect job for a bee or small group of friends. The retreat does not have to be elaborate; I think most of us just like getting away and sewing with friends. I know that the retreat committees that I have served on have been a lot of fun.

The second job is the June Social Committee. This is our last function before the summer and the last function of our regular calendar year. This is also a great job for a bee or small group of friends.

The third job is that of Donations Chair. We give monies to support various quilting related organizations. It is helpful if someone has researched the organizations and made recommendations as to how we split our donations budget.

Kathy Lincoln

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BURKE HAPPENINGS

March Special Event

“Symmetry and Surprise: The Kaleidoscope as Design Inspiration” by Paula Nadelstern

Wednesday evening, March 12th, 7:30pm

Don't miss it!!!

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“Needle Stars” Workshop

with Paula Nadelstern

Wednesday, March 12th

10:30am – 4:30pm

Falls Church G Street

The “Needle Stars” workshop with Paula Nadelstern is full. If you are one of the lucky quilters that got a spot in the “Needle Stars” workshop, please review the supply list carefully. Please do not wait until the last minute to buy your supplies. If you have any questions, contact Linda Snow at ljsnow2@verizon.net

BQU FUNDRAISER

Quilting Design Nail Files

\$2.00 each

This is a special offering/fundraiser that directly benefits BQU. At the quilt shows, you've seen the nail files with lovely quilt designs. They are now being offered for sale at our meetings. Please see Kathye Gillette to buy your nail file (also a good idea to give as a gift).

We should have the best manicured hands in the area!

Come out and support our fundraising efforts!

MORE BURKE HAPPENINGS

“Prismatic Flowers” Workshop with Barbara Olson

Sunday, April 20th at The Quilt Patch

10:00am – 4:30pm

Cost \$45

The “Prismatic Flowers” workshop will be taught by Barbara Olson on April 20th. Playing with color, texture, depth and shading, students will manifest a small flower piece filled with light and energy. Choosing from one of Barbara's flower drawings eliminates the drafting and allows students to go right to designing with fabric. The main ingredients needed to create a flower filled with light and energy are a playful spirit and a wonderful variety of multi colored shaded fabrics.

Barbara is a national and international award winning quilt artist. Her quilts have appeared in publications and exhibits around the world. “In The Beginning” one of Barbara's art quilts was chosen as one of the 100 Best American Quilts of The Century. Many of her art quilts are included in corporate and private collections across the country. Check out her website at www.barbaraolsonquiltart.com



Baby Quilt picture provided by Lynn Van Keuren

BLACK AND WHITE AND RED ALL OVER

2008 Spring Retreat

April 10-13, 2008

Final payment MUST be made by the 1st meeting in March 2008.

WE DID IT, LADIES! There were no arguments and everyone got the seat they had in the Fall and the new attendees got their requested seats. We do not have to have another long line! You can see the sewing seat layout at the 1st meeting in March (remember it is a program meeting, we had to switch due to schedules).

Thank you and we look forward to seeing all of you at the Retreat!

Kathye and the rest of the gang!

Daughter Says “Thank You Burke QU”!

Excerpt from Marge's lovely letter: “...my precious step-mother was a recipient of one of the beautiful lap blankets that the ladies in your quilting club...made for the residents [of Burke Healthcare] at Christmas. I can't begin to tell you how much I appreciate it and am grateful to you for such a gift. She uses hers every day to help keep her knees covered when her dresses tend to ride up as she sits in her wheel chair- and it also can keep her legs warm as well...So please pass on to the other quilters my deepest gratitude for their kindness and generosity and gift of their time to minister to the needs of others.”

That says it all! Keep those lap robes coming, ladies. Know our local residents of Burke Healthcare feel the warmth of your love. Be sure to sign the charity quilt board for each lap robe you donate and outline your square in green.

BURKE BUSINESS

2/20/2008 Burke QU Business Meeting Minutes

Vice President Linda Snow opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. President Kathy Lincoln was already en route to the Hampton Quilt Show. Linda welcomed new members and visitors. Linda encouraged everyone to visit the Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show this weekend especially as many of our Burke members would have quilts on display. A big thank you was offered to our Back to School teachers from last week's meeting. Linda Cooper, Diane Yim, Cheryl Koethe, and Glenda Shriver presented inspiring programs.

Up-coming events include National Quilt Day (March 15) being celebrated on March 1 at St. Leo's Catholic Church and led by Sue Meyer (helpers especially welcomed); the Cabin Branch Quilt Show the weekend of March 15; our March 12 speaker Paula Nadelstern; and our March 26 business meeting.

A call for volunteers! Burke does not have anyone signed up to organize this coming Fall Retreat. Please consider coming forward – we risk not having this much beloved event! Also, no one has come forward to organize the Spring Social. The date draws near.

Committee Reports:

Jill Kelly, Quilt Collector, is taking photos tonight. Last call for photos is Wednesday, February 27 at 1:30 p.m. at her home at 6017 Wilmington Drive, Burke. No entries will be accepted after that date.

Kathy Gray, Challenge Quilts – "Make Mine Muslin" called for participation and for all entries to be shown at the June Social.

Kathy Gray, Nominations, reported that Burke has one person selected for a position on Big QU and that all but one position has been filled for Big QU. She asked that members consider in what capacity they could serve on Burke's Board next year.

Marsha White, Lap Robes, shared a thank you note from Burke Health Care Center for lap robes received. She also spoke of our Quilting for Others Challenge and that we have received 56 quilts so far in our quest for 150 from our guild this year.

Lynn Van Keuren challenged members and passed out two baby quilt kits.

Nancy Vogel has Merryvale packets for sale.

Jen St. Martin, Quilt Show Set Up/Take Down Rep, reported that volunteers' names will be taken through her email at JenStMartin@aol.com for set up beginning at 8 a.m. Thursday, June 5 through take down Sunday afternoon; or you can phone Kathy Lincoln to volunteer. More information will be in the newsletter.

Kathy Gillette, Spring Retreat, April 10-13. Next meeting will be final date to be paid in full. Fabric requirements for the projects will be available then.

Kathy Gillette, Ways and Means, is selling quilt themed nail files for \$2 each.

Linda Snow reported that Ways and Means will be presenting fabric packets in three colorways at the April business meeting. More information will be provided.

Other News:

Newsletter articles due today to Bonnie Prouty.

Big QU quilt raffle tickets are available tonight. Barb Hall has them.

Sign ups were taken for the Barbara Olsen workshop on April 20. Cost is \$45. Class is not yet filled. More information will be upcoming in the newsletter.

Break.

Show and Tell.

We had a relatively small attendance because of the evening's inclement weather.

Meeting adjourned 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Reddington

MORE BURKE HAPPENINGS

Keep Those Soldier Quilts Coming!

Although we do not know the names of the recipients, we can know that through the Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Soldier Family Assistance Center, wounded soldiers have received a number of beautiful quilts from Burke QU members. According to the liaison there, especially the soldiers' families appreciate your quilts. Each one is given with a label and washing instructions and delivered through the Soldier Family Assistance Center. Recently, the liaison there reported a continued need for these quilts and appreciation for all your work. So, thank you to all who have donated soldier quilts. They are being enjoyed by members of our military who are recuperating.

Please consider making a quilt if you have not already done so. It is a small way we can acknowledge the great sacrifice these young people have made for our country. Be sure to include a simple or elaborate label with, "To A Wounded Hero, In Appreciation for your Service" or a similar sentiment and give your name, city, and date. The preferred size is lap or no bigger than twin size. You also may include a hand written note pinned to your quilt. Bring completed quilts to QU meetings, and Debbie Angerman, Linda Snow, or May Reddington will collect them for delivery.

If you have any questions or need a pattern idea, contact Debbie Angerman, wdangerman@aol.com, 703-753-1394.

Baby Quilt Photographs

The baby quilt photographs scattered throughout the newsletter are provided courtesy of Lynn Van Keuren.

Quilting for Others

A call for quilts! In October we challenged all Burke members to get involved and make quilts for others. Our goal is 150 quilts from our guild this year. Last June we made star blocks for soldiers, in October we passed out donated batting, the Lap Robe and Baby Quilt Committees are actively passing out patterns and fabric. Let's get going and finish up those projects! Make it part of the "Make Mine Muslin" Challenge! Spend a few minutes at Spring Retreat! Let's reach our goal and complete our 150 block challenge by the June Social! Remember also, this is what keeps us as a non-profit educational organization. Think of others - Quilt for Others.



BIG Q U EVENT

QU Guild Members!

BE A 2008 QU SHOW DAY VOLUNTEER -- OWN THE SHOW!

You can “own the show” – feel proud of making it happen. **Sign up and take on at least one show-day task at the Quilters Unlimited 2008 Quilt Show on June 6, 7, 8 at the Dulles Expo Center North Hall, 4368 Chantilly Center, Chantilly, VA.** Lend a hand for at least 2 hours and your entry fee will be reduced to half price for the day pass (to \$5) or for the three day pass (to \$10), whichever you prefer. Sign up early!

Show Day Tasks: Wear those white gloves to assist viewers to examine the quilts more closely (**Hosting**); Cruise the vendor area and “booth-sit” for vendors if they need a short break (**Vendor Tender**); Welcome visitors, sell them a ticket (paper bracelet) to attend the show, and place the bracelet on their wrist (**Ticket Sales & Bracelets**); Sell QU souvenirs and CDs (**Product Sales**), or Help Out where needed (**Floater**). Being a “newbie” is just fine; orientation is provided when you sign in. Hundreds of task slots – take more than one!

We’ve Gone “Green”: **Sign up by Email or Telephone!** Contact Mount Vernon QU at (email) qushowvol@cox.net, or Kathy Edwards, MVQU, (telephone) 703-780-8323, or Tammy Fletcher, MVQU, at (telephone) 703-780-1951. Please provide your NAME; CHAPTER; EMAIL ADDRESS (or TELEPHONE if you don’t have email); the TASK you want to fill, and the SHIFT(s) you want to work. Please put the words “QU Volunteer” in the email subject line.

2008 QU Show Hours (Time slots include reporting early for sign in, orientation & posting)

Friday, June 6 (show) 10-6

Volunteer Time Slots: 9:30-12; 11:45-2; 1:45-4; 3:45-6

Saturday, June 7 (show) 10-5

Volunteer Time Slots: 9:30-12:30; 12:15-3:00; 2:45-5

Sunday, June 8 (show) 11-4

Volunteer Time Slots: 10:30-1:30; 1:15-4

