

A STITCH IN TIME

Quilters Unlimited, Burke Chapter

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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 Inspiration
- 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: Quilt Patch
- 4-23 Program: Barbara Olson
Quilting A Life — A Creative Journey

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

April has been a very busy month, at least for me it has been and I am sure it has been for many of you.

Thanks to the Spring Retreat committee. I am sure that everyone had a great time. I mean what could be bad about being away from the daily grind and sewing for four days!

Thanks also to our Ways and Means Committee headed by Susan Fernandez. What a great job of fabric selection and presentation! It was tough to pick the one I liked best.

As I am writing this, some of you lucky people are in a workshop with Barbara Olson and here I am in the Austin, TX airport waiting for my plane to arrive. I am just a little green with envy. I know that we will all enjoy her lecture on Wed.

In May we will be electing new officers. Thanks to all who have stepped forward to serve. As a volunteer organization we count on the membership to step up and take care of the details. Thanks to everyone who has made my year so easy. I can't believe that it is almost over, it has just flown.

Kathy Lincoln

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BURKE HAPPENINGS

MAY QUILTING EVENTS!

The following are important quilting dates for May:

May 1st – QU Annual Meeting & Lecture by Carol Doak. Carol will be presenting two different lectures (4:15pm and following the 7:30 annual meeting). See the QU website for more details.

May 14th – Burke Business Meeting - Election of the new board plus so much more!

May 28th – Burke Program Meeting - "News from Market: A Look at Colors & Trends" by Carly Mul of Web-Fabrics

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Summer Meetings

The summer meetings will be held on July 16th and August 13th. Mark your calendar!

Quilting for Others

Yeah!! We're up to a total of 99 quilts for quilting for others! Our "chart" quilt is filling up with pink kid (52), blue soldier (18), and green lap (29) squares. The quilt is almost finished! Let's get our sewing machines humming to finish those projects and fill in those squares by the June Social! Let's reach our goal of 150 quilts by Burke QU this year!

MORE BURKE HAPPENINGS

Charity Projects

I have been tasked with reporting to BIG QU in what capacities Burke QU has made contributions this past year. Please contact me at jjredding@earthlink.net with detailed information on any project or services you have done. Please put "charity quilts" or other identifying title in the subject line of the email so I can pick it out of spam (thanks). This includes but is not limited to our child/lap/soldier quilts, National Quilt Day, donations of goods or services to an outside group, voluntary instruction to a group...

Let's let everyone know how generous and giving we are.

Thank you.

Mary Reddington

The Nominated Slate of Officers for Burke QU for 2008-2009:

President	Barbara Sherwood
VP	Sue Meyer
Secretary	Mary Reddington
Treasurer	Kathy McCrae
Nominations	Kathy Gray

Nominations will be taken from the floor at the annual elections on May 14.

School Service Hours for Patterns

A BIG thank you to Grant Sabin (son of Suzanne Sabin) for making more than 20 patterns for our Lap Robes. Grant made the patterns on sturdy butcher paper donated by Suzanne, an improvement over the flimsy paper we previously used. Grant received community service hours from his school for his gift of time.

It's Quilters Unlimited Membership Time Again!

Welcome 2008 -2009 Membership Chair, Kathy Gillette, who will start taking dues in May.

The new 2008 -2009 Membership forms can be found at the QU website <http://www.quiltersunlimited.org/mem.htm>. It is now available in the regular PDF format, as well as a Word document on the site.

NOTE: The Word format is a working document and can be typed in before printing. When typing in information left click the mouse to move to each field. Do not use tab or enter because the whole document will move.

Register at a meeting or by mail. Everyone (Life, Senior, Associate, Regular & Family) should fill out forms completely for the new year. Print clearly. Include a SASE (self addressed stamped envelope) if you wish to have your membership card mailed to you. Membership pins cannot be mailed.

Remember to pay your dues by September 30, 2008. After that date you will be dropped from all correspondences and will not be included in the directories.

Send dues to: Kathy Gillette , 5615 De Soto St, Burke, Va., 22015

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 Kathy Gillette to buy your nail file (also a good idea to give as a gift).

MORE BURKE HAPPENINGS

From the Quilt Collector:

Those of you who have entered quilts in the show, please bring them to either of the May meetings in a closable bag labeled with your name, phone number, Burke QU and the name of the quilt. Make sure that the sleeve on the back of the quilt goes all the way from side to side and is 4 in. deep. Your personal label should be in the bottom left hand side on the back of the quilt and should also include your name, the name of the quilt and Burke QU. I can accept quilts no sooner than the first meeting in May and no later than Sunday, June 1, because I have to get the quilts to Kathy Lincoln on her day off, Monday, June 2. Since I will not be home from California until late Monday, June 9, you will be able to pick up your quilts at my home any time after the 10th. I will bring any quilts left to the June social. They must all be picked up by June 30th since that is the end of the insurance. If you are at the show on Sunday and want to take your quilts then, you will have to be locked into the building until all of the quilts are accounted for, and make arrangements with Kathy to meet outside afterwards.

Thank you all for participating. I am just sorry that Amy Lancaster and Dudley Shugart's huge nine patch quilts were too big for the show. They are beautiful. I hope that they bring them to show and tell some time so at least our guild can get to see the remarkable workmanship that went into them both.

Lap Robes...Keep Em' Coming!

Thanks to those who added four new lap robes to our inventory at the April 23rd meeting! You have contributed toward keeping our Burke community seniors warm, lifting their hearts, and giving them smiles! Lap Robes are easy to make, and great vehicles to practice your free form quilting or those fancy machine stitches you want to try. Just pick up a kit, batting and pattern at the May meetings, and turn them in by the June social. When you turn in a robe, be sure to place your name on the big tri-fold and outline it in green for lap robes. You are helping us meet our guild goal of 150 donated quilts this quilting year.

Questions? Contact Marsha White (mf.white@verizon.net or phone 703-690-4384) or Sue Bynum (sbynum@wtplaw.com or phone 703-658-9324).

Thanks to Suzanne Sabin for volunteering, along with Sue Bynum, to take over Lap Robes beginning in July!



3/26/2008 Burke QU Business Meeting Minutes

President Kathy Lincoln opened the meeting at 7:37 p.m. by welcoming visitors.

Two items of old business were introduced. The guild still needs two groups of volunteers – one group for the June Social on June 11 and one group for the Fall Retreat. Please come forward to volunteer to keep these events possible.

Treasurer Diane Meyer reported that there was approximately \$17,500 in the accounts and to remind people to submit reimbursement requests as quickly as possible.

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BIG QU Quilt Show: Burke is responsible for set-up and take-down for the show. It is important for guild members to sign up to help. Please respond to Jen St. Martin at quilterjen@aol.com. Also remember that teens 18 and older will be paid.

Kathy also has quilt show raffle tickets for sale and a copy of the class schedule.

Next year's quilt show is the third weekend in May.

ANNUAL MEETING: The Big QU Annual Meeting featuring Carol Doak will be May 1 at NOVA. This meeting will include election of Big QU officers for next year. Two workshops are offered on May 2 and 3. Reminder – please carpool – parking is \$1/hr.

REPORTS: Spring Retreat – Kathy Gillette reported it's only 2 weeks away, massage slots are still open, supply list is available, and for the first time opportunities for day trippers are available. Details to follow.

Web Fabrics Day – All are invited to spend a day shopping at Web Fabrics on Thursday, March 27.

Baby Quilts – Lynn Van Keuren announced that 12 quilts were given to the Kathryn Hanley Shelter this past week and 10 to Head Start Fairfax Schools.

Lap Robes – Marsha White showed several lap robes received.

Please continue to make more quilts for others to reach our goal of 150. As of today we have received 83.

Nominations – Kathy Gray is still looking for a completed slate of officers for next year. We are still looking for a VP for Burke. Please consider serving.

Donations Committee – Debbie Repass presented recommendations for our donations from Burke QU for 2007-08. A motion was made and seconded to approve amounts suggested for donations from Burke QU. Debbie also introduced a prison quilting program in Cumberland, MD and requested materials of Christmas fabric for stockings, other fabrics as well as UFOs and notions and batting to give to the inmates to work with.

New Shop in Town - Cindy Souder promoted the grand opening of Burke guild member Judy Gula's new art quilt shop, Friday, March 28, in Alexandria just off the Eisenhower Connector exit. Information in the QU Digest.

Burke Challenge -Make Mine Muslin - Kathy Gray reminded us to all bring our challenge quilts to the June Social Meeting.

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March Minutes continued

National Quilt Day – Sue Meyer showed the thank you gift table runner she received from the Girl Scouts as a result of her coordination of National Quilt Day in March.

Quilt Collector – Jill Kelly reminded us to bring our show quilts to the May meetings. All must be in by June 3. Since Jill will be out of town for the quilt show Kathy Lincoln will be responsible to bring and take down the quilts from the show. Kathye Gillette volunteered to help with them.

Ways and Means - Kathye Gillette still has nail files for sale at \$2 each.

Merryvale Packets - Nancy Vogel has a few packets left. They are going out of business and no future packets will be available.

Fabric Packs – Linda Snow announced that at the April 9 meeting Fat Quarter Packs containing 20 fat quarters in colorways “Kiwi Splash”, “Tranquil Spirit” and “Creamy Vanilla Canvas” will be available for sale. Get those checkbooks ready!

Reminder: Barbara Olsen, our speaker on April 23 will be giving a workshop on Sunday April 20.

BREAK at 8:20 PM

After break we were inspired by Meet the Bee for the evening – the “Cut Ups” including Gen Meyer, Sue Meyer, Kathy Lyon, Sandy Reading, Bev Burroughs, Sandy Grundeman, Michelle Filipelli, Betty Case, Darla Frey, Ann Sensibaugh. They showed the many projects accomplished over the years.

Show and Tell followed.

The Women Who Run With Scissors bee volunteered to be the Fall Retreat Committee. YEAH!!!!

Door prizes were awarded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 PM

Respectfully submitted, Mary Reddington, Secretary

MORE BURKE HAPPENINGS

4/9/2008 Burke QU Business Meeting Minutes

President Kathy Lincoln opened the meeting at 7:45 p.m. after a Ways and Means purchasing frenzy of fabric packets being sold before the meeting started. A big warm welcome was given to all in attendance.

Kathy announced that Quilt Show raffle tickets were available as well as a class schedule.

REPORTS:

Spring Retreat - Kathy Gillette said there were still slots available for massage. An email blast was out for "day trippers" to attend at a cost of \$15/day plus \$ for meals (optional). Please sign up.

Lap Robes – Marsha White showed the evening's donations. Patterns/kits/fabric are available tonight and at retreat.

Soldier Quilts – Debbie Angerman has fabric available this evening and has already made a trip to Walter Reed with quilts.

Nominations – Kathy Gray announced the slate of officers for 2008-09: Big QU V.P. will be our own Susan Fernandez; Burke QU President – Barb Sherwood, V.P. Sue Meyer, Treasurer Kathy McCrea, Secretary Mary Reddington, Nominations Kathy Gray.

Ways and Means – Susan Fernandez presented 3 colorway packets for sale this evening. Ninety Nine out of 128 were sold already at \$50/each. She thanked everyone involved in purchase, cutting, folding and preparation of the packets.

Stitchin' Time Prison Ministry – Kathy Gray thanked everyone for tonight's generous donations. They will also be collecting at next meeting on April 23.

June Social – Diane Yim spoke for the Friday Therabees who have taken on the presentation of the June Social. The theme is "Picnic" with a barbeque menu. Sign-ups begin tonight at \$20/each.

Quilt Show Set Up – Jen St. Martin made a plea for volunteers. Times are 5:15-7:15 Wednesday afternoon; set up 8-12:30 Thursday and hanging 1-until finished. Sunday take down is 3:45 until finished unloading truck at shed. There are over 600 quilts in the show. Contact quilterjenstm@aol.com. Sign up sheets are available tonight as well.

Charity Report – Mary Reddington requested members report to her any charity services or projects they have performed or produced this past year so that she may prepare a report for BIG QU. Please send the information to her at jjredding@earthlink.net asap.

Workshop – Linda Snow reminded us of the upcoming Barbara Olsen Workshop April 20 and lecture at our next meeting on April 23. A request was made for someone to drive Barbara to Columbia, MD after our meeting – Renee Castrop volunteered.

Our next business meeting May 14 will be to elect the slate of officers and the program meeting May 28 will feature Carly Mul of Web Fabrics.

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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

Volunteers Needed!

I need some volunteers for the set-up and take-down for the Quilt Show at the Expo center! I need you!

Please send email to:

QuilterJenStM@aol.com If you are available for a shift - because Burke is in charge of obtaining our own volunteers for set-up and take-up, I encourage you to consider a volunteer shift with me! It is heavy but rewarding work!

April Minutes continued:

BREAK

Show and Tell

Name Tag Drawings

Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Reddington, Secretary