

# A Stitch in Time

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

**Cherry Run will be having a back-to-school night on the 14th, so  
our first meeting will be September 21st.**

## Hello from the President

Welcome to the 2005-06 Burke QU year! What wonderful and talented people we have making the chapter work this year. I'm sure they would tell you that their time and energy invested in the chapter is paid back with friendship and learning and enjoyment.

There is a change in the usual 2nd and 4th Wed meeting nights in September. **Cherry Run will be having a back-to-school night on the 14th, so our first meeting will be the 21st.**

If you are a new member this year we especially welcome you and pass on the same message that we were given when we joined. Volunteer to be on a committee or join in a quilting bee and get to know members that way. Lois Borlase is our Beekeeper and she will help you find a compatible group to join or set up a new one. Other great ways to "make yourself at home" include going on the bus trip, attending a retreat, taking a workshop, or going to Midnight Madness. Burke is a very large group and if you have concerns just ask any of our officers or committee chairs and we'll try to help you. There are **still committee positions available** for the December Holiday Social, Quilt Show Collector, Quilt-In Chapter Rep, Sit and Sew, and a Registrar for the Spring Big QU Workshop. There is also no chapter raffle quilt for the year.

Our Vice President in charge of programs, Sandy Kretzer, is doing a marvelous job setting up programs for this year. I know you'll enjoy them.

Your Burke membership also entitles you to participate in all Big QU programs. Big QU features two nationally known speakers each year, one in the fall and another at the end of the year. Laura Cater-Woods will be giving two free lectures on Thursday, Sept. 29, at 10AM and 7PM at Goodwin House, 3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church. She is also doing two workshops on Friday, the 30th, and Sat., Oct. 1. These are \$40 each. You can check out her work at [www.cater-woods.com](http://www.cater-woods.com)

Big QU also sponsors two quilt-ins (a get-together for all chapter members) and the Fall Quilt-In with the theme of "Queen or King for a Day" will be Oct. 11, from 3:30-9PM at Falls Church High School.

I hope you'll be able to attend Burke's first meeting on September 21st when the spotlight will be on all of our committees and their plans for the year. Please bring show-and-tell and wear a name tag. There will be raffle drawing for both.

Thanks, Linda Cooper

## 2005 Calendar

**September 21**

Business Meeting

**September 28**

Linda Pool

**October 12**

Business Meeting

**October 26**

Donna Clauer and Jane  
Johnston of Painted Stitches

**November 9**

Auction

**December 14**

Holiday Social

**January 11**

Business Meeting

**January 25**

Quilto

**February 8**

Business Meeting

**February 22**

Back to School Night

**March 8** - Business Meeting

**March 22**

Mickey Dupree

**April 19**

Business Meeting

**April 26**

To be Announced

**May 10** - Business Meeting

**May 24**

Debbie Kratovil

**June 14**

June Social

## Coming September 28th...

**Linda Pool**, a Virginia quilter, will present her trunk show.

She has been quilting since 1977, and has taught classes and lectured quilting techniques, in varied areas of interest, since 1982. Linda was a winner in three of the Great American Quilt contests sponsored by The Museum of American Folk Art in New York City, including being the Virginia state winner in "Memories of Childhood" crib quilt contest, with a special award for the most imaginative use of detail. She has won many awards and her quilts have made numerous appearances in quilting books and magazines along with several articles and pattern instructions written by Linda.

Linda is the maker of "The Bride", "The Greatest Moments of a Girl's Life" and "Linda's Lace", quilts that have won her some notice in the quilt world.

Check out Linda's website at <http://www.lindaslace.com/index.html>



## Shh...

### Can you keep a secret?

It's time to begin a whole new year of SECRET PALS! Can you imagine keeping a secret for 8 whole months?

Join the fun and intrigue of giving and receiving special quilting gifts. Secret Pals will be assigned in October and revealed at the June Social. You can bring a small quilting gift to your new friend at any meeting or even retreat! There will be a special table at each meeting for secret pal gifts. Don't forget their birthday or special holidays.

Applications will be available in September and everyone who joins will receive their secret quilting friend after the October business meeting. Please see Lynn Van Keuren to pick up your application.





## The **BUZZ** from the Beekeeper...

Our new quilting year is getting underway, and perhaps you have decided to find out what the buzz is all about and join a Bee. A Bee is a group of 10 to 12 quilters who get together once or twice a month to chat about what's new, toss around suggestions and advice, and work on individual and group projects. Each Bee decides its own projects, when and where they meet. Being part of a Bee is a great way to connect to a small group of quilting friends with a kindred passion for fabric and thread within the larger Burke Chapter of Quilters Unlimited. Our Burke Chapter Bees are abuzz planning retreats and leading other Chapter events, making charity baby quilts and lap robes, and stitching up group articles to donate to our Auction in November and the Silent Auction at the Big QU show in June. Most Bees meet in the evening once or twice a month, usually in the weeks opposite the Chapter meetings. If there is interest, starting another daytime or weekend Bee is as easy as getting the people who want one to meet each other!

Sound like fun? If you would like more information on what's involved, please stop by the Beekeeper's table at our Chapter meetings, send me an e-mail ([lbirlase@gcd.com](mailto:lbirlase@gcd.com)), or call if you would like more information. Happy Stitching!!

Lois Birlase  
(703) 690-9535

## Newsletter Articles

All submissions should be emailed to [mhock@cox.net](mailto:mhock@cox.net).

Please use the word "Newsletter" in the subject line of the email. Articles can be either e-mail text or Word attachments. Please incorporate contact information into the body of the article. I cannot guarantee any special formatting. Submit articles by the 25th of each month for publication in the following month's newsletter. Articles received by September 25th will be published in the October Newsletter.

If you have any questions call Maria Hock at 703.913.2966 or email [mhock@cox.net](mailto:mhock@cox.net).

*On the road again...*



### **Burke Bus Trip --**

Quilters' Shopping Extravaganza

The surveys are in! There was a great response and interest in a trip to Lancaster county PA! The trip is set for **Saturday, 22 October with a tentative time of 6:30AM – 7:00PM**. The cost will be **approximately \$40** (You can't drive for that price!) Departure will be from Springfield Mall. Exact times and complete details will be provided soon!

There are so many interesting shops and exciting things to do that I can hardly contain my excitement in planning this fun filled day for you. Mark your calendar and plan to sign up/pay at our September meetings.

Chairman Diane Meyer



# AROUND THE WORLD RETREAT

## FALL 2005

Leave your troubles behind, pack only essentials and join us for a wonderful journey AROUND THE WORLD!

Your fun-filled tour begins at 3:00 pm Thursday, November 10, and continues through 1:00 pm on Sunday, November 13.

“Haute” cuisine, as in high on a mountain, will be served starting at dinner on Thursday and will conclude with breakfast on Sunday (lunch will not be provided). Please let the committee know when you will be arriving so that your reservation for meals can be assured.

We have many fun things planned for your trip, so leave your cares behind and be ready to have FUN!

Kathye Gillette  
Kadcando1@cox.net

## **Big QU Events:**

**Laura Cater-Woods**  
Sep. 29  
10AM and 7PM  
Goodwin House  
3440 S. Jefferson St.  
Falls Church Fall

**Workshops with Laura Cater-Woods,**  
Fri. Sep. 20 and Sat. Oct. 1  
at the Artful Quilter  
Point of Contact  
Betty Deal (A) 703-698-7475  
esbeal70@earthlink.net

**Big QU Quilt-In:**  
Tuesday Oct. 11,  
3:30-9:00 PM  
Falls Church High School

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## **BURKE QU ANNUAL AUCTION**

**NOVEMBER 9, 2005**

**7:00 p.m.**

**CHERRY RUN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Mark your calendars now for the *Burke QU Annual Auction on November 9, 2005*. The evening begins with a “Bag Auction” of quilt related treasures and culminates with the spirited bidding of the oral auction, complete with a guest auctioneer! The success of the auction is only possible through the generosity and contributions of our talented membership. Bring your family and friends, and *don't forget your checkbook*, and have some fun!

Please bring your donations to any meetings or take them directly to Linda Cooper's house, (703) 425-5965

### *Ideas for donations:*

**SERVICES:** Basting, Binding, Machine Quilting, Hand Quilting, Piecing, Marking, Classes – both group and private.

**FINISHED ITEMS:** Wall Hangings, Table runners, Quilts, Christmas items, Ornaments, Tree Skirts, Quilted clothing, Handbags, Appliance covers, Pot holders.

**MISCELLANEOUS:** Handmade Jewelry, Books, Patterns, Cross-Stitch or Needlepoint, Knitting, Decorated Boxes, Clothing, Potted Plants or Silk Flower arrangements.

**KITS:** Sets of blocks, kits to make an entire project, Embellishment Accessories, bundles of fabrics, packages of thread or sewing supplies.

Bag Auction tickets will go on sale in October. Purchase yours early and fill them out in advance!

Please contact a member of the Auction committee with any questions:

Sue Meyer, Sandy Reading, Linda Cooper, or Susan Fernandez.

# BURKE QUILTERS UNLIMITED 2005-2006 PROPOSED BUDGET

Checking account balance (as of 7/1/05)	\$ 9,686.77
Includes: 2005 Fall Retreat Income	\$ (3,065.00)
2005/06 Membership Income	\$ (2,540.00)
Available Funds for 2005-2006	\$ 4,081.77

## **INCOME**

Carryover	\$ 4,000.00
Auction	\$ 3,000.00
Bus Trip	\$ 1,200.00
Fons and Porter	\$ 200.00
Membership	\$ 4,000.00 200 memberships @\$20)
Merryvale Packets	\$ 150.00
Midnight Madness	\$ 5,500.00
Mystery Quilt	\$ 100.00
Pins (QU)	\$ 100.00
Raffle	\$ 300.00
Retreat-Fall 2005	\$13,600.00 (80 quilters @\$170 for 3 nights)
Retreat-Spring 2006	\$13,600.00 (80 quilters @\$170 for 3 nights)
Ways-n-Means	\$ 5,200.00
Workshops	\$ 1,500.00

**Total Projected Income \$52,450.00**

## **EXPENSES**

Administration	\$ 500.00
Auction	\$ 100.00
Appreciation/Sunshine	\$ 300.00
Bus Trip	\$ 1,200.00
Community Service	\$ 200.00
Directory	\$ 250.00
Donations	\$ 800.00
Door Prizes	\$ 200.00
Meeting Room Fees	\$ 1,300.00(Fire Station-\$900; 2 summer meetings-\$200; other \$200)
Membership (to Big QU)	\$ 2,000.00
Merryvale Packets	\$ 115.00
Midnight Madness	\$ 5,500.00
Mystery Quilt	\$ 100.00
Newsletter	\$ 750.00
Programs/Lectures	\$ 4,000.00
Property	\$ 200.00
Pins (QU)	\$ 40.00
Quilt Show	\$ 100.00
Quilt-Ins	\$ 150.00
Raffle	\$ 200.00
Retreat-Fall 2004	\$13,600.00(80 quilters @\$170 for 3 nights)
Retreat-Spring 2005	\$13,600.00(80 quilters @\$170 for 3 nights)
Sit-n-Sew Non-facility	\$ 100.00
Social-December 2005	\$ 500.00
Social-June 2006	\$ 500.00
Taxes	\$ 300.00
Ways-n-Means	\$ 4,000.00
Workshops	\$ 1,500.00

**Total Projected Expenses \$52,105.00**

The checking account balance is \$8,455.20. The proposed budget will be voted on by the membership at the Sept 21 meeting. A reminder: When requesting a reimbursement from Burke QU, kindly complete a "Reimbursement Request" form, attach appropriate receipts, and submit to the Treasurer, Gen Meyer. Reimbursement forms are available from Gen (hard copy or electronically). Checks will be electronically printed and either mailed or given to you in person. Thank you for your cooperation. It is important that Burke QU continue its track of having excellent, and auditable financial records.

# BIG QU FallWorkshops

## Laura Cater-Woods Workshops

The presenter of the lectures and workshops is Laura Cater-Woods. Laura is a working studio artist using mixed media and fiber art. She holds a M.F.A. in Painting from Ohio University. Laura teaches nationally for conferences, guilds, shops and private groups. She was nominated in 2004 for Professional Quilter's Teacher of the Year. She is also a Creativity coach working with musicians, writers and visual artists. To learn more about Ms. Cater-Woods visit: [www.cater-woods.com](http://www.cater-woods.com)

### Collage Landscapes

Friday, Sept. 30, 2005, 12:30 p.m. to 6:30p.m. – at the Artful Quilter - Cost: \$40.00 (Class Limited to 18 Students)

Class Description: Explore your personal landscape (imaginary, interpretive, observed) in this fun, fast paced and slightly messy workshop. Create a series of small images using a variety of materials and collage techniques. This creative process workshop is designed to help jump-start personal imagery. Various construction methods may be used to interpret the small pieces as wall hangings. All skill levels.

Supply List basic sewing supplies, machine optiona, bring a gallon bag or more of stuff:

“Stuff” could include anything from laces and trims and fabric pieces to fortune cookie fortunes, pieces of old letters, stamps, beads, small found objects. We'll be collaging and having fun. So, if it tickles your fancy, appeals to you visually or reminds you of something, put it in the bag. (More is better and sharing is a good thing)

### Tempting the Muse: Beyond the Surface

Saturday October 1, 2005, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30p.m. – at the Artful Quilter - Cost: \$40.00 (Class Limited to 18 Students)

Class Description: This studio workshop has a dual focus: generating ideas for personal imagery and then giving those ideas form. Curved edge appliqué construction will be taught as a fast and direct way of developing personal designs. Embellishment techniques [e.g. free motion thread work, beading, surface manipulation] can further enhance the surface. Students may choose to work on a number of small pieces or to work on one larger piece. Size, scale, materials and construction techniques are issues that are discussed and demonstrated. Instruction is highly personalized. Group discussion includes topics such as: nurturing the creative self, getting around an” artist's block” and building a series. Skill level: Confident beginners, intermediate and advanced quilters.

Supply list: 8 1/2 x 11 Sketch Pad - spiral bound is best, black *Sharpie* fine point, Sewing machine - machine should be clean and in good working order, Zig-zag foot or open toe appliqué foot, free motion foot, and an extension cord. Bring brown bag lunch to workshop.

Basic sewing supplies, Needles: 90/14 Embroidery or 90/14 Topstitching, Bobbin thread, Invisible thread - YLI or Sulky, 1-2 yards lightweight Fusible Interfacing (pellon) OR Sulky Totally Stable, Design wall - At least 45” x 45”, fleece or flannel, variety of decorative thread , Fabric: More is always better. Batiks and hand dyes recommended. Choose a variety of fabrics: batik, hand dyed, hand painted, interesting prints. The colors should include some from nature. Be sure to have a range of dark, medium and light tones. Give yourself lots of choices. It's a good idea to bring that special piece you are afraid to cut into...Scraps (hand sized or larger) can be fun to use and share.

For further information about these workshops, contact Lynn Brekke (R) at: [lbrekke@verizon.net](mailto:lbrekke@verizon.net) or 703-476-1316.

Registration start date is Tuesday, September 6, 2005. Make checks payable to Quilters Unlimited and mail registration and checks to: Lynn Brekke 2100 Green Watch Way #300, Reston, VA 20191

Cancellation Policy: No refunds after Sept. 22, 2004, unless a substitute for the opening is secured by the registrant or from the workshop wait list if there be one.

The workshops will be opened to non-QU-members 2 weeks prior to the date of the workshops only if all spaces have not been filled by members. The fee for non-members will be the \$40.00 workshop fee plus a \$20.00 non-member fee.

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### **Laura Cater-Woods Workshop Registration**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

If registering for both classes, indicate first choice:

Friday, Sept. 30, 2005 - Collage Landscapes \$40 \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday October 1, 2005 - Tempting the Muse: Beyond the Surface \$40 \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: The Artful Quilter is located in the Centreville/Clifton area of Fairfax County Virginia at 13860-F Braddock Rd, in Old Centreville Crossing Shopping Center, Centreville, VA 20121

703 266-3250 Near the intersections of route 28 and Route 29.

*From the Capitol Beltway (495):*

Proceed on Route 66 West to Exit 53A for Route 28 South  
Proceed on Route 28 South to Old Centreville Road. Turn left at the light and keep left  
Turn right onto Braddock Road in front of the fire station, then take the 3rd left into the shopping center  
The Artful Quilter is on the end to the right of Apple Federal Credit Union  
You can park nearby the shop on either side or anywhere in the centers' main lot

*From the Fairfax County Parkway:*

Take the Braddock Road exit West towards Centreville  
Go Approximately 3 miles to Union Mill Road and turn right at the light  
Turn left at the first light (you're back on Braddock Road)  
Go approximately 3/4 of a mile and turn right into the first entrance to Old Centreville Crossing Shopping Center. We are in the same center as Copeland's at the other end. The shop faces the Braddock Road side.

Make an immediate right and you'll find The Artful Quilter to the right of Apple Federal Credit Union.

**Burke Quilters Unlimited**

**2005 – 2006 Membership Form**

Annual membership runs from July 1 – June 30. Any previous QU membership will expire on June 30.

Membership payment must be received by September 30<sup>th</sup> for inclusion in the Annual QU Directory.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone

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Address

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City

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State

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Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address (optional)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Birthday (Month/Day Only) - optional

**Circle “Yes” or “No” for each question below (if blank, YES/EMAIL is the default):**

Big QU may put my e-mail address in the directory

YES

NO

Please send Burke QU newsletter to me via (Circle all that apply):

E-MAIL

US MAIL

(To receive Burke QU updates and reminders you must circle e-mail.)

If applicable, Big QU may e-mail the Big QU newsletter to me

YES

NO

Below is my work phone number. I understand it will not be included in the directory:

(work phone – optional) \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Categories (check one) and Dues:** Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Regular (\$20.00)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Senior – Age 65+ by June 30, 2005 (\$10)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Life – Age 75+ by June 30, 2005 (no charge at primary chapter, complete form for annual records)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Family – two or more people at the same address (\$30) (please list names at top)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Associate – primary membership in other QU chapter (\$10)

(Name of home QU chapter: \_\_\_\_\_)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ QU Membership Pin @ \$4.00 each, if desired

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL PAYMENT– Make check payable to: **Burke QU**

**Please provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope if you wish to have your membership card mailed to you.**

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Card given to member \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Chair: Lucy Look, 8700 Lea Lane, Alexandria, VA 22309, (703) 704-5105, Lucy.Look@att.net