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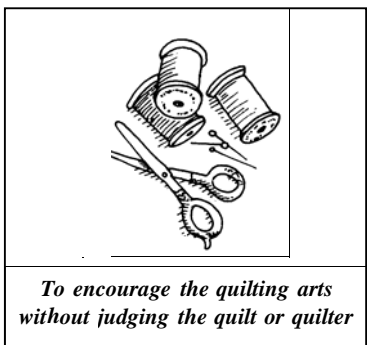
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Vice Pres. – Julia Renken  
Treasurer – Kitty Tyler  
Secretary - Cindy Grimord  
Nominating - Kim Fess  
Programs – Aby Dolinger  
Newsletter - Kim Fess  
Auction - Carolyn Pic  
Quilting for Others --Diane Henry



Quilt Show Rep – Lynn Munch  
Web Page Contact – Kitty Tyler  
Holiday Party – Loretta Spittle  
Door Prizes – Beth Freerksen  
Farewell Blocks - Cynthia Johnson-  
Cavey  
Coffee Queen/Refreshments – Cindy  
Grimord  
Library - Loretta Shinol  
Secret Pals – Elli Molstad  
Little Groups – Tamara Webb  
Fall Retreat - Joan McGowan  
Spring Retreat - Rebecca Heinze  
Quilt Camp – Jill Redding

## From the President

Dear quilting friends,

We have had a great deal of activity and laughter each week at our off-Tuesdays all summer. So many quilts were basted. I lost track of just how many. Show and Tell at our business meeting, September 5, will be wonderful!

We have a great line up of programs and activities again this year. As always, fun is in the mix. All the details are here in your newsletter.

"Stars Over Springfield" is this year's theme. Julia will have a different star block available each month, just for the fun of it. No drawing, or challenge, just make it if you like or collect the pattern and save for another day. Aby has designed a mystery quilt that is not to be missed. It is easy to do, will keep you guessing, and you will have plenty of time to get it finished. Who could ask for more?? Elli will have Secret Pal information sheets to fill out. Everyone seemed to have such a good time with Secret Pals last year that we are repeating it again, but for the entire year, not just 6 months. And there is so-o-o-o much more!

Our program meeting on September 19 will feature Gay Kulenguski from "The Little Shop of Madison." Gay will be our guest speaker and share her love of quilting, a great trunk show and also have many items from her shop to sell. I understand she has a star pattern we will all want. Come see and hear all she has to share with us.

Our thanks to Joan McGowan for sharing her cabana with us for our Beginning and Ending Summer Picnics and some times in between too.

Jill has been hard at work on the workshops presented by Barbara Randle on September 29 and 30 for Big QU. If you haven't signed up yet, there is still time. Jill needs a few SQU members to help with the transportation for our guest speaker. Barbara's lecture is Thursday evening, September 28.....let's have a big SQU turnout.

The Sully Quilt Show is Sunday, September 10. Wendy McQuown would appreciate a few additional volunteers to call on if needed. Wendy can be reached at 703-772-0156. All the information is in the QU Quarterly that you should have received in the mail.

Thanks to all of you who have or will volunteer for SQU this year. I can't wait to see all of you on September 5. Please bring all your Show and Tell. We have a great year ahead! Springfield is where the fun is!!

Enjoy, Penny

## Vice President's Notes from Julia

"Stars Over Springfield" will be our SQU theme for the year. We're going to do as much as we can to help you create a star-filled quilt this year. First of all we'll have a Block of the Month handout at each business meeting. This will be a 12" star block and I'll use a variety of techniques (piecing, appliqué, paper-piecing, etc.) throughout the year. This year we will not be doing a block lotto drawing. Second, we're going to repeat the UFO Challenge from last year, but with some new twists – I'll give you more information at the September business meeting. Sporadically through the year I'll hand out some border and sashing designs and ideas for your star-studded quilt. And we'll continue to "Meet the Quilter" and learn more about some of our Springfield Star Quilters! And lastly, I'll have the SQU pins at each meeting for those of you who haven't purchased one yet.

## Membership/Treasurer

The proposed budget for this year is included with this newsletter. Please be sure to bring it to the business meeting on September 5 as we will be voting on it then.

Also please remember to renew your membership as soon as possible. Your membership must be current by 1 October 2006 if you wish to be included in the 2006-2007 membership directory and this is the last newsletter that you will receive until you renew. You can renew your membership at any meeting or mail your membership form to: Kitty Tyler, 7411 Shady Palm Drive, Springfield VA 22153 Include a self addressed stamped envelope if you want me to mail your membership card back to you. Please note, this year the SQU newsletter will be distributed ONLY via email or regular mail, so include either your email address or an additional \$4.00 for postage.

## *Hospitality*

Welcome back all! This year I will oversee the sign-ups for our refreshments in addition to setting up our coffee/tea service for our regular meetings. Thank you, in advance, to our board members, who will provide our first round of "goodies" for our September business meeting! In addition, I will be the keeper and purchaser of all paper goods for special events; details to be outlined at the business meeting. While I have your attention here, I wanted to let you know that I am also overseeing the continuation of the SUNSHINE department! Please let me know when one of our members needs some TLC, congrats, etc. via a card or note. See you soon! Cindy Grimord/Coffee Queen

## **ANNUAL AUCTION**

Our annual Fall Auction is coming up fast. Mark your calendars for November 7th this year. We start the actual auction around 10 am. The date is different from previous years because Thanksgiving falls on the same week that our auction is scheduled. We always have a great time and if you are new to our group and would like to get to know our members, volunteering to help is a great way to do it. I only need help on the actual day of the auction so the time commitment is very small. We have some wonderful items auctioned as well as the sale of items priced under \$20. You can expect to find everything from baked goods to housewares to fabric pieces to quilts to baskets of specialty items and always some interesting surprises. The auction is open to everyone--not just our members. We are limited in how we can advertise, so word of mouth is our best advertisement. Please pass the word to your friends, neighbors and family. Put on your thinking caps and help us by contributing something to our auction and/or to the "Under \$20 table." But be sure to attend. If you have any questions, give me a call at 703-440-1491 or email [picinva@cox.net](mailto:picinva@cox.net). Thanks! Happy sewing. Carolyn Pic

**SPRINGFIELD QU PROPOSED BUDGET**

<b>Income</b>	<b>Budget 2005-2006</b>	<b>Actual 2005-2006</b>	<b>Proposed 2006-2007</b>
Membership	\$1,670.00	\$1,845.00	\$1,800.00
QU Pins	\$20.00	\$48.00	\$20.00
<b>Fundraisers</b>			
Auction	\$3,000.00	\$4,394.00	\$3,000.00
Spring Yard Sale	\$200.00	\$368.85	\$200.00
<b>Retreats</b>			
Fall Retreat 2006	\$4,000.00	\$2,575.00	\$1,925.00
Fall Retreat 2007			\$2,500.00
Spring Retreat	\$4,340.00	\$4,545.10	\$4,130.00
<b>Other</b>			
Holiday Party	\$900.00	\$1,008.00	\$900.00
Education	\$1,400.00	\$1,788.50	\$1,500.00
Newsletter	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$40.00
Bus Trip	\$1,800.00	\$555.00	\$1,350.00
Interest	\$10.00	\$8.37	\$10.00
Library			
Miscellaneous	\$200.00	\$489.95	\$200.00
SQU Pins	\$25.00	\$138.00	\$30.00
Donations		\$33.50	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$17,605.00</b>	<b>\$18,992.27</b>	<b>\$17,605.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Membership	\$835.00	\$917.50	\$900.00
QU Pins	\$20.00	\$40.00	\$20.00
Education	\$6,000.00	\$3,301.08	\$6,000.00
Newsletter	\$150.00	\$132.02	\$175.00
<b>Administration</b>			
Table Setup	\$865.00	\$865.00	\$950.00
Historian			
Other	\$350.00	\$163.13	\$350.00
Hospitality	\$350.00	\$310.65	\$450.00
<b>Donations</b>			
Virginia Quilt Museum	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Quilting for Others	\$200.00	\$232.12	\$300.00
<b>Retreats</b>			
Fall Retreat 2006	\$450.00	\$785.00	\$3,715.00
Fall Retreat 2007			\$785.00
Spring Retreat	\$4,340.00	\$4,543.53	\$4,130.00
<b>Other</b>			
Auction	\$125.00	\$91.33	\$125.00
Quilt-In Door Prizes	\$60.00	\$25.73	\$60.00
Door Prizes	\$225.00	\$145.19	\$300.00
Holiday Party	\$1,200.00	\$1,091.78	\$1,400.00
Library			
Bus Trips	\$4,200.00	\$2,012.90	\$1,850.00
QU Quilt Show	\$350.00	\$447.47	\$350.00
Miscellaneous	\$250.00	\$379.95	\$250.00
SQU Pins	\$350.00	\$542.50	
Pres. Discretionary Fund	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$100.00
Use of Church	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,100.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$21,720.00</b>	<b>\$21,846.91</b>	<b>\$23,610.00</b>

# PROGRAMS INFORMATION

## September Program

Gay Kulenguski, owner of That Little Quilt Shop in Madison, VA, will present her trunk show of star quilts on September 19<sup>th</sup>. In addition, she will provide fabrics, notions and patterns for sale. Of particular note are the Star of Madison pattern and foundations for a Lone Star made with rectangles! Come prepared to feast your eyes on fabulous quilts as Gay entertains you with humor, insight, and the stories behind her quilts.

## October Program and Workshop

On October 17<sup>th</sup>, Betsy True, of Alexandria, VA, will be our guest speaker. She will bring a trunk full of spectacular art quilts. You may view some of her work at [www.betsytruedesigns.com](http://www.betsytruedesigns.com). After a brown bag lunch, Betsy will teach a workshop on "Machine Appliqué." We'll make a simple sampler and learn three methods of machine appliqué in the process. The cost of the workshop is \$20; sign up with Aby Dolinger on Sept. 5, 19 or Oct. 3. Class space is limited to 20 quilters, so sign up early!

## 2006-2007 Program Schedule

Ladies, mark your calendars! We have an exciting year of programs and projects ahead of us!

Sept. 5	Business Meeting
Sept. 19	Trunk Show of Star Quilts, Gay Kulenguski
Oct. 3	Business Meeting
Oct. 17	Trunk Show of Art Quilts, Betsy True Afternoon Workshop: Machine Appliqué
Oct. 31	Quilting for Others Workshop
Nov. 7	Annual SQU Auction
Nov. 21	Mini Demos on Quilting Techniques
Dec. 5	Business Meeting
Dec. 12	Holiday Luncheon
Jan. 2	Business Meeting
Jan. 16	Two Quirky Quilters, Kim Fess & Rebecca Heinze
Jan. 30	Quilting for Others Workshop
Feb. 6	Business Meeting
Feb. 20-22	Quilt Camp
Mar. 6	Business Meeting
Mar. 20	Embellishments/Art Quilts, Candy Edgerley
April 3	Business Meeting
April 17	Shortcuts from a Short Woman, Debby Kratovil Afternoon Workshop: Building Blocks and Borders
May 1	Business Meeting
May 15	Trunk Show, Fran Kordek
May 16	String Pieced Star, 6 hour workshop
May 29	Quilting for Others Workshop
June 5	Business Meeting
June 20	Summer Picnic

## Machine Quilting Tips

Many SQU members are interested in improving their machine quilting skills as evidenced by the popular machine quilting workshop taught by Diane Henry in June. To build upon the experience and skills you gained at the workshop, we are providing a monthly "Machine Quilting Tip Sheet." Pick up your tip sheet each month at the program meeting. Then go home and practice, practice, practice the designs on the sheet. Be sure to Show and Tell your progress or project the following month.

## **Mystery Quilt**

Did your summer reading list include a good mystery? If you're intrigued with collecting and analyzing clues and putting the puzzle together, you'll love making SQU's own Mystery Quilt, "Twinkle, Twinkle." The quilt is mysterious because you will not receive a picture of the quilt before you start sewing, or even before you start cutting, or even before you purchase the fabric! We'll give you clues at our program meeting each month, October through March. Follow the clues, step by step, and by June 5 you'll have a starry lap quilt for Show and Tell.

## **Organization Suggestion**

Dear Quilting Friends,

The SQU Board has planned so many lovely activities and programs for you to enjoy and participate in this year! The options might seem totally overwhelming at first glance! We invite you to participate in everything, or some things, or just one activity, whatever your schedule allows. To organize the notes and patterns and tips you'll receive this year, I suggest setting up a loose-leaf binder with subject divisions. My notebook has the following divisions: SQU Roster and General Info, Block of the Month, Mystery Quilt, Machine Quilting Tips, Charity Quilt Patterns, Newsletters, and Lecture Notes. Looking forward to a great year of quilting together,  
Aby Dolinger, Program Chair

## **R U COMMITTED?**

This year we want Springfield QU to have more quilts than ever in the annual show in June. Our members are so talented. We want to show off! So many times beautiful works are displayed at Show and Tell and then forgotten by the time it comes to enter them in the show. So this year we are going to be asking you to sign a commitment form saying that you will display your item in the QU Show. Once you have signed the form, you will be given a tag that you can affix to your quilt reminding you that it has been committed to the show. Already twenty-three quilts have been committed:

Kim Fess, Crayon Challenge  
Julia Renken, Crayon Challenge  
Babs Demand, Crayon Challenge  
Sue Galasso, Crayon Challenge  
Carolyn Pic, Red, White & Blue  
Juanita Golden, Wall Hanging  
Beverly Fisher, Crayon Challenge  
Cynthia Johnson-Cavey, Crayon Challenge  
Penny Boyanton, Crayon Challenge  
Sallyann Morrison, Crayon Challenge  
Elli Molstad, Happy Lava Bubble Quilt  
Bonnie Campbell, Crayon Challenge

Pham Thuan, Crayon Challenge  
Theresa Batch, Crayon Challenge  
Sue Baker, Crayon Challenge  
Carolyn Pic, Strings Quilt  
Carolyn Pic, Civil War Quilt  
Beverly Pontius, Crayon Challenge  
Rebecca Heinze, Crayon Challenge  
Judy Bregman, Crayon Challenge  
Kitty Tyler, Crayon Challenge  
Lynn Munch, Oriental Ladies  
Jill Redding, Crayon Challenge

Consider committing your finished works to be shown at the Big QU show. Let's make this year Springfield best!

## **SQU Library**

When looking for ideas for that next project or instructions on a new quilting technique, remember our own library. Check out the titles on-line. Just go to [www.quiltersunlimited.org](http://www.quiltersunlimited.org), click on QU chapters, and then click on Springfield. Currently our library is located in my home. But I'm more than happy to deliver books to the meetings or have members stop by my home.

Loretta Shinol, Librarian

703-866-3984, [lbshes@msn.com](mailto:lbshes@msn.com)

## Retreats

If there is anyone who might still be interested in the **Fall Retreat**, we currently have three openings. The total cost is \$225.00. Our theme this year is the Log Cabin block. The Retreat is held at the New Windsor Conference Center in New Windsor, Maryland, about an hour and a half away from Springfield. A good time is always had by all. You can reach me at [joquilter@aol.com](mailto:joquilter@aol.com), 703-323-6048 or I will be at the business meeting on September 5.

I also have a number of copies of the new VCQ Documentation book if anyone is interested in purchasing one. The photography is spectacular.

Joan McGowan

The dates for **Spring Retreat** are set for March 26-30. The cost will be \$295 per person double occupancy. It will be in Massanetta Springs again as it has been for the last several years, and we will have room for 14 quilters. Spaces will be filled on a first come first served basis and I will start taking reservations at the October business meeting. Watch the newsletter for more information or contact me at [rheinzel@cox.net](mailto:rheinzel@cox.net).

Rebecca Heinze

## Jamestown Challenge

The Virginia Quilt Museum is sponsoring a challenge to celebrate the 400th birthday celebration of the Jamestown settlement. You may enter as an individual or as a group. I am happy to report that several of us put our heads together and generated some ideas for a chapter entry. Our talented Aby Dolinger has taken the ball and run with it and has come up with a design. We are going to assemble kits that you may volunteer to put together. We will also need some hand quilters. We will begin to take the names of volunteers at the end-of-summer picnic at Joan's on August 29 and will most likely distribute kits on September 12. The quilt needs to be completed and at the museum by January 8, 2007. The quilt will hang in the museum for the winter exhibit and will then travel to Williamsburg/Jamestown to be exhibited, so we won't be getting it back for a while. Oh, did I mention that it will be judged? So let's show everyone what talent there is in SQU! If you have any questions, contact Loretta Spittle at [quilt nurse@verizon.net](mailto:quilt nurse@verizon.net), Aby Dolinger at [aby.dolinger@us.army.mil](mailto:aby.dolinger@us.army.mil), or Sallyann Morrison at [cmorrison@prodigy.net](mailto:cmorrison@prodigy.net).



**Happy birthday** and congratulations to all of our SQU members who will be celebrating their special days in the month of September:

Marilyn Baker 9/5

Joyce Canary 9/10

Joan McGowan 9/11

Joyce Keating 9/16

Judy Bartran 9/17

Janet Tanner 9/17

Bonnie Miller 9/18

Charlotte Veregge 9/19

Carolyn Goodling 9/20

Cheryl Roberson 9/21

Babs Demand 9/24

## SHARING!

Lisa Langlais writes that this is a clever web site that you might want to check out. I tried it and it works!

<http://search.quiltshops.com/calculator/calculator.htm>

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the next newsletter will be September 22 (the Friday after our program meeting.) Please e-mail your input to [kimfess@aol.com](mailto:kimfess@aol.com). I would appreciate it if you would send your copy in the body of your e-mail rather than as an attachment. That will help to save me time.

## Places to Go and Quilts to See

**September 7-10**-- Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza VII, Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA, [www.quiltfest.com](http://www.quiltfest.com).

**September 10**--Sully Plantation Quilt Show & Sale, Sully Plantation, Chantilly, VA.

**September 28-30**—Original Sewing and Quilt Expo, Dulles Expo & Conference Center (the same location as our QU Show), Chantilly, VA, <http://www.sewingexpo.com/cities/chantilly.htm>.

**September 30-October 1**-- "Everybody's Quilt Guild" Show, Manchester, MD, <http://www.everybodysquiltguild.org/>.

**October 13-15**--Richmond Quilters Guild Expo 2006, Richmond, VA, [www.richmondquiltguild.com](http://www.richmondquiltguild.com)

**October 14-15**-- "Somewhere in Time," Brandywine Valley Quilters, Brookhaven, PA (south of Philadelphia), [www.brandywinevalleyquilters.org](http://www.brandywinevalleyquilters.org).

**October 20-21**-- NeedleChasers 2006 Quilt Show, St. Columba's Episcopal Church, Washington, DC, [www.needlechasers.org](http://www.needlechasers.org).

**November 9-12**-- Quilters Quest 2006, "Shop Hop" with 13 quilt shops in northern Virginia and Maryland participating. Contact Jinny Beyer Quilt Studio, Quilt Patch, or Artful Quilter for more information.

Remember that if you don't renew your membership before September 22, you will not receive the next issue of this newsletter.