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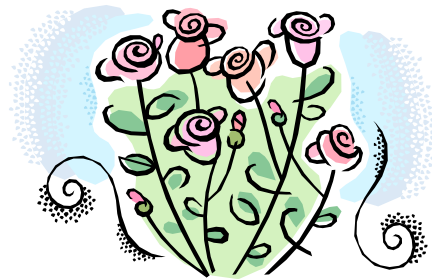
May 2006

A QUICK NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Just a note - short and sweet - Spring is here! Yea!

See you at the May Meeting!

Theresa Nichols, President



“POLITICS AND THE NEEDLE” AT OUR MAY 16th MEETING

Patsy Hartnett lives in Gettysburg, PA and is surrounded with history! She will bring a quilt top to our meeting that depicts some of the blocks women have used over time to indicate their place in history and to voice their opinions about the politics of their day. We all know a few women who sew and who have opinions!!

Patsy has been sewing all her life and can't remember when she began quilting. She does remember her Mother putting a block under the foot peddle of the sewing machine so her foot could reach it.

She has taught in South Australia, in Ireland, and here in the U.S., with the Penn State extension, the YWCA, The Gettysburg Elderhostel, and the Mid-Appalachian Quilt Educational Seminar, where the VQU Program Committee came to know her. She teaches all year at “Needle and Thread,” a fabric store in Gettysburg.

Her terrific sense of humor and knowledge of quilt making will come together for what we know will be an enjoyable evening. We may even learn something!!!

MAY MEETING – SOME REMINDERS AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Don't forget to bring your heart ornaments to the May meeting. You can give them to Andrea Gribble. They will be displayed for sale at the Quilt Show. The money raised will be given to organizations that support research on heart disease in women.

Also bring your fat quarters to the May meeting. Give those to Theresa Nichols. For each fat quarter you donate, you will get a chance to win a gift certificate. The fat quarters will be used to fill a VQU basket for the Quilt Show Silent Auction.

In addition to the program by Patsy Hartnett and the Election of the Board for next year, some items for discussion will include: the Board's recommendations for expending our donation funds, a general discussion about a possible new meeting venue for next year, and a preliminary discussion on what to do with the chapter quilts.

REFRESHMENTS FOR MAY MEETING PROVIDED BY MEMBERS WHOSE LAST NAME STARTS WITH A THROUGH H

Please provide your own beverages for our meetings. The school does have water fountains available close to the meeting area.

We will have a table set up in the rear of the meeting room for your treats. Also, we request that you be responsible for taking home any leftovers that somehow go uneaten!

MONTH

**SNACKS TO BE PROVIDED BY MEMBERS WHOSE
LAST NAME STARTS WITH:**

May

A through H



BOOK BEAT

by
Diane Dresdner

IMPORTANT: *Please return any library books that you have taken out at our May meeting so that the June inventory can be conducted.* Thank you!

Reservations – To reserve a book or video for the summer, please contact Diane Dresdner at 703/378-0994 or ddresdner@cox.net. For a listing of our library, go to the Quilters Unlimited website, click on the Vienna link and follow the instructions for the library listing.

VIENNA QU 2006 – 2007 CHARM SWAP!!

Let's have some fun this coming year exchanging 6 inch squares of fabric with other members of Vienna QU! If you would like to participate and are willing to *commit* to the Swap, please sign up before August 1, 2006. This is "all or nothing!" You must be willing to bring your squares to *each* monthly meeting, or you may give me all your squares in advance. This Swap is limited to 30 participants.

The Swap theme for the year will be "Vienna Variety:"

September	Country Plaids and/or Stripes
October	Batiks
November	30's repros
December	Civil War repros
January	Asian or Oriental Prints
February	Patriotic – red, white, and/or blue
March	Juvenile or Baby Prints
April	Amish Solids
May	Florals – multicolored preferred

Rules to Remember:

SHOP : Bring only the type of fabric listed for each month (above). Please select nice 100% cotton fabric that you would be glad to receive yourself! For each month,

you will need *one yard* of fabric, and all the squares you bring will be cut from the *same* fabric.

CHOP : Please wash and press your fabric before cutting 30 squares. Cut *full* 6 inch squares – no short cuts! If in doubt, better to cut *slightly larger* than smaller.

HOP : Hop over to the Vienna QU monthly meeting, and turn in your squares to me. Bring your squares in a large (gallon) Ziploc-type bag clearly labeled with your name.

SWAP : I will recombine the squares everyone brings and have them available at the following meeting in your labeled bags. You'll go home with 30 different squares each month – how charming!

Important Note: If you are unable to attend a meeting, you *must* send your squares with a friend or get them to me *before* that meeting. For the super-organized, all squares for the full year may be turned in at any stage of the exchange, but be sure that *all* your bags have your name on them if you want to get squares back!

To sign up or ask questions, email janet@marney.org or call Janet 703/352-2795.

MAY/JUNE BIRTHDAYS

5/1	Marjorie Stuhrke	6/11	Lillian Ryan
5/2	Emily Gross	6/17	Mary Ellen Simmons
5/6	Geri Daines	6/18	Ludy Rauber
	Marie Heaney	6/20	Marjorie Midili
5/7	Karen Naylor		Lisa Sokol
5/8	Anita Bane	6/22	Joanne McCallum
5/20	Patti Marcus		Diane Straham
5/25	Vicki McMichael	6/27	Mary Joyce
5/26	Helen Hollingsworth	6/29	Diane Dresdner
5/31	Ann Hall		

QUILTING DATES TO REMEMBER

May 3	Vienna QU Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Patrick Henry Library
May 4	Big QU Spring Seminar & Annual Meeting – Sue Nickels will be the speaker – Goodwin House West
May 5-6	Workshops with Sue Nickels
May 16	Patsy Hartnett – “Politics and the Needle” – Vienna QU May Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Vienna Elementary School
May 19-21	Southern Maryland Quilt & Needlework Show – Sotterley Plantation (www.sotterley.org)
June 2-4	QU Quilt Show – Dulles Expo Center in Chantilly
June 7	Vienna QU Board Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Patrick Henry Library
July 15-16	Star Quilter’s Guild of Roanoke Quilt Show (Donbuncequilts@aol.com or DJBWPB@aol.com)
thru December 3	Quilts of the Old Dominion quilt show in Richmond (www.vahistorical.org/news/pr_quilts.htm)



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