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AUCTION INFORMATION

Our Annual Auction will begin at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 15th at Vienna Elementary School. Come early; the preview starts at 6:00. Remember that the auction provides funding for programs during the year.

Donations for the Auction are being accepted at 600 John Marshall Dr. NW in Vienna (at the home of the Auction Chairperson) after school everyday and on weekends.

The "Basket Making" Meeting will be Sunday, November 13, from 1 p.m. until we are finished. Come help organize the baskets for the Auction at 600 John Marshall Dr. NW. It's also your last chance to drop off items for the Auction.

Diana Nichols, Auction Chairperson
703/938-3553

BAKE SALE AT THE NOVEMBER AUCTION

All members are encouraged to bake some goodies for sale at the November 15th Auction and Bake Sale. It would be very helpful if you would package your baked goods in plastic bags, plastic wrap, etc.

BOOK BEAT

by
Diane Dresdner

NEW BOOKS:

Fabric Photo Play. J. C. Wood. Develop appliqué patterns from photos, make realistic-looking images.

Nature's Studio. J. Colvin. A quilter's guide to playing with fabrics and techniques. Explore easy soft-edge and hard-edge techniques and color blending.

Hand Appliqué. A. Anderson. 7 simple quilt projects that cover all the basics.

Quilting for the Men in Your Life. P. L. Krush. 24 quilted projects using traditional, chenille and rag seam techniques.

Mastering the Art of McTavishing. K. McTavish. Book and DVD instructions and inspirations for longarm or domestic machine quilting.

Appliqué Delights. Goldsmith & Jenkins from Piece O' Cake Designs. 100 blocks to mix and match. Hand, machine, fusing, piecing, embroidery.

Color and Composition for the Creative Quilter. Masoput and Barker. Easy to follow art lessons for quilters. Build a color wheel from fabric to learn color theory, discover easy nine-patches of color and composition.

Easy and Elegant Lone Star Quilts. S. Stutz. Use large-scale prints for quick and

elegant results, just 16 pieces may a big, gorgeous Lone Star.

Passing on the Comfort. Keuning and Kaplanian. This book is a patchwork of true stories of women helping others. From resistance workers in WWII Holland to American women making quilts to send to comfort those in wartime areas.

The Civil War Diary Quilt. R. Youngs. Warm your heart with a quilt inspired by Civil War diaries and the women who wrote them. 121 quilt blocks each inspired by a diary entry.

Fusing Fun: Fast Fearless Art Quilts. L. Wasilowski. No-sew art quilts, engage your right brain with freewheeling collage techniques. Design as you go - no math.

RECYCLING:

Please bring and help yourself to quilting-related magazines and patterns with our recycle box located at the library table.

RESERVATIONS:

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

VQU 2006 RETREAT
March 23-26, 2004 - New Windsor, Maryland

Just a reminder that this year's retreat theme is **Rediscovering Childhood** and your inner child. The price of the retreat includes lodging, meals and a \$25.00 non-refundable registration fee. Since final costs haven't been given to us by the New Windsor Conference Center, an additional fee may be added to the last payment.

- ◆ Two nights - \$189 total – may pay in three installments of \$63.00 each
- ◆ Three nights - \$255 total – may pay in three installments of \$85.00 each
- ◆ Prices are based on 2 or more people per room. Single rooms are available at an additional cost of \$11.00 per night.

Your first payment is due with your registration, and final payments are due by February 1, 2006. We regret that there will be no refunds for cancellations received after February 1, 2006 and that the \$25.00 registration fee is not refundable.

Space is limited to the first 50 applicants. There was a registration form in the October *Pieceful Times*. If you don't have that one, you can print it from the October *Pieceful Times* that appears on the Vienna QU page of the big QU website (www.quiltersunlimited.org)

Make checks payable to: "Vienna Quilters Unlimited." Turn your payments in to Susan Smith at meetings or mail your checks to:
Susan Smith, 5320 Hampton Forest Way, Fairfax, VA 22030

Your Retreat Committee
Susan Smith, Retreat Committee Chair

YOU KNOW YOU'RE A QUILTER WHEN . . .

From *Quiltnet*:

...You buy chocolates in heart-shaped boxes in various sizes to use as templates.

...You look at the skirt of the person next to you in an elevator and envision it cut into 6" squares.

...Your ironing board is always set up, but you never iron clothes on it.

...There's more fabric in the house than food.

...Your sock drawer has fat quarters in it.

...You visit lots of different churches just to get ideas for quilts from stained glass windows!

VIENNA QU CHALLENGE – BRIGHT LIGHTS, BIG CITY

Have you been working on your 12½ by 12½ inch block for the ***Bright Lights, Big City*** challenge? There's just a little over a month to go until Karla Vernon collects your block at the December meeting.

You need to include a Fairfield logo with your entry form. The word Fairfield from the batting package, plus the barcode is fine. If you don't have any Fairfield batting, ask your friends if they do. Hancock's Fabrics sells Sew Perfect Batting, which is made by Fairfield. Karla uses the all cotton variety and thinks it is a good batting. If you don't want your entry to be judged by Fairfield, no logo is needed.

Everyone who submits a block and entry form will receive a gift. The non-winning blocks are made into charity quilts for ABC quilts; so your block is also contributing to our guild's community service.

You can submit your block even if you don't want it to be considered for the contest. If you design or make quilts commercially, you are not eligible for the contest.

For additional information, see: <http://www.poly-fil.com/pdf/files/QBC.pdf>

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/5	Bette Gordon		Kathy MacNabb
11/6	Inge Kummer	11/29	Cookie Shuffleton
11/7	Gail Edwards	11/30	Susan Thompson
11/12	Becky Bucci	12/14	Joyce Burrows
11/14	Kathleen Kurke		Eileen Doughty
11/16	Diane Knox	12/15	Maria Iglesias
	Mary Purdy	12/16	Barbara Denmon
11/21	Diane Kaskel	12/19	Pam Massaglia
11/22	Julia Byrne	12/27	Susan Smith
11/25	Patricia Ward		
11/28	Kathi Hilley		



QUILTING DATES TO REMEMBER

November 10-13	Quilter's Quest 2005 – 14 quilt shops will participate this year
November 13	Put together Auction Baskets – 1:00 p.m. – 600 John Marshall Dr. NW, Vienna
November 15	Vienna QU Annual Auction
December 13	Gayle Ropp presents “Treasures in the Trunk” – Vienna QU December Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Vienna Elementary School
January 17	Make a Quilt Night – Vienna QU January Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Vienna Elementary School
February 21	Vienna QU February Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Vienna Elementary School – Topic To Be Determined
March 23-26	Vienna QU Retreat
March 21	Barbara Hollinger Trunk Show – Vienna QU March Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Vienna Elementary School
April 18	Karen Kay Buckley – “To Border or Not To Border” – Vienna QU April Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Vienna Elementary School
April 27-30	Virginia Consortium of Quilters Celebration 2006 (details elsewhere in this newsletter)
May 4	Big QU Spring Seminar & Annual Meeting – Sue Nickels will be the speaker
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
June 2-4	QU Quilt Show – Dulles Expo Center in Chantilly

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