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PROGRAM PREVIEW

SATURDAY CHAPTER DECEMBER 6th

Guest Speaker at the **December Saturday meeting will be Dominique Bell.** She is a Girl Scout and will be speaking about her project working with **For Kids VA** to provide a new, colorful pillowcase to **homeless children** entering the shelter.

MONDAY EVENING CHAPTER, DECEMBER 8th

Holiday Celebration. Please bring a **covered dish** to share. Drinks and paper goods will be supplied by the Guild. In support of **Project Linus** we will have a cutting workshop. If you would like to participate, please bring a **cutting board, ruler and rotary cutter.**

TUESDAY EVENING CHAPTER, DECEMBER 9th

- Next month's meeting will be back at Oceanview. It will be our last time there. Please bring a **pair of gently used shoes** to the meeting for the Oceanview for those without shoes.
- **December's program:** Jo Corso will present "**Circles to Hexagons.**" Be sure to bring: ten circles, sized 12" to 15 1/2" which will make folding easier. You can use jar lids, plates, cups, etc as templates.
- Bring your basic sewing supplies. (needles, scissors, thread, embellishments, and precut circles of various fabrics (cotton, fleece, flannel, or upholstery).

In **January** we will meet at our new place **Virginia Heights Baptist Church 1251 Kempsville Road, Norfolk.**

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President's Corner:

As you read this Thanksgiving is over and we are singing Christmas songs. 2014 has been a busy year for all of us and TQG is no exception.

I have been enjoying the oyster roasts in the area and trading quilt blocks with many friends. Now comes the fun part putting those blocks together and making QUILTS.

Speaking of making QUILTS. You all have been busy making blocks for Purple Heart Quilts. In the new year we will have more opportunities to make these quilts so badly needed by our young men and women injured by war.

I also want to thank all the members who came to the Girl Scout sewing event. Pam will give you more information, but I will say I had a great time working with the Scouts.

The other day I was approached by Mary Tatem (an author of Quilt Devotional Books) and asked for information about TQG quilting. I was immediately able to give her 3 examples of our Guild helping and providing solace to others:

- Making Quilts for the injured men and women of the war,
- Making flannel squares with Girl Scouts so infants at CHKD can know their mother's smell
- Helping faculty and parents and students make a tee shirt quilt for their elementary school

I am so proud of the works you Ladies do.
YOU ROCK!!! *-Betty Werbiskis*

Date (2014)	Meeting	Place
Saturday December 6th	SAT CHAPTER (First Sat of the month) Social 9:00-10:00 a.m. Meeting 10:00 a.m.	A PLACE FOR GIRLS 912 Cedar Road, Chesapeake
Monday December 8th	(Second Monday of the month) Social 6:30, Meeting 7:00 p.m.	Community United Methodist 1072 Kempsville Rd., Va Beach
Tuesday December 9th	(Second Tuesday of the month) Social 9:30, Meeting 10:00	Ocean View Senior Center 600 Ocean View Norfolk, VA
Thursday December 11th	Executive Board Meeting Thursday the week of Night Chapter 6:30 p.m.	Community United Methodist 1072 Kempsville Rd., Va Beach

Program Preview: From Ann Wall

FEBRUARY 2015. **Lola McCracken** will be sharing her knowledge of Molas with us and will bring her collection that she has brought back from Panama where she has a residence. Molas are handcrafted, decorative reverse appliques made by the Kuna Indigenous peoples in the San Blas Islands of Panama. Molas appear in museums around the world, including the Smithsonian. American Quilter magazine published an article Lola wrote in their Fall 2007 issue of AQS. Lola will also bring the wall hanging she created using Molas. Members will have an opportunity to make a reverse appliqué design. **Bring with you embroidery scissors, thread and needles if you want to try your hand at a simple reverse appliqué**

MARCH 2015. **Suzi Parron** who has published two books on barn quilts will present slide shows of barns and the stories behind the quilts. I have been following her on Facebook and they are gorgeous. Suzi's Website: <http://www.barnquiltinfo.com>

OCTOBER 2015. **Jane Hall** was scheduled to come to our guild several years ago but had to cancel due to her husband's illness. We have, at last, rescheduled her visit. She will conduct a workshop called **Pineapples Plus** on October 17. Registration will be open in August 2015. Night chapter lecture: Painless Pieced Borders. Day Chapter lecture: Firm Foundations Updated. Her web site is <http://www.janehallquilts.com/index.php>

"Feel the Rhythm" Raffle Quilt

Constance Spotts held the drawing for the raffle quilt which was won by Ronnie Harriman. An interesting note: Ronnie's wife, Elsie Harriman, a long time member of TQG who originally started the Night Chapter Meeting, actually made the hand dyed fabric used to construct the quilt. Such a fitting "coincidence"!

Constance also reminded us that there are kits still available to create letters that will be joined together for a TQG banner.



A Note from Ronnie Harriman, Winner of the 2014 Raffle Quilt 11/16/2014

Dear Tidewater Quilters,

I want to thank you for this beautiful quilt I won. It means so much to me because Elsie's fabrics were used in it. I know a lot of work and effort went into making it.

I can remember when she went to a fabric store how excited she got over a new piece of fabric.

When she was working on a new quilt, I would sometimes help her with it. I was a draftsman so I could draw for her. Another quilting job I had was to remove seams when something went wrong. I even had my own seam ripper.

Last few years she was unable to attend meetings due to health problems. But Debi Harding kept her informed as to what was going on. Quilting was one of the best things I had in my life. Elsie and I shared both of our crafts.

Love, Ron

MEMBERSHIP**Jackie Brown TQG Membership Chairperson****tqgmembership@cox.net**

The rosters were emailed to everyone and posted on the website at <http://www.tqgva.org/> Please open the 2nd email that is titled, 2014-15 Roster with Phone Numbers. To get into the Members section of the website, the password is sewwhat12, which is also stamped on the back of your membership card.

If anyone would like a Word version of the roster so that you will be able to add the names in ABC order, there is a version of the roster available for download on the TQG website.

New and Renewing Members:

2751	Sue	Baker	(757) 406-3061	sjbaker721@verizon.net	721 Teets Lane	Va Bch	VA	23455
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New member to add to Member Services

Freida Doubts (757) 488-9449	Long arm quilting	info@sewe-z.com
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What's going on in the Chapter Meetings?

SATURDAY CHAPTER Nov 01, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 by Lenora Norstrom.

Guests were welcomed. 19 members attending, 3 guests attending, 2 joined

Announcement:

- The Saturday Chapter will have a **Pollyanna** and covered dish event at the **December meeting**. All are welcome to participate. The Pollyanna gift should be not more than \$10.

Program: The program was presented by Linda Hall and Lea Norstrom. Circles of cloth was passed out to members. The demo was "How to make a hexagon out of a circle." Members that participated saw how quickly the hexes came together without using the paper inserts. O's and aw's were audible at how easy they came together. **Show and tell is always a delight and never fails to inspire the rest of us.**

Ann Hannigan turned in another **QOV** quilt top. Thanks Ann, and thank you to all those Showing and Telling and sharing with us. Show and tell is always a delight and never fails to inspire the rest of us.

Business and program portions of the meeting concluded at 11:00.

Guest Speaker at the **December Saturday meeting will be Dominique Bell**. She is a Girl Scout and will be speaking about her project working with **For Kids VA** to provide a new, colorful pillowcase to **homeless children** entering the shelter.

Members broke for lunch, others stayed to sew.

Minutes taken and respectfully submitted by — **Diane S Bennett**

SPRING FLING!

MAY 9, 57-650-4641/ embroideryqueen@cox.net.

Donations of Fat Quarters and Thread will be accepted by Lorrie Ames for the baskets. Want to teach? Speak to Karen. Teaching is a paid position.

Night Chapter Minutes November 10, 2014

120 members present and two guests.

Diane Bennett, Night Chapter Coordinator, opened the meeting at 7:00, welcoming members and guests. One of our guests was from Alabama, age 91; one new member from Chesapeake.

Ann Walls introduced our speaker, **Sarah Bliss Wright**, quilt historian, from Mobile, AL. Sarah, a member of the **American Quilt Study Group**, proceeded with a truly interesting and informative lecture and slide show about The Mount Ida Quilt Project, entitled "One Community, Two Quilts, Three Centuries."

- Because there have been very few participants in the **fat quarter exchange**, it may be discontinued in January.
- Denise McCue, Day Chapter Coordinator, announced that the day chapter meeting has a new date and a new location starting in January. It will be held at the Virginia Heights Baptist Church in Norfolk on the second Monday of every month.
- Linda Worley reminded us she is collecting **medicine bottles for the SPCA** but will be out of town traveling until February. She did say the bottles could be taken to any SPCA.
- We finished up with our popular Show & Tell.

LUCKY WINNERS:

- **Block of the Month** Charlene Freeland,
- **Lucky Buck** winner Gene Ann Hall
- **Embroidery Block of the Month** winner Lisa Blankenship. **Door prizes** were won by Sally Berry and Juanita French.

Well dear friends the guru has left the building and me holding the bag. I have no idea where she went or how to contact her, Much more troubling is the fact that she left me with no gadgets to tell you about.....how very sad. Well time to turn out the lights and leave. Happy Quilting, at Quarter exchange- the theme for Dec is **SNOWMEN**. If we do not have more participation this exchange will be no longer. —Margo Bavry

DAYCHAPTER

November 11. MEMBERS: 79 GUESTS: 5

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Denise McCue opened the meeting with a special announcement of thanks to Miles Memorial church for hosting us.

- Treasurer's report \$567.14 total at this time.
- Our newsletter editor, Lola McCracken, was present. Everyone gave kudos on a job well done. For those with no computer access, pairings were done with those willing to print out the newsletter.
- Mary Hormel is again selling TQG pins. \$5. Next month is your last chance to purchase.
- ~~Linus:Reminder-~~ Collier Webb is not taking anymore fabric donations. There will be no Sew-in in December.

-The **January SPEAKER is Paula Harr**. She will take the mystery out of making a T-Shirt quilt

- **February's program** will be on **Molas** given by **Lola McCracken**.

- From Denise McCue:

- Please be sure to extend your THANKS to the **Oceanview Senior Center staff** for their hospitality and support of TQG during the past few years. See you at this location on Tuesday, December 9th, at 9:30 am.. This will be our last meeting at this location.

* Jo Corso will present circles to hexagons. Be sure to bring:

Sewing supplies: needles, scissors, thread, embellishments, and precut circles of various fabrics (cotton, fleece, flannel, or upholstery) and size circles 12" to 15 ½ " will make folding easier.

** Holiday celebration will be different this year :

Please **BRING**:

- An extra dollar to buy 2 tickets for scissor/bead bracelet raffle
- A bag of treats individually wrapped, to be placed in "goodie bags" for you

- WHITE fat quarters and 7 - 2 ½ " strips.
- Completed lucky buck blocks and block of the month.
- Lastly, all board and committee members are asked to stay after for a short 10 – 15 minutes meeting.

UP COMING NEWS for 2015

We will be at our new location on MONDAY, Jan. 12th.

VA Heights Baptist at 1251 Kempsville Road, Norfolk.

We will celebrate the New Year and new location with a party!!!! If your last name starts with:

- A to L bring a breakfast or finger food item.
- M to Z a sweet item or fruit

We will supply paper goods and drinks.

*** I regret any inconveniences the change to Monday and location has caused any members.

THANKS for everything!!! Denise McCue

Day Chapter PRIZE
WINNERS:

FQs: Gene Ann Hall and
Geneva Gray Lucky Buck: Pat
John

Block of the Month: Joyce
Gussler

Door Prizes: Lillie Neidig,
Sylvia McCormick, Elaine Page,
Dorothy Sullivan, and Karen
Levine.

At the December meeting there
will be a small raffle for scissor
bracelets. Ticket will be 2/\$1

From KAREN FISHER

** More information in **January TQG Newsletter**

Our Quilt Guild was recently contacted by Joanne D'Agostino, Principal of Luxford Elementary School, Virginia Beach, VA, and was asked to engage in a partnership with the school for a project to make a T-Shirt quilt. She specifically reached out to TQG because of the *BEACON* article on TQG's 2014 Quilt Show in June 2014. I met with Principal D'Agostino and the Art teacher, Sarah Moss, to discuss the project and to establish a "game plan." It is a terrific chance to introduce and enlighten young people on the art of quilting. Here are the particulars about this project.

1. Principal D'Agostino will provide all of the T-Shirts to be used in the quilt. The T-Shirts represent the various clubs the school has had and they have been collected over the years. Workshops will be conducted at the elementary school for the construction of the T-Shirt quilt. **The workshops would begin in January 2015 and end in March 2015. The dates to be set aside for the workshop are Jan 8th, Jan 22nd, Feb 12th, Feb 26th, Mar 12th and Mar 26th.** The workshop hours would be from 6:00PM to 7:30PM. At the end of the month in March there will be a Gala or Open House & presentation of the finished quilt to be hung in the school.
2. It is anticipated that there will be 50 plus participants. Participation in the workshop will be offered to only the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students & their parents along with various members of the school's staff. Principal D'Agostino is definitely participating!! I and a Co-Chair will be at these workshops, but will need help from you, our membership. I anticipate needing 5 – 8 more members to help with this project. Keep in mind, that I will need your commitment to attend each workshop for continuity in teaching these young people and adults along with guiding them in sewing the blocks. Although anyone is welcome, I would really like to encourage some of our male members to help us as we will definitely have young boys taking part in these workshops and it would be such a motivator to see and talk with our men who quilt.

Perhaps you are asking why would Luxford Elementary School's principal want to make a T-Shirt quilt? As it was explained to me by Principal D'Agostino, this quilt project would foster a connection to their school's history through textile and art. The quilt would tell their story while they were students at Luxford Elementary. From an educational standpoint, the quilt making will be an introduction to a new art form known as quilting and to learn some of the history of quilting. The quilt making will also help make the connection from their studies in math skills of measurement, symmetry and geometric patterns and applying those skills to create fabric art. Why should TQG partner and support this project? Simply, our partnering and support would provide an impactful connection to community and the enlightenment of young minds. There is great potential exposure in the way of publicity in local publications. Recruiting!! This would make an excellent introduction of quilting and the guild to potential new members (parents or school staff). We would also be upholding our guild's purpose by educating many on the history, importance and art of quilting to help sustain the continuation of this rich and wonderful skill that is part of the woven fiber of American History and American Art.

I encourage each of you to check your calendars for the coming year, review your personal schedules, and then contact me to sign up for an opportunity many of us just don't get in life.....to connect with our upcoming youth!!! Thank you!! My contact information is: Karan Fisher, PH: 757-761-1173, email: karanfisher@cox.net.

3. Because this project had not been part of the school's planned budget nor the PTA's budget, we would need fabric, batting, needles & pearl cotton thread. The school's colors are purple, yellow and lime green, and their mascot is "The Dragons." **



A big THANK YOU to **Ann Walls** for bringing our popular November speaker to both the Evening Chapter and the Day Chapter. **Sarah Bliss Wright** gave two lectures on historical quilt developments in early 19th century Alabama. Her lectures were warmly and enthusiastically embraced by the membership.



PROGRAMS – Ann Walls

I think that we can all agree that Sara Bliss Wright gave two fascinating presentations to the Night and Day Chapters. She is a born story teller! The Mount Ida Project made me want to go out and gather some quilters to copy a vintage quilt. The perspective she gave about the genesis of, and reasons for, printed feed sacks was from a completely different perspective. Business man goes for profit and women benefit from it.

I received the following note from Sarah:

“I thoroughly enjoyed my time in Virginia and meeting the wonderful members of the Tidewater Quilters Guild. Your projects are amazing and your spirit infectious. Please extend my thanks to the Guild for their hospitality. I’ll look forward to our next meeting, whenever and wherever.” —Sarah

Finished QOV quilts



*In an effort to trim the number of pages in the Newsletter, your chapter minutes have been edited to eliminate material that is written in other parts of the Newsletter or repetitious (members greeted, birthdays celebrated, etc) If you feel some of your important material has been omitted, please contact the editor: tqnewsletter@gmail.com