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"THOUGHTS WHILE STITCHING"

"I want to live in a society where people are intoxicated with the joy of making things."

"Life can be viewed as a huge treasure hunt where all are seeking what they deem to be of value. To the extent that the things we seek are limited in supply (money, fame, victory) there will be strife. But to the extent that we seek treasures that deprive no one (wisdom, health, skill) or treasures that help others (love, friendship, justice) we take part in building a better world." P. 117

"Nonviolent beauty – beauty contained in nonmaterial things, such as a way of life, learning, relationships with others – cannot be stolen and is unlikely to produce envy. These forms of beauty are among those unusual riches that impoverish no one, that can be given away and make everyone richer." P. 28

Excerpts from A Handmade Life: In Search of Simplicity by Wm S Copertwhaite (Chelsea Green Publishing Co., White River junction, Vermont)

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Quilt Show is coming! The Quilt Show is coming! It's still six months away but the committee is working hard to make sure all the details are completed. I hope everyone is as excited as I am to bring the Quilt Show & Auction to Heathsville, our quilting home. The workshops are making some stunning quilts for auction. It's a shame we have to sell them – just kidding. Let's hope they will bring some big bucks! Start thinking about what quilts you will be displaying for our Quilt Show. After all, we do this to show the public how very talented we are as well as make some money for our programs.

Speaking of programs, I hope we can reschedule Linda Fiedler soon. I personally was very interested in learning to do thread painting. We still need some good ideas for

future programs. Please contact Liz Mesec if you come up with an idea you think the Guild will enjoy, especially if you know someone to present a program.

See you at the next meeting. Joy

QUILTERS' NEWS

Annual Quilt-In Joy Young states that we have reserved the TMB for our Quilt-In this year on Wednesday, May 14th. We'll start at 9:00 AM and go until after dinner. Besides your quilting projects, bring your own lunch (or go out) and a dish to share for a pot luck dinner in the evening. The Guild will provide coffee and tea, iced and hot, but bring anything else you want to drink, including wine for dinner. There will be a sign up sheet at the next meeting so we know how many will attend and get an idea of what food you'll bring. If you can't attend the meeting, call or e-mail Joy.

Education: Sue Burton, Education Chairperson, is organizing a quilting class for teens which will be called "Stitching on the Fence". Classes will be held at the TMB on July 9, 11, 14, 17, 1 PM to 3 PM. TQG members are asked volunteer to teach on these dates. Four or five members are needed for each of the lessons. We hope to have one teacher for every two students. Rail fence is the pattern selected. A sign up sheet will be at the May meeting. Registration fee is \$10 and will be handled through the RHHT office. Maximum class size is ten teens, minimum of four. Supplies will be provided by the Guild.

We need sewing machines in good working condition for the classes. To date we have three machines that have been donated to the Guild.

Quilt Shows: Members are requested to share information on upcoming quilt shows that may be of interest to other TQG members. They will be listed in "Dates to Remember" of Loons Lines and members can provide any helpful information. To date, we have information about the following:

Quilters by the Sea Guild in Wilmington, NC is hosting the NC Quilt Symposium. Lectures and classes are scheduled by nationally recognized quilt teachers. Additional information is available at www.ncqsi.org or www.quiltersbytheseaguild.com. Dates: May 29 – June 1.

The Annapolis Quilt Guild is sponsoring the 35th Annual Quilters Unlimited Quilt Show on June 6–8, 2008 at the Dulles Expo Center, Chantilly, VA. Admission: Friday/Saturday - \$10; Sunday \$8 or \$20 for all three days. Additional information is available at www.quiltersunlimited.org.

Blue Ridge Quilt Festival will be held June 19-22, 2008 at the New Blacksburg Middle School in Blacksburg, VA. Single day admission is \$5, multiday admission \$7. Workshops by Linda Fiedler, Paula Golden, Lyric Kinard, Susan Brittingham, Kathy Seveback, and Pat Childress. Additional information at www.BRQFestival.com

Rachel's Quilt Patch will present Quilts: Past, Present & Future Conference on September 5th and 6th, 2008 in Staunton, VA. Workshops, lectures and quilt appraisals are scheduled. Conference is part of a month-long celebration of quilts which begins on Thursday, September 4th with an exhibit at Mary Baldwin College. Gallery walks and exhibits will be given throughout Staunton, Waynesboro, Harrisonburg and other sites in Augusta County. Additional information is available at www.rachelsquiltpatch.com.

Requests: Cooky Booth requests that any TQG member who has won or placed in any of the Hoffman Fabric challenges to please let her know. Also – a TQG member requested the blacksmiths to make buttonhole cutters - 2 sizes. The 'smiths' have the cutters made but do not remember who she was. Please contact John Brauer at Blacksmith Forge at Tavern - Tuesdays, Thursdays, or Saturdays.

CONVERSATIONS WITH GINGER MARSHALL

This month, “Conversations” is with Ginger Marshall, whose exuberance and energy is evident whenever she is in the room. Those who know Ginger recognize her as someone who is never shy about volunteering whenever a challenge presents itself. Ginger was president of TQG in 1999-2000 and 2004.

LL: *When did you begin quilting and was there someone who had a great influence in your love of quilting.*

Ginger: I began quilting in 1996. We had moved to the Northern Neck and were living in our trailer waiting for our house to be built. Jeanne had just opened the Briar Patch and the opportunity was there! When the TQG began I joined. The members of the Tavern Quilt Guild helped me learn techniques and encouraged me along the way. My great-grandmother, grandmother and aunt all quilted and though I didn't start quilting until after they were gone, I like to think that they influenced my interest and love of quilting.

LL: *Someone described you as the person who best exemplifies having fun with quilting. Do you have a special philosophy towards quilting?*

Ginger: Wow! Ran (*Ginger's husband*) says that I had a choice between bike riding and quilting and I chose quilting...DUH! I never met a bicycle seat I liked and never met a fabric I DIDN'T!! Never make yourself do something you do NOT enjoy! Sometimes I discover a project just isn't what I thought it would be, and then I have to re-think. Sometimes I give myself permission to quit (not always a bad word!). Never continue working on something you don't love. Pass it on to someone who can or will love it, and then move on to something you do love.

LL: *You have been president of Tavern Quilt Guild TWICE - which must have been quite a challenge. Can you tell us about some of the changes that you have observed in TQG? Any “words of wisdom” for current and future officers?*

Ginger: The more things change the more they stay the same. The membership has really grown, and the talent of the members is amazing. The enthusiasm of the ladies is definitely something that has stayed the same. It is always a pleasure to attend the meetings and I usually leave ready to try something new, or go home and work on something that has been relegated to the “Cave of the Unfinished Projects”.

The best advice I can give a future president is surround yourself with really capable officers! They will really make your job easier and a lot of fun!

LL: *You often describe yourself as “queen of UFOs” and there are several references about your goal of finishing them in past Loons Lines. How are you progressing towards meeting this goal? And what incentives do you give yourself to complete a project that has been in your quilting room for a long time.*

Ginger: I'm afraid that I will never lose the title...I am hopeless. There are so many projects that want me to start them and they call out to me (yes, I hear projects!) I have several projects that have been on-going since 1997, and I'm afraid that I have not found an incentive to finish them. Someday..... The incentive of being able to begin a new project when the current one is finished doesn't work for me, because the "new" one jumps in whenever it wants to and I have no "won't power". The Stingray Stitches in Deltaville, have been doing a UFO challenge for the past 3 years. This is what prompted me to count all my UFOs, 60+ at the time, and finish a good many of them. This has been a great incentive for me. Though I still have a long way to go!

LL: *Do you have a particular quilt that you have made (or started) which has a special meaning to you?*

That's hard. My bee did a Friendship quilt and a Round Robin. These were fun and great learning experiences. Both are very special to me. My first President's quilt really brings back memories of members, some of whom are now gone. My Millennium quilt was wonderful to work on and my Granddaughter Olivia is now the proud owner of it. (I may have to make another one for me!) They all have special meaning and usually the one I am working on is my favorite. "Stars in Ran's Garden" was the first quilt that my husband seemed to like and encourage me to finish! He wanted it as a bed quilt and so I had to enlarge it and even buy more fabric, with his blessing!

LL: *Does anyone in your family share your love of quilting.*

Everyone loves the products, but no one has taken up the needle! Perhaps when my granddaughters are older!

LL: *Any other "words" that you would like to share with us?*

To quote Jake (Life is Good) "Do what you like and like what you do". Always good advice!

MAY PROGRAM

Linda Pool will do a program on photographic transfer. It is a demo/lecture/workshop. Lists of products will be available for \$3.00, and small kits will be available for sale to those who are interested.

MINUTES OF APRIL 1, 2008 TQG MEETING

President Joy Young called the meeting to order at 10:07. There were 44 members and one guest present.

The minutes of the March meeting were approved as published in Loons Lines.

OFFICER REPORTS

Treasurer - Linda McMakin read the report. Joy explained that the item for \$100 for three months of set up was a donation to the animal shelter in Mr. Salesky's name as he did not want to be paid.

First Vice-President- Pauline Lipscomb has raffle tickets for the Virginia Quilt Museum raffle quilt. They are \$1.00 each. The quilt is a rose wreath, hand appliquéd and quilted and is 81" x 100". She placed pins and cookbooks for sale on the library table.

Second Vice-President - Liz Mesec said that Linda Fiedler had to cancel and she will get back to us about the middle of April. Anyone wanting their money refunded from Linda Fiedler's workshop, check with Linda McMakin. Linda Poole is our speaker for next month and will give a lecture and demonstration on putting photos on fabric. Liz's E-mail address is incorrect in the red book.

Corresponding Secretary - Jeanne Rose sent get well/feel better cards to Grace Oliver, Betty Patterson, Charlotte Headley and Bonnie Page. She sent a thank you card to Elizabeth Schamber for last month's program. She sent memos to five former members who had not paid their dues. She read a letter from Shirley Willmore who regrets that she cannot come to the meetings this year, possibly returning next year. Members announced that Paula Teeples had surgery, Dottie Purdue's husband has cancer and Betty Patterson wants all our prayers as she is having surgery for uterine cancer. Joy welcomed Marilyn Nolte back after several months' absence.

Membership- Cooky Booth reminded any members who do not have them to get the red membership books from her. The 19th of April is the first Farmer's Market and she will be in the TMB for "Come Quilt With Me" from 9-1. Bring your own project. She will be there the third Saturday of every month until November.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Gala- Susan Melton said the workshops are going full steam ahead. The Masonic Lodge is out as she can't get anyone in charge to keep an appointment. She has sent letters to the judge, EVB, St. Stephens, the county administrator and the sheriff outlining our October activities. She has met most of them and talked to all of them. Susan wants E-mail reports from the committees with a time line. She needs help for selling tickets, in the workshops and for white gloving, hanging and taking down quilts. Get other family members to help. She will let us know when the labels for Guild quilts are ready. The gala committee meets in TMB next Tuesday at 2:30.

Historian- Marge Stack no report.

Librarian- Betty Turner said she put out books with small projects again this month. Things that would do for the July silent auction. Paula bought a log cabin book for the library. The magazines are available to take out to keep or return. Let Betty know if you want a particular book for the library.

Hospitality - Aldra Lloyd thanked the members who brought food. Next month the refreshments will be provided by Sue Burton, Paula Hudson, Lois King and Penny Carter. She needs someone for November. It was suggested that since we have no meeting in Aug. some might volunteer for November.

Publications - Cooky Booth said we were in three newspapers last month and she will have a profile on Leo Rogers coming up. She would like to know when members are going to quilt shows so they can bring some of our handouts. We have ads in the BCQ newsletter and in Quilter's Newsletter the September and October editions which will be out in July and August. Look for "Quilt Show and Auction: A Gala Event". The posters will be printed on lime green paper.

BOM- Gail Griffith- Next month's block is two pages. She used striped fabric for the pages of the book. Colors are pink and yellow on a white background, blue for the bow and any color for the book. Ink or embroider the title on the book. Make the rose ruched

if you want

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Remove your name from the list if you've brought in a finished Cherokee rose block. Joy will be glad to help any one with hand appliqué.

Maren Lindberg will organize a field trip for the August meeting. See Maren if you have any ideas or can give her some help. The July meeting is the cookout.

NEW BUSINESS:

The 2008-9 budget. Linda went over the new budget, pointing out that the 25 cent charge for name tags has been dropped. Note cards will have pictures of our raffle quilts. We didn't spend anything on education last year, but Sue has the program scheduled for this summer. Gail suggested increasing the donation to RHHT which was not budgeted because Joy wanted to wait until after the Gala to decide on the amount. A motion to approve the budget was made by Liz Mesec and seconded by Jeanne Rose. Members voted to adopt the budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Membership in RHHT is not required of TQG members. They cover us as a non profit organization and for insurance etc. and membership is only \$15 or \$25. Also members of RHHT receive a 10% discount in the gift shop. Membership applications are on the sign-in table.

Sue Oliverie donated four place settings of regular silverware which we will keep for the Guild to use. The Tavern will install locks on the drawers and give us a key.

The Blue Ridge Quilt Fest will be in Blacksburg the 20-22 of June. Flyers will be on the sign-in table. If you have information on a quilt show send it to Janet for the Loons Lines.

Jeanne Rose is selling tickets to a raffle quilt she gave to the Lancaster Middle School PTA; they are \$2 or 10 for \$15. Guilt members helped her make one for the elementary school PTA a few years ago which earned over \$7000.

Happy birthday this month to Judy Crown and Bonnie Page. Door prize this month was a bag to hold a sewing machine donated by Cyndi and a plastic box with pens, pencils etc. It was won by Margret Talbot. The BOM was won by Mary Sawyer and donated to the workshop.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Sawyer, Recording Secretary

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 6, 2008	TQG Monthly Meeting – TMB Heathsville 10:00 – 2:00 PM
May 8, 2008	Gala Workshop – TMB – 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
May 13, 2008	TQG Executive Board – TMB Heathsville – 12:30 PM
May 13, 2008	TQG Gala Committee – TMB Heathsville - 2:30
May 22, 2008	Gala Workshop – TMB – 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
May 29 – June 1, 2008	<u>Quilters by the Sea Guild</u> in Wilmington, NC is hosting the NC Quilt Symposium. Additional information: www.ncqsi.org or www.quiltersbytheseaguild.com
June 6 – 8, 2008	Annapolis Quilt Show - <u>35th Annual Quilters Unlimited Quilt Show</u> – Dulles Expo Center, Chantilly, VA www.quiltersunlimited.org

June 12, 2008	Gala Workshop – TMB – 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
June 19 – 22, 2008	<u>Blue Ridge Quilt Festival</u> – New Blacksburg Middle School – Blacksburg, VA – www.BROFestival.com
June 26, 2008	Gala Workshop – TMB – 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
July 10, 2008	Gala Workshop – TMB – 10:00 AM- 3:00 PM
July 24, 2008	Gala Workshop – TMB- 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
September 5 -6, 2008	Quilts: Past, Present & Future Conference, Staunton, VA – sponsored by Rachel’s Quilt Patch www.rachelsquiltpatch.com
October 17 – 18, 2008	2008 Gala and Quilt Auction

OFFICERS

President:	Joy Young	Historian:	Marge Stack
1 st Vice President:	Pauline Lipscomb	Membership:	Marion Booth
2 nd Vice President:	Liz Mesec	Librarian:	Betty Turner
Corresponding Secretary	Jeanne Rose	Education:	Sue Burton
Recording Secretary	Mary Sawyer	Hospitality:	Aldra Lloyd
Treasurer	Linda McMakin	Publicity:	Marion Booth
Immediate Past President	Susan Melton	BOOM:	Gail Griffith
Gala Co-Chair	Susan Melton	Door Prizes:	Sue Oliveri
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DESIGN IN TIME

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