



*Mt. Vernon Chapter
Quilters Unlimited*



June/July Newsletter

Mount Vernon Chapter Officers 2016-2017

President - Dianne Tippins

Vice President - Jeanne Farmer

Secretary— Nancy Barkume

Treasurer—Mary Downey

Nominating Chair— Kathy Sander



President's Message

Endings.....

September 2016, I wrote, " September is the time of beginnings. New leadership, new members, new internationally known teachers, new friends, new quilting techniques and new goals."

June is the time for endings. I always find endings sad. I am sad that my tenure is over. Just like in quilting, I find finishing a quilt sad.

My two years as MVQU president has been wonderful! I have made new friends, watched members learn new techniques, become enthusiastic about Bee Enhancement, and assume leadership roles.

MVQU is in good hands, and I know that members will stand strong and offer their skills and talents to support the leadership and MVQU.

While I am leaving the presidency that does not mean I am leaving. I will continue to support, learn and love MVQU. Thank you all so much for the experience!

Dianne

CHARITY WORKSHOP MAY 30, 2017

DEAR MEMBERS OF MVQU

HOPE YOU WILL ALL TRY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS WORKSHOP

MEET AT HOLLIN HALL SENIOR CENTER

11:00 am - 3:00 pm

IF YOU CAN PARTICIPATE, PLEASE EMAIL ME AT

ENRICAM@VERIZON.NET

WE WILL NEED BOTH SEWING AND CUTTING 'TALENT'

HERE ARE TWO VERSIONS OF THE PATTERN WE WILL BE MAKING



I WILL HAVE FABRIC AVAILABLE.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

RICKIE FROST, CHARITY CHAIR

REMINDER

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CHARITY QUILTS
MADE FROM THE FABRIC YOU PICKED UP AT ONE OF OUR
EARLIER MEETINGS

WE ALWAYS APPRECIATE YOUR WORK AND YOUR GENEROSITY

THANK YOU-THANK YOU-THANK YOU



2017 QU Show, June 2-4

Quilt Show News:

T Carter will be giving a demonstration from 11 am until noon on Friday and Saturday called "T's Quilty Tricks." Check the map in your show program for the demonstration area. This will be fun and informative so plan to attend if you can.

The show committee has added a new feature this year - a Gallery Tour on Friday and Saturday at 1 pm. T Carter was selected to lead these tours lasting 45 minutes to an hour each. Let's show our support to T and help to make it a success by joining one of the tours. See the information desk at the show for further details.

Your quilts that were exhibited at the QU show will be returned to you at the June luncheon.

Mad Hatter's Luncheon!

Mark your calendars for June 13 for the Mad Hatter's Tea at 12:30 pm. Late RSVP's are welcome – contact Dianne, dbearadk@aol.com. Helping hands are needed to set up tables and chairs.

Hats galore!!!!!!!!!!!! We are asking, highly encouraging (not requiring) the wearing of hats. A parade of hats will be held, and the winner will be selected by applause.

Also, a challenge was given this year to create something that meant **taking it to the top in your life**. Those items will be shown.

Tokens of gratitude will be given.

Maybe we can get Anne G to bring scones and clotted cream

Ice Cream Social – July 11

Save the date – Tuesday, July 11 at 12:30 pm. Enjoy treats and conversation. Sugar free ice cream will be available. Bring your show and tell. Thanks to Ro Coller for organizing this event.

Lecture and Workshop with Barbara Cline - October 24 & 25, 2017

MVQU's October program will be a lecture *Designing inside Different Block Layouts...Squares, Triangles, and Diamonds* presented by Barbara H. Cline. Barbara is a quilt designer, teacher and author who began creating quilts in her teens and now has over 35 years of experience in quilting and teaching. Her close-knit Mennonite family of quilters in the Shenandoah Valley shares a passion and reverence for the tradition of quilt making through the generations. Barbara loves to design and piece intricate geometric quilts. She has written four books about "delightful piecing."

Where: Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road, Alexandria, VA, Room 112

Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Time: 12:30 – 2 pm

Refreshments served following the program.

For more information about Barbara, visit www.delightfulpiecing.com

Spinner Pattern Workshop with Barbara Cline - Wednesday, October 25, 2017

Location: Mt. Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, Alexandria, VA 22307 (within a mile of Hollin Hall Senior Center)

Time: 9 am to 3 pm. We will break 30 minutes for lunch. Please bring your own. Snacks will be provided. If possible, please bring an extension cord to be plugged into a power strip for your sewing machine.

Supply List and Pattern for 25 inch square geometric Spinner are shown below. [Pattern and template plastic provided by MVQU.](#)

Description: This stunning wall quilt "Spinner" is sure to challenge and inspire. Diamond chains frame a dazzling pinwheel within a square set on point in the center of the quilt or table topper. The piecing techniques you learn are sure to open up new avenues while challenging your skills. Learn how to make diamonds with strip piecing.

Workshop cost is \$35 payable to MVQU (no cash or credit cards please). [Please note: we need a minimum of 15 students to hold this workshop. If you are interested in attending, please sign up and give a check to Nancy Barkume, Ruth Roush, or Mary Downey at the luncheon on June 13 or NLT July 11 at the Ice Cream Social at Hollin Hall. You may also register by emailing Nancy or Ruth and mailing them a check. If we don't have 15 members signed up and paid by July 11, we will advertise through QU Digest to fill it. This is our only workshop planned for 2017-18 so far.](#)

Cancellation policy: You may cancel NLT September 26, 2017 and receive a check refund. After that date no refunds will be given but you may find someone to take your place.

For further information contact Nancy Barkume, 703.360.3203, nancybarkume@cox.net or Ruth Roush, 703.751.0165, ruthnva@comcast.net

Supply List for Spinner

25 x 25 inches

Pattern (I will bring when I come)

Scissors

Pins

Sewing thread

Seam ripper

Rotary mat

Rotary cutter

Rotary ruler

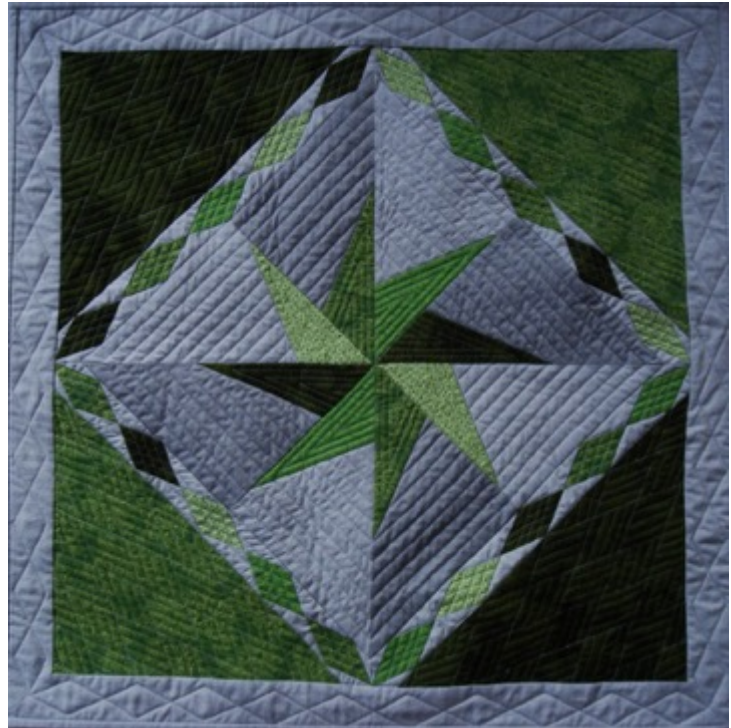
Small ironing board and mat (optional)

Two sheets of template plastic

Fabric marking pencil

Lead pencil

Glue stick or double- sided scotch tape



Fabric

Yardage is based on 42"-wide fabric

Green 1 1/2 yard

Green 2 1/2 yard

Green 3 1/2 yard

Green 4 1/2 yard

Gray 1 yard

Dark gray 1/4 yard

Precut before class

Green 1

Cut 1 strip 2 1/2" x WOF

Cut 1 strip 1 3/4" x WOF

Green 2

Cut 1 strip 2 1/2" x WOF

Cut 1 strip 1 3/4" x WOF

Green 3

Cut 1 strip 2 1/2" x WOF

Cut 1 strip 1 3/4" x WOF

Cut 1 strip 11 1/4"

Green 4

Cut 1 strip 2 1/2" x WOF

Cut 1 strip 1 3/4" x WOF

Cut 1 strip 11 1/4"

Gray

Cut 4 strips 2" x WOF

Cut 1 strip 5 3/4" x WOF

Cut 2 strips 2 1/4" x WOF, for border

Cut 2 strips 2 1/4" x WOF, for binding

Dark Gray

Cut 1 strip 5 1/2" x WOF



your 2017-2018 Membership

QU memberships are now available for the 2017-2018 membership year. There are new forms and individual membership dues are \$30.00 and family membership for the family member is \$10.00 extra. Please complete the membership form and bring it to either a bee or meeting along with your membership dues (checks made out to MVQU). If you were a lifetime member last year you are grandfathered in and still pay no dues. All members should fill out form and please note on the back of the form is a space for you to fill in your emergency contact information. (The senior center is no longer asking you to fill out their form.) To be included in the big QU directory you must renew your membership no later than September 30. Your membership card provides you a discount at the fabric stores. Mary



A BIG THANK YOU – Mary Downey reports:

Today I received in the mail two cards and a note from Susan Cavanaugh and messages from all her students at the Arlington detention center about our generous donation of fabric. Their thank you's are touching-- "your gifts of fabric are much appreciated. Quilting is therapeutic " and "Because of you this is possible". Susan makes note that they have a program where they donate their quilts to other charitable organizations. "All of the participants were thrilled to see where their quilts were going. Several ... spoke, expressing their appreciation for the opportunity to have a program where they could learn something new, be creative, and give back to the community."

If you have an interest in visiting or participating in the program, Susan would love to hear from you.

Exhibit at the Textile Museum - 50 Years of Ebony Fashion Fair March 18 - July 24, 2017

Ruth Roush recently visited this exhibit at the Textile Museum of beautiful designer clothing spanning several decades and highly recommends it.

For fifty years, the Ebony Fashion Fair shaped a new vision of black America through contemporary fashion. This exhibition of stunning ensembles by leading designers tells the story of the fair's creator, Eunice W. Johnson, who overcame racial prejudice to bring global fashion to African-American audiences. Learn more about the museum and the exhibit at museum.gwu.edu/. On Sundays on street parking is free downtown, you can take metro to Foggy Bottom, or take a carload of friends and pay to park at a garage. There are several garages within a few blocks of the museum.

MVQU Calendar: June/July

May 30: Charity Workshop, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, Room 112

June 6: Bee – Sit and Sew, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Room 216

June 13: [Mad Hatter's Luncheon, 12:30 pm, Room 112](#)

June 20: Bee – Sit and Sew, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Room 216

June 27: Bee – Sit and Sew, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Room 216

July 11: [Ice Cream Social, 12:30 pm, Room 112](#)

July 18: Bee – Sit and Sew, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Room 216

July 25: Bee – Sit and Sew, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, Room 216

Mount Vernon Quilters Unlimited Business Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

Hollin Hall Senior Center

Call to Order: President Dianne Tippins called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm. There were 29 in attendance. She announced that the Minutes from the April 9, 2017 meeting will be filed as approved and corrected.

Treasurers Report: Mary Downey presented the previously circulated budget. There was no discussion. There was a motion and a second to approve the budget and it passed unanimously. She reported income of \$659 and expenses of \$297. Renewals of membership dues and forms are now due. The \$30 fee reflects the new QU membership fee.

President's Report: Dianne reported that Article 6, Section 3 bylaws were changed in 2014 (at was changed to by). In 2015 when by laws were changed again, Dianne used the 2009 bylaws as her basis for correction rather than 2014 bylaws. In September MVQU will request the bylaws be changed to reflect the 2014 wording. Big QU is currently requiring us to change our bylaws to eliminate the senior status and recognize that dues are set by big QU.

There was a clip board passed around to RSVP for the June luncheon and to report on what attendees will be bringing for the pot luck. Hats and finger foods are requested at the luncheon. Dianne announced that big QU donated an Augusta Cole workshop at the QU show to each of the chapters. MVQU will pay for the winner's admission to the show. She asked that interested members put their names in for a drawing to be held at the end of the business meeting. A Pfaff sewing machine was donated by Shirley Faulkner and Dianne called for silent bids to purchase it. Winners will be announced at the end of the meeting.

Birthday Raffle: Barbara Zyigel announced that today would be the final birthday raffle. Over the course of the year there were 27 donations and \$261 earned.

Boutique: It was announced that boutique items would be for sale after the meeting. Joyce Keating will be handling the boutique and she is still accepting donations.

Announcements: The May 23 program will feature Debby Kratovil. Veronica thanked the people who brought refreshments. Rosemary O'Brian won the drawing for the Augusta Cole class. Sally Barber was the winner of the silent auction for the Pfaff sewing machine. There were many Show and Tells.

The meeting adjourned at 1:11 pm.

Minutes prepared by Nancy Barkume, MVQU Secretary

June Birthdays

Ro Coller Anne Guenther Cynthia Johnson Susan Linden Nancy McGlasson

Ruth Morgan Wendy Payne Joan Peake Kathy Zahaczewsky

July Birthdays

Pat Alfredson Nancy Barkume Barbara Dove Jeanne Farmer Valerie Klaassen

Rosemary O'Brien Joan Oelschlager



This Is Your Newsletter!

Our next newsletter deadline is August 22. Send your articles to mvqu.news@gmail.com.

