

Vienna Quilters Unlimited—July 2021 Newsletter

“The Peaceful Times”

President’s Message

Hello everyone,

A big THANKS to Dennise Davis for hosting our End of Year Social in her lovely back yard. It was such fun!

And now, a DRUM ROLL please.....

Such wonderful news to share! Fairfax County Public Schools has reopened Community Use of Facilities which means we can conduct guild meetings at Thoreau Middle School again. We’ll be able to meet in-person starting in September. Michiyo, our Program Chair, has already made reservations for all of our 2021-2022 Tuesday evening guild meetings. We are still planning to have our program speakers participate via ZOOM, so are working out details how to ZOOM at Thoreau—more to follow on that later.

Not too much else to pass on. While we are not having formal guild meetings in July and August, we will still conduct Zoom sessions to socialize and offer the opportunity for members to show off what they are working on.

Serenely stitching summer away ☺,

Vicky Watts
VQU President

Upcoming VQU Meetings/Activities:

20 Jul (Tu)/7pm: Zoom “Summer Show N Tell”

7 Aug (Sa)/3pm: Zoom “Sit N’ Sew”

17 Aug (Tu)/7pm: Zoom “ Show N Tell”

Zoom meeting details will be sent to VQU members a few days prior to scheduled events. For more info, email vqupresident@quiltersunlimited.org.

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Blogs/Websites to Explore

- <https://www.diaryofaquilter.com/easy-fat-quarter-bag-tutorial/> Fat quarter bag
- <http://civilwarquilts.blogspot.com/2021/07/emilie-todd-helms-civil-war.html> KY quilts
- www.hoffmanfabrics.com Fabric lines
- <http://www.fandominstitches.com/> Fandom Themed Quilts (Disney, Broadway, Sci-Fi, TV)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

So far about 25 individuals have renewed their VQU membership for the 2021-2022 year. The fillable .pdf membership form is attached. Just complete it and snail mail it with the \$30 membership fee to the VQU membership Chair (Miriam). In response, Miriam will email you the printable 2021-2022 VQU Membership Card. Or bring your completed membership form and check to the 21 September in-person meeting at Thoreau Middle School. See your VQU Directory for Miriam’s snail mail address.

Miriam Esterrich
Membership Chair

COMMUNITY SERVICE

This year has been an awesome year for recipients of quilts! We've given over 100 quilts to various charities despite the quarantine! Now the doors have opened and baby quilts sized no larger than 40" on any side are desperately needed at the Fair Oaks Hospital. If you have some and feel you can deliver them the contact person is Mary Agnes Mosher and you may call the hospital to find her working hours. I am taking a break from receiving them for the summer so feel free to photo your own and post them in the newsletter as you send them off to the hospital, or save them up and I'll deliver them in September. Happy quilting!

Polly Dombroski
Community Service Chair

SUNSHINE



Do you know someone who could use a little sunshine?

Send me an email at gloria-thompson@cox.net. Thanks!!

Gloria Thompson
Sunshine Committee Chair

BARGAIN BASEMENT

Have you been cleaning and organizing lately? Do you have something sewing related that you'd like to get rid of and think one of our members might find it useful? List items you'd like to sell or give away here by August 8th, send Audrey a description of the item, the price you want, and a photo if you think that would be helpful. Make sure the subject line includes the words - Bargain Basement. Limit of 10 photos.

More than Cross Stitch. All the supplies for the worked area; linen, beads, DMC threads, decorative thread and pattern are included. 28 count.



Needle Felting Kit. New includes tools, pad and unopened kit to make a cute Red Fox. Contact Vicky Watts. Free.



35 blue flannel squares – 9.5 inches. Contact Audrey Mirsky-Ashby. Free.



Show Pin Q27 inch quilt pattern
Contact Audrey Mirsky-Ashby.



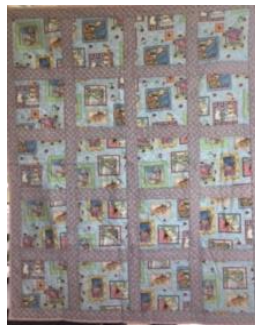
RECIPE FROM JUNE DESSERT SOCIAL

From Carole Strong - Mix one cup each of the following ingredients pineapple chunks or tidbits, mini marshmallows, Mandarin oranges, coconut, and sour cream and enjoy.

SHOW AND TELL FROM JUNE MEETING

Our photographer was off during our June End of Year Social so we don't have any photos of the cool things members shared at the event. However, below are several recently submitted charity quilts.

Charity Quilts made by Ava Neff



VIENNA QUILTERS UNLIMITED

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July 7, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Zoom Conference. Meeting called to order at 7:05pm

Board Members in Attendance: Vicky Watts, Audrey Mirsky-Ashby, Dennise Davis, Miriam Esterrich, Karen Gerstner, Diane Kirkhart, Carol Strong, Janet Tasker, Gloria Thompson, and Michiyo Vangellow.

President's Opening Comments: Thank you to Dennise Davis for hosting the June meeting!

VQU is hoping to have the September meeting in person. Possibilities include Saturday, September 18th from 1-3:00pm (rain date September 25th) outside at Thoreau Middle School or Glyndon Park or September 21st from 6:30-9:00pm at the Vienna Moose Lodge or the Vienna Community Center. Both of these locations are being checked for availability.

Big QU has formed a committee to plan Quilt Expo 2022.

July Meeting Agenda:

- Welcome Comments by Vicky Watts (There is no program; visit on zoom)
- Approve July Board Minutes
- Brief Chair/Committee Announcements
- Show and Tell
- Door prizes

Old Business: June Board Minutes were approved during a June 17th phone call. Vicky Watts motioned approval and Gloria Thompson seconded. They had not been presented the June 15th meeting.

New Business: Disposition of VQU Guild Quilts. A decision is needed on the disposition of seven donated quilts that have been done by various members over the past 30+ years. Vicky has them stored at her house currently. The Virginia Quilt Museum and the Freeman Store (run by Vienna Historical Society) will be contacted for input. This item will be placed in the next newsletter and a survey monkey will follow to obtain all VQU members' input.

21-22 Budget – Need to request input from Board members for budget needs for the 2021-2022 Budget. Input needed by August 15th. Budget will be presented to members for a vote at the September meeting.

Chair Comments:

- Vice President (President's Quilt/Door Prizes) (Janet Tasker): No report.
- Vice President (Dec/Jan Zoom Dinners) (Dennise Davis): No report.
- Treasurer (Izetta Claybrook): No report.
- Secretary (Gloria Thompson): Minutes will be submitted by July 11th.
- Membership (Miriam Esterrich): 25 members have renewed. Reminder to send in your dues. Miriam will mail your VQU membership card once check is received.

- Community Service (Polly Dombroski): No report.
- Hospitality (Carol Strong): no report
- Fundraising – No 2021/22 fundraising activities planned yet--Keep making items. The Vienna Women's Club will hold the bazaar in November 2022.
- Newsletter (Audrey Mirsky-Ashby): Send items to Audrey by July 11th.
- Webmaster (Karla Vernon): no report
- QU Show-Overall Rep (Vacant): no report
- Demos (Vacant): no report
- Quilt Collector (Karen Gerstner): no report
- Retreat 2021 (Diane Kirkhart, Betty Osweiler): Mark your calendars - Rhodes Grove Retreat - March 10-14, 2022.
- Trash to Treasure (Prudy Traut): no report
- Photographer/Historian (Michiyo Vangellow): no report
- Sunshine (Gloria Thompson): no report.

Zoom call ended at 8:11pm.