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# VIRGINIA STAR QUILTERS

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December 2011

Message from Melissa:

Hi Ladies,

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving. Christmas is just around the corner -- are you ready?

Our annual Christmas dinner with the guild is just days away! Don't forget the gift exchange! If you bring a gift, you will get a gift. The theme is "Homemade" -- so, anything goes! Dinner starts at 6:00 promptly, so don't be late (or you may miss out on some delicious food!). I also want to remind you -- please take home any of your leftover dish. It's not fair for the hospitality ladies to have to deal with it. It will likely get thrown in to the trash. Thank you!

Karen will be there to take money for those wishing to go to the Retreat (in the Spring) and pay for it in installments.

Elaine will have information about the next few programs.

Sandy is ready to deliver the senior quilts to the Rappahannock Area Agency on Aging, so be sure to bring your senior quilts to this meeting! Linda and Kathy hope that there will be some baby quilts turned in for the hospital. Do you have time to make one? If not now, how about for next month?

I'll see you at the dinner!

Melissa Felts

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*The Community Center will be open at 6pm for our Christmas Dinner.*

# December Meeting

## Christmas Party

### Meat Dishes

Vicki Thomas  
Rita Kimble  
Elaine Murphy  
Caron Young

### Vegetable Dishes

Melissa Felts  
Kathy Smith  
Dena Wilkins  
Devra Pickett

### Casseroles

Helen Hildebrand  
Linda Walker  
Sandy Royston  
Elizabeth Saunders

### Desserts

Jessica Glusing  
Nancy Crandall  
Maureen Weflen  
Pat Burroughs  
Katrina Burnett

### Breads

Eve Hamilton  
Ofilia Seidell  
Tracy Magin

### Drinks

Judy Greene  
Pam Caudill  
Sheryl Giacca

## **Birthdays**

### **December**

7. *Mercy Saís*  
15. *Carol Young*  
29. *Carol Richardson*

# Retreat

*Karen Austin and Pat Burroughs will be pulling together the retreat for 2012. Volunteers are needed and more information will be announced soon.*

## Guild Contacts

### Board Members

**President** – Melissa Felts

**Vice-President:** Pat Burroughs

**Secretary:** Nancy Crandall

**Treasurer:** Karen Austin

**Webmistress:** Elizabeth Berger

**Hospitality:** Helen Fortune & Pat Patterson

**Workshops:** Carol Washburn

**Programs:** Elaine Murphy

**Newsletter:** Vicki Warner

### Committee Members

**Baby Quilts:** Kathy Smith & Linda Walker

**Senior Quilts:** Sandy French

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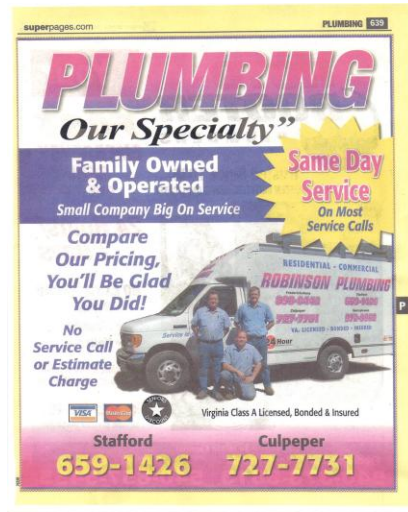
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**Virginia Star Quilt Guild**  
**Minutes of the Guild Meeting**  
**November 16, 2011**  
**Harrison Road Community Center**

Board members in attendance: Melissa Felts, Karen Austin, Nancy Crandall, Elaine Murphy, Vicki Warner, Pat Patterson, Helen Fortune, Pat Burroughs, and committee chair persons: Sandy French, Linda Walker and Kathy Smith.

Karen Dumont from Richmond was the guest speaker tonight and presented a wonderful trunk show. Karen also brought lots of patterns for us to shop after the program.

Hospitality is passing the sign-up sheet for the Christmas dinner around. A reminder that the dinner is on December 7, 2011 and starts at 6:00pm. Vicki Warner is heading the decorating committee. The gift exchange will be "Home Made" so if you bring a gift you will be able to take one home.

Susan Fulton mentioned that Kim Squires passed away this week. Melissa read the eulogy that Susan brought in. Kim was a member of VSQ and an extraordinary quilter that will be missed in the quilting community.

Suzy motioned to accept the minutes in November newsletter and Vicki Thomas seconded. Minutes were accepted as written.

Karen Austin and Pat Burroughs are in charge of the retreat this spring. The retreat will be held at Blackstone the week of March 30 through April 2, 2012. The cost hasn't been determined yet but you can start making deposits tonight if you wish.

Sandy said that 22 senior quilts were turned in tonight, bringing the total to 67. The last time to turn in a senior quilt will be at the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. Sandy will be delivering the quilts to the Rappahannock Area Agency along with walker bags that the members have made. Sandy also mentioned that this would be her last year for chairing senior quilts.

Linda Walker reported that 9 baby quilts were delivered to the hospital this month and there are more kits in the back.

Elaine gave a brief rundown on the upcoming programs, which include the Christmas Party in December, Carol Young will do baskets in January, and Linda Freeman will do a trunk show in February and March is baby quilts. Augusta Cole will be doing a program and a workshop in June 2012.

Melissa reported that the quilt show went very well and Mercy did a wonderful job coordinating it. The silent auction also had a great response. Melissa motioned that we use the money from the silent auction to purchase additional racks. Elizabeth Saunders Morris seconded and everyone approved.

Winners of the 2011 quilt show are as follows:

Challenge: 3<sup>rd</sup> place Tracy Magin-"O is for Ocean"; 2<sup>nd</sup> place Melissa Felts-"I Love Beagles"; and 1<sup>st</sup> place Nancy Crandall-"Baskets of Bloomers".

Patriotic: 3<sup>rd</sup> place Kathy Smith-“Patriotic Jelly Bellies”; 2<sup>nd</sup> place Melissa Felts –“”Beautiful”; and 1<sup>st</sup> place Jeannette Robinson-“Happy Birthday Ron”.

Wall Hanging: 3<sup>rd</sup> place Pat Patterson-“Hard Candy”; 2<sup>nd</sup> place Carol Young “Serendipity” and 1<sup>st</sup> place Nancy Crandall “Fall Memories”.

Quilt: 3<sup>rd</sup> place Mercy Sais “Crazy Cats”; 2<sup>nd</sup> place Helen Hildebrand “Double Delight”; and 1<sup>st</sup> place Linda Walker “Susan Sunshine”.

The winner of the raffle quilt was Linda Burch.

Please keep Judy Hair in your thoughts as she recuperates from knee replacement surgery.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50.

Minutes respectfully submitted by *Nancy Crandall*.