



Champlain Valley Quilters Guild

April 2020 ~ meeting cancelled

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we sit in our homes, watching and listening to the COVID 19 news that changes from minute to minute, it is very clear that our lives have changed, at least temporarily. Knowing that, we have cancelled all guild gatherings for March. We are also cancelling the April guild meeting on April 7 and the workshop on April 8. This was not a difficult decision to make, but a sad one. The board is working on a possible virtual meeting with our May speaker and board meetings will be online.



Let us continue to support and communicate each other via phone, email, and social media. Post the quilts you are working on, check in on your quilting friends, lend a helping hand. We are all in this together. Stay safe. I hope to see all of you in May if this crisis is eased by then.

~ Anne Standish



MAY 5 MEETING SPEAKER AND PROGRAM – ALICIA CARDOZA PRESENTS SUE PELLAND'S "LEAVES GALORE"

Sue says, "I have been quilting since the early 80s. My first quilt was a sampler, hand pieced and hand quilted. The piecing was done using plastic hand made templates. There was no rotary cutting then! My latest project is a bed size feathered star. This has been my most challenging quilt to date."

Alicia Cardoza—My first experience with the Sue Pelland Design Templates was while participating in a Round Robin. My round had to accent the quilt and I was pressed for time. Whatever I would do had to be quick and easy. I went to a local quilt shop and found the Sue Pelland Designs *Christmas Ribbon – A Leaves Galore* pattern. I

knew instantly that was what I wanted. I was successful in learning how to use the template. I cut S and Z shapes creating a ribbon border. It was perfect! What impressed me most was not only the ease of use, but how quickly I could cut the pieces and waste little fabric! My goal is to share how easy and enjoyable Sue Pelland's templates are for fusible applique and beyond!"

The program will be on Saturday, May 9—sign up at the meeting!

April's scheduled speaker Beth Maitland will hopefully be re-scheduled for this fall.



GET READY FOR THE JUNE TEA CUP AUCTION!

The June Guild meeting will start a bit earlier than normal at 6 PM. Everyone is encouraged to bring snacks and finger foods- either savory or sweet. We'll share good camaraderie and good food. Please bring your own "tea" cup (beverage container), as well as dishes, silverware, and cash for the auction tickets. How about a lovely placemat? Ask Noël how to make these, or look on the web site.

Our program for the evening will consist of an auction of items in various bags. There will be 11 bags, each with its own theme. All members are encouraged to bring special donations to place in the

bags. Tickets will be available for purchase as you arrive. You can place one ticket or more in the cup designated for each bag in which you may be interested.

Themes for the bags:

- Spring Blue
- Summer Yellow
- Autumn Red
- Winter Purple (for Linda)
- Children Black and White
- Pets Food – sweet
- Food – savory

Look for a mystery bag that the Program Committee is putting together. Could be some surprises in there!

In addition, we'll have a Trivia contest, with all sorts of quilting and sewing questions. It promises to be a great night!

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CHAMPLAIN VALLEY QUILT GUILD OF VERMONT

March 3, 2020—Meeting Minutes

7:00 PM meeting called to order by President, Anne Standish

Anne said she would ask Quest and connect before the break.

Brooke Conger and Joyce Dawson are Raffle Basket Coordinators for the quilt show. They showed everyone where they set up the donation space. This month's theme was spring. They are doing a different theme each month. These will be published in the newsletter. They also need totes, baskets, nice boxes, etc

PROGRAM

Barb Newman introduced our speaker: Richard Cleveland
He talked about many of the quilts our members brought. Richard taught us many things regarding antiques quilts. We saw many beautiful quilts that members own.

QUEST AND CONNECT

Claire Graham-Smith asked if anyone had ideas on lighting for her sewing studio.

BUSINESS MEETING

MEMBERSHIP: Linda Parks & Catherine Symchych

- Linda reported that we have 103 members; a new member joined tonight
- Linda also reported that the board ok'd lowering membership dues for new members to \$20 for the rest of this fiscal year.

COMMUNITY QUILTS: Noel Pantoine

- Noel showed placemats made by Joann Frymire and a baby quilt made by Noel
- so far we have about 20 placemats donated
- Noel has 41 kits of placemats made up; these will go to Meals on Wheels and other organizations
- there was a large donation of fabric that Noel is going through
- Noel had the batting at the meeting if anyone needed any for a community quilt project
- next sew-in is March 21 10: AM to 2:00 PM at the Essex Alliance Church in the teen center
- Noel is going to be interviewed by *The Other Paper* about our Community Quilt program. If anyone has any stories about community quilts please email Noel.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH: Carol Bloomhardt & Barb Newman

- Sue Maguire won this month's blocks
- next month block is hidden wells the pattern is on the web-site and with the newsletter
- Barb brought examples of this interesting block

2020 QUILT SHOW: Joann Frymire

- Joann welcomed Brooke and Joyce as Raffle Basket coordinators
- we are still in need of coordinators for Volunteers, Craft Table, and Demos
- Lyn Hofelt designed a Logo for our Wings of Joy theme
- the next meeting is March 17th at Yankee Pride at 6:00 PM

PROGRAMS: Caroline Juneau & Barb Newman

-Caroline pointed out that the signup sheets and supply lists are available for our next two workshops. April is a bargello quilt and May is use of templates

TREASURES: Chris Wrobel

-Chris asked all chairs to submit their budget requests to her as soon as possible because it is time to put together our budget for next fiscal year.

OTHER BUSINESS:

-Anne told us about the Franklin County Quilt Guild show on April 4 & 5; at City Hall in St. Albans. Free Admission. We ask that as many can go and support our sister guild

Meeting Adjourned 8:43 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Joann Frymire, Secretary

NOTE FROM THE BOARD—Community Quilts sew-ins are cancelled through April. Also, please note that the Franklin County show has been cancelled as well as the next workshop. We may have to explore “virtual” meeting for May also. We’ll keep you posted!



FOUND AFTER FEBRUARY MEETING—contact Claire Graham-Smith, Claire@burlingtontelecom.net. We can do a 6-foot apart exchange!

PROPOSED BUDGET 2020-21



See page 5 for next year’s proposed budget. We will be discussing it at the May meeting and hoping to have it balanced or very close. We’ll vote at the June meeting when the new board members will be presented. The Board aims for a balanced budget in 2021 (income = expenses). Please provide feedback where we can increase income or decrease expenses to meet a balanced budget goal.

~ Chris Wrobel, Treasurer

A NOTE FROM MEMBERSHIP

We are a guild, which is an old word that has a vastly different meaning than it did in the Middle Ages. No longer are we formally identified as apprentices (beginners), journeymen (intermediate skill), and masters. We can sew at our own pace and following our interests, not bound to the instruction and guidance of a master. Our guild is open to all interested members, as we no longer have to produce a “masterpiece” that meets the approval of the guild masters in order to join. Guilds no longer regulate quality, wages, hours, tools, or techniques, either. We are lucky that we can learn from each other but also experiment on our own or look outside our circle for help and inspiration. On the flip side, our guild is unlikely to work together with other guilds to run local politics, as happened in Liege, Belgium, in the late 1300s.

So next time you tell someone that you’re going to a guild meeting, which I know will not be the first Tuesday of April given our Coronavirus precautions, and their eyes get big, consider the last quilt you made as your “masterpiece” and be proud of your craft.

(Information taken from the Encyclopaedia Britannica website)

~ Catherine Symchych



MAY—CIRCLES

For the May 5 meeting you will be making 2 circles blocks.

CUT

2 squares of dark or medium fabric. 1 @ 10" square, and 1 @ 12 1/2" square
1 square of light fabric 12 1/2 "

PRESS

To establish center and registration lines:
Diagonally in both directions.
Then open and press in half vertically and horizontally.

CUT Circles out of the center of all fabrics. You may trace a circle and cut or use a circle cutting tool.
You will cut the circle 1" diameter larger than the hole.

I find it easiest to cut with the fabric folded in quarter. You want to preserve both the circle and the frame.

Out of the 10" dark square cut a 10" circle – save the 10" circle; the frame is scrap

Out of the 12 1/2" dark square cut an 8" circle- save the 8" hole frame; the circle is extra for another project

Out of the 12 1/2" light square cut a 9" circle- save both the 9" circle and the 9" hole frame

PIN

Place the 10" circle right side up. Center the light 9" hole frame over the circle. Gently turn the frame to meet right sides together with the circle at the 8 registration points. Pin at each point proceeding around the circle.

Repeat with the 9" from the light fabric circle and the 8" dark frame. You will have an 8" dark circle left over.

SEW

Using a 1/4" seam allowance sew slowly around the circle. You can press in either direction.

PRESS & CUT OUT CIRCLES



PIN & SEW



PRESS & ADMIRE



Remember to bring your "Hidden Wells" blocks to the May meeting—directions in the March newsletter or the website—we will keep you informed if the meeting has to be cancelled or "virtual"!



QS	Income	6/30/2019	2020	2021	2021 PROPOSED RATIONALE
QS	Admissions	4,322	0	4,200	\$8 admissions fee at Quilt Show 2021
QS	Advertising	200	0	200	Advertisers in QS Catalog
	Contributions - General	240	95	75	
	Contributions - Community Quilts	50	0	0	Drop in fundraisings at Guild meetings
QS	Craft Table	594	0	600	Does not include Modern Quilters in 2021
	Guest Fees	50	50	50	\$10 to be applied towards Member dues
	Interest - CD	312	287	100	New \$20,000 15-month CD @2.33% maturing 2-15-2020
	Membership Dues	3,850	3,675	3,675	\$35 per year member dues - no change
QS	Quilt Frame Rentals	250	0	250	*Franklin County Quilters Guild canceled April 2020 show
	Quilts of Valor Income	589	153	150	Drop in fundraisings at Guild meetings
QS	Raffle Baskets	865	0	885	
QS	Raffle Quilt - Quilt Show	0	0	600	Include Raffle Quilt income in show receipts in 2021
	Raffle Quilt	2,600	2,600	1,800	Reduced \$200 - no Women's Expo
QS	Registrations	1,375	0	1,200	Quilts submitted for show
	Silent Auction	625	0	0	No Silent Auction in 2021
	Teacup Auction	285	300	300	\$460 raised in 2018
QS	Vendor Fees	2,550	0	2,500	
	Workshop Income	675	1,445	1,000	
	Income Totals	19,432	8,605	17,585	
QS	Expenses	6/30/2019	2020	2021	EXPENSES
QS	Advertising	2,907	120	2,900	Market: to attract new members and community outreach
	Audit	179	382	200	Fiscal Mgmt: Added per bylaws
QS	Catalogs	0		0	Donated by Instrumart
	Community Quilts	216	372	500	Purchase of batting/supplies
QS	Craft Table	179		200	
	Discretionary	0	200	200	
	Donations (VQF, NEQM)	185	185	185	VQF \$150; New England Quilt Museum \$35
	Dues (GMQG)	15	15	15	Green Mountain Quilters Guild (of Vermont)
QS	Equipment/software/frames		52	250	cellotape, flood lights
	Hall/Venue Rentals	1,725	1,950	1,750	\$175 x 10 meetings (COVID19 April meeting cancellation)
QS	Hall/Venue Rentals	1,815	500	1,815	\$500 deposit on even years
QS	Insurance - Quilt Show Rider	56	60	64	
	Insurance - General Liability	602	602	602	
QS	Judges	1,200	0	1,200	
QS	Kids Activities	0	0	50	
	Library	0	200	200	
QS	Reception/Luncheon	95	0	150	Increased \$50 from 2018
	Membership Expense	34	90	100	member packs, and nametags
	Newsletter	11	100	100	Reduced cost
	Office Supplies	0		0	
QS	Professional Lighting	3,800	0	0	Looking for Sponsors
	Programs	3,786	5,000	5,000	Members surveyed wanted more and reknown speakers
	Quilts of Valor Expenses	575	500	500	
QS	Rack Transport	300	0	0	Dropped from budget
	Raffle Quilt Expense	747	500	400	Account for in-kind expenses such as top quilting and fabric
	Registration Secretary of State VT	25	25	25	Annual SOS requirement
QS	Registrations	25	0	0	Online registration zero expense
QS	Ribbons	99	0	100	
	Sew In Events	75	300	150	Members will pay for their own lunches
QS	Special Display	40	0	0	
	Storage Unit 1/3 Community Quilts	340	340	340	
QS	Storage Unit 2/3 Quilt Show*	680	680	680	
QS	Vendor Expense	61	0	0	
	Website	34	175	175	
	Workshop Expense	1,083	1,395	1,000	Attendance down; not a profit activity
	Expense Totals	20,890	13,743	18,851	
	NET BUDGET/VARIANCE	-1,458	-5,138	-1,266	Expenses greater than income. Can we balance?
QS	Quilt Show 2021				

FOR OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER—DEADLINE APRIL 15

Please send me some pictures of yourself sewing at home, a picture of your fabric collection or some of your current works in progress! Since we can't meet in April and the future is unknown, let us share through print with our non-computerized friends as well as online with everyone else!



David selecting fabric

Send to email harleysue98@myfairpoint.net

Or mail a picture to me at the return address on this newsletter.

Sue Rivers, editor



Detail of crazy quilt

Guild meetings—first Tuesdays at Holy Family Church—6:30 p.m. gathering, 7 p.m. program

Board meetings—second Tuesdays at Yankee Pride—suspended for April

Show committee meetings—third Tuesdays at Yankee Pride—suspended for April

Newsletter deadline—15th of each month

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