

READ ABOUT THE RAFFLE QUILT PLANNED FOR THIS YEAR'S SHOW!!

Meeting Location:
Alliance Church
37 Old Stage Rd,
Essex Junction, VT

6:30 - 7:00:

*Adjourn to Sanctuary

7:00-End:

*Joanne Lattrell

*Business Meeting

*Show and Tell

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Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild



Presidential Address

FEBRUARY 2012

Members,

Now is an opportunity for all of you to get involved in the making of our raffle quilt. Colette Kasier, Sue McGuire and I have been working on a plan for a Quilt Top. The show committee has come up with a theme for our upcoming show.

The Block of the month committee has let me preempt their block in February to give you, our members, a chance to participate in making blocks for the raffle quilt.

Colette has been working very hard to make the foundation patterns for a paper pieced Block. We have started to make kits with patterns and fabrics that will allow you to create a block for the raffle quilt. Sue is providing a write up to help you understand what we are requesting. It is IMPORTANT that we have all blocks back at the March meeting so that the quilt can be assembled. We have a challenge ahead of us and I hope you will join us.

If you have a problem assembling the block, please contact Sue McGuire and she can also provide you the names of other contacts. In addition, I am offering my studio and help to members who feel they need guidance while working on the block. I live in Ferrisburgh. Please see me for directions. The "Knits and Bolts" store is only 7 mile past me so you can add a shopping experience to your day as well. Thank you for all your cooperation and participation.

Andre Emmell

February 7, 2012: Joanne Lattrell's Tips & Tools



As a former home economics teacher, Joanne Lattrell developed techniques to make sewing easy for her students. As a quilter she always keeps her eyes open for useful tools and tips – many of which were originally created for another purpose. So join Joanne in looking at helpful tools and tips to make your quilting easier.

Since Joanne's lecture was canceled last February due to bad weather, we have waited for her lecture with great anticipation. If the weather repeats itself and forces us to cancel the February meeting, Joanne will give her presentation at the March meeting. Check the guild website for meeting updates.

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Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild Minutes, January 3rd, 2012

President Andre Emmell welcomed a small gathering to the January meeting on a very cold night. He announced the 2012 show will be held October 20th and 21st at the Field House in Shelburne and invited anyone interested in helping to the first meeting of the committee on January 9th. The treasurer's report was adopted as printed, after a few questions answered by treasurer June Sweeney on motion of Rita Bortz and Ruth Whitaker.

The minutes of the December meeting were adopted as printed on motion of Marty DelNevo and Carla White.

Program co chair Janet Brunet introduced Janet Block and Kay Berquist, long arm quilters, who gave us many tips on preparing quilts for long arm and other types of quilting. They graciously answered many questions.

Stocking raffle chair Ruth Whitaker held the drawing for the raffle prize won by Barbara Carter. Raffle quilt co-chair Sue McGuire outlined the instructions for the February raffle block. The winner of the January blocks was Colette Kaiser.

Marty DelNevo is working with Jeanette Harrison to plan a bus trip. Possibilities are: The world of Textiles in August and A Quilters' Gathering in November. She asked for suggestions and requested those interested to contact her. She also announced another Winter Warmth workshop held in the teen center on January 29th from 9:30 until 4:00.

Community Quilts chair Shirley Fuller and Kea Kohlneyer presented Quilt Angel certificates and pins to 15 members. Alice Bushey won the Community Quilts raffle. Information table chair Pam Farnsworth presented the name tag raffle prize to Marya Lowe.

The meeting was adjourned for Show and Tell on motion of Anne Warwick and Brooke Conger. Barbara Carter

Meeting Announcement: Come to the February Guild meeting and hear about the theme for our 2012 show. Find out how you can help. Hear about the challenge quilt so you can get a head start. See the plans for the raffle quilt in this newsletter and find out how you can be a part of it. ***We need you.***

January Board Snippets

Protocol was discussed for cancelling a meeting. Andre will write about this in a forthcoming newsletter. It has been suggested that we look into quilts for Parkinson's Disease patients. We will seek more information about this suggestion.

Sue McGuire will review the financial books. Andre will look for someone for the nominating committee. Committee chairs will be asked to review the budget and prepare financial requests by March. The next board meeting will be held at Yankee Pride on February 13th at 6:00, followed by the show meeting at 6:30.

Barbara Carter

Camp Abnaki update: Forms and prices will be posted on the website under forms by Jan 20.
Reminder - Spring session is April 26 - 29

Guild Sound System Update

As a result of issues with the guild sound system at the November meeting at North Avenue Alliance Church, we did a significant amount of research and learned that quality of the sound is dependent upon a number of factors: quality of sound system, placement of speakers, size/acoustics of the room, microphone technique... We had planned on testing out a new system with intent to purchase at the January meeting but a unit was not available. Instead, we used our current system with the speaker unit placed in a different location. We also instructed the lecturers on microphone technique. Sound was fine; some members thought we were using a new sound system. So the Board has decided not to purchase a new system at this time. We will continue to monitor the performance of our current system and work on improving the microphone technique of guild members and speakers. (Poor microphone technique can produce poor sound even with the highest quality systems.) We will consider the issues with sound when considering alternate venues for our meetings. We welcome your comments on how well our system is performing.

CVQG Executive Board

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Congratulations to all who received certificates and pins - keep up the good work. Those who did not receive your award will be receiving it in the mail.

Many of us are busy sewing on quilts for the Warmth project and that is wonderful - BUT - don't forget Community Quilts as well. Maybe use the leftovers from the larger quilts to make scrap lap quilts for us!!

Shirley Fuller safuller50@gmail.com

Upcoming Programs

Janet Brunet & Joanne Lattrell (programs@cvqgvt.org)

March 6, 2012: Mini-workshops/Demo Night

A fun filled evening of demonstrations and mini-workshops by guild members. Please contact us if you would like to present or if you know of a fellow guild member whom you would like to present. ***We need your help in finding our presenters!***

April 3, 2012: Linda Hahn (NJ)

<http://www.froghollowdesigns.com>

Linda is the author of the AQS Best Seller "NEW YORK BEAUTY

SIMPLIFIED" and also co-authored "Insider's Guide to Quilting Careers" (Quiltwoman.com).

Linda is a National Quilting Association Certified Teacher and was the 2009 NQA Certified Teacher of the Year. She is known for taking what looks complicated and breaking it down into easy to understand and "do-able" steps.

Linda Hahn Workshop: New York Beauty Simplified

*Registration will begin with the February newsletter ."



Time: 9:30 – 4:00

Location: United Church of Colchester

Cost: \$35 plus \$22 kit fee payable to Linda

Workshop from the AQS Best Seller book of the same name. Learn how to make spectacular NY Beauty blocks using just ONE PIN! Students will learn Linda's technique and be able to choose the layout they wish to use. We'll cover a really easy way to quickly paper piece the arcs ("crown"), as well as quilting options for the New York Beauty.

May 1-2, 2012 : Nancy DiDonato (NY)

Nancy is best known for her unusual, innovative "outside the box" art quilts. Having been raised by a "make-do" Mom, Nancy is known as the "Queen of Tips and Tricks" to her fellow members of the Northern Lights Quilt Guild from Brant Lake.

Workshop: ANSWERS TO THE QUESTION..."How'd she do that?"

(No sewing machine required! Only supplies are a notebook and pencil)



Time: 9:00-3:30

Location: United Church of Colchester

Cost: \$25

Nancy will spend the day displaying all of her creations, sharing her secrets, answering questions about each and every piece and happily demonstrating the techniques she used to achieve the final results. You'll learn how to make twisted wire "lace" to embellish your art quilt, how to work with birch bark, two weaving techniques, working with shredded silk flowers to achieve an Autumn landscape, how to turn an envelope into a coral reef, how to make a tassel from a square of fabric, etc. etc. etc.

<http://quiltsmiles.blogspot.com/2010/09/nancy-didonato.html>

<http://www.quiltersnewsletter.com/articles/click>

Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild – Spring Workshop Registration

Name _____ Check #s _____

Email address _____ Phone _____

- Tues, Apr. 3 Linda Hahn New York Beauty State of Mind \$35
- Wed, May 2 Nancy DiDonato How'd She Do That \$25

Member Non-member

Payment is required at time of sign-up. Please write separate checks for each class and make payable to CVQG. Sign up at the meeting or mail to:

Janet Brunet, 60 Mills Point Road, Colchester, VT 05446

Workshop Cancellation Policy: A refund will be given only if a) the paid student cancels one month or more before the workshop or b) the slot this person has paid for can be filled from the waiting list or c) the workshop is canceled.

Workshop policy for non-members: Members have priority for all workshops. However, we encourage interested non-members to put their names on the non-member waiting list at any time. If a workshop is not filled by the end of the meeting prior to the teacher's lecture, non-members who are on the waiting list will

PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

(See our website for detailed information)

- January 3: Kay Bergquist and Janet Block
- February 7: Joanne Lattrell
- March 6: Mini-workshops/Demo Night
- April 3: Linda Hahn
- May 1-2: Nancy DiDonato
- June 5: Potluck Supper & Teacup Auction

Coming next year:
Pat Delaney
Susan Brubaker Knapp
Dianne S. Hire

Sharing Corner: News of two approaching quilt shows:
Narragansett Bay Quilters' Association : "GARDEN of QUILTS" Quilt Show April 21 & 22, 2012

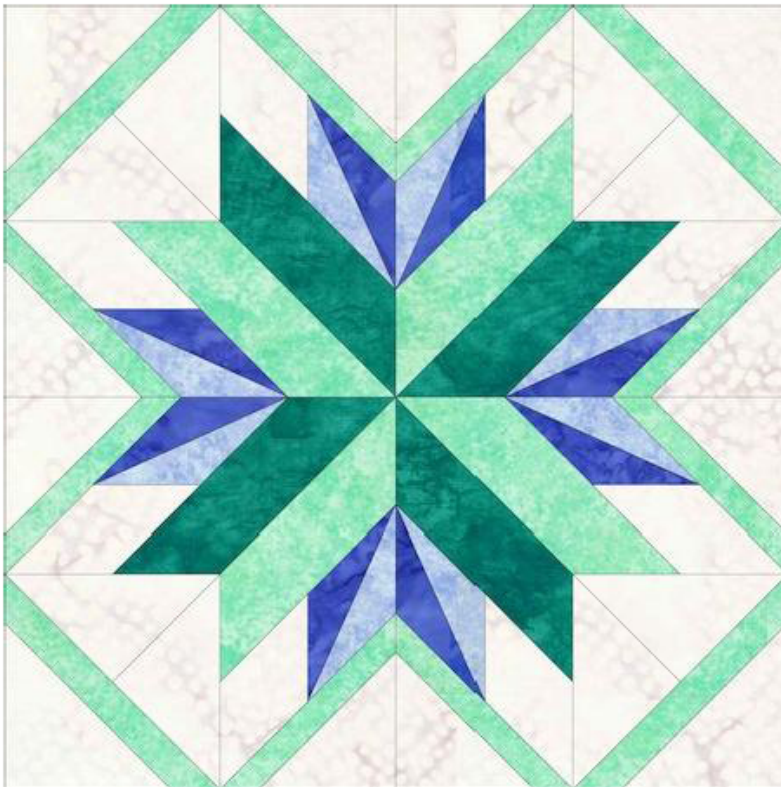
North Kingstown High School 150 Fairway Drive North Kingstown, RI Admission: \$8.00
For more information visit our website: <http://www.nbquilts.org>
Children under 12 free with a paid adult
Bus tours welcome-for information/details call 860-455-0794
Saturday: 10AM – 5PM Sunday: 10AM – 4PM

Maple Leaf Quilters 26th Festival of Quilts: March 31st – April 1st, 2012, Admission - \$6.00
Sat : 9 to 5, Sun: 10 to 4: College of St. Joseph, Rutland, VT.
www.mapleleafquilters.org mlq2012show@yahoo.com

MARCH BLOCK VERMONT STAR

This month we're forgoing the normal raffle so you will have extra time (wish we could grant that request for real) to work on blocks needed for the Guild's 2012 Quilt Show Raffle Quilt. So, the preordained winner of this raffle is the Guild itself. Just think, no worries about having another project to assemble and finish if you had won.

The **Vermont Star Block** is from Carol Doak's book "*50 Fabulous Paper-Pieced Stars*"; she has given the Guild permission to use it for our raffle quilt. If you love to foundation / paper piece, this block is for you.



Here is a preview of the design, Colette will reveal the colors and fabrics that will be used at the February meeting.

Size is 12 1/2 " unfinished.

At the February meeting, packets will be available for pickup that will include the paper foundation pattern, instructions and all the fabrics to complete the block. If you can't make the meeting, contact one of us below to arrange getting one. Ditto for bringing back in March.

It is important that you are committed to completing packets you pick up by the March meeting to allow time for quilt to be assembled and quilted. Just so you are prepared, each quarter of the block has 16 pieces for a total of 64 in all. If you find that daunting, we suggest you may want to work with a friend, each doing a couple of the quarters to make it more manageable in the time provided. Please don't take the packets if you aren't sure you will be able to complete by the March meeting.

Guild Raffle Block team – Just for this month, the experts to contact with questions are Colette Kaiser (879-8917), Andre Emmell (877-2811) and Sue McGuire (482-3075).

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February Sales

Feb. 4 & 5: 20% off batting

Feb. 11 & 12: 20% off red fabric

Feb. 18 & 19: 20% off one book/pattern

Feb. 25 & 26: 20% off juvenile fabric

New at Yankee Pride

- *Summer Breeze II by Moda
- *Celebrate Seuss by Kaufman
- *Porcelain Blue by Fabri-Quilt
- *Batiks from Timeless Treasures
- *Wool Needle Flannels by Moda

Spring 2012 Mystery

There's still time to get in! Class starts Jan. 28,
and the sign-up deadline is Jan. 25

Yankee Pride's spring class schedule is right
around the corner. Check our web site, or stop
in for details! A peek at upcoming classes:

February Classes

- Easy Flannel Quilt
- A Little Somethin' Jacket
- Hand Embroidery
- Yankee Pride – The Quilt