

Note!! We are meeting again at the Alliance Church!

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

6:30-7:00:

\*Welcome to all

\*Adjourn to Sanctuary

7:00-End:

\*Gerald Roy

\*Business Meeting

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## Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild



JANUARY 2011

### Presidential Address

Hello, everyone! Hope you all had a happy holiday. Our holiday party was great. It was such fun visiting with everyone, sampling all the goodies brought by our members, filling the stockings and sacks and playing Quilto.

On the following day I delivered several boxes of stockings and two dolls to COTS in Burlington. They were very appreciative.

Now that the holidays are over, we can all get back to our normal routines. I will be trying to do one community quilt a month to hand in to our committee. I have had such fun, trying out some new patterns meant to use up scraps. I'm always trying to use up parts of my stash. Unfortunately, that never seems to happen. I always have to go out to buy a piece for the back and I buy too much, so the rest gets cut up and put in one of my shoeboxes of different size squares. Oh well, I guess I will have to try harder this year.

Rita Bortz

#### January 4, 2011: [Gerald Roy](#)

Gerald is well known as an art teacher, painter, designer, quilt maker, antique dealer, quilt collector, historian, and quilt appraiser. During his lecture on "The Importance of Perpetuating a Tradition" he will discuss the history of UFO's and why they are important in tracing the development of our quilt making history. Gerald will be showing one hundred years of tops (1830 – 1930) from the Pilgrim / Roy Collection. Due to the length of tonight's lecture (1 ½ hours), there will be no show and tell.



Janet Brunet & Joanne Lattrell

#### THANK YOU FROM DONNA:

Many Thanks to those who donated time to make stockings and gift bags, to provide donations to stuff them with, or find and distribute them to local agencies. This year we distributed 130 bags and stockings to several area agencies! Looking ahead to next year, there will be a workshop day on Saturday 1/29 from noon till 2 pm to make up stocking and gift bag kits at Yankee Pride. Snacks will be provided. Please call me at 899-3043 if you are interested in participating.

Happy Holidays to you and your families!

Donna K. Johnson

**Creating a Newsletter Sharing Corner:**

I am starting or reviving, if this concept has been tried before, what I would describe as a CVQG Sharing Corner in the newsletter. Here are a few guidelines and if you think you would like to participate in this, please send your article to me. I have a few contributions to serve as examples. Thank you, Claire and Mitzi.

- 1) You have to agree that I will decide whether to include your article or not. Most of the time inclusion will depend upon space constraints and/or subject contents.
- 2) Your information must pertain to quilting, appliquéing and piecing. For eg., I would love to hear from you if you have had a quilt selected for a show, book, magazine or newsletter OR if you have been a quilter for a long time and want to communicate to others the reasons why you love the art.
- 3) Some of you must have discovered effective ways to achieve your quilting goals. It is possible that other members would love to read about them. You might also have a quilting/sewing question you would like answered. Frame your question briefly and send it to me with information about how you can be contacted and hopefully someone will contact you.
- 4) Finally, length plus photographs should be able to fit on less than a newsletter page. I use the Tahoma font size 10 or 11 for the newsletter. This should give you an idea about the length constraints.

I hope this idea appeals to CVQG members. Please do not treat a refusal to include your information personally. I do not want to hurt anyone's feelings. Send your feedback to [newsletter@cvqgv.org](mailto:newsletter@cvqgv.org). Esther Nui

**CVQG SHARING CORNER**

Our first contribution to our sharing corner!!

**Links of interest to Quilters!** I am not much of an internet cruiser but I love to hear about and check out blogs and podcasts. I have selected a few that might interest you. My recent finds are **Quilting for The Rest of Us**. See Sandy Hasenauer of <http://quiltingfortherestofus.blogspot.com/> I like her openness and her topics are well researched. She recently went to Houston and I learned so much vicariously, from her reports. I think her appeal to me is that she is a working mom of older kids.

Pat Sloan's **Creative Talk Radio** <http://www.creativetalknetwork.com/> is available on the website Toginet.com. This site hosts a number of creative shows. Pat's show airs live on Monday and invites call ins. Her podcast can be downloaded on iTunes and features lengthy interviews with pros in the business. She uses co-hosts regularly. Unfortunately, there are commercials but once downloaded, you can skip around at your pleasure. You can hear the Lizzy B girls and the writer Marie Bostwick who is coming to the guild this spring.

On Toginet.com, you can also find Mark Lipinski - <http://www.marklipinski.com/>. He is live on Wednesday at 3pm and has podcasts. He is a hoot. Very candid. Very well connected, smart and funny. Check him out.

**Deb Tucker** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QrNiGcMCJ5M> (link to her newest Square Squared Ruler) has produced some very useful videos on her ruler techniques. Deb Tucker fans will enjoy these videos. They are all about 8 minutes long. Other videos are listed on the side bar.

Check these links out and let me know if you enjoy them. Claire Graham-Smith



AND from Mitzi Oakes: " When I asked my Daughter and Great Grand Daughter what they would like for Christmas, both said 'One of your quilts, that's all'. I felt honored and have seen to this request."

**Stocking Raffle** Wasn't it heart warming to see all of the stockings being filled? Thanks to your participation in the monthly raffle many wonderful items could be purchased. It's a fun basket for January. Think snow, snowflakes, snowmen and hot chocolate! See you on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Ruth Whitaker

2010-2011 Officers & Committees

President – Rita Bortz  
 VP – Andre Emmell  
 Secretary – Barbara Carter  
 Treasurer – Thea Platt (June Sweeney  
 takes over in January 2011)  
 Program Co-Chairs – Janet Brunet &  
 Joanne Lattrell  
 Membership: Marty DelNevo  
 Webmaster: Priscilla Roehm  
 Quilt Show Chairman: Sue Rivers  
 Librarian – Claire Graham-Smith  
 Bus Trips – ???  
 Tea Cup Auction – Ruth will continue  
 organizing food.  
 Silent Auction – Marty DelNevo  
 Charity Quilts – Shirley Fuller & Wendy  
 Thompson  
 Quilt Retreat – Teela Dufresne  
 Stocking Raffle – Ruth Whitaker  
 Photographer – Karey Young  
 Historian – Joanne Guillemette  
 Storage Area – Linda Lees and Claire  
 Graham-Smith  
 Raffle Blocks – Anne Standish and  
 Claire Graham-Smith  
 Info Booth – Pam Farnsworth  
 Christmas Stockings – Donna Johnson  
 Green Mountain Rep – Claire Graham-  
 Smith  
 Sunshine – Sue Rivers  
 Newsletter—Esther Nui

Programs at a Glance

(See our website for detailed  
 information)

Jan. 4: Gerald Roy  
*(1 ½ hours – no Show & Tell )*  
 Feb. 1: Joanne Lattrell  
 Mar. 1: Marie Bostwick  
 Apr. 5-6: Anne Gallo & Sue Raban  
 May 3-4: Nancy Prince  
 June 7: Potluck Supper & Teacup  
 Auction

VQF Contest Deadline

Just a reminder that the  
 deadline for VQF contest quilts is  
**Feb 1-10 2011**. Contest forms  
 can be found at VQF.org under  
 the contest tab. If you have any  
 questions contact me at  
[contest@vqf.org](mailto:contest@vqf.org) or call 802 244-  
 8373

Joanne Lattrell

**No CVQG minutes for December 7, 2011.** This meeting was too  
 brief. Minutes will resume in the February 2011 newsletter.  
 Teela Dufresne (standing in for Barbara Carter)

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Hope everyone had a nice Holiday season - now it's time to get back  
 to Quilting. The Community Quilt table will be open for business as  
 usual in January, fully stocked with kits to sew, quilt and even some  
 larger quilts to be quilted. We of course will be receiving any finished  
 quilts. Let us keep the spirit of giving going - we have had several re-  
 quests that need to be filled. Right now I am very low on quilts for  
 boys and teens!

January will also be the presentation of the Quilt Angel pins and cer-  
 tificates. If you have some quilts done and want them included in this  
 year, you will need to get them to me before January!

**WORKSHOP CHANGE OF DATE** - The next C. Quilt workshop has  
 been changed from March to Sat April 9th. Still in the teen center and  
 open to all! We had many complaints about the conflict with Shop Hop  
 - we wouldn't want to stand in the way of Quilters buying fabric so we  
 will move to April. Show us we were right to make the change. Let us  
 see many new people coming as well as our regulars. More details to  
 come.  
[safuller50@hotmail.com](mailto:safuller50@hotmail.com)

QUILT SHOW 2011

Happy New Year! Come one, come all ye volunteers that worked on  
 the 2010 quilt show and anyone interested in working on the 2011  
 show to a combination wrap-up-2010/kick-off-2011 pot-luck dinner!  
 This will be at **6:00 p.m. on Tuesday January 18<sup>th</sup>** at my house  
 (June Sweeney) 878 Mill Pond Road, Colchester.

I know that we have not yet finalized the numbers for the 2010 CVQG  
 Quilt Show and yet we already need to start thinking about the next  
 show. It takes almost a full year to put the show together and a veri-  
 table battalion of volunteers! Fortunately we have an awesome guild  
 with a membership that pitches in and supports its programs and ac-  
 tivities. This year we seem to be starting strong in that we already  
 have guild members that have indicated a desire to help on many of  
 the 24 committees that cohesively produce our show. At the top, Barb  
 Carter and I (June Sweeney) will be co-chairing the show, with Barb  
 taking the lead as soon as she is strong enough.

We have had several great ideas for a theme for the upcoming year  
 (including a suggestion not to have a theme at all!) We will be dis-  
 cussing the ideas at this meeting and coming to a consensus. If you  
 have suggestions, be sure to either get them to me before the meet-  
 ing or, better yet, come to the meeting and be part of the decision-  
 making process.

Please send me an email at [june.sweeney@state.vt.us](mailto:june.sweeney@state.vt.us) or give me a call  
 at 878-2234 if you will be attending the meeting. Hope to see you  
 there!

June Sweeney

## **UPCOMING PROGRAMS**

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

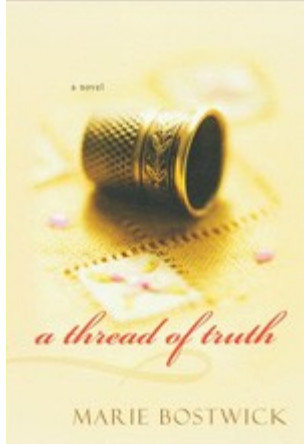
### **February 1, 2011: Joanne Lattrell's Tips & Tools**

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.

### **March 1, 2011: Marie Bostwick**

Marie Bostwick is a quilter and highly acclaimed author of books about quilters and takes her message to quilt guilds and quilt shows around the country. Once you read her book, *A Single Thread*, you will want to read the others and, like us, won't be able to wait for the March meeting. Put these on your holiday gift list!

Bostwick brings back familiar characters in the second Cobbled Court novel (after *A Single Thread*), with the focus switching to Ivy Peterman. In fleeing an abusive husband, Ivy ends up in New Bern, CT, where she and her children find refuge at an apartment complex for victims of domestic abuse. When the town benefactor takes an interest in them, Ivy finds a job—and friends—at Cobbled Court Quilts. The companionship of these women proves vital when Ivy's husband shows up, demanding that she return and, when that fails, accusing her of kidnapping their children. VERDICT *A Single Thread* focused on breast cancer; here, Bostwick highlights domestic abuse in a story that emphasizes the importance of friendship. Given those themes, as well as the details about quilting, this novel should appeal to fans of women's fiction, especially those who enjoy needlecrafts. A similar title is Kate Jacobs's *The Friday Night Knitting Club*. Highly recommended.— Lesa Holstine, Glendale P.L., AZ, Publisher's Weekly



### **April 5-6, 2011: Anne Gallo & Sue Raban**

Anne and Sue have shared their tips and techniques across the country and internationally. Having worked with Mary Ellen Hopkins for many years, their focus is precision machine piecing.

Workshop registration will begin with the February newsletter.

### **May 3-4, 2011: Nancy Prince**

Nancy Prince, an award winning quilt artist from Orlando, specializes in thread painting. Her anyone-can-do-it approach to thread painting is fun, easy and a new way for quilters to broaden their quilting experience. Workshop registration will begin with the February newsletter. We will be offering two workshops: Quilting the Landscape Quilt (3 hours) and A Quick Peek at Thread Painting (full day).

## **February Raffle Block**

### **McAllister McPuff**

**Thanks to Georgia Bonesteel, this month I've chosen another 3-D block. While thinking of a type of yo-yo that could become a heart block for Valentine's Day, I came across this through-back idea. Part machine and part hand stitched, this is a stuffed, padded block that is totally finished when the yo-yos are stitched together. Choose three med to dark reds, not Xmas fabric please- and bright white. All pieces should be about 11" square. Also 4 - 4"x4" batting squares.**

**One 'block' will consist three red yo-yos and one white yo-yo.**

**Trace or print out the template. Cut out the fabric on the fold, using the solid lines. Sew 1/4" seams by machine from the center dot to the edge, remembering to back stitch at each end. You will have made a funny looking square 'box' with an open top.**

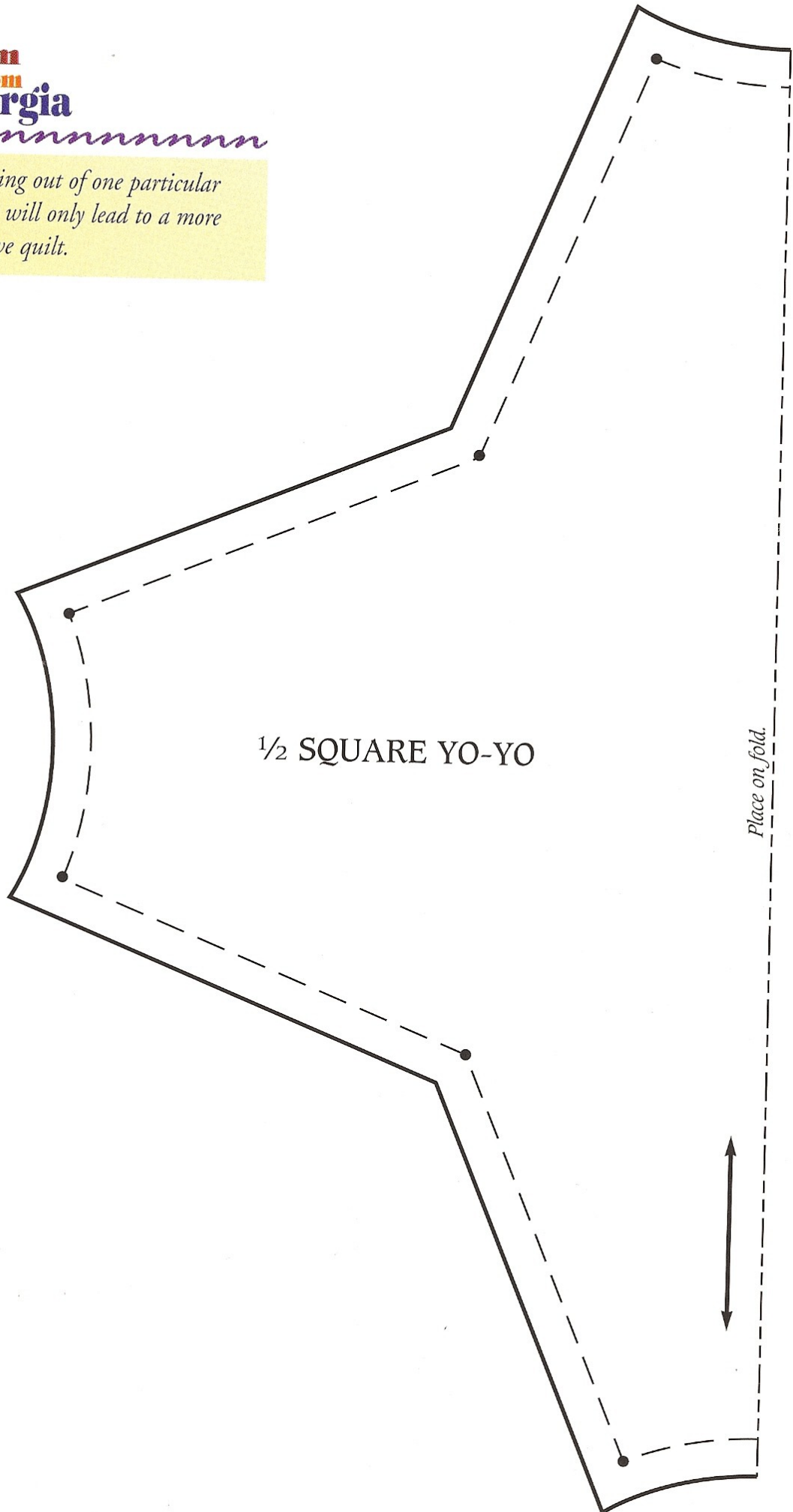
**Take a batting square and pin it from the inside on the bottom. Poke it inside out. No need to press seams. Now finger press the raw edge over 1/4" to the inside and pin one each seam. Take a heavy thread, a matching colour, maybe poly/cotton and knotted at the end. Gather with 1/4" stitches all around the edge. At the beginning, gently pull the opening closed. Then take small stitches on the opposite sides of the gather hole. This will tighten the open space and then tie it off. Once you have three red yo-yos and one white yo-yo, hold two together corner to corner. Pin them somewhat flat and whip stitch together. Continue with all the yo-yos and you will have made a padded, squared heart.**

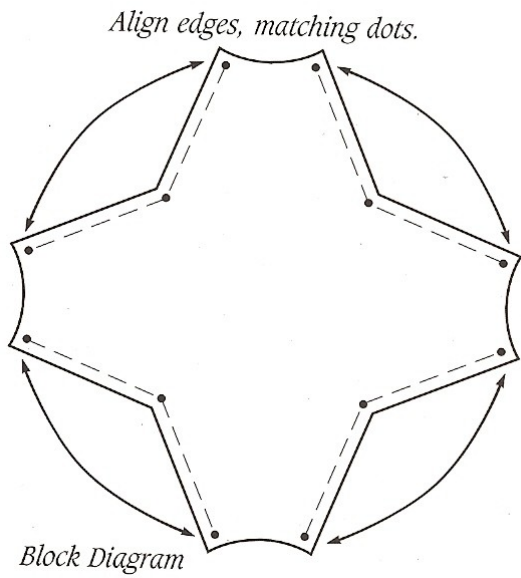
**Maybe you can machine stitch the units and then have the hand work part to do while sitting by a cozy woodstove. Maybe you will make an extra for a loved one...**

Claire Graham-Smith

gem  
from  
georgia  
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*Running out of one particular fabric will only lead to a more creative quilt.*





**The block will be 8"x8" square**

**Questions? Call me- Claire 660-8903 or email [claire@burlingtontelecom.net](mailto:claire@burlingtontelecom.net)**

*Editorial comment: I thought it was critical that the pattern piece be the actual size sent to me and since it filled the entire page, the space for the page number and month had to occupy a positioning different from the rest of the newsletter.*

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**January 13 – 16:** 20% off  
 all fabric on the bolt  
 (1/2 yd. minimum cut)

**Other January Sales**

**Jan. 8 & 9:** 20% off batting  
**Jan. 22 & 23:** 20% off one notion  
**Jan. 29 & 30:** 20% off  
 fat quarters & precuts

Spring 2011 schedule is coming soon!

Mystery Quilt Reunion:  
 Saturday, Jan. 29 at 9:30 a.m.

**New at Yankee Pride**

- \*Girlie Girl from Moda
- \*Morris Tapestry from Moda
- \*New Bali Pops colors from Hoffman
- \*Dilly Dally and Charlevoix precuts from Moda

Yankee Pride will be closed Dec. 31 & Jan. 1  
 for the New Year, and Jan. 3 for inventory.