

The Guild Board Needs Your Help and Support!!

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

6:30-7:00:

*Welcome to all

*Adjourn to Sanctuary

7:00-End:

*Nancy Prince

*Business Meeting

*Show and Tell

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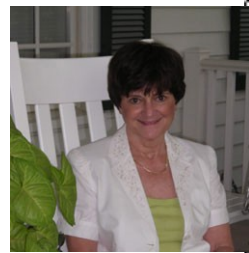
Happy Spring, everyone! We have had a few nice days, but then we have had these cool, rainy, cloudy days. I'm sitting in my living room this afternoon with a sweatshirt on because I am so cold. I guess I have been sitting too much. I need to go for a walk to warm up. At least, most of the snow has melted.

Last weekend, I went to Winchendon, Massachusetts to visit my two sisters. While there, I found two of the quilt stores that our April speakers told me about. They are in Richmond, New Hampshire (not far from Keene). My sister, brother-in-law and I drove up and located Pickering Place and The Pink Poodle. They are on a back road in the middle of nowhere, but well worth locating. Of course I bought some fabric (mostly with stars on a background). I am obsessed with stars and moons on fabric. I guess that is all for now - I'll see you in May. Don't forget anything you have for the Teacup Auction - May is the last chance to bring things.

Rita Bortz, President

May 3-4, 2011: [Nancy Prince](#)

Nancy is the author of *Simple Thread Painting* published by the American Quilter's Society, has taped several episodes for *Simply Quilts* and *Creative Living* on PBS, has appeared in national magazines and has won numerous quilting awards. Join us on May 3 for her presentation, *So What is Thread Painting All about?* All of Nancy's students have a front row seat. She uses the latest video camera technology to give each student an extreme close-up of her work on a large screen.



"Come take a fun and thought-provoking journey with me into the avenue of thread painting. While thread painting can look complicated, in fact, it is actually very easy. The lecture will demonstrate my step-by-step techniques to show you just how simple the technique can be. And finally the trunk show will detail a short history of some of my thread painted quilts."



Sharing a Photo of our members

Carla White (on left) and Anne Warwick (on right) happily working on accurate piecing of half- and quarter-square triangles at the April workshop, "Shapes, Tools and Making it Right", taught by Anne Gallo and Sue Raban.

A Quilting Story



Once upon a time

, nearly 30 years ago, there were quilters who produced the most interesting, fabulous quilts. Some made quilts using traditional patterns, such as Log Cabin, Friendship Star, or Lady of the Lake, among others. Others made beautiful quilts based on what Mother Nature provides. Still others made the most interesting quilts of their own designs, perhaps inspired by life. These quilters were so enthusiastic about their craft, they came together regularly to sew, to exchange patterns, and to learn. They called themselves a "Guild" and they chose a simple basket as the symbol of their affiliation. After a short time, the Guild realized they wanted to share their knowledge and enthusiasm about quilting with others, (as well as show off the fruit of their labors). The guild got together and talked about this, sewed, talked some more, laughed, talked some more, sewed some more, laughed some more and finally came up with a plan. Eureka! They would put on a show for the general public to attend. A Committee was formed and after much more talking, sewing, laughing and planning, the first annual show of the Guild was put on. Although there were many hiccups in pulling off the show, it was well-received in the community. Following the show, others wanted to be a part of the Guild and learn to make such marvelous quilts. The Guild grew and so did the show. In that first year, a pattern was created. And as it goes, as the years passed, the pattern of putting on a show was adjusted as the number of quilts entered into it grew; improved by the experience of the Committee members; tweaked by the creative whim of the quilters or new ways to explore the craft were presented. The Guild and the Show grew and grew until it became one of the finest quilt shows in all the land. And the tradition of quilting was alive throughout the land due to the efforts of the many members of the Guild who helped pass it on. The End (may we never see it!)

The moral of the story is to keep the tradition of quilting alive we must pass on our knowledge and love of quilting. Our guild does it in many ways, one being the annual show which, by showcasing the quilts we, our ancestors, or friends have made, kindles and stirs enthusiasm for quilting. Next year, 2012, is the 30th year for the Champlain Valley Quilt Guild's annual quilt show. What an opportunity we have to begin to plan now for celebrating such a milestone! That opportunity is strengthened by the availability of the current Quilt Show Committee to mentor next year's committee. Just as the show in the story was created by talking, sewing, laughing and planning, so is our show. And planning for next year's show – the 35th – has great potential. Think about how you can lend your talents to the "pattern" of putting on a show and let this year's committee chair for your area of interest know that you want to belong to the 2012 30th Annual Quilt Show Committee!

June Sweeney, 2011 Quilt Show Committee

Quilt Show 2011!



Forms & information about registering your quilt for the show can be found on the website: www.cvqgvt.org/2011QuiltShow.html
I will also bring copies of forms to our meetings.
Contact me by email or phone if you have any questions.

Registration Deadline: Sept 6, 2011

Colette Kaiser, Quilt Show Registrar (cbk.vermont@yahoo.com 879-8917)

2010-2011 Officers & Committees

President – Rita Bortz
 VP – Andre Emmell
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 Program Co-Chairs – Janet Brunet & Joanne Lattrell
 Membership: Marty DelNevo
 Webmaster: Priscilla Roehm
 Quilt Show Chairman: Barbara Carter and June Sweeney
 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)

May 3-4: Nancy Prince
 June 7: Potluck Supper & Teacup Auction

Scraps from the CVQG Board Meeting, April 14th, 2011

The budget for next year was adopted and will be in the June newsletter and voted at the June meeting.

The cost of a digital projector for program use will be investigated. Next year's programs are all planned.

The tea cup auction for June is in the planning stage. Concern was expressed at the problem in finding someone to be vice president.

We are on Facebook!

50 dollars was voted to be given to pay for shipping quilts to Mission of Love.

A change of logo for the guild in honor of our 35th anniversary was discussed.

Barbara Carter

Quilt Show Raffle Tickets

Each year we ask each member to buy or sell three books of raffle tickets by the time of our quilt show. The money raised goes a long way towards paying for the wonderful speakers we have at our meetings. This year, we are losing a month of planning time because we are having the show so early in October, so we are starting the process in the Spring. Please look for the table at the May meeting and pick up your tickets. Be even more ahead of the game and bring your address labels and stick them on and turn them back in! The tickets are \$15.00 for 18 and as always, if you are uncomfortable dealing with raffle tickets at all, we'd be glad to accept a donation. Be sure we have your name so we don't send you more in September!!

Barbara Carter

Tea Cup Auction

Diane Larrabee, Carol Thurgate, and Gail Babinger will again organize the Tea Cup Auction for this year. We will try to have the same format as last year. We are in need of baskets or decorative boxes to package things in. If you would like to donate such items please leave at the church near the library area, the same as last year. Also bring in items you would like to donate. We'll accept items up till May. Please do not bring items in June. Only donate items in good reasonable condition. No junk, or broken items please. We have three months to gather and organize items. Thank you. Joanne Guillemette

CVQG is now on Facebook!

CVQG is now on Facebook! Search for the CVQG page by typing CVQG into the Search area and then 'Friend' us. It's a great place to share information and ideas with your fellow Guild Members. The page will be updated with Guild news as well. This is another way to communicate and share information among Guild members.

Marty DelNevo

Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild Minutes, April 5th, 2011

President Rita Bortz opened the meeting with announcements. A Needleworks shop in Charlotte is going out of business and having a sale this weekend. The next show committee meeting will be April 19th at 6:00 pm at June Sweeney's.

Tammie Schmitt is requesting more quilts for the Quilts for Valor project, to be given to the VA hospital.

Janet Brunet, program co chair introduced the evening's speakers, Anne Gallo and Sue Raban, who gave a delightful talk and showed many of their quilts.

After the break, Rita led the business meeting.

Joanne Lattrell, program co chair announced there are a few openings in the two workshops offered next month.

Joanne Guilmette, for the nominating committee, told of the need for a vice president, and bus trip chair and urged people to consider volunteering for a position in the guild.

She spoke of an organization, Mission of Love, which is collecting and sending quilts to Japan, These quilts should be twin size or smaller and many are needed for children. Stitch is having a quilting day on April 16th.

Mitzi Oakes, Green Mountain Guild rep, announced the May meeting will be held in Bethel on May 14th.

Shirley Fuller, speaking for Community quilts, reminded the members of the workshop to be held at the Teen Center on April 9th from 10 to 5. Kea Kohlmeyer won the raffle for projects turned in.

Colette Kaiser, registrar for the quilt show, announced the registration forms are on the web site.

Pam Farnsworth. Info booth chair announced the winner of the name tag raffle was Ruth Whitaker.

Claire Graham Smith, raffle block co chair, introduced the May block. The winner for April was Joanne Guilmette. As Librarian, Claire asked that all books be returned in May.

Ruth Whitaker, stocking raffle chair, held the draw. The winner was Carol Derda.

Marty Del Nevo, silent auction chair for the show, reminded members that many quilts are needed and she will accept them at each meeting. As membership chair, Marty reminded us membership may be paid for next year this Spring. The membership form is on the guild website.

The minutes were adopted on motion of Linda Lees and Shirley Fuller. The meeting was adjourned for Show and Tell on motion of Ruth Whitaker and Nicole Chalander.

Barbara Carter, Secretary

2011-2012 Membership Dues

2011-2012 Membership Dues are being collected now. Either see Marty DelNevo before the monthly meetings at the Membership table or fill in the Membership Form and submit your \$20 payment by mail. The Membership Form and mailing information can be found on the CVQG website at <http://www.cvqgv.org/Forms/form/form.html>.

Marty DelNevo

CVOG Programs -2010-2011

Please remember to stop at the Programs table at our meetings to get information about upcoming speakers and workshops.
Janet Brunet & Joanne Lattrell (Programs co-chairs)

Our Sharing Corner

From Marty DelNevo:

I keep one of those wooden collapsible indoor laundry drying racks nearby when I'm ironing any material or sewn together strips for my projects. It keeps my fabric as well as any already pieced sections smooth and flat as well as sorted. When I'm done ironing, I carry it over to my sewing area to make it easier to select the next set of pieces that need to go together.

From Mitzi Oakes:

Reminding everyone that you are Invited to the Green Mountain Quilter's Guild on May 14, 2011. Doors open at 8 am but the meeting starts at 10 am. International award winning art quilter Christine Fries-Ureel is the Guest Speaker. She will speak on: "Quilting is More Than Happiness, It's Ecstasy!" They meet at the Whitcomb High School, Rte 12, Bethel;, Vermont. Please see Mitzi for more information if needed.

Silent Auction

Marty DelNevo is accepting quilts for the Silent Auction at the upcoming meetings. If you cannot attend a meeting but want to donate a quilt, please contact Marty at msundbyvt@comcast.net or by phone at 878-7457.

Marty DelNevo

Stocking Corner

I wanted to thank all who have returned completed stockings to me , as well as those who've taken kits recently. We are well on our way to meeting the goal of 150 stockings/gift bags for the upcoming holiday season. In June I will schedule a workshop for those interested in constructing gift bags and stockings or assembling kits Please let me know if you are interested in attending and which activity you'd like to do.- email is kdp45@msn.com

Constructing - you will need your sewing machine, scissors and thread

Assembling - you will need a pen, a rotary cutter

Donna Johnson

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Thank you to all who attended our workshop - fewer numbers but lots of willing hands got everything done. We missed those that could not make a fun day!

This coming month will be your last chance to pick up kits to be sewn and/or quilted for the summertime - we will have plenty available at the May meeting. We will not have the table setup in June but will accept finished items that are coming in. Remember there will be times during the busy summer when you would like a little something to quilt - so be ready!

Shirley Fuller (safuller50@gmail.com)

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May Sales

- May 7:** 20% off one book/pattern
- May 14 & 15:** 20% off animal fabric
- May 21 & 22:** 20% off batting
- May 28 & 29:** 20% off purple fabric

Yankee Pride will be closed Sunday, May 8 for Mother's Day, and Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day. Enjoy!

We've got new bag kits and quilt kits in the shop – stop in and see!

New at Yankee Pride

- *Rose Parade by Moda
- *Collections Faith by Moda
- *Caliente Pepper by South Seas
- *Summer Breeze by Moda
- *New panels & charm packs!

Reminder: If you need a large space to lay out or pin a quilt, please give us a call – our classroom space is often available to you!