<u>WELCOME BACK FOR ANOTHER GREAT YEAR!</u> <u>Newsletter is packed with information!!</u>

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

6.30 Membership renewal

7.00 Welcome, important Announcements

7:15 Speaker

- 8.15 10 min. break
- 8.30 Minutes, reports, Raffle Block, Show and Tell
- 9.00 Meeting ends.

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Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild



SEPTEMBER 2013

President's Address

Welcome back, everyone!! Here it is... almost September again and the start of another new Guild year! Kind of takes you back to your school days, doesn't it? September always feels like a new beginning to me; a chance to start fresh. As I start putting my garden to bed for the winter, I'm also planning my sewing and quilting projects for the upcoming months.

I hope that everyone enjoyed summer and had the opportunity to have some fun and relaxation with family and friends along with stealing away time to start a new project or complete a UFO.

Speaking of projects and UFOs, I hope you're planning to share some of your work with us by entering your quilt and/or wall hanging in our October show. We'd all love to ooohh and aaahh over your creations! Colette Kaiser will be at the September meeting to accept your entry forms. All forms and instructions are on our website. Don't forget our Challenge quilts - Inspired by Color. Let us see what inspires you!

Please check programs in this newsletter for coming speakers. Andre Emmell is working on yet another Mystery Quilt in support of Quilts of Valor and Janet Jaffe has several workshops planned for the year. Stay tuned!! Karey Young, who is now taking care of Membership, will be set up in the Lobby to accept your membership renewals. I'm really looking forward to seeing you all again at our September 3rd meeting!

Marty DelNevo, CVQG President

September 3, 2013: Alicia Cardoza



Guild member, Alicia Cardoza is a native of the Boston area who relocated to Vermont eight years ago. She began quilting back in the early 80's from hand drafted plastic templates, cutting fabric with scissors, piecing and quilting by hand. Like most of you, Alicia's "come a long way, baby!". Alicia is drawn to traditional patterns using modern techniques – rotary cutters and rulers! She still very much admires hand quilting, but has been working lately to improve her machine quilting skills. She was totally thrilled when her miniature ribbon quilt won not only a yellow ribbon at the 2009 CVQG show,

but also Judge's Choice and Viewer's choice. Alicia will give a presentation on the use of Sue Pelland design templates for rotary cutting curved shapes <u>http://suepellanddesigns.com/</u>. If you have used these templates, please bring your pieces to Show and Tell.

2013-2014 Officers & Committees

President – Marty DelNevo VP – Connie McDonald Past President—Karey Young Secretary – Barbara Carter Treasurer – June Sweeney Program Co-Chairs – Janet Brunet & Pat Hechmer Membership: Karey Young Webmaster: Priscilla Roehm **Ouilt Show Chairman: Barbara Carter** Librarian – Jenny Russell, Kat Salemno Community Ouilts – Janet Jaffe Quilt Retreat – Teela Dufresne Quilts of Valor Raffle – Ruth Whitaker Photographer – Angela Miller Historian – Joanne Guillemette Storage Area – Linda Lees and Claire Graham-Smith Raffle Blocks – Sue McGuire, Caroline McCray, Jeanette Mann Info Booth – Pam Farnsworth Bus Trips—Jeannette Harrison Green Mountain Rep – Mitzi Oakes Sunshine – Sue Rivers Newsletter-Esther Nui

Champlain Valley Quilt Guild June 2013 Meeting Highlights

The by law changes printed in the May newsletter were adopted. The slate of officers presented by Andre Emmell was accepted. Our new Board now comprises Marty DelNevo as President, Connie McDonald as President Elect, June Sweeney as Treasurer, Barbara Carter as Secretary and Janet Brunet and Pat Hechmer as Program co chairs

The budget for 2013-2014 as presented by June Sweeney in the June newsletter 2013 was passed. Gift Certificates were presented by Karey Young to the committee chairs as a thank you for their work.

Marty Del Nevo was presented as president and she thanked Karey Young for her work as president in 2012-2013.

A very successful and fun tea cup auction was held. It was organized by Janet Jaffe and presided over by Sarah Page.

Barbara Carter

Membership Dues

If we have 250 Quilt Guild members and 75 have paid, then the line to pay for Membership will be 175 people standing in line. If you are able to send a check before the September Quilt Guild meeting, please consider doing so. Please send your check to: Karey Young, Membership Chair, 4 Onondaga Avenue, Essex Junction, VT 05452. Thank you to those who have paid! I would love to get at least 25 more members paid before the September meeting, more would be even better! Karey Young, Membership Chair

Raffle Baskets

Instead of a Silent Auction this year, we are creating Raffle Baskets for which we'll be selling tickets at our show. With this option, if you attend the show on Saturday, you'll have as equal a chance of winning a basket as someone who's there on Sunday afternoon.

I could really use your help though in providing baskets since this will be a lot more fun the more baskets we have!

The basket can be any theme. It does not need to be sewing or quilting based. So far, I have a gardening basket, a tea basket, and one from Sweet Clover Market. It can be anything from a basket of bath/spa items to a basket of edible treats to a wine basket, to whatever you can imagine!

We're calling them baskets but the contents can be put in any kind of vessel; a box, tote bag, pail, bucket, lunch box, etc. I think you get the idea!

I need the 'baskets' to be completely assembled before accepting them in October. Make sure items are tucked in securely and/or wrap the whole thing in cellophane.

I'll accept baskets at the October meeting but would actually prefer they be dropped off on Wednesday when quilts are being dropped off or on Thursday or Friday before the show opens.

Email me (<u>msundbyvt@comcast.net</u>) with your basket ideas so that I'll be able to have a count of the number of raffle donations.

A few of you have verbally told me your ideas that I captured in a spreadsheet. I lost several files from my laptop recently so would appreciate those who already volunteered a basket to drop me an email as well about your basket.

Marty DelNevo

Camp Abnaki Retreat Fall Session – Sept. 26 thru Sept. 29

Fellow quilters,

We're ready to attend our fall session already! I'm hoping that many of your will return to this session. If you are new to our retreat, you are very welcome to participate. If you'd like to stop up on Saturday to see where we are and what we do, feel free. These sessions are unstructured and always so motivating. We bring our own projects, machines and

bedding and sew all weekend.

Please use the registration form on the website under forms. All monies are due by the September meeting. I will be there accepting your information. You still have the option of selecting how much of the weekend you choose to attend. The only special event I am aware of is Quilter Craps with Charm squares. We now have to pay our bill in advance, so your prompt payment will allow us to replace the general fund monies. I look forward to hearing from you soon Teela Dufresne

Challenge Quilts 2013 Inspired by Color

Are you almost done? Just starting? It's not too late to participate in the Challenge Quilt contest this year.

Our 2013 Show theme is "Inspired by Color." What inspires you? Is it a pattern that says "try me" or a fabric that just inspires you to be creative or perhaps it is something in nature? A sunset, fall foliage, a flower... The possibilities for this year's challenge are endless with only these rules:

1. Must be colorful

2. Maximum size 144" around perimeter

3. A 3"x5" card attached to lower right corner that describes what inspired you to make this quilt.

Quilts will be displayed at the October Guild meeting where members will choose their favorite.

Please plan to enter your quilt in the show, so that we may have a special display of "inspired, colorful quilts". Remember, it doesn't have to be judged... just shared for everyone to enjoy.

Library Corner

Since our last meeting, we have been making some changes to the library.

Firstly, we plan to feature books each month related to upcoming speakers and workshops. Our first speaker (in October) will be Mary Sorensen, so we will be bringing books related to needleturn, appliqué in general, and Mary's new DVD titled "Learn to Love Needleturn" (which includes a start-to-finish tutorial on building an appliqué block, as well as a printable pattern so that you can follow along).

Secondly, we compiled the results from the survey we circulated in June and pared down the library inventory to reflect the interests of our guild members. We will be offering the withdrawn titles at a discounted rate to our members over the next couple of months. Keep your eyes peeled for an email from us, which will include a complete list of items available for sale - we will also be in the lobby before guild meetings. Kathlyn Salemno and Jenny Russell

Common Threads Quilt Guild	CVQG of NY
Oct. 12-13	Oct 12-13
Morrisville, VT	Plattsburgh,NY
http://www.commonthreadsvt.org	CVQGNY.ORG
A Quilters' Gathering Oct 31- November 3 Manchester, NH http://www.aquiltersgathering.com/	Vt Quilting Design "Bring a Beginner" 07-09 Feb 2014 At the Brandon Inn, VT To book your spot: Call Kay Bergquist (802) 236-4562 Or email: VQD@VermontQuiltDesign.com Reservation Deposit: \$100 by Sept 10th Full payment due Jan 5th 2014 to Kay

Upcoming Area Quilt Shows

SEPTEMBER RAFFLE BLOCK EASY 9 PATCH

Block drawing will be at the upcoming September, 2013 Meeting

OK, we're starting the season off easy, especially since there is so little time until the meeting. We like the consistency of the navy fabric for the final quilt the winner can make. These go fast so you can make lots. Our lucky winner takes them home.



Fabric -- For each block Navy plus 3 or more other fabrics

Cutting - <u>3" squares unfinished</u>

Navy – Cut 3 Any Light or Medium Fabrics -- Cut 6 Total

Layout – Place navy squares in a diagonal row as shown Your choice on layout for other squares.



Sewing -

Standard 9 Patch construction. Sew each row together. Press top/bottom row outward.

Press center row toward center square

Sew rows to one another. Press away from center row.



At right is another layout using navy plus 3 fabrics

Final Block should measure 8" Unfinished



Remember, the more you make the more chances you have to win the entire batch. Have fun, good luck at the drawing.

Guidelines for the Guild Raffle Block Program-

- Seam allowances are always expected to be scant ¹/₄².
- Use all cotton fabric in colors of monthly block instructions. Unless otherwise requested, either prints or solids may be used.
- If your final block is too large or small, please trim down or resew seams, This makes it easier for the winner to construct a final masterpiece.
- Bring blocks to the guild meeting for the basket AND put your name in the jar, one for every block you have made.
- A winner is drawn that will receive all blocks submitted (occasionally we split in 2 for an add'1 winner)
- If you win, consider constructing the top or final quilt for a donation to Community Quilt

Raffle Block team - Sue McGuire (482-3075), Jeanette Mann (372-3216) & Carolyn McCray (372-4875). Call us if you have questions.

Programs Search Committee

Would you like to help select speakers for upcoming programs? Would you like to know how our speakers are chosen? Then please consider joining a Programs Search Committee. Responsibilities include suggesting and researching speakers, prioritizing and selecting. Meetings will be kept to a minimum. Contact Janet Brunet or Pat Hechmer.

Fall Presentations and Workshops



http://www.maryappliques.com/

Specializing in traditional fine hand appliqué done from original patterns, Mary's distinctive design style is characterized by elegant, formal lines, complex layering of small pieces, and an emphasis on using a myriad of fabrics to create visual texture and excitement. Her flawless appliqué technique, and humorous, hands-on approach to teaching have motivated students to return to handwork with enthusiasm.

October 1, 2013 Lecture: Buy Everything! A Practical Approach to Fabric Selection

We can never learn enough about quilts, and this entertaining PowerPoint lecture deals with the best part of quiltmaking: choosing fabrics!. Your selections have a huge impact on how successful your quilt will be. Through a series of examples, both good and bad, we remove some of the mysteries of this process so you can approach your next quilt with more confidence and enthusiasm.

October 2, 2013 Workshop: Dramatic Darks

Time: 9:00am - 3:30pmCost: \$45Location: United Church of Colchester

Emphasis: Fabric selection and needleturn hand appliqué technique.

Skill level: Confident beginner and above

Nothing is more striking than hand appliqué done on a dark background. However, there are pit-

falls and special considerations in planning and selecting fabrics for this unique look. Learn special techniques for transferring patterns to a dark background. We will work with color and fabric selection to achieve dramatic shading on darks. Essential needleturn hand appliqué techniques will be demonstrated. This class will feature a new small 8" appliqué design that fits perfectly into a charming Feathered Star wall quilt. Along with fabric selection, this design will allow us to cover marking options, as well as needleturn stitching techniques - thin stem, point, "V's", curves, placement, and building layers without bulk. Mary uses a camera and projector in her workshops, so everyone has a front row seat.





SEPTEMBER 2013

November 5, 203: Pam Weeks (New Hampshire) http://www.pamweeksquilts.com/default.html

Curator of the New England Quilt Museum, Pam creates shows or invites others to curate their exhibitions. She oversees the museum's 400+ collection of contemporary and antique quilts. Pam is a quilt historian. Her current work is to interpret Civil War soldiers quilts.

November 5, 2013 Lecture (St. John Vianney Church, S. Burlington)

Civil War Soldiers' Quilts

Quilts made for use by soldiers during the Civil War are very rare—only sixteen are known (so far) to exist, and I have studied most of them in person. I outline the origins of the U. S. Sanitary Commission at the beginning of the War; the roles women played on the home front, and the battle-field; and feature the stories of fourteen actual Civil War soldiers' quilts.

Guild members are invited to bring their Civil War quilts to Show and Tell.

November 6, 2013 Workshop

Strips & Bits—Patternless Scrap Quilts

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm **Cost:** \$40

Location: United Church of Colchester

Not sure what to do with that fabulous bag of scraps you have stashed in the bottom of your fabric closet? Bring it along and learn to piece with abandon! Students will learn free-form cutting, approximation piecing and leave with a freer attitude about playing with fabric. We will also review and practice three easy quilt as you go techniques to finish the blocks we make in class.





Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild – Fall Workshop Registration				
Name	Check #s			
Email address		Phone		
Wed, Oct. 2	Mary Sorensen	Dramatic Darks	<mark>\$4</mark> 5	
Wed, Nov. 6	Pam Weeks	Patternless Scrap Quilt	s \$ 40	
MemberNon-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, after confirming availability, mail to: Janet Brunet, 60 Mills Point Road, Colchester, VT 05446 programs@cvqgvt.org				
	pefore the workshop	will be given only if a) the p or b) the slot this perso ashop is canceled.	•	

CVQG Programs At a Glance 2013-2014

For more information about our Programs, see our website <u>www.cvqgvt.org</u> or stop by the Programs table at the meeting. We welcome your suggestions. Janet Brunet & Patricia Hechmer, Program co-chairs, <u>programs@cvqgvt.org</u>.

October 1, 2013: Mary Sorensen

November 5, 203: Pam Weeks

December 3, 2013: Holiday Program

January 7, 2014: June Bugbee

February 4, 2014: Nancy Graham

March 4, 2014: Anne Standish

April 1, 2014: Gyleen Fitzgerald

May 6, 2014: Rayna Gillman

June 3, 2014: Annual Potluck and Teacup Auction

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Community Quilts is the name we use to describe our guild's charitable activities. Each year, we donate quilts, completed by our members, to individuals (and/or organizations) in need of the comfort a handmade quilt might bring.

+COMING IN SEPTEMBER

FIDGET QUILT DRIVE KICK-OFF



Is there any one of us whose life has not been affected in some way by Alzheimer's Disease? In our effort to give back to our community in a way feels relevant, and personal we are organizing a Fidget Quilt Drive to benefit patients suffering from dementia and other brain traumas as well as their caregivers. Guild members Carol Thurgate and Gail Babinger have graciously agreed to organize this effort and will present an overview of at the September meeting.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS COMMUNITY QUILT WORKSHOP + SKILL BUILDING WORKSHOPS

~SCHEDULE FOR 2013-2014~

All workshops are held at Essex Alliance Church on Old Stage Road in Essex

Friday Oct 25th 2013

5pm`til 9pm Free Pizza and Soft Drinks Community Center

Saturday Oct 26th, 2013 10am`til 3pm

Brunch Pot Luck Community Center

Special Skill-Building Workshop: Longarm Machine Quilting with Rita Glidden - If you've ever wondered how your quilts actually get quilted on a "long arm" this is your chance to find out. Rita will have a HandiQuilter Avante set up for the weekend workshop for guild members to test drive on our inventory of Community Quilts. Rita is a wonderful teacher who demystifies this aspect of quilting that most of us hand off to others to complete

Saturday, February 1st 2014 Pot Luck Fellowship Hall of the Church 9am-3pm

Saturday, April 5th, 2014 Pot Luck Fellowship Hall of the Church 9am-3pm

LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED WITH THE GUILD? COMMUNITY QUILTS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We look to our members for help in all aspects of our service efforts. If you are a new guild member or are not quite sure how to get involved, here is a list of suggestions.

Volunteer to Sit at the Community Quilt Table at a Guild Meeting

It's a great way to meet other guild members, attend meetings and be of service at the same time. Please contact Carla at <u>glowbirdy@gmail.com</u> or at 862-8171

Pick Up a Quilt to Work on at Home

At each guild meeting, we bring a variety of quilts in various stages of completion for individual members to take home and work on independently. Stop by our table and check out our inventory!

Make a Donation

Community Quilts welcomes donations. Our "wish list" changes over time but here's what we could use right now:

Have an empty spot on a shelf or space in a closet? Our storage shed is overflowing! If you would be willing to store a plastic crate at home, please let us know.

Have more financial resources than time or space? Monetary donations earmarked for our charitable efforts are always greatly appreciated.

Large pieces of 100% cotton fabric (3 yards or greater) are needed for quilt backs.

Rotary Cutters & Blades

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Information? Contact Janet at janetejaffe@gmail.com or 878-2344.

Inspired by Color Quilt Show 2013

The Quilt Show committee has worked hard all summer and met once each month. Much progress has been made on plans for the show, which will be held this year at the Field in Shelburne, October 19th and 20th. I must tell you, this is a hard working group of guild members. Now we hope you will be inspired to do what you can to make this event a success.

We hope you are working on a challenge quilt. Inspired by Color leaves you almost unlimited chances to produce something for this challenge. They will be due at the October meeting but if you plan to enter yours in the show, the deadline to register your entry is the September guild meeting. Collette Kaiser will be waiting with a big bag to receive all your entries both for the challenge and for other quilts you want to enter. Don't forget we have changed the rules a bit and you can check these out on the CVQG website. (Click on 2013 Show in the top right hand corner.)

Have you purchased or sold your raffle tickets yet? They will be available at the September and October meetings or you may send me a check for \$15.00 and 18 address labels and I will stick them on for you and put them in the box. The quilt we are raffling this year is outstanding, and you might be the lucky winner!!

We are also looking for baskets and wall hangings for our raffle at the show and Marty Del Nevo will have more to say about that at the September meeting. Please also sign up to volunteer at the show or help with set up and take down. We can't do this type of endeavor without many, many volunteers. Donna Johnson will be at the meeting with her lists, and we hope you will talk to her then. Volunteering for two hours gets you into the show free that day. (Volunteering Thursday or Friday means a wonderful lunch will be served to you.) So, be inspired to enter a quilt, buy your tickets and volunteer at the show. You won't be sorry.

BIOGRAPHY OF THE CVQG TREASURER



Hello, fellow quilters! As the seventh child (of nine), I never was very domestic as a child or even as a young adult. In school when it was required to take a home economics class I took "Family Budgeting" rather than sewing or cooking classes. With three older sisters, my mother was not pressing for me to spend time in the kitchen or in front of her sewing machine either! However, through the years I have attempted both – sometimes successfully, more often not so much. It was when I was in my 40s that the idea of quilting was brought

to me by one of my sisters, Sandy, who had a passion and talent for anything textile related. She helped me buy the equipment and gadgets I would need and tried to explain the importance of a quarter-inch seam. Since she lived in North Carolina and I in Vermont, my lessons with her were primarily over the phone. It took months for me just to cut the material out for that first quilt! Another sister, Donna, talked me into taking a quilting class with her at Quilter's Courtyard in South Burlington. It was called "Patchwork Patterns" and taught by our own member Annie Buck. I fell in love!with fabric,....with patterns,.....with my sewing machine. I started calling myself a quilter almost immediately and could not wait to show off my quilt to my beautiful sister who started me on this path. Unfortunately, Sandy passed away that spring so she never got to see the results. I think of her often when I am quilting and feel her presence with me.

I joined the CVQG the fall of that same year (2002) so that I could learn as much as I could about this marvelous new hobby of mine. The thing that struck me about the first meeting I attended was how many things the guild did and how very many volunteers seemed to be needed. I did not understand half of what was said at the business portion but knew that it would become clearer eventually. As a volunteer-a-holic I had a hard time sitting on my hands but between work and studying for a master's degree and knew I would not have time. Well, I sat on my hands for about 5 years, then decided that it was my turn to give back to the guild for the many gifts I had been given through those years by the speakers, by "show-and-tell" and by the friendly smiles of the members. I joined the quilt show committee and interned with Hope Johnson for the registrar's position. After 3 years of doing that job, I met Colette Kaiser while selling raffle tickets at the fair. What a marvelous find she was! Even though I was not ready to give up the position, I reluctantly relinquished it to Colette because she was a perfect fit for it! As a CPA, the logical choice for me was to become the guild's treasurer, so I did and I am having a ball! Personal problems last spring left me feeling like I would not be able to give the job the attention it deserves and I told the nominating committee that I would not be able to continue in that role. However, it bummed me out so much that I decided I was better off staying put. So I did and I am a very happy quilter (and treasurer)!

By the way, I still don't do too much cooking. My husband is good at it and there are restaurants that suit when it is my turn to cook!

Happy quilting!

June Sweeney

CVQG CRAFT TABLE 2013

For all who wish to sell items at the 2013 CVQG Quilt Show please see the CVQG Craft Table Rules 2013 & Entry Form on the website. Drop off for craft items will be at the same time and place as the quilt drop off. Items can also be dropped off until 12 noon on Friday at the Field House.

Questions? Contact Wendy Thompson at <u>quilter704@yahoo.com</u> or (802) 872-7025 evenings & weekends.

Barbara Carter

CVQG Craft Table Rules - 2013

1. Form must be filled out completely. Crafters will receive 80% of sales unless you are not volunteering in some capacity or not a guild member – then you will receive 70%. Please figure this into your price. You may volunteer anywhere in the show not just at the craft table.

2. Items for sale must be quilt-related or craft items. Baby quilts may be sold but not wall hangings. If you have a question, please contact Wendy Thompson at 872-7025. You must have each item tagged with your price and your initials using a small safety pin. Please make sure tags are secure on items not falling off. Labels that stick on may fall off and make accounting difficult when items are sold.

3. Items may be dropped on Friday at the Show and checked in by Craft Table staff. Check in and check out will be with the crafter and Craft Table staff. You may also make arrangement with me to drop off items before the Show. A check for the item owed the crafter will be mailed by the guild treasurer after all Quilt Show tabulations are done. Craft table items may not be picked up until close of Show on Sunday.

Name				
Address				
Phone	Crafter Initial	In	Out	Sold
Item Number	Description			

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September Sales

Sept. 7 & 8: 20% off blue fabric Sept. 14 & 15: 20% off batting Sept. 21 & 22: 20% off Asian fabric Sept. 28 & 29: 20% off one book/pattern

Spring Mystery Quilt Reunion

Spring 2013 Mystery Quilters: the reunion will take place on Saturday, Sept. 21 at 9:30 a.m. Bring your projects to be photographed!

New at Yankee Pride

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Cool Cats by Henry Glass Nature's Basket by Moda Novelty fabrics by Timeless Treasures Iron Clean Sheets from Bo-Nash

> Yankee Pride will be closed Monday, Sept. 2 for Labor Day

Fall 2013 Mystery Quilt

Info is at the shop, so come on in and sign up! The mystery starts Oct. 5!