

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TEACUP AUCTION. SEE KAREY YOUNG!
INTERESTING DEMOS PLANNED FOR MARCH MEETING.

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

6:30 - 7:00:

*Adjourn to Sanctuary

7:00-End:

*Business Meeting

*Show and Tell

*Demos

#No Raffles this month

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Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild



TEACUP AUCTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

MARCH 2012

Dear Members:

I have realized that I have overlooked the Tea Cup Auction, so I am taking advantage of this address to redeem myself. I need some volunteers to run the Tea Cup Auction in June 2012. My committee informed me in November that they were unable to help this year and I need help to make the Tea Cup Auction happen.

I need the help of three or four people to organize and collect items for this event. We have the time between now and the month of June to organize this event and Karey Young has graciously agreed to be the contact for those who can help. Her email is: kyoung1@maykay.com, and her phone number is (802) 448-0547. Thank you, Karey. Please contact Karey. Thank you so much in advance.

There will be no raffle sales or drawings at the March meeting in order to have time for the demos. I hope to see all of you at our next meeting.

Andre Emmell

MINI-WORKSHOP AND DEMO NIGHT IN MARCH

On behalf of all of us who attended the February meeting, we extend a special thanks to Joanne Lattrell for sharing her quilting tips. She had so many good ideas; we're sure everyone walked away with a number of useful tools and tips they can use right away.

Now join us at the March meeting for our mini-workshop/demo night. This is a fun event where a number of members volunteer to share their expertise at different workstations set up around the church. There will be a few step by step mini-workshops with scheduled start times along with a number of demos that can be visited at any time. One should be able to take part in most, if not all, of the offerings. It's a time for sharing, learning, and mingling with fellow guild members. See page 4 for a list of the offerings.

CVQG Programs

CVQG Name Tag / Membership Card??? Do you have both?

Are you sure you have your name tag or membership card? Marty DelNevo has quite a few unclaimed name tags and membership cards. Please stop by the Membership table in March to pick up your name tag or membership card. Remember you can enter the name tag raffle just for wearing it to meetings! If you can't make it to a meeting but would like Marty to mail your name tag or membership card, please send a SASE to Marty at 172 Village Grove, Williston, VT 05495.

Marty DelNevo

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 Green Mountain Rep – Claire Graham-Smith
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Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild Minutes, February 7th, 2012

President Andre Emmell welcomed everyone. The minutes of the January meeting were adopted as printed on motion of Teela Dufresne and Sarah Paige. Andre introduced Bob Stone who talked about a quilt show he holds in Jamaica, VT in July. He commented on the high quality of the quilts shown by members in our show last year and he would like to display some of these quilts in his show this year. He also answered several questions.

Program cochair Nancy Emberly introduced our own member Joanne Lattrell who presented an informative and interesting talk about Tools, Tips and Techniques.

Show chair Barbara Carter stated that the theme for the 2012 show is "Vermont Traditions". It was chosen in part to honor so many people who did so much to help Irene victims. Several positions are open on the committee. Ruth Whitaker introduced the Challenge Quilt. Andre and Collette Kaiser presented the raffle quilt block and kits are available for members to work on. Hope Johnson introduced the idea that quilters who have never participated in a quilt show before might enjoy displaying their quilts at our show.

Community Quilts chair Shirley Fuller announced the winner of the raffle was Barbara Carter. Pam Farnsworth, info table chair presented the name tag raffle draw which was won by Nancy Emberly. Ruth Whitaker, stocking raffle chair announced the raffle basket was donated and prepared by Joanne Guillemette. The winner was Betty Packer. Sue McGuire, raffle block co chair, said fifty one blocks were turned in. They were won by Barbara Carter. The meeting was adjourned for Show and Tell on motion of Audrey Moore and Anne Warwick.

Barbara Carter

February Board Snippets

- **Workshops for the March meeting are set. Some will be ongoing, some more of a presentation lasting about 15 to 20 minutes....they will all be on the main floor
- ** The January 2013 meeting will be held on January 8th because the first Tuesday in 2013 is New Year's Day!
- **Inventory records are due by March
- **The cost of the printed newsletter is up by 22 cents per copy
- **\$500.00 was allocated to Community Quilts to carry us through the year. This will be used to replenish supplies due to so many Irene quilts being made.
- **The next Board meeting will be March 13th at Stitched at 6:00 pm.

Barbara Carter

Winter Warmth Workshop – Saturday, March 3

Our last formal workshop of this Guild year to prepare quilts to donate to Pam Druhen's Winter Warmth Project is scheduled for Saturday, March 3, at the Essex Alliance Teen Center from 9:30 to 3:30. Multiple activities will again be available. We need volunteers to piece backs so quilts can be quilted or tied. There will be kits to assemble, tops to be stitched and fabric to be cut. We have over 40 quilts completed and many kits are still out being completed by all of you. Lunch and snacks will again be provided. Check out the link on our website to see the quilts that have been completed and the fun we've been having! The link will take you to the CVQG Facebook page where you can select Photos. While you're on the Facebook, select Like to read posted info and to participate in any chatting that goes on.

Marty Del Nevo

Winter Warmth Quilts – Machine Quilters Needed

We've had two Guild members donating their time, machines, and supplies to complete many of the quilts we're donating to Pam Druhen's Winter Warmth Projects. We thank Andre Emmell and Tammy Hall for their willingness to provide their machine quilting expertise to this worthwhile cause. They are putting the final touch on the beautiful quilts which are being happily received by many of our grateful neighbors. Are there other Guild members who would be willing to volunteer to machine quilt these large bed quilts we're making? If you're willing to help out, please let Marty DelNevo know. msundbyvt@comcast.net

COMMUNITY QUILTS

There will be no raffle this month but we will be receiving quilts and have quilt kits both to sew and to quilt. We on the committee are busy distributing quilts throughout the area - so please keep them coming in!

Shirley Fuller safuller50@gmail.com

CRAFT TABLE - QUILT SHOW

It is not too soon to be starting items to sell on the craft table. Knitted items are always desired and asked for last year. Table runners did well - we need more items. Remember if you volunteer in some way you will receive 80% of the sales price with the remainder going to the guild.

Shirley Fuller safuller50@gmail.com

Guild Emails – Are you receiving them???

Marty DelNevo sends out occasional emails to all Guild members who have provided an email address but receives several 'Mail Delivery Subsystem' errors from a few of the members. This means that those members are not receiving communications about Guild activities, reminders of workshops, potential meeting cancellations when necessary, etc. Several emails have gone out in the last month on a few topics so if you have not received any communications from Marty, please send her an email at msundbyvt@comcast.net so that the issue can be resolved and everyone can be kept up to date on Guild activities. In most cases, this error is caused by the Guild member's spam filter rejecting Marty's email address.

2012 Silent Auction

There will be a Silent Auction at our 30th Anniversary Quilt Show in October. Thank you again to all who contributed to last year's successful auction. We're hoping we can do as well or even better this year! Please start thinking about making a wall hanging that you would be willing to donate. Marty DelNevo will manage it again this year and is planning a raffle of some sort for all members who contribute. You can find her at the Membership table during meetings or email/call her at msundbyvt@comcast.net / 878-7457 if you have any questions or would like to contribute to the Silent Auction.

Jamaica, VT 2011 Quilt Show Invitation

Bob Stone from Jamaica, VT, is coordinating his Guild's quilt show on July 28 at the Jamaica Town Hall. He attended our February meeting to express his appreciation and admiration of the work our Guild presents during our annual shows and has extended an invitation to our members to enter the Jamaica show. Since many members at the meeting weren't sure where Jamaica, VT, is, it's near Stratton Mountain. Info received from a fellow Guild member suggested travelling south on Route 7 to Manchester (Outlets!!) and going up Route 30 into the mountains. MapQuest suggests the Rockingham exit off I91 and then heading east through Chester and Londonderry (quilt shops!!). The show takes place during Jamaica Old Home Days (www.johd.org). Bob Stone will be providing Marty DelNevo registration forms. There is no cost for entering the show unless there is special handling needed such as mailing, etc., which Bob will handle on an individual basis. If you are interested in entering a quilt in the Jamaica show, please email Marty DelNevo at msundbyvt@comcast.net. Be sure to include the quilt name, a picture (.jpg), and quilt size. Bob would like all quilts registrations received by May 15. Andre Emmel has volunteered to bring quilts going into the show to Jamaica so details around that will be made available as the date gets closer. Marty DelNevo

Our 2012 Quilt Show (Vermont Traditions)

At the February meeting of the show committee, many nitty gritty items were discussed. We learned a great deal from our first show at the Field last October and have much we want to improve. Almost all our people are in place and working on their part of the show. Joanne Guilmette is working on a new ribbon design, Connie McDonald and her husband are working on a new logo and Janet Jaffe is starting to gather raffle prizes. Andre reported all the kits for the raffle quilt were picked up and we admired the square once again. Almost everyone commented they would like to win it. Enthusiasm is high with this group of members and we had THREE offerings of chocolate. Consider joining us. The next meeting will be at Marty DelNevo's house in Williston on Monday, March 12th at 6 pm. Email her for directions.

Barbara Carter

Upcoming Programs

More information about our speakers can be found on our website under Programs.

Janet Brunet & Nancy Emberley (programs@cvqgvt.org)

March Meeting Mini-workshops & Demos.

Join us as fellow guild members demo the following. Bring note-taking tools and be sure to pick up your packet of handouts.

Japanese Triangle Bags with Claire Graham-Smith. I will demo how to make small drawstring triangular shaped bags. This is a fun, quick project to stitch up for a gift bag, when the bag can be the best part! Using two equilateral triangles of fabric stitched together, joining the three edges, then turning the tips over to form the gusset. Very cute. Hard to make just one. Great to stock up for an unexpected gift- just add chocolate!

Sort, Slash, Sew and Go! – Recycling Scraps into One-of-A-Kind Quilt Blocks with Janet Jaffe. For Janet, scraps don't merely represent fabric left over from a project. Scraps represent both a call to recycle and an irresistible puzzle in need of a creative solution! Janet will demonstrate how she groups seemingly random fabric scraps to form blocks and uses them to construct a variety of non-traditional quilt blocks. Blocks include liberated stars, crazy log cabins, string or strip blocks and patternless crazy blocks. Janet also shares her tricks for unifying disparate quilt blocks to form a one-of-a-kind quilt top.

Easy Binding with Teela Dufresne. I will show you how to finish your quilt by pulling the backing fabric to the front. This will form the binding by cutting it down to size, ironing, and using simple machine stitching. The corners finish into a nice miter and the binding is finished off with a decorative or straight stitch or even a wide zig zag. Before you know it, the quilt will be done ready for a labeling. I use this technique on quilts for kids that get a lot of use and may be laundered often. I will show samples of all the steps.

Bargello, Basic and With a Spin with Angela Miller. Bargello quilts look like the flame stitch seen in needlework. Traditionally the design rises and falls in vertical bars, but by using a 10 degree ruler, this same pattern can be put on a spin. Join Angela for a demonstration of how fun this strip quilt technique can be.

The 'Eleanor Burns' way of stacking and picking up blocks for sewing with Nancy Orcutt. I will demo this technique for sewing together quilt blocks from Eleanor Burns' book *Irish Chain in a Day*. People at Quilt Camp are always wowed by this technique.

Working with Paintstiks with Anne Standish. Paintstiks are oil paints in a stick and really fun to use. I'll show you how to use them with a freezer paper stencil and/or painters' tape to create a sharp, crisp image to add detail to your surface design.

Machine Embroidery and Quilts with Sharon Boisselle. Learn about some exciting ways to create eye catching projects with machine embroidered motifs. There will be an informal demo showing how an embroidery machine is set-up, and embroidering out a motif.

Discharged Shadows with Joanne Guillemette. Using household chemicals you can create a three dimensional shadow to your fabrics with simple techniques. I will demonstrate how to make simple shadows using a bleach discharge.

Strip Tube Piecing with Andre Emmell. Learn a quick way to make blocks for a quilt. Sew strips together into a tube, cut into triangles and voila, you have a 5 1/2" BLOCK. Four can be sewn together to make a 10 1/2" block.

Quick and easy kitten or puppy pincushion with Barbara Forauer. Fun gifts for all your sewer friends -- as seen in the January issue of Fons and Porter *Love of Quilting*. I have changed some of the process to make it easier, and it can all be done by hand.

Accuquilt Go! Cutter with Tammy Breckenridge. I will demo this fast and accurate cutting system that allows quilters to cut fabrics as much as 90-percent faster than scissors or rotary cutting.

April 3, 2012 Linda Hahn Workshop: New York Beauty Simplified



Time: 9:30 – 4:00

Location: United Church of Colchester

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

Good quilt camp project!

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.

<http://www.froghollowdesigns.com>

May 2, 2012 Nancy DiDonato 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

Cost: \$25

Location: United Church of Colchester

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., at www.quiltersnewsletter.com/articles/click

PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE (See our website for detailed information)

March 6: Mini-workshops

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

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.

SHARING CORNER: From Joanne Lattrell

The Quilt Show, mentioned in my Tips & Tools lecture, is an online quilt show hosted by Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims. <http://www.thequiltshow.com/> Each episode features a different nationally known quilter plus much more. There is a fee to watch the regular shows but there are many interesting freebies as well. For example, currently you can watch the excellent videos on free motion quilting (FMQ) and spray basting by Patsy Thompson.

Patsy Thompson. If those videos are no longer available here, but you can view them and much more on Patsy's website under Education. www.patsythompsondesigns.com/

2012 Free -Motion Quilting Challenge from <http://sewcalgal.blogspot.com/>. Every month in 2012 a FMQ expert will share a tutorial with tips to help you learn or improve your quilting.

Leah Day www.freemotionquilting.blogspot.com also offers free weekly tutorials with videos on freemotion quilting. **Superior Threads** monthly e-mail on all things related to thread. www.Superiorthreads.com

From Janet Brunet:

Envelope Quilts, as shown by Angela and Janet at the February meeting. Great gifts for the sick, the elderly, children. Include messages, photos and other goodies in each envelope. Check out the Simply Quilts episode with Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith on Simply Quilts. <http://www.hgtv.com/video/easy-envelope-quilt-video/index.html>.

Tipnut, "Your online guide to the crafty and clever". There are tips for everything: sewing, knitting, crafts, health, beauty, household tips, food.... Subscribe to the weekly newsletter and you won't be disappointed. <http://tipnut.com/>

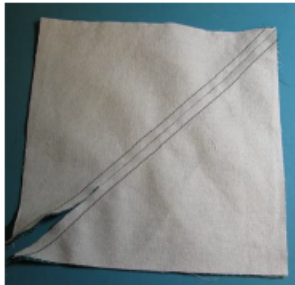
Quilting Board, the quilter's message board. This is the ultimate sharing and problem solving website for quilters. <http://www.quiltingboard.com/> Sign up for the newsletter to receive a digest of the most active topics, sorted by categories. I always scan the main, links, tutorials, and pictures topics and just click on anything that seems interesting. You can receive the newsletter daily, every other day, or weekly. On the home page, click Resources, then Digest.

From Marty DelNevo:

Quinobequin Quilt Show – March 30-31, 2012: The Quinobequin Quilt Guild of Wellesley, MA, has invited us to attend their 13th show held at the Needham Masonic Lodge in Needham, MA. Over 100 quilts, from traditional to art, will be on display along with vendors, raffle quilt, a boutique with members' items for sale, etc. Adult admission is \$5. See their website (look for Quilt Show about half way down the left side of the screen) at <http://www.quinobequin.org/>

APRIL RAFFLE BLOCK GREEN MOUNTAINS OF VERMONT

This month's block is an interesting 'delectable mountain' technique we think you'll enjoy. Naming it for VT mountains may get you thinking about the quilt show theme of Vermont traditions.



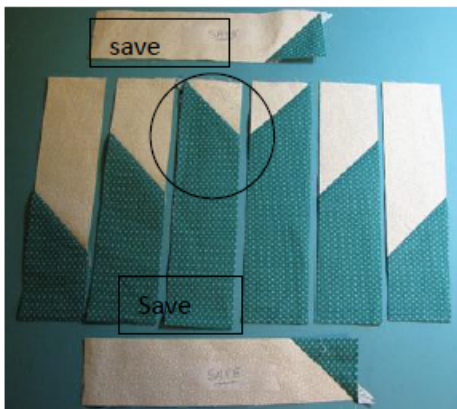
Cut 1 - 7 1/2" square of **ANY GREEN**
Cut 1 - 7 1/2" square of **BEIGE**

Mark a diagonal line on the back of the beige fabric. Place green and beige right sides together and sew 1/4" on either side of the center line.

Cut on the center line, you'll have 2 half square triangles.
Open the half square triangles and press toward the green fabric.

Place 2 blocks right sides together, beige to green, nesting the seams to one another.

Cut Qty 4 -- 1 3/4" strips as shown from paired blocks, discarding any extra at the edge.



← Rearrange strips as shown and sew 6 together

First, sew 2 side strips to each center strip as shown.
Sew the center seam last, assuring the strips match in length and at the diagonal seam. This may require adjusting the seam allowances as shown in the picture to the right.

Press all seams in one direction.



DON'T SEW the 2 strips with the least 'mountain' and most 'sky'. Keep these 2 strips to hand in to the raffle block winner, (it could be you!), they may be useful for the final quilt top.



The UNFINISHED block will measure approximately 7" high by 7 1/4" wide but **DON'T TRIM** to size.

We'll show variety of ways blocks can be assembled at Guild.

As usual, a suggestion for Extra Credit –
Make more with the personal set of fabric/colors of your choice for a sampler quilt to keep or perhaps for a Community Quilt. Feel free to do more than one of each block, skip some months or what works for you. Our collections are looking great.

Raffle Block team – The 3 Ms – Sue McGuire (482-3075), Jeanette Mann (372-3216) & Carolyn McCray (372-4875). Call us if you have questions.

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March 10 & 11: 20% off green fabric
March 17 & 18: Fat Quarter Sale!
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March 24 & 25: 20% off blue fabric
March 31 & Apr. 1: 20% off batting

New at Yankee Pride

*Twirl by Moda
*Garden Magic by South Seas
*Old Glory by Blue Hill
*Spring Spectacular by Fabri-Quilt

March Classes

Basic Quilting Class
Lone Star Quilt
T-Shirt Quilt

Shop Hop is here!

The Vermont Shop Hop runs from March 16
through March 25 this year!
We will be open extended hours.
Get your passports at Yankee Pride,
and make plans to join us!