President’s Snippets

Welcome to arguably the best month of the year - October. The air is crisp, the harvest is in, the wood is stacked, and I have more time for quilting. October presents lots of opportunity to showcase our talents. We have over 80 quilts registered for the end of the month quilt show and we vote on this year’s challenge quilts at the October meeting. Missed the September deadline for registering your challenge quilt for the quilt show? Don’t worry, you can still share your All That Jazz themed quilt at the October meeting and be part of the challenge quilt voting.

At last count, we were about 70% of the way to meeting our raffle sales goal. Thanks to all who have worked to showcase this gorgeous quilt and/or sold tickets. We have more venues at which to sell tickets. Please consider volunteering, and please consider selling the tickets we need to reach our goal.

Ruth Whitaker has generously volunteered to coordinate the design and making of the 2017 raffle quilt. We still need a marketing coordinator for the 2017 quilt. Want to know what that entails? A detailed job description is posted on our website.

By the way, our website is a treasure trove of information. Want to know what books are in our library? contact a board or committee chair? need a membership or registration form? Thanks to Marty Delneo, our webmaster, we have a smart and comprehensive website.

Pat Hechmer

October 4 Program: Kathryn Greenwold

Kathryn Greenwold presents “AMISH SHADOWS LIGHT REFLECTED”. This lecture is based on the book by the same title, written with Lynn Reynolds Makrin. We will discuss Amish quilting styles in general and the Amish Shadows quilt in particular. It includes a trunk show of the quilts featured in the book.

Carol Bloomhardt & Michelle Cummings
**Upcoming Events**

**CVQG Show**: Oct. 21-23, Champlain Valley Expo

**Green Mt. Rug Hooking Guild Show**: Oct. 19-23, Champlain Valley Expo Center

**Green Mt. Guild Meeting**: Oct. 29, The Old Labor Hall, 46 Granite St., Barre, VT

**Celebrate Fiber Arts** : Sept. 30 – Oct 2, Monson, MA


**Fall Festival of Quilts**: Oct. 8-9, Peterborough, NH

**Quilts in the Valley**: Oct. 8-9, Stone Ridge, NY

**Deerfield Valley Quilt & Craft Show**: Oct. 15-16, Wilmington, VT

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**September Meeting Minutes**

President Pat Hechmer welcomed members and a guest from Massachusetts. Welcome back to Mitzi Oakes and Karen Young, long-time members who have returned! President announcements: No lending library tonight. It’s a book sale! Vacant position filled: Ruth Whitaker is our coordinator for 2017 raffle quilt. Needed are volunteers to coordinate marketing. Vacant position: Flea market coordinator. Minutes: June meeting was a social event, therefore no Minutes for consideration and vote. Program Co-Chair, Carol Bloomhardt introduced Carla and Kevin Berno, owners of the Quilter’s Corner at Middlebury Sew-n-Vac speakers for the evening. Presentation: “Maintain Your Sewing Machine”.

Quilt Show News: Ruth Whitaker spoke on Marty DelNevo’s behalf given that she is in Holland. A reminder to sell and buy quilt raffle tickets. Craft table forms and instructions available on website. Contact Linda Lane with number of craft items you plan to sell. Volunteer list. Challenge Quilt “All that Jazz”: Jeannette Harrison reminded guild members quilt entries due next month. Guild members will vote for their favorite. Laura Clements announced quilt show posters are available for distribution. Raffle Quilt Update: Sue Rivers mentioned over $1800 in ticket sales at Fair. Some donations based on displayed fidget quilt. Pat Hechmer shared her 1st experience at ticket sales at Fair and remarked it was good company and fun. Please all consider signing up and volunteering for similar events to promote the quilt, sell tickets. Colette Kaiser provided an update regarding upcoming marketing venues. We are 70% at reaching our goal.

Quilts of Valor Raffle announced by Pat Johnson and won by Pat Ganson. Raffle Block of the Month: Donna Hamill presented and briefed everyone about the rules and where to locate them. Jelly Roll winners: 1) Ruth Whitaker; 2) Brooke Conger; 3) Pat Johnson. A partial roll was won by Paula Yandow.

Community Quilts: Jane Henley-Stone and Rita Bortz shared their “community” experience in July when an RV escape (that landed in Essex Jct at the Fairgrounds) came together and completed small quilts for children plus items for stroke patients. The team lead contacted them to ask for their help to distribute completed projects to non-profit organizations in the local area. Remark: Community quilts came from people outside adding to our theme of “The Year of Community”.

Book Bag Donations: Hope Johnson pointed out all the book bags made by guild members. The number is approximately 20 bags, more than anticipated. Bags will be presented to Shelburne Pierson Library as a fund raiser for their library expansion. Drawing for a set of Fiskar scissors won by contributor Joanne Guillemette. Hope indicated that members of a creative writers club will write their story inspired by the book bags. Other Announcements: Jeannette Mann indicated several quilt donations made to Camp Ta-kum-Ta; Martha Forauer mentioned dog bed project.

The meeting was adjourned for Show and Tell on a motion of Brooke Conger and Audrey Moore.
For Membership Vote

At the October guild meeting, paid members in attendance will be asked to vote on the following.

The Board has approved a Membership Challenge for this fiscal year (July 2016 – June 2017) that will reward two Honorary Memberships to two members for next fiscal year (July 2017 – June 2018), drawn from two separate pools. The drawings will be held at the June 2017 meeting. The first pool of names will include all new members from this year. These new members will be encouraged to share how they found out about the guild, and the second pool of names will include the member who referred any of these new members to the guild.

At the November guild meeting, paid members in attendance will be asked to vote on the following changes to the Bylaws.

1) Delete from the duties of the Secretary - To communicate with the local media in publicizing monthly meetings. (This duty has been transferred to Publicity).

2) Clarify the duties of Secretary - To keep minutes of general meetings and the Executive Board meetings, To present the minutes in printed form or verbally as directed by the membership
   - Minutes of Executive Board meetings will be recorded in full and archived with the Historian. Highlights of these minutes will be published in the newsletter.
   - Minutes of general meetings will be recorded in full, archived with the Historian, and published in the newsletter.

3) Edit duties of President - To store the Guild banner gavel and sound system and bring them to meetings and to maintain the key to the meeting hall. (A gavel is no longer used, other provisions are made to have meeting places opened.)

Membership News

Thank you to all who have paid their membership dues! I would like to remind everyone else that it is time to renew your CVQG membership. The annual dues are still $35 for the coming 2016 – 2017 year. It would be greatly appreciated if you could pay before or at the October meeting, so I can produce a new membership list for the November meeting. Please see the CVQG website for the membership forms under FORMS. My address is at the bottom of the membership form. If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call at 802-862-8171. Thanks! Carla White

Block of the Month

October Raffle Block (red, white and blue signature block for quilts of valor - due October mtg.)

Use your 2 ½” strips (width of fabric selvage to selvage). Each set of 3 strips will make six 6 ½” (unfinished) blocks. Blocks will be “sold” for $1.00 at our Quilt Show for signatures and well wishes to raise funds for Quilts Of Valor supplies.

Donna Hamill

For complete instructions, see our website http://www.cvqgvt.org/2016-2017-block-of-the-month.html
For Those Entering Quilts In The Show

- Drop-off Date: Tuesday, October 18th
- Time: between 4:30 and 6:30 pm
- Location: Champlain Valley Expo, 105 Pearl Street, Essex Junction
- The State Building

Please check our 2016 Quilt Show link for instructions how to prepare each entry.

Additional Instructions And Reminders:

- Each quilt has to be placed separately in a cloth or white drawstring plastic bag.
- We will have a few extra bags if you need them.
- Please do not use dry cleaning bags or BLACK garbage bags.
- At the end of the show we must have the bags back under each quilt within 10-12 minutes, and there is no way we can handle the variety of “creative packaging” to have a speedy take down and quilt return.
- Be sure to bring your paperwork. We handle a lot of quilts and all forms are necessary to keep track of them. Please use safety pins to attach form 3 to the bottom right corner of the back of your quilt. (straight pins can be lethal)
- If you are unable to deliver your quilt at this provided time, try to get someone else to bring it for you.

At The Close Of The Quilt Show

We will aim for the quilts to be available 30-45 minutes after the 4pm closing of our show.

- All quilts must go through the desk and proper paperwork. Do NOT collect your own quilt, even if you a “take-down” person. For us that comes up as a missing quilt.
- Remember to bring your pick-up receipt with you.
- If you cannot pick up your quilt, it would be most helpful if you assign someone else to retrieve it for you. Just be sure they have your form #2.

If you have any follow-up questions you can call Carla White at 802-862-8171 or Jeannette Harrison at 802-871-5025

Food Donations Needed for Friday Reception

The Quilt Show will be upon us in no time, so we will be asking for donations of cookies, cheese & crackers, fruit, etc. to be served at the reception on Friday night; your donation can be dropped off that day. Please be on the lookout for our sign up sheets at the guild meeting on Monday, October 4 if you would like to help out. Thank you! Connie McDonald and Jackie Matriani

Thanks to all the Champlain Valley Fair Volunteers!

Over the 10 days of the fair, more than 35 volunteers sold 1,961 tickets, 77% in whole books. A total of $1,667.00 was collected from non-members. Several volunteers did double duty, returning again to fill the time slots. I really appreciate everyone who stepped up. I hope you all had a chance to get some good fair food! The maple creemees were excellent, not to mention all the fried everything! Member sales have reached 50% of goal. Total raffle ticket sales so far: $2,744.00. 

Sue Rivers

Green Mountain Guild

The autumn meeting of the Green Mountain Quilters Guild will be held on October 29 in Barre, VT. For more information, check their website http://greenmountainquiltersguild.weebly.com/ . Meeting highlights include:

- Demo: Set Yourself Free with Mary Schilke. Mary will show how easily plain white fabric can be turned into an art piece by using paints, inks, transfers, and gel plates. She will also discuss thread painting, picture transfer and more ....
- Demo: Rulers and Domestic Machine Quilting with Spooky Buzzi. Spooky demonstrates how to use the new rulers specific to domestic machine quilting. She will discuss the particular needs and feet for using these innovative rulers.
- Quilters Yard Sale, Show & Tell…..

If you would like to carpool, contact Linda Lane. purplelaner@gmail.com

October 2016
Community Quilts

We are combining several bags of fabrics to patterns that you MIGHT wish to try making into a special QUILT. They certainly look Pretty in their bags.......!!

From our Group leader..........Jane told a very enlightening story that should be told: In June, a family of my husbands' acquaintance suffered the total loss of their rented house. While safe, they lost everything to fire, water, or smoke. CQ's gave them 3 quilts which I delivered to the wife's place of employment. As she was adoring the quilting detail she asked me who made the quilts. I responded that guild members had done all the work but I was not aware of which individuals. Unpacking the third quilt I said "These are for your own beds." To which she responded in teary eyes "we just assembled our beds last night." We met as strangers but parted as friends after several hugs. Thank you CQ.  Jane Henley Stone.

One other note........the November workshop will be pushed up to after the holidays. Enjoy your Fall.

Judy Siccama

Programs & Workshops

October 5 2016: Kathryn Greenold Workshop - Broderie Perse

This workshop includes a discussion of the history of Broderie Perse appliqué quilts, both in Europe and the United States. Various methods for achieving the special effects desired will be demonstrated. Each participant will use print fabrics of her own choosing to create a unique wall hanging or quilt block. Machine and hand embroidery will be discussed. Lots of examples will be available for participants to see. See registration form on page 7.

November 2016: Wendy Butler Berns

Lecture: Capering with Creativity and our Quilts

Wander with Wendy as she guides you through an eclectic collection of traditional and contemporary quilts, all with a common thread - captivating color. She will offer ways of taking a few small steps or multiple bold ones in experimenting with color. Wendy will then explore ways of approaching the color challenge using a tried and true tool - the color wheel.
Workshop: The Third Dimension, Embellishing with Tantalizing Threads.

Special request: Looking to borrow a Bernina 440QE or something comparable (Bernina 550QE) for the November Workshop instructor to use on November 2. Contact Michele Cummings at 802-92294610 or programs@cvqgvt.org if you are willing to loan your machine for the day.

Confident beginner to advanced-Students need to have some experience using a darning foot

Explore exciting embellishing techniques for textural surface design!! Come join us in this technique and project based class. Beginning with fused design elements and our darning foot, we will explore tantalizing threads, couching, the basics of machine bobbin drawing, use of tulle and water soluble stabilizer and the many ways these techniques can be used for eye-popping results. This is a technique and project class. We will work on an experimental piece and possibly begin a mini piece during class using a student’s original design or a pattern that students can purchase the day of class for $10  Registration form on page 7.

Busy Bees

✧ Are you looking for new members to join your bee? Would you like to start or join a bee? Please contact our beekeeper, Adrian Garneau at adrian_gameau@yahoo.com or call 802-891-6543

✧ Hope Johnson takes care of gardens and interior plants at the Residences at Shelburne Bay, 185 Pine Haven Shores Rd, Shelburne on Wednesdays and noticed a group of women hand and machine sewing in their lovely lounge area. She met one of the volunteers, Ann Cousins, who told her about their “Handmade by Shelburne Bay Sewing Club” that makes small items the sale of which goes to HANDS-VT, a nonprofit organization that provides senior meals, holiday baskets, and community gardens for seniors and veterans. The sewing club meets Wednesdays at 2:00pm at the Great Room, West Building. Maybe local community members of the guild would like to stop by and sew and share their expertise with their group. Ann’s contact info is ascousins@gmavt.net.

Tips & Tricks

Some tips from http://www.guiltaholics.com/tips.htm

✧ Before washing your fabric, trim the corners off the selvage edges at a diagonal. This prevents the cut edge from raveling in the wash, and is a great way to tell at a glance if you've prewashed that fabric!

✧ A good tip when washing flannel so that all those loose ends don't tangle is put it in a pillowcase first. I wash "like" colors together and dry them the same way. No more tangles mess when done!

Spotlight on our Members

When you hear of members who have made the news, please contact newsletter@cvqgvt.org.

Sunshine Corner

Knowing that someone cares can really make a person’s day. If you know of a member who could use a card, contact Sue Rivers.

Electric Quilt Software Classes - get in touch with Colette Kaiser if you want to be on her mailings for upcoming class opportunities. She is scheduling a Beginner/Intermediate class soon, and an Advanced Intermediate sometime this fall. cbk.vermont@yahoo.com. You will need a laptop to participate, but it's not necessary to have purchased the EQ software as a full function demo version can be installed
2016-2017 Officers & Committees

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Sunshine............... Sue Rivers
Teacup Auction............... TBD
Webmaster............... Marty DelNevo

Workshop Registration Form

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.

Name_________________________________________ Check # ____________________________
Email address ___________________________________ Phone _____________________________

____ Wed. October 5 Kathryn Greenwold - Broiderie Perse
  $45 members/ $50 non-members. Mail check and form for Kathryn’s class to:
  Michele Cummings, 130 Hinesburg Hollow Rd., Huntington, VT 05462

____ Wed. November 2 Wendy Butler Berns - Third Dimension Embellishing with Tantalizing Threads
  $45 members/ $50 non-members. Mail check and form for Wendy’s class to:
  Carol Bloomhardt, 1381 Silver St., Hinesburg, VT 05461

Workshop Cancellation Policy: A refund will be given (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.
2016-2017 Programs-at-a-Glance
October...Kathryn Greenwold
November...Wendy Butler Berns
December....Holiday Party
February.... Modern Quilt Guild
April....Meg Cox
May....Dominique Ehrmann
June...Teacup Auction & Pot Luck Supper

Remember !!!
Name tag
October raffle block
Show & Tell
Membership Renewal
Quilt Raffle Tickets
Checkbook
Library Books
Notify friends about our show & raffle quilt