President’s Message

Hello Friends,

Well, it's beginning to look a lot like winter. I hope you all have found time to get together and sew with your quilting friends. It's definitely a highlight for me. Have you already made your December Raffle Block? I have more holiday scraps than I thought I did. I won't know until next Tuesday how many I can get done. It's a mystery, even to me!

I'm looking forward to tasting everybody's finger food at the Holiday Guild meeting. Remember it starts earlier than usual at 6:00. I'm really looking forward to getting my round-robin assignment, too. I've done a couple of round Robins and have found it a little nerve-wracking to work on someone else's quilt. But I've probably done my most careful sewing for other people. I just have to remember to start in right away and not think I have plenty of time before the next Guild meeting. And bring your things for Show and Tell. I wonder if we'll see all the quilts from the Community Quilts Jelly Roll Race.

Don't forget to keep an eye out for the Quilt Show meetings that have begun and would benefit from your energy! I hope you each have a wonderful holiday season.

Yours in service, Lyn Hoffelt, CVQG President

December 5 Program

Come and share in the joy of the season at our Annual Holiday Party to be held at Essex Alliance Church. Hospitality time starts early - 6:00!

Please bring a sweet or savory finger food dish to share. We will provide the silverware, drinks, and the entertainment.

Come ready to play, participate and have fun!
**Upcoming Events**

Please support our area quilt guilds by attending their shows!

**Nov. 16-Jan. 6:** Fiber, Watercolor, Ink, featuring Anne Standish, at the Emile Gruppe Gallery, Jericho, VT.

**May 3-6: 2018:** Spring Retreat

It is time for me to step down as the photographer for the guild. If you are interested in taking on this fun position, please come talk to me at the next meeting. You would need to have your own camera. A cell phone works perfectly. I would be happy to help get pictures posted to Facebook.  

_Linda Lane_

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**November Meeting Minutes**

Location: Alliance Church, Essex, VT

Meeting was called to order by President L. Hoffelt at 7pm.

Due to the illness of the speaker, tonight’s presentation and tomorrow’s workshop had been canceled.

Ruth Whitaker reminded everyone to sign up for the Round Robin quilts. Random assignment of members and Queen Bee for each 5-person group will be ready at December holiday mtg.

Rita Bortz reported a good response to the Community quilt gathering on 10/28. Habitat for Humanity has several new projects this year and Rita has several quilts ready to donate.

Lyn Hoffelt reports recent Green Mountain Guild meeting elected new leaders and provided several interesting demos as their program.

Anne Standish reports that the first 2018 Quilt Show Kickoff will be Tues, 11/28 at 5:57pm at Yankee Pride. Please arrive a little early as the shop closes at 6pm and the doors will be locked. Future meetings will at the same time and place on the third Tues of the month.

Current membership is 111, with a new addition this week.

Betsy Knox was fall cleaning and brought sewing goodies to give to members.

Hope Johnson asked for additional small quilts with a Light to Darkness theme to add to the Challenge quilts on traveling display. The 12 submissions are lovely in the Shelburne Library, but the Senior Center spaces offer larger areas and opportunities for other members’ quilts. Contact Ruth Whitaker.

Marty DelNevo reports that VQF requires Chairs for Volunteers, Events and a Registrar. She would be happy to discuss time commitments and responsibilities with any interested members.

After a brief break, the Business meeting continued.

Minutes of 10/3/17 were accepted as presented.

Donna Hamill presented Wendy Thompson with the 29 flying geese blocks as this month’s Block of the Month winner. Donna also showed the December and January blocks, encouraging everyone to provide 2 January blocks. They will be made into Quilts of Valor.

Lyn Hoffelt reminded all members that they are welcomed to Board meetings on second Tues of the month. Details of place on the website.

Meeting closed at 7:42pm. Show and Tell followed.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 5 at Alliance Church at 6 PM. Please note earlier time! Bring a savory or sweet finger food to share.

**Board Meeting Snippets**

- **Photographer** needed immediately. Contact Lyn Hoffelt or Linda Lane.
- Raffle Quilt 2017 has reached 67% of goal. Tickets still available and must be returned by December 5 Holiday Party.
- **Note:** Holiday Party begins at 6pm. Please join us at the Alliance Church in Essex and bring a sweet or savory finger food to share.
- Look for **Sew-in activities** during the day in January and February. **TBA**

_Barbara Harrison, Secretary_
Round Robin Quilt ~ Update!

Twenty-five people signed up to participate in the round robin project beginning in January. I have drawn names, randomly and have five groups of five. The names will be available at the December meeting. Hopefully each group can get together briefly and discuss how they will pass their bags and who to contact if unable to get to a meeting. I’m looking forward to this activity and seeing the creativity of our talented members.

Ruth Whitaker 985-2950

Quilt Show

The next 2018 CVQG Quilt Show Meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec 19, 6 pm at Yankee Pride.

I encourage new members or members who have not joined in in the past to come to this meeting with fresh ideas. I am counting on many hands to make lighter work to create the best show ever. Please join us.

Anne Standish, Quilt Show Chair

Raffle Quilt

Last chance to get your tickets!

The 2017 raffle quilt, Rhapsody in Blue, is going to its new home on December 5! So far, we’ve raised $2,306.00. Right now, we are at about 2/3 of the way to our goal of $3,500.00. I’d love to see another $1,000 in sales at the December meeting!!! If you haven’t already purchased your 3 books, you can mail a check, made out to CVQG for $15.00, to me, along with your 18 address stickers and I will fill out your tickets for you! All the sold tickets will be in a big bag at the December meeting, and the winner will be drawn after Show and Tell. Be sure to be at the meeting, you might be the lucky winner!

Thanks to everyone who bought tickets, worked at the different venues to sell tickets, and those who went above and beyond in extra ticket sales!

Sue Rivers 863-5042 harleysue98@myfairpoint.net
237 Shelburne Road, Burlington, VT 05401

Spotlight on Our Members

Super Senior Perri Duso

What a surprise to see guild member Perri Duso appearing on WCAX TV as its Super Senior! Perri shared the story about how she dealt with the death of her husband by making remembrance bears from his flannel shirts. She pieces “together memories one stitch at a time” and gifts them to her family members.

http://www.wcax.com/content/news/Super-Senior-Perri-Duso--458070513.html

What talent we have in our guild! When you or another guild member makes the news, please let me know. Janet Brunet newsletter@cvqgvt.org
Hello Everyone,
A big thank you to everyone who attended the Quilt Workshop. Several Jelly Roll quilt tops were made and taken home to be finished! Bindings were sewn on, educational demonstrations were presented. Good company and good food were also shared!

We have the names of the three families who will be moving into the new triplex being built by Habitat for Humanity in Essex. Also the ages of their children. We will be able to supply them with quilts as they start their lives in new homes.

There will be quilt tops with their backing and batting on the back of the pews. If you are able to take one to quilt and return, your support is very much appreciated. Thank you. Rita Bortz and Tammy Hall, Co-chairs

Thank you for coming to the Community Quilt Workshop last month. Our goal was to provide an informal opportunity to gather socially, get to know one another in a casual, relaxed environment, have some laughs and do good. Big success!!! Here are a few photos of the day. Hope you enjoy them. Janet Jaffe
Officer & Committees 2017-2018

Officers

President.................. Lyn Hoffelt
Vice President............ Linda Lane
Secretary............... Barbara Harrison
Treasurer............... Adrian Garneau
Programs............... Carol Bloomhardt, Caroline Juneau
Past President......... Pat Hechmer

Committee Chairs

Community Quilts....... Rita Bortz, Tammy Hall
Challenge Quilt 2017 ..... Jeannette Harrison, Connie McDonald
Challenge Quilt 2018... Sue McGuire
Dec. Program............ Janet Jaffee, Claire Graham-Smith
June Program Coordinator..... TBD
Historian............... Joanne Guillemette
Info Booth............. Claire Graham-Smith
Librarian............... Pam Farnsworth
Membership............. Carla White
Nominating(3)......... TBD
Newsletter............... Janet Brunet
Photographer........... Linda Lane
Publicity............. Laura Clements (2017), TBD (2018)
Quilt Show 2018....... Anne Standish
Quilts of Valor Raffle...... Joanne Guillemette, TBD
Rack Rentals: Adrian Garneau (key keeper), Linda Lees (coordinator)
Raffle Blocks........ Donna Hamill
Raffle Quilt Construct. 2018... MAQ (Mountain Art Quilters)
Raffle Quilt Manager 2018... by event
Spring/Fall Camp Retreat...... Linda Lane, Lyn Hoffelt
Sunshine............... Sue Rivers
Teacup Auction.......... TBD
Webmaster............... Marty DelNevo

Representatives

Green Mountain Guild..... Marty DelNevo
Quilts of Valor......... Andre Emmell

December  2017
DECEMBER 2017 RAFFLE BLOCK OF THE MONTH
BLOCK - Holiday Rail Fence
SIZE - 8" x 8" finished & 8 ½" x 8 ½” unfinished
FABRIC CHOICE - Holiday fabric colors with a dominant red strip on one outside edge
CUTTING - 4 2 ½” x 8 ½” strips; 3 in holiday colors & 1 red

SEWING - please use a 2mm stitch length and ¼” seam allowance
1. Sew four strips together (red on the outside)
2. press all seam allowances in one direction

IDEAS:
6 blocks = small table runner (2 x 6 blocks; 16” x 40”)
9 blocks = table topper (3 x 3 blocks; 24” x 24”)
10 blocks = large table runner (2 x 5 blocks; 16” x 48”)
72 blocks = lap quilt (8 x 9 blocks; 64” x 72”)

JANUARY 2018 RAFFLE BLOCK OF THE MONTH
Challenge: if 100 people make 2 blocks we can provide enough to make 5-6 Quilts of Valor!
BLOCK - OLD GLORY FLAG
SIZE - 10” x 10” finished & 10 ½” x 10 ½” unfinished
FABRIC CHOICE - Red and white for stripes & blue stars

CUTTING -
1. Blue Star fabric- 1 5 ½” x 5 ½” square
2. Red - 1 1 ½” x 34” strip (if using fat quarter, 3 WOF 1 ½” strips); sub cut into 6 1 ½” x 5 ½” strips
   1 1 ½” x 17” strip
3. White - 1 1 ½” x 34” strip (fat quarter, 2 WOF 1 ½” strip) sub cut into 6 1 ½” x 5 ½” strips

SEWING - please use a 2mm stitch length and ¼” seam allowance
1. Sew 6 pairs of red and white strips together
2. Sew 2 pairs together (now you have 3 strip units)
3. Place the 1 ½” x 17” red strip right side up at your machine. Place the white strip of a 2 unit pair on top right sides together, sew; add 2 more strip units to the red strip. Cut apart. Press all seam allowances towards the red fabric
4. Following the picture to have the stripes in proper alignment, assemble your four patches. Stitch with the pieced end of the block on top so the seam allowances stay where you want them.
Press seam allowances.

Donna Hamill 899-1995 (vthamill@gmail.com)
**Treasurer’s Report**

* as of November 15, 2017

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**Net Income**

| Actual | -399.00 |
**Programs-at-a-Glance**

December 2017 - Holiday Party  
January 2018 - VQF - Behind the Scenes at VQF  
February 2018 - Laura Poirier - Visual Clues in Design  
March 2018 – Demo Night  
April 2018 – Carla Klop – Shortcut Sheets  
May 2018 – Alison Bolt, Confessions of a Type A Quilter  

**Remember to Bring !!!**

- Party starts at 6:00!  
- Sweet or savory finger food to share  
- Monthly raffle block  
- Items for fidget quilts  
- Items for raffle prizes  
- Name tag  
- Membership dues  
- Show & Tell