President’s Message

Hello Friends,

I had a wonderful time at the Christmas party last month. It was such a nice turnout, and everyone’s food was so good. What a spread! Thank you Caroline and Claire for taking on the party and doing such a great job. I tried to get there really early, but I still didn’t beat the early helpers. Thanks also to all the helpers, which might be all of us! Tables went up and down, chairs were unstacked and stacked, food appeared and disappeared, all in the blink of an eye. I’m very happy to be part of this wonderful Guild, and happy to be getting to know everyone.

On to January. Happy New Year! Keep a look out for opportunities to get together and sew. There are a couple of Guild sew-ins coming up; there’s the January block of the month for Quilts of Valor; and there are a lot of Community Quilts quilt tops that need to be finished. Straight-line quilting on your home machine is all that’s needed.

I will continue to mention the 2018 quilt show because many hands make light work. There are still show committees that need members. A lot of the time spent will be next Fall, closer to the show. There’s time to find out how you can help and decide what you want to do. All you have to do is ask Anne Standish, or better yet, attend a show meeting and listen to all the plans being discussed.

Gratefully Yours, Lyn Hoffelt, CVQG President

Upcoming Programs:

January 2018 – VQF: “Behind the scenes at VQF” - presented by Teela Dufresne

February 2018 - Laura Poirier, an art teacher at Mater Christi, will present "Visual Cues in Design"

March 2018 – Demo Night

April 2018 – Carla Klop will talk about her Shortcut Sheets methods to make multiple units of 7 different blocks at the same time - the only tool needed is a regular 24” quilting ruler. Half Square Triangles, Quarter Square Triangles, Flying Geese, Hunter's Star, Hourglass, Triangle in a Square and Six Point Star are currently available.

May 2018 –Alison Bolt, Confessions of a Type A Quilter

Carol Bloomhardt & Caroline Juneau, Programs Co-chairs
December Meeting Minutes

Location: Alliance Church, Essex, VT

Thanks to Caroline Juneau and Claire Graham-Smith and all the members who brought goodies and good cheer, the guild enjoyed our annual Holiday party. Games reintroduced us to each other as we tried to guess baby pictures, tell truth from lies (who would guess that one of us met Nixon on a beach in NJ?) and examine the depths of our handbags.

The meeting was called at 6:50pm by President Lyn Hoffelt.

Anne Standish reports that the Show meetings have begun. The theme will be “Coming Full Circle”. Next meeting will be 1/16/18 at Yankee Pride. Please remember to arrive before doors close at 6pm.

Ruth Whitaker introduced each Round Robin group. Groups met briefly at the end of the meeting.

Pat Hechmer reports that we will have a sew-in in January and another in February at Trinity Episcopal Church in Shelburne. Times and date TBA

Sue McGuire asked for interest in a workshop on using long arm quilt rulers on a domestic machine. With several members responding, she will arrange a workshop at St. Jude’s Church in Hinesburg TBA

Donna Hamill announced Block of the Month winner: Donna Pittman. Donna also encourages all members to make at least two “flag” blocks for January that will be donated to the Quilts of Valor project.

This year’s raffle quilt winning ticket was drawn and the winner is Audrey Moore.

The meeting closed at 7:53pm. Show ’n Tell followed.

Barbara Harrison, Secretary

Guild Library

Library Scraps
We all have scraps – right? To use them up, try a couple of books from our library:

◆ “15 Minutes of Play – Improvisational Quilts” by Victoria Findlay Wolfe

◆ “Liberated Quiltmaker II” by Gwen Marston

Both books have wonderful illustrations from antique to modern, and your scraps will turn into treasures. Maybe you want a scrappy center for an “Ohio Star” or use strips to stack up “Roman Coins”. The library has resources to help no matter what your passion is and we always want to learn something new to grow outside the box

Carroll Albertson
Quilt Show

At our kick off meeting in November, we voted on the quilt show theme, which is also the challenge quilt theme: Coming Full Circle. This theme can be interpreted in so many ways, and I can't wait to see what guild members create with this theme in mind. This could be seasonal, the life cycle, spiritual, recycling policy, political. Those of you who are participating in the Round Robin project, this theme is perfect. In order to get you started on how to think about this theme, June Sweeney submitted several quotes to me that popped up when she googled "Full Circle" -

- Everything comes full circle. That is why it is important to beware of envy, jealousy and greed, because what you project is what you receive and echoes into eternity. Melanie M Kaulaurn
- One season ends, another begins. A bird flies toward warmer climate and a new home is left for those winter friends left behind. every beginning is an end, and every end a new beginning. Meredith Winn
- A woman is the full circle. Within her is the power to create, nurture, & transform. Diane Mariechild
- Life is a circle of happiness, sadness, hard times, and good times. If you are going through hard times have faith that good times are on the way. Unknown
- Sometimes life brings you full circle to a place you have been before just to show you how much you have grown. Unknown

Our next show meeting is on Tuesday, January 16, 5:57 pm, at Yankee Pride. Some of you have given me a "maybe" on coordinating marketing, basket raffle, vendors, and craft table. Those slots still need to be filled. Here's to a peaceful, loving, and tolerant 2018.

Anne Standish, Quilt Show Chair

Raffle Quilt

Rhapsody in Blue goes to appreciative new home!

![Raffle Quilt Image]

Our 2017 Raffle Quilt, Rhapsody in Blue, has gone to its new home with long-time guild member Audrey Moore! Out of approximately 3,000 tickets sold, hers was the one pulled as the winner!

Thanks to everyone who bought their tickets, and to those who went above and beyond in ticket sales. **Ruth Whitaker sold over 300 tickets!** Several others also sold many extra tickets, but I don't have exact counts for anyone else, sorry! Our goal for the raffle quilt was $3,500.00. We actually reached about 75%, $2,609.00. A good job for a year without a quilt show, we'll do better next year!

Sue Rivers
Came Here to Quilt

Sew-In: Saturday, January 13, 10am-2pm
Trinity Episcopal Church, Route 7
Shelburne Village

Looking for an opportunity to finish a UFO, get some quilting advice, or just get out of the house? Grab a project and come join us for a casual guild sew-in. We'll provide irons and boards.

We'd like to know you're coming, but last minute participants are welcome.

Contacts: Sue Rivers (863-5042) and Pat Hechmer (878-3725)

Can't make this one? We have another sew-in planned at Trinity Episcopal Church, Thursday, February 15, noon-4 pm.

Quilting Ruler PopUp
Have rulers to use for machine quilting on domestic machines? Haven't practiced enough with them? It's on my list for this winter. Thinking about using them but don't know where to start?

As presented at the December meeting, I'm planning a "PopUp" gathering to informally work on those issues.

If you'd like to participate, contact me with days of the week that work best during January or early February. I'll figure out the best that fits the most folks. We'll most likely meet at my church in Hinesburg since so many were interested in December.

You'll need to bring machines, the deep free motion foot needed for using rulers and your supply of rulers (or not, we'll share). Also will need a bunch of fabric 'sandwiches' as practice pieces. We'll share ideas and get some practice in.

Contact Sue McGuire at mcguires@comcast.net or 482-3075

Community Quilts

This summer some children attending the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library program in Underhill Flats drew their favorite book covers. The drawings were combined with CQ fabric and sewn into a large wall hanging by the librarian. Next, Carol Thurgate and Jane Henley-Stone quilted the hanging on a long arm. The librarian did the binding and the hanging is now displayed full time in the project room.

Respectfully submitted, Jane Henley-Stone
Officers & Committees 2017-2018

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June Program Coordinator.....TBD
Historian..................Joanne Guillemette
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Librarian................Pam Farnsworth
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Nominating(3)............TBD
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Photographer.............Marty DelNevo
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

Programs & Workshops


Through a PowerPoint presentation and completed quilts learn a new and
innovative way to make these 7 common quilt units or blocks using only a 24”
quilting ruler

- Half Square Triangles, make 100 at a time
- Quarter Square Triangles, 44 per sheet
- Hourglass, 44 per sheet
- Flying Geese, 40 per sheet
- Triangle in a Square, 24 at the same time
- Hunters Star, no fail, no fuss
- Six Point Star, 10 at once

Workshop April 4th, “Shortcut Techniques”

A full day to learn as many of the techniques as each person wants. Each technique has a practice pattern to
help learn the technique. When the technique is mastered students may want to select from over 20 patterns
that use Shortcut Sheet techniques. Fabric, patterns and some notions will be available.
Workshop Registration Form
April 4, 2017

Carla Klop “Shortcut Techniques”
You can pick out your kit at the lecture on April 3rd or at the workshop on April 4th. Kit Fee is $15.00 paid directly to Carla Klop.

Payment is required at time of sign-up. Make workshop checks payable to CVQG. Sign up at the meeting or, after confirming availability.

Name ___________________________ Check # __________
Email address _________________________ Phone __________

$45 for members / $50 for non – members, Mail check and form for Carla’s workshops to
Carol Bloomhardt
1381 Silver St.
Hinesburg, VT 05461

Location: United Church of Colchester, 900 Main Street Colchester, VT 05446
Time: 9:00 am – 3:30pm,

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.

Raffle Block of the Month

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

For instructions see the December newsletter or go to our website at
FEBRUARY 2018 RAFFLE BLOCK OF THE MONTH

BLOCK- Scrappy Rectangles
SIZE- 12” x 12” finished (12 ½” x 12 ½” unfinished)
FABRIC CHOICE- light and darker fabrics any type (the more the better)
CUTTING-
1. Lights- 6 different 2 ½” x 4 ½” rectangles
2. Darker fabrics- 12 different 2 ½” x 4 ½” rectangles
SEWING-
1. Preassembly-
   a. Lights- sew two pairs together on the short ends
   b. Darks- sew two together along the long side
      sew two pairs together on the short ends
      sew three in tandem on the short ends (Sew two sets of three rectangles in tandem on the short ends)
   c. Press in one direction (direction does not matter because no seams need to match up!)
2. Assembly-
   a. Add a light 2 ½”x 4 ½” rectangle to the dark 2 rectangle unit along the opposite seamed ends, press to the outside
   b. Add the light 2 pair units to opposite sides to complete the light round, press to the outside
   c. Add the dark 2 pair units to opposite sides on the single light rectangle, press to the outside
   d. Add the dark triple rectangle units to the opposite sides to complete the dark round, press to the outside
Programs-at-a-Glance

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Remember to Bring !!!

Monthly raffle block
Items for fidget quilts
Items for raffle prizes
Name tag
Membership dues
Show & Tell