

**DO VOLUNTEER TO BE THE VICE PRESIDENT OF OUR GUILD.  
KEEP THIS ORGANIZATION VIBRANT AND ALIVE!!**

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 Creating Community
- 8:20 Break
- 8.30 Minutes, reports, Raffle  
Block
- 9.00 Meeting ends.

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**President's Address**

**NOVEMBER 2015**

Weren't the challenge quilts at last month's meeting wonderful? There were so many of them! Many thanks to Ruth and Hope for organizing the challenge and the exhibits happening around Chittenden County this month and next. And congratulations to Marya Lowe, Jeanette Harrison, and Jane Masenas, our winners, all of whom were entering for the first time.

I heard some speculation that the participation was so good because we are not having a quilt show this year; perhaps because people weren't so busy putting last minute touches on their show quilts. And that's a good segue to next year's show - stay tuned for a show committee meeting date which will be announced soon. We look forward to seeing lots of you recharged and ready to help make this upcoming show spectacular.

I'm also excited about the preparations for our Holiday Party. So much fun is planned, from live entertainment to door prizes for all! Be sure you don't miss it at St John Vianney parish center in South Burlington, the first Tuesday in December. Coming up a little sooner is our November meeting, and for our Creating Community initiative, we are excited to bring back Quilt Scavenger Bingo. Meet new people and enlist old friends to sign your bingo card and qualify for the prize drawings after the break. Hope to see you there!

Connie McDonald, CVQG President

**Tuesday, November 3, 7pm: Trunk Show**

Jo Diggs <http://jodiggs.com/newsite/>



Jo Diggs is best known for landscapes of great depth, distance and light that express feelings of quiet and serenity. The majority of Jo's current production is matted and framed appliqué landscapes; all of her appliqué is beautifully hand-stitched.

Over the years Jo has been published in many books and magazines including "Quilters Newsletter" and "American Quilter Magazine". Her work has been exhibited nationally and internationally and was featured at the Vermont Quilt Festival in 2013 in an exhibit of 50+ works titled "Life's Work: The Quilts of Jo Diggs".

**NEWSLETTER INFORMATION**

**Deadline is 15th of every month except for June and July. Please read Newsletter Parameters on website.** Briefly, use ARIAL font size 11, SINGLE line spacing; 3 spaces before paragraphs instead of an extra line. **Please send information as attachments.** I am still not getting the 3 spaces to delineate paragraphs yet, and the SINGLE LINE spacing. Please send me attachments even if your information is brief. It is much easier for me to work with. Otherwise I will forget to include it especially if I am busy.

**2015-2016 Officers & Committees**

President – Connie McDonald  
 VP – Pat Marmillion  
 Past President—Marty DelNevo  
 Secretary – Barbara Carter  
 Treasurer – Adrian Garneau  
 Program Co-Chairs – Janet Brunet & Pat Hechmer  
 Membership: Carla White  
 Quilt Show Chairman: TBA  
 Quilt of Valor Rep: Andre Emmell  
 Librarian – Pam Farnsworth & Leah Pastel  
 Community Quilts – Gail Babinger & Carol Thurgate  
 Quilt Retreat – Teela Dufresne  
 Challenge Quilt—Hope Johnson & Ruth Whitaker  
 Quilts of Valor Raffle – Joanne Guillemette & Hope Johnson  
 Photographer – Linda Lane  
 Historian – Joanne Guillemette  
 Rack Rentals – Adrian Garneau & Linda Lees  
 Raffle Blocks – Michele Cummings and Heather Bosen  
 Info Booth – Pam Farnsworth  
 Bus Trips—Jeannette Harrison  
 Green Mountain Rep – Mitzi Oakes & Marty DelNevo  
 Sunshine – Sue Rivers  
 Newsletter—Esther Nui  
 Webmaster: Marty DelNevo  
 Publicity—Heather Bosen  
 Hospitality—Kathy Kenney

**SPECIAL OFFER FROM TAMMY HALL**

Need a quilt machine quilted? Contact Tammy Hall and benefit both you and our guild. Tammy will donate 50% of her proceeds to the guild to help defray our operating costs. This offer is open to both quilt guild members and their friends. Please spread the word. Tammy can be reached at 802-881-9779.

**Community Quilts**

Thank you to all the guild members who brought quilts for us to distribute in October. We are always impressed with the beautiful quilts our members make. As those of you who have delivered quilts know, the recipients are always happy to receive them.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Community Quilts Workshop on Saturday, October 10. We had a great time and started some quilt tops for Janet Jaffe's Barre project.

Carol Thurgate, Sandi Hardy and Gail Babinger

**Library News!**

We have 6 new wheeled crates for storing and transporting books.

If you are a crate volunteer, please be sure to bring your crate(s) to the November meeting, so we can put the new crates into service and make all crates lighter. Thanks for helping keep the Guild Library available.

Pam and Leah

**October Board Snippets**

The following items were discussed.

- \*\*\*\*\*the drop in paid memberships
- \*\*\*\*\*the program for the December Holiday Party
- \*\*\*\*\*names of possible members to fill the positions of President Elect, Program co chars, and raffle quilt manager
- \*\*\*\*\*creating community ideas

- \*\*\*\*\*guidelines for the new position of publicity chair, facebook and website managers and setting up a facebook group
- \*\*\*\*\*getting information to new members
- \*\*\*\*\*number of print newsletters being sent out

Barbara Carter

**Sharing Corner**

Craftsy Classes: Interested in taking on-line quilting classes from some of the world's best instructors at a reasonable cost? Check out <http://www.craftsy.com/>. Not only quilting, but other crafts from cake decorating to woodworking. If you sign up for the newsletter, you will receive notifications of new classes and special promotions.

Some of us enjoyed a couple amazing workshops with Jacquie Gering in October. If you were unable to take her workshops, you might be interested in taking one of her Craftsy classes. If you would like to sign up with a group of friends, go to Jacquie's website and she will offer a group discount. Janet Brunet

**NOVEMBER BLOCK OF THE MONTH**

Next on the agenda for November is an easy block in traditional Christmas colors.

This pattern can be found at <http://www.quilterscache.com/S/SquaresUponSquaresBlock.html>

Please use Reds, Greens and Bright Whites. It should measure 12.5 x 12.5 when you are done. Have Fun . See website for information as well.



### Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild Minutes, October 6th, 2015

President Connie MacDonald opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. She reminded members to pay their membership dues to Carla White, and asked anyone with money to turn in, to see Adrian Garneau at the break. She asked if anyone would be available to sell raffle tickets at a tractor festival this Sunday. Hope Johnson reported that the sunflower quilt which members had helped make, was sold for \$2700.00. This income will provide a living from bees for 8 families. A reception to open the exhibit of challenge quilts at the Shelburne Library will be held on October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.

Kathy Kenny introduced two new members and 4 guests.

Pat Hechmer introduced the speaker, Jackie Gering who displayed several of her quilts, illustrating her quilting development as a modern quilter today.

After the speaker, members joined together in small groups to introduce themselves and greet others.

The minutes of the September meeting were approved as printed on a motion by Teela Dufresne and Lynn Hoffelt. Adrian reported \$173.00 had been raised at the Harvest Festival at Shelburne Farms for the raffle quilt. We have reached a disappointing 37 percent of our goal and members have to remember that the intake from these sales help defray all Guild expenses except for speakers.

Caroline Edmunds has quilting hoops to give away. Carol Thurgate and Janet Jaffe announced that a community quilts workshop will be held on October 10 at the Methodist church in Essex. Janet asked members to consider making small quilts for children. The quilts will be given away for Christmas by Kim Portalupi. These quilts are due at the December meeting, and Kim has fabric and patterns available for anyone interested in participating.

Marty DelNevo announced that Kathy Alyce has magazines and books to give away. They need to be picked up however. The library may acquire some of these books and magazines and the rest will be sold. Collette Kaiser and Laura Clements agreed to pick them up.

Ruth Whitaker announced the winners of the Challenge quilt contest. 25 quilts were entered, First Prize went to Marya Lowe; the second prize went to Jeanette Harrison and the third prize went to Jane Massena.

The October Board meeting will be held at the Williston Library, October 11th at 6:00 pm.

Michelle Cummings announced the receipt of 21 bibs. These will be given to the Children's Hospital at the UVM Medical Center. The November raffle block is on the website already and will be in the newsletter.

Andre Emmell informed us that about 30 quilts are in the process of being finished for Quilts of Valor. He will be working with the State Commander to distribute quilts to veterans. He suggested members make a 12 inch block of their choosing, and volunteers will transform them into quilts. Joanne Guilmette presented Adrian Garneau with the Quilt of Valor raffle prize.

Connie informed us that Pat Marmilion, our president elect will be moving in January. To ensure the life of this Guild, Connie asked members to consider volunteering for the position of vice president. The meeting adjourned on a motion of Marty DelNevo and Audrey Moore.

Show and Tell was held.

Barbara Carter

### QUILTS OF VALOR RAFFLE

Again, we are asking for items for the Quilts of Valor raffle...These do not have to be quilting items, they can be new or like new items that we can put into a basket with other items to have for the raffle. Please contact Hope Johnson or Joanne Guilmette with items you would like to donate. Thank you

## CVQG Programs/Workshops 2013-2014

### Wednesday November 4 Workshops: The Process of Landscape Design...

#### Landscapes in Cotton: Layering for Space (am)

#### Advanced Landscapes: A Design Class (pm)

**Time:** 9:00am to noon (am class) / 1pm to 4 pm (pm class)

**Cost:** \$30 for any one half day workshop (\$35 non-members),  
\$45 for full day (\$50 non-members)

**Skill Level:** The morning class is applicable to any skill level. Those taking the afternoon class should have prior experience in creating a fabric landscape, or have taken the morning class so they have an understanding of the process.

Jo will offer two landscape workshops on the same day. In the morning workshop, learn to layer fabric to create landscapes from simple to complex. Instead of piecing with patterns, enjoy free-cutting and building simple shapes using theories of perspective to suggest landscapes with illusions of space and distance, light effects, and glowing color



The afternoon workshop will build on the morning workshop in demonstrating how to enhance or change a landscape. While the morning workshop will work with fabric, the afternoon workshop will work with black and white and color copies of landscapes. The class will explore landscape enhancement, re-structuring, repeating, and morphing to make the basic landscape richer and more interesting. Paper exercises lead to expanded layouts with multiple views and shifting focus. This is a good class for a group with experience in creating landscapes.

Students in the afternoon class are invited to bring a landscape they have completed or are working to complete. The last half hour of the class will be devoted to a group critique of these works.



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### Raffle Quilt Tickets

The winning ticket for our 2015 raffle quilt, *Midnight Square Dance*, will be drawn at our regular guild meeting on **December 1**. Just four more weeks to sell/buy the winner! Tickets may be picked up at either the November or December meeting, or call me at 863-5042 and make arrangements to get more tickets. Remember, this is our big fund raiser for the year. Pictures of the quilt may be seen on the guild website, [www.cvqgvt.org](http://www.cvqgvt.org).

Thanks to everyone for your support!

Sue Rivers



## Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild – Fall Workshop Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Check #s \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Wednesday Nov. 4: 9 AM to Noon Jo Diggs Landscapes in Cotton

\_\_\_\_ Wednesday Nov. 4: 1 PM to 4 PM Jo Diggs Advanced Landscapes  
 Members: \$30 for any one of Jo's workshops, \$45 for both  
 Non-members: \$35 for any one of Jo's workshop, \$50 for both

Mail checks for Jo's workshops to Janet Brunet, 60 Mills Point Road, Colchester, VT 05446

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.

[programs@cvgqvt.org](mailto:programs@cvgqvt.org)

*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.*

### **Sew-In Announcement**

Our next sew-in at Yankee Pride (9 Main Street in Essex Junction) will be from 12 pm to 4 pm on Saturday, November 21st. Feel free to come for as long or short a period as you would like.

Bring whatever project(s) you would like to work on, as well as cutting tools and your machine if you need it. Yankee Pride has irons, ironing boards & cutting mats available, so you don't need to bring those items if you don't want to. This is not specifically for community quilts, so make sure to bring a project to work on. This is a free event, as Yankee Pride generously offers their classroom space at no charge when they don't have classes going on. There is no need to RSVP; just come if you can, when you can.

Contact Adrian Garneau with any questions at [adrian\\_garneau@yahoo.com](mailto:adrian_garneau@yahoo.com) or 802-891-6543

### **Pop-up Work Groups**

This is the place to meet up with fellow quilters for short term projects. Have fun, get to know other guild members, share skills and be inspired. Anyone can be a leader and advertise here. Any member can join in.

Project ideas are endless. Would you like to work with others on a free online tutorial? Work together in Craftsy classes? Make small gifts? Community project? Design? Work on UFO's and get some inspiration to finish? Just quilt?

To submit a popup, contact Janet Brunet. [jbrunetvt@gmail.com](mailto:jbrunetvt@gmail.com) or phone in guild directory. Let's get started!

### **Pop-up Project: Karen Eckmeier's Accidental Landscapes**

**Date/time: Monday, November 9, 9am -4 or when done**

We should be able to create a simple landscape in a day with Karen's easy technique. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ObTxKp7U9VE>

Leader: Janet Brunet, [jbrunetvt@gmail.com](mailto:jbrunetvt@gmail.com), 846-7392

Location: My home, 60 Mills Point Road, Colchester

Number of people: the first 4 to contact me. Table, sewing machine & supplies needed.

## **CVQG PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE 2015-2016**

For more information about our Programs, see our website [www.cvqvt.org](http://www.cvqvt.org) or stop by the Programs table at the meeting. We welcome your suggestions. Janet Brunet & Patricia Hechmer, Program co-chairs, [programs@cvqvt.org](mailto:programs@cvqvt.org).

**December 1: Holiday Program**

**January 5: Hope Johnson** <http://vermontquiltbee.com/>

**February 2: Cheryl Miller** <http://www.cherylmillerart.com/>

**March 5: TBD**

**April 5: Ann Petersen** <http://obsessivequilter.weebly.com/>

**May 3: Pam Damour** <http://www.pamdamour.com/>

**June 7: Potluck Dinner and Teacup Auction**