Meeting Location:
North Alliance Church,
901 North Ave,
Burlington, VT

6:00-7:00:
*Welcome to all
*Adjourn to Sanctuary
7:00-End:
*Elaine Quehl
*Business Meeting

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November 2 Program: Elaine Quehl at North Avenue Alliance Church

Elaine Quehl is an award-winning quilt artist and teacher who specializes in colorful and intricately stitched pieced and appliqué art quilts. She is recognized internationally for her expertise in free-motion machine quilting, fabric dyeing, and many innovative techniques for creating original quilts. Her work can be seen in many publications including the book *500 Art Quilts* and the magazine *Quilters Newsletter* (February 2010 and July 2007). [http://www.equarelle.ca/](http://www.equarelle.ca/)

Elaine will give a Powerpoint presentation that traces her journey as a quilter. She will also be bringing some of her favorite quilts to show. Elaine will be teaching two 3-hour workshops on Wednesday. Both workshops are currently full. If you would like to get on the waiting list, please contact Joanne Lattrell (jlattrell@gmail.com).

Janet Brunet & Joanne Lattrell

Directions to North Alliance Church, 901 North Avenue, Burlington! This is where we are meeting for the November meeting.

From interstate: the most direct way is West down Main Street; turn right at Battery and follow that as it turns into North Avenue. The church is at the first traffic light after Burlington High School, on the left.

If using the beltline, (Route 127), take the first exit, North Avenue, Beaches. Get in the LEFT lane at the first traffic light. Cross the street directly to enter the parking lot. Do not turn right on North Avenue.
Champlain Valley Quilter’s Guild Minutes, October 5th, 2010

President Rita Bortz opened the meeting and welcomed new members and guests. Ruth Whitaker asked for volunteers to bake breads and cookies for the judges’ lunch at the show on Thursday. Teela Dufresne said there are still many volunteers needed for the show and she would be looking for more people during the break. The minutes of the September guild meeting were adopted as printed on motion of Andre Emmel, and Marty DelNevo.

Janet Brunet, program co chair introduced our speaker, Joe Cunningham, the singing quilter. He presented a wonderful program of the story of Joe the Quilter, songs and showed several of his quilts and explained his quilting journey. He showed us his new book and announced that Andre has a quilt in the book.

After the break, Rita presided over the business part of the meeting.

Info table chair, Pam Farnsworth, presented the name tag raffle, won by Phyllis Billings.

Community Quilts co chair Wendy Thompson reminded members of the workshop for community quilts at the teen Center of the church on Saturday October 23rd, from 10 to 5. The winner of that raffle was Paula Fisher.

Tammie Schmitt read a thank you note from a mother of a soldier who received a quilt. She announced a retreat being considered at Strong House Inn for February and asked people to let her know if this interests you.

Library chair Claire Graham Smith is still looking for people to “adopt a crate” of books. She thanked all those who have volunteered so far.

Raffle Block chair Ann Standish explained the block for November. The October blocks were won by Mary Sevick.

The stocking raffle basket was won by our speaker who donated it back to the guild.

The Challenge quilts were shown by their makers and the prizes awarded. Third prize winner was Linda Lees, Mitzi Oakes won second place, and Jeanette Harrison won first. All the makers were presented ribbons and encouraged to enter their quilts in the show.

Program co chair Joanne Lattrell announced the October and November workshops are full and there is a waiting list. She reminded members the November meeting will be at North Avenue Alliance.

Quilt Show chair Susan Rivers announced there are 105 quilts entered in the show. The Show is Halloween weekend. Quilt drop off will be held at Faith United Church on Wednesday October 27th. Marty announced there are about 50 silent auction quilts and thanked everyone who has given a quilt.

Membership chair, Marty…..asked any members who have not renewed their memberships to do so by mail asap. The membership list is being prepared.

Rita announced a BBQ event to be held in Lyndonville….bed, breakfast and quilts. Ask her for more information.

The meeting was adjourned for Show and Tell on motion of Linda Lees and Caroline Edmunds.

Barbara Carter
**STOCKING RAFFLE**
The response to the stocking raffle has been exceptional, both on the part of the donated baskets and the purchasing of tickets. One member remarked that she is not able to help in a lot of other ways but bought 12 tickets as her way of helping. The September basket netted $166.00 and the October one netted $143.00.

Carol Derda has made up the November basket which is very tempting with books, patterns, fabric, a puzzle and of course—CHOCOLATE! Looking forward to December the basket will be donated by Emily Gagnon and Ruth Whitaker with an array of holiday items including some of Ruth’s special homemade chocolate fudge. Ruth Whitaker

**LIBRARY NOTES:**
The library is working on tying up loose ends for overdue books. Does anyone know these quilters not currently on the membership list? They are Susan Ainsworth-Daniels and Ginny Poplowski. If you do, please inform them that they have overdue books. They can contact me or just return them. Email claire@burlingtontelecom.net or call 660-8903.

Also a gentle reminder: CVQG books are ours to borrow for one month at a time. Kindly return them at the following meeting so that others can enjoy them. Claire Graham-Smith

**REMINDER: UFO CHALLENGE LISTS DUE**
Karen Abrahamovich needs your lists by November meeting. You can turn in your list of up to 8 UFOs to complete during this CVQG 2010-2011 season at the November meeting or email her your list: (kmabra@aol.com).

Karen Abrahamovich

**Treasurer Notice:**
During Thea’s travels, Andre and I are filling her shoes. Requests for reimbursement and money to be deposited should be sent to me, along with the reimbursement/deposit form which can be found on the website. This will start September 25th, and end January 15th.

My address is: Barbara Carter
64 Rivermount Terrace, Burlington, 05408
Barbara Carter (bacarter64@comcast.net)

**We still need a treasurer. This is only a temporary resolution to the problem.** This individual needs to have some accounting experience and be familiar with, or willing to learn Quikbooks. Please contact Rita Bortz if you can volunteer. Thank you.

**Spring Workshops:**
We will be finalizing our spring workshops in the next couple months and welcome your input. Our guest lecturers/teachers for the spring will be Anne Gallo and Sue Raban (April) and Nancy Prince (May). If you think you would like to take any of their workshops, please check their websites and let us know your preferences. Anne and Sue studied with Mary Ellen Hopkins and are well known for their piecing technique classes (http://www.yankeequilts.com/TechniqueClasses.html). Nancy Prince is famous for her thread painting and thread sketching. She also has an interesting looking class on quilting the landscape quilt (http://www.nancyprince.com/Workshops_Lectures.html).

Janet Brunet & Joanne Lattrell
**COMMUNITY QUILTS**

Thank you to everyone who turned out for the workshop - as usual we got a lot done and had a great time being together. Thank you also to the quilters that have stepped forward to quilt some of our larger quilts. I will be bringing several kits of them to the November meeting. **Remember all - we do not have kits at the December meeting so pick up your kits in November.** Happy Quilting now that the cooler weather has arrived.

Shirley Fuller  (safuller50@hotmail.com)

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**Assisting the Vermont Refugee Restlement Program**

Greetings, Quilting Friends! My name is Janet Jaffe and I'm a new guild member with a special interest in community service. Recently I've been involved in discussions with the Vermont Refugee Resettlement Program (VRRP) located in Fort Ethan Allen in Colchester. They would like to offer quilting opportunities and/or instruction for interested clients. I envision informal gatherings with an instructional component--possibly teaching quilting basics or a block per session, or working toward the completion of a small project. We might meet weekly or every couple of weeks. The sessions could be time-limited or ongoing. Really, the structure and substance are wide open for ideas and development. VRRP has a gathering place, 2 or 3 large bolts of cotton fabric and a single sewing machine available for use. However, they are unable to offer much else in the way of material support so supplies and sewing machines are details we would need to handle.

I would like to undertake this project with others who might be excited at the prospect of giving back to our community in a way that encourages others to share our love of quilt making. I do not do my own quilting and so have a special need for at least one other individual who would enjoy sharing this particular this skill with others.

If you have the time and interest, please feel free to email me Janet Jaffe (janetjaffe@myfairpoint.net) with questions, suggestions, or ideas.

Janet Jaffe

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**Gift Bag/Stocking Program**

The gift bag/stocking program is in need of some help from the membership. Please, if you haven't already done so, please return completed kits or pick up new ones to complete. It is also rapidly approaching the time of year when I must shop for the stuffers for the stockings and gift bags. In order for me to do so, I need to know what agencies, how many stockings /gift bags are needed, and the age of the recipients.

**At the latest, before the November meeting or during intermission** please let me know if you are supporting an agency and this information. The stocking program is located to the left of community quilts each month in the hall outside the auditorium, and I usually sit in the back of the auditorium. I can also be reached by email - kpd45@msn.com

Donna K. Johnson

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**SHOW RAFFLE TICKETS**

Thanks to so many of you who have picked up and returned your raffle tickets so far. We ask each member to buy or sell three books of tickets which cost $15.00. The money raised each year by the raffle provides a good share of the amount we have available to present the wonderful programs we enjoy. Tickets are being mailed to all the members who have not so far picked theirs up. You can mail me your check and tickets, or bring them to the show.

A note from the temporary treasurer......I have had some postal problems lately, so if your check is not cashed in two weeks, please contact me..... 863 5212.

Barbara Carter, 64 Rivermount Terrace, Burlington 05408

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"Homage to Grandmother ~ New quilts from old favorites" – October 30 & 31, the Coach Barn at Shelburne Farms

Bring your friends, spouses, parents, children, your in-laws and out-laws! The quilts are finished, Silent Auction items and crafts are done, the vendors are ready...it’s time for our 2010 quilt show! By the time you get this newsletter, the show will be upon us. We still need volunteers, especially white-glovers. Call or email Volunteer Coordinator Teela Dufresne 878-6484, teela.quilter@gmail.com to sign up. All show entranets, their guests and all guild members are welcome at the Friday night preview, October 29, 7-9 p.m. A thousand and one thank yous to all who helped to make this show happen! Susan Rivers 2010 Show Chair
December Raffle Block

3-D Stars

This month I have chosen to share a 3-D star pattern I came across in Vancouver British Columbia. I contacted the designer and we have permission to use her design. The construction is reminiscent of a snowball block, but folded not sewn. The triangles are not meant to come together in the middle of the patch.

Thinking of Christmas, I used a variety of reds and greens in a mostly whimsical style. Great place for Laurel Burch fabric. I stayed away from Santa, but that's just me.

For the 3-D stars centers I used bright yellow and golds. Think of the weight of a fabric as the folded technique gets bulky. Even Lame or shiny golds would be fine. Just watch the iron temp.

The blocks will finish at 11 ½".

For each 9 patch block, start by cutting 9 – 4” x 4” squares. Two fabrics are good, or scrappy is great. (If you are going to two or more blocks; please do, make the reds in the outside corners of one block and greens in the other.) You can use a fussy cut the center patch or not, but it's cute.

Layout your 9 patch and you are ready to decide the star fabric. First notice in the drawing Star Options, there are variations of the number of star parts you can use. The top row have no 'Snowballs' centers and the lower row do. 'Plains' have no Central points, or prairie points. The Center points can be on top of the star points, Outies; tucked behind the star points, 'Innies', or on of each, Twirlies. It's up to you.

For the stars for each block you will need 2 yellow/gold 4” x 4” sq. cut twice or 8 - 2” x 2” squares. This makes the outer star points. One more 4” x 4” squared cut in 2” x 2” squares for the snowball center and yet another for the Center prairie points. You can use a combination of yellow/golds for the stars.

Follow 'To Make Folded Stars'.

Once you chosen your star parts, baste the corners and edges to the background patch and assemble like a 9 patch.

The big thing that worked for me was pressing open seams in all directions. I used a dry iron with starch so I didn't burn myself and used caution.

At the end you might notice that the center background is sunken a little. Don't worry as the winner can choose to put a square of batting behind to puff it out.

Photo is of 4 blocks altogether.
To make Folded Stars:

**Star Centres** – there are two types, #1 - plain and #2 - snowballed (2).

#1 Use an undorned square of fabric as your central square. This can be from your background fabrics or your star fabrics. It’s up to you how subtle or bold the star will be.

#2 Cut a contrasting square in quarters. Fold and press each quarter on the bias (wrong sides together) to make a triangle. Pin or baste to the four corners of your central square. The points of the folded triangles will meet in the centre of the side of the square – they will not overlap.

![Diagram of #1 Plain and #2 Snowballed Star Centres]

**Outer Star Points** (8 per star):

Use two squares of star fabric. Cut each in quarters. Fold and press each quarter on the bias (wrong sides together) to make triangles. Pin or baste to background square (two per square) matching raw edges. You will need four units per star.

![Diagram of Outer Star Points]

**Central point** (4 per star) (optional):

Use one square of fabric. Cut into quarters. Fold and press each small square on bias (wrong sides together). Fold and press again on bias, to make a “prairie point” with four layers of fabric. Pin or baste to same background square as the outer star points, creating an “innie”, an “outie” or a “twirly” effect (see next page). Pin or baste in place on the background square.

![Diagram of Central Point]

Play around with your fabric choices for your stars, using the same or a variety of fabrics for the star centre, center triangles, outer points and central point.
**Star Options:**

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Sew Stars into 9-patches, matching seams. It is usually necessary to “twist” the seam allowance in order to get them to lie nicely.
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- Sat. Nov. 27: 20% off brown fabric

**New at Yankee Pride**
- *Batiks by Hoffman*
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- *Flannel Essentials by Henry Glass*

**November Classes**
- Olde Santa 2010 (Hand Appliqué)
- Charm Pack Tree Skirt
- Evangeline
- Machine Quilting Workshop
- Finishing Class
- Log Cabin Snowman Workshop

Yankee Pride will close at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 24, and will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 25 for Thanksgiving.
Enjoy your day!