President’s Message

November can be one of my favorite months. The dark of the year can bring me in, near the fire, hand stitching or knitting, as the winds blow and the last leaves fall. The hillsides take on a brown bunny fur softness, and the subdued palette frequently finds its way into my quilts.

I have yet to master the skills of sharing those images with like-minded quilters through social media, but want to be able to. We have so much to share with each other. At our November meeting, Jennefer Dawn, one of our newest guild members, will be making a short presentation of how Facebook and Instagram are used, how they are different, and how we can expand our mission and share our quilts through these platforms. She will present after the break, and after our speaker, Patty Sawyer. Bring your questions, ideas, and your own experiences to share. Thank you, Jennefer!

Anne Standish

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November 5 Program

**Right Place, Right Time OR God’s Perfect Timing?**

This trunk show is based on a true story of a brief encounter with a perfect stranger in a parking lot which unveils a box full of treasures. Learn what’s in the box and how it was “meant to be”.

**Patty Sawyer** is an Award Winning Quilt Artist & Designer, Experienced Quilt Judge & Coordinator, Inspiring Lecturer & Instructor, Computerized Longarm Quilting Specialist, Quilt Shop Advisor & Consultant, Quilt Retreat Hostess & Facilitator.

Spiritual artist and instructor, Patty Sawyer has an infectious passion for quilting. Patty’s whimsical approach and playful style of connecting with her students leads to unleashing inhibitions and revealing hidden talents. Her philosophy includes disguising creative play time as a means to mastering basic skills. She delights in sharing her abundant knowledge of shortcuts, tips and tools to help enlighten and build student’s confidence. Her goals are not predicated in neurotic perfectionism but rather joy and satisfaction in accurate execution and achievement.

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Growing Our Guild—Social Media

Have you ever wondered what’s going on with Instagram or Facebook? Or how they could even relate to quilting? In November I’ll be giving a short talk after the break about how CVQG could use social media to become more accessible to local (and far flung) quilters. It’ll be a quick intro into the deep quilting community on Instagram, and how you can use the platform in many ways: from connecting with your fellow quilters or just looking at pictures of pretty quilts! Instagram presents an opportunity for growth for the guild. I hope to show everyone how easy it can be.

Jennefer Dawn
A NOTE FROM MEMBERSHIP

We have certainly started our 40th year strong! Thanks to all who have renewed already, either by mail or at a meeting. We’re over 90 strong and active, with great participation at meetings and workshops. Membership lists will be distributed at the December meeting, so make sure you renew in time to be included!

Please remember to sign in at meetings. We’re gathering data to track which months and/or programs draw the biggest crowds so we can provide better programming to our membership. The interests you indicated on the membership form are also part of that data, and will be tallied and passed to the programming committee for their planning. If you don’t remember what quilting interests you said you had, or filled it out years ago and have evolved as a quilter, please give me a call or email and I’ll get your thoughts counted.

Catherine Symchych

csymchych@gmail.com

307-760-4563

2019 – 2020 CVQG Membership

Name: ___________________________ Date: ___/___/_____

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☐ New Member ☐ Renewing

☐ Address Change/Correction

Phone Number: ___________________________

E-mail Address: ___________________________

☐ E-Mail Change/Correction

Quilting Interests (i.e., traditional, modern, art, paper piecing, machine quilting, etc.)

Do you want to have your social media contact information on the membership list? If so, what is it?

Annual Membership fee: $35.00

Tax-deductible contribution to CVQG: $ __________

Total Paid: $ __________

☐ Cash ☐ Check made out to “CVQG”

1. Turn in this form & payment to the Membership Chair at a meeting — OR —
2. Mail them to Linda Park at 405 Mt. Pritchard Ln., St. George, VT 05495

Membership cards and new name tags are available monthly at the Membership Table
** SASE needs to be included with form and payment to have material mailed to your home

Questions: E-mail or call Linda at (845) 612-6077
Visit the Guild’s Library on the fireplace hearth in the “Library Room” section of our meeting space. Each month we bring a selection of books that are in some way related to the speaker’s topic, as well as other books, including novels.

We have added several new books this fall, including:
* The Christmas Boutique by Jennifer Chiaverini
* Hope on the Inside by Marie Bostwick
* Guide to Machine Quilting by Diane Gaudynski
   (this is a replacement for a copy that was worn out and removed from the library years ago)

A link to the Library is listed on the Guild’s website. If a book is available, it can be delivered to you at our next meeting.
Have you read or heard about a book others will find interesting? Please let me know!
Pam Farnsworth
Librarian

Newest Addition— Lisa Calle’s dvd "Divide and Conquer"

**DECEMBER —PILLOWCASES!**

For November the block of the month is Magic Mountains (Delectable Mountains). Instructions are in the previous newsletter and on the web. Hope you can make several. At the November meeting stop by the table to pick up fabric for our December project.

In December we hope to collect pillowcases to distribute to adults and children who will not be able to be home for the holidays. It is our hope that everyone in the guild will make at least one. In spirit of giving and since one of the guild’s objectives is to provide comfort to those in need, we thought you would enjoy providing a little cheer to members of our community.

In November we will have yardage to distribute so that you can more easily participate. Some of the yardage is precut to make one pillowcase. We will also have 2 yards of coordinating fabric to make two pillowcases. We hope to have fabric for close to 100 pillowcases!! If you are using donated fabric, please know that our original instructions called for different cutting dimensions:

- Cut off selvages and then cut width of fabric so that the bun and hot dog are the same (as large as you can)
- Bun (cuff) cut 9” x width of fabric
- Hot dog (main body) cut 27” x width of fabric

This way if you have two coordinating fabrics 1 yard each, once you cut off the 9” width you can swap buns and make two different pillowcases! Let the fun begin!!

Barbara Newman
Carol Bloomhardt

**HOT DOG APPROACH TO SEWING A PILLOWCASE**

- Cheery and colorful fabric with kid-friendly designs
- 1/3 yard of border fabric - This will be the “bun”
- 3/4 yard of main pillowcase fabric - This will be the “hotdog”
- Spool of thread that matches fabric
- Cut the “bun” into a strip that’s 9 inches by 40 ½ inches
- Cut the “hot dog” in a strip that’s 27 inches by 40 ½ inches

Step 1—With the border of the pillowcase laying right side up on the surface in front of you, take the body of the pillowcase and place it right side down on top of the border.
Step 2—Match up the corners of the short 27” end of the body to the 40 1/2” end of the border, so that you can no longer see the border in front of you. Make sure to keep the two edges of the fabrics together for the next few steps.

Step 3—Roll up the other short end of the body until you are about an inch or two away from the other end.

Step 4—You should see the other end of the border peeking out from underneath the body. Take that edge of the border and fold it over the rolled-up body aligning its corners with the other two pieces of fabric on the other side.

Step 5—Pin these three layers of fabric together and sew a 1/2” seam along that edge taking out the pins as you go along. You will begin to see the "hot dog" and "bun" analogy, with the body rolled up as a "hot dog" inside the border which is acting as the "bun."

Step 6—On either end of this "bun" piece, you will see the rolled-up body inside the sewed-up border.

Step 7—Roll back the border while simultaneously pulling out the body from within.

Step 8—Your pillowcase is almost complete! All that's left is two more seams, which are done by folding the pillowcase in-half with the wrong side facing out and sewing along the bottom and side of the pillowcase.

Step 9—Turn the pillowcase inside-out, and you finally have your finished pillowcase! Wasn’t that easy? Make a perfect smile by finishing your seams.

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**From UVM Medical Center Volunteer Services:**

Dear Champlain Valley Quilt Guild,

Thank you for your donation of baby quilts! The patterns are lovely and they are so soft! They will make our babies in the NICU and the mother-baby unit very happy. We look forward to more of your wonderful and creative work!
CHAMPLAIN VALLEY QUILT GUILD OF VERMONT meeting minutes

October 1, 2019—7:00 PM

Anne Standish, President called to order
- reminded everyone to look at the Challenge Quilts and vote for your favorite
Caroline Juneau introduced out speaker, Lisa Calle

8:15 PM Business Meeting

Anne
-presented a request from Laura Clemens from Vermont Quilt Festival for us to provide “Lobby Lights” at VQF 2020. This involves us providing and hanging large quilts. We will also be given a wall dedicated to our challenge quilts. By a show of hands the guild agreed to do this.

Block of the Month: Barb Newman and Carol Bloomhardt
- Presented the block of the month and Sue Maguire won the blocks for October
- They showed November’s block: Delectable Mountain in both a simple and complex form
- Next month they will have kits ready for everyone to take to make pillowcases to bring in December for those staying in the hospital over Christmas. They thanked everyone for donating winter and holiday fabric for this project.

Community Quilts: Noel Patoine
- scheduled two sew-ins: February 1 and April 25, trying to get more set up
- donated a quilt to the Epilepsy Foundation for their silent auction
- for those who are making quilts she said a lap size is perfect for the hospital patients
- Sandi donated a finished quilt for the respite house

Membership: Catherine Symchych and Linda Parks
- 91 paid members; would like to get the membership list out by December
- Name tag winner Jane Liewendowski
- gave out small gift to October birthdays

Caroline:
- Our speaker from September, Allison Wilbur, let us know that she had a problem with her tax collecting—she was still set for Rhode Island; she is fixing this and sending the refunds
- Marty DelNevo gave her name to VQF per her request to possible teach at it

Quilts of Valor: Linda Lane
- winner of this month’s raffle: Jane Liewendowski

Anne - quickly reviewed the marketing/social media sub committee meeting. Everyone is being asked to send photos of your quilts and of your quilting activities. If there is a group give the dates, participants, and the activity; send them to Marty with some detail. Jennefer Dawn is starting our Instagram account

Challenge Quilt: Sue Maguire
The winners of this year’s Challenge Quilt Contest: Black, white, and Other
- 1st-Pam Farnsworth
- 2nd-Ruth Whitaker
- 3rd-Anne Standish

All the participants brought their quilts up to be photographed. These will be traveling around for a while: Essex Senior Center, Charlotte, Shelburne Library, and VQF

Adjourned to Show and Tell: 8:26PM
Respectfully Submitted by
Joann Frymire

LISA CALLE WORKSHOP
OCTOBER 2 (MORE PICTURES ON PAGE 7)
We had our first 2020 Quilt Show meeting on October 15. There’s lots of room on the committee for many to be involved. Please see me at the guild meeting or email me at jafrymire@comcast.net if you are interested or have questions. Stay tuned for more updates.

**Next meeting November 19 at Yankee Pride, 5:57 p.m.**

*Joann Frymire, 2020 Show Chair*

**December 3 Meeting!**
Join us at our annual holiday party at Holy Family Catholic Church in Essex Junction. We will meet 30 minutes early; the social hour begins at 6 p.m. Please bring a sweet or savory food to share. Beverages will be provided.
For the surprise activity of the evening please bring 3 orphan blocks or 3 10” blocks or a combination of the above. Don’t worry if you don’t have either- we will have some blocks at the shed fabric table so you can still participate.
And at the close of the December 3 meeting, we will be raffling off our beautiful quilt “Indigo Circles” - as of October we have raised $1991.00 towards our goal of $2600.00. Just over 76% - help us by buying your tickets in the next 2 months! There will be books of tickets at the meeting—take some home to sell to family, friends and co-workers!
### Champlain Valley Quilt Guild

#### Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
**July 1 through October 6, 2019**

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**Lisa Calle Workshop**

**October 2**

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Next meeting—November 5—social time 6:30, meeting 7-9 at Holy Family Church Parish Hall
Don’t forget to bring:

Name tag

November Block of the Month:
Show & tell!

Sew in at Yankee Pride
November 2
11 am—4 pm
Bring your own projects!