Presidential Address

I am looking forward to the show this month. Barbara and her committee have been working hard to make it happen. Please see if you can find time to help during the show. I know there are some areas that need to be covered. Please contact the volunteer coordinator.

I have been asked to remind everyone, gently, that the EMAIL addresses on the roster are for Guild communications only and not for public distribution. We need to respect everyone’s sense of privacy and we do not need to encourage the spammers. Thank you for everyone’s cooperation.

On that note have a good quilting month and join us at the show with friends and family. Thank you all.

Andre Emmell

October 4+5: Mary Ellen Kranz Lecture and Workshop Canceled

We are sorry to announce that due to family health problems Mary Ellen Kranz will not be coming to Vermont October 4&5. Her lecture and workshop are canceled, however; we hope to reschedule at a later date. She truly regrets having to make this decision. The workshop was full, with a waiting list, so we are eager to have her come at a later date. We are keeping a list of registered workshop participants who will have priority for her next workshop.

Nancy Emberley and Janet Brunet

October 4 Speaker Beverly Fine

Our October 4 speaker will be Beverly Fine, NQA Certified Judge, who will also be judging our quilt show. Beverly has served as the NQA Judges Certification Program Coordinator and as assistant curator of the New England Quilt Museum. She co-authored the new book Guide to Judged Quilt Shows. Beverly is passionate about making her own original quilts, but considers traditional quilt scholarship important as well. She currently focuses her own work on monoprinting (using an etching press and/or fabric marbling) as well as dye-painting and shibori techniques. www.BeverlyFine.com

“My talk is a lively and interactive demo/trunk show focused on what the judge looks for in a competition quilt. Everyone is welcome and invited to ask questions during the talk and participate in the abbreviated evaluation of actual quilts. (mine!) Attendees should expect to come away with several tips on how to improve their own work and prepare their quilts for competition.” Her presentation is recommended as “great fun” by other guilds.
Once Upon a Time.....or actually 29 years ago, a much smaller CVQG decided to present a quilt show, both to raise money and to show off the lovely quilts their members and others had made. This year, we are in a way starting over with our 29th show. It’s scary and exciting at the same time.

We have a new venue - a huge space in comparison with our usual space at Shelburne Farms which is requiring a new way of thinking and planning by our artistic director, Linda Lazarowski and her helpers. We have 4 VIPs, including our own three youngest members who will be showing off their favorite quilts. There will be an exhibit of quilts made by a group from Hinesburg who have been making quilts for each other for many years. Mitzi Oakes has again made it possible for us to have three special exhibits, and we have three judges coming to share our wonderful contest quilts with us.

We also have an appraiser coming. She will be available to tell you the value of your older quilts plus other additional information. There will be demonstrations and you will have the chance to shop for handmade items crafted by our own members. Vendors will be present and you just might go home with a wall hanging from the silent auction. Our show will be a wonderful spot for you to spend a day or two!!

Join us on Saturday or Sunday, October 8th and 9th, or better yet, sign up with Karen Abrahamovich and volunteer! We will be glad to see you at the Fieldhouse in Shelburne. Check the map on the CVQG website, and while you are there, please join me in thanking the members of the Show Committee. They have all been working hard on your behalf.

Barbara Carter

“Across the Fence” viewing has been moved up to September 30

Once again, our guild will be featured on the television program “Across the Fence,” which runs on WCAX (Channel 3) from 12:10 pm to 12:30 pm daily. **Our segment will air on Friday, September 30**, and will feature Ruth Whitaker, her grand-daughter Emily, and Andre Emmell. They will be talking about this year’s theme “Once Upon a Time” and promoting an interest in the quilt show in general. Don’t miss it!

Theme/Challenge Quilts

Just a reminder that you need to bring your challenge quilts to the October Guild meeting. Please put your quilt in a bag. DO NOT have your name visible on either the bag or quilt. Just leave the bag on the back right pew and we will hang them. All individual members need to vote on the individual quilt they consider their favorite.

Ruth Whitaker

COMMUNITY QUILTS

Thank you to all who joined us at the Community Quilt Table. I will have more kits to be quilted for this month. Also a couple of larger quilts needing quilting.

Here is a Thank you from the Town & Country Quilt Guild of Joplin, Mo. for some quilts and fabric we sent them: "I wish I could send a personal Thank You to each of you for your generous contribution to help the Joplin tornado victims. We are distributing the quilts through our guild membership to those who are in need. Because I lost my home and contents to the tornado, including the guild's quilting supplies, I know first hand how it feels to lose so much and what comfort a quilt can give. Thank you."

Shirley Fuller  safuller50@gmail.com

NOTE: STOCKING RAFFLE

There will not be a raffle this month. With the activities for the show taking so much time, we decided to suspend the raffle for this month. Look for us in November.

Ruth Whitaker
**September Board Meeting Snippets**

In order to avoid two meetings in one week for those board members who are also members of the Show committee, (which is almost everyone) the September meeting was held immediately following the show committee meeting. Discussion was held about the problem with our speaker for October. It was decided to hold the checks for the workshop she was to present until we know more about a possible rescheduling.

Five people have signed up for the free machine quilting class to be held in November. Discussion of a possible member to do the review of the books was held. Marty reported that paid membership is over 200. The policy on sending emails to the entire membership was also discussed.

Barbara Carter

**Library Crate Sitters Needed:**

We still need about 12 more people to adopt library crates for the year. BYOW (Bring your own wheels) - if you have them, to help with the load. Crates will not be as heavy as in the past. Please contact Claire Graham-Smith or come prepared to take crates home at the end of Oct mtg. 660-8902 or claire@burlingtontelecom.net

Claire Graham-Smith

**Programs at a Glance:**

**October 4-5:** Beverly Fine (Mary Ellen Kranz, Canceled)

Demo/Trunk Show on Judging Quilts

Bring your challenge quilts!

**November 1:** Judith Reilly (Brandon, VT)

Lecture – Twelve Life Lessons for Creativity

**December: Holiday Program**

January 3: Kay Bergquist and Janet Block (Rutland)

Preparing your Quilt Top for Machine Quilting

February 7: Joanne Lattrell (CVQG member)

Lecture on Tips and Tools

**March 6:** Demo Night

**April 3:** Linda Hahn (NJ)

**May 1-2:** Nancy DiDonato (NY)

**June 5:** Potluck Supper & Teacup Auction
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Andre Emmell, President welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the year. He asked members to consider this is their guild and asked for information about what they would like to happen.

Barbara Carter, show chair outlined all the dates for various activities for the show to be held at The Field in Shelburne, and urged everyone to attend and to volunteer if possible.

Program co chair Janet Brunet introduced Hallie E. Bond who presented an engaging lecture, Common Threads…Adirondack Quilts Tell Their Stories, which is also the name of an exhibit now on at the Adirondack Museum in New York.

Membership chair Marty DelNevo thanked everyone who had signed up early as a member. Community Quilts chair, Shirley Fuller said a query had been raised about donations of quilts to victims of Irene, and asked people to give her any information available.

The community quilt raffle was won by Laura Merchant. Janet announced there are still openings in the workshop Mary Ellen Krantz will present in October. The workshop is on how to use photos and text on quilts. November we will have a workshop on beginning machine quilting with Claire Graham Smith…being planned with the Community Quilts committee.

Photographer Angela Miller asked anyone who does not want their name on the website with their show and tell quilt to let the scribe know. Librarian Claire Graham Smith announced Jenny Russell has joined her, and they are looking for people to be “crate sitters” for the library books and take a crate home each month.

Sue McGuire showed the raffle block for October, and suggested a sampler quilt could be made from the blocks. Kay Tomczak presented the stocking raffle prize to Angela Miller. Pam Farnsworth presented the name tag raffle prize to Roberta Day. The minutes of the June meeting were adopted on motion of Teela Dufresne and Linda Lees.

The meeting was adjourned for Show and Tell on motion of Sue McGuire and Rita Bortz. Barbara Carter, Secretary

Silent Auction Quilts Still Needed

If you’re still working on a Silent Auction quilt, I’ll be happy to accept it at our October meeting. If you won’t be attending, please contact me (Marty DelNevo) via email at msundbyvt@comcast.net or phone, 878-7457, and we can make arrangements to meet.

Sharing Corner

We started this corner last year and there are a few items that our members would like to share. I would like to continue this corner in the newsletter so please feel free to send events, questions, helpful information that would think our members just might be interested in.

From Linda: Would any member have this book for sale - EQ6 Simplified by Fran Iverson Gonzalez? Since I am hard of hearing, I would prefer to be contacted by email: lindabee444@gmail.com. Thank you.

From Teela Dufresne for Vee Lynch: Vee is the former owner of Cabin Fever Quilts in Waitsfield. Once a year, she holds an Auction to benefit a local agency. This her plea: “Hello Everyone, We are having the Quilt Sale /Auction this year on Oct 15th at the Waitsfield School and the monies are going to benefit the Flood Relief. I live in Moretown and our town was hit really hard. More than 30 people are out of their houses and we want to help them and others like them. Let everyone know that if they cannot attend the auction, we are listing Buy It Now prices on the quilts so that quilts can be purchased without bidding. Remember that you can also get 50% of the sale price if you need to. We are still taking finished quilts but we need them ASAP so that we can catalog them. We also have lots of "stuff " for quilters. Vee Lynch <vtquilts@madriver.com>“
From Hope Johnson: Hope Johnson showed “The Hive in Winter” by invitation at The Best Little Quilt Show in Vermont on July 30th in Jamaica, Vermont. "The Hive in Winter" was also accepted to the Lowell Quilt Festival, Images 2011 show, and on August 11th. Hope won a third place ribbon in the "Bed Mixed Techniques" category.

Hope has these photos to share with you:

Pictured in the photo are Hope and J. Stone, show organizer, standing in front of the quilt. J. Stone will be showing her work at our guild show, "Once Upon a Time..." in October.

Past president Rita Bortz was one of several volunteers who sold tickets for our raffle quilt at the Champlain Valley Fair in August. Here she is at the raffle quilt table which was located at the entry doors to the craft building.

Thank you to all who could help and especially to Phyllis and Priscilla for coordinating our ticket sales at the fair.
CVQG Programs 2011-2012

CVQG is made up of a diverse group of members from traditional to art quilters. We try to bring in a variety of speakers and choose lectures that have an appeal to most members regardless of the type of quilting they do. More information about our programs and workshops can be found on our website and at the Programs table at the meeting. We welcome your suggestions.

Janet Brunet & Nancy Emberley (Programs co-chairs – programs@cvqgv.org)

November 1: Judith Reilly

Judith Reilly is an award-winning Fabric Artist whose work has been exhibited in numerous national and international exhibitions as well as in museums, galleries and government buildings. She has traveled extensively teaching and speaking—most notably sharing her inspiration on the topic “Twelve Life Lessons for Creativity”. Using fabric, paint and thread to express her world, her unique interpretations have been shared with others through books, magazines, newspapers and television. Judith now operates a Gallery housed in her historic home where she shares and sells her original artwork, print reproductions and a delightful collection of accessories. She was one of the featured artists at “The Art of Quilt” exhibit at this year’s Vermont Quilt Festival.

November 2 Workshop: Beginning Machine Quilting with Claire Graham-Smith

Time: 9:00-3:30  Cost: Free for members (limit 20)

Location: Essex Alliance Church, Fellowship Hall

Have you wanted to learn to machine quilt your completed quilt top or to get more practice before starting on that large heirloom quilt? This is your opportunity to learn and to help out with community quilts at the same time. Fellow member, Claire Graham-Smith, will teach the basics of machine quilting and small quilt tops for classroom practice will be provided by the Community Quilts committee. Cost is free; we just ask that you complete quilting the top you started in class and give it back to Community Quilts. (If the class does not fill with beginning quilters, we will open it up to experienced quilters who just want to come and work on community quilts.)

Note: This workshop is offered jointly by Programs and Community Quilts and replaces the Community Quilts workshop usually held on a Saturday in the fall. If you would like to work on community quilts but not take the workshop, we invite you to come along but ask that you let us know so that we are sure we have the space. Shirley Fuller will have quilts needing labels and bindings for those who want to do handwork.

Sign up at the October Guild meeting or mail your registration form to:

Nancy Emberley, 871 Pond Rd, Shelburne, VT 05482
NOVEMBER RAFFLE BLOCK
Plaid Spools

Definitely a quick block -- and instructional if you’ve never done a spool block using this method. The plaids make an especially interesting looking spool. The winner may choose to put buttons at the center as embellishment.

For each 6 inch (finished) block you will need --
2 1/4 inch strip by 21 inches – **Any Plaid**
2 1/4 inch strip by 21 inches – **Off-white**

Optional – Cut full width of fabric and have enough for 2 Blocks!

First, sew 2 strips together.

Using a square ruler (preferably), cut equal sided triangles along the joined strip alternating right side up and right side down – you will need 4 triangles, 2 of each.

For our strips we used the 5 ½ inch marks on the ruler to get the triangles even. See picture

Sew top/side and bottom/side of the spool together, being sure to match the seams (they should nest). Better to have points align than bottoms since we will trim them down. Press toward triangle with plaid on the bottom. Sew the halves together and press the final seam.

The blocks will need to be trimmed -- to 6 ½ inches. If you have a ruler with a diagonal line, it makes cutting more precise; seams should be right at the corners. We recommend the Tucker Trimmer as ideal for this job as well as cutting the triangles in step 2.

Make many for more chances to win.

Again we suggest for **Extra Credit** –

Make more with your personal set of fabric/colors of your choice for a sampler quilt to keep or perhaps for a Community Quilt. Feel free to do more than one of each block, skip some months or whatever works for you.

Raffle Block team – The 3 Ms – Sue McGuire (482-3075), Jeanette Mann (372-3216)
& Carolyn McCray (372-4875). Call us if you have questions.
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- Oct. 22 & 23: 20% off one book
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**New at Yankee Pride**
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- *Little Gatherings* by Moda

**October Mystery Quilt Dates**
- Oct. 1, 15, 29 at 9:15 or 10 a.m.

Make A Difference Day is Saturday, Oct. 22.
Stop by the shop for details!

**October Classes**
- Beginning Appliqué
- Hand Embroidery
- Enchanted Pennies
- T-Shirt Quilt