**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

Leaves are fluttering down in earnest as I write. I was reminded by a yoga teacher, the leaves are always colourful; it’s when the green disappears the colours are revealed! Love that. The windows are wide open and spending as much time outside as possible is fabulous. I even had my Featherweight outside, stitching this week. The same day my choir practice began rehearsing music for Xmas Eve!

Kind of a whiplash season for change. So with that in mind the board planned for the next few months accordingly:

In The November hybrid meeting, we will host a wonderful local Vermonter, Roz Daniels, instead of Dianne Shullenburger. We hope Dianne will join us another time.

In December we will have a holiday party with a difference. As we are in hybrid mode there are limitations to what we can do.

January and February we will be on zoom only. We had made this decision partly due to the weather concerns, and this year it makes even more sense.

I hope you take a break from sewing and enjoy some deep breaths outside. Like Fredrick, the field mouse in the children's story, he was savoring memories for a long winter ahead.

Be Well

Claire Graham-Smith

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**NOVEMBER 2 MEETING—GATHER/SIGN IN AT 6:30, MEETING AT 7PM**

Rosalind S. Daniels

“World Textiles from a Cabot Studio”

Roz joins us from Cabot, Vt. She bills herself as a ‘recovered mathematician” that made traditional quilts for ‘a few minutes’ before turning to art quilts.

Winner of VQF – Best Art Quilt

Bucket Lips is a whole cloth quilt from an original photo taken at Harry’s Hardware in Cabot, VT. It received Best Art Quilt and an award of exceptional merit at the 2021 Vermont Quilt Festival.
October meeting minutes—CHAMPLAIN VALLEY QUILT GUILD OF VERMONT

October 5, 2021 6:30 PM IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM Half hour of socializing
There were approximately 33 members in person and 20 via zoom
7:00 PM - Claire welcomed everyone and reminded everyone to vote for the Challenge Quilt at the break and to get your raffle tickets
Sue McGuire introduced Beth Helfner
Beth gave a talk she calls “Give It A Scrap Slap”
She is available at Evapaigquilts.com
8:22 PM Business Meeting

Community Quilts: Barb Newman
-Barb explained about Community Quilts
-she highlighted our twice a year collection of pillowcases for the Children’s Hospital at UVM-instructions are on our website
-we also accept placemats and we have some kits together for this
-she showed several quilts that were donated tonight
-Anne said she is hosting the monthly on-line sew ins. They are very casual and chatty. They are being held the 4th Monday of the month

Programs: Sue McGuire, Lois Nial
-Sue reminded members that are coming to the workshop to wear their name tags and masks
-our November speaker, Dianne Schulenberg, has had to cancel so we are having Roz Daniels
-December will be our holiday party
-January and February will be via Zoom only
-GQ Connections who have done the online demos is having a sample platter program with a scavenger hunt
-does anyone wants to organize this for us?

Membership: Catherine Symchych, Linda Park
-members were reminded that they need to renew either by check or on line by October to remain on the membership list

Quilts of Valor-Linda Lane
-Linda reported that this group has started meeting in person
-they donated 9 quilts to local veterans in August and 9 more in September
-she explained that they accept quilt tops as well as single blocks

Quilt Show: Jo Frymire
-we will be having committee meetings on the third Tuesday at Yankee Pride at 6:00 PM
-Sue McGuire and Linda Park have taken on the Ribbon Committee
-we are still in need of someone to organize the craft table
-volunteers coordinator needed
-everyone is welcome and some areas need help so come and join the fun

Other
-WE NEED A VICE PRESIDENT CANDIDATE FOR 2021-2022. PLEASE CONSIDER THIS POSITION.
-If you are interested or have questions please contact Clair Graham-Smith
-Milk and Honey are having their show October 9 & 10
-Marti DelNevo would like others to learn how to do the hybrid meetings since she may not always be there
-Wendy Thompson won Best of Show and more at the Champlain Valley Fair-(see page 5)
-Noel Patoine asked if anyone was collecting scraps for dog beds-yes but they weren’t at the meeting

Challenge Quilt: Linda Lane
-the results of the Challenge Quilt Competition
-#1 Catherine Symchych-Wings of Joy-a Round Robin done during Covid
-#2 Carla White- “Butterfly of Happiness” a Wings of Joy - made butterfly before Covid and added the tree
-#3 Anne Standish-Emergence- made with hand dyed fabric
-Linda will showing these through June or July. They will be available for entry in the show in April

Adjourned 8:51 PM; Show and Tell
Respectfully Submitted by Joann Frymire
**CHALLENGE QUILT NEWS**

Hello my crafty friends!

We had 10 quilts entered into this year’s challenge. I would like to thank everyone who submitted a quilt. The quilts will be on display in various locations until July 2022.

The first stop on their journey is the Pierson Library in Shelburne. The library hours are: Monday Noon to 5pm - Tuesday - 10am to 7pm - Wed thru Sat 10am to 5pm and Sundays Noon to 5pm. Stop by and check out the display and the awesome new library, it is really spectacular.

I am going to run next year's challenge as well and have chosen a theme close to my heart. I am so excited I even wrote a short song (queue the Ghostbuster's theme song):

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“If there’s too much fabric
In your sewing space,
What you gonna do?
A StashBuster!”
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You guessed it; the 2022 theme is a StashBuster! There are very few rules, but they are geared to help you make a dent in your fabric stash.

The Rules:
1. Fabrics and techniques are your choice. The only rule on fabric choice is that you CANNOT buy any new fabric. All fabric for your challenge quilt MUST come from your stash.
2. Perimeter must be at least 80” but should not exceed 144”. I decided to add a minimum size to help ensure maximum stash usage.
3. A 3” x 5” index card attached to the bottom right corner with a brief description of your quilt on one side and your name and telephone and/or email address on the other side.
4. 4" sleeve on the back
5. Please supply a dowel for your quilt WITH YOUR NAME WRITTEN ON THE DOWEL
6. Quilts to be displayed at our October 2022 guild meeting. Our members will vote for their favorite at that meeting.
7. Quilts to be displayed at various locations, including the Charlotte Senior Center, and various local libraries in Charlotte, Shelburne, Hinesburg and Williston.

That's it - have fun using up all your wonderful fabrics.

~Linda Lane~
Our 2022 Raffle Quilt prizes pictured above—buy your books of tickets at the November and December guild meetings (suggested donation per member is 3 books of 6 tickets, $5.00 each) or purchase on our website, cvqgvt.org. The drawing will be held at the close of the quilt show, April 24, 2022 (3 p.m. ish)
Basket/tote bag raffle—bring your donations of fabrics (seasonal sports fabrics, fall and Thanksgiving too) for the raffle baskets at our 2022 Quilt Show! Books, patterns and fat quarters welcome!

Quilt registration for the show will be on our website in January. Due to space considerations, there will be fewer quilts than in past years, so register your quilt early!

April 22-24, 2022 at Holy Family Parish Hall. Vendors, contest quilts, special exhibits, raffles, and drawing the winners of the raffle quilts! (see pictures on page 4)

A NOTE FROM MEMBERSHIP

Thank You to the 80+ members who have renewed their Guild membership. Each member is important to the success of the Guild.

Back by popular demand, we have reinstated the "Name Tag Raffle"! So wear your name tag, also those on Zoom, your name will be submitted in the free raffle. We'll get your prize to you if you're not with us in person when we draw.

Please remember to check yourself in at the Membership table, we check in our zoom friends and will get your prize to you if you win!

As we continue to navigate the changing landscape of COVID and zoom, we've once again been thinking of why people don't always come to meetings. Zooming in from your couch is convenient, but you miss the camaraderie of in-person meetings. Driving to Essex at night can be difficult, however.

So what to do? In an effort to give people options, we offer our services as a rideshare bulletin board. We will have a sign up sheet at meetings and will take requests for rides and offers to drive via email. Understand, however, that we will not be working to find rides for people, but will merely be the repository of information. Let us know where you need a ride from, or where you're willing to drive from, and we will provide our collection of information to any members who request it.

The members' directory will be available soon, both a few paper copies at the meeting and a digital copy emailed to everyone, so keep your eyes peeled for that.

Linda Park (lindapark@gmavt.net)
Catherine Symchych (csymchych@gmail.com)

Congratulations to Wendy Thompson! At Champlain Valley Expo, Homecrafts, Quilts Division, this beautiful feathered star quilt won 1st place Piecing, 1st place Quilt Division and Best of Show 2021!
December 7—Annual Holiday Program! Details to be announced—Zoom and in person!

January 4, 2022 — Brita Nelson “The Magic of Disappearing Blocks” - Zoom  
Meeting only  
Zoom Workshop Sat January 8th – Disappearing Block Sampler”  
www.questioningquilter.com

February 1 — Pat Pauly “Challenging Yourself - Unpredictable Outcomes from Obtuse Ideas”  
Zoom Meeting only—www.patpauly.com

March 1—in-person again! Programs TBD

Looking ahead…May 30—June 2, 2022—FIFTH ANNUAL STITCHES QUILTING RETREAT  
at Basin Harbor Club.

Retreat includes lodging for 3 nights, 3 meals daily plus snacks. Email Peg Reed, bhcquiltretreat@gmail.com. Deposit of $100 (non-refundable) due March 1, 2022. Balance due May 6, 2022.