

Champlain Valley Quilters Guild June 2023

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



You would think we would be winding down with the "end" of our guild year. However, we have been busy with shed clean ups and starting the next guilt show. (see the other blurbs).

It has been an exciting year with new members, lots of great programs, and fun at every meeting. The best way to get the most out of your experience with the guild is to get involved in some of the committees. Please contact me or another board member if you would like more information or have any questions. Jo Frymire, President



NEXT MEETING JUNE 6—POTLUCK AND SPECIAL GUESTS! GATHER AT 6 P.M. FOR DINNER

June is our last meeting for this guild year so everyone come out for a

great time. We will have a potluck dinner – bring something yummy and your own place settings. We will be having a presentation of Quilts of Valor which is very exciting. Also bring something to swap with a fellow member-valued at no more than \$10.



The winner of the 2023 Raffle Quilt "Moonlight in Vermont" will be drawn, tickets will be available if you haven't bought yours yet! Also, for members only

don't forget the small quilt raffle! The winner will be drawn right after the big quilt! Remember, you get one chance for every book of 6 tickets you sold (not counting at the fair, sorry!) so if you haven't filled out your pink ticket, do it during the meeting!

We will also be voting on our slate of officers for next year and our budget.; see the May newsletter for details.

Come out for a great time with quilty friends.



Directions for making this quilt of valor block are on the website and will be available at the June meeting. Block is 8 inches finished.

President Jo Frymire called the meeting to order at 6:58

Joanne Lattrell introduced the speaker, Suzy Klinefelter, who shared her enthusiasm for Singer Featherweight machines. Suzy now restores and services featherweights and showed examples from the 1930s to more modern machines.

<u>Announcements</u>

Our biennial Quilt Show will be held in 2024, April 26, 27, and 28, at the Holy Family Church.

A "Shed" cleanup will be held on May 15 at the storage facility in Essex. All are encouraged to come; bring lunch and card tables for sorting stuff.

Another episode of the Global Quilt Connection will be held this coming weekend, May 6 and 7. More info will be sent out via email.

Old Business:

Sue Rivers encouraged people to buy raffle tickets for the Raffle Quilt. The winner of the raffle will be drawn at the June meeting, as well as the quilt made by Carol Bloomhardt from the extra fabric from the raffle quilt.

Chris Wroebel, treasurer, gave a thorough report on our finances, since a vote on next year's budget is to take place in June. She said the Guild is in a good financial position, pointing to our assets. Ca. \$10K per year is generated from membership dues, raffle quilt sales, donations and contributions, and the quilt show, with some interest from CDs. \$10K is approximately what we spend per year, so we are doing well.

Membership co-chair Linda Park said that 10 guests attended this meeting, and 3 new members joined.

VP Nancy Suarez reminded us that we will also vote for a slate of officers for next year at the June meeting. If anyone is interested in running for office, please contact Nancy.

New Business

Barbara Newman, chair of Community Quilts, said that quilts are still needed for Camp Ta-Kum-Ta, as well as for the Sleep in Heavenly Peace program. She urged members to take one of the pillowcase kits that she had prepared. Quilts and pillowcases will be collected at the June meeting.

Jo, President, and Nancy, Vice-President, are planning the end-of-the-year party for the next meeting on June 6, at 6:00. Please bring food to share, sweet or savory, and your own plates and utensils. The highlight of the evening will be Quilts of Valor to be presented to 6 attending veterans. Also, a mysterious message: Bring something to trade - could be a sewing item, some garden starts, whatever.

An additional sew-in to complete the 2023-2024 Raffle Quilt will be held on Saturday, May 20 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Williston, 10-2.

A First Friday Sew-in will be held this Friday, 10-3 at Yankee Pride in Essex.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 for show and tell.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Neighbours, Secretary



Photographer wanted! Show and Tell is one of the highlights of every meeting. We all want to see and be inspired by the wonderful and diverse quilts made by our members! Many of you have "magic" phones that take lovely pictures which can be emailed to the newsletter editor. (the editor has a land line and a flip phone!) We'll ask for a volunteer to do the photos before the start of each meeting. Also needed, someone to note the names of the show and tellers.



SHED CLEAN UP

Yes! Our storage unit was cleaned out and organized. This has been on my list of to-dos since I first saw it. Luckily, we had great weather. I'd like to thank: Caroline Juneau, Barb Newman, Chris Farley, Nancy Suarez, Carroll Albertson, Sue Rivers, Sue McGuire, Linda Park, Kathy Kenney, and Lyn Hofelt. It went pretty quick and boy, did we find some "treasures".

Jo Frymire



QUILT SHOW 2024

Believe it or not we have had our first show meeting! Mark the dates down: April 26-28, 2024. We got started so we could get the vendors locked down and get the information to other quilters and quilt shops as soon as we can. We need more of you to help out with this event. Logo and theme will be in the July/August newsletter! Please stay tuned for notice of the next meetings and areas we need help.

July/August newsletter deadline: July 15, 2023 Meeting August 1



Condolences to the family and friends of Mítzí Oakes

1/17/1934-5/23/2023

Long-time guild member and constant volunteer

Read Mitzi's obituary at:

https://www.cremationsocietycc.com/obituaries/Miriam-Esther-Oakes? obId=28003028

Share your memories during the June meeting

COMMUNITY QUILT NEWS

We have recently received a large donation of quilt fabric. The wish is that the fabric be used to make quilts or other crafts. There will be a selection at most guild events in the future. Join us for sew ins on the first Friday of the month at Yankee Pride from 10-2. Most sew ins for making the raffle quilt will also have donated fabric available.



In May we donated 9 quilts and 5 pillowcases to Sleep in Heavenly Peace. This will be an ongoing effort as more beds are built. The kids are 3-17. Twin size is preferred, but any quilt that covers all or part of the top of the bed will be accepted.

June will be a busy time for Community quilts! We are so very thankful for your support.

We will be collecting pillowcases for Children's Hospital at UVM. Our goal is 100. We already have 50. The patients are ages 3-17. Instructions for hot dog pillowcases are on the website. Please launder your pillowcases in fragrance-free detergent. The kids and their parents greatly appreciate the pillowcases and the cheer they bring to the hospital rooms at this difficult time. If you have smaller quilts for children including infants and older, they also will be delivered in June. The hospital appreciates all we can give. The children take the pillowcases and bed covers home.

We will be receiving quilts for Camp Ta Kum Ta, the camp for children with cancer. The campers are ages 7-17. They are expecting over 50 campers this year. Twin size is a maximum size, 50 x 60 is a minimum. Some of the campers use the quilts when they are taking their chemo treatments. They have requested 25 quilts; we already have 20.

We are also continuing to collect quilts for Habitat for Humanity. We have the 5 needed for the June build, but there may be another duplex finished this summer. Twin and double sized quilts are most needed.

Thanks again for your generous and enthusiastic support. You continue to make the lives of others in our community brighter!

Barbara Newman and Rita Bortz

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THIS YEAR'S CHALLENGE QUILT—ANIMALS! THE RULES:

1. Fabrics and techniques are your choice.

2. The biggest requirement is that recognizable animals are easily identified in your quilt. By that I mean, you cannot take a piece of fabric with animals on it and chop it up so small that you cannot tell what the animals are, sew it back together and say that you have animals in your quilt. (Unless they are sewn back together in the shape of an animal, of course). They can be domestic, wild or even cartoon animals, but not insects. Bugs are not animals in my opinion. Birds and water dwelling animals are OK.

3. Perimeters should be between 80 and 144 inches. It is OK to go a little bigger or smaller, if you have the perfect entry but it is outside of the parameters. Plus, I won't measure the entries, FYI. Keep in mind that I do know the difference between a bed quilt, a mug rug and a wall hanging without measuring though, so please try not to push the boundaries too much.

4. A 3" x 5" index card attached to the bottom right corner with your **NAME** and a brief description of your quilt on one side and telephone and/or email address on the other side.

5. 4" sleeve on the back

6. Please supply a dowel for your quilt WITH YOUR NAME WRITTEN ON THE DOWEL.

7. Quilts to be presented and displayed at our **October 3, 2023** guild meeting when our members will vote for their favorite.

6. Quilts to be displayed at various locations over the next year, including Charlotte Senior Center, and various local Libraries: Charlotte , Shelburne, South Burlington, Hinesburg, and Williston.

If you have a suggestion of other places to display our quilts, let me know and I will look into them. Hope to see some wonderful entries this year!

~Linda Lane ~ Challenge Quilt Coordinator





Last chance to buy raffle tickets at our June 6 meeting! Turn in your sold books and money! You might win "Moonlight in Vermont" - winning ticket will be drawn at the close of the meeting.

And don't forget, for every book of 6 tickets you've sold, you can put your name in the drawing for "Diamonds in the Sky" - lap-size quilt made by Carol Bloomhardt out of the "leftovers" from the queen size quilt!



Champlain Valley Fair!



This is a preview of year's raffle quilt "Geese in the Lilies" a commercial pattern designed by Debbie Maddy. Chris Wrobel and a team of guild members have been putting it together. It will be finished before the Champlain Valley Fair where we'll sell raffle tickets in the Blue Ribbon Pavilion. You can sign up for 3-4 hour shifts at the June meeting and the signup will also be available on our website. The fair starts **August 25 at 3 p.m.—September 3.** Weekend shifts are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 2 –6 and 6 -9 p.m. Weekdays start 12 noon—4 p.m. and 4-8 or 9 (depending on crowds). August 25 one or 2 folks are needed to help set up at 2 p.m. Everyone who volunteers gets a parking pass and free admission.

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June 6—our year-end meeting and potluck dinner! Gather at 6 p.m. Welcoming Quilts of Valor recipients

August 1—first meeting of 2023-24 guild year! Sign up to sell raffle tickets at the fair

August 25—September 3—Champlain Valley Fair!





In-person meetings at Holy Family Church—details will be in the August newsletter! September 5 October 3—bring in your "Animals" Challenge Quilts! November 7 December 5



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