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FOR

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Please send your articles &
submissions to Sharon Perry
at vtquilter@gmail.com

President's Message

Happy New Year Everyone!!!

Once my Christmas gifts were completed, I looked through my completed quilts to determine what I could enter in the Quilt Show in April. I came up with one. Yes, one. All the quilts I completed in 2009 were either in last year's show or were given away. Many of you may be able to borrow quilts for the show, but my family and friends waited so long to receive the quilts, they won't part with them especially before winter ends. So, I have come up with plan B. My New Year's resolution is to sew more. In order for me to complete two, maybe three, quilts before the Quilt Show, I need to make sewing my priority. As I write this article it's Sunday evening and I have sewn for four hours and will continue after dinner, well on my way to keeping this resolution. This may be my best New Year's resolution ever. Want to join me?

I received an email from a quilt shop in Northern VA over the weekend announcing their Monthly No Excuse Sew-In:.

MY EXCUSES:

1. Oh, I can just put in 1 more load/answer that phone/clean the dishes/pick up the Family Room/(insert whatever) before I sit down to sew.
2. Holy cow! How did my sewing room get in such disarray?????!!!
3. The dog should be taken for a walk.
4. I only have about an hour to get anything done at any one time, so it's not really worth getting started....
5. There's the phone again!

By the way, there will always be dishes to wash/laundry to do/kids or husbands to attend to/messes to fix/phone calls to answer (the list does go on)!

Here's to sticking to our resolutions in 2010.

See you on the 20th for our paper piecing demo.

Ann Jacobs

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes of December 16, 2009

Present: Total 42; no new members or guests.**Proceedings:***Meeting called to order* at 6:10 p.m. by President, Ann Jacobs.*Secretary's Report:* Minutes from November - motion to accept, Giselle Nolan; seconded by Denise Chase.*Treasurer's Report:* Motion to accept, Marjorie Taylor; seconded by Mary Ellen Therrien.*Old Business:*

- 2010 Quilt Show (Sharon Perry):
 - o Quilts needed for the quilt show.
 - o Still need volunteers for various key positions. Sharon went over the position & gave brief job description. Signup sheet going around the room.
 - o Raffle tickets handed out by Gayle Darling. Tickets not picked up at the meeting will be mailed out.
 - o Quilt show meeting dates:
 - January 11, 6:30 pm, NMC Conf Room #3.
 - February 8, 6:30 pm, NMC Large Conf Room.
 - o Peggy Burbank & Nancy Orcutt are looking for items for the Silent Auction.
 - Newsletter. Sharon donated a basket full of goodies as a prize to go to the individual who provided the winning name. Ballots were handed out and everyone voted on a name for the newsletter. The winner is...Sugarhouse Gazette – Sharon Perry. Sharon elected to draw a name from the other members who also provided potential names to win the basket. And the winner is...Lorraine Pike.
 - Charity Quilts
 - o Ann Jacobs asked that each charity quilt head put aside a few quilts for the quilt show.
 - o Habitat for Humanity. Reminder for members who signed out packets to turn in their completed quilt blocks.
 - Membership list/directory was handed out. Numerous corrections submitted.
- New Business:*
- 2011 Raffle Quilt. Peggy Burbank passed out ballots for guild members to vote on one of three options. Majority vote went to the "Pinwheels In My Garden" quilt.

Block of the Month: Instructions and swatches for next month's blocks were on tables.*Monthly Drawings*

- Door prize went to ????
- BOM drawing won by Patricia Johnson
- Charity quilt drawing went to Joanne Sweet.
- UFO drawing – Roseanne Terrill.

*Show & Tell**Programs:* Yankee Swap*Other Business*

- Next meeting, January 20th; scheduled event - paper piecing demo after quilt show planning.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.
- Minutes submitted by Secretary, Roseanne Terrill.

QUILTS OF VALOR



VERMONT CHAPTER

Please join us for a QOV QUILT-A-THON! Bring your QOV project, or anything you may need/want to work on, UFOs, or just stop by and say hi!

WHEN: 1st Saturday of EVERY month from 9:00 am—2:00 pm

WHERE: Forever Bloom Quilt Shop & More
71 North Main Street
St. Albans, VT 05478

CONTACTS: Roseanne Terrill, 802-524-7603
Gail Darling, 802-827-3159



FABRIC NEEDED FOR 2011 RAFFLE QUILT

Peg Burbank is looking for fabric donations for the 2011 Raffle Quilt. For the January meeting, please bring 2 ½ to 3-inch strips or fat quarters of tone-on-tone fabrics in any color. If you have any questions, please email Peg at peggy.burbank@uvm.edu.

QUILT SHOW PLANNING IN FULL SWING

Can you believe it?...our 12th annual quilt show is only 3 months away. The dates for this year's show are April 10th & 11th, the second weekend in April. Easter falls on the first weekend in 2010, so the guild voted two years ago to move the quilt show to the second weekend. The quilt show committee is meeting regularly to finalize the necessary planning. The January meeting will focus on planning efforts for the quilt show and help needed from all guild members. The following items are a quick rundown of all the ways each member can help.

*QUILTS! QUILTS! QUILTS!
IT'S ALL ABOUT THE QUILTS!!!*

As always, WE NEED QUILTS!!! There is a copy of the registration form included in this edition of the Sugarhouse Gazette. Please decide which quilts you want to enter in the show early (we hope everyone will enter at least one quilt), fill out the form, include a picture, and return the completed form to Shireen Melton at a guild meeting. If you prefer, take a digital photo of your quilt and email it to Shireen. Or you can always bring your quilt to the guild meeting, and Sharon Perry would be happy to take a picture of the quilt. She'll also make sure Shireen gets a copy for the registration book.

REMEMBER "I SPY QUILTS ON MAIN STREET?"

Gail Darling would like those displays to become an annual event for the guild's yearly quilt show. Will you help Gail by adopting a business or two? All you will need to do is deliver a quilt(s) to "your business" and return after the show to pick it up. It really is that easy! What do you say? Will you help Gail place quilts in every business in St. Albans and provide great local exposure and advertising for the quilt show? See Gail Darling at the meeting January 20th to sign up.

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR SILENT AUCTION

Nancy Orcutt and Peg Burbank, the Silent Auction coordinators, need more donations for the Silent Auction table. Quilt kits and coordinated packs of fat quarters have been big winners at the auction in previous years. Table-runners and placemats with coordinating napkins are popular choices for show attendees who are not quilters. Finally, holiday or pet (cats & dogs) themed

items bring in large bids. Nancy and Peg need any donations by the March meeting so they have time to take pictures and prepare the necessary paperwork for all the items.

DEMOS...

Lorraine Pike is in charge of organizing the demonstrations again this year. She is looking for guild members who have a new or neat or easy pattern, technique, tip or quilt idea to share with show attendees. Do you have a pattern for table-runners that's quick and easy? Or do you have a new technique which turns a difficult task into a fast and easy task? Or a pattern which attendees would enjoy such as the quilted coasters demonstrated in November? If so, please see Lorraine at the guild meeting, or call her at 849-6683, or email her at lipike@wildblue.net.

... AND DOOR PRIZES

Lorraine Pike is also in charge of gathering together donations for the door prize basket. If you have anything to contribute such as teas, coffees, candles, lotions, fabric, cards, stationery, soaps, candy, syrup etc...think special, think spa, think luxurious, think decadent! Bring your donations to the January or February meeting and give them to Lorraine so she can make an awesome basket for the door prize.

CHARITY QUILTS

At the December meeting, Ann Jacobs put the call out for quilts for the show's charity quilt display. This notice just serves as a reminder of her request.

AWARDS/RIBBONS

Mariette Shepard is in charge of organizing the awards and ribbons. She will need members to help her make the ribbons before the quilt show. Mariette will have more information at the January meeting. If you can help in the ribbon-making effort, please let her know.

BASKET OF FAT QUARTERS

As always, the third prize for the raffle will be a big basket of fat quarters. Please consider donating a few 100%, good quality cotton fat quarters for the FQ basket. Give your FQs to Sharon Perry at the guild meeting.

VOLUNTEERS

Bonnie Evans is once again in charge of volunteers. Making the show a success depends on all guild members volunteering to help out on the weekend of the show. There are lots of jobs for everyone with a typical shift only about 2-3 hours. If you plan now, surely you can fit a few hours at the show into your schedule. Bonnie will start asking for volunteers at the January meeting so bring your personal calendars along so you'll know when you'll be able to help out.

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD**12th Annual Quilt Show**

St. Albans City Hall

April 10th & 11th, 2010

The Franklin County Quilters Guild is holding its 12th Annual Quilt Show, April 10th & 11th, 2010, at the City Hall in St. Albans, Vermont.

Registration deadline is Monday, March 8th, 2010. Please complete the enclosed form, which should be signed, dated and returned to the Quilt Registration Chair as indicated on the registration form. Please submit a photograph of each of your quilts with your entry forms. (This is for planning purposes and can be of the finished quilt, just the top, or even a layout of the top before completion.) Upon registration, you will be provided with a registration number for each quilt to help with drop off.

Bring your pre-registered quilts to the St. Albans City Hall on Friday, April 9th, between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Please bring each quilt in a clear plastic bag and bring your quilt registration number(s) with you when you come to drop off your quilts. Your quilts will be available to pick up at the St. Albans City Hall between 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 11th and should be collected no later than 5:00 p.m.

Thank you for your participation in the Quilt Show.

Shireen Melton, Quilt Show Registration & Layout

Additional Information:

- ✓ *This is not a juried show. Anyone who is a member of the guild can enter and display a quilt which they participated in making.*
- ✓ *A "Crib or Lap Quilt" is smaller than twin size, and is intended for functional use. A "Bed Quilt" can be between twin size and king size and is intended for functional use. A "Wall Quilt" may be of any size, but is not intended for functional use on a bed. A "Miniature Quilt" utilizes a reduced scale, miniature piecing, or miniature appliqué techniques.*
- ✓ *Based on information provided on the registration form and picture, the Quilt Registration Chair reserves the right to place the entry into a more appropriate category.*
- ✓ *Sources of design section should reference any books, patterns or kits you used, or classes taken (give credit to the designer). Feel free to provide additional information about your quilt, its recipient, its story, that can be used for narrative in the video.*
- ✓ *Your entry does not have to be rectangular, but does need to have a means by which to hang it for display from a straight metal rod. If you are submitting a quilt that has anything other than a straight top edge and a sleeve for hanging, you must provide another means to display that quilt so that it will hang.*
- ✓ *Please look over your entries closely before dropping them off for display. Please check carefully for stray needles and pins. Also watch for loose or hanging threads, animal fur, and stains, as these can detract from the beauty of your work.*
- ✓ *Temporary hanging sleeves look and work best and help avoid damage to the quilt when they are basted on, rather than pinned.*
- ✓ *You may offer a displayed quilt for sale, however the purchaser may not remove it from the show until the show has ended.*

12th Annual Quilt Show
Franklin County Quilters Guild
Quilt Registration Form

(Registration Deadline: Monday, March 8th, 2010)

Please print clearly or type, one form per quilt:

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Title of Quilt: _____

Brief Description: _____

Category: (Check one only)

_____ (C) Crib or Lap Quilt _____ (B) Bed Quilt _____ (W) Wall Quilt _____ (M) Miniature

Hanging dimensions of entry in inches: _____ (width) by _____ (length)

****Note:** Lap, Bed and Wall Quilts must have a 5" sleeve for hanging. Miniatures less than 20" wide may omit a hanging sleeve.

Check all that apply:

_____ Hand pieced _____ Machine pieced _____ Hand appliquéd _____ Machine
appliquéd

_____ Hand quilted _____ Machine quilted _____ Professionally machine quilted

Other techniques used: _____

Pieced/appliquéd by whom: _____ Quilted by whom: _____

Name of piecing/appliqué design: _____ Photograph enclosed: _____

Sources of design: _____

Franklin County Quilters Guild and St. Albans City are not responsible for damage or loss of quilts exhibited. I accept full responsibility for any and all insurance coverage.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit completed form and photo via e-mail to: quiltsanity@yahoo.com or by mail to:

Shireen Melton, Quilt Registration, 6 Stoney Acre Dr., St. Albans VT 05478
Any questions, email Shireen at quiltsanity@yahoo.com or call 524-2407
(email is preferred due to work and family obligations)

FOR SALE: Singer 20U-33 Industrial Sewing Machine. Asking \$575 OBO. Recently serviced and cleaned. Includes table. Formerly owned by individual in the teddy-bear-making industry. Same machine selling for \$800-900 on the internet; individual machine parts sell for about \$1400. For more information call Lorraine Pike, 849-6683, or email lipike@wildblue.net

QUILT TIPS

Save your old prescription bottles and put a small hole in the lid and put your hand quilting or appliqué thread inside. It keeps it clean and is easy to pick up if you drop it.

Sewing all day can lead to millions of little threads on the floor. For easy cleanup, put two lint rollers on a paint roller and attach the handle to an extension handle. Run it over the carpet to pick up all those pesky threads.

Those little tubes that contain miniature M&Ms are just the right size to hold bobbins...proof positive that chocolate and quilting truly go together.

Tape a brown paper bag to the edge of your sewing table next to the sewing machine to catch the threads and scraps. When it's time to put everything away for the day, pull the tape off the table and fold it over so that the bag is taped shut. You can either use it over or just throw it out.

When you finish making a quilt, use some of the left-over fabrics to make a "pillow case" for the quilt to be stored in when it's not in use. You can make a zipper closing so that the quilt can't escape. The zippered pillow case acts as a dust cover, but the scrap fabrics help identify what quilt is inside. If the quilt should ever need repairs, the fabric from the dust cover can be used for the repair.

When getting ready for a new class or workshop, throw in several Ziploc bags which can be used for organizing project steps, storing trimmings, etc. These bags can also be taped to the table to catch threads and scraps.

Don't forget to bring:

1. Show & Tell items
2. Food shelf donation
3. Completed block of the month
4. Completed quilt registration form(s)
5. Quilts for pictures, if needed
6. Personal calendars for volunteering

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