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President's Message

Happy New Year Everyone,

I hope all of you had a most enjoyable Christmas and your New Year is healthy and happy with lots of time to quilt.

Northwestern Medical Center has the two quilts Babette and her sister, Suzanne, so kindly made for the first new born girl and boy in 2011 or the first set of twins whichever occurs first. And the guild's labels are attached! .

With the Quilt Show less than three months away, determining what projects will go in the show and getting them done are my focus. One of my new year's resolutions is to get out of my comfort zone and one of my show quilts will do just that. It better be worth it. I challenge each and every one of you to focus your sewing efforts on your quilt show entry – small or large. They are all admired throughout the two day show and to have every guild member represented in the show is a true aspiration. Now, if all your quilts are finished, contact Deb Aylward (debaylward@comcast.net) who could use your help. Please don't hesitate if you have anytime available.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 19th. Doors will open at 6:30pm.

Happy Stitching,

-Ann Jacobs

2010 – 2011 Guild Calendar

September 15th Ice Cream Social

October 20th Christmas in
October (Members' demos)

November 12th Trunk Show*
with Kim Diehl

November 13th & 14th Workshops
with Kim Diehl

2010 – 2011 Guild Calendar

December 15th Holiday Potluck*
with Gift Exchange

January 19th Quilt Show Prep
Forever Bloom vending

February 16th Scrap Swap

March 16th Final Quilt Show Prep
with Scrap Swap Revealed

April 2nd – 3rd Quilt Show

2010 – 2011 Guild Calendar

April 20th Members' Tips &
Tricks

May 18th Trunk Show*
of Guild Members' Vintage Quilts
with Richard Cleveland

June 15th Potluck
Teacup Auction

* indicates 6:00 pm start

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes of December 15, 2010

Present: Total attended 49, including one guest.

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Ann Jacobs, President, followed by pot luck supper.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of November 2010

Meeting, motion to accept by Joanne Sweet, seconded by Gisele Nolan.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept by Sharon Perry, seconded by Summer Ladd.

Old Business:

Charity Quilt 2011 - Sally Krupp is still collecting foundation strips. She demonstrated a more efficient way of constructing the strips, by starting in the middle and working in both directions.

Quilt Show - Quilt Registration Form was handed out and is in the newsletter. Nadine has photos of the raffle quilt and more tickets. We need some charity quilts for the show. We need challenge quilts from last year's block-of-the-month. There are kits for making awards. Bring completed awards to February meeting.

New Year's Baby Quilts - Two have been completed, for 1st boy and girl born in 2011. The quilts will be turned in to the hospital maternity ward.

New Business:

May Program - Richard Cleveland, founder of VQF and author of *Plain and Fancy*, will present a talk on antique quilts. His fee is \$225. Motion to accept by Diane Forey, seconded by Rose Terrill.

Summer is looking for suggestions for a guest quilter/workshop leader. One possibility is Kathie Alyce of Waterfall Quilts in Plainfield, Vermont.

Block of the Month:

December block raffle won by Nancy Ekiert.

The January block is from Quilter's Cache and will be paper-pieced. Use blue and white fabric (dark blue center, surrounded by white-on-white and blue/white print). Carol will send link by email, and link will be in newsletter.

Monthly Drawings: Door prize won by Rolande Fortin, charity quilt raffle won by ?

Other Business:

Sharon Perry reminded us that Alyce Bushey doesn't have email, so be sure to keep her in the loop whenever FCQG emails go out.

Ann Jacobs read thank-you notes from a Purple Heart Quilt recipient, from the Harvest Festival, and from Quilts of Valor VT chapter.

Next meeting on Wednesday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m. - Program: Quilt Show prep & Forever Bloom as vendor

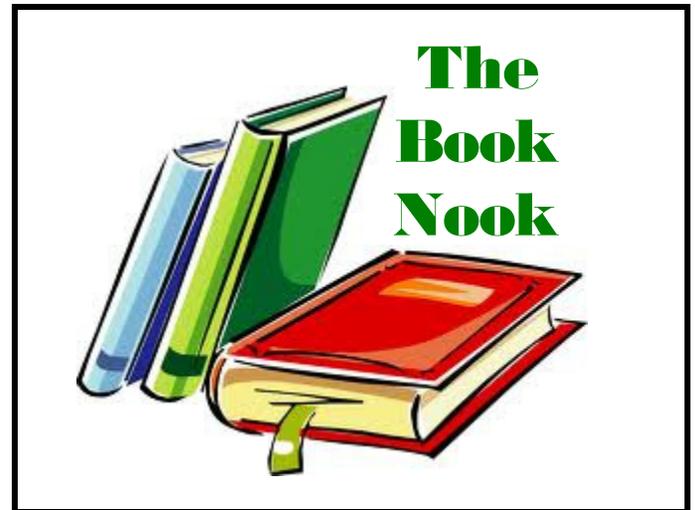
December Program: Yankee Swap

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kay Benedict, Secretary

MONTHLY MEETING FORMAT

6:30 pm	Doors open Sign-up for raffle BOM block Sign-up for monthly drawing Pick up name tag
7:00 pm	Business meeting Show and Tell Short break as appropriate Program for the evening



The guild's library continues to grow under the care of our librarian, Kay Benedict. The library has almost 40 books with some world-renowned names such as Harriet Hargrave, the fairy godmother of machine quilting. In addition to books, the library has magazines, videos and patterns available to all guild members. For a complete list, visit this link: <http://www.vtmooses.us/fcqmlibrary.html>

Some of the recent acquisitions include fictional titles by Jennifer Chiaverini and Emilie Richards. Also, the guild is very fortunate now to have a copy of From Fiber to Fabric by Harriet Hargrave. As its subtitle describes, this book is The Essential Guide to Quilting Textiles.

If you would like to check out any of the books, magazines, videos or patterns in the guild library, contact Kay Benedict at kayben1@yahoo.com or 868-7723.

**JANUARY 2011 BLOCK OF THE MONTH PATTERN:
DOUBLE WINDMILL 2**
Pattern from www.quilterscache.com

Use white-on-white fabric for background and half of center pinwheel, dark blue fabric for other half of center pinwheel, and blue-and-white print (medium or small print) for half of larger pinwheel.

This is a paper pieced block so if you are not familiar with paper piecing, you can check out the practice paper piecing page on this website. You will need to print out 4 paper-piecing templates to make the block. , Keep the paper on until you sew all 4 squares together. Also, be sure to measure the 1-inch test square to ensure your patterns have printed out at the correct size. If you have any questions, call Carol Stanley 849-2949.

Click the link below for the Double Windmill 2 Block pattern
<http://www.quilterscache.com/D/DoubleWindmill2Block.html>

**COUNTDOWN BEGINS
TO 2011 QUILT SHOW**

The quilt show committee met on January 13th in preparation for the guild meeting on the 19th. Although things are moving along, there are still many ways guild members can help. Continue reading and see if there is a job that might be perfect for you.

First and foremost, we need quilts!!! If you have a quilt or two you'd like to enter, there is a registration form in this newsletter that you can use. Jen Martin is in charge of quilt registration and quilt layout so please get your registration forms to Jen as soon as possible. There will be cameras at the January guild meeting to take pictures of those members who need to do so in order to have a picture to submit with the registration form.

Second, we need volunteers!!! Bonnie Evans is in charge of getting volunteers for all the jobs. She will have a sign-up sheet at the January meeting and will be trying to fill the majority of the jobs then. So bring your personal calendars and sign-up for at least one job at the Quilt Show.

Third, we need donations!!! The Silent Auction needs more quilted or quilt-related items for the Silent Auction table. Table runners/toppers, matching placemats and napkins, bags and totes, wall-hangings, quilt kits, and gift baskets have all been popular sellers in the past. If you have an item

to donate, give them to Nancy Orcutt at the guild meeting. We also need donations for the door prize. The door prize can be won by a non-quilter so items like candles, soaps, lotions, tea, coffee, etc, are always welcomed. Additionally, we need a guild member to step forward and organize the door prize basket. Finally, we need fat quarter donations for the basket of FQs we use as a prize for the raffle.

Fourth, Lorraine Pike is looking for members to do a demo during the quilt show. If you have an easy or unique technique or project you'd like to demo, talk to Lorraine at the meeting or contact her at Lorraine 849-6683 or lipike@wildblue.net.

Fifth, Nadine Froebel is the raffle ticket coordinator this year. She asks that each member return the raffle tickets and money for the tickets in an envelope with the member's name written on the outside. Nadine wants to be sure to properly credit the returned tickets and money to the correct member and avoid making unnecessary telephone calls looking for unreturned tickets.

Sixth, Elaine Magnan issued a challenge to all guild members to complete a Vermont quilt using at least 6 blocks (remember Champ???) from the 2009-2010 Block of the Month program.

Finally, we need a variety of charity quilts made throughout the year for the quilt display in the front lobby. We want to fill the lobby with quilts and welcome visitors to the show.

**Franklin County Quilter's Guild
13th Annual Quilt Show
Quilt Registration Form**

Registration Deadline: Monday, March 7, 2011

Please print clearly and submit one form per entry. Instructions for submitting are on page 2. Please note, this form must be signed before displaying your quilt(s).

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ E-mail: _____

Title of Quilt: _____

Brief Description: _____

Category: (please check only one)

C – Crib or Lap **B** – Bed Quilt **W** – Wall Quilt **M** – Miniature

Hanging dimensions: _____ inches Wide by _____ inches Long

SLEEVES: Crib/Lap, Bed and Wall quilts must have 5" sleeve to hang.

Minatures less than 20" wide may omit a hanging sleeve.

Please check all that apply:

Hand pieced Machine pieced Hand appliquéd Machine appliquéd

Hand quilted Machine quilted

Professionally hand quilted by: _____

Professionally machine quilted by: _____

Other techniques used: _____

Name of piecing/appliqué design: _____

Source of design: _____

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Printed photograph submitted
(your name & mailing address must appear on the back of your photo
if you wish to have the photo returned to you.)

Digital photograph e-mailed
(please send in .jpg format)

By signing below, I understand that the Franklin County Quilter's Guild, its members and affiliates and the 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:** _____

Please check here if you are completing this form electronically and submitting by e-mail. By checking here, I understand that the Franklin County Quilter's Guild, its members and affiliates and the St. Albans City are not responsible for damage or loss of quilts exhibited. I accept full responsibility for any and all insurance coverage.
Date: _____

Please submit photo and signed form to:

Jen Martin
219 Charles Circle
Sheldon, VT 05478

or

jnnoelle@gmail.com

Feel free to call Jen Martin at (802) 999-2395
if you have questions about completing or submitting this form.

REMINDER: The quilt show is scheduled for April 2 & 3, 2011.

It is important to submit a form for each entry by the **March 7 deadline**
to facilitate successful organization of the display.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Deadline for articles for January newsletter:

Wednesday, February 2nd, 2011

Please email articles to Sharon Perry, vtquilter@gmail.com, or mail to PO Box 517, Montgomery Center VT 05471

JANUARY 2011 TREASURER'S REPORT**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTER'S GUILD
Treasurer's Report -- January 19, 2011**

Opening Balance		\$2,393.38
Funds collected		
Vendors (2)	\$75.00	
Sale Table (Oct)	\$10.00	
<i>Total</i>	\$85.00	
	<i>Total</i>	\$2,478.38
Funds paid out		
Church of the Rock, Jan rent	\$35.00	
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for Jan	\$25.00	
<i>Total</i>	\$60.00	
Grand Total		\$2,418.78

2010 YTD Collections: \$6389.11

VQF ANNOUNCES CALL FOR QUILT ENTRIES

The Vermont Quilt Festival will be accepting 2011 contest entry applications postmarked from February 1st – February 15th. Here's the link to the entry form, http://www.vqf.org/files/%202011%20Contest%20Entry%20Form_doc.pdf

2011 marks the 33rd year for the Vermont Quilt Festival contest. The theme category for 2011 is Yankee Ingenuity. Entries from all over the United States, Canada and abroad are exhibited. As a reminder, VQF is not a juried show. There are nine categories and include one for beginner quilters and one for youth. Nineteen named awards and a possible twelve others are presented at the opening night on June 23rd. The Festival will be open to the public June 24th – June 26th at the Champlain Valley Expo in Essex Junction. Class registration will open at the beginning of March.

QUILT TIP

Whenever you draft an original pattern or make changes in an existing pattern, always work without seam allowances. After you figure the math (or drawings) for your borders and blocks, then add the seam allowances. This will minimize confusion and will let you concentrate on design.

“FOR SALE” TABLE RETURNS FOR JANUARY GUILD MEETING

Do you have extra quilt-related items cluttering your sewing space? Are you at a loss about what to do with your items? The guild has a solution for you. Bring your gently used items to the guild meeting to donate to the “For Sale” table at the back of the room; proceeds will benefit the guild. Sharon Perry has agreed to host the table each month at the monthly guild meeting. So don’t throw anything away...bring it to the guild!

The “FOR SALE” Table will be set up again at this month’s meeting. If you have any donations for the table, bring them in, and we’ll find a new home for them.

MORE QUILT TIPS

To wash or not to wash, that is the question... This has been a perennial discussion in the quilting industry, but here’s a tip from the internet that might sway those “not to wash” believers to start washing their fabric purchases: “Several years ago my sewing room was making me ill, truly ill. I talked with a friend about this and she suggested although I didn’t notice odors from fabric finishes, such as formaldehyde, because I didn’t pre-wash my fabrics this could definitely be the cause. I am a true fabriholic and have a very large stash. I removed and washed my stash. That must have been the reason for the headache and sick feeling because now I am free to go in there and I feel OK when I do. Now nothing goes upstairs to my sewing room until it stops in the laundry room and is washed!!” Penny Holliday

Don't forget to bring:

1. Completed block of the month
2. Silent Auction items
3. Door Prize donations
4. Fqs for Basket of Fqs
5. Completed quilt registration forms

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