

# Franklin County Quilters Guild

## SUGARHOUSE GAZETTE

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### President's Piece

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Home Health Quilts: Alyce Bushey  
Family Center Quilts: Denise Chase  
Laurie's House Quilts: Denise Chase  
Purple Heart Quilts: Jennifer Burt  
Quilts of Valor: Roseanne Terrill

Hi Everyone,

What a wonderful Quilt Show. Although the dollars have not been totaled yet, we surpassed last year's show in attendance and raffle tickets sold. The vendors had a great weekend too, passing last year's numbers by 4pm on Saturday. Bonnie did an excellent job as Quilt Show Chair. She was proactive in all aspects of the show including the construction in front of City Hall. Sandra Palmer was a huge hit and nice addition to the show. Margaret did a great job on demonstrations too. Thank you to all who helped make the show such a success, especially the husbands for handling set up and teardown which took less than 20 minutes!!

I was very disappointed to see the negative comments from some Guild members on Facebook regarding the construction in front of City Hall just days before the show. When the construction schedule was published, Bonnie immediately contacted all the powers that be to ensure the construction did not block the front of City Hall over the weekend. Nothing deflates momentum right before a presentation or test or show like negativity. Instead of negative comments, I'd suggest contacting Bonnie as the Quilt Show Chair to see if she needs any help.

Carolyn Babcock's talk on reproduction fabrics and quilts in March was very motivating. If you missed it, you missed a real treat! What a wonderfully talented hand-quilter. Her knowledge of the Civil War fabric was most impressive. I wish I had heard her talk a few years back when I had the opportunity to make a Civil War quilt as a Bee challenge in Virginia. Now, I'll have to make one on my own, but it will be machine quilted.

Our April 17<sup>th</sup> meeting is Jenny Doan's trunk show and will begin at 6:30pm sharp in the Chapel. Doors open at 5:30pm. Come early and bring a friend. Members get in free and the fee for non-members is \$10.

See you then.

-Ann Jacobs

#### 2012 – 2013 Guild Calendar

September 19<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social  
& Silent Auction

October 17<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show  
with Judith Brunn & Silent Auction

November 28<sup>th</sup> Presentation by  
Mountain Fiber Folk

December 19<sup>th</sup> Holiday Potluck  
& Yankee Swap (6 pm start)

#### 2012 – 2013 Guild Calendar

January 16<sup>th</sup> First & Worst Quilts  
with Guild Members

February 20<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show Prep  
Trunk Show (POSTPONED)

March 20<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show Prep  
Trunk Show with Carolyn Babcock

April 5<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show Setup

April 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show

#### 2012 -2013 Guild Calendar

**April 17<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show  
with Jenny Doan (begins at 6:30pm)**

April 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Workshops  
with Jenny Doan

May 17<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show  
with Sharon Shorey

May 18<sup>th</sup> Workshop  
with Sharon Shorey

June 19<sup>th</sup> Potluck  
& Teacup Auction



**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD**  
Minutes of March 20, 2013

Present: Total attended 49, including two guests: Mary Jane Palmer of Huntington, and guest speaker Carolyn Babcock of Montgomery

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Ann Jacobs, President

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept by Roseanne Terrill, seconded by Sharon Perry

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept by Roseanne Terrill, seconded by Linda Nadeau

**Old Business**

**Quilt Show**

- Quilt registration is closed, with 99 quilts registered, plus 9 antique quilts.
- Quilt drop-off times on Friday, April 3 have been changed to Noon until 3pm.
- Quilts should be dropped off in clear bags with registration slip visible in the bag.
- Registration slips were distributed for proof-reading, and for enclosure in bags for drop-off.
- Take-down was chaotic last year. This year, wait in lobby if not helping take down quilts and poles. Quilts will be brought out in bags, and Marge Taylor and Gerda Thibault will check them out at the door.
- An appreciative letter from Alburgh Welcome Center was read.

Jenny Doan trunk show and workshops

- Alyce Bushey was the winner of a drawing for the last available spot in the workshops.
- Trunk show (next meeting) will be held in the church sanctuary on Wednesday, April 17 at 6:30pm. Members are

to check their names off the list at the door. Admission is \$10 for guests. Volunteers are needed to collect money from guests and from sale of rulers.

**T3 (Tips, Tricks and Techniques)**

- Use a binder clip as a stand for a tiny iron when hot. - Ann Jacobs
- Wrap up abandoned UFOs to be found and treasured after your death! - Ann Jacobs
- Microwave bowl koozie (fabric layers + "warm tater batting" with darts) - Margaret Miller
- Potholders (giant coasters with reflective heat batting) - Margaret Miller
- Jar for needles - Bev Cook
- Spray binding with spray starch and iron before sewing it on. - Bev Cook
- Roll binding onto toilet paper roll, hang around your neck by a string while sewing it on. - Diane McGill

**Raffle Quilt**

- The quilt setting pattern will debut at the show.
- Setting and embroidery patterns are all "limited edition." Sharon Perry is taking orders and money from guild members; checks to be made out to FCQG.
- Each embroidery pattern pack for 2 blocks = \$10. There are 6 different packs (12 blocks).
- All 6 embroidery pattern packs (without setting pattern) = \$50.
- All embroidery pattern packs + setting pattern = \$60
- All proceeds from sale of patterns are going to the guild. \$116 profit has already been made from sales at the Shop Hop.

**New Business**

**Charity Quilt**

- Christy Mulyca and Char Mulyca showed the finished 2013 quilt. It will be displayed at the old Needleman's location until the show, and then will be displayed at the show.
- Ann Jacobs is taking suggestions for recipient of 2014 Charity Quilt.

Ann Jacobs needs two people for the Nominating Committee.

Mary Ellen Therrien has had a quilt request by the FFA. Gerda Thibault will finish one.

Elaine Magnan showed the Home Health "quilt of the month." The pattern is Jenny Doan's Double Slice. Kits are available.

**Program** - Carolyn Babcock spoke about the history and fabrics of Civil War quilts, and she showed some of her own handmade quilts.

**Show and Tell** - Six charity quilts; other quilts and projects

**Monthly Drawings**

Door prize won by Kris Bachand

Charity Quilt drawing won by Char Mulyca

**Next meeting** - Wednesday, April 17, 2013 at 6:30 pm in the church sanctuary. Guest speaker will be Jenny Doan, who will present a trunk show.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kay Benedict, Secretary

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!!!

By Ann Jacobs

Volunteers are needed NOW to co-chair the committee to select the 2013-2014 slate of officers. The slate of officers needs to be in place by the May meeting, so the required 30-day notification is met before we vote at the June meeting. Send me an email, [ann.goergen-jacobs@ge.com](mailto:ann.goergen-jacobs@ge.com), saying you'll volunteer.

Just a side note to the members: Consider participating as a member of the board. It is an opportunity to make friends and really grow as a human being. The first few meetings as President, I rehearsed exactly what I was going to say at the meeting during the drive in. Within 2-3 months, you STOPPED scaring me!!! Since that time, I have recognized the impact both personally and professionally. Take the challenge and volunteer!!



### TIPS, TOOLS, OR TECHNIQUES (T<sup>3</sup>)

The Tips, Tools, or Techniques (T<sup>3</sup>) feature at each meeting continues to grow bigger and bigger each month. In March, four guild members shared seven different tips (see meeting minutes above). One of the tips and techniques shared can be seen at <http://syzygyofme.blogspot.com/2012/06/microway-e-bowl-potholder-and-tutorial.html>.

### INVITATION TO DIANNE S. HIRE WORKSHOPS

The Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild of Vermont would like to extend an invitation to members of neighboring guilds to enroll in the May workshops given by nationally-known quilt maker, lecturer, instructor, and author, Dianne S. Hire. Workshops are described below. There are no kit fees for these workshops, but they do require some pre-cutting of fabrics, so enroll early.

Dianne is featured in the current issue of the American Quilters' Society (AQS) magazine. Her love of teaching is reflected in workshops that students describe as uniquely fun and exciting. She encourages creative freedom bordering on fabric mayhem. You'll find her quirky sense of humor refreshing and fun to be around. Her blog is at <http://dhquiltsandclasses.blogspot.com/>.

If you have any questions or would like to enroll in the class, please contact Janet Brunet at 802-846-7392. Payment is required at time of sign-up. Please confirm availability first and then make check payable to CVQG and mail to: Carla White, 7 Valley Road, S. Burlington, VT 05403.

#### Wednesday Full Day: Vivacious Curvy Squares

Date: May 8<sup>th</sup> Time: 9:30 am - 4 pm Cost: \$45

Place: United Church of Colchester



**SQUARE CURVES?** What does that mean? Create easy, template-free, intuitively designed blocks of inset curves that become squares. All types of fabrics make an exceptional quilt. By the end of the day, you may have your curvy quilt completely sewn together and ready to quilt.

#### Wednesday Evening: Borders: Piano Keyboard and CheckerBorder from Quilters PLAYTIME

Date: May 8<sup>th</sup> Time: 6-9 pm Cost: \$30

Place: United Church of Colchester



See what happens in a fast three hours with a no-pattern/template, impromptu technique you will love. Delight yourself with spontaneous design discoveries. By the end of the workshop, you will have two borders ready to use for quilts at home. This can be used as a border or in a wall-hanging.

**APRIL 2013 TREASURER'S REPORT*****THIS REPORT DOES NOT INCLUDE MONIES RECEIVED AT THE QUILT SHOW!*****FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTER'S GUILD****Treasurer's Report -- April 17, 2013**

Opening Balance			\$4,293.30
Funds collected			
Raffle tickets (YTD: \$1319.00)		\$576.00	
Sharon Shorey workshop		\$30.00	
Jenny Doan workshop		\$175.00	
Madison Bridges pattern sales		\$360.00	
Membership		\$15.00	
	<i>Sub-Total</i>	\$1,156.00	
	<i>Total</i>		\$5,449.30
Funds paid out			
Church of the Rock, Apr rent (Wed/Sat)		\$70.00	
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for Apr (Wed/Sat)		\$50.00	
Sharon Perry, Bridge pattern printing, paper & bags		\$243.99	
Gwen Guyette, Fabric		\$15.27	
Gerda Thibault, QS poster printing, postage		\$80.64	
Nancy Magnant, Carolyn Babcock gift cert for trunk show		\$100.00	
Regal Arts, QS fliers		\$48.81	
Cincinatti Ins Co, premium late fee		\$25.00	
	<i>Sub-Total</i>	\$633.71	
	<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$4,815.59</b>

2013 YTD Collections: \$2792.47

Respectfully submitted,  
Deborah L. Dusablon, Treasurer  
04/17/13

**QUILT TIPS**

- Before pressing freezer paper to your fabric, punch a small hole in the paper. After finishing the appliqué, you can put your needle in the hole on the freezer paper, and it pulls right off!
- When doing hand appliqué and traveling, simply wind your bobbins with the color threads needed and place them in a medicine bottle. Drill tiny holes through the top of bottle and pull up your thread colors. They will stay neat and easy to use! One medicine bottle holds approximately 7 bobbins of color.
- If you cut your pieces for appliqué on the bias they will be much easier to turn.

**Deadline for articles for next newsletter:****Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013**Please email articles to Sharon Perry, [vtquilter@gmail.com](mailto:vtquilter@gmail.com), or mail to PO Box 517, Montgomery Center VT 05471



## QUILT SHOW WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Franklin County Quilters Guild hosted its 15<sup>th</sup> annual Franklin County Quilt Show at the St. Albans City Hall this past weekend. Despite the construction along Main Street, the quilt show brought nearly 800 people to the St. Albans downtown. It was the second highest attendance in the quilt show's history!

For the first time, the quilt show featured a certified quilt appraiser, Sandra Palmer of Woodstock. Palmer provided quilt appraisals for both antique and contemporary quilts to guild members and community members over the weekend. She saw many remarkable quilts and expressed the need to come back to St. Albans for another day or two of appraisals as there were more quilts to appraise than appointments available.

Mayor Liz Gamache stopped by the quilt show Saturday morning to select her favorite quilt out of 99 entries for the Mayor's Award. Mayor Gamache presented the award to Diane Forey of Rouses Point, New York, for her quilt, "Folk Art Album." St. Albans resident Jamie Baron's "Dad's Memory Quilt" won the Founder's Award. The Founder's Award was presented on behalf of Denise Quint, formerly of St. Albans. Quint organized the first ever Franklin County Quilt Show in 1999 and served as the show's chairwoman for 5 consecutive years. Guild president, Ann Goergen-Jacobs of North Hero, selected "Maasai Woman" by Kay Benedict of St. Albans for the President's Award.

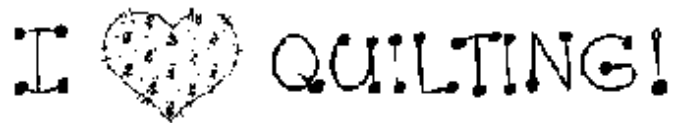
Eighteen additional awards were presented during the show, including 5 awards from show vendors, 12 viewers' choice awards, and an Appraiser Award from Sandra Palmer. The vendors' awards and winners were: from Blissful Bags by Bonnie, Swanton, "Jimmy's Folly" by Diane McGill of Swanton; from Country Thyme, Derby, "Kim's Class II" by Shirley Babcock of St. Albans; from Log Cabin Fabrics, Selkirk, New York, "Pathway to Gettysburg PA" by Priscilla Tiralla of Franklin, quilted by Rolande Fortin of Enosburg Falls; from Thread Connections, Middlebury, "Breezy Log" by Shirley Babcock; and from Yankee Pride, Essex Junction, "Vermont Country Hideaway" by Gwen Guyette of St. Albans, quilted by June Bugbee of Jericho.

The viewers' choice award winners were: Large Bed Quilt, first place, "Breezy Log" by Shirley Babcock, second place, "Vermont Country Hideaway" by Gwen Guyette, third place, "Log Cabin Lone Star Quilt" by Peggy Paradee of Fairfield, quilted by Bev Cook of St. Albans; Lap Quilt, first place, "Pathway to Gettysburg PA" by Priscilla Tiralla, second place, "Butterflies Abound" by Bonnie Evans of Swanton, third place, "Sweet Autumn" by Diane Forey; Wall-hanging, first place, "Folk Art Album" also by Forey, second place,

"Little Mack's Farm Vermont" by Monica Kelley of Franklin, third place, "Kim's Class II" by Shirley Babcock; Mystery Quilt, first place, "Mystery Project" by Denise Chase of St. Albans, second place, "Star Struck" by Bonnie Evans, third place, "Mystery Quilt Challenge" by Alyce Bushey of St. Albans. Sandra Palmer presented the Appraiser's Award to "In All Its Glory" by Diane Forey, quilted by Babette Coons of St. Albans.

Several drawings were also conducted at the conclusion of the quilt show. The raffle winners were: queen-sized quilt featuring covered bridges in Franklin County, Jeannette Harrison of Essex Junction; basket of fabric, Dorothy Dow of Fairfield; and Hannaford gift basket, Sue Clark of Franklin. Three names were drawn for door prizes: Shirley Parizo of North Hero won a quilted table runner; Lilianne-Gisele Racicot of Sainte-Sabine, Quebec, Canada won a maple gift basket; and Casey Swoyer of Sheldon won a gallon of syrup.

Congratulations to all the winners at the quilt show!



## THOSE MAGNIFICENT CRAZIES

By Cindy Thury Smith

They say they like crazy quilting  
because "it has no rules"  
Use fancy fabrics, silks, satins, velvets even tulle!  
Do random piecing then comes the part  
they really relish  
With embroidery, beading, ribbons, etc.  
they will embellish  
When shown, crazy quilts always  
draw the oohs and aahs  
They're fancy, glittery, they make people pause  
But at the quilt shows they get no respect  
They won't get the prizes, no ribbons bedecked  
But still we sew 'em, in our individual ways  
With trims and memorabilia they do blaze  
Crazy Quilters, it's a different drummer they hear  
Making beauties out of bits  
and pieces they hold dear  
When you come right down to it  
to thine own artist be true  
Their own vision of quilt making that's what they do  
And though not always understood  
by their quilting peers  
Those crazies are glorious down through the years.

## ON THE WEB...PATTERNS FOR MARCH

A SPRINKLE OF SPRING: [http://www.fonsandporter.com/content\\_downloads/Bonus-Sprinkle.pdf](http://www.fonsandporter.com/content_downloads/Bonus-Sprinkle.pdf)

SPRING SPLASH: [http://www.mccallsquilting.com/content\\_downloads/Spring\\_Splash.pdf](http://www.mccallsquilting.com/content_downloads/Spring_Splash.pdf)

SCRAPPY SPRING TULIPS: <http://carterquilter.files.wordpress.com/2008/12/scrappy-spring-tulips-pattern5.pdf>

SPRING RADIANCE: [http://www.fonsandporter.com/content\\_downloads/BONUS\\_Spring\\_Radiance.pdf](http://www.fonsandporter.com/content_downloads/BONUS_Spring_Radiance.pdf)

## APRIL MEETING FEATURES JENNY DOAN

Jenny Doan, owner of the Missouri Star Quilt Company and YouTube.com quilting sensation, will be the guest speaker at the guild meeting on Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Jenny will present a fun-filled lecture, demonstrations, and a trunk show featuring many of her quick and easy patterns. Jenny's presentation will start promptly at 6:30 p.m., so come early for a good seat.

## EMBROIDERY PATTERNS FOR *BRIDGES OF FRANKLIN COUNTY*

By Ann Jacobs

Thank you, Sharon Perry and Denise Chase for your tremendous generosity. If you haven't heard, Sharon and Denise are donating all the profits for their Covered Bridges of Franklin County patterns to the Franklin County Quilters Guild. This selfless act of kindness simply brings tears to my eyes. You both are so very talented and could easily reap the profits yourselves, yet you have chosen to have FCQG realize the benefits. The funds will be put to good use as we plan our 2013-2014 programs.

## 2014 RAFFLE QUILT:FABRIC NEEDED

Members are asked to donate squares of fabric for the 2014 Raffle Quilt. Fabric needed: 6 1/2-inch squares, two of the same fabric, any color for the mediums/darks; 6 1/2-inch squares, two of the same fabric, creams/beiges for the lights. Bring your donations to the April meeting. Denise Chase will be collecting them at the meeting.

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