

# Franklin County Quilters Guild

## SUGARHOUSE GAZETTE

### Saint Albans, Vermont

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#### President's Piece

Creative, amazing, outstanding, talented... these are some of the words our members used to describe Kay Benedict after seeing her quilts that she presented during our April meeting. A big "Thank You!" to Kay for sharing her inspiring quilting journey with us.

Wow! What a wonderful quilt show we hosted in early April! A big thank you to everyone who was involved in the planning, setting up, volunteering during the show, take-down, and everything in between. There are many "behind the scenes" jobs that were carried out by volunteers who took the time to make our quilt show a "talk of the town"! The articles in the St. Albans Messenger were wonderful. I spoke with one of the vendors after the close of the show, who said she had a great weekend, both in sales and socially. She commented that FCQG's show is so well done and is fun to attend! I agree!

I'd like to acknowledge a few of our generous guild members. Bonnie Evans was named March Vermonter of the Month by Vermont's Attorney General, in part because she donates countless quilts through our local hospital. Sharon Perry unselfishly gave away her *winning ticket* for the stunning raffle quilt to a fellow member who had been eyeing the quilt since before it was completed! Many FCQG members are stepping up to make bed quilts for Camp Ta-Kum-Ta's summer campers. And at our May meeting, we will present the 2018 Charity Quilt to a representative of the Jim Bashaw Cancer and Catastrophic Illness Fund, who will raffle it off as a fundraiser. Carol Stanley, Jean Ann Branch, and Sharon Perry put many hours into the Charity Quilt and they should be proud of the work they did on this beautiful quilt!

The annual Member's Garage Sale is the program for our May meeting on the 16th. At last year's sale, I picked up some material that I used for the backing of a quilt, plus I bought some quilting books. I wonder what treasures I will find this year. Bring cash and shopping bags to shop for your bargains. The doors will open at 5:30 pm to allow for set up. Buyers are welcome to start shopping at 6:00 pm.

We will start our meeting at 6:45 pm. The 2018-2019 slate of officers will be introduced and letters of application for the 2019 Charity Quilt will be read and discussed. Both the slate of officers and the 2019 Charity Quilt recipient will be voted on at our June meeting.

Regards,

Diane Kane, 2017-2018 President

#### 2017 – 2018 Guild Calendar

September 20<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social  
(6:00 pm start!!!)

October 18<sup>th</sup> "Stitching Together  
a Writer's Life"  
with Sonja Hakala, Author/Quilter

November 15<sup>th</sup> French Rose Quilt  
with Rose Rixon

December 13<sup>th</sup> Holiday Potluck, Gift  
Exchange and Food Shelf Donations  
(6:00 pm start!!!)

#### 2017 – 2018 Guild Calendar

January 19<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show  
with Anne Standish

January 20<sup>th</sup> Workshop  
with Anne Standish  
"From Photo to Wall Hanging"

February 21<sup>st</sup> Trunk Show  
with Sharon Perry

March 21<sup>st</sup> Slide & Trunk Show  
with Vermont Modern  
Quilt Guild

#### 2017 -2018 Guild Calendar

April 6<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show Set-Up

April 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show

April 18<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show  
with Kay Benedict

**May 16<sup>th</sup> Members' Garage Sale**

June 20<sup>th</sup> Potluck &  
Teacup Auction (**6:00 pm start!!!**)

## FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

### Minutes of April 18, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Diane Kane, President. Members Present: 43; 1 New Member: Elaine Carpenter, 2 guests.

#### Secretary's Report

Minutes for the March 2018 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Sharon Perry, second by Mary Jane Marchelewicz. Motion passed.

#### Treasurer's Report

Report for March 2018 meeting. Motion to accept report included in the updated version of the newsletter was made by Sharon Perry, second by Denise Chase. Motion passed.

#### Committee Reports

##### Membership News

- Discussion was held on the proposal to provide lifetime memberships to the 12 eligible founding members of the FCQG. Research was conducted by Sharon Perry who shared various practices other guilds of lifetime memberships. Motion to give founding members full lifetime membership beginning September 2018 by Dale McFeeters and second by Carol Stanley. Discussion included change in bylaws needed and to allow lifetime members to be listed in the pamphlet and join FCQG Facebook. Motion passed.

##### Quilt Show

- Nancy LaPointe congratulated members for a fabulous show this year with 650 people attending. Expenses this year were \$1,100 for expenses including \$540 for the hall, \$250 for poles and ribbons \$50.
- Solicitation by Bonnie, Nanc, and Linda for show sponsorship from local businesses netted \$1,750.
- The beautiful raffle quilt resulted in over \$2,000 in ticket sales.
- There was over \$722 in donations received to continue the Guild's effort to make additional charity quilts. The guild provided a wonderful display of charity quilts at the show.
- Other income includes \$700 from the Tea Cup Auction, \$250 from vendors, and \$50 for the appraiser.
- Total income received was \$3,769.
- Kay Benedict was recognized for the awesome display of the quilts year.

- Many thanks to all who volunteered to assist with this event.

#### Programs

- Reminder to request space for the upcoming Garage Sale to be held at the next meeting.

#### Project

- Natalie Good presented next month's Block of the Month, Vermont. The pattern can be found on the Quilter Cache website: <http://www.quilterscache.com>. Many members displayed this month's block of the month, Bear Tracks.

#### Charity Quilts

- It was announced the Guild has recently delivered the 100<sup>th</sup> charity quilt of the year to the Franklin County Home Health Agency.
- Eric Jessiman made a generous donation of \$200 for supplies for members to make quilts for Camp Ta-Kum-Ta. Eric suggests a flame retardant batting such as Quilter's Dream Angel Batting be used. Cindy Metayer reported additional quilts are requested by the camp as they have not received many other commitments to prepare quilts this year. Six FCQG quilts donations are in hand and additional intent was expressed. Please see Deb Dusablon for funding if interested.
- Adrienne Perrino thanked those who donated the twelve quilts and two bags for Bags of Love at the quilt show.

#### Other Business

- Bonnie Evans held a raffle drawing of those who volunteered at the quilt show.
- Margaret Miller led a brief discussion on a proposal to change the meeting structure for next year. An informal show of hands indicated interest in changing our current format. Formal discussions will be conducted at the next meeting.

#### Drawings

Block of the Month winner: Natalie Good

General Membership Door Prize winner: Rita Dean

Charity Quilt winner: Sue McGregor

Quilt Show Volunteer winners: Carol Mahoney, Christy Mulyca, Penny LaRochelle, Alice Rouleau, Carol Stanley, Jean Anne Branch, Teri Brunelle, Linda Nadeau, Dale McFeeters, Denise Chase, Helen Bicknell, and Diane Kane.

Motion to adjourn by Linda Nadeau, second by Penny LaRochelle. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Metayer



Shirley	Babcock	May	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Frances	Morong	May	6 <sup>th</sup>
Carol	Mahoney	May	17 <sup>th</sup>
Rolande	Fortin	May	19 <sup>th</sup>
Connie	Lane	May	30 <sup>th</sup>
Jennifer	Dusablon	May	31 <sup>st</sup>

*...and many more!!!*

### QUILT TIPS

- She who has the most fabric wins! The most important tool for quilting is your fabric collection. Build a good stash and then you'll always be able to find that special piece you need to complete a project.
- Carefully press the seams in quilt blocks by lifting the iron and placing it down on each new area without moving the iron across the fabric so you avoid stretching or distorting your fabric.
- Always bring the bobbin thread to the top of the quilt before beginning to sew so you can avoid any tangling on the back.
- Quilting can be good exercise too! Keep your ironing board well away from your machine and get in the habit of getting up to press every seam as you sew.
- To piece together two curved patches (like a Drunkards Path block), it is easier to sew with the convex (outer) curved patch on the top.
- Chocolate is a quilting tool...Enjoy!!!

### SPRING CLEANING IN THE SEWING ROOM TURNS "SAWDUST" TO "SILVER" AT MAY MEETING

The program for the May guild meeting will be a garage sale for all guild members. The garage sales the past few years have been so successful for both sellers and buyers the guild voted to have yet another encore presentation this year. This year's sale will again provide an opportunity for members to sell (or purchase) gently used quilting-related items no longer needed by the owner.

Any member can reserve a table to sell items. **THERE IS NO CHARGE TO SELL YOUR ITEMS AT THE GARAGE SALE!!!** Please let Jean Anne Branch know soonest if you would like a table. We need to know if there's anyone else who needs a table so we have enough set up at the church.

If you don't want a sale table or you're a "newbie" quilter in need of quilting supplies, there are sure to be lots of bargains. Be sure to bring some cash or checks to shop at the Guild's Garage Sale in May.

As Helen Short says, "One quilter's 'sawdust' is another quilter's silver."



REMINDER: Sellers...if you don't sell all your "wares" at the May meeting you can always donate them to the Teacup Auction in June.



*Remember the fallen...*

**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MAY 2018****FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD****Treasurer's Report -- May 16, 2018**

Opening Balance		\$5,582.61
Funds collected		
Membership	\$20.00	
Vendor	\$50.00	
Donation, Eric Jessiman for Camp Ta-Kum-Ta batting/material	\$200.00	
	<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$270.00
	<i>Sub-total</i>	\$5,852.61
Funds paid out		
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for May	\$35.00	
Bank service charge	\$6.00	
Diane Kane, Agenda copies	\$4.50	
Bonnie Evans, QS misc	\$15.98	
Joanne's, QS misc	\$19.99	
	<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$81.47
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$5,771.14</b>
2018 YTD Collections:	\$5,080.41	

Respectfully submitted,  
Deborah L. Dusablon, Treasurer

**GUILD WEBSITE HOME TO FRANKLIN COUNTY BARN QUILT TRAIL**

The FCQG website's home page has a link to the Franklin County Barn Quilt Trail which resides on the guild website. The barn quilt trail can be found here:

<http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcbqt/index.html>

**Deadline for articles for next newsletter:**

**Wednesday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Please email articles to Sharon Perry, [vtquilter@gmail.com](mailto:vtquilter@gmail.com), or mail to PO Box 517, Montgomery Center VT 05471



*Happy  
Mother's  
Day*





## MAY 2018 BLOCK OF THE MONTH PATTERN: VERMONT

Pattern from [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com)

Use your fabrics for the block(s) you will make and keep  
If you have any questions, call Helen Short, 752-8019.

Click the link below for the block pattern

<http://quilterscache.com/V/VermontBlock.html>

Be sure to continue to page 2 and 3 for instructions/supplies:

[http://quilterscache.com/V/VermontBlock\\_Page2.html](http://quilterscache.com/V/VermontBlock_Page2.html)

[http://quilterscache.com/V/VermontBlock\\_Page3.html](http://quilterscache.com/V/VermontBlock_Page3.html)

### 2018 – 2019 SLATE OF OFFICERS

- President – John Rouleau
- Vice President – Teri Brunelle
  - Secretary – TBD
- Treasurer – Deb Dusablon
- Newsletter – Sharon Perry
- Librarian – Alice Rouleau
- Membership – Helen Short & Mary Ellen Therrien
  - Project Coordinator – Marilynn Jessiman
  - Programs – Kris Kilburn & Margaret Miller
- Quilt Show Co-Chairs – Nancy LaPointe & Diane Kane
- Charity Quilt Coordinators – Claudia Moeykens (Breast Cancer), TBD (Home Health), Denise Chase (Laurie's House), Helen Short (Fire, etc. Quilts)

*For those who like to do jigsaw puzzles...*

Franklin County Quilters Guild  
Jigsaw Puzzle:

<https://www.jigsawplanet.com/?rc=play&pid=0d8df992c2fc>

### **Don't forget to bring to the May meeting:**

- Items to sell at the Members' Garage Sale, **OR**
- Cash or checks to spend at the Members' Garage Sale
- Items for Show & Tell (to include BOM) and UFO Challenge