

Franklin County Quilters Guild

SUGARHOUSE GAZETTE

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President's Piece

It Takes All of Us To Make a Smooth Running Guild: This year we start out with some vacant roles in our guild. Becki Mandeville has a new job that requires long hours and cannot be our Program Chair. Therefore while I was away enjoying our 3-week vacation in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, going to the beach, hiking and eating seafood, Sharon and Bonnie put their ideas together and came up with the program plan for this year. They've have been able to book some impressive presenters despite the short timeline they had. The guild now needs someone to execute the plan, buy the fat quarters, chose the monthly door prizes, and be the point person at the meetings. This is an excellent opportunity for 1-2 members to become more involved with our guild. Carolyn Kittell and her husband will be enjoying retirement from farming and traveling more this year. Therefore she needs to retire from performing the Sunshine duties for our guild so we need a new Sunshine person. If you don't have a lot of spare time, this position is for you; it is a good way to help the guild by sending greeting cards to our members who are ill or have lost a loved one.

In June I had grand plans for the quilts I was going to finish and start before our September meeting. Due to great summer weather, I spent less time in my sewing room than planned and more time doing fun things with my family. We took our grandchildren to Cape Cod and camped near the National Sea Shore in the campground where my brother has a seasonal site. My brother also has an Over Sand Permit so we rode in his Jeep out onto the National Seashore. My husband turned 70 in July, and I put on a big Birthday Party for him. Our daughter came from Portland, OR for a week. While she was here we took a day trip over to Isle LaMotte to see the lighthouse, St Anne's Shrine, and fossils in the Fiske Quarry. Another day trip took us to southern Vermont to visit my mother. While in Cape Breton camping with our grandchildren we took a hike in the Cape Breton Highlands National Park and were fortunate enough to see a bull and cow moose about 1/2 kilometer from each other! These memories will be great to reflect on during this next winter when I finish my UFOs. I truly have UFOs that will qualify for the challenge because they are now over a year old!

Our September meeting is the 21st and will start at 6:00 pm with the doors opening at 5:30 pm so you can come early and catch up with each other. The program will be our traditional Ice Cream Social. Please bring non-perishable food items, money or baby diapers for a food shelter. This year we will draw the shelter to receive the donated items with both the Grand Isle and Franklin county shelters names being in the same envelope.

Helen Short, 2016 – 2017 President

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Jennifer Burt

Alyce Bushey

Denise Chase

Elaine Magnan

Helen Short

Gerda Thibault

2016 – 2017 Guild Calendar

**September 21st Ice Cream Social
(6:00 pm start!!!)**

October 19th Christmas in October

November 18th Civil War Quilts
with Pam Weeks

November 19th Workshop
with Pam Weeks

November 20th Possible Workshop
with Pam Weeks

2016 – 2017 Guild Calendar

December 21st Holiday Potluck
(6:00 pm start!!!)

January 18th Trunk Show
with Denise Chase

February 17th Trunk Show
with Jessica VanDenburgh

February 18th Workshop
with Jessica VanDenburgh

February 19th Possible Workshop
with Jessica VanDenburgh

2016 -2017 Guild Calendar

March 15th Lessons Learned
from a Long-Armer (tentative)
Quilt Show Prep

March 31st Quilt Show Set-Up

April 1st & 2nd Quilt Show

April 19th New Tips & Tricks Trunk
Show with Sunny Laurel Sisters

May 17th Members' Garage Sale

June 21st Potluck &
Teacup Auction (6:00 pm start!!!)

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes of June 15, 2016

Present: Total attended 57; two guests, Cathy Choiniere and Maggie Short

Business meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. by Helen Short, President, following a potluck supper.

Secretary's Report for May meeting: Motion to accept by Nanc Ekiert, seconded by Nadine Froebel. Approved.

Treasurer's Report for June: Motion to accept by Sally Krupp, seconded by Rose Rixon. Approved.

Old Business:**Committee Reports****Quilt Show**

- Kay Benedict distributed entry forms for next year's show, explained the Challenge Quilt category, and announced an early entry challenge for quilts entered over the summer.
- Rita Dean showed a pole setup to consider for purchase. Members discussed, and more research and study will be done.
- Helen Short led a brief discussion of youth entries for our quilt show. Tabled until September.

Charity Quilts

- Helen Short read a thank-you note from Bags of Love.
- Sue McGregor was honored for her monthly charity quilt donations throughout the past year.
- Adrienne Perrino reported that we are free to decide how we would like to use the donated quilt top, quilted by Sally Krupp. Since it is queen-size, we will keep it on hand until it is needed.

Membership

- Char Mulyca had a drawing for members with perfect attendance this past year.
- Winners were Sally Krupp, Denise Chase, and Alyce Bushey.

Nominating Committee: Last month, Denise Chase moved, and Mary Ellen Therrien seconded, to accept the proposed slate of officers. Approved as presented.

Other Old Business: Nanc Ekiert collected many maple leaf blocks for the Ottawa Modern Quilt Guild for victims of the Ft. McMurray, Alberta wildfire.

New Business:

Proceeds of the teacup auction at the meeting totaled \$389, to be donated to the Northwest Medical Center building fund. At the September

meeting, Dale McFeeters will report on areas of the fund for designating the donation.

Food shelf donations collected at the meeting will go to the Lucas James Williams Memorial Youth Fund Community Shelf in Bakersfield (Franklin County) and to Champlain Islands Methodist Church in North Hero (Grand Isle County).

Beth Jessiman announced that she is opening a new business in Jeffersonville called **Mother Bear Quilts**.

Monthly Drawings

- Door Prize: Kay Benedict
- Charity Quilts: Elaine Magnan
- June Birthdays: Peggy Paradee

Program - Teacup Auction**Show and Tell**

Next meeting - Wednesday, September 21, 2016
Motion to adjourn by Denise Chase, seconded by Carol Stanley. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kay Benedict, Secretary



September	1 st	Jennifer	Burt
September	2 nd	Teri	Brunelle
September	4 th	Beverly	Cook
September	10 th	Jeanette	LaPierre
September	12 th	Helen	Bicknell
September	12 th	Dale	McFeeters
September	13 th	Nadine	Froebel
September	13 th	Monica	Kelley
September	23 rd	Donna	Blouin
September	27 th	Sherry	Sica
September	28 th	Carolyn	Kittell
September	28 th	Sally	McIntyre
September	???	Helen	Gingras-Calvin

...and many more!!!

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Executive Team Meeting
Minutes of August 24, 2016

Present: Helen Short, Alyce Bushey, Nancy LaPointe, Rose Rixon, Sharon Perry, Kay Benedict, Elaine Magnan, Dale McFeeters, Beth Jessiman, Marilynn Jessiman, Denise Chase and Teri Brunelle
Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Helen Short, President

Programs

- September 21st – Ice Cream Social
- October 19th – Christmas in October (demo by guild members)
- November 18th – Trunk Show (11/18) & Workshops (11/19 & 11/20) with Pam Weeks, Author of Civil War Quilts
- December 21st – Pot Luck Supper and Gift Exchange
- January 18th – Trunk Show with Denise Chase
- February 17th – Trunk Show (2/17) & Workshops with Jessica VanDenburgh (2/18 & 2/19)
- March 15th – Lessons Learned from a Long-Armer (Tentative)
- April 19th – New Tips & Tricks Trunk Show with Sunny Laurel Sisters
- May 17th – Members' Garage Sale
- June 21st – Potluck & Teacup Auction

Quilt Show

- The show is scheduled for the first weekend of April, April 1st & 2nd
- The entry form is already available on the guild's website and will also be distributed at the September meeting. There will be early-entry challenges in October and February

Projects: There will be a Block of the Month and a Mystery Quilt

Charity Quilts

- Elaine Magnan and Alyce Bushey had put together quilt kits and are ready for the year.
- Denise Chase would like twin size quilts for Laurie's house
- Helen Short would like Queen-size quilts for Fire and Disaster Quilts
- Bags of Love are in good shape

Raffle/Charity Quilt

The 2017 Raffle and 2017 Charity Quilts are already in progress. Denise Chase is working on the 2018 Raffle Quilt and may have it to show at the September meeting.

The 2018 Charity Quilt is not yet assigned.

New Business

- Discussion of increasing dues for next year to help defer the cost of programs.
- Need a volunteer for this year programs; Becky Mandeville was unavailable to fill the position for this year due to her new job.
- Set a standard start time for all our meets
- Rotating donations for different food shelves.
- Beth Jessiman will bring back name tags.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Teri Brunelle, Secretary

SUNSHINE COORDINATOR NEEDED

Carolyn Kittell has stepped down as the Sunshine Coordinator to do some traveling to visit far-flung places and family and friends now that she and Peter have retired from farming. The guild needs a new Sunshine Coordinator to send cards to any guild member who needs a note of support throughout the year. Cards are most commonly sent to members experiencing an extended illness or to those who have lost a loved one.

*******PROGRAM DIRECTOR NEEDED*******

The guild needs someone to fill the now vacant Program Director for the 2016 – 2017 Membership Year. Becky Mandeville is unable to continue due to a new job she accepted this summer. Her new job requires many more over-time hours than she expected.

Bonnie Evans and Sharon Perry were able to brainstorm and come up with some exciting programs for the coming year. The programs for the year are listed at the bottom of page 1 of this newsletter. There will be 2 guest speakers doing trunk shows and teaching workshops. We're also asking a few guild members to do trunk shows. Nancy LaPointe's trunk show was a big hit, and we have more talented members we can showcase.

Now we need a member or two to step forward and do the fun stuff like buying birthday fat quarters and organizing the monthly door prize and charity quilt gifts, and to execute the planned programs. It's an opportunity to serve a crucial function in the guild without a lot of work involved.

If you're interested in filling either one of the positions listed above, please contact Helen Short.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2016**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTER'S GUILD
Treasurer's Report -- September 21, 2016**

Opening Balance		\$2,772.64
Funds collected		
Membership dues	\$15.00	
Silent Auction	\$379.00	
Food shelf donations	\$65.00	
	<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$459.00
		<i>Sub-Total</i> \$3,231.64
Funds paid out		
Gerald Perry, Sep room set-up	\$35.00	
Kay Benedict, QS Entry form printing	\$15.00	
Bonnie Evans, Potluck misc	\$44.67	
Champlain Islands Food Shelf, Donation	\$32.50	
Youth Fund Community Food Shelf, Donation	\$32.50	
	<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$159.67
		Grand Total \$3,071.97

2016 YTD Collections: \$3592.55

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, September 28th, 2016**

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

SPECIAL EARLY ENTRY DRAWING FOR QUILT REGISTRATION

Kay Benedict is offering an early entry drawing for quilt registrations. You can find the registration form here: <http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcqqregistration.pdf>. Anyone who registers a quilt for the show prior to the September meeting will be entered into a special drawing. If you want to participate, you **MUST SEND** your **COMPLETED FORM**, along with a photograph, **TO KAY** either **VIA SNAIL MAIL OR EMAIL TO ARRIVE PRIOR TO THE SEPTEMBER MEETING**. See the form for the details about sending it to Kay.

ALL THAT JAZZ QUILT SHOW IN OCTOBER

The Champlain Valley Quilters Guild presents its 33rd quilt show, entitled “All That Jazz.” The show, a long-standing autumn tradition, will take place on Friday, October 21st, and Saturday, October 22nd, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday, October 23rd, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The show will be held at the Champlain Valley Expo in Essex Junction.

The show features a spectacular display of over 100 quilts, from traditional to contemporary, and includes youth quilts, themed contests, special displays, award ribbons, on-going demos, several vendors, a raffle quilt, and crafts for sale. This is a “kid-friendly” event!

The Green Mountain Rug Hooking Guild will also be hosting “Hooked in the Mountains Rug Show and Fiber Arts Exhibition” at the Champlain Valley Expo the same weekend. An admission discount will be provided to attendees of both shows. For additional information, please visit the Champlain Valley Quilt Guild’s website: www.cvqgvt.org.

2016 - 2017 UFO UNFINISHED OBJECT CHALLENGE

Fill out the attached list and return to Kris Bachand at the September meeting, the earliest meeting you can, or e-mail me one at bachandkris@yahoo.com.

Here are the “rules”:

- It must have been started at least a year ago this coming September. If you have been working on it on a regular basis it’s a Work In Progress – not a UFO. If you started it a year ago this last November put it on the November line or after. Just to be clear, these are guidelines, I really don’t care, and I don’t think anyone else will check. If you don’t know where it is, found it at the bottom of a pile, or you started it more than a year ago I think we can agree it’s a UFO. If you started it more than 20 years ago, congratulations, YOU are my favorite!!
- You must show and tell, provide a picture of, or a witness to the completion of the quilt.
- **NO** points collected unless/until I have a paper copy of your list (feel free to mail it to me PO Box 49, St. Albans Bay, VT 05481)
- ONE additional point to the first person to give me a completed UFO list
- ONE point for each finished UFO
- ONE additional point for any UFO shown in the month it is listed
- ONE additional point if you donate it to one of the charities
- TWO points for each additional UFO finished in a month
- FIVE points for anyone who completes every UFO on their list. This could involve some serious strategy on your list making plans.
- The participant with the most points after the June 2017 meeting can let me know the name of their favorite quilt shop and I will get you a \$25 gift certificate.

**No matter what, the less UFOs there are in the world,
the warmer and more beautiful a world it will be.
So let’s sew!**

2014 Winner- Carol Stanley
2015 Winner- Kay Benedict
2016 Winner- Carol Stanley

FCQG 2016 - 2017 UFO Challenge

Name_____

September_____

February_____

October_____

March_____

November_____

April_____

December_____

May_____

January_____

June_____



**AVOID THE LONG LINE:
PAY YOUR DUES EARLY**

The September meeting marks the start of the 2016-2017 membership year. Dues will remain at \$15 for the year and are payable at this month's meeting. Beth Jessiman is the new Membership Chair, and she will be ready to collect dues at the meeting. To avoid the long line which usually forms as guild members pay their dues, you can mail the completed membership form below, along with a check for \$15 payable to FCQG, to Beth Jessiman, PO Box 1295, Jeffersonville, VT 05464.

Beth also plans to have new name tags printed for everyone. Be sure to pick yours up or wear the nametag you made last year...your choice. If you have any questions for Beth you can email her at jessimanbeth@gmail.com.

**QUILT HISTORIAN FEATURED
AT NOVEMBER MEETING**

Pam Weeks, co-author of Civil War Quilts, will be the guest speaker at the November meeting. To accommodate a trunk show and workshops, the

meeting has been moved to Friday, November 18th.

On Saturday, and possibly Sunday, Pam will teach workshops incorporating the history of specific quilt genres while she teaches. Her expertise is in Civil War-era quilts.

Sign-up for the workshops will begin at the September meeting. The cost for each workshop will be \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members. The workshop fee must be paid at sign-up in order to reserve a spot in either workshop.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH RETURNS

Dale McFeeters is the new Project coordinator for this year. She'll have a new block of the month program with instructions for the first block available at the September meeting. Dale also plans to have a mystery quilt which will start a little later in the year.

Stay tuned for more information at the guild meetings.



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*WELCOME TO THE
FRANKLIN COUNTY
QUILTERS GUILD*

Registration Form

Name:

Address:

Telephone number:

Email Address:

Please mark: *New Member* or *Renewal*

Birthday: Month _____ Date _____ ONLY!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

23rd Annual Bennington Quiltfest, September 17th – 18th, 2016: Sponsored by the Quiet Valley Quilters Guild at the Mount Anthony Union Middle School, 747 East Road, Bennington. Show hours: Saturday, 9 am – 5 pm; Sunday, 9 am – 4 pm. Admission \$7, Children 12 and under free. Features new & vintage quilts, demonstrations, Quilt Raffle, door prizes, Challenge Quilts, vendors, guild boutique, People's Choice Awards, and special exhibits. **Handicapped Accessible.**

Quiltfest 2016, September 24th, 2016: Features new and vintage quilts, demonstrations, special exhibit, door prizes, and vendors at Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main Street, in Newport, VT

33rd Quilt Show, All That Jazz, October 21st – 23rd, 2016: Sponsored by the Champlain Valley Quilters' Guild of VT. The Green Mountain Rug Hooking Guild will also be hosting "Hooked in the Mountains Rug Show and Fiber Arts Exhibition" at the Champlain Valley Expo the same weekend. An admission discount will be provided to attendees of both shows. Quilt Show hours: Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Quilt Show features quilts, vendors, crafts, café, Raffle Quilt & Baskets, demonstrations, and special displays. For further information, visit www.cvqgvt.org



Don't forget to bring:

- Completed membership form
- \$15 Cash or check payable to FCQG for dues
- 2016 - 2017 UFC Challenge Form
- \$40 cash or check payable to FCQG for November workshops
- Non-pertishable food items, diapers or cash donation for local food shelves
- Items for Show and Tell and UFO Challenge

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