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2020 Raffle Quilt

Denise Chase & Sharon Perry

2020 Charity Quilt

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President's Piece

Autumn Greetings,

So far (as far as I know) we have not yet had a killing frost so the zinnias and the cosmos are still standing tall and waving from the garden. Each day I see butterflies visiting the zinnias and a few goldfinches are getting a jump on feeding on the zinnia seeds by eating them now. Probably a little juicier now than when they go for them in the dead of winter.

The ice cream social was a great way to get us started and I look for continued fellowship at our coming meetings. Thank you to all who work to keep the guild running smoothly and productively. I want to mention in particular Diane Comeau, who volunteered to work on reviving Birthday Fat Quarters and Comfort Quilt prize bags.

Please note that our meeting this month is on **Friday, October 18th**, and Sue Pelland's workshop, Hearts and More, will be from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm on Saturday, October 19th.

Looking forward to seeing everyone's Block of the Month squares,

John Rouleau, 2019 - 2020 President



2019 - 2020 Guild Calendar

September 18th Ice Cream Social
(6:00 pm start! Doors open at 5:30 pm)

**October 18th Beyond Fabulous: Rotary
Cut Appliqué with Sue Pelland**

**October 19th Hearts and More
Workshop with Sue Pelland**

November 20th Intro to Art Quilts:
Art Possibilities with
Kay Benedict and Nanc Ekiert

November 23rd Ornament Workshop

2019 - 2020 Guild Calendar

December 18th Holiday Potluck Party
(6:00 pm start!!!)

January 15th Project Linus
with Joyce Irvine

February 19th Cathedral Windows
with Denise Chase

March 18th Daytime Workshop
and Evening Trunk Show with
Michelle Hiatt, Studio 180 Instructor

April 3rd - 5th Set-Up & Quilt Show

2019 - 2020 Guild Calendar

April 17th Quilt Restoration
with Stephanie McCall

April 18th Quilt Consultations
with Stephanie McCall

May 20th Trunk Show
with Diane Comeau & Cathy Rayes

May 23rd Workshop
with Diane Comeau & Cathy Rayes

June 17th Potluck & Teacup Auction
(6:00 pm start!!!)

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes of September 18, 2019

The meeting commenced with an Ice Cream Social which allowed members time to visit and catch up with each other.

Business Meeting was called to order at 6:40PM by President John Rouleau. He read a Thank You to the Guild from a Breast Cancer quilt recipient.

Membership: Penny LaRochelle announced that there were 42 members present. Penny would like all previous name tags returned, and she will replace them with new ones. After we receive our new name tags there will be a 25 cent fine if we sign in at the Membership table and don't have ours with us. A decision will be made at the June meeting about how to direct the proceeds earned from the fines.

Program: Natalie Good was away. Becky Mandeville took sign-ups for the October 19th workshop, and John Rouleau collected the money.

Charity Quilt: The Franklin County Area Cancer Coalition requested the 2020 Charity quilt, and the decision was made at the August Executive Committee meeting to award the quilt to them. The Coalition provides emergency funding to people who have cancer in the form of small grants. JeanAnne Branch and Carol Stanley are making a Scrappy Irish Chain Charity quilt and requested that members make 5 strips of five 2 ½ inch squares to turn in at the October meeting. It was requested that members avoid using white or gray squares in their strips as they are going to be background colors.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Dale McFeeters seconded by Peggy Paradee to accept the Consent Agenda (Minutes for June 2019 guild meeting and August 2019 Executive Committee meeting and Treasurer's Report for September 2019). The motion passed on a voice vote.

New Business:

Quilt Guild Library: It has been observed that not many books are being loaned out but many books are being donated. The Guild has stopped accepting donations for the library and ways were suggested to disburse the books that the Guild does have such as:

- Books brought to meetings and members may purchase at a reduced cost.
- Selling books at the Quilt Show at reduced cost.
- Donate the books to area libraries for them to sell on their bargain racks.

A decision will be made at a future meeting about how to proceed.

Raffle Quilt Tickets: After discussion, a motion was made by Nanc Ekiert, seconded by Sharon Perry, to sell this year's raffle tickets for \$2 a piece or 3 for \$5. This will save on printing.

Projects: Lucy Fortin and Helen Bicknell introduced the Block of the Month, Clay's Choice found on Quilters Cache. The block will measure 12½ inches unfinished. White tone on tone is to be used for the background, green for the "star/spinner" and either red or orange for the corner blocks. Members will fill out a ticket for each block they complete and bring to the October meeting. In June, the winners who complete quilts with their blocks they've won will have a chance to win a prize. As in previous years, members may only win once in a membership year but are asked to continue to make the Blocks of the Month throughout the year.

Lucy and Helen also introduced the Brown Bag Challenge. Forms with directions and brown bags were handed out at the meeting.

Concern: MaryEllen Therrien voiced that she has heard concern from members and previous members that they missed the Birthday Fat Quarters and the chance to win a prize for making and donating a Comfort Quilt. She stated some members had chosen not to rejoin the Guild because the prizes had been eliminated and that some people didn't like the kind of prizes they won such as food and gift certificates for massages. It was explained that last year the Executive Committee decided not to continue these practices due to cost and/or the time it takes for a member to seek donations from area businesses. Diane Comeau volunteered to find donations to continue to provide Birthday Fat Quarters and Comfort Quilt prize bags through her business.

Quilt Show: This year's Challenge Quilt will be a Storm at Sea pattern to honor Alice Rouleau. There will also be a display of Alice's quilts at the show. Sandra Palmer, an AQS-certified appraiser, will be there one day this year rather than two. New voting clipboards have been purchased to replace the worn/broken ones we've used in the past. Helen Short will work with members obtaining area businesses to sponsor the show and will have letters available at the October meeting.

Newsletter: Sharon Perry has returned as the newsletter editor. She announced that the deadline for the October newsletter is Tuesday, September 25th.

Comfort Quilts: Denise announced that there is a good supply on hand at the present time. The only need is for twin-sized quilts and that she had kits available at the meeting. There are members who will volunteer to long arm twin-sized comfort quilts; all a member needs to do it make the top.

Membership Raffle: Penny won the Membership Raffle for September.

Respectfully Submitted,
Helen Short, Secretary





October	1 st	Cindy	Metayer
October	3 rd	Mary Jane	Marchelewicz
October	3 rd	Claudia	Moeykens
October	19 th	Sandra	Maynard
October	23 rd	Kay	Benedict
October	26 th	Natalie	Good

...and many more!!!

2020 Charity Quilt

JeanAnne Branch and Carol Stanley have volunteered to make the 2020 Charity Quilt. The quilt will be given to the Franklin County Area Cancer Coalition at the May 2020 meeting.

JeanAnne and Carol are asking for donations as follows:

- Five 2½” squares sewn together in a strip with all seams pressed in one direction. Please **NO** white or gray fabrics. Members can donate as many strips as they want.
- Up to 20 extra 2½” squares. These should **NOT** be sewn together.

Please bring your sewn strips and individual squares to the October meeting and give them to JeanAnne or Carol.



ATTENTION: **DATE & LOCATION CHANGE** **FOR OCTOBER GUILD** **MEETING**

The October guild meeting will be held on **Friday, October 18th**, in **Conference Room #1**, at the **Northwestern Medical Center**.

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FUN CHALLENGE INTRODUCED **AT SEPTEMBER MEETING**

Project Coordinators, Helen Bicknell and Lucie Fortin, introduced the “Brown Bag Challenge” at the September meeting. For more information, read the instructions on page 6 of this newsletter.

If you want to participate, you must fill out the form found on page 6 and bring your form along with your fabric in a brown paper bag to the October meeting. Give both to either Helen or Lucie. They will organize the bags and give a “new” bag to each participant.

Those participating will have until the June meeting to make something with the fabric they are given. As Helen and Lucie say in the description on page 6, “Let your imagination go wild!”



TREASURER'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2019**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTER'S GUILD****Treasurer's Report -- October 18, 2019**

Opening Balance		\$7,728.39
Funds collected		
Membership dues	\$860.00	
	<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$860.00
	<i>Sub-Total</i>	\$8,588.39
Funds paid out		
Gerald Perry, Oct room set-up	\$35.00	
Carol Stanley, Comfort/charity quilt fabric	\$90.39	
Teri Brunelle, Ice cream social supplies	\$24.86	
	<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$150.25
	Grand Total	\$8,438.14
	Comfort Quilt/ Supplies Donations	(\$158.09)
	Guild Funds Available	<u>\$8,280.05</u>

2019 YTD Collections: \$7,047.81

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah L. Dusablon, Treasurer

LINK TO FRANKLIN COUNTY BARN QUILT TRAIL

The Franklin County Barn Quilt Trail, previously found on the FCQG website, can now be accessed at <http://www.barnquiltsfornorthernvermont.org/>.

Deadline for articles for next newsletter:

Wednesday, October 30th, 2019

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



October is

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Have you had your mammogram yet this year?



2019 – 2020 Programs

October Program



Hearts & More

Our guest speaker in October is Sue Pelland. On **Friday, October 18th**, her program will be a lecture and trunk show entitled *Beyond Fabulous: Rotary Cut Appliqué with Hearts & More!* **This will take place in Conference Rm #1 at Northwest Medical Center.** The next day, **Saturday, October 19th**, there will be a workshop called *Hearts & More*, **9:00 am to 3:00 pm**, for up to 24 students (we have 13 signed up now). The workshop will take place at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, on Church Street in St Albans. Parking is behind the church on Bishop Street. **Small Hearts & More template set**

required, large set is optional. Small set is \$23.95; Large set \$27.95; Both sets \$47.95. Sue will have templates for sale. The guild will have 2 small & 1 large set available at the workshop. Workshop is \$40. If you have already signed up, please send your \$40 check, payable to FCQG, to Natalie Good, PO Box 386, St. Albans. Further instructions will be sent to participants as I receive them from Sue. Check out her website, suepellanddesigns.com. Questions? Contact Natalie Good, 802-782-6819 or nat4good@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

4th Annual Oktoberfest, October 5th, 2019: In downtown Jay. Featuring chili cook-off contest, pumpkin pie, wagon rides, kids' games, silent auction, and live music. Event hours: 10 am – 4 pm.

36th Fall Craft Fair, October 5th, 2019: At Hardwick Elementary School, 135 South Main Street, Hardwick. Show Hours: 9 am – 4 pm. FREE admission. Features handmade crafts to include jewelry, candles, pottery, clothing, photography, fiber arts and more! Door prize drawing at 11 am, 1 pm and 3 pm; must be present to win.

37th Annual Stowe Foliage Arts Festival, October 11th – 13th, 2019: At Topnotch Field, 3420 Mountain Road, Stowe. Show Hours: 10 am – 5 pm. Admission: Adult daily, \$10; Adult weekend, \$12; Kids free. Free parking. No pets please.

39th Annual Essex Fall Craft Show, October 25th – 27th, 2019: At the Champlain Valley Expo, Essex Junction. Show hours: Friday, Noon – 6 pm; Saturday, 9 am – 6 pm; Sunday, 10 am – 4 pm. Price of admission includes entry into the Vermont Antique Expo and Sale on the same weekend.

Fall Craft Show, November 2nd, 2019: At City Hall in St. Albans. Show Hours: 9 am – 3 pm. Fall craft show to raise money for the Relay for Life.

Williston Fall Craft Show, November 2nd, 2019: At Williston Central School, 195 Central School Drive, Williston. Show Hours: 9 am – 4 pm. Over 100+ crafters and artists. Free admission.

43rd Annual Milton Pre-Christmas Craft Fair, November 9th, 2019: At the Milton High School, 17 Rebecca Lander Drive, Milton. Over 70 Crafters. FREE Admission. Craft Raffle & Food Drive supporting the Milton Food Shelf.

BROWN BAG CHALLENGE



Each person that would like to participate will need to put 3 pieces (2 yards or so) of their own fabric into a brown paper bag, and the paper bags will be exchanged at the October meeting. You will make a surprise gift for the person whose bag you picked and bring the completed project back at our June meeting. You may add fabric from your own stash if you wish. (Please make sure it is 100% cotton.)

You may want to make a wall hanging, table runner, miniature quilt or you can make anything you wish!!! Let your imagination go wild.

Fill in the information below so that the person who receives your bag will learn some more about you and insert it in the bag with your material.

NAME: _____

OCCUPATION: _____

YOUR FAVORITE:

COLOR: _____

FOOD: _____

ANIMAL/PET: _____

SEASON/HOLIDAY: _____

FLOWERS: _____

QUILT BLOCK: _____

COLLECTIONS: _____

OTHER HOBBIES: _____

LIKES: _____

DISLIKES: _____

RELAX! ENJOY! HAVE FUN!

Meeting Agenda for Friday, October 18, 2019
6:30 PM Church of the Rock (Doors open at 6:00 PM)

Open Meeting

Members and Guests present
Welcome Guests

Penny LaRochelle
John Rouleau

Business Meeting

Consent Agenda

- Minutes of the September 18, 2019 meeting
- Treasurer's Report

Committee Chairs

- Quilt Show
- Community Comfort Quilts
- Membership
- Program

Nancy LaPointe
Denise Chase
Penny LaRochelle
Natalie Good

Other Business

- Ideas on how to handle the FCQG Library

Projects

Lucy Fortin & Helen Bicknell

Program: *Beyond Fabulous: Rotary Cut Appliqué
with Hearts & More!*

Sue Pelland

Membership Raffle

Natalie Good

Birthday Raffle

Diane Comeau

Show and Tell Comfort Quilts

Show and Tell Personal Quilts

Adjourn

DON'T FORGET for the next meeting...

1. Completed membership form
2. \$20 cash or check, payable to FCQG. for dues
3. Strips of five 2½" squares and up to 20 individual 2½" squares for 2020 Charity Quilt
4. "Brown Bag Challenge" Bags
5. \$40 cash or check, payable to FCQG, for Sue Pelland workshop
6. Completed Charity Quilts
7. Items for Show and Tell

