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President's Piece

Hello Everyone,

"It takes a village to raise a child," and it takes a board to operate a successful organization!! I want to start my first President's Message acknowledging the enthusiastic and dedicated work our board puts in. I also want to thank Sharon Perry for her assistance helping me with my first board meeting. Without the work of our board, we would not have our friendly and exciting guild.

Your board has a wonderful year in store for us. Mary King and Peggy Paradee have planned engaging programs and have secured quilting related donations for our monthly draws. Christy Mulyca has all the Blocks of the Month selected and is conducting a poll on our Facebook page to determine if we want a 2 or multi-colored theme. She also has a couple of other exciting projects up her sleeve. Char Mulyca will be developing a 'New Member' packet so people who join us will know a little history of the guild and our activities.

Denise Chase and Dale McFeeters are already planning for the Quilt Show in April 2015. Kay Benedict already has a handful of quilts registered so one lucky registrant will win the jelly roll she's donated to encourage early registration! And our charity and raffle quilts are underway.

We will kick off our year on September 17th with an Ice Cream Social. As I am new to the guild and have not yet matched up all your faces to your names, I ask that when you first speak at our meetings that you state your name. This will help our new secretary, Margaret Miller as well.

Sincerely,
Helen Short



2014 – 2015 Guild Calendar

September 17th Ice Cream Social
(6:00 pm start!!!)

October 15th Scraps, Scraps & More
Scraps...It's all about the Scraps
& Stockings

November 19th Physical Therapy
with the Quilter in Mind

December 17th Holiday Potluck
(6:00 pm start!!!)

2014 – 2015 Guild Calendar

January 21st Trunk Show
with Bev Cook

February 18th Quilts & Appraisals
with Sandra Palmer

March 18th Quilt Show Prep
Member Demonstrations

April 10th Quilt Show Setup

2014 -2015 Guild Calendar

April 11th & 12th Quilt Show

April 15th Trunk Show
with Pamela Druhen

May 20th Trunk Show with
Richard Cleveland

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

**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD
Executive Board Meeting
Minutes of August 20, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

Present: Helen Short, President, Kris Bachand, Kay Benedict, Alyce Bushey, Denise Chase, Mary King, Elaine Magnan, Dale McFeeters, Margaret Miller, Char Mulyca, Christy Mulyca, Peggy Paradee, and Sharon Perry.

2014-2015 Meeting Schedule and Probable Programs:

Unless otherwise noted, doors open at 6:30 p.m.; meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

September 17th: Ice Cream Social; Fern Mercure to talk about Barn Quilts and the Sheldon Raiders Home Dem group. Stocking program introduced by Mary and Peggy with patterns given out.

October 15th: Scrap Exchange; Stockings to be filled.

November 19th: Physical Therapist to discuss quilting ergonomics.

December 17th: Holiday Potluck; doors open at 5:30 p.m.; potluck starts at 6:00 p.m.

January 21st: Trunk Show with Bev Cook

February 18th: Sandra Palmer

March 18th: Quilt Show Prep and Member Demonstrations

April: Pamela Druhen Trunk Show (researching class costs and availability)

May 20th: Richard Cleveland presentation; Mary & Peggy will research which presentation he is to do so it differs from one done in 2011.

June 17th: Potluck Social & Teacup Auction

Peggy and Mary want to recognize charity quilt work. They have obtained donations from local merchants to give out to members who work on charity quilts. They are researching a possible bus trip in 2015/2016.

2014-2015 Block of the Month and Other Projects:

Christy discussed the following and will have all info ready for September meeting.

- Block of the Month will continue with two color theme this year.
- Block exchange using common fabric provided at cost from Christy.
- Mystery Quilt Monthly
- Scrap exchange

The board authorized the following:

- Denise Chase and Dale McFeeters will research if the Marines were paid for the quilt show security.
- Dues will continue to be \$15.00 per year.
- Sharon Perry made a motion to allow Elaine Magnan to use the guild's quilt rack for the display at City Hall for the St. Albans Raid Commemoration. Denise Chase seconded. Motion carried.

- Denise Chase made a motion to give a \$50 cash donation to the Franklin County Barn Quilt Trail Committee as a thank you to Fern Mercure for her talk on barn quilts at the September meeting. Sharon Perry seconded. Motion carried.
- Char Mulyca moved to have Pamela Druhen for the April 2015 program. Alyce Bushey seconded. Motion carried.
- Char Mulyca moved to have Richard Cleveland for the May 2015 program. Alyce Bushey seconded. Motion carried.

Bylaws Update: We need a committee to review the current bylaws. They are outdated. Sharon will lead the effort.

Quilt Show:

- Denise and Dale have reserved City Hall for the Quilt Show. The dates are April 11th and 12th.
- Kay reported we have 5 quilts registered.
- Peggy and Mary have a surprise relating to the show that will be unveiled at the September meeting. The board was thrilled!
- The silent auction at the quilt show will be reviewed with pros and cons and options.
- Denise offered a new award ribbon for the quilt show. Char Mulyca moved to accept the change. Christy Mulyca seconded. Motion carried.

Yearly Raffle and Charity Quilts:

- **2015 Raffle Quilt** is nearly done and will be shown at the September meeting.
- **2015 Charity Quilt** will be done by the October meeting.
- **2016 Raffle Quilt** will follow the two color theme.

Other items discussed and will be presented at the September meeting:

- When a member speaks it will be helpful to say her name first.
- Please don't date any charity quilt. We will do that when we give it out.
- Charity Quilts and their value to the guild and the supported organization to be explained by the charity quilt coordinator in charge of each group.
- Quilts of Valor will no longer be covered by the guild as quilts were not guaranteed to remain in Franklin County or Vermont. Plus no monies to purchase supplies for future quilts were provided to the guild from the national headquarters.
- Start time for each monthly meeting will be posted in the newsletter.
- We will recognize donors of the gift cards and other door prizes monthly in the newsletter.
- UFOs will start again in September headed up by Kris Bachand

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
Submitted by Margaret Miller

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes of June 18, 2014

Present: Total attended 49, including one guest:
Edith Dunlap

Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Bonnie Evans, after a potluck supper at 6:00 p.m.

Secretary's Report for May meeting: Additions to the report were made. (Winners of the May monthly drawing/door prize were Alice Rouleau and Kris Bachand. Winner of the Charity Quilt drawing was Denise Chase.) Motion to accept by Joanne Sweet, seconded by Sharon Perry.

Treasurer's Report for May: Motion to accept by Char Mulyca, seconded by Sharon Perry.

Old Business

2014-15 Slate of Officers - Motion to accept by Dale McFeeters, seconded by Sharon Perry

Membership - Char Mulyca announced that the first ten people to renew their memberships (registration form + dues) will get a prize at the September meeting.

Quilt Show

- Deb Dusablon distributed Quilt Show History By the Numbers
- Kay Benedict distributed the entry form for the 2015 quilt show and reviewed the changes made from the previous year's registration process. Everyone who submits a complete registration by the September meeting will be entered in a drawing for a Moda jelly roll and quilt pattern.

2016 Charity Quilt - Summer Ladd showed two patterns, and a vote was taken. Nine-Patch Delight in Civil War fabrics was chosen.

UFO Challenge - Kris Bachand distributed a printout of the plan for next year.

Charity Quilts

- Gerda Thibault announced that she has assembled twelve Breast Cancer Quilt kits from fabric donated by Bonnie Evans.
- Alyce Bushey has a quilt top and back ready to be quilted; Nadine Froebel volunteered to quilt it. The finished quilt will be available to give to someone in need.

Programs - Mary King distributed the results of last month's survey. She is still taking suggestions.

New Business

Quilt Show Advertising - Bonnie Evans suggested that the guild place an ad in the Cardiac Capers

book that the St. Albans Messenger will be printing. Jean Anne Branch made a motion to buy a quarter-page ad for \$90; Gerda Thibault seconded.

2015 Charity Quilt - Tim's House/Samaritan House was chosen by written ballot to be the recipient.

In-House Raffle & Donation - It was suggested that we raffle one of Roseanne Terrill's quilts to the membership present at the meeting, and donate the proceeds to the Spina Bifida Association in Rose's name. A motion was made by Joanne Sweet, seconded by Deb Dusablon. Margaret Miller won the quilt. Proceeds from the raffle totaled \$230.

Other Announcements

- Diane Forey announced that she has raffle tickets for a power chair accessible van for her niece's son Asher.
- Bev Cook announced that Karen Siebert will be teaching midarm and longarm quilting classes at Cowles Quilting in July.

Block of the Month: Carol Stanley showed Nancy Orcutt's quilt top made from all of this year's BOM blocks.

Monthly Drawings

- Door Prize: Jen Burt
- Charity Quilts: Dale McFeeters
- Block of the Month: Gwen Guyette

Show and Tell

Program - Teacup Auction. It was suggested that the funds raised be added to the raffle proceeds. A motion was made by Gail Darling, seconded by Janice Crane. Teacup Auction proceeds totaled \$185. (Total donation to the Spina Bifida Association = \$415.)

Next meeting - September 17th, 2014. Have a great summer everyone!

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kay Benedict, Secretary



TREASURER'S REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2014**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTER'S GUILD
Treasurer's Report -- September 17, 2014**

Opening Balance		\$4,677.81
Funds collected		
Tea Cup Auction	\$415.00	
	<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$415.00
		<i>Sub-Total</i> \$5,092.81
Funds paid out		
Church of the Rock, Aug & Sep rent	\$80.00	
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for Aug & Sep	\$70.00	
Sharon Perry, Newsletter prizes	\$20.14	
Kay Benedict, 2015 QS Entry form copies	\$20.69	
Bonnie Evans, Guild copies & Ginger Ale	\$26.31	
Carolyn Kittell, Note cards & needles	\$11.87	
Roseanne Terrill, Donation	\$415.00	
Cardiac Capers, 1/4 page Ad	\$90.00	
Robert Vincelette, Marine Corps QS 2014 Security	\$300.00	
	<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$1,034.01
		Grand Total \$4,058.80

2014 YTD Collections: \$2,468.00

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah L. Dusablon, Treasurer
09/17/14

GUILD WEBSITE NOW HOME TO FRANKLIN COUNTY BARN QUILT TRAIL

Some members may already know, but others may not...the FCQG website's home page has a link to the Franklin County Barn Quilt Trail which resides on the guild website. You can check out the barn quilt trail here: <http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcbqt/index.html>.

Deadline for articles for next newsletter:

Wednesday, September 24th, 2014

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

TWO-COLOR BLOCK OF THE MONTH (BOM) & OTHER EXCITING PROJECTS

Christy Mulyca has volunteered to serve as the guild's Project Coordinator. As voted on the guild's facebook page, Christy is organizing a traditional block of the month (BOM) with a two-color theme for the 2014-2015 membership year. For those who are relatively new to quilting or aren't familiar with the guild's BOM, a description is probably in order.

Each month, Christy will hand out instructions for a block she has chosen. Each BOM will be a two-color block. A link to the BOM instructions will also be provided. Guild members are encouraged to make the block and bring the block to the upcoming guild meeting. At the guild meeting, members will turn in their blocks and enter their name one time for each block made. (A member can make more than one block for any monthly BOM.) A winner will be drawn from the names submitted for the BOM drawing. The winner will receive all the blocks entered for the BOM drawing. For some months, there may be enough blocks to have multiple winners.

For each membership year, a guild member can only win the drawing one time. Winners are requested to continue to make blocks each month for the remainder of the membership year so that winners of the later drawings receive a comparable number of blocks as the early winners.

Christy is also organizing a few other projects for guild members...after all, she IS the Project Coordinator!!! She already has her plans made and will reveal them at future guild meetings. Those projects include: a block swap with a common fabric; a scrap exchange (Christy will be showing us how to organize all our scraps in October); and a mystery quilt. You won't want to miss a meeting this year as Christy's enthusiasm is infectious and her fun projects are endless!!!

REGISTER A QUILT BY THE SEPTEMBER MEETING FOR THE 2015 QUILT SHOW AND YOU MIGHT WIN A PRIZE!!!

Kay Benedict will again serve as the coordinator for Quilt Registration and Quilt Layout for the 2015 Quilt Show. Kay already has some entries for the show!!! A copy of the quilt registration form can be found here: <http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcqgregistration.pdf>

As a special incentive to register quilts early, everyone who submits a complete quilt registration by the September meeting will be entered in a drawing for a Moda jelly roll and quilt pattern. Kay will have copies of the forms at each meeting and will be featuring the "Quilt Tally" board at the guild meetings. She will also be happy to snap a picture of your quilt at any meeting to meet the requirement to provide a photo of your quilt.

RAFFLE TO HELP LOCAL VIETNAM VETERANS

As some may know Bonnie Evans and her husband Mike have been actively helping local veterans, particularly from the Vietnam era, with quilts over the last few years; some of you may have personally helped. This year Bonnie and Mike decided to do a raffle to help the local chapter out. The chapter was thrilled especially because they knew Bonnie would do most of the work!! Rose Terrill donated a large lap size quilt...not patriotic, but very country looking. First prize is obviously the quilt; 2nd prize is \$100.00 gas card from Maplefields; 3rd is ½ gallon of syrup from the Talcott Family; and the others so far include gift cards from Hannaford's and O.C McCuins in Highgate. Bonnie and Mike have offered a "little something" at each venue as a special drawing that day. Bonnie would like to sell tickets at the guild's September and October meetings. At the October meeting there will be a really nice basket of fabric packs, patterns and other new quilting goodies. If you buy a book of tickets for \$5.00 at either meeting, Bonnie will draw from only those tickets to win this great prize. The final raffle drawing will be done after the Veteran's Day parade by one of the local veterans. Bonnie and Mike have specified that the money raised be used only to help out the Vietnam Vets who might need help that the VA doesn't cover; fuel, or groceries, or even building materials for a ramp, were some of the suggestions. They don't want it used to cover administrative costs. The guild is always so generous for those in need. Hopefully guild members might like to support this effort.

2014 - 2015 UFO UNFINISHED OBJECT CHALLENGE

Fill out the attached list (on next page) 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:

- 1) It must have been started at least a year ago from September 2014. If you have been working on it on a regular basis, at least once a month, it's a Work In Progress – not a UFO.
- 2) 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.
- 3) 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!!
- 4) You must show and tell, provide a picture of, or a witness to the completion of the quilt.
- 5) This year there points awarded, HOW FUN!!
 - a. ONE point to the first person to give me a completed UFO list, no later additions...so be sure.
 - b. ONE point for each finished quilt.
 - c. ONE additional point for any quilt shown in the month it is listed.
 - d. TWO points for each additional quilt finished in a month.
 - e. FIVE points for anyone who completes every quilt on their list. This could involve some serious strategy on your list making plans.

The participant with the most points after the June 2015 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!

ON THE WEB...PATTERNS FOR SEPTEMBER

POSSIBLE STOCKING PATTERN: http://www.unitednotions.com/fp_secret-santa-stocking.pdf

AND ANOTHER POSSIBLE STOCKING PATTERN: http://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts_patterns/stocking_stache/#color:1

AUTUMN HARVEST TABLE RUNNER: http://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts_patterns/autumn_harvest/#color:1

FALL, LEAVES, FALL: http://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts_patterns/fall_leaves_fall/

SEPTEMBER MORN: http://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts_patterns/september_morn/

AMERICAN GOTHIC (2-COLOR): http://www.marcusbrothers.com/images/project/american_gothic.pdf

STRAWBERRIES, BLUEBERRIES & CHOCOLATE: http://www.marcusbrothers.com/images/project/strawberries_blueberries_and_chocolate.pdf

FOREST FLOOR: http://www.marcusbrothers.com/images/project/strawberries_blueberries_and_chocolate.pdf

BLUE & BROWN FLYING GEESE (MOSTLY 2-COLOR): http://www.windhamfabrics.net/images/project/blue_and_brown_flying_geese.pdf

FALL BOUNTY TABLE RUNNER: http://static.squarespace.com/static/52601135e4b076901664c20a/t/535fc4f1e4b0eea56c07202a/1398785265067/FBOU_pattern-CY.pdf

FEATURED ONLINE TUTORIAL:

THE SNOWBALLED PINWHEEL QUILT: EASY QUILTING WITH CHARM PACKS!

From Missouri Star Quilt Company

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MqZjkwOglAs&list=UUWnhR7raxVFDHmDXqCIzuAw>



UPCOMING EVENTS

21st Annual Bennington Quiltfest, September 13th – 14th, 2014: 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. Features new & vintage quilts, demonstrations, Quilt Raffle, door prizes, Challenge Quilts, vendors, guild boutique, People's Choice Awards, and special exhibits.

St. Albans Raid 150th Anniversary Commemoration, September 18th – 21st, 2014: Antique and Civil War-era reproduction quilt show and sale at City Hall; special exhibit of barn quilts and the Franklin County Barn Quilt Trail at City Hall; raid re-enactments with some 80 Civil War-era military and civilian re-enactors (including “sutlers” with wares for sale); walking tours of the prime raid sites; and live Civil War era music. Enjoy the recently revitalized downtown with its many shops and fine eateries.

Quiltfest, September 20th, 2014: Features new and vintage quilts, demonstrations, special exhibit, door prizes, and vendors at Newport Municipal Building, 222 Main Street, in Newport, VT.

32nd Annual Quilt Show, October 18th - 19th, 2014: Sponsored by the Champlain Valley Quilters’ Guild of VT. The CVQG Quilt Show is joining with Green Mountain Rug Hooking Guild, Fiber Arts Co-Op, and the Green Mountain Alpaca Association for a veritable Festival of Fiber Arts at the Champlain Valley Expo, Essex Junction. Show hours: Saturday, 10 am – 5pm; Sunday, 10 am – 4 pm. Admission: \$6. 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 FCOG
 - Forms for early quilt show registration
 - Money for local vets raffle
 - Items for Show and Tell

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