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President's Piece

Just before Thanksgiving, I'll be visiting my mother in California. In my shoulder bag will be a small signature quilt I've made especially for her. I've been planning this quilt since last November when my mother got all six of her children together. The quilt has my siblings' signatures and birthdates, plus the signatures and birthdates of my brothers-in-law. (I have one unmarried brother and four married sisters!) I can't wait to present this special gift to her!

If you've signed up for this year's membership, then you are one of the lucky ones to receive a copy of the new Membership Packets. They are *full* of information about our Quilt Guild, including a Welcome Letter describing who we are and the community projects we do, a Brief History of the FCQG, and our Bylaws. I've heard many comments praising the packets and the wonderful job Mary Ellen Therrien, Helen Short, and Sharon Perry achieved in putting it together!

The guild members are busy behind the scenes! Penny LaRoche is ordering raffle tickets for our annual Raffle Quilt, Deb Dusablon continues to keep our finances in order, and Alyce Bushey and Elaine Magnan recently got together with several other women at our local hospital's conference room to make home health quilt kits. I applaud the effort of everyone involved in our Quilt Guild.

While the quilt show is still months away, there is a form available online to enter your quilts. Simply go to the Guild's website at www.franklincountyquilters.org. There you'll find the 2018 Quilt Registration Form that you can download in either a pdf format or a doc format. The form can be mailed or emailed to Kay Benedict. Deadline for quilt entries is March 1, 2018. For those of you who don't have access to a printer, there will be hard copies of the form at the next membership meeting on Wednesday, November 15th.

The November program features our very own Rose Rixon with her French Rose Quilt. Based on the excellent quality of work Rose achieves, I expect I'll be very impressed! The doors will be open at 6:00 pm, with the meeting starting at 6:30 pm.

Regards,

Diane Kane, 2017-2018 President

2017 – 2018 Guild Calendar

September 20th Ice Cream Social
(6:00 pm start!!!)

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

November 15th French Rose Quilt
with Rose Rixon

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

2017 – 2018 Guild Calendar

January 19th Trunk Show
with Anne Standish

January 20th Workshop
with Anne Standish
"From Photo to Wall Hanging"

February 21st Trunk Show
with Sharon Perry

March 23rd Trunk Show
with Sarah Ann Smith,
"Sarah by the Sea"

2017 -2018 Guild Calendar

March 24th Workshop
with Sarah Ann Smith

April 6th Quilt Show Set-Up
April 7th & 8th Quilt Show

April 18th Trunk Show
with Kay Benedict

May 16th Members' Garage Sale
June 20th Potluck &
Teacup Auction (6:00 pm start!!!)

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes of October 18, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:35 by Diane Kane, President. Members Present: 43; No guests.

Secretary's Report from September 20, 2017 meeting. Motion to accept report made by Sharon Perry; second by Mary Jane Marchelewicz.

Correction to the Minutes of September 20, 2017:

- **2018 Charity Quilt:** Jean Anne Branch and Carol Stanley volunteered to make next year's charity quilt.
- The choices for the March Workshop with Sarah Ann Smith will be decided at the November FCQG meeting.

Motion to accept report as amended was approved.

Treasurer's Report as provided in the October 2017 Newsletter. Motion to accept report was made by Sharon Perry; second by Jean Anne Branch. Motion approved.

Programs: Copies of programs were available at the sign-in table. Before the November meeting, please consider viewing Sarah Ann Smith's website <http://www.sarahannsmith.com/schedule.php> to assist with the March 24th workshop program discussions to be held at the November meeting. For further information, call or email Kris Kilburn (bikermama23st@gmail.com or 999-5284).

Librarian: Alice Rouleau has volunteered to serve as our new Librarian. Thanks Alice!

Membership: Helen Short shared there are 64 paid members so far this year. The membership packets prepared this year have been well received. Additional copies were available at the check-in table.

Fundraising: Nanc Ekiert reported a \$100 Silver level contribution was made by the American Legion Green Mountain Post 1. In addition, Dave Beaulieu has volunteered to host a Poker Night fundraiser to support the Guild. Similar charity events hosted by Mr. Beaulieu have netted the charities \$50 to \$3,000. Motion to allow Dave Beaulieu to host a charity Poker Night with 20% of the proceeds to be donated to the Guild and 80% of proceeds to go to the players at a to be determined time and place within the next six months was made by Sharon Perry, second by Diane Forey. Motion approved.

2018 Raffle Quilt: Diane Kane asked the group for direction on funding for the quilting of the 2018 Raffle quilt made by Denise Chase. Motion to pay Babette Coons \$176.62 for quilting supplies and services was made by Sally Krupp, second by Helen Short. Motion approved.

Quilt Show: Motion made to authorize quilt show ticket person to purchase raffle tickets in the amount of

up to \$225. Motion made by Margaret Miller, seconded by Sharon Perry. Motion approved.

Project: Helen Short presented the next Block of the Month "Red Cross" available at Quilter's Cache. Helen recommends 2 ½ yards of background fabric and 5-6 fat quarters to complete the entire quilt. Past blocks of the month for this year can be found in the newsletters on the guild's website.

Charity Quilts: Margaret Miller and Elaine Magnan led discussions on the purchase of additional batting supplies to be used in charity quilts. Current supplies of batting include 1 roll of poly batting and 8 to 10 battings for both queen and twin quilts. It was noted additional 45" batting was needed. Motion to allow Charity Quilt Committee to purchase batting based on quality and price in the amount up to \$300. Motion made by Helen Short, second Sharon Perry. Motion approved.

Other Business

- The Guild received a thank you card for the donations of items and money for the Bags of Love project last month. Adrienne Perrino noted the back seat of her car was filled with the generous gifts.
- The North Country Quilters Guild announced an upcoming Quilt Challenge in collaboration with the 100th year celebration of Newport, VT occurring June 30 to July 1, 2018. The theme of the quilt is a focus on the Newport and the history. Entry fee for the challenge will be \$10 with announced prizes of \$100, \$200, and \$300. Contact Diane Kane for more information on this or if you are interested in posting a flyer locally.
- Sharon Perry showed members a preview of the basket of raffle items that will be drawn at the December meeting. Raffle tickets allotted for each charity quilt donated since January 2017 through the December meeting. The contents of the large prize basket on display included rulers, scissors, patterns, books, note cards, etc.

Monthly Drawings:

Block of the Month: Shirley Babcock

Door Prize: Mary Ellen Therrien

Charity Quilt Prize: Lucie Fortin

Motion to adjourn by Gerda Thibault, second by Sharon Perry. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Submitted by Cindy Metayer, Secretary



QUILTING SEASON
begins November 11th
(which also happens to
be opening day of rifle
season for deer)



November	2	Sharon	Perry
November	5	Mary Ellen	Therrien
November	8	Kris	Bachand
November	10	Bonnie	Evans
November	24	Maggie	Stockwell
November	27	Priscilla	Tiralla
November	28	Nanc	Ekiert

2017 - 2018 MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE NOW DUE

If you haven't renewed your membership yet, you'll find a membership form on the guild website at <http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcqgmembershipform.pdf>. Fill out the form and either bring it to the November meeting or mail the completed membership form, along with a check for \$20 payable to FCQG, to Helen Short, 12 Burnell Terrace, St. Albans, VT 05478.

GOT SCRAPS?

Do you have scraps left from your projects? If so, Mary Ellen Therrien has a solution for you. She is making "crumb" quilts which are described here: <http://quiltville.com/crumbspf.html>. Mary Ellen's willing to take any fabric scraps (100% cotton and useable size) off your hands and use them to make quilts. So, gather up all those scraps and give them to Mary Ellen at the meeting.

GUILD MEMBER FEATURED AT NOVEMBER MEETING

Visit the FCQG website and choose the slideshow of the April, 2017 quilt show. (Or click this link: <http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/2017fcqgshow/target232.html>.) You will find the quilt that Rose Rixon entered in the Lap quilt category. It was an adorable quilt of roses she made for a great granddaughter who was on the way. Rose's granddaughter had seen a photo of this quilt and

asked if Rose could make it. And, of course we know that she said 'yes'!

Rose solicited the help of a lady at Yankee Pride in Essex and developed the technique. She will have samples on the tables and will walk through making the blocks for this unique quilt. Don't miss it!

PROGRAM COMMITTEE TO BEGIN PLANNING FOR 2018 WORKSHOPS

January – *Anne Standish* of Vermont Art Quilts Ann's trunk show on January 19 (Friday) is titled "My Journey from Photo to Quilt". She will have a slide show and samples for your viewing pleasure!

You will be able to sign up for Anne's January workshop, "Raw Edge Collage", at the November meeting. The number of attendees is limited to 15. Here is information to assist in making your decision!

- You may select your own photo as the guide for your project. You would need to forward your photo electronically to Anne's e-mail at: annestandishvt@gmail.com. She will make a black/white copy for you to work from.
- You may select one of 2 or 3 photos that Anne will e-mail to you prior to the workshop.
- For either choice, you will furnish the fabric.

You may check out Anne's work and information about the workshop at www.annestandish.com. She welcomes e-mails or phone calls, and her contact information is on the website. You may also check out her work at the following:

- Northwestern Medical Center – 3 of Ann's works are on permanent display in the Chapel at NMC.
- VT Handcrafters at the Sheraton – Nov. 17-19, Burlington, VT.
- Imemile Groupe Gallery – Barber Farm Road, Jericho – Nov. 16 – January 8.
- Artists in Residence Gallery, Main Street, St. Albans, VT

March – *Sarah Ann Smith* of Sarah by the Sea Sarah will be visiting the guild in March for a trunk show and workshop(s). Kris Kilburn asks members to visit Sarah's website, www.sarahannsmith.com, and check out the classes Sarah offers. After reviewing the classes, Kris also asks members to contact her at bikermama23st@gmail.com to let her know which classes they are interested in and whether they will be signing up to take a class.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2017**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD
Treasurer's Report -- November 15, 2017**

Opening Balance		\$4,202.45
Funds collected		
Membership dues	\$230.00	
Bronze Sponsorship: Hannaford's	\$50.00	
Silver Sponsorship: Mountain View Dairy	\$100.00	
	<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$380.00
		<i>Sub-total</i>
		\$4,582.45
Funds paid out		
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for Nov	\$35.00	
Sonja Hakala, Lecture & Trunk Show	\$316.64	
	<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$351.64
	Grand Total	\$4,230.81

2017 YTD Collections: \$7347.25

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah L. Dusablon, Treasurer

SPECIAL DRAWING FOR EARLY QUILT SHOW REGISTRATIONS

The guild is offering another 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 December meeting will be entered into a special drawing in December. The prize is a basket filled with quilt-related items; this is the same basket for the charity quilt drawing. So there are 2 ways to enter.

If you want to participate, you **MUST SEND/BRING** your **COMPLETED FORM**, along with a photograph, **TO KAY** either **VIA SNAIL MAIL, EMAIL, OR IN PERSON** **BEFORE THE DECEMBER MEETING**. See the form for the details about sending it to Kay.

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, November 29th, 2017

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

BLOCK AND FABRIC DONATIONS NEEDED FOR 2018 CHARITY QUILT

Carol Stanley and Jean Anne Branch are making the charity quilt for 2018 and want to include as many Guild members as possible. Please help us by making:

At least six (6) 4-patch blocks – Please do NOT use blue fabric in the 4-patch blocks. Construct your 4-patch by alternating light and dark fabrics. Use any scraps you have on hand. Start with 2” squares or, if you prefer to strip piece them, 2” strips. Use a ¼” seam to sew the block. Trim the block to 3 ½” square. (If you want to be sure you will have a 4 patch that will be easy to square to 3 1/2", you can also make it out of 2 ½" squares and then trim the 4-patch down to 3 ½".)

At least 2 - 3 ½” wide strips of BLUE fabric –medium or dark value. We would prefer WOF (width of fabric), but if you have scraps that are at least 3 ½” wide and 7” long, we can make them work too!

We would like to have the 4-patch blocks and fabric donations at the November meeting, but will welcome your contributions anytime!

2017 - 2018 UFO UNFINISHED OBJECT CHALLENGE

Fill out the list below 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.**

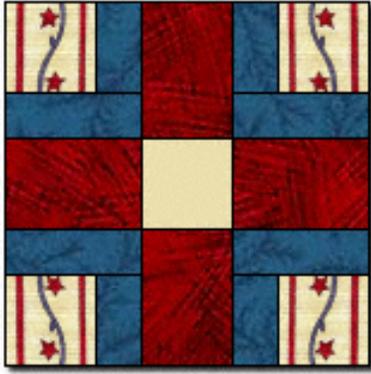
So let’s sew!

2014 Winner - Carol Stanley

2015 Winner - Kay Benedict

2016 Winner - Carol Stanley

2017 Winner - Helen Short



NOVEMBER 2017 BLOCK OF THE MONTH PATTERN: RED CROSS BLOCK

Pattern from 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 Red Cross Block pattern

<http://www.quilterscache.com/R/RedCrossBlock.html>

Be sure to continue to page 2 at this link:

http://www.quilterscache.com/R/RedCrossBlock_Page2.html

UPCOMING EVENTS

Connections Quilt Festival, November 9th – 11th, 2017: At the Radisson, 11 Tara Blvd, Nashua, NH. Festival hours: Thursday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. A multi-day quilt show with classes, vendors, quilts and special exhibits designed to inspire creative energy. The show is designed to appeal to many quilters, with national and international teachers. For information about the show itself - hours, rates, vendor mall...please visit www.connectionsquiltfestival.com.

Vermont Hand Crafters Craft Vermont, November 17th-19th, 2017: Annual fine craft and art show at the Sheraton Conference Center in Burlington. Show Hours: Friday 10-8; Saturday 10-6; and Sunday 10-5. Admission is \$8 for a 3 day pass. Sunday only \$5. Children under 12 free. Get \$1 off by printing and bringing this [coupon](#).

Gilding the Lily, Embroidery in Quilts, Past and Present, Now through December 30th, 2017: In *Gilding the Lily*, the New England Quilt Museum's Curator has assembled a remarkably diverse selection of embroidered quilts and textile arts from American museums, historical societies, private collectors, and quilt artists that span more than 200 years. *Guild member Shirley Babcock's version of the Redwork Covered Bridge quilt, pictured below, is hanging in this exhibit.*



Don't forget to bring:

- Completed membership form
- \$20 cash, or check payable to FCQG, for dues
- Completed quilt entry form(s) with photo(s) for quilt show
- 2017-2018 UFO Challenge form
- Items for Show & Tell and UFO Challenge

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