

March 2016

Message from the President

In all the northern climates where I have experienced winter, I don't remember one being as strange as this one in Vermont has been. And after listening to the weather report this morning, the beat goes on.

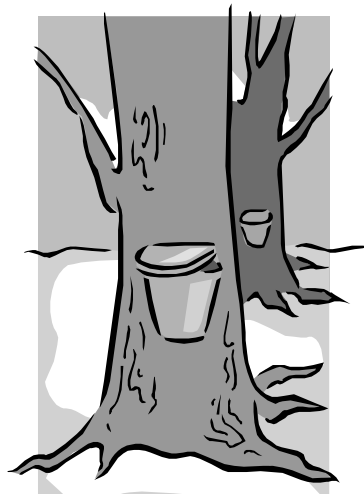
I have tried something new this winter - quilting in a small floor frame instead of in my lap. I miss having the quilt in my lap keeping me warm, but on the other hand, it is working very well for this quilt and its one directional quilting (I only quilt from right to left). I will have to see how well it works for other quilting designs.

The library's new shelves have been installed in the Community Center and await the arrival of the books shortly. Jan Kuhn will tell us more about that, and how to borrow books, at the next meeting.

Several of us have been knocking about an idea for our next raffle quilt. As you may remember, I would like to make it a guild effort this year. It will involve paper piecing 6 inch blocks (not difficult if I can do it and all the blocks will be the same size) and cutting out squares from your scraps for those who don't want to paper piece. I hope to have some samples to show you at the meeting. It should be very nice.

I will be happy to see all of you again in a little more than two weeks.

--Sally



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Common Threads
Quilt Guild
meets the first Thursday
of every month
at 6:30 PM at the
Sterling View Club House
in Hyde Park
Dues are \$15 annually

Secretary's Report

December 3, 2015

29 people were present

Potluck and hors d'oeuvres (yes, I had to look this word spelling up) were served from 6:30- 7:15pm

Meeting notes: 7:15 to 7:55pm

There were 2 guests who plan to join the Guild

6 December birthdays

Just for Coming: Ginnie Moody

Food Shelf: Mary Dick

We collected \$100 for the food shelves and more may have been donated after the count

Secretary Report- first Sheila, seconded by Ruth passed

Treasurer Report- passed

Newsletter- please send in by the 15th

Sunshine Fund- card sent to Kathleen in sympathy for the loss of her brother; Rita will also be sent a card

Membership- Martha an updated list of members is available

Sunshine Quilts- 14 members at the workshop. We finished 15 quilts and 4 bedside quilts were tied off. A fire victim and family with 2 children were sent quilts. There are 4 kits left. Marion will try to arrange a workshop in January.

Andrea reported no new programs for next year, yet.

Old Business- Sheila asked that any reports about the quilt show be handed in the Spring. Cindy would like to separate into totes all the materials each committee might need.

Book Shelf update- Andrea has the cabinet but has not added the wheels. Sharon and Andrea will set up the cabinet with the books by March meeting. The cabinet cost \$329 plus tax. Jan will be the new Librarian.

Hilda reported there are 25 cookbooks left. It was nominated by Melody that we reduce the cost to \$5 and Donna seconded it.

Ruth Weselow talked about providing Justice for Dogs with dog and cat beds. ½ yard folded in half and sewn will make a cat bed, ¾ or 1 yard will make one for dogs.

Elaine Foster mentioned the 93 year old gentleman who donated quilting materials from his wife's stash. Mary Dick made a motion to donate the gentleman a \$50 gas card and Ginny seconded it, passed. The man goes to Florida for the winter from Morrisville via his son.

New Raffle Quilt- we need a design and material with volunteer or volunteers to make the pieces. The guild members seem interested in working together to make the blocks. Marion has decided to give up the raffle quilt committee and there will need to be volunteer/s do run the raffle, Marion is willing to teach her method.

Martha presented the awards for the raffle ticket sales: 1st and 3rd winner tickets were sold by Andrea and the 2nd winner ticket was sold by Robin Wright. Andrea was awarded a total of 5 yards of fabric and Robin was awarded 2 yards as they both also sold the most tickets behind Marion who declined an award.

Show and Tell and the Ornament making ended the meeting at 7:55

Submitted by Rhonda Griswold

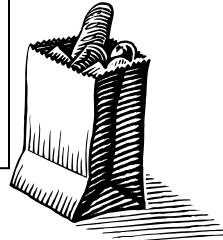
Calendar

For Sale:

- March 5th Regular Meeting, 6:30 PM
Sterling View Clubhouse
- March 11-20th Vermont Quilt Shop Hop
www.vermontshophop.com for
participating shops
- March 19th National Quilting Day
- April 2nd & 3rd Franklin County Quilters Guild
Quilt Show, St. Mary's Parish Hall,
36 Fairfield Street, St. Albans
- April 7th Regular Meeting, 6:30 PM
Sterling View Clubhouse

A 221-1 Singer Featherweight machine for \$200.00

Contact: Cindy Smorgans
smorgans@myfairpoint.net
802 644 5880



Food Shelf Wish List

(Straight from the Food Shelf)

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| Canned Spaghetti Sauce | Toothpaste |
| Canned Fruit | Toothbrushes |
| Canned Vegetables | (for children, too!) |
| Macaroni & Cheese | Soap |
| Canned Pasta | Shampoo |
| Soup | Coffee |
| Cereal | Healthy Snacks |
| Tuna | Laundry Detergent |
| Personal Items for Women | Dish Detergent |



Happy Birthday to:

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| <i>Sally Cabell</i> | <i>March 3rd</i> |
| <i>Carol Munsie</i> | <i>March 11th</i> |
| <i>Millie Piper</i> | <i>March 17th</i> |
| <i>Rhonda Griswold &
Mary Sargent</i> | <i>March 21st</i> |
| <i>Andrea Blaisdell &
Donna Merriam</i> | <i>March 29th</i> |

Treasurer's Report

November 14, 2015 - February 13, 2016

Cash forward November 14, 2015		\$5,613.35
Deposits:		
12/7/15	Deposit - Cookbooks \$15.00; Christmas Donations \$142.00	\$ 157.00
1/13/2016	Deposit - Cookbooks	<u>\$ 40.00</u>
	Total Revenue	\$ 197.00
Expenses		
	Ck. #	
12/1/15	364	Julie Rohleder Newsletter \$10.91; Postage \$16.66
12/1/15	365	Rita Lehouillier (Reimb. Christmas Party)
12/7/15	366	Lamoille Food Share (Xmas donation)
"	367	Johnson Food Shelf " "
12/9/15	368	Sharon Perry(Quilt show \$180.25; Lib. Books \$32.93)
12/10/15	369	Voided - error
12/10/15	370	Maplefields (Gift card for donated fabric)
12/29/15	371	Sharon Perry (Lib. \$46.70 ; Website \$15.18)
1/4/16	372	Andrea Blaisdell (reimb Storage Cabinet)
1/29/16		Bank charge
	Total Expenses	<u>\$ 905.32</u>
	Cash Balance February 13, 2016	\$4,905.03

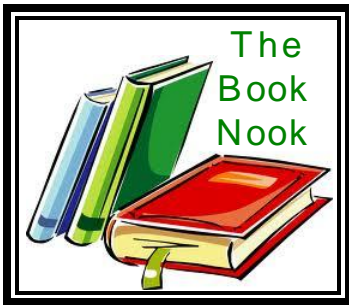
Rita Lehouillier



Next Meeting:

2 things to remember:

- 1. Show & Tell --all those projects you finished during the cold and snowy winter*
- 2. Food Shelf Items*



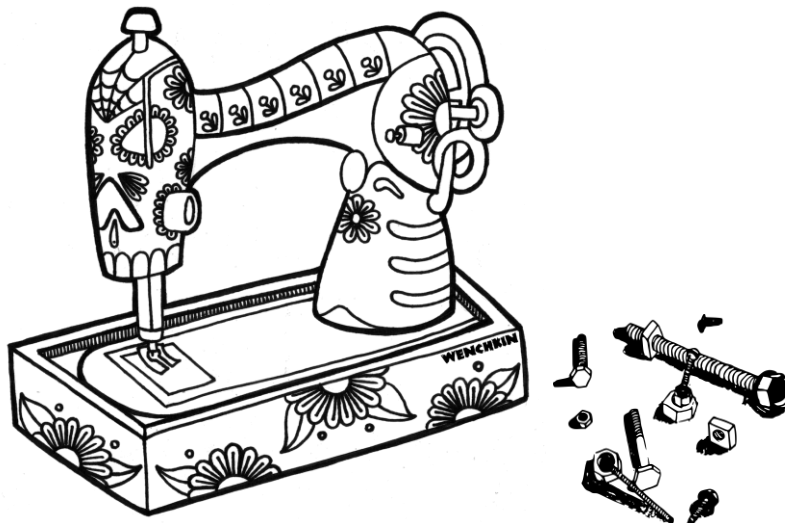
MORE BOOKS ADDED THROUGH PURCHASES AND DONATIONS

The guild's library now totals 326 books. The following books were recently added to the guild's varied and large collection of books: 75 Fun Fat-Quarter Quilts from C&T Publishing; Quilter's Academy: Vol. 5 - Master's Year by Harriet and Carrie Hargrave; the classic Sets and Borders by Gwen Marston and Joe Cunningham; and Thimbleberries Quilts for My Sister's House by Lynette Jensen.

Sharon Perry and Jan Kuhn hope to have the library set up in the guild's storage cabinet at the Sterling View Community Center by the March meeting. For those members who have books checked out, it would be a great help if you could return them in March so Sharon and Jan can complete an inventory of the library. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

For those with internet access, you can peruse the library list in the comfort of your own home. The list for the CTQG library is at <http://www.commonthreadsvt.org/ctqglibrary.html>. If you have any suggestions for additions to the library, please let Jan Kuhn know.

A Clean House is the Sign



of a Broken Sewing Machine

Franklin County Quilters Guild Quilt Show

St. Albans, VT - The Franklin County Quilters Guild is hosting its 18th annual Franklin County Quilt Show on Saturday, April 2nd and Sunday, April 3rd at St. Mary's Parish Hall. This is a new location for this year only. St. Mary's Parish Hall is located at 36 Fairfield Street, St. Albans, VT.

This event is FREE and open to the public. The FREE admission gives show attendees a chance to win a beautiful door prize basket filled with items such as local maple syrup, lotions, tea, coffee, and other choice items. On Saturday, the quilt show hours are 9:00 am to 4:00 pm; Sunday's quilt show hours are 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

St. Mary's Parish Hall will be decorated with over 100 quilts on display at the Franklin County Quilters Show. There will be a variety of quilt sizes (large bed quilts to tiny miniatures) and a variety of quilt styles (traditional, modern, pictorial). Also, there will be a special display of wallhangings to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the guild's establishment. In addition to viewing the many quilts, show attendees can take a chance on beautifully handcrafted quilts and other items at the guild's teacup auction or take a chance on the guild's 2016 Raffle Quilt. The 2016 Charity Quilt will be on display along with the Raffle Quilt. Viewers can also shop at vendor booths featuring quilt-related items such as fabric and sewing notions.

Returning to the Quilt Show this year is Sandra Palmer, a popular Certified Quilt Appraiser, who will be available to appraise quilts on both Saturday and Sunday. Please call 802-503-7847 to register for a time slot with Sandy Palmer. Quilt appraisal times fill quickly, so call early to secure a spot.

Throughout the weekend, guild members and vendors will provide demonstrations of various quilting techniques. The quilt show activities culminate at the awards ceremony on Sunday afternoon for the viewer's choice awards, the Mayor's award, the raffle drawing for a queen-size quilt, and other special prizes.

The Franklin County Quilters Guild is the largest quilt guild in Franklin County, Vermont with just under 100 members. The guild formed in 1991 to promote an interest in the art of quilting for guild members and for the community and has met monthly ever since. Franklin County Quilters Guild has donated over 1000 quilts to charities and individuals since its inception. Monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesday, September through June, at the Church of the Rock on Route 104 in St. Albans, starting at 7:00 p.m.

All are invited to come see the many wonderful quilts on display in St. Albans on Saturday, April 2nd and Sunday, April 3rd and enjoy the time-honored tradition of quilt making. For more information, call Diane Kane 802-933-5785 or Nancy LaPointe 802-503-7847, email franklincountyquilters@gmail.com, or visit www.franklincountyquilters.org. St. Mary's Parish Hall is wheelchair accessible.

Calendar Listing:

18th Annual Franklin County Quilt Show

Saturday, April 2nd and Sunday, April 3rd, 2016

Saturday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm; Sunday: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

St. Mary's Parish Hall

36 Fairfield Street, St. Albans, VT (new location, this year only)

Sponsored by the Franklin County Quilters Guild

FREE Admission

Sandra Palmer, Certified Quilt Appraiser (call 802-503-7847 to register for a time slot)

Drawing for Raffle Quilt Sunday, April 3rd at 3:00 pm

"The best and largest quilt show in Franklin County, Vermont!" Features over 100 quilts, viewer's choice awards, Mayor's Award, vendors, Teacup Auction, demonstrations, door prize, and raffle. For more information, call Diane Kane 802-933-5785 or Nancy Lapointe 802-503-7847, email franklincountyquilters@gmail.com or visit www.franklincountyquilters.org