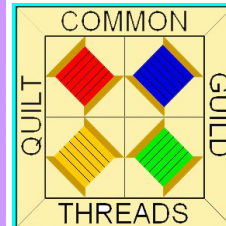


Common Threads Quilt Guild

April, 2013



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Guild meetings are the 1st
Thursday of the month at
Sterling View Clubhouse
at 6:30 PM

From the President

Hello Ladies,

First of all I want to take a minute to thank Rita for running the meeting for me the other night. Things have been a little unpredictable the past month and it was last minute to call on her and I really appreciate it.

I was able to attend the work day for sunshine quilts and we have a lot of quilts prepared for the next workshop. If we get enough participation we should be able to finish almost 50 quilts. It would be great if we could get them done before everyone gets busy for the summer.

While I am on the subject of volunteers, I want to remind everyone that we have quite a few tickets left for the raffle quilt. We have had to purchase quite a lot of fabric for backing and batting recently for sunshine quilts so we need to replenish our bank account before the show, so we need your help to sell, sell, sell!

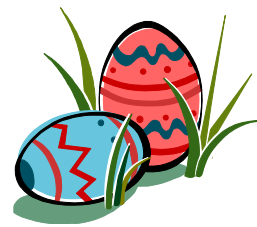
I will be thinking of a couple of people for the nominating committee. If anyone would like this task, please let me know, otherwise I will be forced to hand out the "sweepstakes letter". [HaHaHa!].

OK, I'm done being bossy! I do hope that everyone has had time to get a lot of sewing done before Spring actually springs because if you're like me you will not want to be inside when it warms up and the sun ever shines again.

Take care everyone,

Andrea Blaisdell

Treasurer's Report February 12, 2013 - March, 13, 2013



Income

Cash Forward 2/13/13

\$2,375.98

Deposits:

3/8/2013 Membership

30.00

" Quilt Raffle

130.00

" Quilt Show - Vendors

145.00

Total Income

305.00

Expenses:

3/1/13 Ck #221 News and Citizen (quilt show cards)

254.79

3/8/13 Ck #222 Andrea Blaisdell (backs for Charity Quilts - Joann's)

150.75

" Ck #223 Mary Dick (copies Newsletter)

7.42

" Ck #224 Sharon Perry (Library books \$27.46
PhD prizes \$9.05)

26.51

" Ck #225 Check Voided - Error

" Ck #226 Winds Edge (rolls batting Charity)

127.40

" Ck #227 Martha Duffy (Postage mailing Vendors)

9.20

Total Expenses

615.06

Cash Balance March 13, 2013

\$2,066.92

Rita Lehouillier Treasurer

Secretary's Report

March 7 2013



The Common Threads Quilt Guild met at Sterling View with 45 members and 2 guests present. There were seven March birthdays.

Carolyn Hitchcock won the prize "Just For Coming" and Barb Scribner won for Food Shelf Contribution.

A motion was made by Annie Morgan and seconded by Phyllis Fletcher to accept the Secretary's report. So moved.

A motion was made by Marion Seasholtz and seconded by Robin Gouin to accept the Treasurer's report. So moved.

No Sunshine cards were sent out in January.

The Membership Committee reported that we now have 67 members and 2 new members have joined the Common Threads Quilt Guild.

Charity Quilts:

There will be a workshop at the Sterling Recreation Center on March 23 from 9am - 3pm. Thirty quilts need to be finished. There will be a drawing and prizes will be given out for helping with charity quilts.

Old Business:

A small number of changes to the By Laws have been sent out to members. They will be voted on at the April meeting.

The rest of the raffle tickets for the 2013 Quilt Show were passed out.

The decision on insurance for the Common Threads Quilt Guild will be finalized next month.

There will be a Quilt Show Meeting at the Johnson Town Hall on Wednesdays the week before the monthly quilt meeting. Time to be announced.

New Business:

The 13th Annual Franklin County Quilters Guild Show will be on April 6th and 7th.

PhD Challenge: 9 members shared their work. Jane Langdell won the drawing.

Program:

Sheila Cross shared a quilting technique called Mile-a-Minute Patchwork.

Sale of Barb O'Toole's fabric, books and notions will continue next month.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Submitted by *Kathleen Sampson, Secretary.*





Quilt Show News

The next meeting for all chairs, co-chairs, and interested persons will be Wed, March 27th at 6.30 at the Johnson Town Hall.

The challenge is on. It is nautical theme of "Stars at Sea" Look for further information in this newsletter.

Be thinking of making something for the silent auction. Sharon said smaller items with a variety of prices would be good. She's like things by September.

Annie would like to fill the boutique area again. She will have the forms by July. The guild will keep 10% of the sales. Look for further information in this newsletter.

Martha did not hear back by the deadline from all the vendors so is looking into new ones. Please give her any suggestions that you have.

Julie has been very efficient about getting notices made up for us to spread thought the area. Remember to take some, if you haven't already, and hang them, hand them out, or leave a few in areas where that is ok. If we want a good turn out then we have to spread the word. It has also been suggested that if you have a face book account to put our information on it.

Cindy and Andrea

Boutique Info

All members are invited to bring in quilting related items to sell at our Boutique at the quilt show in October. Here are some guidelines and suggestions for things to make.

All items must have price tags marked with the price and your letter, which will be assigned to you with your sign-up sheet.

Bring your sign-up sheet with you with your items on Friday, October 11.

Common Threads Quilt Guild will deduct 10% of the sale price, which goes into the treasury.

You will receive a check for the total of your sales, less 10%, within two weeks.

The price you charge is up to you, but remember, think about what you would be willing to pay.

Although a higher priced item may sell, it is more typical for the under \$20 items to sell better. A good variety makes for a beautiful boutique.

Items not sold must be picked up at the end of the show on Sunday. Please wait until all your items have been accounted for before taking them.

price must be on the dollar, half dollar, or quarter dollar. (ex. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 or \$1.75.)

Suggestions for items to make:

quilts, including baby, wall hangings, lap quilts and bed quilts

table runners

placemats (matching napkins would be acceptable)

Christmas ornaments

potholders

purses and tote bags

pincushions

coasters

wool appliqué

I'm sure that we will think of other items to add to this list. If you have any questions about what would be accepted, just give me a call. Our boutique gets lots of compliments every quilt show and I know that this year will be no exception.

Annie Morgan 635-9766



Program for April Meeting:

Hilda will be doing a demo on the quilted rug. She showed one at the last meeting and there was an overwhelming response to have a demo.

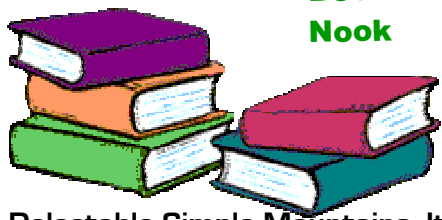
We are keeping bindings, hand sewing, gifts to make, zippers and bags on our agenda. Let us know your wants and if a Saturday class in bags and a beginner class would be worth our time to organize.

Please see us at the meetings or call or email with your input on these issues.



Cindy, Sheila, Hilda

**The
Book
Nook**



**FEATURED THIS MONTH:
LIBRARY RECEIVES
DONATION OF 42 BOOKS**

Thanks to a very generous donation of 42 books from Barb O'Toole's estate, the guild's library has grown to 322 books. Some of the books donated are:

Delectable Simple Mountains, It's Hip To Be Square, and Perfect and Painless Half-Square Triangle Units from the *Becoming A Confident Quilter* series by Debbie Caffrey; and Thimbleberries books Cider Hill Flannel Quilts, Classic Country Christmas, Holiday Collection, Home Front Flannels, It Must Be Christmas, and Making Your House A Home by Lynette Jensen.

The library is a tremendous resource for guild members, and the collection of books found in the guild's library probably rivals quilting book collections found in the libraries of most Vermont towns. There are books for every skill level and most all quilt-making techniques. For those with internet access, you can peruse the library list in the comfort of your own home. The list can be found at <http://www.commonthreadsvt.org/ctqglibrary.html>. There are instructions on the web page to use the "find" function if you're looking for a specific book title or a specific author.

If you'd like to "check out" any of the guild's library books, please contact Sharon Perry at 326-3135 or email vtquilter@gmail.com to let her know which book(s) you'd like. She'll bring them to the next guild meeting.



QUILTED ITEMS NEEDED FOR SILENT AUCTION

Time is flying by, and there are only 7 months left before this year's quilt show. Sharon Perry is once again coordinating the Silent Auction for the 2013 quilt show, and she's looking for donations of small quilted items to make the auction another success this year.

Sharon needs a variety of items ranging in size and value such as wall-hangings, quilted placemats and matching napkins, quilted tote bags, quilted pillows, table toppers, tree skirts and other similar items. Seasonal items are always winners...think of all those leaf peepers looking for beautiful and unique souvenirs to take back home from Vermont. What could be more beautiful and unique than a "quilt" made by a Vermont quilter!

If you'd like to donate an item or two, please bring your donation(s) to any guild meeting, but no later than the September meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon at vtquilter@gmail.com or 802=326=3135.



REMEMBER TO BRING ITEMS FOR THE FOOD SHELF



Barb Scribner would like members to bring in OLD Hancock catalogs for her daughter Suzan Reed who does paper jewelry.

SPRING OPEN HOUSE/SALE WILD IVY DESIGNS

paper jewelry/bird prints/cards

April 6th 10 to 4

At the home of Barb Scribner

114 Elmore Mt. Rd. Stowe

Follow the green balloons or call 253-7741 for directions

(see what happens to the Hancock catalogs you give her!!!)

FINISH YOUR PHD IN 2013 CHALLENGE

We're just three months into the Finish Your PhD in 2013 Challenge and 15 guild members have signed up for the challenge and have already completed 42 PhDs already in 2013.

For all the guild's snowbirds and any member who has not attended a meeting yet this year, there's still time to sign up and have a chance to win a monthly prize or the grand prize in December. To participate, you'll need to find all your PhDs and decide which ones you want to finish this year. Fill out the entry form which can also be found online at <http://www.commonthreadsvt.org/phdchallenge.pdf> and bring it to the first meeting you attend in 2013. You'll need to bring and show a finished PhD for each month you missed attending and a finished PhD for the current month. So if the first meeting you attend is in April, you'll need to show 4 PhDs during the show and tell.

Remember, this challenge is all about finishing some of your Projects Half Done, having some fun along the way, and possibly winning some neat prizes!!!

HAPPY Birthday!

Cormetia Sweetser

April 3

Annie Morgan

April 10

Bonnie Lefevre

April 11

Martha Russell

April 15

Mary Dick

April 22



Jenny Doan of Missouri Star Quilt Company is Coming to Vermont!

Jenny Doan, owner of the Missouri Star Quilt Company and YouTube.com quilting sensation, will be the guest speaker at the Franklin County Quilters Guild meeting on Wednesday, April 17th, 6:30 P.M. at the Church of the Rock on Route 104 in St Albans. Jenny will present a fun-filled lecture, demonstrations, and a trunk show featuring many of her quick and easy patterns. While in Vermont, Jenny will also be visiting family. Since Jenny will be driving to Vermont and since several of the family members she's visiting are quilters, she plans to pack her car chock-full of quilts and other quilting goodies to share with her family and quilters at the trunk show. to learn more about Jenny and to see some of her tutorials, visit the Missouri Star Quilt company channel on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/user/missouriquilters>.

The Franking ?County Quilters Guild is extending an invitation to the members of your guild to attend Jenny Doan's trunk show on April 17th. There will be an admission charge of \$10 for attendees who are not members of the Franklin County Quilters Guild. Jenny's presentation will start promptly at 6:30 p.m., so come early for a good seat. Throughout the evening, Jenny will demo her techniques and show the resulting quilts. She'll have the quilting notions she uses to make her quilts available for sale following her presentation.

If you've completed any of Jenny's tutorials and made a quilt, you're encouraged to ring your projects along. At the end of the trunk show, we'll have everyone show their projects. That should be a great tribute to Jenny and show stopper in itself!

For more information. please call Margaret Miller at 524-1976.

The Church of the rock is located at 1091 Fairfax Road in St. Albans. To reach the Church, take Exit 19 off I-90. Turn left at the stoplight onto Route 104. The Church is one-half mile south on the left-hand side of the road, just past the Comfort Inn. Turn left into the driveway. There's plenty of parking behind the Church..



Common Threads Quilt Size Guidelines

Hospital birthing center: 38" x 38" up to 40" x 40"

Lap quilt: in all themes, men, women, children 42" X 50"

Twin: 65" - 72" wide x 90" - 100" long

Full/Queen 90" - 92" wide x 90" - 104" long

These are approximate sizes.

We are trying to keep some of the two larger sizes on hand.

The size that we use the most of right now is the lap size.



**NEXT
MEETING
APRIL 4
AT
6:30 PM**

