

February 2020

Message from the President

Hello Everyone,

I think everyone enjoyed the social time and snacks we had at the last meeting. It sounds like we will continue to do this and if you would like to contribute feel free.

Lisa Vilord has offered to start a new block of the month starting in February. She has come up with some interesting blocks and a beautiful color combination.

For those of you not at the meeting, Lisa and I are in the very beginning stages of planning a bus trip in 2021 to the Amish part of Pennsylvania. We would be shopping at many of the numerous quilt shops and attending an event or two. If you are interested in joining us, let me or Lisa know. We will have more info at the next meeting, but it would be helpful to know how many and if you have any suggestions of places to visit.

I was contacted by the President of the Champlain Valley Quilt Guild, Anne Standish, and they would like to know if we would be interested in putting on a joint quilt show. They would like to move their show to a new location, possibly in Jeffersonville/Cambridge. What are your thoughts? I will have more info at the meeting.

Jan Kuhn will be demonstrating how to do collage quilting at the next meeting.

There is a lot to think about until the next meeting! If you cannot attend the next meeting but have input or questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

Meeting schedule so far

February – Collage Quilting - Jan Kuhn, Martha Cory, Cindy Smorgens

March – Did someone volunteer for this?

April – Joyce Emerson, Robin Wheel and Jane Langdell

May – Jessica from Sew Many Creations

June - OPEN

July - OPEN

August - OPEN

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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 = \$20 annually

Secretary's Report

Common Threads Quilt Guild - January 2, 2020

Notes by Grace Sweet

Thirty-two members were present.

Food Shelf Drawing – won by Carol Moulton

Just for Coming Drawing – won by Caroline Hitchcock

Secretary's report from December was approved.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Sunshine report – Donna Merriam was absent – no report.

Sunshine Quilts – Marion Seasholtz reports that there are 96 quilts for nursing homes and for those who have suffered house fires. A bed-size quilt was donated to the Sterling View Association for a fund-raising raffle.

Workshops for Sunshine Quilts – We have 2 workdays scheduled this winter: Saturday January 25 & Saturday February 29 at Sterling View (*Please note that the Feb date is different than what I said at the Jan meeting – the other date ended up not being available.*)

9 am until ? Bring a lunch, and Marion will bring dessert! We need sewing machines to work on some quilts in progress, and some tyers as well. Marion will let you know where we are for the February workday. If you have any questions, please call 802-635 2731

Drawings for sunshine quilt makers: a pack of cutting blades to Martha Corey who made the most tops. Other winners were Elaine Foster, Barb Scribner and Grace Sweet.

Membership: Jan Kuhn has compiled an up to date membership list. Hilda Tallman's cell phone number is 585-5279.

Raffle Quilt: \$3,339 worth of raffle tickets have been sold. If you find that you will not sell the tickets that you have please return them to the Guild.

New Business: Thoughts for programs – 1) Videos are a possibility. All of the equipment is available in the Sterling View Community room. Perhaps Sharon Perry could/would write out directions for hooking up a laptop etc. 2) Could the guild provide inexpensive supplies so that all could participate in an activity. Maybe a max of \$50.00. 3) Should we continue with cookies and beverage before meetings to give members an opportunity to socialize? If, so, we should change the calendar at Sterling View to indicate that we will start at 6:00. Consensus – yes.

Sew and Tell: Five folks shared their lovely pieces.

Program: Andrea Blaisdell and Lisa Vilord have been exploring the possibility of a bus tour to Lancaster, PA to shop hop. The thought is to go in the spring of 2021 for four days and three nights. They have talked with several bus companies. Notch Above Tours seems to be the most helpful. The tour planner would reserve hotel rooms and make arrangements for food and places to visit. The bus could hold 55 people. A good number would to 25-30. Fifteen members expressed interest.

Calendar

February 6 Sterling View Clubhouse
Collage Quilting - Jan, Martha, and Cindy

We will be offering a little refreshment before the meeting. Come early to enjoy and have a bit of social time. If you have something for the "free/for sale" table, plan to get that set up early so as people socialize, they can check out the items.



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 |

Reminders for Next Meeting:

- *Come early for snacks*
- *Show and Tell*
- *Food for the Food Shelf*
- *Upcoming program ideas*

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Happy Birthday to:

Lois Lemaire	Feb 7
JoAnn Tallman	Feb 17
Joyce Emerson	Feb 23
Nancy Hayden	Feb 25

Treasurer's Report

Balance on December 1, 2019	5938.79
Income	
Deposits	438.00
Expenses	
Food Shelves	250.00
News letter	50.76
Donation(Manning)	25.00
Total Expenses	325.76
Balance on Hand 12/31/2019	6051.03

MAY 2020 MEETING WILL FEATURE NY BAG DESIGNER AND QUILTMAKER

Jessica VanDenburgh, of Sew Many Creations, will be the guest speaker at the guild's meeting in May. She is a rising star in the quilting world. In addition to creating patterns for bags and quilt, Jessica is also a fabric designer for Windham Fabrics and has released 2 fabric lines, Gypsy and Juniper. Jessica has also been a teacher at the Jay Peak Quilt Retreat for the past several years. Some guild members attending that retreat have taken workshops with Jessica and have made some beautiful bags.

Jessica will present a trunk show at the guild meeting on Thursday, May 7th. She'll be showing samples of many of her original bags/totes and quilts. Jessica will also be teaching a workshop on Saturday, May 9th, and on Sunday, May 10th, if there is enough interest for a 2nd workshop. During her time in Vermont, she will spend Friday, May 8th, at the Vermont Quilter's Schoolhouse in Troy, teaching an additional workshop.

The Elly Handbag and the Lainey Backpack are currently two of Jessica's most popular bags and are her newest bags. Other popular bags include the Tabitha Tote & Purse, the Lucy Crossbody, and the Cailey Handbag. All these bags are pictured below.



Elly Handbag



Lainey Backpack



Tabitha Tote



Lucy Crossbody



Cailey Handbag

You can find patterns and pictures of more of Jessica's bags and her quilts at this link: [https://www.sewmanycreationsny.com/patterns.html/#/](https://www.sewmanycreationsny.com/patterns.html#/) Please take a few minutes and browse through all of Jessica's patterns before the guild's February meeting. Sharon Perry plans to poll guild members to see which pattern(s) members would like to see offered at Jessica's workshop(s) in May. Once members make a decision on the workshops offered at the guild, Tina De La Bruere, of the Vermont Quilter's Schoolhouse, will then decide which pattern to offer at the quilt shop.