

October 2020 Newsletter

From the President ,

Hello Quilter's!
Welcome Fall!

As we travel through October we can still enjoy a few beautiful Fall days.

I hope everyone is well and keeping busy.

I have a few Fall quilts including the one shown here.

This was a quilt made a few years ago, with a group of Friends we each worked on our own version of the pattern. The main part of the quilt was created using 2" squares! It took a long time to make!

At our recent Board meeting Caroline Berman was voted to be the Guild's new Treasurer. After a trip to the bank on Wednesday next week she will be official. Moving forward the board members are considering holding some form of Guild members Zoom meeting in the upcoming months. It would be great to stay connected and to have some form of show and tell. If you have any ideas regarding this please contact a board member.

We are still seeking someone to take on the task of running the Guilds Facebook and Instagram pages. Please consider taking this on as it is a great way to stay in touch and share ideas.

Wishing you all a Happy Halloween!
Karen Kebinger
President.



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Help Needed

Name: Mary Naumec

Message: Hello Farmington Valley Quilters, We so appreciate your support of us! We were wondering if we could please ask for your help with a project for our patients & families for the holidays. We were wondering if you would consider making large, reusable fabric bags for our families to use at our Snowflake Shop (where parents of hospitalized kids get to "shop" for the holidays). If this is something you might be able to help us with, would you please call me at 860-545-9700 (Child and Family Support Services) to discuss further? Thank you very much for considering our request. We appreciate all you do for us. Best wishes, Mary Naumec Administrative Assistant

Email: mnaumec01@connecticutchildrens.org

Subject: Help for the Holidays Please

Quilt Show

By Maureen Hulsart

During the month of August, the Quilt Show Committee shared emails about planning for a potential show next year. There are a lot of unknowns at this point, but each member of the committee stated we should start the planning process. Initially we will look at potential sites to hold a show. The UofH still remains an option, but during this "down time", we would like to investigate other options.

At some point in the next week or so, a blast will blast will be distributed to the broad membership for potential location ideas. That blast will include details regarding square footage needs and general location preferences, etc. Please watch for that distribution in the coming weeks.

ABC Quilts

There will be no activity for the ABC Quilt committee for the upcoming year. We currently have three completed quilts in our inventory waiting for students. If there are any changes, we will keep you all updated in a future newsletter. Be well, Peggy & Kathie

Retreats

Fall Retreat 2020

Fall Retreat is off. Will let you know as soon as I know regarding the Spring Retreat.

Thanks

Christine Zepp

Neonatal Quilts

Kudos, are genuinely gratefully extended to all of our dedicated quilters who so willingly supported our September 16th collection day. It was a wonderful success. A special thank you must go to Sally Markey for her generous donation of 33 quilts. Having three drop-off locations worked well; thank you Maureen and Phyllis for providing your homes as drop off spots.

On September 29th, Shari Galvin, our UCONN neonatal liaison, received the fruits of your love and labor from our second quilt collection – **70 neonatal quilts and 20 scent cloths!!** Shari was truly overwhelmed. After her car was packed, literally, she then proceeded to share a few touching tidbits which we all love to hear. She shared that recently there were four sets of twins born and how nice it was to have some coordinating quilts. Wow! How quickly eight quilts came into use. Also, shared was the fact that they sometimes rearrange the babies in the unit. When the parents come in they always look to see where their quilt(s) is/are to locate their itty-bitty loved ones. Shari also relayed that the babies can see their quilt backings through the clear top of their “cribs” which is a noteworthy fact. All these tidbits should impress upon us the magnitude of the way your quilts are so special and comforting to these families.

Please continue to support the guild’s meaningful mission with your beautiful quilts measuring no smaller than 36” X 36” and no larger than 40” X 40” and flannel scent cloths measuring 6” X 8” or 8” X 8”. Please, please contact Alberta - 860-490-4512 or Phyllis - 860-803-5907 to make arrangements to pick up flannel, batting or inspirational packets for your neonatal efforts. We have a ***rather substantial*** supply waiting to be adapted and used by you.

We are planning one more collection day for 2020. It will most likely be in the beginning of December. We will keep you informed. In the meantime keep quilting and be safe. Alberta and Phyllis



NEQM SHOW OPPORTUNITY 2021

As supporting members of the New England Quilt Museum (NEQM) in Lowell, MA, the Farmington Valley Quilt Guild is entitled to select one quilt to display in the Museum’s Biennial Summer Celebration exhibit 2021. Our Quilt Show Committee voted to support this exhibit as a way to promote our guild and the quilting skills of our members. Our Guild Board and our Quilt Show Committee together will choose one quilt to be exhibited at the NEQM and one runner-up from our Sew Beautiful Quilt Show 2020. There will be a box to check on our registration form if you wish your quilt to be considered for this competition. Please note that the quilt must be available from May, 2021, through September, 2021.

For more information and criteria set by the NEQM and FVQI, please look on our website, fvquilter.org. If you have any questions or reservations about entering, just get in touch with Phyllis Small (phyl@phyllissmall.com) or Maureen Hulsart (musiconthestreet@comcast.net).

Programs and Workshops

The October and November programs have been rescheduled for October and November, 2021.

October - Nancy Sullivan and Lynn Tibault will give a Quilt Clinic on solving common quilt problems. This has been rescheduled to October 2021.

November - Jane Davilia will talk on the Elements of Design. That talk will be followed the next day with a workshop in which we will learn a sample of materials and techniques for surface design.

Socials

Bernice Hovencamp – Social Programs Chair
Not much going on due to the Corona Covid19 pandemic, but I hope you might enjoy this.

“Creative clutter is more blessed than tidy idleness.”

Not sure who said that, but I really have that clutter part going on.



Sunshine

As a caring Guild, we want to send a cheer card or sympathy card to any member that might need one. In order for us to do this, Kathy Lettieri should be informed if you know of anyone who could use a card from us. If you do, please contact Kathy Lettieri (860-651-8330) or any Board member. Kathy's e-mail is kbakerl@att.net

Advertisements

If you would like to advertise a service or are looking to sell or buy something related to quilting/sewing, advertise it here. Your advertisement will be in the Newsletter for six months; after which it will be removed.

Please consider sharing your stash with new quilters!

Middle School & Library Looking for Quilting Fabrics

If you have any quilting fabrics you would like to part with, both Henry James Middle School and the Simsbury Library can use them.

They both teach quilting classes to students. Please bring them to any guild meeting and Lisa Salvatore will make sure they end up in appreciative hands.

Thanks so much!!

Lisa Salvatore

Lisa.B.Salvatore@gmail.com

Advertisements, cont'd

SELLING***(moving)

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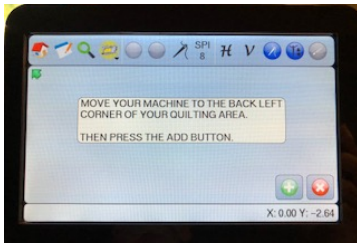
Includes all accessories ~ bobbins, 30 spools of thread.

Red Snapper mounting system, 2 sets of cloth leaders: A Quilter's Eye camera unit (\$500 value) and more.

Text or call 413-427-0998 located in Southwick

Deb Morrissey

debmorrissey@comcast.net. (10/20)



For Sale: 17" Nolting FunQuilter. This longarm machine comes with all the following: Grace Frame (up to 11 ft), Stitch Regulator, Circle Lord Stylus, Laser Stylus, Canvas Leaders, Leader Grips, Ruler Mate and 3 User manuals. The price for this longarm machine is \$5,000.00. This machine is a great introduction to longarm quilting. Please contact Chris at 860-666-6898 or at j-cclegg@juno.com



Working Treadle Machine

We received an offer via our website for a working treadle machine. Donated to the Guild for members teaching members or displays at quilt shows, etc. Anyone interested can contact the owner, Rowena York, at 860-658-2153 york333@comcast.net

Thread for free

Hi, I am not a quilter, but my Mother was. She belonged to a quilting circle in Ohio, and moved to Belden Forest in Simsbury in her 80s. I just came across a large box with assorted threads, some of them from the 40s and 50s. Would anyone in the guild be interested in this cache? Also, she had a tin filled with embroidery threads that I would be happy to donate also. Mom spent many satisfying hours quilting and it would be great if her thread collection found a new home! Thanks, Karyn d'AVIGNON kldavy10@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed

Our Web Master, Lisa, cannot also maintain the Facebook and Instagram Pages. Please contact her if you can help out.

Email Lisa Salvatore at lisa.b.Salvatore@gmail.com

Reimbursements/Deposits

As a result of the audit we underwent in the fall the process for requesting reimbursements and depositing funds have been updated. Both transactions now require a form to be submitted, both forms are available on the website. The expense reimbursement form should be accompanied by receipts and documentation. If you have any questions please let me know.

Katha Kerr, Treasurer

Meetings

September Meeting is cancelled.

Guest Fee

There is a \$10.00 Guest Fee at Guild Meetings with paid speakers or dinners. Any guest who joins the guild that night will not have to pay the guest fee.

Show and Tell

Get a jump on completing the Show and Tell form. Look for the Form on the Website under Members only.

Treasurer's Report

If you are interested in the monthly treasurer's report, visit the guild website.

Show & Tell Plus

Please join our QUARANTINE SHOW & TELL

Share what you're doing in our new Google Photos Album

We are excited to see how you're channeling your creativity during this challenging time.

Use this link to access the album: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/pdbw25pwJ8R2ReKH9>

Quilting Events in the Area

Please be sure to check for cancellations

VQS Virtual Quilt Show – On Line. <https://virtualquiltshow.com/>

Join us Nov. 9-15, 2020 for the second Virtual Quilt Show. VQS combines all the traditional elements of a quilt show in an online format. From the safety and comfort of home, you can enter a quilt competition, take classes, and shop your favorite vendors. VQS will feature two contest levels: Aspiring and Master with a total of 29 prize categories. Enter the competition for \$10 per quilt by Oct. 5, 2020.

Merrimack Valley Quilters Guild

Show & Tell Slideshows. <https://mvquilters.org/show-and-tell/>

Open the individual links in new tabs to keep the show & tell index

Quilters' Connection

Online Show & Tell [See grand show & tell](#)

Rising Star Quilters Guild

Past Show Pictures

<http://www.risingstarquilters.org/show.html#pastshows>

Salley Mavor: Bedtime Stitches

September 11 – December 22, 2020

Cahoon Museum of American Art

4676 Falmouth Road (Route 28)

Cotuit MA 02635

<https://cahoonmuseum.org/>

Admission: \$10; \$8 seniors and students. Museum members and NARM members free

Quilters Needed

The Sew Thankful Quilters who make Quilts of Valor at the Avon Congregational Church would love to have you join us either regularly or whenever you can. Quilts of Valor is an opportunity to provide a quilt to the men and women who have served our country and have been touched by war. It is a tangible thank you for their service, sacrifice and valor. We have the supplies, we just need your time and talents. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from **9:30 AM to 12:30 PM at 6 West Main St., Avon.** Please call or email me if you have questions, Susan Elliott, 860-658-0863, shsellcott@sbcglobal.net.

Quilts2Heal provides comfort and healing through quilts created for those who have suffered a loss, illness, or challenge in their lives. All sew days are in the studio at Sew Inspired postponed.

For more information contact Paula DeSilva, Founder; quilts2heal@comcast.net 860-306-7000 or Lynda Cook, blcook66@gmail.com or visit our website

[https:// www.quilts2heal.org/](https://www.quilts2heal.org/)



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Celebrating 15-years in the Farmington Valley
as your community quilt shop.

And, celebrating being chosen as a top 10 shop
in the fall/winter 2020 *Quilt Sampler* magazine!

Thank you for inspiring us to be our best for all these years. Out of
3,000 eligible shops, we were chosen as a top ten and we wouldn't
be one without you! Stay tuned as we unveil our quilt pattern.
Magazines arrive in August; pre-sales now on our website.



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Membership

Membership We will postpone collecting renewal membership dues. Our membership year will continue to run July 1 - June 30 each year. We are only postponing the payments.

Candy Casciano

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Post Photos to Instagram

FVQI is now on Instagram
Follow us: @farmvalquilters
Any photos you want posted?
Email Lisa Salvatore at: fvquilter@gmail.com

Newsletter Submissions

Due the Friday before the Wednesday Guild Meeting. Submit to dlcalkin@gmail.com

Nov 13, 2020
Dec 11, 2020

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