

## August 2022 Newsletter

### President's Letter

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer! Quilt show registration is complete and it looks like we will have a great show! There is still much to do and of course we will need everyone's help during the show weekend to ensure things run smoothly so please sign up to work a shift that weekend if you haven't already.

As part of my transition to president, we have set up a new Gmail account, [fvqpresident@gmail.com](mailto:fvqpresident@gmail.com) that can be transitioned to the new president from year to year. Please use this email if you wish to contact me for any guild related business.

We are looking for someone willing to take over the Website Master position as Lisa Salvatore will be stepping down after serving the guild for quite some time in this role (Thank you Lisa!). The website is designed on the Wix platform. This is a board position that is responsible for the Guild website for the purposes of promoting the Guild and is responsible for electronic archives of the newsletter, financial reports, minutes, and web content. Lisa will provide instruction on what needs to be done. Please contact Lisa at [fvquilter@gmail.com](mailto:fvquilter@gmail.com) with any questions. If you are interested in stepping up to fill this open position, please contact Caroline Berman or me.

Happy Quilting and Enjoy the rest of your summer!

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## Treasurer's Update

All accounts are current, balanced and in good standing.

The Treasurer's Report is available to all members via our "Members Only" website page.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding guild financials please reach out to Anne Dodge, Treasurer.

## Summer Sew-In

Summer Sew-In Reminder/ WALK-INS WELCOME

This is a friendly reminder for anyone who signed up for the second Summer Sew-In on Wed. August 17th at the First Church of Christ in Palmer Hall. It is located at 689 Hopmeadow St, Simsbury. Sewing hours are 9-3:30. Anyone able to help set up tables/chairs may arrive when doors open at 8:45. It was suggested quilters bring a power strip and/or small extension cord.

Remember to pack your own brown bag lunch and beverage. You may also step out and order food at a local restaurant. Though there are no picnic tables, you may bring a portable chair to eat outdoors in the parking lot, if you like. We are reminded to have tables returned and be exiting the church by the designated time.

At this point, there are no health precautions that either the church or the FVHD/CDC mandates, but masks are always an option.

Anyone who has not already signed up is welcome to come. Please consider joining us! Happy sewing once again!

Sue Underwood

## September Workshop

**Don't Miss Out on the Paper Piecing Workshop on 9/22/22**

Guild members asked to learn about English Paper Piecing and we answered! Yet, the registration for this class has been very low, with only three people enrolled. Help make this a success; everyone is encouraged to sign up for Tina Craig's English Paper Piecing Workshop on September 22<sup>nd</sup> in Eno Hall. The guild charge for this workshop is \$25.

This three hour Improvisational English Paper Piecing workshop was a big hit during the Global Quilt Connection All Star Sampler Platter. Instruction will include designing your own block using straight lines or curves, basting options, invisible hand stitching and finishing. The workshop is technique-based, so students leave with knowledge that translates to many future projects.

A kit with supplies can be purchased for \$26 from Tina or purchased separately on your own from the supply list. No need to pack your sewing machine as this will be mainly hand sewing.

Please email Kathi Maglia, Co-Program Committee Chair **by August 31<sup>st</sup> to sign up** for the workshop at: [kmmaglia@comcast.net](mailto:kmmaglia@comcast.net)

She will collect checks at the event and send you the supply list ahead of time.

# Quilt Show

## Quilt Show Committee Report

By Maureen Hulsart



The Quilt Show Committee has been meeting and working throughout the summer to host a successful show next month. Quilts have been registered, raffle baskets are being completed and ready for wrap-up, and people are busily finishing up quilts and stitching on sleeves.

The next 6 weeks are critical to the show's success. We need you to help advertise the show to your family and friends and ask them to attend. I have a number of neighbors who enjoy my annual "Hang a Quilt Day" display and I have encouraged them to see more by coming to the show. I wrote a little letter together with a show announcement card and popped them in their mailboxes. I would encourage you to do the same. Admissions to the show are critical to our financial success so please do your part to support that.

Also, please be sure to return your raffle ticket money and stubs to Deb Jacoby. Deb has to account for 100% of the tickets (both sold and unsold); in the event the State asks to see an accounting. (The State has never audited us yet, but I know of two other raffle events that did get audited and observed....so it does happen.) Please make it easy for her and get them back to Deb by the end of the month.

I will continue to send out an Eblast weekly to keep all guild members as up-to-date as possible about show events. As always, please go on the guild website and sign up to volunteer at the show. There are a lot of vacancies left, so your time and assistance is needed to cover some of the tables and white-glove tasks. Once you have signed up, please go back in and double check. Some people have signed up, logged out and then later found their name was not saved at their selected site....so please double check.

Keep on stitching!

# Programs and Workshops

Printable PDF available on our website

## September 21 & 22

Tina Craig talks about English Paper Piecing vs Foundation Paper Piecing, What's the difference? Tina specializes in precision piecing (foundation paper piecing and English Paper Piecing) and domestic machine quilting. Her quilts have won award in local and regional shows, including three local Best in Show winners. Tina will also teach an Improv English Paper Piecing workshop on September 22.

## October 19

Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill

Content, Concepts and Quilts: Approaching Quilting as a Graphic Designer

## November 16

Sue Reich

Christmas Quilts

## ABC Quilts

Nothing new to report for ABC. Enjoy your summer and we will have kits ready in the fall for pickup. Thank you for your continued support. – Kathie & Peggy

## Guild Library

From Your Guild Librarians,

The Guild maintains a Library of books, DVDs, and tools for the use of our members. Available on the Guild website are lists of the available items arranged by author, title, and subject. Below is a list of the various tools and templates that we have. If you see anything that you would like to try out over the summer, please let me ([annedodge71@gmail.com](mailto:annedodge71@gmail.com)) know. Lois, Kitty, and I wish you all a happy, healthy summer.

Fast2Cut Half- & Quarter- Diamond Ruler Set, created by Jan Krentz

Fast2Cut Fussy Cutter Ruler Set 45 degree Diamond Guide, created by Jan Krentz (two sizes 3" and 6 1/2")

Martelli's 4/5" Square No-Slip Template. Ideas for baby carriage and lap quilt included.  
Martelli Notions.

Martelli's No-Slip Templates for Circles & Drunkard's Path. Set of 5 templates. Martelli Notions

Rings That Bind. Directions and small Arc-Ease Tool makes a wedding ring with 9" block. By Cheryl Phillips and Linda Pysto, Phillips Fiber Arts, 2003.

7" Crazy Curves Templates, Elisa's Backyard, 2006

Strips'n Curves: 4 Piece Acrylic Template Set; The Basic Set Finished Block Size 9", Quiltescapes, 2002

Strips'n Curves: 4 Piece Acrylic Template Set; The Basic Set II to be used with the BasicSet, Quiltescapes, 2002

## Neonatal Quilts

Summer is fleeting! Hopefully, our dedicated quilters who continue to support our commitment to the UCONN Neonatal Unit have been busy. We know the babies keep coming!! Shari Galvin, our NICU coordinator, reiterated her feeling that our quilts are both welcoming and cheerful. The NICU is a large room with isolettes placed around its perimeter. Parents have only a small space for their “wee ones” in this sterile medical environment. Our quilts provide covers for the isolettes while also identifying each baby’s location for both nurses and parents. Shari believes that the quilts help the parents develop a feeling of personal space to share with their infant.

Creating scent cloths measuring no smaller than 6” x 6” and no larger than 8” x 8” and quilts measuring no smaller than 36” x 36” and no larger 40” x 40” supports our noble mission. If you have quilts or scent cloths that are ready to be donated please contact either of us, and we will arrange pick up.

Enjoy the remainder of our summer days and keep quilting!!

Alberta - 860-490-4512 and Phyllis - 860-803-5907



## NEQM Guest Passes

The guild’s membership to the NEQM has been renewed and we have received 4 complimentary tickets for anyone interested in visiting there in the next year. If you’ve ever wondered about this museum, check them out on YouTube where you’ll find informative videos on current happenings.

Gail Burk

## NEQM SHOW OPPORTUNITY 2023

### NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM EXHIBIT OPPORTUNITY 2023

As supporting members of the New England Quilt Museum, participating guilds are offered the opportunity to exhibit one quilt from a guild member to be displayed at the Museum during their 2023 Summer Celebration exhibit. We will choose a quilt to represent our guild from our 2022 Sew Beautiful Quilt Show. More information will be provided when we get it from the Museum in February, 2023.

If you have any questions, please give me a call or email me. Phyllis Small [phyl@phyllissmall.com](mailto:phyl@phyllissmall.com)  
860-803-5907

## Retreats

Registration for our Fall 2022 retreat is now open. A \$100 deposit will be required. Checks made out to FVQI. Send to: Jean Williams, 25 Gracewell Rd, Wethersfield, CT 06109. Please note whether you are doing the 4 night, 3 night or 2 night option. Thank you.

Dates:

- o November 2 – 6 (4 nights, Wed – Sun; no meals until Thurs dinner) or
- o November – 3 - 6 (3 nights, Thurs – Sun; meals: Thurs dinner – Sun lunch) or
- o November 4 – 6 (2 nights, Fri – Sun; meals: Fri dinner – Sun lunch)

· Place: Incarnation Center, Ivoryton, CT in “The Lodge”

· Cost:

4 nights \$360

3 nights \$310

2 nights \$230

Questions? Email Jean Williams: [quiltinjean@gmail.com](mailto:quiltinjean@gmail.com)

## Quilters Needed

Quilts2Heal provides comfort and healing through quilts created for those who have suffered a loss, illness, or challenge in their lives.

For more information contact Paula DeSilva, Founder; [quilts2heal@comcast.net](mailto:quilts2heal@comcast.net) 860-306-7000 or Lynda Cook, [blcook66@gmail.com](mailto:blcook66@gmail.com) or visit our website <https://www.quilts2heal.org>

## Sunshine

As a caring Guild, we want to send a cheer card or sympathy card to any member that might need one. In order 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](mailto: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.

## Granbees Quilt Guild Looking for Members

Interested in quilting? \* The Granbees Welcome You \* Beginners to Experts

**When:** Third Tuesdays September to June 9:30 am – Noon

**Where:** East Granby Farms Rte 187 – 79 North Main St

**Programs:** Trunk Shows, Demonstrations, Guest Speakers, Charity Quilts, Members helping members, Retreats, Applique, Basting Day, Refreshments

**Contact:** Ellyn Mansfield

Email: [elhmansfield@gmail.com](mailto:elhmansfield@gmail.com)

Phone – 860-561-2878

**Horn cutting table** (retails for \$1200.00) that I would like to give to someone who could use it.

Sandi Schrader

[ssschrader@comcast.net](mailto:ssschrader@comcast.net)

(Aug 22)

I live in Granby and have a **Pfaff Passport (lightweight portable) sewing machine** with a Tutto rolling carrying case that I want to sell. Only used a few times. In perfect condition.

(Aug 22)

Maribeth McKinney [mbcmckin@gmail.com](mailto:mbcmckin@gmail.com) 602-821-4723

**My novel *Quilt City Murders*** is a cozy mystery that takes place in Paducah, Kentucky, home of the National Quilt Museum. The novel was published last month, is selling well, and features quilters, quilting and QuiltWeek.

Because members of your quilting guild may want to read the novel — available as an eBook and in paperback — I'm passing along the information.

Here is the Amazon link:

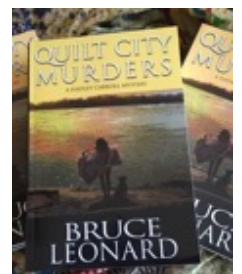
<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B09M68HJ3R>

[CozyMysteryBookshop.com](http://CozyMysteryBookshop.com) said this about the novel: *Quilt City Murders* is an absolute must-read cozy mystery, and I do not say that lightly. I give this book a 5+ star rating!

In an Amazon review, one reader wrote: "Best-ever murder mystery featuring quiltmakers. This is the first 'quilt' mystery I've read whose story could stand on its own no matter the milieu, and whose details re quilting and quilters were credible."

Bruce Leonard

[bruceleonardwriter.com](http://bruceleonardwriter.com)



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# Quilting Events in the Area

**Please be sure to check for cancellations**

## **What a Relief: The Art of Salley Mavor**

**June 3 – Sept. 11, 2022**

Brick Store Museum, 117 Main Street, Kennebunk ME 04043

<https://brickstoremuseum.org/>

## **Quilt Artist's Manifesto**

**July 23, 2022 – September 3, 2022**

Jaffrey Civic Center 40 Main Street, Jaffrey NH 03452

<https://jaffreyciviccenter.com/>

## **QuiltFest New England**

**August 11-13, 2022**

MassMutual Center, 1277 Main Street, Springfield MA 01103

<https://www.quiltfest.com/>

## **SCQG: Autumn Festival of Quilts**

**September 17 & 18, 2022**

Hawthorne Brook Middle School, 64 Brookline St., Townsend MA

<http://sqanicookquiltguild.com/index.html>

## **Bennington Quiltfest**

**September 17 -18, 2022**

Mount Anthony Union Middle School, 747 East Road, Bennington VT 05201

<https://quietvalleyquilters.com/>

## **Belknap Mill Quilters' 45th Annual Quilt Show**

**"Harvest of Quilts"**

**September 24-25, 2022**

<https://www.bmqg.org/>

## **Herring Run Quilters' Guild 16th Biennial Quilt**

**Show: With These Hands 2022**

**September 24 – 25, 2022**

Boys and Girls Club of Marshfield, 37 Proprietors Drive, Marshfield, MA 02050

<https://www.herringrunquiltguild.com/>

## **Merrimack Valley Quilters Annual Show – Starstruck**

**September 30 & October 1, 2022**

Hope Community Church 11 Hale Street, Newburyport MA.

<https://mvquilters.org/>

## **StarStruck Quilt Show by Merrimack Valley Quilt Guild**

September 29 - October 1, 2022.

**Hope Community Church**, 11 Hale St, Newburyport, MA 01950

[www.mvquilters.org](http://www.mvquilters.org)

## **The ART of the Quilt**

**October 1 – 2, 2022**

Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School, 390 Lincoln Road, Sudbury MA 01776

<https://www.waysidequilters.org/index.html>

## **Rising Star Quilters Guild 33rd Annual Quilt Show**

**October 15-16, 2022**

New Location: Arlington Town Hall 730 Massachusetts Avenue Arlington MA 02476

<http://risingstarquilters.org/show.html>

## **Quinobequin Quilters Quilt Show**

**Oct. 21 - 22, 2022**

Needham Masonic Lodge 1101 Highland Ave, Needham MA 02492

<https://www.quinobequin.org/>

## **BUCC Quilt Show & Sale with Sewing Tag Sale**

**October 21 – 23, 2022**

18 Park St. Belchertown, MA 01007

<https://buccquiltshowandsale.weebly.com/>

## **Thimbles and Friends Quilt Guild Show**

**Oct. 22, 2022**

Whitman United Methodist Church  
503 South Ave., Whitman MA 02382

<https://thimblesandfriendsquiltguild.org/index.html>



# Membership

We have six new members. Ivy Strauss, from Farmington, joined at our June meeting and brought two quilts for show and tell: her family members and her cats. They will be in the quilt show.

Since the June meeting, Mariah Macy (I don't have a town for her yet); Donna Killoran, West Hartford; Karen Carvalho, New Hartford; Hiroko Fukawa, Tariffville; and Katherine Harris, Middletown and Lady Lake, FL, have joined. Mariah is our first junior member in a long time. That gives us 109 members. Welcome to all of them.

Don't forget that our dues are now on a calendar year and aren't due until January 1, so we will begin collecting in a couple of months.

Kitty Vangunten  
[kittyv@comcast.net](mailto:kittyv@comcast.net)

# 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](mailto:dlcalkin@gmail.com)

**NOTE Change** (due to quilt show)  
Sept Submissions **Due September 13.**

# 2021-2022 Board Members

President	Pam Stenman
Vice President	Caroline Berman
Membership	Kitty Vangunten
Secretary	Bridget Shanley
Treasurer	Anne Dodge
Programs	Kathi Maglia
	Ellyn Mansfield
Newsletter Editor	Diane Calkin
Publicity	Brenda Lisitano
Social Programs	Sue Underwood
Webmaster	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Quilt Show Chair	Maureen Hulsart

# 2021-2022 Committee Members

ABC Quilts	Peggy Thomsen
	Kathie Fallon
Fabric Swap Box	Margaret Dooley-Duncan
Friendship Blocks	Linnea Amodio
	Katha Kerr
Hospitality	Donna Gosselin
	Marie Knapps
June Challenge	Diane Calkin
Library	Anne Dodge
	Lois Palmer
	Kitty Vangunten
Mystery Night	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Neonatal Quilts	Alberta Culley
	Phyllis Small
Sunshine	Kathy Lettieri
Photographer	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Retreats	Jean Williams
CT Hang-a-Quilt-Day	Susan Elliott
	Connie Beilstein

Website: Fvquilters.org  
Facebook: Farmington Valley Quilters  
Instagram:@farmvalquilters