



## September 2020 Newsletter

From the President ,

Hello Quilter's!

As we close out the Summer months I am really enjoying this Indian summer feel. Cooler mornings and warm balmy days are so great!

After sending out the email about needing a Treasurer I got an immediate offer from Caroline Berman. I was so relieved and happy.

The Board member's approved the appointment by email, we will need to approve and accept this in our next Zoom meeting in October.

We still need someone to manage our Facebook page and Instagram account, please consider taking on this role.

Communication is key during these times.

A recent call was sent out for the collection of Neonatal quilts. By the time this message goes out the quilts will be on their way. Please keep making and donating Neonatal quilts by contacting Alberta Culley.

Making some Neonatal quilts myself has awakened my creative quilting juices! It is so fun putting together Prints and coordinates!

The Board has decided that meetings will be cancelled until further notice.

The speakers already scheduled for this year are being offered date's in the upcoming years.

It is sad that we are still going through this social distancing, but safer for everyone.

Keep being creative and take care!



*Karen Kebinger*

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## Quilt Show

### Quilt Show Committee Report

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

We delivered one quilt to the ABC House for this year's incoming Freshman, Muna Nwafor. Unfortunately, we could not present it personally, but we did record a video message to welcome him to Simsbury from our Guild. Currently, we have three completed quilts in our inventory so we will not be making another quilt this year. Be well and wash your hands, Peggy & Kathie

## Neonatal Quilts

With summer winding down we naturally think of the upcoming holidays and how we can make them special for others. The guild's mission of supporting the UCONN Neonatal Unit with our beautiful quilts and scent cloths certainly impacts many families that are experiencing trying times.

**Don't forget that our next collection day will be Wednesday, Sept, 16<sup>th</sup>** at the three locations mentioned in our previous announcement. Please refer to it for all the details. However, if you are dropping off at Phyllis' she would like you to call her at 860-803-5907 so she can meet you at the end of her steep driveway. She will be available from 10:00 – 4:00. If you have any questions please call or text: Alberta -860-490-4512

Phyllis – 860 – 803 -5907

Thank for support in sharing your talents. Be safe.  
Alberta and Phyllis

## Retreats

**Fall Retreat 2020** – The dates are November 4-8. With the current social distancing, there will not be a Fall Retreat this year. If this changes, I will let you know.  
Thank you, Christine Zepp

## Programs and Workshops

The September program with Jan Doyle has been cancelled. However, we can still look forward to Jan's lecture on "Quilts and the Underground Railroad: Fact or Fiction" in September 2021. As these cancellations continue to occur, we will try to reschedule our speakers for one year in the future, in the hopes that life will return to some form of normalcy by then. This will give us something to look forward to!

The programs that were cancelled in the spring (Ed Johnetta Miller, Elizabeth Sylvan and Timna Tarr) will most likely take place in 2022.

Barb Aubin

**October 21, 2020** - Nancy Sullivan and Lynn Tibault will give a Quilt Clinic on solving common quilt problems. This has been rescheduled to October 2021.

**November 18, 2020** - 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

I hope everyone has been healthy during this COVID-19 pandemic. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our meetings this year, including our June social and our two all-day sew-in events, (and our biennial quilt show). As it stands now, it is regrettable, but we will also not be having our December social either. Hope to see you all in 2021!

Bernice Hovencamp

## 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](mailto:kbakerl@att.net)

Last month we sent a cheerful get well card to Donna Dellacamera after her recent hospitalization. I'm sure she would appreciate it if anyone wants to send their own card.

## 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](http://fvquilter.org). If you have any questions or reservations about entering, just get in touch with Phyllis Small ([phyl@phyllissmall.com](mailto:phyl@phyllissmall.com)) or Maureen Hulsart ([musiconthestreet@comcast.net](mailto:musiconthestreet@comcast.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**

ARE YOU A QUILTER? If you don't like to drive at night, but want to belong to a quilt group come to THE GRANBEES. We meet at the EAST GRANBY CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH RT. 20 in East Granby Center. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 9:30AM. ALL ARE WELCOME. Ad 12/19

### **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](mailto:Lisa.B.Salvatore@gmail.com)

**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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

#### 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

#### Mysterious Quilt Journey

Belknap Mill at Rotary Park, Laconia, NH

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

Free Outdoor Community Event

Mysterious Quilt Journey! Beginning at 10 am on Saturday, October 3rd, and lasting until 2pm, art in the form of quilts will be on display in 30+ businesses in downtown Laconia, NH!

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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, shseliott@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](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/](https://www.quilts2heal.org/)



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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

FVQI  
PO Box 172  
Weatogue CT 06089

## 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

## 2020-2021 Board Members

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