



June 2022 Newsletter

President's Letter

Happy June to you all,

It is hard to believe that this will be my last newsletter article as President of the Guild. It has been a "one-of-a-kind" year given the ups and downs of the pandemic and rebuilding an active, vibrant Guild. I think we have all weathered the past year fairly well.

Our upcoming meeting is our June Social and the last meeting of the summer. We will have munchies provided by our generous members. If you signed up to bring food, don't forget. We will have the usual business meeting, Show-And-Tell, and the unveiling of the June Challenge. I hope that plenty of members have created beautiful June challenge quilts to share. Lastly, the meeting will be a general celebration of our success as a Guild.

Over the summer there will be two open-sews, one in July and one in August. They will be held at the Simsbury Congregational Church. Susan Underwood has more information in this newsletter. Also, we have the Quilt Show coming up in September so don't forget to enter your quilts for display. **A Quilt Show is not a Quilt Show without quilts.** Also, there will be a "boutique table" at the show, so please consider making items for the Guild to sell at that table.

Remember, our Guild is only as strong as our members make it!

Hope you all enjoy your summer, stay healthy, and put your creativity to work

Anne Dodge,
President

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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 Sue Trimble, Treasurer
email SusanQTrimble@gmail.com

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) 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

Quilt Show

Quilt Show Committee Report

By Maureen Hulsart



The Show is coming together nicely. I am so fortunate to have a great Quilt Show Committee working together to make this show successful for everyone. The 2022 show will be new and more high-tech than ever!

1) The Board and Committee have voted to accept charge cards at our Admission table, Raffle Basket Table and our Boutique Table.

2) We will not have a traditional Program Book. Instead, a “QR” code will be made available and people can snap the QR code their phone. They will then be connected to our website that will have all the information displayed on the cards next to the quilts. The QR reference is an additional option for visitors.

3) Our Boutique table is an option we have available this show because we have the space! We need members to make and donate items to guild that we can sell at our Boutique Table. Quilted items such as small quilts, placemats, soup cozies, etc. are needed for the table. In addition, we would love knitted or crochet items, baby sweaters, hats, etc. We will also have a book table to sell donated quilting books. If you’re not quilting during these summer months, please use the next few months to make items for our Boutique Table.

We do not have a scheduled Guild meeting prior to our show; so I’m asking everyone to please keep the following deadlines in your calendar.

1) Right now Quilt Registration is open! Please register your quilts - the earlier the better. Anne has to format all the information on the cards posted next to the quilts. Let’s not give her 100 cards to do in the last few weeks! This new location offers us more space to display more quilts.

2) There are many options to volunteer your time during the show. Volunteers are crucial to our success. I realize it’s a bit of a challenge anticipating your schedule 3 months from now, but please mark your calendars and schedule some time to volunteer at the show.

3) Please sell or purchase your raffle tickets and return stubs and monies to Deb Jacoby. All stubs and money returns have to be to Deb before the show.

I will be sending out email-blasts over the next two month to remind members of upcoming deadlines and other announcements.

If anyone has any questions, feel free to call me or email me at the following email address:
musiconthestreet@comcast.net

April 1st	Quilt Registration is open on the Guild Website	
May 1st	Volunteer sign-up sheet is available to members to volunteer at the show	
May 18th	Raffle Tickets to be distributed to all Guild members to either buy or sell	
June	Yard signs available at Guild Meeting and at Maureen's House for pick-up	
July 15th	Registration to enter Quilts in our September Show closes.	
August 1st	Inventory of each basket and estimated value to be sent to Kathie Fallon	
August	Put Yard Signs in area.	
August	Raffle Basket Wrapping Day (date to be determined)	
August 22- Sept 3rd	Sew Inspired accepting Quilts for the Show	
Sept 1- 10th	Drop off Quilts at Susan Elliott's House – call ahead	
Sept 12th	Raffle Ticket monies and stubs should be returned to Deb Jacoby	
Sept 16th	Quilt Show Set-up starts at 5:00	
Sept 17th	Quilt Show Opens 10:00 a.m. – 5:00	
Sept 18th	Quilt Show last day 10:00 – 4:00	

Quilt Show Volunteers

It's time to volunteer for the many positions to help out at the quilt show. If you're uncertain here's how to use the Signup Genius. Go to the FVQG website and sign in to the Members heading using the password. The quilt show signup appears in the top row, left hand corner. Open the signup page, choose your time from the listed options by checking the box. At the bottom of the page find submit and signup. Open this, add your name and email address and click on sign up now. Thanks. Your help is truly appreciated.

I will have my iPad at the June meeting and can assist anyone who would like help to sign up.

Gail Burk

Baskets

Our wonderful "basketeers" need your help! If you have any items that would help them fill their baskets, please bring them to our guild meeting. This year the themes are: Nature, Seasons, Sew Iron On (done), Art, Sew Seeds, Learning to Sew, Sew Blue, Sew Cute Canine (done), Sew Cute Cats, Kids 8-11, Red/White/Blue, Spa Day and Knit-a-licious. Basket people, be sure to check the table for great additions.

Kathy Fallon

Quilt Show (continued)

Quilt Registration

The link to register quilts is now open on the FVQuilters.com home page. A detailed email with instructions was sent to all active guild members on April 5th. The instructions also appear on the online form and will be included on the confirmation email that you will receive after you e-mail photos of your quilts to FVQuiltRegister@gmail.com. While there is no fee and no limit to the number of quilts entered for guild members, please note that we may need to limit based upon the space available as the committee works on the layout. That's a happy problem to have, so please register those quilts and we will pare down the entries if space becomes an issue. Non-guild members are limited to 3 entries with a fee of \$25 per quilt, so if you have not renewed your membership, now is the time! Registration closes on July 15th, but don't wait until the last minute to get those entries submitted. Peggy Thomsen will be at the April guild meeting to answer any questions you may have on the process.

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Kathy Fallon

June Challenge

Due this month!

The challenge for June is to quilt inspired by your birth month. Bring your completed project on Wednesday and receive a "Participation Prize". ~ Diane

Programs and Workshops

September

Tina Craig talks about English Paper Piecing vs Foundation Paper Piecing, What's the difference? Her 3 hour Improvisational English Paper Piecing workshop will be held the following day. A kit with supplies can be purchased for \$26 or purchased separately on your own from the supply list. No need to pack your sewing machine as this will be mainly hand sewing. The guild charge for this workshop is \$25 and the signup sheet will be available at the meeting in June.

October

Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill

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

November

Sue Reich

Christmas Quilts

Gail Burk

Socials

Just a reminder that June 15th is our guild social, so remember to bring along your promised goodies! A BIG thank you goes out to all who signed up to contribute an hors d'oeuvre or dessert! Water bottles will be provided, or you may bring your own (non-alcoholic) beverage, if you choose.

Also, in order for the guild to hold our summer sew-in dates on July 20th and Aug. 17th, we need to have a minimum of 15 people each day. At this point, we need 7 or 8 more folks to sign up for each date. If you're not away on vacation and want to enjoy a day of sharing the love of quilting with guild members, sign up at the June meeting on the clipboard located at the back table. The venue is the First Church of Christ at 689 Hopmeadow Street. Sewing hours are 9 am- 3:30 pm. Remember to bring your own brown bag lunch. This is the last opportunity to determine whether we can hold these sew-in events. Join us!

Sue Underwood

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

Neonatal Quilts

Kudos to the dedicated quilters who continue to support our commitment to the UCONN Neonatal Unit. Last month 26 quilts and 4 scent cloths were donated. 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.

Please, please visit our table for batting and fabric. There are "tons" of fabric combo packets just waiting to be adopted and inspire you over the summer months. There is also flannel great for making scent cloths. By 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 than 40" x 40" supports our noble mission.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer. Keep quilting!
Alberta and Phyllis



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.

So please continue making your fabulous quilts. Enter our quilt show, registration is now open. 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
860-803-5907

Connecticut Hang-a-Quilt Day

CT Hang-A-Quilt Day June 18

The guild is sponsoring Connecticut Hang-a-Quilt day. Thank you for helping to distribute to all the quilt shops. We will be distributing rack cards for you to give your neighbors, friends, other guilds, or groups you belong to. Please feel free to put one on any community bulletin board you happen to see. I

Last year we decorated the Simsbury Center Cemetery fence and the Simsbury Historical Society fence. It was spectacular!! Both have been reserved for this year. Please commit to displaying at least one quilt to either location so we can have a grand event. The quilt could have been displayed prior so don't think it needs to be something we haven't seen before. Drop off your quilt at 9 AM and plan to pick it up about 4 PM. If you can't do it that day, but would like to participate, please call (860-658-0863) or email (shseliott@sbcglobal.net) me to make arrangements.

Barb Aubin is making yard signs available again this year. She will have some at our May meetings for you to purchase. They are reusable from year to year. Of course, making a hand made sign is also a fun thing to do.

Please also display a quilt at your home and post it to social media with the #CTHangaQuiltDay. We would like to have a listing on our website by town. Please email Tina Davies at batikfanatic@gmail.com, with your street address & town, plus any other pertinent info (on the fence, in front of the garage, etc.) and also your name (only for record-keeping purposes). She will include your address on her spreadsheet. Its a fun way for us to know where to go to see quilts.

Susan Elliott

Connecticut Hang-A-Quilt Day

Sponsored by
Farmington Valley Quilters, Inc.



June 18, 2022

(rain date June 19)

*Showcase the art & beauty of quilting
with this open air quilt show!*

- Hang a quilt outside your house – on your garage, clothesline, fence, tree or chair
- Ask a local business if you can display a quilt for the day
- Post a picture on social media with #CTHangaQuiltDay

No cost or registration required.

FVQUILTER.ORG

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

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 860-306-7000 or Lynda Cook, 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

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

Phone – 860-561-2878

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:

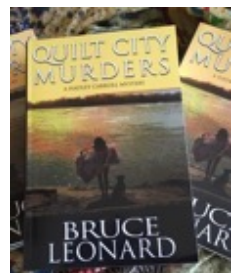
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CozyMysteryBookshop.com said this about the novel: *Quilt City Murders* is an absolute must-read cozy mystery, and I do not say that lightly. I give this book a 5+ star rating!

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



(Apr 22)

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/>

Billings Farm & Museum 36th Annual Quilt Exhibition

June 4 – July 10, 2022

Billings Farm & Museum, 69 Old River Rd, Woodstock VT 05091

<https://billingsfarm.org/quilt-exhibition/>

Maine Quilts

July 28-30, 2022

Augusta Civic Center 76 Community Dr. Augusta ME 04330

<https://mainequilts.org/>

Bayberry Quilters of Cape Cod's 39th quilt show, Let's Celebrate

August 4-6, 2022

Cape Cod Regional Technical High School, 351 Pleasant

Lake Ave., Harwich MA

<https://bayberryquiltersofcapecod.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/>

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

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/>

Membership

We have one new member, Jo-Ann Petrin, from East Granby, and one member has rejoined, giving us 103 members.

To pay dues by mail, send your \$25.00 check to FVQI, Attn: Treasurer, PO Box 172, Weatogue, CT 06089. Make it payable to FVQI.

Kitty Vangunten
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

NOTE Change (do to quilt show)
Next Due September 13.

2021-2022 Board Members

President	Anne Dodge
Vice President	Pam Stenman
Membership	Kitty Vangunten
Secretary	Bridget Shanley
Treasurer	Sue Trimble
Programs	Gail Burk
	Connie Beilstein
	3rd Person Needed
Newsletter Editor	Diane Calkin
Publicity	Volunteer Needed
Social Programs	Sue Underwood
Webmaster	Lisa Salvatore
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	Pam Stenman
Neonatal Quilts	Alberta Culley
	Phyllis Small
Sunshine	Kathy Lettieri
Photographer	Volunteer Needed
Retreats	Jean Williams
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	Connie Beilstein

Website: Fvquilters.org
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Instagram: @farmvalquilters