



July 2020 Newsletter

From the President ,

Hello Quilter's!

I hope this Newsletter finds you all enjoying the Summer and keeping Healthy and Well!

This time we are all living through is certainly extraordinary!

When I look back to the beginning of the year, I was thinking ahead to becoming the President of the Farmington Valley Quilt Guild, and all that would mean and become. I was looking forward to putting together our New Board and Committees, to leading meetings, and continuing the great work and programs we all enjoy. It hasn't quite gone as I expected!

I want to thank both the continuing Board members and Committee members, and those who have become new member for your service and your support of the Guild.

Together, we will move through these difficult challenges, and we will find a way to stay connected to one another until it is safe for us to meet in person again.

For those of you who have been working hard making and filling the need for masks, I commend your efforts. Also there are several of you are continuing to make neo natal quilts for donation to the hospitals we support. All these efforts help us to keep busy and active while we continue to socially distance ourselves.

It is very important for us to stay positive and connected as we move through the second half of the year. Please post your photos on the website so that everyone can see what you are making and how you are filling your time.

We will keep you updated on developments as they happen. We know that we will all get through this through the caring support of one another.

Karen Kebinger

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Quilt Show

By Maureen
Hulsart
Show Chair

P O S T P O N E D

We have decided to postpone our quilt show out of an abundance of caution for our guild members, guests and vendors. We hope to schedule a show in 2021.

The Quilt Show Committee would like to thank the vendors who supported us this year and hope that they will be joining us at our next show. Please support these vendors when purchasing your quilt supplies!

Cate's Sew Modern – 1300 Boston Post Rd, Guilford - cate@catesewmodern.com

Close to Home

227 Hebron Avenue, Glastonbury - closetohomegbury@gmail.com

196 Boston Post Road, Orange - closetohomeorange@yahoo.com

995 Queen Street, Southington - close@snet.net

Seamworker - Check out Seamworkershop on Etsy

TNT Quiltboards – 335 Hollis Rd, Luneberg, MA - KennedyTNT@comcast.net

**Christian Lane Quilters – 44 Christian Lange, Berlin (by appointment only)
clquilters@sbcglobal.net**

Lisa's Clover Lane Quilting - 27 Webster Square Road, Berlin

**Marguerite French Designs – 9 Moody Road, Enfield (by appointment only)
frenchdesignstudiollc@gmail.com**

ABC Quilts

Nothing new to report this month. Peggy & Kathie

Neonatal Quilts

Nothing new to report this month. Alberta Culley and Debbie Lovejoy

CT Hang-a-Quilt Day

Thank you to everyone who helped make our second annual Connecticut Hang-A-Quilt Day successful. We had over 20 quilts on the iron fence at the Cemetery in the center of Simsbury. I saw many around town and know many of you placed them in your own towns. We had many groups/shops contact us saying they were so glad to have this event again this year. Even though we were not able to advertise as we had hoped, word got around with emails and social media. This year I had people from Massachusetts, Kentucky, and Washington State contacting me about doing this in their states. Although I wanted it to be an attraction for Connecticut, it is also heartwarming to know we started a national movement!! We look forward to doing it again next year. Thanks again.

Susan Elliott

Programs and Workshops

The programs for March, April and May have been cancelled.

Since the workshop with Timna Tarr was cancelled for May, Timna is offering an online program of her mosaic flower workshop. The course is not only for those who signed up for the workshop but also for other guild members. The link is www.CourseCraft.net/u/timnatarr. When you go to the link, there is further information about the workshop, costs etc.

Our information about the virus is changing daily, so we can't predict at this time our meetings for the Fall, however, we do have the following programs planned:

September 16, 2020 - Jan Doyle talking about quilts and the underground railroad.

October 21, 2020 - Nancy Sullivan and Lynn Tibault will give a Quilt Clinic on solving common quilt problems.

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.

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).

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 needs a cheer card or sympathy card. If you do, please contact Kathy Lettieri (860-651-8330) or any Board member. Kathy's e-mail is kbakerl@att.net

Retreats

Fall Retreat 2020 – The dates are November 4-8. As of right now there will be no Fall Retreat in November. If things change, I will let you know.
Christine Zepp

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 3rd 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

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

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

April, May, June Meetings Cancelled
Sept 16 next meeting

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>

Pieces of American History: Connecticut Quilts Oct 11,2019 to May 16, 2020
Connecticut Historical Society Exhibit with about 30 quilts ranging from last quarter of eighteenth century to present day.

Plymouth County Cranberry Quilters Quilt Show - September 19-20, 2020

Plymouth Community Intermediate School

117 Long Pond Road, Plymouth MA 02360

<http://www.pccqg.com/>

Merrimack Valley Quilters Guild Ruby Celebration - Oct 2-3, 2020

Hope Community Church

11 Hale Street, Newburyport MA

<https://mvquilters.org/>

Belknap Mill Quilters' 43rd Annual Quilt Show "Harvest of Quilts" - Oct. 3-4, 2020

Gilford Community Youth Center

19 Potter Hill Road, Gilford NH

<https://www.bmqg.org/quilt-show.html>

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, shsellott@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/>

Sew Inspired

"we're creating community."

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 until August or September. Our membership year will continue to run July 1 - June 30 each year. We are only postponing the payments.

Susan Elliott

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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

2019-2020 Board Members

President	Karen Kebinger
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ABC Quilts	Peggy Thomsen
	Kathie Fallon
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	Lynn Veith
	Marie Knapps
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	Anne Dodge
	Kitty Vangunten
Mystery Night	Debbie Lovejoy
Neonatal Quilts	Alberta Culley
	Kathy Lettieri
Sunshine	Susan Gauvain
Photographer	Christine Zepp
Retreats.	Susan Elliott
CT Hang-a-Quilt-Day	Connie Beilstein

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