

# Franklin County Quilters Guild

## SUGARHOUSE GAZETTE

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## President's Piece

Hello Everyone,

Kudos! It was a great quilt show and represented Herculean efforts by so many. I'm sure many guild members told themselves, "When the quilt show is over, I will ----." I was going to finish quilt projects before starting any new ones, spring clean, organize my sewing room, put in flower beds, research new quilt patterns and design my winning entry for next year's show! I tried to meet these goals for about a week. Then I discovered after sewing the border on a queen sized quilt I had put aside to finish "after the show", that the 104-inch wide backing fabric I thought I had stashed, had already been used on another quilt! Oh, no! Rather than purchase another piece of backing fabric, I decided to piece a back together by adding onto the evidence that the back had been used, a twenty inch wide piece of the backing fabric. Of course the back should have some blocks like the ones in the quilt and I needed to construct them. One thing led to another proving the adages that, "The road to Hell is paved with good intentions," and "Life is what happens while we are making plans."

The guild is now exempt from federal income taxes and our able committee is working on the same for state income taxes. Also in the works is a receipt format for guild members who donate materials and items for our charitable works. Our tax-exempt status will be an asset when we are seeking donations from businesses for door prizes and projects such as Stockings For Our Troops.

The arrival of spring means it's time to start planning for the guild's 2015-2016 year. There are wonderful opportunities awaiting our membership. Mary King and Peggy Paradee have done a superb job with this year's programs but need to step down. Denise Chase and Dale McFeeters are ready to rest on their laurels of two successful quilt shows. We are in need of members to step forward to pick up these vital roles. If interested, please email me at: [hshortvt@comcast.net](mailto:hshortvt@comcast.net) or call me at 802-782-8019 before our May meeting. Don't hesitate to volunteer, you'll have fun!

Helen Short, 2014-2015 President

#### 2014 – 2015 Guild Calendar

September 17<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social  
(6:00 pm start!!!)

October 15<sup>th</sup> Scraps, Scraps & More  
Scraps...It's All About the Scraps  
& Stockings

November 19<sup>th</sup> Physical Therapy  
with the Quilter in Mind

December 17<sup>th</sup> Holiday Potluck

January 21<sup>st</sup> Trunk Show  
with Bev Cook

#### 2014 – 2015 Guild Calendar

February 18<sup>th</sup> Quilts & Appraisals  
with Sandra Palmer

March 1<sup>st</sup> DEADLINE FOR QUILT  
SHOW ENTRIES

March 18<sup>th</sup> "Woman vs. Machine"  
Trunk Show with Carolyn Babcock  
and 5 "Machines"

April 10<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show Setup

April 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show

#### 2014 -2015 Guild Calendar

April 15<sup>th</sup> Demo & Shopping  
with Sunny Laurel Sisters

May 9<sup>th</sup> Disappearing Hourglass  
Workshop with Sunny Laurel Sister

May 20<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show with  
Richard Cleveland  
(Doors open at 6:00 pm...  
Meeting starts at 7:00 pm!!!)

June 17<sup>th</sup> Potluck &  
Teacup Auction (6:00 pm start!!!)

## YOUR GUILD NEEDS YOU!!!

“My fellow [guild members], ask not what your [guild] can do for you, ask what you can do for your [guild].”

The guild is in need of members to step forward to fill the positions of Vice President, Program Coordinator, and Quilt Show Chair. We cannot have a successful guild without having these critical positions filled.

There are plenty of members in the guild who can provide advice and guidance to anyone wanting to step forward. Please consider volunteering to fill one of these positions so the guild will remain vibrant and viable.

If you are interested in more information, please call or email Helen at 782-8019 or [hshortvt@comcast.net](mailto:hshortvt@comcast.net).

### FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD Minutes of April 15, 2015

Present: Total attended 51. One new member: Pat Reed. Three guests: Penny LaRochelle, Linda Ryan, and Karen Luneau.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Helen Short, President

**Presentation of 2015 Charity Quilt** to Linda Ryan and Karen Luneau of Tim's House

**Secretary's Report** for March meeting: Motion to accept by Jean Anne Branch, seconded by Sally Krupp; motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** for April: Motion to accept by Alice Rouleau, seconded by Gerda Thibault; motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS

#### Quilt Show

- Attendance 584, Silent Auction \$578, Raffle \$805 pre-show and \$467 at the show
- What went well: went up and came down smoothly

- Ideas for improvement: more info at the show about how to join the guild; how to find out who won viewers' choice awards; handicap parking; lighting; appraisals for Raffle Quilt and Charity Quilt; ribbons labeled on front with name of award; beginner's class at the show; antique quilt display.

### Newsletter

It was suggested that we put in the newsletter, and add to the website, the desired dimensions for charity quilts for each organization.

### Monthly Drawings

- Door Prize: Adrienne Perrino
- Charity Quilts: Sue McGregor and Rolande Fortin
- Block of the Month: Denise Chase

### Projects

- Block of the Month - The May block is the Domino block, and will be light blue and white. Instructions were distributed, and can also be found on [quilterscache.com](http://quilterscache.com)
- Christy is considering shaking things up a bit for next year and replacing BOM with something different.

### NEW BUSINESS

We will need new Quilt Show Chairs, Quilt Show Publicity, and Program Chair(s) for next year. If interested, please let Helen Short know ASAP.

### Program

April Laurencelle and Nicole Laurencelle of Sunny Laurel Sisters showed quilts made from precuts and from Missouri Star Quilt Company's patterns and templates.

### Show and Tell

**Next meeting** - Wednesday, May 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The program will begin at 7:00 (before the business meeting) and will be presented by Richard Cleveland. Bring any antique quilts you have, along with as much information about them as possible.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kay Benedict, Secretary

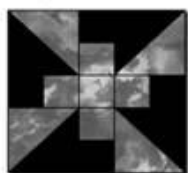


# FCQG Projects 2014-2015 Block of the Month

It's a Two-Color themed year!

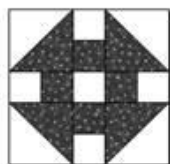
All the blocks are 10" finished and can be found at [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com).  
So here is a little excitement to know the patterns, but you have to wait for each month to find out what color the month will bring! 😊

*Broken Arrows*



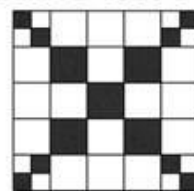
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due at Oct meeting

*Double Wrench*



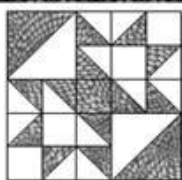
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*Single Chain and Knot*



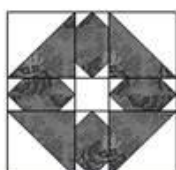
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*Queen Charlotte's Crown*



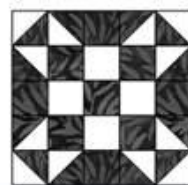
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due at Jan meeting

*Goshen Star*



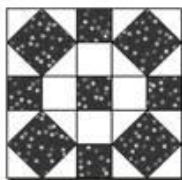
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due at Feb meeting

*Dewey Dream Quilt*



Hand out in Feb,  
due at Mar meeting

*Home Circle*



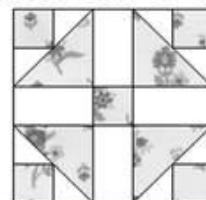
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due at Apr meeting

*Domino*



Hand out in Apr,  
due at May mtg

*Grandmother's Choice*

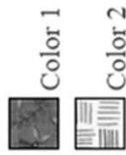


Hand out in May,  
due at Jun meeting



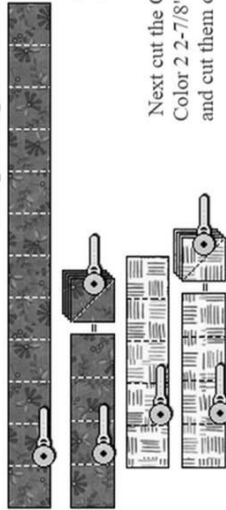
The pattern for the **TEN INCH BLOCK** can be found at:  
<http://www.quilterscache.com/D/DominoBlock.html>

### \*\* Supplies List \*\*



**Color 1** needs: one 2-1/2" x 30" strip AND one 2-7/8" x 11-1/2" strip  
**Color 2** needs: one 2-1/2" x 12-1/2" strip and one 2-7/8" x 11-1/2" strip

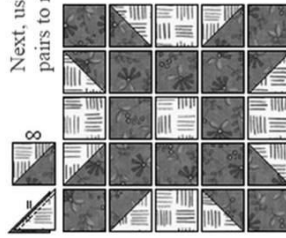
### \*\* Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block \*\*



Start by cutting the Color 1 2-1/2" x 30" strip into twelve 2-1/2" squares. Then cut the Color 1 2-7/8" x 11-1/2" strip into four 2-7/8" squares. Stack those 2-7/8" squares and cut them in half once on the diagonal to make eight half square triangles...

Next cut the Color 2 2-1/2" x 12-1/2" strip into five 2-1/2" squares, then cut the Color 2 2-7/8" x 11-1/2" strip into four 2-7/8" squares. Stack those 2-7/8" squares and cut them once on the diagonal to make eight half square triangles

Next, using a scant 1/4" seam sew the Color 1 and Color 2 half square triangles right sides together in pairs to make eight half square units. Trim these to measure 2-1/2" if needed...



Now lay out all the squares and half squares as shown at left. Sew five horizontal rows, alternating pressing direction by row. Join the rows to finish your Domino block! ...on to [Page 2!](#)

*Christy's Tip ~ Measure twice, cut once and triple check your seam allowance. The block should measure 10 1/2" when you bring it to the May meeting. Practice, practice, practice ☺*

## GRAND PRIZE!

**At our JUNE meeting, you can increase your chances at winning even more! We'll draw from ALL the block entries from October thru June to get some good, quality fun!**

# FCQG BOM MAY 2015

It's a Two-Color themed year!

The May colors are **LIGHT BLUE & WHITE**.  
 Think blue spring skies, pastel blue that reads solid.  
 White should be tone on tone or solid.

This month's pattern is



It will be handed out at the April meeting,  
 returned at the May meeting.

Questions? Visit our FB page at  
[www.facebook.com/groups/FCQGV](http://www.facebook.com/groups/FCQGV)  
 or email Christy at [ArmyBratQuilts@gmail.com](mailto:ArmyBratQuilts@gmail.com)

There is a setting idea on the pattern website too.



**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR MAY 2015****FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD****Treasurer's Report -- May 20, 2015**

Opening Balance	\$2,419.33
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**Funds collected**

Membership	\$15.00
Pre-show Raffle ticket sales	\$455.00
QS Raffle ticket sales	\$467.00
QS Charity Quilt donation	\$85.25
QS Silent Auction	\$578.00
QS Sandra Palmer donation	\$20.00
Anonymous donation for charity quilt	\$100.00

<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$1,720.25
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<i>Sub-Total</i>	\$4,139.58
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**Funds paid out**

Church of the Rock, May rent	\$40.00
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for May	\$35.00
MCL Vincelette, QS Security (2 days)	\$300.00
Denise Chase, QS water, bowls, gift basket, door prize	\$59.33
Nicole Laurencelle, April trunk show	\$25.00
Char Mulyca, Mar presentation	\$25.00
Christy Mulyca, Mar presentation	\$25.00
Sharon Perry, Mar presentation	\$25.00

<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$534.33
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$3,605.25</b>
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2015 YTD Collections: \$2382.25

Respectfully submitted,  
Deborah L. Dusablon, Treasurer

**VISIT THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BARN QUILT TRAIL  
ON THE GUILD'S WEBSITE AT**

**<http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcbqt/index.html>**

**Deadline for articles for next newsletter:**

**Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

Please email articles to Sharon Perry, [vtquilter@gmail.com](mailto:vtquilter@gmail.com), or mail to PO Box 517, Montgomery Center VT 05471



### A BIG THANK YOU FOR DONATED MONTHLY PRIZES

To all the businesses which have donated prizes for the monthly drawings...T-H-A-N-K Y-O-U!!!

#### September

Gail Perras won the monthly door prize drawing,  
a gift certificate donated by Nancy's Notions.  
Helen Short won the monthly charity quilt drawing,  
a chocolate gift basket donated by Hannaford.

#### October

Gwen Guyette won the monthly door prize drawing  
a gift certificate donated by the Traveled Cup.  
Kris Bachand won the monthly charity quilt drawing,  
a Jelly Roll donated by Creative Fiber Designs.

#### November

Alyce Bushey won the monthly door prize drawing,  
a gift certificate for machine quilting donated by Bev Cook.  
Carol Mahoney won the monthly charity quilt drawing,  
a gift certificate for 1-hr massage with Beth Wright  
donated by the Wellness Center.

#### December

Dale McFeeters won the monthly door prize drawing,  
a gift certificate for a large pizza donated by Mimmo's.  
Bonnie Evans won a monthly charity quilt drawing,  
a gift certificate from the Sunny Laurel Sisters.

### A BIG THANK YOU (Cont.)

#### December (cont.)

Adrienne Perrino won a monthly charity quilt drawing,  
a gift certificate from Betty's Flower Shop.

#### January

Connie Lane won the monthly door prize drawing,  
a \$20 gift certificate donated by Linda's Restaurant.  
Mary Jane Marchewicz won the monthly charity quilt  
drawing, a gift certificate donated by Quilts & Treasures,  
East Longmeadow, MA.

#### February

Carol Mahoney won the monthly door prize drawing,  
a gift certificate donated by The Traveled Cup.  
Kris Bachand won the monthly charity quilt drawing,  
FQ Bundle donated by Missouri Star Quilt Company,  
Hamilton, MO.

#### March

Bridgett Mahoney won the monthly door prize drawing,  
a gift certificate donated by Twigg's.  
Bonnie Evans won the monthly charity quilt drawing,  
a gift certificate donated by Cowles Quilting.

#### April

Adrienne Perrino won the monthly door prize drawing,  
a gift certificate donated by Pie in the Sky.  
Rolande Fortin won 1 of 2 monthly charity quilt drawings,  
a gift certificate donated by Linda's Restaurant.  
Sue McGregor won 1 of 2 monthly charity quilt drawings,  
a seed basket donated by Claussen's.



May 3<sup>rd</sup>

May 6<sup>th</sup>

May 14<sup>th</sup>

May 17<sup>th</sup>

May 19<sup>th</sup>

May 30<sup>th</sup>

May 31<sup>st</sup>

Shirley Babcock

Fran Morong

Jan Young

Carol Mahoney

Rolande Fortin

Connie Lane

Jennifer Dusablon



## MEMORIAL DAY

*Remember those who  
have served and have  
gone before us!*



## VERMONT QUILT FESTIVAL PIONEER AS GUEST SPEAKER IN MAY

Richard Cleveland, founder of the Vermont Quilt Festival, will be the guest speaker at the guild's meeting on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. Cleveland refers to himself as a "Quilt Bureaucrat" and "textile detective." He also admits he "has only one real passion, and that's antique quilts." Cleveland will be sharing that passion and using his detective skills as he views and discusses the vintage and antique quilts of guild members at the May meeting.

Cleveland studied to be a history teacher, and history has always been his favorite subject. He confesses, "I want to see as many antique quilts as I can, to know as much about them as possible, and to see them preserved for generations to come." In an interview about 15 years ago, Cleveland also revealed, "Sometimes when I find a quilt I especially like, I run the tips of my fingers gently over its surface, willing it to tell me its secrets. I ask the six questions of every reporter - and historian: Who, what, why, how, when, where. Alas, most quilts never disgorge this information to us, and perhaps their mystery is part of their attraction for me."

In addition to organizing and leading the Vermont Quilt Festival, Cleveland initiated a statewide quilt documentation project, the Vermont Quiltsearch. He also co-authored the book, Plain and Fancy: Vermont's People and Their Quilts, with Donna Bister. The book was published in 1991, Vermont's bicentennial. Cleveland feels "the most important thing I ever did was to arrange the exhibition of the Plain and Fancy quilts at the Vermont State House on July 4 and 5, 1991. That was the summer the book came out, and the exhibition was the weekend prior to the 15th annual Festival. Most of the [quilt] owners were present for the State House opening, and for most it was the first time they realized just how important their quilts were, how much their quilts were a part of Vermont history, and the degree to which other people cared about them."

Guild members are encouraged to bring any antique or vintage quilt made before 1960 to the May meeting. Cleveland will display each quilt as he dates it and talks about the fabrics and techniques used to make the quilt. This program is sure to please everyone as guild members learn more about the heritage and history of their family heirlooms. This meeting is not to be missed.  
**As a reminder, Cleveland's program will begin promptly at 7:00 pm.**

## QUILT SHOW WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Franklin County Quilters Guild hosted its 17<sup>th</sup>

Annual Quilt Show at St. Albans City Hall on April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The well-attended event brought nearly 600 visitors to view the 118 unique and colorful quilts that filled the auditorium.

This year's challenge issued to members of the Guild was to create a small quilt or wall hanging no larger than 42" x 42". The theme for the challenge was "I Never Met a Red I Didn't Like" and many of the members entered a piece for display. Their entries ranged from traditional piecework to English paper piecing to art quilts. The small quilts also needed to limit their fabrics to only shades of red with white or cream as an accent. The final effect was eye candy to visitors as they walked through the entrance hallway to the auditorium.

For the third year, the guild invited certified quilt appraiser, Sandra Palmer of Woodstock, to provide quilt appraisals for both antique and contemporary quilts. Along with her apprentice, guild member Pam Salazar, she offered expert input on the treasured quilts brought in during the weekend by guild and community members. She appraised many remarkable quilts and shared stories about the fabrics and patterns that appeared in the antique quilts she pored over.

Mayor Liz Gamache stopped by the quilt show to select her favorite for the Mayor's Award. Mayor Gamache presented the award to Nancy LaPointe for her quilt, "Midnight at the Oasis". The stunning quilt featured a variety of techniques along with intricate quilting. Denise Quint of Gorham, Maine, organized the first-ever Franklin County Quilt Show in 1999 and served as the show's chairwoman for five consecutive years. While Quint was unable to attend this year's show, she asked Nancy Orcutt of St. Albans to select a quilt in her absence. Orcutt presented a ribbon to "Lake Effect" by Jean Anne Branch. Guild president, Helen Short of St. Albans, selected "Up North" by Shirley Babcock for the President's Award. The extremely involved wall hanging depicted a view of a lake with flowers and a quilt blowing in the wind.

Eighteen additional awards were presented during the show and guild members proudly accepted the ribbons to accompany their quilts. Raffle drawings were conducted at the conclusion of the quilt show and the winners are: queen-sized quilt, Rose Rixon; large basket of fabric, Chris Toloro of Colchester; and a Hannaford gift certificate, Pauline Kehoe of Milton. The door prize was won by Wendy Thompson of Colchester.

Congratulations to all the winners! To see the after-show press release and a complete list of winners, visit <http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcqqgshow.html>.



*Happy Mother's Day*



**ATTENTION ALL VERMONT QUILTERS:**

Green Mountain Quilters Guild, the Vermont State Guild, will meet on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the Old Labor Hall, 46 Granite Street in Barre. Visit <http://greenmountainquiltersguild.weebly.com/home-page.html> for more information.

**FEATURED ONLINE TUTORIAL: THE CHEVRON BLOCK QUILT**

From Missouri Star Quilt Company <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HvIKs7sEA10>

**AROUND THE WEB: FREE PATTERNS FOR MAY**

(All the patterns below have a patriotic color scheme)

Dawn's Early Light Quilt: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HvIKs7sEA10>

So Proudly We Hail Quilt: [http://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts\\_patterns/north\\_and\\_south/](http://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts_patterns/north_and_south/)

Stars and Stripes: [http://www.islandbatik.com/media/uploads/2013/06/25/files/Stars\\_Stripes\\_Pattern.pdf](http://www.islandbatik.com/media/uploads/2013/06/25/files/Stars_Stripes_Pattern.pdf)

Patriotic Stars:

<http://static1.squarespace.com/static/52601135e4b076901664c20a/t/54906eaae4b09d25a8d93bd0/1418751658717/One+Nation+%28Patriotic+Satrs%29+Pattern+Instruction.pdf>

American Pinwheels: <http://www.modabakeshop.com/2010/07/american-pinwheels.html>

A Cry for Freedom: <http://quiltville.com/ohstarpf.html>

Patriotic Hexies Table Runner: <http://www.allpeoplequilt.com/quilt-patterns/table-runners/patriotic-hexagons-table-runner>

**Don't forget to bring:**  
- Antique/Vintage Quilts  
- BOM Blocks  
- Items for Show & Tell & UFO Challenge

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