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SUGARHOUSE GAZETTE

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President's Piece

Hello Everyone,

Another year draws to a close for our guild. What a year it has been! Our program co-chairs made our 25th anniversary year a special event at every meeting. We increased our charitable work by adding a new group, Bags of Love, and gave generously to the groups we already supported: Laurie's House; Breast Cancer; Home Health; and Fires/other Disasters. Fortunately, no family needed a Quilt of Valor. Our Quilt Show team took in stride the challenge of having to change the venue and put together a very successful show. When Rose Terrill called and asked me to take on the presidency she said that it really was like being a conductor of a well-rehearsed orchestra because everyone performed their roles so well.

As we wind our year down, we still have many activities taking place. Nanc Ekiert is collecting Maple Leaf blocks for victims of the Fort McMurray Fire. Instructions on making them linked in this newsletter. The proceeds of our Tea Cup Auction will be donated to the Northwestern Medical Center in gratitude for allowing us to use their conference room space without charge. We had two requests from nonprofits for raffle quilts. The Sheldon Historical Society was chosen. After the meeting a member graciously offered to donate a quilt she made to Tim's/Samaritan House. At the June meeting we will determine a 'home' for a donated quilt top, after we hear from Adrienne about the donor's intent. The quilt was graciously quilted by Sally Krupp.

At our June Potluck and Teacup Auction the **doors will open at 5:15 pm with the Potluck starting at 6 pm.** Please bring items you want to donate to the auction, and nonperishable food, disposable diapers or money for area food shelves. Please don't forget to bring cash to purchase tickets to bid on items you want at the Tea Cup Auction as the guild doesn't take American Express! I will bring envelopes with the names of Franklin and Grand Isle Food Shelves so we can chose recipients, of our donations, during the meeting.

Sincerely,
Helen Short, 2015-2016 President

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Helen Short

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Bonnie Evans

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Kay Benedict

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Deb Dusablon

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Jennifer Burt

Alyce Bushey

Denise Chase

Elaine Magnan

Helen Short

Gerda Thibault

2015 – 2016 Guild Calendar

September 16th Ice Cream Social

October 21st Christmas in October
(6:30 pm start!!!)

November 20th Trunk Show
with Dan Perkins (6:30 pm START!)

November 21st Workshop
with Dan Perkins at NMC

November 22nd Workshop
with Dan Perkins at NMC

December 16th Holiday Potluck
(6:00 pm start!!!)

2015 – 2016 Guild Calendar

January 20th Trunk Show
with Nancy LaPointe

February 17th IT'S A S-U-R-P-R-I-S-E!!!

March 16th Our Special Quilts
& Quilt Show Prep
(Business meeting starts at 7pm)

April 1st Quilt Show Set-Up

April 2nd Quilt Show

April 3rd Quilt Show

2015 – 2016 Guild Calendar

April 29th Trunk Show
with Pat Pauly

April 30th Workshop
with Pat Pauly

May 1st Workshop
with Pat Pauly (CANCELLED)

May 18th Members' Garage Sale

**June 15th Potluck &
Teacup Auction
(6:00 pm start for potluck!!!)**

FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

Minutes of May 18, 2016

Present: Total attended 60 (three guests: Kathy Choiniere, Claudia Boykins, and Bob Begley)

Business meeting called to order at 6:50 p.m. by Sharon Perry, following a members' "garage sale" of fabric and other quilt-y items.

The **2016 Charity Quilt** was presented to Bob Begley, director of Martha's Kitchen. Their raffle has been scheduled for next April.

Secretary's Report for April meeting: Motion to accept by Linda Nadeau, seconded by Bonnie Evans. Approved.

Treasurer's Report for May: Motion to accept by Gwen Guyette, seconded by Rose Rixon. Approved.

Old Business:

- Sharon read a thank-you note from the Raymond family, who received a donation of quilts following a house fire.
- Recipients of our February food shelf donations were chosen by drawing: Sheldon Methodist Church (Franklin County); and Islands in the Sun Senior Center (Grand Isle County).

Committee Reports:**Quilt Show**

- Nancy LaPointe asked for someone to coordinate vendors for next year's show. Dale McFeeters volunteered.
- It was suggested that names of awards be visible to show attendees, either on the front of the ribbons or on a separate card to be attached to the quilts along with the ribbons.

Library - Pam Salazar reported there are still 13 books checked out and should be returned at the June meeting.

Nominating - Denise Chase made a motion to accept the proposed slate of officers, seconded by Mary Ellen Therrien. Approved.

2017 Raffle Quilt

- The quilt top is almost finished, except for the borders. It will be ready for quilting next month.
- Sally Krupp, who quilted a top given to Adrienne Perrino by another quilter, suggested that the finished quilt be used for the 2018 Raffle Quilt. Adrienne had mentioned to the quilter its possible use as a fire quilt. Tabled until the June meeting.

2017 Charity Quilt - Nanc Ekiert reported that green (sage, mossy) fabric strips (7 1/2" x WOF) are still needed by the June meeting.

2017 New Year's Baby Quilts - It was confirmed that Chris Jessiman is making the boy's quilt, and Penny LaRochelle is making the girl's quilt.

Charity Quilts - There are kits available for Home Health, Laurie's House, and Bags of Love.

Monthly Drawings

- April Birthdays: April Walker
- May Birthdays: Shirley Babcock
- Door Prize: Margaret Miller
- Charity Quilts: Carol Mahoney

New Business:

- **2017 Charity Quilt requests** were received from Samaritan House/Tim's House (to support their work as a homeless shelter in St. Albans) and Sheldon Historical Society (to raise funds for restoration of a building for a historical museum). Members voted to donate the quilt to the Sheldon Historical Society.
- Gerda Thibault made a motion that the **proceeds of next month's teacup auction be donated to the hospital**, in gratitude for the space they provide us - free of charge - for workshops and Sunday quilting. Seconded by Cindy Metayer. Approved.
- Nanc Ekiert is collecting 12 1/2" (unfinished) **maple leaf blocks** for the Ottawa Modern Quilt Guild, in response to the Ft. McMurray, Alberta wildfire. Anyone who would like to make a block is asked to bring it to the June meeting. Suggested colors to choose from are those of the Alberta flag (red, blue, yellow, green).
- Contact Nicole Laurencelle or Christy Mulyca for more information about a **class/block exchange** on June 11 from 3:00-5:30 at Sunny Laurel Sisters.

Show and Tell

Next meeting - Wednesday, June 15, 2016 at 6:00 pm, beginning with a potluck supper. Program: Teacup Auction

Motion to adjourn by Gerda Thibault, seconded by Kris Kilburn. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Kay Benedict, Secretary

**FABRIC FOR 2017 CHARITY
QUILT STILL NEEDED**

Nanc Ekiert and Linda Nadeau are still in need of green fabric (think sage green) for the 2017 Charity Quilt. They need either 7 1/2 inch by WOF (width of fabric) strips or fat quarters of green fabric (again think sage green).

If you have any green fabric for the charity quilt, please bring your donations to the June meeting and give them to Nanc or Linda.





Margaret	Miller	June	2 nd
Peggy	Paradee	June	3 rd
Beth	Jessiman	June	15 th
Patty	Bandy	June	17 th
Meg	Dempsey	June	17 th
Jean Ann	Branch	June	19 th
Summer	Ladd	June	21 st
Deb	Dusablon	June	22 nd
Sue	McGregor	June	24 th
Lucie	Fortin	July	2 nd
Lisa	Paradee	July	8 th
Mary	King	July	15 th
Rebecca	Mandeville	July	16 th
Denise	Chase	July	28 th
Kris	Kilburn	July	31 st
Nicole	Laurencelle	August	10 th
Marilynn	Jessiman	August	22 nd
Roberta	Gilmour	August	26 th
Penny	LaRochelle	August	29 th

...and many more!!!

**MAPLE LEAF BLOCKS
FOR FT. McMURRAY FIRE VICTIMS**

As background, the Ft. Mc Murray area, located in Alberta, Canada, has been devastated by a wild fire still burning in the area. Ft. McMurray residents were evacuated due to the fast-spreading nature of the fire. More than ¼ of the city has been lost to the fires already with any residents losing everything.

The Ottawa Modern Quilt Guild (OMQG) has organized a project to collect maple leaf blocks (each measuring 12½ inches unfinished or 12 inches finished). The goal is to make quilts using the blocks for the victims who have lost their homes to the fire. You can read more about the project at

<http://ottawamodernquiltguild.blogspot.com/2016/05/quilts-for-fort-mcmurray.html>.

If you want to support this effort, Nanc Ekiert has volunteered to collect maple leaf blocks from FCQG members and mail them to make quilts for the fire victims in Ft. McMurray, Alberta, Canada. Christy Mulyca posted a link to a tutorial on the FCQG facebook page which I'm sharing here: <http://slostudio.ca/post/143920186032/maple-leaf-block-tutorial>. It provides instructions to make the block in the size needed.

Elaine Magnan shared a quick way to make two maple leaf blocks. To make the two blocks, you'll need: one 10-inch square background fabric; one 10-inch square leaf fabric; six 4½-inch squares leaf fabric; two 4½-inch squares background fabric; two 5-inch squares background fabric; and two rectangles, 1½-inch x 7½-inch, leaf fabric.

Substitute the following instructions for STEP 2 in the tutorial:

- Layer the two 10-inch squares with right sides together; see Figure 1.
- On the wrong side of the background square, draw a grid with vertical and horizontal lines and add diagonal lines as shown in Figure 2 by the solid lines.
- Sew ¼ inch from the diagonal lines on both sides as shown by the dotted lines also in Figure 2. Once sewn, **cut apart on ALL solid lines** (horizontal, vertical and diagonal).
- Trim the eight HST squares to 4½ inches; see Figure 3. Use these in the rest of the tutorial instructions to make two maple leaf blocks.

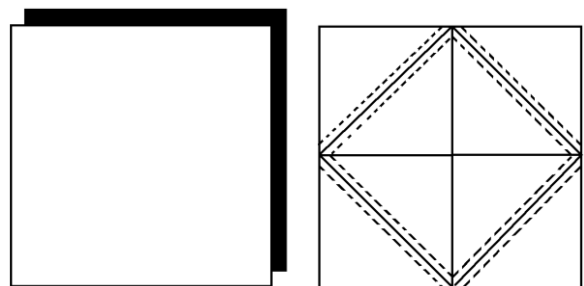


Figure 1

Figure 2

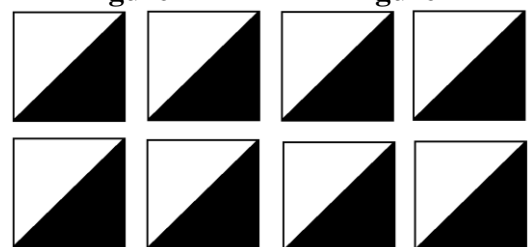


Figure 3

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JUNE 2016**FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTER'S GUILD****Treasurer's Report -- June 15, 2016**

Opening Balance		\$3,044.69
Funds collected		
Pat Pauly, Workshop	\$75.00	
	<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$75.00
	<i>Sub-Total</i>	\$3,119.69
Funds paid out		
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for May	\$35.00	
Northwest Access TV, Quilt Show DVD (2)	\$30.00	
Sally Krupp, Charity quilt backing/batting	\$60.96	
Helen Short, Agenda printing	\$16.96	
Sheldon Methodist Church, Food shelf donation	\$102.06	& \$25 gift card
Islands In The Sun Senior Center, Food shelf donation	\$102.07	& \$25 gift card
	<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$347.05
	Grand Total	\$2,772.64

2016 YTD Collections: \$4,335.23

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>



Enjoy the Summer Fun...

See You in September!



Deadline for articles for next newsletter:

Wednesday, August 24th, 2016

Please email articles to Sharon Perry, vtquilter@gmail.com, or mail to PO Box 517, Montgomery Center VT 05471

2016 – 2017 SLATE OF OFFICERS

- President – Helen Short
- Vice President – Bonnie Evans
 - Secretary – Teri Brunelle
 - Treasurer – Deb Dusablon
 - Newsletter – Sharon Perry
 - Librarian – Pam Salazar
- Membership – Beth and Marilyn Jessiman
 - Project Coordinator – Dale McFeeters
 - Programs – Becky Mandeville
- Quilt Show Co-Chairs – Nancy LaPointe and Diane Kane
- Charity Quilt Coordinators – Jennifer Burt (Purple Heart), Gerda Thibault (Breast Cancer), Alyce Bushey and Elaine Magnan (Home Health), Denise Chase (Laurie's House), Kris Bachand and Helen Short (Fire, etc. Quilts), Bags of Love (Adrienne Perrino)
 - 2017 Boy's Baby Quilt – Chris Jessiman
 - 2017 Girl's Baby Quilt – Penny LaRochelle
 - 2017 Charity Quilt – Nanc Ekiert and Linda Nadeau
- 2017 Raffle Quilt – Elaine Magnan, Helen Short and Rita Dean

POTLUCK



POTLUCK DINNER, TEACUP AUCTION AND FOOD DRIVE AT JUNE MEETING

The June meeting will feature the end-of-year potluck dinner, the teacup auction, and a food drive. **Members are asked to bring a dish to share for the potluck. The potluck dinner will start at 6:00 p.m.**

Also featured at the June meeting is the Teacup Auction. **Guild members are asked to bring gently-used, quilt-related items which are no longer wanted or needed.**

Finally, Rose Rixon will be collecting canned goods for a local food shelf as part of the program. In addition to a dish for the potluck and items for the teacup auction, **members are asked to bring a non-perishable food items, disposable diapers, or money.** After the meeting, we will deliver the canned goods collected.

PLEASE RETURN LIBRARY BOOKS AT THE JUNE MEETING

Guild Librarian, Pam Salazar, is asking members to return all the library books to her no later than the June meeting. She'll be able to review the sign-out records and see if there are any books which make sense to purge or if there are any books she might like to add to the library over the summer.



NEEDED BAGS OF LOVE Contents**All items should be gender specific!**

Teens:	8 – 12 Years:	4 – 7 Years	18 Mo. – 3 Years	Infant – 18mo.
<u>In Pocket</u>	<u>In Pocket</u>	<u>In Pocket</u>	<u>In Pocket</u>	<u>In Pocket</u>
Toothbrush	Tooth brush	Tooth brush	Tooth brush	Baby Soap
Toothpaste	Toothpaste	Toothpaste	Toothpaste	Baby Shampoo
Floss	Floss	Floss	Floss	Baby Lotion
Shampoo	Small Shampoo	Small Shampoo	Small Shampoo	
Soap	Small Soap	Small Soap	Small Soap	
Hairbrush/Comb Set	Hairbrush/Comb Set	Hairbrush/Comb Set		
Deodorant	Pkg. Ponytail Holders			
Bubble Bath				
<u>In Bag</u>	<u>In Bag</u>	<u>In Bag</u>	<u>In Bag</u>	<u>In Bag</u>
Quilt	Quilt	Quilt	Quilt	Quilt
Stationery or Journal	Doll	2 Toys	2 Toys	2 Bottles
Pen	Activity Kit (beads, etc.)	Coloring Book	Small Animal	2 Toys
Deck of Cards	2 Toys (gender specific)	Crayons	Medium Animal	Small Animal
Disposable Camera	Small Animals	Small Animals	6 diapers	Medium Animal
Phone Card	Large Animal	Large Animal	Wipes (6-8 in zip lock)	6 diapers (size 3)
Small Animals				Wipes (6-8 in ziplock)
Large Animal				
Bag	Bag	Bag	Bag	Bag
Tag	Tag	Tag	Tag	Tag

Pink = Girls Only

Blue = Boys Only

Other items that are age/gender appropriate would be acceptable.

QUILT TIPS

- When you have used only part of a pack of batting, measure the remaining piece, mark the measurements on the outside of the bag and when you need a small piece, you have only to check the outside of the bags to see if you have one large enough.
- When you have little pieces of fabric on your work table or cutting board, use a piece of batting to remove the pieces. It works great. Just swipe it over the surface, and the batting picks it up.
- When cutting fabric into quilt pieces, spray starch it and iron it first. It will hold its shape better and there is less distortion when sewing, especially if it is a soft fabric.

UPCOMING EVENTS

North Country Quilting Guild 16th Biennial Quilt Show, June 4th – June 6th: At Cerow Recreational Park Arena, 615 East Line Road, Clayton, NY. For more information, visit www.ncqg.org

Vermont Quilt Festival's 40 and Fabulous Ruby Jubilee Anniversary, June 24th – June 26th: At the Champlain Valley Expo, Essex Junction, VT. For more information visit www.vqf.org

AQS QuiltWeek Syracuse, July 27th – July 30th: At The Oncenter, 800 South State Street, Syracuse, NY. For more information, visit www.quiltweek.com/locations/syracuse/

39th Annual Maine Quilts, July 29th – July 31st: At the Augusta Civic Center, 76 Community Drive, Augusta, ME. For more information, visit www.mainequilts.org/Quilt_Show/

Bayberry Quilters of Cape Cod 35th Annual Quilt Show, August 4th – 6th: At Cape Cod Technical Regional High School, 351 Pleasant Lake Avenue, Harwich, MA. For more information, visit https://bayberryquiltersofcapecod.com/quilt_shows_2016.html

Ladies of the Lake 2016 Quilt Show, August 5th – 6th: At Kingswood High School, 396 South Main Street, Wolfeboro, NH. For more information, visit <http://www.llqg.net/qshow.html>

World Quilt New England, August 18th – August 20th: At the Radisson Center of New Hampshire, 700 Elm Street, Manchester, NH. For more information, visit www.quiltfest.com/upcoming-shows-and-events/world-quilt-new-england/

DON'T FORGET for the next meeting...

1. **Potluck dish to share**
2. **Gently used quilting-related items as donation to the Teacup Auction**
3. **7 ½" x WOF strips in dusty greens (think sage green) for the 2017 Charity Quilt**
4. **Library books you may have checked out from the Guild's library**
5. **Non-perishable food items, disposable diapers or money for June food drive**
6. Money to buy Teacup Auction tickets
7. Completed UFOs for UFO Challenge
8. Completed Charity Quilts
9. Items for Show and Tell