

# Franklin County Quilters Guild

## SUGARHOUSE GAZETTE

### Saint Albans, Vermont

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#### President's Piece

This is the season of family gatherings and traditions. Both my husband and I have large extended families and each family has their own tradition of exchanging gifts. The most memorable gifts are the handmade ones.

And what a gift Rose Rixon gave us at the November meeting! Rose presented a lovely demonstration on how she puts together the French Rose Quilt. I was impressed with her skills, especially her thinking outside of the box and using dinnerware as templates! I envy her family members who are fortunate to receive her beautiful quilts.

We will be hosting Anne Standish of Jericho, VT at our January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting (a Friday). Anne is known for her stunning landscape and art quilts. On Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, Anne will lead her workshop titled, "From Photo to Wall Hanging". The \$35 workshop is limited to fifteen quilters. Each quilter will furnish his/her own material. If you sign up, you can use a photograph supplied by Anne or provide a personal photo of a landscape, flower, etc.

Kay Benedict will soon be starting her magic as she plans the quilt layout for the annual Quilt Show, scheduled for the first weekend of April 2018. If you get your quilt registration in to Kay prior to the December 13<sup>th</sup> meeting, your name will go into a drawing! Reminder: you can find the quilt registration at our guild website [www.franklincountyquilters.org](http://www.franklincountyquilters.org).

Carol Stanley and Jean Anne Branch are asking members to bring in 4 patches of 2 1/2 squares (finished at 3 1/2" square) in colors other than blue to our December meeting. These squares will become part of the 2018 Charity Quilt. I love the idea of the group effort!

Our December program is the Holiday Pot Luck and member donations of non-perishable foods or money to go to a local food bank. We'll decide at the meeting which food bank will be receiving the donations. If you'd like to participate in our annual gift exchange, bring a wrapped gift of about a \$10 value. We'll start eating at 6:00 PM (doors open at 5:30 for set up). I look forward to seeing all of you!

Regards,

Diane Kane, 2017-2018 President

#### 2017 – 2018 Guild Calendar

September 20<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social  
(6:00 pm start!!!)

October 18<sup>th</sup> "Stitching Together  
a Writer's Life"  
with Sonja Hakala, Author/Quilter

November 15<sup>th</sup> French Rose Quilt  
with Rose Rixon

**December 13<sup>th</sup> Holiday Potluck, Gift  
Exchange and Food Shelf Donations  
(6:00 pm start!!!)**

#### 2017 – 2018 Guild Calendar

January 19<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show  
with Anne Standish

January 20<sup>th</sup> Workshop  
with Anne Standish  
"From Photo to Wall Hanging"

February 21<sup>st</sup> Trunk Show  
with Sharon Perry

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Trunk Show  
with Sarah Ann Smith,  
"Sarah by the Sea"

#### 2017 -2018 Guild Calendar

March 24<sup>th</sup> Workshop  
with Sarah Ann Smith

April 6<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show Set-Up

April 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Quilt Show

April 18<sup>th</sup> Trunk Show  
with Kay Benedict

May 16<sup>th</sup> Members' Garage Sale

June 20<sup>th</sup> Potluck &  
Teacup Auction (6:00 pm start!!!)

## FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD

### Minutes of November 15, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Diane Kane, President. Members Present: 48; No guests.

**Secretary's Report** -- October meeting minutes. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Helen Short, second by Sharon Perry. Motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report** from October 2017 meeting. Motion to accept report made by Mary Jane Marchelewicz, second by Nanc Ekiert. Discussion: Correction to the Secretary's Report was made to change the deposit amount from \$230.00 to \$240. Motion to accept report as amended was approved.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Programs**

- **December Meeting:** Our December 13 meeting is the planned Holiday Potluck with collection of donations for a local food shelf. Helen Short will bring a list of area food shelves for member to determine where donations will go this year. Kris Kilburn asked members to prepare for discussions at the December meeting on their topics of interest, i.e. landscape, bags, etc., for the March meeting trunk show and workshop by presenter Sarah Ann Smith. See her website for ideas: <http://www.sarahannsmith.com/schedule.php>
- **January Meeting:** Jean Anne Branch reminded members that Anne Standish will be the presenter at the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Anne lives in Jericho and is known for her amazing landscape and art quilts. On Saturday, January 20, Anne will lead a workshop on preparing a small quilt from a photograph. The workshop will be limited to fifteen quilters and the cost is \$35. Each quilter can use a photo supplied by Anne or a personal photo of a landscape, flower, etc. A copy of the photo should be supplied to Anne before January 5 at [annestandishvt@gmail.com](mailto:annestandishvt@gmail.com)

#### **Membership News**

- Updated membership list is available. Please review and provide Helen Short corrections.
- Helen Short will purchase lanyards to replace our current name tags, many are in damaged condition. Teri Brunelle has offered to print the name labels.

**Fundraising:** Bonnie Evans shared that fundraising has resulted in \$1,600 in sponsor donations for the campaign to help pay quilt show expenses. Bonnie will solicit additional local business in the coming days. The fundraising will end December 31, 2017 and all who have donated will be recognized at the time of the quilt show. Reminder, donation levels are at Gold -- \$200, Silver -- \$100, and \$50 -- Bronze.

**2017 Raffle Quilt:** Penny LaRochelle has 500 books of ticket available for the raffle quilt drawing. Penny shared that there will be a prize (or two) for those who sell the most tickets. The raffle quilt in teals and blues,

sewed by Denise Chase and quilted by Babette Coons, was displayed at the meeting.

**2018 Raffle Quilt:** Carol Stanley shared the 2018 raffle quilt design, Narraganset Blues, a Bonnie Hunter designed pattern. For the next meeting, Carol asked members bring in 4 patches of 2 ½ squares (finished at 3 ½" square) in colors other than blue. In addition, she asked members bring in medium to dark blues in 3 ½" x 6 ½" rectangles (or 3 ½" by WOF). Sharon Perry has volunteered to complete the quilting.

#### **Quilt Show**

- Six quilt show entries have been turned in. Reminder, each quilt entry received by Kay Benedict before December 13 will provide the member an additional chance to win the basket of prizes. The drawing for the basket will be held at the December 13 meeting. As soon as you can, please provide Kay your quilt entries, giving her the time to design the display.
- Motion to allow a member to have quilt show publicity printed in the amount up to \$125. Motion made by Bonnie Evans, second by Sharon Perry; motion passed.
- Kris Kilburn asked members to consider bringing fat quarters to the December meeting for addition to the Quilt Show Fat Quarter Basket.

#### **Projects**

- Helen Short presented the next Block of the Month, "On the Oregon Trail" available at Quilter's Cache, <http://www.quilterscache.com/O/OntheOregonTrailBlock.html>. Helen recommends 2 ½ yards of background fabric and 5-6 fat quarters to complete the entire quilt. October block was "Red Cross Block" and September was Mini Bow Tie blocks, patterns also available at [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com). Members displayed their completed Red Cross Blocks at the meeting.
- Bonnie Evans offered members the opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for 3 prizes, a beautiful quilt she made or 2 gas cards, to benefit the Northwestern Medical Center Auxiliary. Members present who purchased tickets were also entered into a drawing for a prize at the end of the meeting.

**Charity Quilts:** Charity quilts kits were brought to the meeting by Alice Bushey for Franklin County Home Health, Denise Chase for Laurie's House, and Adrienne Perrino for duffle bags for Bags of Love.

#### **Other Business**

- Diane Kane updated members about a request for quilts from organizers of Camp Ta-Kum-Ta, a summer camp for children 7 to 17 years old who have or have had cancer. Cindy Metayer indicated she would contact the organization to find how many quilts they may need.
- **Follow-up:** The camp hosts roughly 70 campers each summer. Each camper receives a new quilt on their bed which they also bring home. If possible, the

organization would appreciate 5 to 20 from the guild. It is recommended each quilt be twin size or smaller. Camp Ta-Kum-Ta would like a commitment of the number of quilts to be donated by the first of May and delivery to the organization by July.

- Sad news was reported that Ann Jacobs, former four-year FCQG president, had passed away. Motion was made by Margaret Miller, second by Christy Mulyca, to recognize Ann by contributing to the charity of her or her family's choice in the amount of \$100. Motion passed. If her family is willing, the guild would also like to honor Ann by displaying one of her quilts at the upcoming FCQG quilt show.

#### Monthly Drawings:

- Block of the Month: Mary Ellen Therrien
- Door Prize: Sally Krupp
- Charity Quilt Prize: Helen Short

Motion to adjourn by Dale McFeeters, second by Helen Short; motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cindy Metayer, Secretary



December	1	Elaine	Magnan
December	13	Marjorie	Taylor
December	14	Diane	Kane
December	16	Nancy	LaPointe
December	18	Rose	Rixon
December	19	Janice	Crane

*...and many more!!!*

#### **DECEMBER MEETING:**

#### **HOLIDAY POTLUCK ON DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>**

Our December meeting is always filled with good company, good food, and good fun. Please bring a dish to share (main course, side dish, or dessert) and a wrapped gift for

our gift exchange (\$10 limit; handmade or quilting related is encouraged). Please make your gift a thoughtful one, something you would like to receive as a gift.

To spread some holiday cheer and warmth, members are also asked to bring non-perishable food donations for the local food shelf and/or donations for the "Bags of Love" project.

The doors open at 5:30 p.m., and we'll begin eating at 6:00 p.m. It should be a fun time!

#### **SIGN-UP CONTINUES FOR JANUARY WORKSHOPS WITH ANNE STANDISH**

There are only 3 spots left for the Anne Standish workshop on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Please bring your \$35 fee to the December meeting if you have not already paid. Your space in the workshop is NOT guaranteed until payment is made. The sign-up sheet will be at the door when you arrive. Remember to fill in all the boxes on the form as we need to forward your information to Anne no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>.

#### **MEMBER INPUT NEEDED FOR MARCH PROGRAM**

Kris Kilburn still wants to hear from guild members about possible workshops with Sarah Ann Smith in March 2018. Kris Kilburn asks members to visit Sarah's website, [www.sarahannsmith.com](http://www.sarahannsmith.com), and check out the classes Sarah offers. After reviewing the classes, Kris would like members to contact her at [bikermama23st@gmail.com](mailto:bikermama23st@gmail.com) or at the December meeting and let her know which classes they are interested in and whether they will be signing up to take a class.



*Christmas Tree*

**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2017****FRANKLIN COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD  
Treasurer's Report -- December 13, 2017**

Opening Balance		\$4,230.81
Funds collected		
Correction to Nov membership deposit (s/b \$240)	\$10.00	
Membership	\$60.00	
Silver Sponsorship; Mountain View Dairy	\$100.00	
<i>Total Funds Collected</i>	\$170.00	
	<i>Sub-total</i>	\$4,400.81
Funds paid out		
Gerald Perry, Room set-up for December	\$35.00	
Helen Short, Charity quilt fabric & program printing	\$88.60	
Sharon Perry, Hosting & Website Domain registration	\$47.52	
Kristen Bachand, UFO contest prize & Charity quilts	\$105.96	
The Quilt Lady, QS Raffle Quilt quilting	\$176.72	
Helen Short, Membership copies	\$17.50	
Jean Anne Branch, Program gift bags, printing	\$67.28	
Diane Kane, Agenda copies	\$9.00	
Penny LaRochelle, QS Raffle tickets printing	\$115.95	
The Warm Company, 2 - 45"x40" bolts of batting	\$228.90	
<i>Total Funds Paid Out</i>	\$892.43	
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$3,508.38</b>

2017 YTD Collections: \$7,517.25

Respectfully submitted,  
Deborah L. Dusablon, Treasurer**GUILD WEBSITE HOME TO FRANKLIN COUNTY BARN QUILT TRAIL**

The FCQG website's home page has a link to the Franklin County Barn Quilt Trail which resides on the guild website. The barn quilt trail can be found here:

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

\*\*\* *And may all your Christmases be white* \*\*\*

**Deadline for articles for next newsletter:**

**Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

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





# QUILT SHOW NEWS



## SPECIAL DRAWING FOR EARLY QUILT SHOW REGISTRATIONS

Anyone who registers a quilt for the show **PRIOR TO** the December meeting will be entered into a special drawing in December. The prize is a basket filled with quilt-related items; this is the same basket for the charity quilt drawing. If you want to participate, you **MUST SEND/BRING** your **COMPLETED FORM**, along with a photograph, **TO KAY** either **VIA SNAIL MAIL, EMAIL, OR IN PERSON BEFORE THE DECEMBER MEETING**. See the form for the details about sending it to Kay. You can find the registration form here: <http://www.franklincountyquilters.org/fcqqregistration.pdf>.

## FAT QUARTER AND TEACUP AUCTION DONATIONS NEEDED

Kris Kilburn is collecting fat quarters for the basket of FQs as a prize for the raffle. If you have any fat quarters, please give them to Kris at the meeting. Items are also needed for the Teacup Auction. Table runners/toppers, matching placemats and napkins, bags and totes, wall-hangings, gift baskets, and quilt kits have all been popular sellers in the past. If you have an item to donate, bring it to a meeting and give it to Sally Krupp.

## 2017 - 2018 UFO UNFINISHED OBJECT CHALLENGE

Fill out the list below and return to Kris Bachand at the September meeting, the earliest meeting you can, or e-mail me one at [bachandkris@yahoo.com](mailto:bachandkris@yahoo.com).

Here are the "rules":

- It must have been started at least a year ago this coming September. If you have been working on it on a regular basis it's a Work In Progress – not a UFO. If you started it a year ago this last November put it on the November line or after. Just to be clear, these are guidelines, I really don't care, and I don't think anyone else will check. If you don't know where it is, found it at the bottom of a pile, or you started it more than a year ago I think we can agree it's a UFO. If you started it more than 20 years ago, congratulations, YOU are my favorite!!
- You must show and tell, provide a picture of, or a witness to the completion of the quilt.
- **NO** points collected unless/until I have a paper copy of your list (feel free to mail it to me PO Box 49, St. Albans Bay, VT 05481)
- ONE additional point to the first person to give me a completed UFO list
- ONE point for each finished UFO
- ONE additional point for any UFO shown in the month it is listed
- ONE additional point if you donate it to one of the charities
- TWO points for each additional UFO finished in a month
- FIVE points for anyone who completes every UFO on their list. This could involve some serious strategy on your list making plans.
- The participant with the most points after the June 2017 meeting can let me know the name of their favorite quilt shop and I will get you a \$25 gift certificate.

**No matter what, the less UFOs there are in the world,  
the warmer and more beautiful a world it will be.**

**So let's sew!**

2014 Winner - Carol Stanley  
2015 Winner - Kay Benedict

2016 Winner - Carol Stanley  
2017 Winner - Helen Short

## FCQG 2017 - 2018 UFO Challenge

Name \_\_\_\_\_

September\_\_\_\_\_

February\_\_\_\_\_

October \_\_\_\_\_

March \_\_\_\_\_

November\_\_\_\_\_

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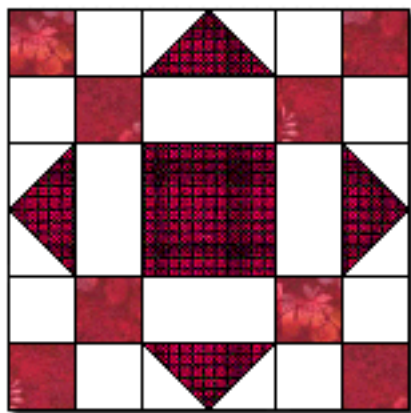
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## DECEMBER 2017 BLOCK OF THE MONTH PATTERN: ON THE OREGON TRAIL

Pattern from [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com)

**Use your fabrics for the block(s) you will make and keep**

If you have any questions, call Helen Short, 752-8019.

**Click the link below for the Red Cross Block pattern**

<http://www.quilterscache.com/O/OntheOregonTrailBlock.html>

**Be sure to continue to page 2 at this link:**

[http://www.quilterscache.com/O/OntheOregonTrailBlock\\_Page2.html](http://www.quilterscache.com/O/OntheOregonTrailBlock_Page2.html)

## MORE BLOCK DONATIONS NEEDED FOR 2018 CHARITY QUILT

The sky's the limit when you are making the 4 patches we need for this year's charity quilt. We are not even halfway to our target of 274 blocks so use the next week to make us as many as you find time to do!!!!

The patches need to be 2 squares of light/neutral fabric mixed with 2 squares of medium/dark fabric. Please do not use blue fabrics in the 4 patch. (We have plenty of the blue background fabric so there is no need to bring that to us.) The finished block must be trimmed to 3½" - so begin with 2½" squares or strips! This is a great leader/ender project!!!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Trees, November 25<sup>th</sup> – December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017:** A week-long event ushering in the Holiday Season with activities, entertainment, dancing, and more all in the historic St. Albans Downtown. For more information, visit [www.vtfestivaloftrees.com](http://www.vtfestivaloftrees.com).

**Christmas Fair 2017, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017:** At Bishop Marshall School, Route 100, Morrisville, from 9 am – 3 pm. Handmade gifts, seasonal foods, decorated wreaths, and much more. All proceeds benefit the students' educational trips and activities. For more information, visit [www.bjams.org/news/christmas-fair-2017](http://www.bjams.org/news/christmas-fair-2017).

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Craft Show, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017:** At the Montgomery Elementary School, Montgomery Center from 9 am – 3 pm. For more information, contact Sue Wilson, 326-4189. Proceeds to benefit the elementary school children.

**Gilding the Lily, Embroidery in Quilts, Past and Present, Now through December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017:** In *Gilding the Lily*, the New England Quilt Museum's Curator has assembled a remarkably diverse selection of embroidered quilts and textile arts from American museums, historical societies, private collectors, and quilt artists that span more than 200 years. *Guild member Shirley Babcock's version of the Redwork Covered Bridge quilt, pictured below, is hanging in this exhibit.*



### **Don't forget to bring to the December meeting:**

- \$35 cash, or check payable to FCQG, for January workshop
- 4-patch blocks for 2018 Charity Quilt
- Potluck dish to share
- Food shelf and/or "Bags of Love" donations
- Wrapped gift (\$10 value) for gift exchange
- Fat quarter and Teacup Auction donations
- Completed quilt entry form(s) with photo(s) for quilt show
- Items for Show & Tell (to include BOM) and UFO Challenge