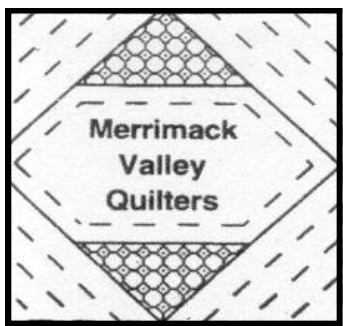


May 2011

Merrimack Valley Quilting Guild

Celebrating 31 years of encouraging the art of quilting in the Merrimack Valley. MVQ was established in 1980.



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*Newsletter items must be
in to me by the 1st of
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President's Message:

Wow! What a wonderful quilt show. I am awed by the talented members that we have in our guild. Thanks to Pat Lucey & Mary Ginn, our quilt show co-chairs, and the entire quilt show committee, for pulling everything together so splendidly. It was wonderful to see so many members volunteering and to see some new faces. I was happy to see so many beautiful comfort quilts on display. It's commendable that so many of you took time to give back to the community and to those in need.

The presentation that Stephanie Hatch did at the April meeting was phenomenal. She is so knowledgeable and has a fabulous collection of antique quilts. I have acquired 2 antique quilts in what I will call "well loved" condition, but I find them fascinating. They are little windows into the past.

Hope to see you all at the May meeting! Happy stitching.

Beth Wood

May 19th

Faye Labanaris
The Great Baltimore Revival

Workshop 5/21
New England Album Wreath

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Program 11/12	Gail Wozniak Mary Jo Ray, Sue Calderwood, Helen Weymouth, Carol Emerson,
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Quilt Show	Mary Ginn, Pat Lucey
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Raffle Quilt 11/12	Patty Doucette, Joanne Burnes
Storybook Quilts	Carol Robinson
Scrapbee Exchange	Signe Kaleel, Gladys Sirois
Sunshine	Doris Bennett
Ufo Auction	Ildi Tary
Vendors	Bev Vallee



Lillian and Margaret are going back into the photograph Album now that the quilt show is over.

Before we say good-bye to them, we want to thank everyone who gave of their time and talents to making this year's show a success.

It was heartening to see the contributions of several of our new members and of course, the tried and true veterans who work so tirelessly.

Doris has gone back to the sea- Lillian and Margaret are back in the family album and Mary and Pat are just waking from their coma!

Many, many thanks, Mary and Pat

Quilt Show 2011

Women Making Waves

Congratulations to our ribbon winners!

[MVQ 2011 Quilt Show Ribbon Winners - Judges Awards](#)

Category	Place	Winner
Machine Applique	2nd	Maggie Judd
Original Design	1st/Best of Show	Susan Richards
	2nd	Maddie Burke
	3rd	Pat Lucey
Pictoral	1st/Judges Choice	Janice Jones
	2nd	Janice Jones
	3rd	Nancy Karp
Machine Quilting - Pro	1st	Elaine Rando/Carrie
	2nd	Terri Gelinias
	3rd	Terri Gelinias
Color Compatibility	1st/Judges Choice	Marianne Karp
	2nd	Ruth Martineau
	3rd	Maggie Judd
Hand Quilting	1st	Mary Ginn
	2nd	Ildi Tary
	3rd	Sue Molin
Contemporary Art	1st	Brenda Patterson
	2nd	Susan Sisson
	3rd	Sue Molin
Hand Applique	1st	Jan Taylor
	2nd	Stella Blunt
Pieced	1st	Carrie Zizza
	2nd	Lin Caido
	3rd	Maggie Judd
Challenge Quilts	1st	Ruth Martineau
	2nd	Deb Kelso
	3rd	Pat Lucey

This was the first year that we used a professional NEQA judge– Mary Derry from Bradford, NH.

The judging was handled in a very serious way– Comment sheets were given for each quilter to learn from.

Mary awarded the ribbons, Judge's Choice and Best of Show.

We hope that the membership liked the judging process and would want it in the future.

Merrimack Valley Quilter's Guild

Meeting Minutes April 21, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at St. Luke's (Holy Angels Church) Plaistow NH by president, Beth Wood.

Beth asked for volunteers for two committees: A board member and two members at large are needed for the nominating committee, two members are needed to join the committee that chooses the Quilter of the Year. Contact Beth if you are interested.

Signe Kaleel and Gladys Sirois spoke about the block swap which will take place at the May meeting. It will be fan blocks made from three oriental fabrics. See them for more details.

Pam Butler of NE Quilt Emporium was introduced as the evening's vendor.

Pat Lucy made several announcements about the quilt show. Please sign up for two hours on the volunteer sheets.

Maggie Judd and Karen Parent would like everyone who has merchandise for the boutique to fill out an inventory sheet which is available at the back table and on the blog. Bring your items on Thursday morning.

Angie Cyr will take anything for the white elephant table.

Gail Wozniak explained the drop off directions: Each quilt must be in a flat bottomed bag with handles. A card with quilt entry number and quilters name must be attached to the front. A small white tag with the same info must be attached to the back of the quilt. If the quilt is to be judged the red tag must be attached to the bag handle. Comfort quilts may just be placed on the designated table, bags are not needed for these. Challenge quilts will be judged separately from other quilts

Donations of water, soda and baked goods are needed for the kitchen. Please label any items that have nuts.

Nancy Dempsey and Teri Gelinis spoke about upcoming workshops and programs. May- Faye Labanaris and June- Karen Eckmeir.

Show and Tells were presented.

Door prizes and raffle winners were announced.

Speaker Stephanie Hatch gave a presentation on antique quilts.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Sullivan



Program 2010-2011

Month	Lecture	Workshop
June 16	Karen Eckmeier Happy and Accidental Landscapes	6/17 Accidental Land- scapes/Seascapes 6/18 Let's Make Waves

PROGRAMS FOR NEXT YEAR

Kim Diehl – www.kimdiehl.com. Kim does folky kinds of quilting and has many published books under the Simple names like Simple Traditions, Simple Seasons, Simple Comfort. She will be teaching Bittersweet Briar – Traditional quilt with machine invisible appliqué.

Froncie Quinn – www.hooplapatterns.com. Many of you may know Froncie from work at the Shelburne Museum and creating new quilts from antiques. She will be talking to us and teaching one of the Florence Petro antique quilts called “Calico Garden”.

Suzanne Marshall – www.suzannequilts.com. Suzanne is an award winning quilter who has won awards as recently as the Houston Quilt Show in November. She teaches hand quilting classes (in fact this is what she won her recent award with) and appliqué classes. Suzanne taught this past November at The Gathering to rave reviews of her methods and skills. She will be doing classes for us in hand quilting and Art Nouveau appliqué.

Lenore Crawford – www.lenorecrawford.com. Lenore is another teacher who taught this past year at The Gathering again with rave reviews. She is a contemporary quilter and does a lot with fusible and fabric painting to create art quilts. She will be teaching two classes for us – one on fusible flowers called Yellow Poppies and one on Mini Blended fabric art collage.

PROGRAMS NEXT YEAR

We will begin Sign up for workshops at the May meeting. To sign up for a class you must make payment at that time of \$25. Non members are welcome to go on a wait list for any classes if they are not filled. Their fee is \$30

Please take time to look at the speakers websites to get a feel for what they will be teaching. As we always say we are very lucky to keep our workshops at \$25 considering area shows are charging \$65 for full day so take advantage. You always pick up a trick or technique.

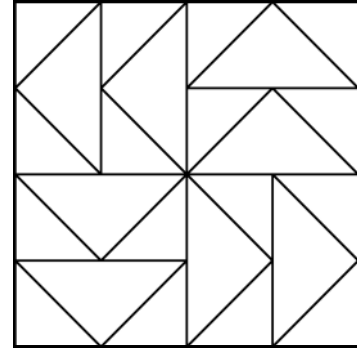
SEPTEMBER MEETING

We will be having a hands on workshop done by members Lyn Grenier and Maddie Burke at the actual meeting. They will be teaching us needle felting and will have samples at the May meeting for us to see. This will be a **FREE MAKE AND TAKE WORKSHOP - HOWEVER** in order for them to prepare the correct amount of kits of materials we will ask for sign up in May and June and a \$5 sign up that will be refunded to you when you get your kit at the September meeting. All you will need to bring to the meeting is your basic sewing kit, all else will be provided in the workshop kit. Hope many of you will partake.

Quilting by Catherine

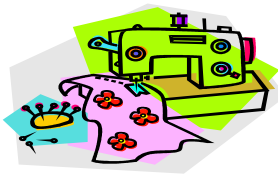
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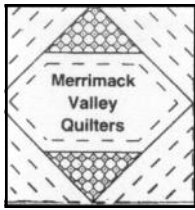
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Check List:

- Name Tag
- Show and Tell
- \$ for raffle
- Refreshments [if it is your turn!]
- \$ for membership

Scrap Bee Exchange



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Saturday April 16, 2011 at 1 pm.

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Saturday April 23, 2011 at 1pm

