

## Berlin Historical Society July 28, 2009 Meeting Minutes

The July meeting of the Berlin Historical Society opened at 7:00 PM at the Berlin Town Office Building. Those in attendance were: Norbert Rhinerson, Anita Flanagan, Mary Wells, Richard Turner and Cheryl Poor.

The meeting commenced at 7:02 with a showing of a DVD entitled “Montpelier Memories” which was produced by the Montpelier Historical Society. The production was narrated by several Montpelier senior citizens and featured many pictures of early Montpelier. The production is tied to Berlin, of course, because of the fact that all of Montpelier that is on the south side of the Winooski River was once Berlin. Our Society owns this interesting DVD which will be stored in the Montpelier file folder.

Norb has obtained a picture of the quilt that is dated from the 1840's – 1850's era. The picture was obtained from Charlotte Cain from Manassas, Virginia who has been researching its ancestry. Many of those who signed the quilt were either Berlin residents or had some connection to Berlin.



### **Berlin Quilt**

I explained the project I have been working on which is the organization of all the scans of our photos that were made by Paul Bierman and his

crew last summer. They will be stored in files on our computer with names identical to the actual names of drawers and files folders where the photos are stored. I projected some of the pictures onto our screen to show the ease at which we can now use them when putting together a presentation.

We now have several commitments for presentations for upcoming meetings. They are:

August 2009 – Maudean Neill – The Herring family in Berlin

September 2009 – Vern and Richard Turner – The Turners in Berlin

May 2010 (our annual potluck dinner meeting) – Richard Turner – The Barre-Montpelier/E.F. Knapp Airport

Mary gave the Treasurer's Report which showed our total assets to be \$46,971.09. The report was approved by the members present.

We have just found out that there will be a Vermont History Expo at Tunbridge next year in late June. We will have to decide on a subject if we do decide to participate.

The next meeting will be August 25.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Richard Turner, Secretary