

Wayside Quilters

Newsletter ~ October, 2019

Our Next General Meeting Monday, Oct 7 @ 7:00 pm

Grange Hall, Sudbury Town Center
(Park behind the Town Hall)

October Program

Trunk Show - Jane Harris & Anne Messier
October 7 Monday, 7 PM - 9 PM
Sudbury Grange, 2nd Floor,
326 Concord Rd., Sudbury, MA

Tica de Moor, Program Chair

Anne Messier joined Wayside in 2002, just after she retired and finally had time to follow interests sidelined for years when she was raising her family of five and, as soon as the youngest started school, teaching full-time. She has served Wayside as program chair, library coordinator, and membership chair.

Anne also has been a volunteer at the New England Quilt Museum as well as a member of the Massachusetts Quilts Documentation team. These activities sparked her interest in and love of antique quilts. Currently, her favorite quilting techniques are hand piecing, English paper piecing, and applique.

Jane Harris started quilting 24 years ago this month (October 1995) and joined the guild that same year. During these many years, she served as Chairperson of Hospitality (back in the days when we served coffee, tea and "home" baked goods at every meeting), Outreach, Monthly Meeting Raffle, Treasurer, President, Quilt Show Chair and Publicity and served on the Nominating Committee too many times to count.

Jane believes the guild to be a VOLUNTEER organization and we as members should not wait to be asked to serve on a committee or as a Co-chair but should step forward for the job we feel we would like to do for the guild. Often times the guild gives us back so much more than what

we put into it.

The guild and her quilting friends have been her inspiration and the drive that has moved her forward in the development of her quilting ability. Jane highly recommends ALL members get involved.

Our Next Board Meeting:

The next board meeting will be just after Sew Happy on **October 19th 2:00pm** at St. Anne's in-the-Fields, 147 Concord Road, Lincoln MA. All guild members are welcomed to come to any and all board meetings. You don't need to be a board member! Come and listen to all the new (and old) ideas that are tossed around. Especially come if you missed the Planning Meeting that was held on Sept 14th - led very successfully by our very own Sue Blaney.

A New Initiative for Visitors to our Wonderful Guild

We want to make sure that all visitors and new members feel comfortable and welcome. To aid in this we are asking a few members to volunteer to introduce yourself and a couple of members to any new person as they sign in, sit with them (especially if they come alone) and introduce them to the group at the end of the business session (brief - name, where from, quilter or newbie etc). Speak to Pat Lukens or Lu Linda Tucker if you are interested in becoming a "welcomer."

Lu Linda Tucker and Pat Lukens

Auction Update

We really aren't ready to accept auction items yet so if you can hold onto them for now it would be great. However, if this is something that you must get out of your house (and it's not too heavy) you can bring it to 70 Melody Lane in Marlborough and help put it up in the attic until we are ready.

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And really think about donations for the auction - it's sewing machines, kits and fabric that do the best! Be original - and you know we all are - gift cards to stores or restaurants - a summer house for a mini-retreat. Have you been somewhere interesting - ask for a class gift certificate. Once we assemble the offerings into packages, you just never know what will be the item that piques everyone's interest and gets the bidding up high!

And remember - thanks to Kathie's hard work, we have non-profit status and can give receipts for tax purposes.

Carol Bradford and Pat Lukens

Sew Happy to Sew Together

Sew Happy is a monthly opportunity to get together and stitch. I say stitch because even though the focus is on quilting, members have been known to bring knitting, other sewing projects, even mending. There is no agenda, but plenty of laughter and fun. It's a great chance to meet people, so feel free to bring along a crafty friend.

For additional details visit the What We Do page of our website. **October 19, Saturday from 10 AM to 2 PM St. Anne's-in-the-Fields, Lincoln MA**

Admission: A donation in the amount of your choosing, to thank the church for the use of the space.

Communicate and Information

Check out our Wayside Quilters Guild Website - managed so ably by Tricia Crockett and Debbie Ehrmann.

We also have a Facebook page for the Wayside Quilters Guild. If you have questions, comments, an event to share, a picture of your just completed quilt to share, want to

find friends to go on a shop hop, find a ride to the New England Quilt Museum - post it on our Facebook page. Also, if you had a great time at a workshop or class or if you are offering a workshop, let us know - share information. Let's get our Facebook page going and more active. It can be a great way to communicate with our fellow guild members.

If you have information for the WQG newsletter to share with our guild members, please email the information to mmacdonald354@gmail.com.

Pin Pal Monthly

Don't forget to bring in you pinwheels for October. Orange is the color for October. Twenty 3.5" pinwheel blocks should be spinning in the direction of the photo.

Check the direction of the pinwheels. They should look like the photo below. Also make sure to trim the "ears" from the triangles to get a flat tiny pinwheel on the back of the block.



Please use a good quality quilting fabric and no "conversation" prints.

Jill Cochrane

Stump Sprouts Retreat

We are currently taking deposits for the April 23-26, 2020 retreat. A \$75 deposit check made out to Wayside Quilters Guild will hold your spot. Please give or mail checks to Michele or Marianne.

Estimated cost is for next year's retreat is between \$280-\$306 (depending on number of participants) for a shared room or a \$50

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supplement for one of the three private rooms. We have room for 18 participants.

*Michele MacDonald & Marianne Hatton
Retreat Organizers*

WQG Calendar Reminders

2019 General Meetings

Our meetings are the 1st Monday of the month, with the exception of a holiday.

Outreach

Save the date for Outreach: Saturday November 9th. Come one and all, it's a great time to share and learn.

Lu Linda Tucker and Susan Thomas

Local Happenings

Upcoming Quilt Shows

Wayside Quilters Guild members are encouraged to attend quilt shows sponsored by nearby guilds. It is a great way to be inspired by the work of other quilters. There are often vendors to visit with products not seen in the local quilt shop. We also sometimes get ideas we can use for our own quilt show. Remember that we count on other quilters to attend and support our quilt show, so we should attend other guild shows.

Check out www.sewmanysows.com for a more complete list of a listing of quilt shows and fiber art events in the New England area. You can also sign up for their monthly newsletter.

Oct. 4-5- Concord Piecemakers, Acton, MA, www.concordpiecemakers.org

Oct. 4-5- Rising Star Quilters, Lexington, MA, www.risingstarquilters.org

Oct. 5-6- Belknap Mill Quilters Guild, Guilford, NH, www.bmqg.org

Oct. 5-6- Shoreline Quilters Guild, Madison, CT, www.shorelinequilters.com

Oct. 12-13- 24th Annual Quilt and Needle Arts Show, East Haddam, CT www.firstchurcheh.org

Oct. 12- 13- Crazy Quilters of Cape Cod Open House, Falmouth, MA
www.crazyquiltersofcapecod.com

Oct. 18- 19- Ninigret Quilters 2019 Quilt Show - Westerly, RI

Oct. 19- 20- Burlington Quilters' Guild 36th Annual Quilt Show - Bedford, MA

Oct. 19- 20- Thimbles and Friends Quilt Guild, Celebrating 20 Years - Whitman, MA

Oct. 25-27- Proper Bostonian Quilt Show, West Roxbury, MA

Oct. 26 Reading Society of Craftsmen Exhibit and Sale - Reading, MA

Oct. 29 Nimble Thimblers Annual Quilt Auction - Wakefield, MA

Newsletters and "Betweens"

Deadlines: 3 days before the 1st/15th

Send submissions to Michele MacDonald at macdonald.michele@gmail.com