

Wayside Quilters

Newsletter ~ March, 2018

Our Next General Meeting

Monday, March 5 at 7:00 pm
Grange Hall, Sudbury Town Center
(Park behind the Town Hall)

Quilters Activity Meeting Help stock the Boutique!

The quilt show is coming soon and WQ will again have a lovely boutique for members and visitors to the show to shop in. We will offer high quality items large and small. Thank you to Gayle O'Bryan, who has ably run the boutique for as long as we can remember and takes in your items to sell! The way it works is that members may contribute items for sale, a portion of the sale price goes to the guild for operating expenses and the rest to the maker.

In addition to the items you may make, we are going to donate time, talent and materials at the next meeting to make a few items to donate entirely to the effort. Please come prepared to sew with friends and perhaps learn a new technique or two. We have our teachers lined up who will supply the kits and be ready for you to sew.

If you have any fun boutique type items to show or patterns to share, please bring them along. (See p. 4 for Pocket Warmer Rice Bag ideas.)

Please bring a sewing kit as there will be hand sewing as well as machine sewing. We have a lot to do but there *may* also be time for a bit of fun and a chance to win a small prize....hint - wear pearls if you have them and a touch of **red** too!

Contact Marianne if you have questions.

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OutReach

Our next sewing day for Outreach will be on **Saturday, March 10**, from 9-4:00 at the First Baptist Church, 162 Landham Rd in Sudbury. **Lunch will be served to all who show up to sew! What could be better than that!** We will be offering a string quilt pattern to do on that day. It's fun and quick, with a scrappy effect. See you there.



*Susan Thomas & Lulinda Tucker
Outreach Co chairs*

May 7th Meeting

Cathy Racine of Charlton Sewing Center will come and talk about "Everything Matters". This lecture will cover all things related to sewing machines and working with threads, tension and different types of needles, etc, etc.

This lecture promises to cover a lot more than the basics – our machines are what make our quilting possible!

She will be vending as well, bringing with her many notions and new 'things' from her store. This is an opportunity to stock up on items you may need over the summer!

*Tica deMoor
Programs Chair*

AUCTION UPDATE



A big thank you to the volunteers who ironed and folded a mountain of great fabric for our auction! We will also be auctioning off ELFA units for storage, filled with interesting notions, one of Jill's dolls with clothes, a gorgeous quilt made by Ann Messier and much more! Our popular tea cup raffle is going to have a second chance component to make it even more fun. And so many fat quarters!

Donations can be brought to the next meeting. Just leave them in your car and we will transfer in the parking lot or drop them off at our houses. Carol is at 25 Maple Ave. in Sudbury and Pat is at [70 Melody Lane](#) in Marlborough.

We have LOTS of fabric but are still looking for some of those out of the box ideas to round out the auction, like gift cards for coffee or dinners, class certificates, summer house rental, sewing machines, etc.

On April 2 bring an appetizer, cookies or bars, fruit or a bottle of sparkling cider

Most importantly, bring your sewing friends!

Please consider printing copies of our Auction flyer at the end of this Newsletter. Post them in public places in your town. Or you can help spread the word by emailing the flyer to friends who might be interested in attending.

Pat Lukens & Carol Bradford

Spring Workshops

Wayside Quilters Guild will be offering two workshops this spring! On **Saturday, April 7**, we will host a workshop with Modern Quilter **Amy Friend**, who spoke at our February meeting about Modern Quilting. Her quilts used all the hallmarks of the modern movement, including negative space, assymetry, alternative gridwork, solid colors and high contrast fabrics. Her workshop is on **Improvational Paper Piecing**. This technique is NOT difficult, and learning within a group setting is very rewarding. This is a great way to learn how to design your own quilt!



Amy Friend quilt



Pat Pauly quilt

On **Saturday, May 5th**, we will be hosting a workshop with **Pat Pauly**, our speaker from last September. Pat's lecture on "Contemporary meets Traditional", was fast-paced, informative and paired with a stunning array of her beautiful art quilts. Pat will teach the quick steps to **Improv Composition**, with her handful of piecing techniques and tips on construction. We will make mini-works that can become a finished art quilt. The workshop is a great way to let go of templates and see possibilities develop in your art quilt.

Signups for both workshops are NOW. \$45 will reserve your member spot and \$55 will reserve your friend or non member. Please contact Laura Lane to reserve your space!

Laura Lane
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Brown Bag Challenge Quilt



Time to put on the thinking cap and get to work on your Challenge Quilt.

Theme: At the Seashore

Size: 72" maximum perimeter, any shape

Materials: Fabric may be added to your 3 fat quarters. Quilt must be 3 layers, quilted, with batting in the middle.

Ideas: Birds, seagulls, sand bucket, rocks, towels, sailboats, waves, seaweed, crabs, turtles, fish, light houses and sand castles.

Keep an index card with a 1" x 1" cut of each of your 3 brown bag fabrics to display with your quilt. It will be fun to see how the fabrics were used.

Questions, just ask. Ann Moses @
annbmoses@gmail.com



Rhapsody of Stars – WQG Raffle Quilt 2018

Block of the Month

Jill's March Block of the Month will be introduced before the meeting on Monday.



Block of the Month 2018

Each month at the beginning of our meeting Jill will give a brief introduction and pattern for the month. Each block will be "beginner" or "confident beginner". They will finish at 12". They will all feature different skills and will be a great learning experience for all those who would like to play along. It's not too late to join in.

Jill Cochrane

Pocket Warmer Rice Bags

Do you remember the cute little rice bags with appliquéd hearts we started at a meeting last year? Please finish them up so we can start collecting the various boutique items for the show? Bring any finished bags on Monday. Thanks!

There will also be some small quilt blocks available at the meeting for your use. They make great stocking stuffers.

Here are the directions for the Pocket Warmer Rice Bags, in case you forgot:

Materials:

One simple quilt block...appliquéd or pieced, @ 5 inches square (plus seams – 3/8 inch or 1/2 inch)

One square of coordinating fabric for the backing

Two squares of muslin for the lining

Rice-about 1/2 cup, plain, basmati or jasmine

Neutral thread and a sewing machine

- Place the quilt block and the backing right sides together.
- Place one of the muslin squares on each side so you have a sandwich – muslin, backing, quilt block, muslin.
- Stitch a 3/8 to 1/2 inch seam around the outer edge leaving a 1 1/2 inch gap to turn it through and for filling it.
- Turn it through to the right side.
- Top stitch, close to the edge all the way around except for the gap. Make a paper funnel to fill the bag with rice, and then stitch along the edge to close the gap. That's it!
- Warm it in a microwave oven (30 seconds maybe) and enjoy them in your pockets when it's cold!



Pocket Warmer Rice Bags

Marianne Hatton

**7th Annual Guild Retreat
at Stump Sprouts
only a few spots left!**

Thursday, April 26th -Sunday April 29, 2018
Reserve your space now!

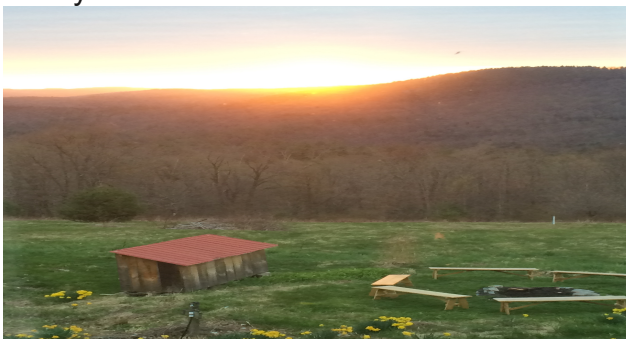
For 6 years, a group of quilters has spent 3 days in West Hawley, MA at Stump Sprouts. We have sewn to our heart's content, been fed large amounts of delicious homemade food, socialized, hiked and had a wonderful time. This is your year to join in the wonderful retreat at Stump Sprouts. It will be one of your best weekends of the year.

The rate for three nights and 9 meals will be around \$260. To reserve your spot, email Julie at julie.weinstein4@gmail.com with your contact information. She will send you her address. A \$50.00 deposit will hold your spot for now.

Cancellation Policy: Deposits refunded only if your space is filled. We need 15 people to run the retreat. Check your calendar, talk to your friends and contact Julie soon!

Visit the Stump Sprouts website to check out the location and accommodations: <http://www.stumpsprouts.com/>

Get a testimonial about this great weekend from past (and current) retreaters: Jill, Marianne, Tica, Carol, Cindy, Annette, Nancy and Moira.



The New England Quilt Museum

Hours January through April, 2018 are 10 am – 4 pm. Come see the 13th Quilt Nihon Exhibition from Japan. This exhibit will provide a lot of inspiration.



I Want To Be A Tree . Miiko Kuwahara . Tokushima, Japan

Quinobequin Quilters Quilt Show

Friday, March 23, 10:00 am – 8:00 pm
Saturday, March 24, 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Admission \$7 (free for children)

Needham Masonic Lodge

1101 Highland Ave, Needham, MA
(Exit 19C off Rt. 95, 1 mile on right)

More Info: www.Quinobequin.org

Stitches United

www.knittinguniverse.com/United2018

March 22-25, Hartford CT

Narragansett Bay Quilts' Assoc.

Garden Party Quilt Show

Saturday, April 21 & Sunday April 22
10:00 – 4:00

\$8 admission, children free with adult

North Kingstown High School

150 Fairway Drive, N. Kingstown, RI

Quilter's Connection Auction

Monday April 23rd at 7:00 pm

Bentley University, LaCava Conf. Center
175 Forest Street, Waltham, MA

WQG Calendar Reminders

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Monday, June 4, 7:00 pm, **General Meeting**, Grange Hall, Sudbury

2018 General Meetings

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

Newsletters and "Betweens"

Deadlines: 3 days before the 1st/15th

Send submissions to Jean Konopacz at jkonopacz@gmail.com

See next page for auction flyer!



Wayside Quilters Guild - Sudbury
AUCTION

Monday, April 2, 2018 7-9 PM
Upstairs in the Grange at 326 Concord Road, Sudbury

Live Auction
Silent Auction
Teacup Raffle (with a teapot twist)
Dollar Store
And new this year - Fat Quarter Frenzy

Anything and everything for people who quilt and sew. Items may include fabric, quilts, gift certificates, patterns, quilt books, notions, kits and handmade items.

Proceeds to benefit the Guild and New England Quilt Museum. Contributions are tax deductible.

No admission fee, refreshments will be served.

For more information, visit our website
Waysidequiltersguild.org
On Facebook - Wayside Quilters Guild- Sudbury