

Wayside Quilters

Newsletter ~ October, 2016

Our Next Events

Our Next General Meeting

Monday, October 17, 7 pm
Grange Hall, Sudbury Town Center
(Park behind the Town Hall)

Monday, October 17 at 7:00 pm we will have a general meeting to discuss the success of our Quilt Show. Bring along your ideas as to what worked and what should be revised for the next show. Please return all yard signs.

Saturday October 29 **Diana Annis** of **In Stitches Quilts** will follow up her lecture with an all day workshop on machine quilting. See page 3 for more info and signups.

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- *Tica de Moor*
- *Programs Chair*

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Thank you

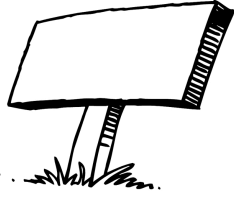
A HUGE Thank You to Tricia Crockett, our Quilt Show Chair. Tricia stepped up to the plate when no one else did. She had never been to a quilt show before this but she had terrific organization skills. She figured out what needed to be done, delegated the jobs, or did them herself.

Another Thank You to Jenny Johnston, who coordinated our quilt submissions and setup from afar. Jenny no longer lives locally and is no longer an active member of our guild. But, Wow, what a fantastic job she did!

Lastly, Thank You to You, all our members, who put in their time and used their many talents to produce a great show. We may be a small guild but we produced big numbers. The public all enjoyed the show.



Give yourselves a pat on the back.



Yard Sign Returns

Please bring all quilt show yard signs to the next guild meeting, Oct. 17th. You can leave them outside the door of the Grange Hall. If you are unable to attend, feel free to drop them off in Tricia Crockett's driveway any time this month; the address is in the latest directory.

Finding New Members

One thing we learned from our quilt show is that when people see what we are about, they want to get involved. Several people who attended the show expressed an interest in joining. Another thing we learned is that many people hear the word "guild" and think you have to be an expert quilter to join. Clearly this isn't true, but how do we set the record straight and show people how much fun it is to be part of the guild?

Social Media

Many guilds use **Instagram** (an app that lets you share photos with captions) to share what their members have been doing. People who aren't members can look at the photos for inspiration. In fact several of you have told me you do that already. We've created a guild account called, **WaysideQuiltersGuild** (all one word), but we need people to post pictures to it. If you're interested, contact me, Tricia Crockett for the password.

We had a technical glitch with our **Facebook** page, so we've created a new group page, **Wayside Quilters Guild - Sudbury**, that anyone can post on once they've joined.

This is a great place to share pictures of what you're working on, find out what events are coming up, and also to share quilt related items we find on the internet. I hope this site can help us recruit new members, but also to strengthen the community we already have.

Thank You

I have so many people I want to thank for all the time and energy they put into making our quilt show great, but there are a couple people I'd like *you all* to help me thank. The first is **Fabric Place Basement**. They gave us the perfect place to sell raffle tickets weekend, after weekend, after weekend. Then they donated all the lovely red fabric for our raffle! The next time you're in the store, please be sure to mention how much we all appreciated it. The same goes for **Wayside Sewing** who generously donated a basket full of sewing items. I heard a lot of people talking about wanting to win that basket. Please stop by the store, consider taking a class, and thank them for their support of our guild.

I want to write up something about Quilts of Valor, but I'll save that for the next newsletter.

Tricia Crockett
Quilt Show Chair

Show Expenses

If anyone has outstanding "Quilt Show" expenses that the Guild is paying for, please make sure they are submitted to our Treasurer Kathie Cromwell as soon as possible so they may be paid and accounted for. Thank you.

Kathie Cromwell
kscromwell@comcast.net

Programs & Workshops

On October 29, Dianna Annis of **In Stitches Quilts** will introduce us to a lot of different machine quilting design choices, discuss different battings, and we will get to use a variety of threads. The use of marking tools and stencils will also be taught in this workshop.

Signups for this workshop are thru Laura Lane at workshops@waysidequilters.org and cost is \$35 per member or \$50 for non-members. Please invite friends as this workshop is open to all.

At our November 7 meeting we welcome **Beth Helfter** of **Eva Paige Quilts**. Beth will give us a lecture and trunk show entitled "Give it A Scrap Slap". Beth did a year long stint as a member of the 2014 Quiltmaker Magazine "Scrap Squad," a select group of 6 quilters from across the continent tasked with redesigning one pattern from each issue entirely in scraps. Each assignment led her not only into scrap hoarding but also inspired her to create several of her own designs based on the originally assigned projects. Lots of thoughts on what makes a good scrap quilt and insights into how one idea morphs into so many more. You'll never look at a quilt pattern the same way again!

Beth's trunk show is a lively presentation of Beth's quilt making journey, from her first frighteningly awful attempt at self taught quilting to eventually founding EvaPaige Quilt Designs with her own line of unique patterns. Included are thoughts on the design process as it unfolds in the midst of the chaos of running a home and raising three small children, how a quilt can be a thing of beauty even without matching seams and perfect points. "Perfection is overrated".

Tica de Moor
Program Chair



Photo by Beth Helfter



Share The Squares

"Share the Squares" by Jill Cochrane

I love scrap quilts! So naturally I LOVED Jill Cochrane's "Share the Squares" displayed in our fabulously successful 2016 Show! Jill's scrap quilt was the product of a swap of 3 1/2 inch nine patch blocks. Jill and I would like to organize a nine patch swap for our guild starting in January for 12 months. The more people that participate the more blocks each participant will receive. You can strip piece your scrap blocks and then swap them for a like number of blocks, each one unique.

You can then design your own scrap quilt using your blocks. The design options are endless. Wouldn't it be great to have a display at our 2018 Quilt Show displaying our wildly different quilts?

Please let Jill or I know if you are interested in participating. **THE MORE THE MERRIER!!** Once we know how many people wish to participate, we will announce how the swap will work!

Kathie Cromwell & Jill Cochrane



Guild Directories

Guild member directories for the 2016-2017 year were sent out via email on Sept 26. If you did not get one, look back on you emails or ask for another electronic copy to be sent. Print out a copy so you have everyone's information handy when you need it.

Jean Konoapcz
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Outreach Day

Reserve November 12th, 9-4 pm at First Baptist Church, as an Outreach sewing day. We have a pattern for a new mystery quilt. Many enjoyed last spring's one, you can complete in the day and see it work up in many different ways. Lu Linda will have cutting instructions available at the next meeting and the rest is revealed as we sew! You will also have the opportunity to pick out another pattern as we have instructions for several tried and true ones. We have new material for backing, as well. We look forward to seeing as many as able and producing as many quilts as we can!

Susan Thomas & LuLinda Tucker

Burlington Quilters' Guild Show

You are invited to the Burlington Quilter's Guild will host its 33rd Annual Quilt Show, Boutique and Vendors.

Saturday, Oct. 22 10-5:00 pm
Sunday Oct. 23 10-4:00 pm
Admission \$7.00
Middlesex Community College
Campus Center
591 Springs Rd.
Bedford, MA

www.burlington_show@burlingtonquiltersguild

Connections Quilt Festival

Nov. 10-12, Thurs, Fri, & Sat.
Holiday Inn Nashua, NH Exit 4
Admissions \$12/day or \$15/multiday
Show, classes, demos and merchant mall.
www.connectionsquiltfestival.com

Request to Custom Quilt

This is a request from a person attending show.

"Looking for someone or a group to make 2 twin bed sized quilts to replace 2 that are worn out."

e-mail rdelori@mcmxi.com

Is there anyone or a group of friends willing to help this person?

New England Quilt Museum Lowell, MA

CONFLUENCE

**Water's Beauty, Use and Misuse
On View through October 16, 2016**



CONFLUENCE is an exhibition that was conceived by California artists, Inga Gorsvans-Buell and Deborah Weir, in response to two issues of great importance to them both: water and art. The goal of the exhibition is to expose viewers to a colorful and sophisticated experience with a wide array of quilts on the topic of water. The artists examine oceans and rivers, creatures who inhabit the seas, life in coastal regions, man-made piers and bridges, and the pollution we discard into them. Intellectually compelling, visually beautiful, this exhibition is particularly relevant at this time of rapid global changes. **Join us Saturday, October 15 at 11 am for Curator's Reception and Gallery Talk with Quilt Artist and Co-Curator Deborah Weir. This program is free to members and included in the price of admission for nonmembers.** More information about the New England Quilt Museum is available at:

www.nequiltmuseum.org

Wayside Quilters Guild Calendar 2016

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Monday, October 17, 7pm
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Workshop

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Workshop by Diana Annis of In Stitches
Subject of workshop:
Choices of batting, threads, tools & stencils
Signs ups to:
workshops@waysidequilters.org

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Outreach Mystery Quilt day.
First Baptist Church, Sudbury

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Spring 2017 Meeting Schedule

January 9, February 6, March 6,
April 3, May 1 and June 5

NOTE: Starting November our meetings move to the 1st Monday of the month.

Newsletters and "Betweens"
Deadlines: 3 days before the 1st/15th
Send submissions to Jean Konopacz at
jkonopacz@gmail.com