



Concord Piecemakers' Grapevine June 2014

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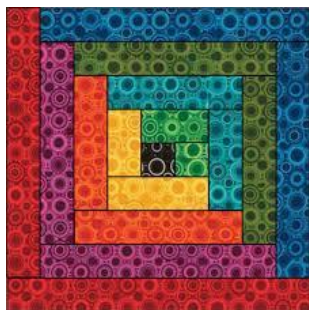
At Harvey Wheeler Center, West Concord, MA

Piecemakers' Calendar 2014

June 11, 2014
Installation of New
Officers
Ice Cream Social
Silent Auction
Show and Tell

*Things to bring to
the meeting:*

- 5 inch nickel squares
- Raffle quilt blocks
- Library books
- Pillowcases
- Name tag
- String blocks



Message from the President...

Barbara Weiss

It is our last meeting of the season before summer. I am looking forward to learning about many techniques and notions while also seeing quilts. We will also take a few minutes to install our board members. It was a pleasure viewing all Tina's quilts coupled with her humorous commentary.

Have fun with your quilting this summer and remember that the challenge is due in September. See you all at the June meeting and in the fall.

The Quilt Side

These last few weeks I have been gathering my projects for summer vacation, cutting like mad, and storing in bags. The log cabin block has come back on my radar (inspired by the Pilgrim/Roy collection) for a quilt for one grandson.

The last quilts the boys received were five years ago. They have grown more sophisticated in their taste. The second grandson's quilt will be all triangles using the 60 degree ruler.

I finished a UFO that had been sitting in my drawer for 10 years. I needed to add fused pieces to the completed background and could not figure out how until listening to Kathleen Murphy's description of Misty Fuse and the Goddess sheet. The quilt is now done with a new binding technique, also inspired by her.

Each piece of the binding matches the quilt background; desert sand, mountains and sky. It is not as hard as it sounds and gives the effect of the design bleeding out to the edge.

Sometimes what you take away from a speaker is not a specific quilt you want to replicate, but a detail that surfaces months later.

Summertime Nickel Squares & the 2015 Quilt Show

Membership

Pam Cincotta and Linda Merwin

Please welcome our newest member, **Pamela Rentschler** who joined at our meeting in May.

The winner of our free membership drawing was **Mary Barbaro**. Congratulations Mary! Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership by the May meeting.

If you have not yet registered for the 2014-2015 guild year you are late. Please do so ASAP to ensure you don't get left out of the CPM yearbook.



"Flower Patch" made by Linda Merwin.

This 38 " X 52 " quilt incorporates some nickel squares purchased at our 2013 quilt show.

Janet Crane Vitkevich

Cutting some 5 inch nickel squares from your stash is an ideal project for the summer months. You will free up storage space for new fabric if you send a small portion of your fabric trove out into the world in the form of nickel squares to be sold at the 2015 quilt show.

And, if you should happen to wander into a quilt fabric store during the summer intending "just to look" consider purchasing several fat quarters or a half yard of fabric to cut into nickel squares.

The bargain/sale fabric section of any quilt store is also a great source for future nickel squares. You can have all the fun of shopping for new fabrics without having to embark upon a new quilting project to justify their purchase.

Happy summer to all!

Wearable Arts

Cindylee Gee and Janet Altobello

Wearable Arts will be showing a new technique on a tee shirt and/or jeans.

We are still looking for someone to step up as chair for next year. To make it easier, we are suggesting that members sign up to plan a month.

Feel free to email or call Cindylee for any questions. Wearable Arts has approximately 35 members.

Would all members who have borrowed **books** from the library please **return** them at the **June** meeting as the inventory must be done during the summer. Thanks!
Librarians Sheila Macauley & Janet Rich



Concord Piecemakers' Challenge Quilt Reminder

The theme for this year's quilt challenge is A Favorite Place.

The requirements of the challenge are:

- it is not to exceed 100" in perimeter, and
- you must use one of the two fabrics provided by the Programs committee.

Bring in your challenge quilts to the **September** meeting.

Quilt Show 2015

Sharon Perko and Suzanne Knight

Sign-up sheets for **basket groups** will be available at the June meeting near the membership table.

Choices include:

- (1) Form your own group/select your theme
- (2) Random assignment – we'll assign you over the summer
- (3) Individual contributor of an item or two to a variety of baskets.

Do you want to become more active in the quilt show and wish to head up a committee or just have a question? Call or email us.

Programs

Linda Merwin and Lola Chaisson

Our program this month is an **Ice Cream Social** and **Sharing Circles**. Bring your usual good cheer, your sweet tooth!, and an item or two to share with your circle, such as a favorite quilting tool or technique, a first quilt or family heirloom, or a favorite blog. In other words, anything related to quilting is perfect to bring. We'll end our meeting with our regular show and tell.

Silent Auction

During our June program we will also have a silent auction going at the same time. Those of you who have submitted item descriptions to Sue Lee for auction, don't forget to bring them. For the rest of us, bring your check books and get ready to have some fun!

More Before

Maura Cain

Do you have a technique, ruler, or gadget that you are enthusiastic about and can demonstrate to members before a meeting?

We would like to line up member demos for the fall. Please contact Maura Cain with ideas.

Summer 2014 Quilt Shows

Vermont Quilt Festival (vqf.org) at Champlain Valley Expo, Essex Junction June 26 -29

Maine Quilts at Augusta Civic Center, July 25-27

World Quilt Show New England/Mancuso (quiltfest.com), Manchester, NH August 14-17

Art Quilts at Whistler House Museum, Lowell, MA August 20-September 20

Theme-How Does your Garden Grow?

If you are going to the Vermont Quilt Festival June 27-29, be sure to look for CPM member Jenny Johnston's quilt!

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See us at:
www.concordpiecemakers.org

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