

Concord Piecemakers

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President's Message

Barbara Kozenko

Happy Spring Concord Piecemakers. This is my favorite season by far. I hope you are all enjoying this lovely weather. I certainly am. And it makes me want to do others things that I enjoy. Like piecing together a quilt top!

I really liked Rosemary Hoffenberg's presentation last month. Being a very traditional quilter myself, she really helped me see outside the block. It's really intriguing to see how many interpretations there are to "quilting".

I have a few reminders for everyone...

- Don't forget to piece together the paper pieced blocks for the raffle quilt and hand them back to Joy Sussman at the April meeting. From the examples that were made up, this promises to be a stunning quilt. I can't wait to see it all together!
- And it is that time again to get your dues in. They are officially due at the May meeting, but why not beat the rush and pay in April. You also have the option of mailing it in if you prefer.

April 21st is our very first "Open Sew" over at Newbury Court in Concord next to Emerson Hospital. I am looking forward to attending. I am so inspired by all of your creations and the only thing I like more than quilting is quilting with others that enjoy it as much as I do.

See you at the April 18th meeting.

Meeting: April 18, 2012 at 7:30 Harvey Wheeler Center

Marla Richmond

Speaker: Sue Pelland

Sue Pelland learned to quilt at her mama's knee at the tender age of 12. Since then she has worked on helping quilters do easy, fast quilts. Her appliqué method includes rulers that produce leaves, flowers, etc. when attacked by a rotary cutter. Her method is easy and makes us look good. Her tools will be available for purchase at the meeting.

Don't forget your name tag for your raffle ticket!

Meeting: Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at the Harvey Wheeler Center

Annual Meeting, Election of Officers

Speaker: Our own Eloise Newell from the Restoration Project; The Steps of Upholstery

The annual meeting will present the proposed budget for 2012-2013.

Eloise Newell will discuss how upholstery is done, from idea to finished project. She has worked for years with The Restoration Project, a program teaching and encouraging those in need of training to support themselves by restoring furniture. Both old, loved furniture and young lives are restored. This should be a most motivating lecture.

Programs for 2012-2013

Marla Richmond, Linda Merwin, and Lola Chaisson

Your Program Committee has been working away on plans for next year. If you need more reason to get your membership dues in now, how about:

October: Susan Carlson with workshop

November: Pat Delaney with workshop

January: A tour of member workshops from the comfort of your seat at the Harvey Wheeler Center

February: In-house workshops taught by guild members as well as our annual Quiltathon

March: Marianne Hatton

April: Dianne Hire with workshop

Looks like an exciting year! More will be announced in May.

CPM OPEN SEW

Linda Merwin, Tina van Roggen, Suzanne Knight, and Laurie LaConte

Do you yearn for more *Getaways*? Then join CPM as we have an Open Sew on one Saturday a month. We would like this to be a "neighborly" sew for CPM and our friends. Shirley Weinberg has graciously managed to secure a large room at Newbury Court for us to use but please do not email her with questions.

Dates: The dates scheduled are: April 21, May 5, June 16 and July 21. After those dates, we hope to continue the schedule to a third Saturday of the month.

Time: 9:30-4:30. Come late or leave early - your choice.

Cost: "Donations" will go to Newbury Court to pay for maintenance (moving tables and chairs), electricity, and if any is left over, for a treat for the residents at the end of the year. We will use a sliding scale depending on how many attend of \$3 - \$10 (or more if you see fit).

Facility/Set-up: We will have tables (long and mostly round) set up, but if many people come, we will have to share space and it may not be as "perfect" as it is at the Getaway. If you prefer your own sewing surface, feel free to bring that. You will need to bring extension cords and any extra lights you require although there are overhead fluorescent lights and a wall of windows on one end of the room. The room can be cool, so dress accordingly. There is a bathroom and a full kitchen to store/heat your lunch but you will need to bring your own plates, cups and utensils.

Location: Newbury Court North (Next to Emerson Hospital)
 McKay Hall
 80 Deaconess Road, Concord

Directions: Take the first left after the entrance to Emerson Hospital onto Deaconess - a dead end street with a circle at the end. The Chapel is on the far side of the circle and McKay hall is under the Chapel. Use the walkway along the left side of the building (downhill) and take the first entrance on your right. It is all roller-cart friendly!

Parking: Adjacent to the circle or, if full, park in the large lot you passed on the right on Deaconess Road -- and walk a little farther. (Please respect the Handicapped and Reserved spots.)

Hosts: We will have a rotating host every month to collect the money, come early to be sure the room is set up, and stay a bit late to make sure the room and kitchen are left in a presentable condition. If you can be a host, please sign up when you are there. We currently have a host for April 21st and May 5th.

Questions: You can email the following - Linda Merwin, Tina van Roggen, Suzanne Knight, or Laurie LaConte.

Raffle Quilt

Joy Sussman

Remember that all blocks should be completed and returned at this meeting. Can't wait to see it all together!

Outreach

Kristin Bartelson

I received 33 quilts at the March meeting. Thank you to everyone who took quilts home from the Quiltathon to finish them. I am amazed at the work our guild does! You are an awesome group and I am enjoying seeing the quilts you make for charity! I have a quilt put aside for Picnic in the Park and if someone is interested in running a raffle table with it, let me know.

String Blocks

Maura Cain and Susan Monsegur

We are always collecting any string blocks you have made using yellow-centered strips (or red if there are still some out there). There will be more muslin squares, yellow strips, and extra fabric on the table at the next meeting. Please bring in your blocks and take some more!

Membership

Carol Hartman

It is time to renew your Concord Piecemakers membership for the 2012-2013 season. This is due by May 31, our year end. You can bring a completed form along with a check for \$25.00 to the next meeting or drop it in the mail (\$15.00 for associate membership.) Fill out the photo release section along with your signature and note any change to your address, phone or email. Thanks for taking care of this!

At the April meeting, please wear your name badges in order to be included in our monthly raffle.

Pillowcases

Maura Cain

If you fun fabric in your stash and have a few minutes please think about making a pillowcase, there is always a need for them.

Wearables

Susan Monsegur

Susan Monsegur is considering taking on another position in Concord Piecemakers and would like to know if anyone (or several people) are interested in chairing the Wearables group. Susan's email address can be located in the Yearbook.

The next Wearables meetings for this year will be held on Saturday April 28 and Saturday May 19. They start at 9:30 at Newbury Court (in McKay Hall) 80 Deaconess Road, Concord and end about 11:30.

Deaconess Road is the first left after the entrance to Emerson Hospital. It is a dead end street with a circle at the end. There is parking adjacent to the circle. (Please do not park in handicapped spots). If full, you may also park in the large lot you passed on the right on Deaconess Road -- and walk a little farther.

You will see the Chapel situated at the end of the buildings on the far side of the circle. Our meeting place is McKay Hall, under the Chapel. Take the walkway along the left side of the building, downhill, and then to your right for entrance to McKay Hall.

Library

Sheila Macauley
Janet Rich

Would all members return any books that have been borrowed for longer than 3 months? We have a few members who cannot find their borrowed books so I am asking you to please check under your beds and under the couch! They might be hiding there

Comfort Quilts

Joy Sussman

We have a new batch of quilts to tie and will be meeting the first and third Mondays at 1 pm at Joy Sussman's house. All are welcome.

Concord Piecemakers Membership Registration

Dues: \$25.00. According to our by-laws, "Dues are payable by the Annual Meeting".

If you wish to be an Associate member check here _____ . Associate membership dues are \$15.00.

Associate membership is available at a reduced fee for those who do not plan to attend meetings. Associate members will be included in the yearbook under that title, receive the monthly newsletters and email as long as they have a current email address, and receive any discounts offered to guild members. Associate members may enter quilts in the guild's bi-annual quilt show if space is available. They may attend a meeting by paying the guest fee as long as space is available. Associate members will have no voting rights on guild business.

Make check payable to Concord Piecemakers and return it with this form at the annual meeting in May.

--OR--

Dues and the form may be mailed to the Membership Chair, c/o Concord Piecemakers, PO Box 1381, Concord, MA 01742-1381

Please print clearly.

Name _____

Photo Release: Please check one:

- I give the Concord Piecemakers Guild permission to post photograph(s) of me and/or my quilts on the Concord Piecemakers website or other publications.
- I do not give the Concord Piecemakers Guild permission to post photograph(s) of me and/or my quilts on the Concord Piecemakers website or other publications.

Signed _____

ONLY fill in the following information if it has changed from last year's yearbook or if you are a new member.

Street _____ P.O. Box _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail. Please print clearly _____