

CONCORD PIECEMAKERS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Barbara Kozenko

Well, we made it to the New Year!! I hope the holiday celebrations brought you peace and happiness. And now we forge ahead into 2012. We're just days away from the Getaway. I'm getting very excited and piling up my UFOs and have every intention of coming home with many finished quilt tops. The Getaway is a great opportunity to get some serious quilting done and to put together a comfort quilt top too for our February Quiltathon! Then a few days later we have our monthly meeting with our very own Jessica Leger as our speaker. You know it's going to be entertaining! And while you're there, take a look in the hallways. Yup, our quilts are hanging there. It's quite an honor to be asked to display our works there; and great advertisement for the guild. And that party we didn't have in Dec; we're going to party hardy all the more at our June meeting!

MEETING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18th AT 7:30 PM

at the Harvey Wheeler Center, Concord

Come early, catch up with fellow members, and check out the tables

PROGRAM

Marla Richmond

Our own Jessica Leger will speak on "How to Become a Selvedge Queen"

Jessica, the queen of the wild and crazy jackets, will give a lecture on how she became the quilter she is. She will even allow some of us to try on her jackets!

Come see how you, too, can become a Selvedge Queen

More Before Demo at the January meeting

Susan Monsegur will demonstrate how to use the Go! Cutter to cut fabric into specific shapes. Susan has the following dies: 2.5" strip die, a circle die (2", 3", 5" circles), a feather (1 7/16" x 2 3/4") and teardrop (1 3/8" x 2 7/16) die, and a 4.5" square, a 2.5" square, and a half-square triangle die that when sewn makes a 2" square. If anyone would like Susan to demo using their fabric (and therefore get their shapes perfectly cut), please bring in your fabric to cut.

QUILTATHON

Sue Colwell, Fay Martin, Nanette Moffa, Susan Ostberg, Jan Wilhelm, Joanne Williamson

SAVE THE DATE!

When: Feb 25, 2012 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Where: St. Matthews Church, 435 Central Street, Acton

In February, our monthly meeting is the Quiltathon when we gather to make quilts for those in homeless shelters, cancer patients, and others in need of comfort. Quilts that are not finished on that day are taken by the comfort quilt groups to be completed during the year. Although we are all very busy right now with holiday plans and gift making, please take some time to mark your calendar and start to plan the quilt tops you can make after the holidays are over.

MEMBERSHIP

Carol Hartman

Please wear your name badges in order to participate in the drawing each month.

RAFFLE QUILT FOR THE NEXT QUILT SHOW

Joy Sussman

Raffle quilt -- the new one!

Remember to bring ideas to the Getaway so we can make a decision.

OUTREACH

Scena Proodian

Happy New Year to everyone! There may be a surprise for you at Harvey Wheeler. Check the hallways before or after the next meeting. I pulled two quilts from the Comfort Quilt inventory, added hanging sleeves and gave them to Joy Sussman for the quilt display. See if one of them is yours! And...thanks in advance for your support in this effort.

Not much activity last month....one quilt was given to St. John's Church for a fund raising raffle. Just recently, I have received requests for the Emerson Bethke Center and for a member's relative who is ill. Please remember to let me know if you know someone who needs our special comfort.

I must let you know that the Comfort Quilt inventory is very low at this time. I realize that next month is the Quiltathon...but if you have any quilts for the inventory please bring them to the January meeting. See you then!!!!

PILLOWCASES

Maura Cain

162 pillowcases were donated in 2011, thank you. Keep them coming, there is always a need for them.

STRING BLOCKS

Maura Cain and Susan Monsegur

Please finish and bring to the meeting any string blocks you have so we can assemble them into a quilt for the quiltathon in February. We will also have more muslin and yellow-centered strips at the January meeting for anyone who would like to make more.

WEARABLES

Susan Monsegur

The Wearables group will meet on January 21 and February 11 at 9:30 a.m. at 100 Newbury Court, Concord. It's the first left behind Emerson Hospital. All are welcome.

WEBSITE TO CHECK OUT

www.quilterstv.com

TIP OF THE MONTH

Susan Birse

At quilt shows, when you need to put your contact information on tickets for raffle quilts, etc. don't spend time handwriting each ticket, just bring along your return address labels and stick them on.