

Concord Piecemakers

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President's Message

Barbara Kozenko

It seems like yesterday we were just breaking from the grips of winter and here it is May already. I cannot believe that I've been your President for almost a year. Time certainly has flown by. It's been my honor to serve the guild and a pleasure to work with my fellow Executive Committee Members. I am pleased that they wish to continue on with me. Barbara Weiss as Vice President, Kitty Shaw as Treasurer, Suzanne Knight as Secretary and Darlene Butler as Historian.

Next we vote on the budget. As our Treasurer, Kitty has taken good care of us and there are few changes from last year. Why mess with a good thing!

I do have a plea to the guild. There are some positions that need to be filled. We need someone to Chair Communications. Basically editing the Newsletter and attending the board meetings. Kathy O'Toole has graciously filled in and will continue on keeping up the Website, but we need someone to take on the position.

There is also the Yard Sale in September. We need someone to run that. It's important to our Guild. This generates over \$2,000 in revenue. We are very open to having a group of people running the Yard Sale. And typically, we have spent long hours the night before sorting through all that's been donated. But, with the church willing to give us storage space, there's no reason why we cannot get a jump start on things and sort through what we have beforehand making the job much easier. Think about it!

See you at the May 16th meeting.

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

Linda Merwin

Annual Meeting, Election of Officers, and presentation of our Challenge Quilts

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.

Challenge Quilt

Elana Schreibner

Make it for "me". That is the subject of this year's challenge for Concord Piecemakers. I hope you are just about finished with yours so you can show it on May 16th. I have mine layered and have started quilting it. I will quilt it all over as I work so that I can bind it by the 16th and finish the quilting later or use it as is. My additional challenge for myself was to have it finished by then because I often get the top done and that is it before I start making a quilt for another reason. I needed this challenge to do this quilt "Just for me!"

Quilt Show

Kristin Bartelson

Even though the quilt show is over a year away, please start to think of what you would like to put in the show. We would like to sell nickel squares again and hope you would consider cutting your excess fabric into 5" squares when you are working on a project. I would like to find someone who is willing to chair this position. It would be great to start collecting fabric in the fall.

Let me know if you are interested.

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: 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

The raffle quilt is being constructed and is coming along beautifully. Hopefully it will be quilted before the summer!

Outreach

Kristin Bartelson

I would like to thank everyone who has returned the comfort quilts they took home from the Quiltathon and will collect the others as they are completed. Please let me know of any one or any organization that you feel may benefit from a quilt.

String Blocks

Maura Cain and Susan Monsegur

We just finished putting together a 30 string-block quilt top. Please keep those string blocks coming!

Membership

Carol Hartman

This is a reminder that your membership renewal is due at the May meeting. Print the registration form and mail it or come to the meeting and sign up there. Please answer the photo release question and provide any new personal information. Attendance has been up at our meetings and our programs next year are outstanding. Thanks to all the members that have responded with their dues.

Don't forget to wear your name badges in order to participate in our raffle.

Pillowcases

Maura Cain

Please bring in your finished pillowcases. If you are interested in volunteering for ConKerr, give me a call. I recently spent an afternoon at Children's Hospital and had a great time sewing pillowcases with the kids, very rewarding.

Wearables

Susan Monsegur

The next Wearables meeting will be held on Saturday May 19 at 9:30 at Newbury Court in Concord.

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 _____