

CONCORD PIECEMAKERS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Barbara Kozenko

Hello Concord Piecemakers.

Fall is in the air. What a lovely time of year. The temperatures are cooler, the gardens have been harvested, and it makes me want to dive back into quilt making, big time! Have you picked what classes to take at The Gathering? I have. But, before we go there, we have our own show to get through first! I am very excited that the show is just weeks away. It's going to be amazing! It feels great to be watching everyone get together to make the show come alive. Get out your comfy shoes and get ready for the show. It's a great way to get to know your fellow members a little better and to have lots of fun too!

See you at the October meeting!

MEETING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19th AT 7:30 PM

at the Harvey Wheeler Center, Concord

Come early, socialize, and take a look at the items and information on the tables.

PROGRAM

Marla Richmond

Nancy is an early member of Quilters Connection and an art quilter par excellence! She will show a power point presentation of some of her work including newer, recently completed pieces. Check out her website for some of her work. www.nancycrasco.com

WORKSHOP

Marci L. Baker will teach ABC-3D Honeycomb Waffle/Hollow Cube Quilt

Friday, November 18, 2011, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
St. John's Lutheran Church, 15 Great Road, Sudbury
Cost: \$25.00

Class Description: Wow! You can make an impressive 3-dimensional optical illusion with simple value selections, once you know the trick. Build the blocks using the strip-piecing method, so it's fast, too! In fact, it is easy

enough for a confident beginner. Join our class and see how your blocks stack up!

Sign up at the September or October meeting. Space is limited! We will have samples of Marci's quilts at the meetings. Your check secures your place.

QUILT SHOW

Sue Lee and the Planning Team: Kristen Bartelson, SuzAnne Weisenbloom, Barbara Weiss, Suzanne Knight

Plans are coming together and the show will be great!

If you have any thoughts or comments, please let me know soon. I will not be on the computer from Friday until next Tuesday (son's wedding), so window is getting smaller for finalizing details.

Thanks to the many who are helping in so many areas.

Two and 1/2-week countdown!
Concord Piecemakers Basket of Quilts Show 2011
Friday, October 21 (10:00 AM - 8:00 PM)
Saturday, October 22 (10:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

Plans are coming together for our great quilt show, but there are still lots of tasks to be done, and many ways in which you can help.

VOLUNTEERS:

We are ready to go except for one important part of this great show -- **YOU!!** Many members have already signed up to volunteer at the show, but there are many of you who have not had this opportunity. **WE NEED YOU!** There are still many slots open that we would be happy to fill in with your name. And your fellow members who are chairing a function, and are ready to cover the empty slots, would love to have a break. So please, if you have not signed up yet, call or email a function/committee chair, or email Sue Lee, who is keeping a master list of all committees and the times yet to be covered.

Make sure you are among those we can say helped make this a great show -- from site set-up on Wednesday night, show set up all day Thursday, show volunteers on Friday and Saturday, and clean-up after 4:00 PM Saturday.

USED BOOKS AND MAGAZINES:

If you are sorting your books and magazines, before you throw them out, please donate them to our table. We will offer magazines for \$0.50 and books ranging from \$1.00 - \$5.00. Chris Lang is in charge of this function, but your bags or boxes could be left at the church, just inside lower entrance, placed on the bench. Please make sure you write on the bag or box "For CPM Quilt Show."

MUSICIANS:

We have four musicians who will be providing music at times during the show, but we could use more. Do you play a semi-quiet instrument and would be willing to share your talent. (I mentioned semi-quiet because I play the trumpet and think of that as LOUD.) So far we have a clarinet duo, string trio, piano player, and a baroque recorder player. Email me, Sue Lee, to add to the live music ambiance.

GIFT SHOP ITEMS:

It is not too late to make something for the Gift Shop. Remember to create a double tag, list your items with count SNL1, SNL2, SNL3, etc. Check with Ellen Aron if you have questions.

COOKIE SALES:

One dozen cookies in plastic bag placed in coffee can and wrapped up in a Fat Quarter. Either provide the recipe or at least indicate whether your recipe contains nuts. Any questions, contact Donna Peterson.

VINTAGE QUILTS: Several of you have offered your vintage quilts. They must be at least 50 years old and you need to provide a printed "story" or history that explains your quilt, large enough print so visitors can read it. Each quilt must have your name pinned or safely affixed to it. Please email Sue Lee with your name, number of quilts, and approximate size of quilt of each. If I get many offers, you may be asked to limit your contributions, or be asked to sign up to supervise a separate room for these quilts. I have three small ones, one made in the 1800s and one made for me 65-plus years ago and added on as I got bigger. I am very excited about seeing other older quilts. You can bring vintage quilts to the church on Thursday 9/20 during Drop Off Registration -- 7:30 - 10:30 AM. They will be collected separately from the show quilts -- up the stair by the kitchen. Next week I will send out reminders with details about Drop-Off Registration on Thursday, October 20, from 7:30 AM - 10:30 AM. For now, though, remember that every quilt larger than 25 inches must have a sleeve, and you **must** have a label with your name secured to **every** item. (Ideally, all labels should include your name, where it was made, and the year it was made.)

Volunteer Slots still open:

Gift Shop needs: Friday:(1 person) 4-6PM, (1 person) 6-8 PM, Saturday (1 person) 10-12 AM.

White Gloves needs: Friday: (1 person) 12-2PM, (2 people) 4-6 PM, (1 person) 6-8 PM, Saturday (1 person) 12-2 PM.

Admissions needs: Friday: (2 people) 4-6 PM

Sleep-over needs 1 person for Thursday night 8 PM to 7 AM

Used Books & Magazines needs: Friday: (1 person) 12-2PM, (1 person) 6-8 PM

New = **Vintage Quilt Room:** will need 8 volunteers.

Possible need for other areas that I do not have details on:

Silent Auction: (contact Suzanne Fuller), Workers Hospitality: (contact Fay Martin),
Coffee Shop: (contact Sue Colwell).
Blessed are the Piecemakers.

SILENT AUCTION

Susanne Fuller
Suzanne Knight

Hi Members,

At the end of newsletter is the donation form for the Silent Auction with the hope that this will remind you to donate. Don't worry if your donation is small – a spool or two of thread, a pair of scissors, a stack of fat quarters. We will try to bundle small things together into a basket that makes sense, if possible. Do you have a basket you'd like to get out of your basement? Put your items in a basket and we'll take it from there. If you can put together a themed basket, that would be appreciated – bird watching, babysitters, cooking, handyman, calendar with pen and pencil and stickers, bored kids in the car... it doesn't have to be a sewing theme – be creative. Call another member or two to join with you in the effort to make a really creative and large basket.

If you want to submit your form, just to let us know what's coming, that's also fine.

How to get the items to us? You can drop them off at our houses (Susanne lives in Acton and Suzanne lives in West Concord), bring them to the next meeting and give the items to us then, or if nothing else, bring them to the church on Thursday morning when you drop off your quilts. I believe we'll be open for business during the quilt drop-off hours of (approximately 7:30 AM – 10:00 AM).

Email if you have questions...

GIFT SHOP

Ellen Aron

Concord Piecemakers will again have a gift shop during the quilt show for selling items that our members have made. Members can do one of the following: donate 100% of their profit to the guild, donate 20% to the guild and retain 80% for themselves, or donate 100% on certain items but 20% on others.

Everyone who puts items into the gift shop must list all of those items on an inventory form. An inventory form is included at the end of this newsletter. We do not price items. We cannot accept items that are not listed on the inventory form. Each item submitted must have a tag. The tag must include the alphabetic code of the person submitting the item (such as initials), the number of the line

on the inventory form for that item and its price. There is a column on the inventory form to indicate whether the item listed on that line is a donation to the guild (Y) or not (N).

Items that have been good sellers in the past are pillows, placemats, napkins, potholders, bibs, hats, small change purses, doll quilts, Christmas ornaments, sewing tool cases, glasses cases, scarfs, jewelry, and small quilts (lap or baby).

Check-in for the gift shop is from 9AM to noon on Thursday, October 20, in the “Blue Room” - which is the room to your left as you enter the church on the ground floor. The tag on every item consigned will be checked against the inventory form for code, line number and price. Please bring any display accessories (mirrors, racks, baskets, shelves, etc.) you need for your items. If you cannot be there at that time, please let me know such that we can make other arrangements.

Anyone who wishes to work a shift is welcome to sign up for that. Everyone who puts items in the gift shop is required to work a two-hour shift when the show is open to the public. Sign up with Sue Lee who has a master sign-up sheet. Any questions, please call Ellen Aron, Sue Lee, SuzAnne Weisenbloom or Kristin Bartelson.

At the end of the newsletter is the gift shop inventory form.

RAFFLE QUILT

Joy Sussman

Calling all raffle tickets to come home!! 31 of you who took tickets to sell have not returned them. Time is running out quickly.

MEMBERSHIP

Carol Hartman

We have three new members to welcome: Corrine Greene, Sharon Chandler Correnty and Leslie Vieth. Also, rejoining after being away for awhile is Mary Cornett. It is wonderful to have new friends joining us and sharing their quilts and art.

Remember to wear your nametag to be able to participate in the drawing each month.

PILLOWCASES

Maura Cain

Now that you have finished your quilt for the show and can't think of starting another big project, take a break and work on a small project – pillowcases. They

are quick and easy. Last month **23** were received. Click on the link to ConKerr for **directions**.

STRING BLOCKS

Maura Cain & Susan Monsegur

Now that we have finished our projects for the quilt show, it would be great if Piecemakers could sew their leftover fabrics strips onto muslin blocks for us to make into charity quilts for the upcoming Quiltathon in February. The muslin block should be 12" (cut); the center 2.5" strip should be either yellow (new color) or red (last year's color). After that just sew and flip any other fabric strips you have to the muslin foundation. Just trim away some of the excess but do not cut the muslin. We will do the rest. We will have some muslin blocks, center strips, and extra fabric at one of the tables at the October meeting. Please bring in your finished blocks!

DAYTIME COMFORT QUILT GROUP

Joy Sussman

Daytime Comfort Quilt group meets the third Monday of the month. We meet at my house. All are welcome.

DAYTIME MACHINE COMFORT QUILT GROUP

Eileen Ryan

First Friday Charity Quilt Group meets on the first Friday of the month at West Concord Assisted Living. In the back of the West Concord train station parking lot is a low yellow building where we meet to work on machine sewn and machine quilted charity quilts on the first Friday of each month. The residents come in and out of the bright room where we work and share the bright colors that we bring in our fabrics, completed quilts, and work projects. Come share your ideas for quick quilts and machine quilting techniques. We have lots of good ideas and lots of talent within the group. The quilts you make can be for any charity, but we ask that you work on quilts to be given away when you are there. Let me know, and I'll add you to the email list as a reminder.

TIP OF THE MONTH

Sometimes your fabric and mat are close to the same color and you have a hard time seeing the edge of the fabric on your cutting mat. Solution: just slip a two inch wide piece of white paper under the raw edge of the fabric and you will be able to line up the ruler more easily – Quilter's Newsletter Magazine

Concord Piecemakers Quilt Guild Silent Auction Donation Form

CPM Member Name:	Phone number:	Email address:
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I am donating the following item to the Silent Auction.

Item Description:

<p>\$ _____ Minimum bid</p> <p><i>(note that if the minimum is not met, you get your item back at the end of the auction.)</i></p>	<p>\$ _____ Buy-it-now price</p> <p><i>(this price allows a bidder to make sure she/he wins the auction. It is helpful to a first-day bidder who can't come back on the second day of the show to increase his/her bid in order to win the auction)</i></p>
<p>_____ I prefer to have the Silent Auction committee set a minimum bid</p>	<p>_____ I prefer to have the Silent Auction committee set a Buy-it-now price</p>
<p>_____ I do not want a minimum bid price set for this item</p>	<p>_____ I do not want a Buy-it-now price set for this item</p>

The bidding increments will be in whole dollars.

Email this form to *Suzanne Knight* (suzanneknight@comcast.net) or *Susanne Fuller* (rellufs@verizon.net)

Concord Piecemakers Quilt Show Gift Shop Inventory Form

Please attach a price tag to every item you place for sale in the gift shop. Each tag must have an alphabetical code (initials are fine - be creative if there are several people with the same initials), the selling price and the number of the line on which it appears on the inventory form(s). This enables us to track your items for sale.

Please print your name, your code and your phone number on each inventory form. List every item and its price, one on a line, in the appropriate columns. Also indicate, for each item, whether it is a donation to the guild (Y) or not (N). The shaded areas are for tracking purposes by the gift shop committee.

If you have more than twenty items, please copy this form according to your needs, adding numbers in ascending order. There should be only one of each number per code.

NAME: _____ CODE: _____ PHONE: _____	Checked in by: _____ Checked out by: _____
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