

Concord Píecemakers' Grapevíne January 2013

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Piecemakers Calendar 2012-2013

January 16, 2013 Topic: Creating Great Studio Space Speaker(s): Hear from our own members how they created their own great studio space.

January 18 - 21, 2013 Get-Away Weekend

February 23, 2013 Quiltathon

March 20, 2013 Sue Carlson Topic: Lecture and Trunk Show, Fabric Collage Quilts

March 2012 2-day Workshop Teacher: Susan Carlson Topic: Cutting Loose

April 17, 2013 Speaker: Dianne Hire Topic: "Come Play with Me!"

April 18, 2013 Workshop Teacher: Dianne Hire Topic: "Come Play with Me!"

May 15, 2013 Annual Meeting and Election of New Officers

June 12, 2013 End of Year Pot Luck

Next Meeting on Wednesday, January 16, 2013

At Harvey Wheeler Center, West Concord, MA Business Meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Message from the President...

Barbara Kozenko

Happy 2013 Concord Piecemakers!

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are ready for the winter ahead. One good thing about winter, it gives us plenty of time to quilt. Think comfort quilt tops for our Quiltathon next month!

To those that came to the December meeting.... Thanks! It was our best attended December meeting in a long time. Thankfully the weather was cooperative and having a catered dinner was a lovely change of pace. A "Big Thanks" to all the board members for bringing in the food and serving everyone. What a nice touch. And to those who brought in desserts, they were wonderful, thanks! If you missed the meeting, it was announced that we gave \$1,500 to the Quilt Museum. I am glad the guild is in the position to be able to support the Museum so generously.

This month we get to see fellow members' quilt work spaces. I am anxious to see what works for others. I could use a few tips on organizing my space. And we have our Getaway to look forward to. I can't wait!

See you at the meeting next week.

Programs

Lola Chaisson, Linda Merwin, Marla Richmond

Creating Great Studio Space

Come hear from our members how they created their own great studio space.

Listen while four of our members show slides of their studio space and talk about the steps they took to create their space and how it works for them.

Take away new ideas for creating and/or improving your own studio space.



Library

Sheila Macauley and Janet Rich

The library always welcomes book suggestions from the members. Please feel free to suggest any book that you would like to see in our library collection.

Please return all books that you have had out for 2 months or more.

Wearables Group

Ann Bonsett, Jessica Leger, Eileen Ryan

At the **January 12th** meeting Sheila Macauley will show the group how to make polymer clay buttons and beads.

There are supplies you will need to bring to the meeting, so if you are interested in joining us, please contact Eileen Ryan, Ann Bonsett, or Jessica Leger.

Getaway Weekend

Marian Bressel

January 18, 19, 20, 21

The Colonial Hotel & Conference Center 625 Betty Spring Road Gardner, MA (978) 630-2500

For last minute questions, email Marian Bressel at <u>fabritique@att.net</u> or call her (508) 655-6509.

Quiltathon

Marla Richmond and Monica Natwig

It's coming! And sooner than you think! Concord Piecemakers Annual Quiltathon! Have you started a top yet? Why not try a color way that you wouldn't use on a quilt you were keeping? Go out on a limb with a different technique you are not sure about? Just remember to have it done by February 23.

The Quiltathon will be held at St. Matthew's Church, Central Street in Acton. We have the room from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (that includes clean up). Bring a quilt top and a backing that fits it. Safety pin the two pieces together so you know your piece has a back. We are asking people to bring sewing machines to finish the quilts, and you can learn some new things like tying a quilt, "fast and dirty" quilt making, label sewing, etc. Try something different.

Lunch will be provided, but feel free to bring munchies to share.

If you are bringing a sewing machine, please inform Monica or Marla. See you there!

Piecemakers' Trivia Question

Sue Lee

Sue Lee has taken over the position of guild historian. She has been spending time going through the archives and organizing the documents. In doing so she thought it might be fun to quiz the guild members to see what they know about their organization. So, do you know **what was the original design logo for the guild?** Come to next week's meeting to learn the answer. It will also be posted in the March newsletter, as there is no newsletter in February.



Pillowcases

Maura Cain

Thank you for your donations. One hundred sixty-three (163) pillowcases were donated from Concord Piecemakers to ConKerr Cancer in 2012.

If you sent pillowcases to Newtown, CT, the goal was 700, but over 6,500 were received!

Quilt Show 2013

Kristin Bartelson and SuzAnne Weisenbloom

The 2013 Quilt Show is nine months away and we hope you are all busy making some beautiful quilts to be displayed at the show.

We will be attempting to get the entry forms submitted and pictures taken in the spring to allow the layout and design committee plenty of time to prepare for the show.

Even if you do not have the quilt finished or just the materials gathered with a plan, we would encourage you to submit a quilt entry form with the size and colors of the quilt. Once the form is submitted it is utilized by many committees to create the layout, booklet, description cards, etc. We know many of you have been very dedicated in creating some fabulous themed raffle baskets and we would like this to be completed before the guild takes a break for the summer.

Anyone not already contributing to a basket, please let us know soon so you feel included.

We are still looking for some volunteers to help out with some committees, so think about how you would like to use your strengths and interests towards the 2013 Quilt Show. We look forward to October 2013 to make the Quilt Show a huge success.

We are always open to hearing your ideas and suggestions on how to make the show fun for the entire guild.



Next Open Sew

Please join us next month on February 16, 9:30-4:30

Contact Linda Merwin, Tina van Roggen, or Suzanne Knight.

We're on the Web! See us at: www.concordpiecemakers.org

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