

Concord Píecemakers' Grapevíne October 2012

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Next Meeting on Wednesday, October 17, 2012

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

Message from the President...

Barbara Kozenko

Hello Piecemakers. First off, I have to say how great the yard sale was! Thank you Sue Lee and Cindylee Gee for heading it up and to all of you who came out to work the yard sale and help make it such a huge success. Well done!

Our September meeting was a bit different from the norm. SuzAnne & Kristin, our Quilt Show chairs, came up with the great idea of having raffle baskets at our show in 2013. Raffle baskets are very profitable at other shows so they thought we should give them a try as well.

It was exciting to walk around to all the tables and hear the great ideas that people were coming up with. So much creativity and positive energy!

Reminder, Shirley Weinberg is selling some of her books at our October meeting. Be sure to take a peek at what she has to offer.

On a side note, a colleague in Florida sent this link to me since she knows I am a quilter. Normally I wouldn't pass something like this along but it's about a quilter in Texas and I think you'll find this inspiring and moving.

http://www.youtube.com/ watch_popup?v=7lfaSmD xVZQ

Piecemakers Calendar 2012-2013 (through March)

October 17, 2012 Speaker: Speaker: Marianne Hatton Topic: Jill of all Trades, Mistress of Some, trunk show and talk

November 14, 2012 Speaker: Pat Delaney Topic: Fills, Feathers, and Fancies

December 12, 2012 Holiday Party and good oldfashioned Yankee Swap!

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

Programs

Lola Chaisson, Linda Merwin, Marla Richmond



For this month's meeting we are very happy to have **Marianne Hatton** who has an updated take on sampler quilts. The title of her talk and trunk show is "Jill of All Trades, Master of Some."

Follow the links below to read about her work. http://www.quiltviews.

com/hidden-gems-inthe-aqs-paducahteacher-line-up http://www.quiltviews. com/a-newgeneration-ofsampler-quilts-isupon-us In November we will welcome **Pat Delaney** who will convey her vocabulary of designs for machine quilting in a talk and a one day workshop.

Workshop space is limited. Please be prepared to pay \$30 at the October meeting if you hope to reserve a space for the "Fills, Feathers and Fancies" workshop on November 17th.

We will have to wait until the spring for **Susan Carlson**'s workshop, originally scheduled for this month.

Upcoming workshop

November 17, 2012, Pat Delaney

Topic: Fills, Feathers, and Fancies Time: 9 am - 3:30 pm Place: St John's Lutheran Church Acton, MA

Tired of the same old stippling? Perk up your machine quilting with a new vocabulary of designs for filling spaces and backgrounds. Heirloom quilting is done with little or no marking. You will end up with a portfolio of stitches to get your creativity flowing.

Please contact Linda Merwin if you are interested at <u>linda.merwin@gmail.com</u>

Getaway Weekend

Marian Bressel

Our **2013 Getaway** will be held Martin Luther King Weekend (Jan 12,13,14) at the Colonial Inn, Gardner, MA.

A \$25 deposit at the October Meeting will hold your reservation.

All monies are due to Marian Bressel by the end of 2012. If you have not paid by New Year's Eve, you will lose your deposit.

Membership

Carol Hartman

We would like to welcome three new members.

Cindylee Gee joined in June and already made a great contribution to the success of our recent yard sale. **Anne Fornicola** joined

us at the September meeting.

Debbie Fink joined slightly before and got her info in the yearbook. They are wearing decorated badges that you can't miss. Make them feel at home and help explain our many activities so that they can get involved.

Pick up badges (featuring Lola Chaisson's basket design) and booklets if you weren't at the September meeting.

Check off your name on the Yearbooks Taken List when receiving your copy of the new pink booklet. Also make sure your information is correct.

Please bring friends that might be interested in joining to the October 17 meeting. They won't be charged a guest fee their first time. New members bring new ideas to our guild.



Raffle Baskets

Kristin Bartelson and SuzAnne Weisenbloom

Thank you to everyone who came to the September meeting and were involved in a group to make a raffle basket for the quilt show. We hope this will be a fun group project and that you were able to meet a few new members you did not know before.

Someone suggested a group might be able to meet 10-15 minutes before our monthly meeting to touch base and share ideas. Another thought was to meet at a Saturday Open Sew in Concord and work on a group sewing project for your basket.

For anyone who was not able to be at the September meeting, members were randomly seated at round tables. These tables became a group to make a raffle basket for the quilt show. We are hoping to have the baskets completed during the May meeting. The themes that were chosen were: gardening, coffee/tea, Italian, kids, birds, Thanksgiving/fall, sewing, jelly rolls/fruit.

During the October and November meetings there will be 2 new basket ideas for those members that did not attend the September meeting. We would like everyone to get involved in making a basket, but this is voluntary.

Please sign up for an Asian theme or sports themed basket, or feel free to come up with your own ideas and start a new basket! We are hoping to have up to 12 baskets for the 2013 quilt show.

Nickel Squares

Kristin Bartelson and SuzAnne Weisenbloom

There will be a box for collecting nickel squares at each monthly meeting. Thank you to everyone who cut their squares during the last meeting.

If you brought your fabric home to cut, this is just a reminder to bring it to the October meeting. Please consider cutting any leftover quilt project material into 5" squares to be sold at next year's quilt show!



Sheila Macauley and Janet Rich

Recent books added to library:

Jelly Roll Dreams: 12 New Designs for Jelly Rolls by Pam Lintott & Nicky Lintott

Take 5: Quilts from 5 Fabrics by Kathy Brown

Skip the Borders: Easy Patterns for Modern Quilts by Julie Herman

String Fling: Scrappy, Happy and Loving it by Bonnie K. Hunter



Would those members who still have books out from last year please return them in October or there will be a fine.



Shirley's Library Collection

Shirley Weinberg

Shirley's postponed book sale will take place at the October meeting, beginning at 7PM. I am breaking up a lifetime collection of books on sewing, quilting, needlecraft, clothing, textile history, and crafts. These are all new or very lightly used and to make negotiations easy, each will be sold for \$5.



String Blocks

Is anyone is interested in taking over the String Block charity project?

It's easy. You only need to bring muslin squares to the meetings, collect the finished squares, and sew them together into a quilt top.

If interested, contact Susan Monsegur



The Gathering, November 1-3

Joy Sussman

Please think about the days you will be attending The Gathering in Manchester, NH, (note new location; link here - <u>http://www.aquiltersgathering.com/</u>) and sign up to help sell raffle tickets.

I have one person in most slots at this time but each could use some help. The dates are Nov. 1-3. Contact Joy with your availability.

Next Open Sew

Saturday, October 27 9:30-4:30

Contact Linda Merwin, Tina Ivan Roggen, or Suzanne Knight with questions.

Quilt Show 2013

Kristin Bartelson and SuzAnne Weisenbloom

Our quilt show is just a year away. We will be starting to look for people to chair different committees for next year's show.

If you have chaired a committee in the past and would like to do it again, please let us know. If there is something new you would like to try, please let us know that too.

Pillowcases

Maura Cain



Kits to make pillowcases were made from fabric selected at the yard sale. Some kits are complete and have all the pieces to make a pillowcase. Others have just the body or the cuff.

Pick one up & return your completed pillowcase at the next meeting.

Wearables Group

Ann Bonsett, Jessica Leger, Eileen Ryan

Wearables meets each month to share ideas about how to turn our quilting skills into wearable art. This month on Oct 13th, we will be discussing making patterns from ready-to-wear.

Next month, **Nov 10th**, will be a group demonstration of the uses for various sewing machine feet. If interested in joining us, please contact Eileen Ryan, Ann Bonsett, or Jessica Leger for more information.

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

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