

# Concord Piecemakers' Grapevine

June 2017

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Wednesday, June 14, 7:15 pm At Harvey Wheeler Center, West Concord, MA

## President's Message Darlene Butler

#### June 2017 Message from the President

Another June and another president and vice president. My last two years as VP have flown by and I must admit I've had a lot of fun. I've worked with old friends and made some new ones. Now I have the pleasure to act as the 2017-2018 guild president and Suzanne Knight is your new VP.

This year I have a few personal goals; get 1, maybe even 2 (small) quilts into the 2017 quilt show. Another is to start doing more of what I love and that is quilting and handcrafting all kinds of things—Pinterest here I come!

Some other goals are more guild related. My predecessors have done so much throughout the years so my goals are on the smaller side and I'll be president for one year instead of two. Hopefully with the help of some of the board members we will be able to review the bylaws, dust them off a little bit, clean them up and present them to you the members to see if they pass muster. The other is to keep steering the guild in the right direction like all those others before me and have an enjoyable, cohesive and creative guild and year.

So this summer sew, quilt, craft and knit your hearts out! Think about the quilt show and the quilts you want to finish and make, along with some nice boutique items. Remember to bring your House/Houses Challenge Quilt not to exceed 100 inches, all sides included. Also don't forget to bring a dessert or sweet something to celebrate our last meeting before summer. Have a wonderful summer and see you in September.

### Programs

Piecemakers' Calendar 2017 Jun 14 - Year End Meeting Sep 27 – Lynne Tyler Oct 13-14 - Biennial Quilt Show Oct 18 – Kathy Graves Nov 15 – Marge Tucker Dec 13 - Holiday Party	<ul> <li>Please Bring a Dessert or Sweet Something for Our June Celebration Meeting.</li> <li>June 14 – Quilting Studios</li> <li>Have you ever wondered what other members' studios look like? Can anyone be as messy as you are? Well, wonder no more. We will go on an imaginary bus trip to four Piecemakers' studios, see pictures and have the owner discuss how she works. Good for some laughs and you just may learn something! Keep an open mind. You may be next!</li> </ul>
Things to bring to the meeting: ✓ LIBRARY BOOKS! ✓ DESSERT ✓ NAMETAGS ✓ NICKEL SQUARES ✓ PILLOWCASES ✓ MEMBERSHIP FORMS ✓ CHALLENGE QUILTS	A reminder from your librarians, Sharon and Judy - All outstanding library books are due at the June meeting. We will be taking the book inventory on Friday, June 23, starting at 10 o'clock.

#### Quilt Show News -June 2017 Barbara Weiss

Two things this month and into the summer: Please finish your quilts and register them before September 1. After this deadline no more quilts will be accepted. Plan to sign up to participate on committees at the June meeting. Two different slots per day would be great. Barbara W., Joy S., Pam C., Kathy B.

#### Membership Cassy Bosworth

Welcome to our newest members! Joelle Arvin, Tresa Jones, Carol MacFarlane and Ellen Mueller. We are looking forward to learning about their quilting experience.

Members who have not yet renewed their dues, please do so by the June meeting. The dues for the 2017-2018 year are: Full membership \$25 and Associate membership \$15.

You may download a registration form from the website <u>concordpiecemakers.org</u> or pick one up at the membership table. Payment may also be made by sending your completed registration form and check to:

Membership Chair c/o Concord Piecemakers PO Box 1381, Concord, MA 01742-1381. Membership is required to submit a quilt for the quilt show



Lola Chaisson and Kathy McIsaac

### Birds, Birds, Birds! with Lynne Tyler

## Workshop, Saturday, Sept. 30, 9:00-3:30, St. John's Lutheran Church, Sudbury

Come spend a day with Lynne Tyler and learn how to make your own flock of improvisationally pieced birds. Learn new ways to look at your fabrics in order to create birds with attitude and wings that sing. Expect to finish 3-4 unique birds (left and right facing) while exploring options to share their individual stories, physical attributes, and personalities. Once you make your first bird, you are off to the races. It's great fun and very addictive. Class will also include information on ways to use your birds in a quilt (even tote bags or pillows). For more Bird Inspiration, check out Lynne's blog: http://patcherymenagerie.blogspot.com/2016/01/the-last-bird.html



#### Fee: \$45

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT: \$40 (Get your registration and check to Carol MacFarlane by JUNE 30<sup>th</sup> for this great discount.)

We will open the class to other guilds on August 1<sup>st</sup>, so don't hesitate. Register now!

Five Good Reasons to take this class:

- 1. You will learn a new technique (and unexpected tips & tidbits as well).
- 2. You will be able to express yourself through the birds you create.
- 3. You can create with them a new quilt, tote bag, or pillow.
- 4. You get to hang out with old friends and make new friends.
- 5. You get to spend the entire day with fabric and your sewing machine—free from household chores!

To register: Sign up at our June 14 meeting and bring you checkbook! Or contact Carol, Program Chair, at <u>carolmacfarlane@gmail.com</u>. Your check will guarantee your spot!