

CONCORD PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER

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Wednesday June 8, 2022 In-Person Meeting

6:45 PM Socializing, 7:15 PM Meeting

Program: – Creating Quilts for Ukraine / Ice Cream Social (in the parking lot)

We will bring our blue and yellow quilt blocks (3 1/2", 6 1/2" or 9 1/2" square blocks) to the meeting and work together to arrange them into pleasing quilt tops. (The sewing, both piecing and quilting, will be done later by volunteers.) There are various organizations that collect these to send to Ukrainian refugees.

And the Guild Challenge – Lone/Round Robin quilts shall be revealed in our show and tell.

Then we will adjourn to the parking lot for our ice cream social. Bring an appetite!

The President's Message

Marian Bressel

Now we begin our seemingly long respite from guild meetings, either in person or on Zoom. The lone/round robins are completed (can't wait to see what everyone has come up with), officers elected for next year, program planning well along, dues paid for next year (hint, hint). But behind the scenes, with very little respite, the quilt show committee is hard at work preparing for our show. There are still openings to be filled. It may take a village to raise a child, but it surely takes the whole guild to mount our show. Working at the show is a wonderful way to get to know your fellow members. Our show is known for its creativity and the lovely way it is staged. Please be generous with your time. And have a creative summer. See you in September.

Marian Bressel

Food for thought: as the prices for everything are going up, we find that a raise in dues will probably be necessary beginning next fiscal year (June, 2023). The board is proposing a \$5.00 increase, to \$35.00. As in the past, if someone cannot afford the dues, there are anonymous scholarships available.

Special Project – Carol MacFarlane and Gayle Coit

Please join us in a new project to aid the people of Ukraine during this terrible time of war. We ask that every guild member make blocks either 3", 6" or 9" finished (3 1/2", 6 1/2" and 9 1/2" unfinished) using the colors of their flag (See below) in various values.

We will collect these blocks at our meeting on June 8th and arrange them into pleasing designs at the meeting. Various guild members have volunteered to piece them and quilt them. So go to your stash and/or buy some fat quarters and let's get started. Any block will do—log cabins, four patch, nine patch, friendship star, pinwheel, whatever!

If you can't make it to the June 8th meeting, please arrange to drop them off with a fellow member or contact Carol or Gayle. Thank you.



Membership

Lola Chaisson and Robin DeMott

53 members have rejoined to date! If you haven't paid your dues, please submit them now. Full membership is \$30 and Associate membership is \$15. You may download a membership form from the website concordpiecemakers.org or use the form that was emailed in April. Please make sure to update any address or email changes for the new membership book. Payment should be made by sending your completed registration form and check to: Membership Chair c/o Concord Piecemakers PO Box 1381, Concord, MA 01742-1381.

Please be prompt as late submissions run the risk of being excluded from the membership book and make more work for the Membership chair during the summer.

ZoomBees



Improv ZoomBee Tuesday afternoons, 1:30 - 3:30 PM

If you have questions about this ZoomBee, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

Lone/Round Robin ZoomBee 2nd Wednesday Evening Monthly, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

If you have questions about this ZoomBee, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

Sit and Sew ZoomBee Thursday morning, 10:00 AM - 12 Noon

If you have questions about this ZoomBee, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

Block of the Month ZoomBee Friday Morning, 10:30 AM - 12 Noon

If you have questions about this ZoomBee, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

The Friday ZoomBee group is changing to a pick your own block of the month and get together and sew on Fridays. Most people have finished the Bonnie Hunter winter mystery quilt. Come join in and let's quilt together.

September 2022 Workshop

Carol MacFarlane, Gayle Coit

Unmarked—Contemporary Walking Foot Quilting with Marge Tucker

Saturday, September 24th, 9:00 to 3:30

Cost: Early Bird Discount - \$65 if received by June 30, \$75 if received after June 30

Please make checks out to Concord Piecemakers and mail to Carol MacFarlane (please see address in your guild membership book), or better yet, hand directly to her at our June meeting. We'll open this class to other guilds on July 1st, so register now as space is limited.

Questions? Contact Carol.

You can do so much innovative quilting JUST with your walking foot! I will show you my method of quilting with your walking foot that involves little or no marking but still results in spectacular quilting.

I start with the basics, such as batting choices, thread, needles and how to secure the quilting stitches. Then, we start quilting with straight lines and move to curved quilting lines and spirals on your practice quilt sandwiches. For both the straight line and curved quilting, I will show you many designs and variations you can use to great effect. I will also have some of my quilts as examples, including "Burst" which received the award Best Machine Quilting (Frameless) at QuiltCon 2019. This class will change the way you think about your walking foot!



Guild Challenge – Lone/Round Robin

Elana Schreiber, Sally Duscha

Medallion quilts will be revealed Wednesday, June 8th at our meeting. Come see how members interpreted the design clues, chose new fabrics and pulled the elements together. The clues for the borders have been: square, triangle, cross, circle and wildcard. As you can imagine there is lots of scope for interpretation and artistry. Come see our medallion quilts!

CPM Quilt Show - November 4-5, 2022

Joy Sussman, Barbara Weiss, Suzanne Knight, Gayle Coit and Sally Duscha

What can you do now?

Pick up your quilt registration packet at the meeting (or check out the website),

Choose your favorite show job and sign up at the meeting,

Save yogurt containers big enough to hold a dozen cookies and bring to the meeting or Suzanne Knight's house,

Set aside some books and/or fabric to sell at the show,

Make something to sell at the boutique,

Keep cutting 5-inch squares,

FINISH your quilt now so you have energy to volunteer at the show.

Dates to remember:

September 15 registration deadline

October 20th withdrawal deadline

Have a super summer sewing!

For more information contact Barbara Weiss, Joy Sussman, Suzanne Knight, Gayle Boozer Coit, or Sally Duscha.

***Quilt Show bookmarks will be available for pickup at next week's meeting. Please be sure to pick up a few to share over the summer with likely visitors. We'll focus on shops, etc. closer to the show.

Thanks, Donna M-O

Comfort Quilts

Eileen Ryan

Kits for black and white special nursery mats will be available at the June meeting. Please look at your brights and I spy fabrics for some quick kid quilts. You know you love to make them and we need them! You can call for batting and labels anytime and I'll be happy to pick up comfort quilts any time.



Rosie's Place

Katheen Mclsaac

Another call for toiletries for Rosie's... Something else that would be gratefully received is Toothpaste. That would complete some of the unfinished Care Packages they have been collecting. Just drop them off in the bin at our next meeting.

Household Goods Sewing Kits

Suzanne Knight and Tina van Roggen

Sewing kit supplies are always welcome. Drop them off at Tina's or Suzanne Knight's.

And before we break for the summer....
Some things to look forward to when we meet again!!

Looking Ahead — We already have some great presentations and workshops planned for next year! It's not too early to mark your calendars. -Carol and Gayle

Program for 2022-23

September 21—Marge Tucker
Improv and Abstractions in Antique Quilts
October 19—Kathie Beltz
Secrets from the Judge's Chambers
November 16—Tina Craig
EPP vs. FPP: The Showdown
December 13—via Zoom TBD
January 18—via Zoom TBD
Feb. 15—via Zoom TBD
March 15—via Zoom TBD
April 19—in person TBD
May 17—Barbara Weis—Trunk Show
June 14—In person, Ice Cream Social

Workshops (All on Saturdays)

Sept. 24—Marge Tucker
Nov. 19—Michelle Banton, Gemstones
March 4—Pat Delaney
Building a visual vocabulary (100 free motion quilting patterns)

Have a great summer everyone!

