

CONCORD PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD
JUNE 2024 NEWSLETTER
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Editor: Barbara Kozenko

Wednesday June 12, 2024 [In Person/Zoom \(Hybrid\)](#) Meeting
6:45 PM Socializing, 7:15 PM Meeting

If you'd like to attend our guild meeting or visit virtually, please contact membership@concordpiecemakers.org

Programs: – Nickel Squares and Ice Cream!

We're playing with fabric at our next meeting! Hurray! We are cutting nickel squares so please bring mats, rulers, rotary cutters, and if you wish, fabric. Sally will also have fabric, books about nickel squares, nickel squares packs for sale and her heart quilt top. What are nickel squares? 5-inch squares. Get it?

And once we've cut up some nickel squares, we get to celebrate with ice cream to kick off our summer break!

Membership

Robin DeMott and Lola Chaisson

Dues for 2024-2025 are due now. Full membership is \$35 and Associate membership is \$20. 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.

New Feature: For your convenience, we now accept credit cards for membership fees.

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.

The President's Message

Donna Morales-Oemig

Summer time is nearly upon us. This month's meeting is a casual party where we'll work on Nickel Squares then enjoy some ice cream before the break. Or is it a break? We have Open Sew opportunities every second Saturday again, plus the Summer Mystery Quilt will start soon. This Saturday is also another Sewathon opportunity where people can work on Comfort Quilts. We're planning future dates that won't conflict with the Open Sew which will give even more chances to meet for a day of quilting. The weekly Zooms are still available for anyone who wants to participate, too.

All of these opportunities are great for working on your quilts for the upcoming Show. Like I said last month, I urge everyone to submit at least one quilt. If you've never exhibited in a show, there is nothing like turning a corner to see your work hanging up for everyone's enjoyment. We are often too critical of our work and see every perceived flaw. When a quilt is in a show, it's art, pure and simple. I always commit at least one quilt to a guild show. It's a promise that I finish something and helps make sure the show can go on. Please do enter your work and help us all put on another wonderful show.

See you next week at the HWCC. Then, enjoy the summer.

Happy Quilting,

Donna M-O

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## Library

Moira Ten-Hove

Library Inventory Time — Return All Books at the June 12 Meeting.

We will be doing our annual inventory and cull on **Thursday, June 20 10-12** in the Clock Tower Room at Harvey Wheeler Community Center.

Please Help us decide what to keep — we only have so much room — and where we have holes to fill!

To encourage your help, volunteers get:

- first refusal on deaccessioned titles
- summer check out privileges

Sign up at the Library Table on June 12 or text or email Moira Ten-Hove.

## Quilt show - October 18th and 19th, 2024

Important Points from the Quilt Show Committee:

- Raffle Baskets—We need everyone to participate. Please add something to one or more of the raffle baskets. The descriptions and the member organizing each basket are spelled out in a separate article.
- Please bring any books and magazines that you are donating to the June meeting.
- Start saving quart sized containers for the cookie sale.
- Please bring measured fabric donations to the June meeting.
- If you have finished your quilt, please submit the registration form ASAP. Carol Duff would really appreciate it. We do not want to overwhelm the system (our volunteer!) by waiting until the last minute. Let's keep a steady flow of registrations coming in.
- Instructions for registering your quilts without using a printer and scanner can be found on the website or in an email sent out by Carol Duff on May 24th. This is the easiest and quickest way to submit registration forms and photos. Make sure they are both on the same email.
- Demonstration Room—We will be looking for members to demonstrate some technique, an idea you have, or simply showing others how you do what you do best. Speak to someone on the quilt show committee.
- Boutique—The website now has instructions for making boutique items.

Your Quilt Show Committee--

Gayle Coit, Sally Duscha, Carol MacFarlane, Joan Kerpelman

## Membership Raffle Quilt Tickets

Mary Jalenak

Please pick up your raffle tickets at the June meeting to sell over the summer. This will save the expense of mailing them to you. More tickets are also available by contacting Mary at (see membership book for her email address).



## Raffle Baskets for the Quilt Show

Please, continue contributing to these themed baskets:

Breakfast---Tina van Roggen

Chocolate---Suzanne Knight (Suzanne checked to make sure 1,000-piece Chocolate puzzle had all its pieces by doing it!)

Fall---Barbra Barton

Halloween---Beth Nadel Dorfman

Let's Play---Sally Duscha

Dreaming of Summer---Sally Duscha

New England Quilt Museum membership---Martha Supnik

Notions plus batiks---Barbara Weiss

Sashiko---Marian Bressel

Book---Molly Eberle

Other basket ideas looking for organizers and items:

Collage Quilt---Laura Heine Pattern? Steam a Seam?, and appropriate fabrics?

Ergonomic Sewing Supplies---

Lucky---lottery tickets? Lucky bamboo or money plant, and green fabric???

We have actual baskets, a few gift certificates to add, and members are putting goodies aside, and I will supply tulle to wrap them - (unless you have some to contribute-it actually takes quite a bit to wrap a basket!)

Thanks for considering helping with this part of our Quilt Show fundraiser.

Any questions, please contact Sally (see membership book for contact information).

## Summer Mystery Quilt – Starts June 21<sup>st</sup>

Moira Ten-Hove and Elana Schreiber

We're going modern! Your quilt, your choices, your unique quilt:

This is a quilt your own adventure.

Cost is \$15 payable by check or cash to Moira Ten-Hove.

You will need 7 different fabrics:

For quilt up to 80" x 100":

with a dedicated background:  $\frac{2}{3}$  yds each of 6 fabrics plus 7 yds for background

no dedicated background:  $1\frac{1}{2}$  yds each of 7 fabrics.

BUT remember you're the boss and a smaller quilt will require less fabric.

Each block is 10" x 10" so the math is simple.

You can change the grid or add more negative space.

Each Friday Morning I — Moira — will email the latest step to participants.

Come to the Friday ZoomBee 2:00 - 4:00 (note different hours) for encouragement and to share.

## Textured Black and White Baby Mats

Eileen Ryan

Textured black and white mats for the neo-natal unit at Emerson Hospital are always in need. Detailed info was included in the January newsletter. Reach out if you need a kit or just the textured squares (see membership book for contact information).

## Pillowcases For Children at Emerson Hospital

Sue Colwell and Nanette Moffa

Thank you all for participating!! We thought you'd like to hear what an amazing job you've done this year to make a child smile. Leslie distributed 234 pillowcases this year (June - May) and nearly all went to Emerson Pediatrics. The more adult-like ones went to two groups in Acton. Household Goods received 19 pillowcases, including some that matched bed quilts. The emergency family shelter in Acton received 18 pillowcases.

Please remember to check out children's themed fabric the next time you're in a fabric shop. The need will continue.



### Current ZoomBees



Join any ZoomBee or Guild Meeting at:

If you have questions about our ZoomBees, please contact [membership@concordpiecemakers.org](mailto:membership@concordpiecemakers.org)

### **Tuesday Project ZoomBee, 1:30 - 3:30 PM**

Tuesday Project ZoomBee is currently between projects. Pop in to see if others are online working, and feel free to recommend ideas for a new project.

### **Thursday Sit and Sew ZoomBee, 10 AM - 12 noon**

Join us on Thursday mornings to sew and chat, sharing ideas and progress on your current project.

### **Friday Block of the Month ZoomBee, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM** (New Time)

The Summer Mystery will take over the Friday timeslot soon. Join us if you are participating.

## Comfort Quilts

Leslie Garrison

What a year this has been! I cataloged over 100 quilts finished by members last year. You all have been busy! In the past year, I delivered 142 quilts to a wide variety of groups including Emerson Hospital Pediatric Unit, several nursing homes in the area, Acton Household Goods, Bedford VA assisted living, and the new family emergency shelter in Acton. I also enjoyed delivering the pillowcases and special baby mats that Nanette, Sue, and Eileen collected. What an impact we have made!

As usual, I can bring batting in the size you need for your comfort quilt to the June meeting as well as labels. Fabric for backing or sashing is also available. Feel free to contact me over the summer as well! If you are thinking about what you might make over the summer, bed-sized quilts for kids or adults are the most in demand, but I can use lap / throw quilts as well. A twin-sized quilt should be about 57 x 82", but definitely at least 55 x 70". Adding just one more row of blocks might make your quilt long enough. I know that some of us prefer piecing and some prefer quilting. If you would like to do just part of a quilt, please contact me about what is available.

## News From the New England Quilt Museum



See last month's entry for details about new exhibits. Remember the museum is a great place to visit. We hope to see you this summer!

## Rosie's Place

Kathleen McIsaac

Here is the "Wishlist" for Rosie's Place.

- Travel-size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toothpaste, deodorant, and body wash
- Full-size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toothpaste, deodorant, and body wash
- Toothbrushes, floss
- Chapstick
- Disposable shaving razors
- Hairbrushes, picks, and combs
- Elastic hair ties
- Socks (new & in original packaging)
- Underwear (new & in original packaging)
- Sports bras (new & in original packaging)
- Paperback and hardcover books (new & like new, no textbooks)
- \$25 gift cards to Target, Old Navy, Walmart, CVS, Walgreens

Email me if you have any questions.

## Household Goods Sewing Kits

Tina van Roggen

We continue to make sewing kits for Household Goods in Acton. Their clients take about 40 kits per month. We especially need donations of tape measures and small scissors, but could also use thread, needles, pins, buttons, and safety pins. If you have extras of any of these items, please bring them to the meeting. Thank you!

