

Quiltations

March 2013

2012-2013 Schedule

MEETINGS: (DOORS OPEN @ 6;

MEETINGS START @ 7:30)

MONDAY, MARCH 11

SUE NICKELS

MONDAY, APRIL 8

JANE SASSAMAN

MONDAY, MAY 13

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

WORKSHOPS:

MARCH 9TH & 10TH

MACHINE QUILTING

ESSENTIALS

APRIL 6TH, 7TH, 8TH

SUNS AND MOONS

QUILT SHOW:

MAY 30 - JUNE 2, 2013

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD AT THE
ARSENAL CENTER FOR THE
ARTS, 321 ARSENAL ST,
WATERTOWN, MA - *EXCEPT
WHERE NOTED.

President's Letter

What a month 3 weekends in a row - snow, more snow and then again, more snow. On the bright side, you had plenty of time to be house bound and finish a few projects, hopefully you plan on putting one or two in the quilt show. This is the time of the year when we have to organize our schedules. Think of finishing your quilts, photographing them, and filling in your quilt show application. Are you planning and thinking of new creative items to put in the boutique? What about calling a few friends now and scheduling a date to attend the show and have lunch or dinner afterwards. Also remember to plan a few hours to volunteer and buy your raffle tickets. Once the items are checked off and dates are on your calendar it's harder to double book or forget them.

I hope you're all looking forward to our March meeting and workshops with Sue Nickels.

Stay warm,
Elaine

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Next Newsletter Deadline

MARCH 20TH

TREASURY NOTES

January 2013 – February 2013

Income - None

Expenses

Speaker Fees/Expenses	\$ 1,184.00
ACA Rent February/March 2013	2,000.00
Membership/P.O. Box	103.00
Winter Free Workshop Food	312.00
Library	334.00
Returned Fees for Cancelled Workshops	\$ 2,345.00
Bank Fees	57.00
Subtotal	\$ 6,335.00
Checkbook balance 2/23/2013	\$ 13,431.00

2013-2014 Membership Renewal

We begin membership renewals in March and publish an article along with the membership renewal form in the last 3 newsletters of the QC year. Renewal forms are also available on the QC website, quiltersconnection.org.

Please submit your form along with payment to either of us at a QC meeting or by mail on or before May 31. QC currently has 366 members and 30 individuals on the waiting list. We will begin sending invitations to those on the waiting list as of June 15 so that we can complete all tasks by September. If we do not hear from you, we will assume you are no longer interested in renewing your membership with QC. It is your responsibility to get your renewal to us. We hope you plan to join us for another exciting year of activities and programs and take advantage of all that QC has to offer.

Thanks.
Susan Stemporzewski and Stephanie Laurin

Program Update

We hope you were able to join us for a “virtual” studio tour at our February meeting. We had a great audience turnout so thank you for all coming to support your fellow members. Thank you again to the six women who so graciously shared their studio spaces with us: Pat Delaney, Diana Galson-Kooy, Bea Grayson, Jessica Leger, Ethel Shulam, and Susan Stemporzewski. Fascinating to see the spaces in which these creative women produce their work!

Our next meeting will be Monday, March 11 featuring Sue Nickels. Sue has been quilting for 32 years, starting by hand and gradually focusing on machine work. Sue has been teaching machine techniques for the past 20 years. Sue has taught and lectured nationally and internationally for shops, guilds and major conferences. Sue’s priority in the workshops she teaches is to provide a relaxed environment for students to learn machine techniques that are timesaving. Sue emphasizes the best quality workmanship, never compromising quality for speed! There are still some openings for both Saturday March 9 and Sunday March 10 workshops so please consider signing up. A big THANK YOU to Pat Delaney for loaning Sue Nickels her Bernina sewing machine for the workshops!

There is one opening for Jane Sassaman’s “Suns and Moons” workshop on Sunday April 7.

If you are interested in signing up for either of these workshops, please contact Susan Monjan at dtfv3@aol.com.

Thanks.

Deborah Gonet and Ann Bonsett

Unsung Hero - Jane Norberg

This past Saturday (Feb 23) I had an opportunity to participate in our Comfort Quilt event at Brookhaven. This event was actually rescheduled due to our blizzard a few weeks earlier!

Having lived in the area for nearly twenty years, I was surprised to learn that Brookhaven community is just a few minutes from my home. Our own Jane Norberg works tirelessly, behind the scenes to facilitate these spectacular community service events. She collects and organizes donations of fabric, batting, threads, and fleece and stuffing for teddy bears. Somehow she transports all of these supplies and stuff to the venue. She is a quiet and soft-spoken woman with the heart of a giant!

Jane secured Brookhaven’s spacious auditorium for our all-day event. She had Brookhaven residents and participants from multiple guilds. The room was packed all day long! I think the participant count was 85 when I last heard! Awesome! 85 people working together, and having fun to provide comfort for others! A GIGANTIC THANK YOU goes to Jane Norberg! Hats off to everyone who participated! I encourage each of you to become a “regular” at future comfort quilt events!

-Ann Bonsett

Quilt Show News

Quilt Show Registration

We are now coming up to the deadline of APRIL 1 for submitting your quilts for the show. Quilt registration forms are available as of March 1 on the QC website. Those of you who receive the newsletter by mail will receive the application by mail. Please read the instructions carefully - there is a lot of information! The application is due on APRIL 1.

A photograph of each quilt you submit is required, even if your quilt is not quite finished. The reason is to have a sense of the color/style of the quilt to determine its best placement in the layout of the show. Instructions on the photograph are contained with the registration forms.

Quilt Show Publicity

To help publicize our show we are setting up a "Quilt Show" table before each meeting. Flyers and handouts advertising the show will be available, as well as other forms and information for the show. We encourage you to distribute the flyers and handouts to friends, family, neighbors and colleagues and to post them on bulletin boards at local community centers, places of worship, coffee shops, etc.

These flyers will also be available on the QC website. We are hoping to cut down the cost of printing/distributing the flyers by asking members to print out copies and help to distribute them. We will continue to have paper copies available at the Quilt Show Table for those who do not have access to a printer.

As always, feel free to contact either of us with any questions or suggestions.

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QC 2013 Quilt Show Chairs

Raffle Quilt Tickets

Raffle quilt tickets are now available. They will be handed out before the March meeting. Tickets not picked up will be mailed. Please save the guild a little money and pick them up in person. You will get 10 tickets that sell for \$1 a piece. Please return the stubs from the tickets and cash or a check made out to "Quilters Connection". I will be collecting ticket money before each meeting until the quilt show. Or mail it to me. I'm trying to keep the US Post Office going. Questions? Email me. Thanks for doing this. It really does raise funds for our guild.

Marla Richmond
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Library News

The library collection is stored in a cabinet in the “clothes closet” on the first floor. It is therefore easiest to display the books nearby. Unfortunately the Black Box theater was in use at the time of the February meeting so the usual space was unavailable to us. The task of transporting the collection to the second floor is difficult, so that space is infrequently used. Hopefully the March meeting will find the library back in its former location.

Prompt return of the new books would be appreciated so that others may have a chance to enjoy them. We will try to keep them separated from the regular collection.

Sale of the withdrawn books raised \$73.00 which will be used to purchase additional material. The remaining unsold items will be donated to the New England Quilt Museum.

We will continue to add a few more titles, so please suggest any books you think many of us would enjoy.

Quilters' Connection Library Book Purchase Suggestions

Title _____

Author _____

Source _____

Suggested by _____

Date _____

Give to Judy Botsford (1-781-646-9708, judy.botsford@gmail.com) or me, Kiala Reich (1-781-935-1254, toltecweb@verizon.net) at the meeting or email either of us and we will try to honor your request.

Newsletter Editor Wanted

Hi All. This is my fifth year being QC's newsletter editor and I'd like to pass the baton to another member next year. The job takes about 5 hours a month (for 8 months) but can pretty much be done at your leisure... and there aren't any meetings to attend! You need to feel comfortable with a computer program of your choice that you'd use to layout the newsletter. I use Microsoft Word for editing articles and then Adobe InDesign for layout, but I'm sure there are many other combinations of software that could work. This is a nice way to contribute to the guild that can be done around your schedule. If you're interested, please let me know.

Thanks in advance!

Melissa Radzyninski

mradzyninski@yahoo.com

News and Notes

Saturday, March 2, The New Bedford Art Museum and ArtWorks! will co-host a panel discussion at the New Bedford Art Museum by artists from both exhibitions, "Elin Noble: Color Alchemy" at the New Bedford Art Museum and "Above the Din" at ArtWorks! QC members, Nancy Crasco and Elin Noble are two of the six artists participating. For more info: <http://newbedfordartmuseum.org/calendar.html>

Please send your News & Notes to wnwasserman@aol.com
Nancy Wasserman

Sassaman Workshop Spaces Available

I am not able to attend the Monday April 8th workshop for Jane Sassaman. I just learned that my brother decided to get married on that weekend in Chicago so there's no way I'd be back in time for the workshop. If anyone is interested in my space, please contact me: Jacqueline Fleishman, trufztoo@gmail.com or cell 781-801-0014
-Jacqueline Fleishman

Want to enjoy a class with Sue Nickels on Saturday March 9 for "Machine Quilting Essentials"? Unfortunately I will be out of town for my (finally) new job so I can't attend the class. I can be reached at 978-609-0397.
-Linda Gueli

May Quilting Retreat

I am a new member of QC and I am organizing a quilting and sewing retreat. This is a completely non-profit venture with fun and warm people from the Wayside Quilt Guild in Sudbury, MA. Please join us!
- Julie Weinstein

Quilting Retreat
May 2 - 5, 2013

Stump Sprouts Lodge in West Hawley, MA

Three days of sewing, socializing, eating delicious homemade food, and walking on a beautiful Mountain. Sound good? Then this retreat is for you.

Location: Stump Sprouts Lodge in West Hawley, MA <http://stumpsprouts.com/>

Dates: May 2 - 5, 2013. Arrive Thursday before dinner and leave Sunday after lunch.

Cost: \$225.00 per person for three nights and nine meals. Accommodations are clean, simple, comfortable, dorm style (3 or 4 to a room) with shared bathrooms.

Sewing space: Giant renovated barn with large windows, big tables and lots of space. Sewing equipment can be left up all weekend and you can sew whenever you like. The barn holds up to 20 sewers comfortably.

Reservations: \$67.00 deposit due on February 9th. Please email me your contact information as soon as possible. I will send you my address for your payment. Retreat deposits and fees can only be refunded if another person takes your place.

Contact: Julie Weinstein at julie.weinstein4@gmail.com or 978-460-1689

Quilters' Connection 2013- 2014 Membership Renewal Form

Name: _____ (as will appear on membership ID)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Do not print in membership booklet

Email: _____ Do not print in membership booklet

Regular: All Meetings, exhibit in show, take workshops, *Quiltations* by email \$40
(If received after May 31) \$45

Associate: 2 Meetings, exhibit in show, take workshops, *Quiltations* by email \$30
(If received after May 31) \$35

International: Living overseas, exhibit in show, *Quiltations* by email \$40
(If received after May 31) \$45

Student: 2 Meetings, exhibit 1 quilt in show, *Quiltations* by email \$20
(If received after May 31) \$25

Quiltations newsletter by mail \$15

Payment enclosed Cash Check # _____ \$ _____

Please volunteer for one or more of the following committees:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Comfort Quilt Projects | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications (Yahoo, QC Website) | <input type="checkbox"/> Nomination |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donations | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get-Away Weekend | <input type="checkbox"/> Quilt Show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Boutique | <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Quilt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meetings (Adopt-a-Fabric, Sales Table) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunshine/Caring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Free Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New Members' Reception | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Your Special Talents _____ | |

Membership is from September 1 to August 31.

Return completed forms with payment so they are received by May 31 to:

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