

# Quiltations

May 2013

**\*\*\*NEWS FLASH\*\*\***

HAVE YOU TAKEN A WORKSHOP in the last few years and not shown your creations? Please bring your work, finished or not, to the Monday evening May 13th meeting for a mini show and tell...let's show the crowd what great speakers we've had over the years.

You are also welcome to bring one of your show pieces as a special show and tell. Contact Ann Bonsett if you have questions.

## 2012-2013 Schedule

**MEETINGS:** (DOORS OPEN @ 6;  
MEETINGS START @ 7:30)

**MONDAY, MAY 13**

**ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

**QUILT SHOW:**

**MAY 30 - JUNE 2, 2013**

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD AT THE  
ARSENAL CENTER FOR THE  
ARTS, 321 ARSENAL ST,  
WATERTOWN, MA.

## President's Letter

As I sit down to write my final newsletter as President, I begin to reminisce over the last four years, two as VP and two as President. QC is a very unique guild with a large population of very talented quilters, or fiber artist as some of you may want to be called, and we continue to grow and change in many different areas. I need to applaud and send a big THANK YOU to all of my board members and committee chairs.

As you will read in our Treasurer's report, thank you Irene Dwyer, the need for more fiscal accounting of where and how we spend our funds will be necessary in the future. Cutbacks have to happen.

Ann Bonsett and Debra Gornet as Program Chairs have once again arranged spectacular speakers and workshops. Special events like Kaffe Fassett are extremely profitable but even more enjoyable - by not only our guild but all the other quilters and knitters who attended and supported this event. A big thank you to Ann and Debra.

Our quilt show needs your attendance. I know spring weekends are filled with graduations, weddings, gardening days...but please try and find a morning or afternoon to invite a few friends and attend the show even if you are not showing a quilt...we need you. Also remember to pick up a few items in the Boutique. Thank you Margaret Rolph, Deborah Rocha and Diana Dow.

Our annual Winter Free Workshop is our social event of the year where we are all impressed with our own members teaching us a new skill or technique and then enjoying a wonderful luncheon. Please volunteer to teach a three hour workshop...our WFW volunteers will be putting this event together over the summer to have sign ups ready by November.

Our Getaway weekend has been so successful over the years that this year Nancy Wasserman and Pam Turner put together a second weekend... If you missed it, look for the fall dates and mark your calendar. Thank you Nancy and Pam.

The QC newsletter had one of the best editors, Melissa Radzyski, she works behind the scenes and updates us with news and events and does so on a timely fashion every month. Thank you Melissa.

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UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS  
CONTACT A BOARD MEMBER FOR  
MORE DETAILS.

## Board of Directors

UNTIL 2013: NANCY HOWARD  
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UNTIL 2015: BARBARA DEGAN  
PAST PRESIDENT:  
JESSICA LEGER  
PRESIDENT: ELAINE STONE

Pam Arsenault our new Webmaster has been doing a wonderful job making changes to our web site. Thank you.

Just a reminder, our membership dues are due the end of May...remember to send your check on time and avoid a late fee. We all know what a great job Susan Stemporzewski and Stephanie Laurin have done greeting us every month, keeping our membership list updated, and any time a spreadsheet is needed...the two of them jump on it. Thank you Susan and Steph.

I want to thank Chrissy Inge for filling in for me and running a meeting. Thank you Chrissy.

And of course I can't forget Deborah Rocha, our secretary who attended every single meeting and produces our meeting notes....we would be lost without her and her reminders of what we said. She also made sure all equipment was on stage and ready for our meetings or workshops.

A special thank you goes out to Rose Mary Koch, our Adopt-A-Fabric chair, Ethel Shulam and Rita Robinson for Caring and Donations. Nancy Howard for our new member reception. To all the committees, chairs and their helpers...a very special THANK YOU. Wow what a great group of volunteers.

Of course, volunteers are needed for next year which brings me to our 2013-2014 NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD POSITIONS...

Voting will take place at the May meeting, please make sure you come to vote. If you would like to add your name to the Nomination Ballot please call Elaine Stone or Ann Bonsett.

Thank you for supporting me over the last four years. I look forward to volunteering in a new role. Elaine Stone

President - Deborah Rocha  
Vice President - Louise Cohen  
Secretary - Calie Koso  
Treasurer - Marie Cotton

Programs - Deborah Gonet (Helper Ann Bonsett, Brenda Jones, Chrissy Inge and looking for others to take on one program)

Membership Co-Chairs - Debbie Kuhlman-Hussey and Sharon Monahan  
Quilt Show Co-Chair - position open - please call me if you're interested

Member at Large - Anne Kimball  
Newsletter Editor - Laurie LaConte

Board of Directors:

Bea Grayson for 2013-2016  
Barbara Degan for 2013-2015  
Ethel Shulam for 2013-2014

## Newsletter Thanks

I wanted to take a moment to acknowledge the contributions of the other newsletters committee members this year:

- Donna Lundberg raised her hand to email out the newsletter this year - thank you Donna. Your quick response to fill a need was a tremendous help!
- Miriam Sokoloff has been the newsletter proofreader for at least the 5 years that I have been editor. Thank you, Miriam, for your contributions to QC!
- Nancy Wasserman has also been a long time newsletter contributor collecting and editing the News and Notes column. We have an active membership and Nancy kept on top of it all - thank you Nancy!

And thank you to all QC board members, committee chairs and guild members who contributed newsletter content in a timely fashion. It makes the whole process run more smoothly.

I'm looking forward to the next membership year. I hope you all are too.

Melissa Radzyminski

## Library News

At the April meeting, the Library was moved to the second floor due to Black Box theater activity. Since an Arsenal staff member agreed to return the books to the storage closet when the black box activity was finished, we decided to bring all the books to the second floor.

Look for us at our preferred location on the first floor. If need be, we will set up on the second floor if Arsenal help will again be available.

Books borrowed at the May meeting will be yours to enjoy until the September meeting.

As a reminder, we start to pack up the Library collection at 7:15. Once the books and other material are put away no other returned books will be accepted. Overdue books can always be mailed to me (Kiala Reich, 367 Place Lane, Woburn Mass. 01801).

I may also be contacted at: [toltecweb@verizon.net](mailto:toltecweb@verizon.net)

- Kaila Reich

## Last Notes

In my terms as Treasurer, I have had the pleasure of working with three terrific QC Presidents and many, many other QC members who have served on Boards, designed and sold Raffle quilts, arranged wonderful programs, organized and hung Shows and kept our library and membership up to date. I am grateful to have worked with all these talented women; we have a wonderful Guild here.

Over the past several years the Executive Board has worked to establish annual budgets for the Guild; we aimed to have Membership dues and workshop fees pay Guild operating costs of ACA rent, insurance, speakers and standing committees such as comfort quilts, library and Winter Free Workshops.

We've been comfortably on target until this year (2012/2013) when a number of expenses rose—some fairly sharply. Our latest ACA lease meant a rise in rent of about \$2,500 and an additional cost of about \$600 toward Show rack charges. Airfare and hotel expenses of speakers have also risen noticeably.

The initial 2012/2013 Budget is printed here along with actual expenses for the same time. You can

see that without the bonus income from the Kaffe Fasset program we would have been significantly in the red. Quilt Show income is another source of funds but net receipts have been declining for several years.

As we considered our tightening finances, the Executive Board has decided to eliminate a few expenses in order to postpone raising dues or workshop fees. The Guild has some savings but we need to conserve those funds for a possible move to another location in June 2015 when our present ACA lease expires.

- Irene Dwyer

<b>QC ESTIMATED BUDGET FY 2012-2013</b>		<b>TREASURY NOTES</b>	<b>September 2012 – May 2013</b>
		<b><u>Income</u></b>	
<b><u>Operating Income</u></b>		Membership	\$14,060.00
Membership Dues	\$15,000	Workshop Fees	\$10,806.00
Workshop Income	10,500	Holiday Boutique Tables	325.00
Miscellaneous	175	Adopt-a-Fabric	77.00
<b><u>Subtotal:</u></b>	<b>\$25,675</b>	Kaffe Fasset Lecture	2,373.00
		<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$27,641.00</b>
		<b><u>Expenses</u></b>	
<b><u>Operating Expenses</u></b>		Speaker Fees/Expenses	\$9,116.00
ACA Rent	\$13,000	Returned Fees for Cancelled Workshops	3,235.00
Programs	12,000	Insurance	1,178.00
Insurance	1,100	ACA Rent – 09/2013 – 08/2013	12,000.00
Donations	750	Membership/Website	1,036.00
Membership	800	Winter Free Workshop	562.00
Winter Free Workshops	500	NEQM – Membership and Donation	625.00
Comfort Quilts	500	Comfort Quilts	500.00
Library	400	Library	334.00
Quiltations/Miscellaneous	600	Sales Taxes	272.00
<b><u>Subtotal:</u></b>	<b>\$29,700</b>	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$28,858.00</b>
<b>Anticipated Loss</b>	<b>(\$4,025.00)</b>	<b>NET (Loss)</b>	<b>(\$1,217.00)</b>

## **2013-2014 Membership Renewal**

Just a reminder that membership renewals are due on or before May 31st. Renewal forms are available on the QC website at [quiltersconnection.org](http://quiltersconnection.org) or in this newsletter. Please submit your form along with payment to either of us at the May 13th QC meeting or by mail. We hope that you plan to join us for another exciting year of activities and programs. We will begin inviting those on the waiting list in mid-June. Wishing you all a wonderful summer.

- Susan Stemporzewski

## **25th Year Celebrants**

At the May, meeting three members will be recognized for 25 years of uninterrupted membership: Daryl Kreindel, Ethel Shulam and Mae Tupa. If there are any other members who know that they joined in 1988 and are not listed, please call (617-254-1952) or email ([ncrasco@rcn.com](mailto:ncrasco@rcn.com)) Nancy Crasco. We are looking forward to congratulating these members both on their longevity and active participation in QC.

## **News and Notes**

Sandi Colwell's "Home Tweet Home " block and quilt are in volume 7 of QuiltMaker's 100 Blocks magazine released this month. The block was among several that made the cover of the issue.

Send any News & Notes to [wnwasserman@aol.com](mailto:wnwasserman@aol.com)  
Nancy Wasserman

## **Yard Sale**

Dear Quilter's Connection members:

My mother, Anna Karelak, was a long time active member of the Quilters' Connection. I wanted you to know that we will be holding a HUGE yard sale on May 11th at 8am, rain or shine. 59 Highland Avenue, Arlington. NO EARLY BIRDS. We have tons and tons of quilting fabric, thread, crafts, liner, zippers, wreath-making materials and anything/everything about sewing (50 yrs. worth). My mother lives in Maine now and doing well. Hope to see you at the sale. If you have questions, please call me at 978-250-1560. Also, if anyone is interested in a Singer power sewing machine or a Merrow machine, please call me. These to items will not be at the sale.

Thank you.  
Paula Russo

## **Adopt-a-Fabric Announcement**

There will not be an Adopt-A-Fabric Table at the May meeting of Quilters' Connection. If you have any monies due you, they will be mailed out to you via the Treasurer.

Thank you,  
RoseMary Koch

## **Quilt Show News**

The QUILT SHOW is just around the corner! We hope you are all busy getting your entries ready. We have 171 quilts entered in this year's show. It's going to be fabulous. Here are a few important details:

The hanging sleeve on the back of your quilt should be at least 4 inches wide. The hanging board should be barely the length of your quilt, and have two holes drilled at each end. Please write your name and the name of your quilt on the board with a sharpie pen or thick marker.

Boutique items may be dropped off at the ACA on Thursday, May 30, between 8-10am. Please allow some time for drop-off because your items must be inventoried.

Quilts may be dropped off at the ACA on Thursday, May 30, between 8-9am. All day on Thursday the busy hanging crew will be creating magic.

And you may view the magic with your family and friends on Member's Night, Friday, May 31 between 7-9pm. To cover expenses there will be a \$5/person charge for entry to the show, and refreshments will be served. It will be a festive.

Advance tickets (\$5 each) have been printed and will be available at the May meeting. You may also order advance tickets by contacting either Margaret Rolph or Deborah Rocha. Tickets will be held for you at the front door of the show, where you may pay for them.

Feel free to contact us if you have questions.  
Deborah Rocha (617-244-3896 [debrocha86@hotmail.com](mailto:debrocha86@hotmail.com))  
Margaret Rolph (508-668-1392 [merolph@verizon.net](mailto:merolph@verizon.net))

## **Early Quilt Drop-off**

For those who cannot easily get to the Arsenal Center, there are 3 members who will accept quilts in advance and take them to the Arsenal Center on Thursday morning, May 30.

Monica Mehigan, 26 Roosevelt Street, Maynard  
978-764-1125 [monicamehigan@gmail.com](mailto:monicamehigan@gmail.com)  
Sunday, May 26, 7pm-9pm  
Monday, May 27, 9am-11am  
Tuesday, May 28, 7pm-9pm

Elaine Stone, 11 Bryant Road, Lexington. Please call before drop-off.  
781-862-7708 (home) or 781-771-5566 (cell)  
Monday, May 27, after 2pm  
Tuesday, May 28, after 7pm  
Wednesday, May 29, early morning until noon.

Margaret Rolph, 8 Patty Ann Place, Walpole. Please call before drop-off.  
508-668-1392 (home) or 508-641-3251 (cell)  
Tuesday, May 28, 4pm-8pm  
Wednesday, May 29, 4pm-8pm

## 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:

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

Your Special Talents \_\_\_\_\_

Membership is from September 1 to August 31.

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

(A-L) Stephanie Laurin 10 Slavin Dr Pelham, NH 03076  
(M-Z) Susan Stemporzewski 37 Litchfield Cir Pelham, NH 03076

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