

Wayside Quilters

Next Meeting:

April 2, 2007

7pm Social Time
7.15pm Business Meeting
Goodnow Library
Concord Road, Sudbury

Raffle Items:

No raffle

Refreshments:

Town of Sudbury K-Z

Block of the Month:

There will be no BOM drawing this month. Bring your "Rolling Stone" blocks in May.

www.waysidequilters.org

April 2007

From the President:

Happy April Wayside Quilters and best Passover wishes to those who celebrate. I take full responsibility for the mistake of scheduling the April meeting on the first night of this holiday and I apologize to our Jewish members and their friends who will be celebrating Seder rather than attending our meeting. I thought I was being so careful when scheduling the dates with the library so I can only say mea culpa. I will be extra, EXTRA careful next year, I promise.

Anticipation and excitement is building for our annual Ugliers Auction. Please remember to tell your friends and family to come along and join in the fun -- they might just pick up some great bargains! It's usually a fun night, and we hope to have some special refreshments too. We will skip the raffle to allow enough time to get through all of the bidding and frivolity of the auction. If you can hold off on show & tell items do, but if you really want to share something, bring it and we'll happily take the time. I know show & tell is a real favorite among the membership.

Thanks to those members who approached me with information to share about the history of the guild (in last month's newsletter, remember, I shared that we were contacted by someone who had a knitted quilt, as she described it, that had a label "Made by the wayside guild 1952"). It appears that this was likely not a product of our membership since Wayside Quilters was not officially formed until the early 1980s. Further correspondence with the quilt owner revealed that she's not even sure it's from Massachusetts. It's still a mystery, though, but, seemingly, a dead end where our group is concerned. If anyone has further thoughts, please pass them along to me and I'll share them with the quilt owner.

Bring your checkbooks, pin money, spare change and bottle deposit redemption money next month and spend, spend, spend at the Ugliers Auction!!

See you then.
Kristine

Historian

If anyone has pictures of the newspaper from the November meeting and pictures from the January meeting I would like to have a copy as I was not there. Thanks in advance.
Cynthia Rubant

Programs

Please plan ahead for our May 14–15th meeting and workshop so that you won't miss our very special guest Sue Nickels. Sue is a prize-winning quilter with a national and international reputation. She taught at the Houston International Quilt Festival this year and has just returned from weeks of teaching in Australia. Her specialties are machine appliqué and machine quilting. She will talk to us about her experience with and approach to machine quilting and her workshop will feature her machine appliqué techniques. She, sometimes in partnership with her sister Pat Holly, has made some astonishing quilts which you can admire by checking her website's Gallery of Quilts: sue.nickels.com.
Anne Messier

Library Talk

Hi, Quilters!

We have spent a number of delightful hours going through our entire library to make a bibliography to post on the guild website. Hopefully, it will be up before you get this newsletter. It is a Microsoft Word document and we've put the material in a table so you can sort or search for items of interest. We consider it a work in progress. If you think we need to recategorize any book or you can think of some useful notes we should put in the last column, please send them to us!

At the end of the list, out of alphabetical order, are the currently checked-out books. We did not include the names of the lendees, but we would really like you to scour home library to see if any of these got filed with your books. Please call either one of us if you have any of these books. It's OK if you want to keep using them; we just need to know for sure where they are!

This month's book report is about *A Treasury of Quilt Labels* by Susan McKelvey. This is a lovely book full of wonderful ideas, traceable patterns, and detailed instructions for making heirloom-quality labels for your heirloom-quality quilts. Check it out!

Carol DeBold and Marilyn Novak, Library Co-chairs

For your interest:

For Sale

- ✂ "touch and Sew" singer sewing machine with cabinet and a serger
- ✂ bags of wool for braiding rugs or for hooking

Contact Cynthia Rubant at rubant@rcn.com

Activities

✂ BOX Challenge – don't forget to bring your box for the exchange. We are nearing the end and the quilts are really shaping up into something special!

✂ Uglies Auction – This annual event is a major fund raiser for the guild and we need your help to make it a success. There have been lots of great donations already, and you can still bring more to the auction. We have them bundled and ready to MOVE! **Bring some friend**, everyone is invited, and join us for what should be a great evening. We'll be having food along with the wonderful refreshments we always have, so those of you coming from work will be able to have a bite and enjoy the auction.

Janet Columbus and Jill Callander, co-chairs

Workshops

May 15th workshop with Sue Nickels

Stitched Raw Edge Machine Appliqué
“Morning Has Broken”
Intermediate Level Full Day Workshop

Explore the details of this great fusible machine appliqué technique. Students will work on one block of the quilt “Morning Has Broken” featured in the new AQS book “Stitched Raw Edge Appliqué” co-authored by Sue and her sister Pat Holly. Really sharp points, reverse appliqué, embellishments, and other details will be covered. Embellishing the background will also be an option for students on this block. Learn the machine skills used by Sue and Pat for their award winning quilts “The Space Quilt” and “The Beatles Quilt.”

*Please note– Students will receive the pattern for the center block only. Books will be available to purchase for the remaining patterns for this quilt.

A picture of the project and the supply list are available at www.sue.nickels.com To sign up for the workshop, please contact Laura at lanep@rcn.com Laura will be accepting sign-ups from members at the April 2nd guild meeting. Please bring your check book. Laura cannot accept sign-ups without payment. The workshop costs \$45 for Wayside Quilters Guild members. After April 2nd, non-members can register for any remaining openings in the workshop at \$50. Fee includes a light lunch.

Laura Lane

New England Quilt Museum News

In 2007, the New England Quilt Museum is celebrating its 20th anniversary. The museum is challenging the quilting community to help it increase its membership to 2000 members! This added support will help ensure the preservation and celebration of American quilt making in New England. The museum is running a NEW member special during 2007. New members will receive a 20% discount on their memberships. Individuals will pay \$32; Families pay \$40 and Seniors and Students will pay \$20. In addition to this new member discount, all members of Wayside Quilters

Guild, as a supporting guild of the NEQM can deduct an additional \$5 from the membership fee. Even current museum members can deduct the \$5 when renewing. You only need to write "member of Wayside Quilters" on the membership application, and deduct \$5 from the fee.

In addition to the reduced membership prices, every new member in 2007 will be entered into a drawing to win a Lap-sized quilt. For every 100 new members, a name will be drawn on December 20. It's a great time to join the NEQM and support the museum.

March 29–June 10, 2007– "I Remember Mama"

(From the International Quilt Festival– Houston)

The NEQM will display 60 quilts fitting the theme "Mama" from the 2006 juried exhibition organized by Karey Bresenhan to honor the memory of her mother, Jewel Pearce Patterson, who taught thousands of people in Texas to quilt and love quilts.

Friday, April 20: Free admission all day to NEQM in honor of the 20th birthday (There will be free admission on the 20th of every month throughout 2007)

Saturday, April 21: 1:00 PM – Lecture by Karey Bresenhan: "I Remember Mama"

Saturday, May 12: 1:00 PM – Mother's Day Tea
Laura Lane