

# Wayside Quilters

## **Next Meeting:**

June 11, 2007

7pm Social Time and Potluck

7.30pm Business Meeting

Goodnow Library

Concord Road, Sudbury

## **Raffle Items:**

No raffle

## **Refreshments:**

Everyone

Potluck – see Leslie's note in the newsletter

## **Block of the Month:**

Returns next year.

[www.waysidequilters.org](http://www.waysidequilters.org)

**June 2007**

## **From the President:**

Happy June, Wayside Quilters! The weather finally seems appropriate to the season and I'm sure most of us are enjoying it. I know there are many fervent gardeners among us and I hope you are having fun!

June represents the end of our meeting "season" -- we will not see one another as a large group until September. Hopefully you can hold out! I know many people have their own small groups that continue through the summer so there's still quilting karma floating around.

June's meeting will be a combination of fun and business -- we'll wrap up the business stuff first so we'll have plenty of time for the fun! We'll have a little bit of food (okay, probably a lot of food!), the ever-popular Show and Tell (bring lots to show off), some demos and activities planned by Jill and Janet; it should be a really fun meeting.

I'm pleased to announce that all of last month's "Help Wanted" positions have been filled, and I deeply thank the guild members who have stepped up to the plate. Here are our new chairs:

Library: Anne Messier

Programs: Carol DeBold and Marilyn Novak

Historian: Judy Merra

Outreach: Benje Freedman and Jane Harris

Raffle: Colleen MacDonald

Many thanks to our outgoing chairs Cindy Rubant (Historian), Audrey Sacharkiewicz (Raffle) and Joan Cannalonga (Outreach) -- and a special thanks to the Anne/Carol/Marilyn trio for their creative switcharoo!

For those of you looking for summer projects, there are plenty of opportunities to make quilts for Outreach (pick up a kit at the June meeting or contact Jane/Benje) or you can begin to think about the "Everything's Coming Up Roses" challenge for the 2008 Quilt Show (more on that later in the newsletter).

See you!

Kristine

## Programs

Our program for 2006-2007 is planned with everybody's quilting interests in mind. In October, Ferne Weissman will present a trunk show and a workshop to encourage us to embellish our quilts in new and interesting ways. A November trunk show by Candlelite Quilts, a beautiful new quilt shop in Chelmsford managed by Cathy Rugerio, will spark our creativity as we seek that perfect Christmas gift. In March, Karen Pulaski will take the fear out of machine quilting; and in May, Anne Gallo and Susan Raban of Yankee Quilts will show us how great quilts can be made from simple patterns.

Anne Messier

## Hospitality

For the Potluck, if you have a dish you love to make, please do so. If you need help figuring out what to bring: People whose last names begin with A-F bring a salad or vegetable dish, G-N bring a main dish, O-S bring dessert, T-Z bring drinks.

Leslie Kmetz

## QUILT SHOW 2008

Our next quilt show will be held in October 2008 and things are starting to line up nicely. We have a venue – the Lincoln– Sudbury Regional High School. We have a beautiful raffle quilt ready to go thanks to Jane Harris and Mary Leonard. We have a challenge quilt theme – "Everything's Coming up Roses". We have a pair of co-chairs – Marianne Hatton and Kristine Diederich. Now we need you, for without you the show simply cannot go on. There will be many jobs to fill, and to make the load lighter for everyone we'd love to hear from you if you are willing and able to help in any capacity. We will get more specific about the various areas for which we need volunteers, but if you know already that you would or could possibly be interested in a particular job we'd love to know!

Thanks!

Marianne and Kristine

## Library Talk

Hi, Quilters!

It's June and you may be looking for small summer projects. If so, we have a great library book for you to check out: *Wonderful Baby Quilts To Make* by Pat Richards.

This is a large-format hard-cover book with lovely color photographs. The quilts are made by combining many different techniques, including piecing, fusible and sewn-on appliqué, painting, 3-d effects, and embroidery. They're all wonderfully whimsical and colorful. We've not seen anything like most of these patterns and we're sure that any of them would be a truly special gift.

Have a great summer. If you want books between the June and September meetings, just give one of us a call.

Carol DeBold and Marilyn Novak,  
Library Co-chairs

# QUILT SHOW 2008 CHALLENGE

## "EVERYTHING'S COMING UP ROSES"

The idea for the challenge came after seeing a photograph of a large installation at a Japanese quilt show. The theme was sunflowers, and the size of the quilts was consistent, making for a spectacular display. Our show is much smaller than the one which inspired us, but our display could be just as lovely. We have picked 24 inches as the finished size for the challenge quilts – no bigger and no smaller please!

The only direction is the theme – roses. You can piece them, appliquéd them, embroider and embellish them, make one or make many, make them three dimensional, traditional or contemporary or a combination of techniques, They can be sweet or they can be thorny, and we hope to be able to practically be able to smell them as we get near the display!

The guild library has been seeking and making available books to give you ideas, and there is a tri-fold board with a number of pictures to hopefully spark your interest and inspire your creativity. Do look for both at the upcoming guild meeting.

In order to be part of the challenge, your quilt must conform to the 24 inch by 24 inch size, and be a completed piece with a backing and finished edges. The most important requirement is that you have fun. Perhaps you will try a new technique or perhaps do that which you do best already. We think the results will be a feast for the eyes and can't wait to see what you will do with it. We hope that with this much lead time to see an entry from everyone!

Please feel free to contact us if anything isn't clear.

Marianne and Kristine

## New England Quilt Museum News

Lowell Quilt Festival

Images 2007

August 2-5, 2007

[www.lowellquiltfestival.org](http://www.lowellquiltfestival.org)

Email: [info@lowellquiltfestival.org](mailto:info@lowellquiltfestival.org)

A citywide celebration of quilts at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium and the Doubletree Hotel. Presented by the New England Quilt Museum Auxiliary and NEQM Board of Directors to benefit the New England Quilt Museum.

Images 2007 is a juried and judged quilt show, with cash prizes for the first time ever! Highlights will include an antique quilt show, merchant mall, classes & workshops, lectures, live & silent auctions. More citywide events at the American Textile History Museum, Brush Art Gallery, New England Quilt Museum, Western Avenue Studios, Whistler House Museum of Art and others to be announced.

*Volunteers are still needed!*

Any volunteer who works 2 or more hours will receive a **FREE DAY PASS** to the Festival. A Volunteer Form is available on the show's web site.

There's still time to register for classes! Please visit the web site to see which classes are still open. There will be a wonderful staff of talented, well-known quilters who will be here teaching many different techniques and styles, from traditional to ultra-contemporary.

#### **New England Quilt Museum**

**18 Shattuck St., Lowell, MA 01852**

**978-452-4207**

Email: [questions@nequiltmuseum.org](mailto:questions@nequiltmuseum.org)

Web: [www.nequiltmuseum.org](http://www.nequiltmuseum.org)

#### **Museum hours:**

Tues.-Sat., 10am-4pm year-round, Sun.,

12pm-4pm (May thru Dec. only)

The Museum is closed Mondays and on major holidays (July 4th, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and Easter Sunday).

**"I Remember Mama!"** This wonderful exhibit is still showing through June 10, don't miss it! A delightful compilation of quilts, the museum has 61 on display 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.

**"Uncovered in New Hampshire"** June 14-August 19, 2007 Organized by the New Hampshire Quilt Documentation Project and curated by Julie Crossland, this exhibit will feature antique quilts documented in New Hampshire. During the Lowell Quilt Festival, the museum hours will coincide with the hours of the other exhibits.

**Executive Director appointed** – The Board of the New England Quilt Museum is pleased to announce the appointment of **Connie Colom** as Executive Director. Connie served 3 years as Executive Director at the Lynn Museum and Historical Society. Before coming to Massachusetts, Connie was the site administrator/curator at the Captain Nathaniel Palmer House in CT. In addition to a BA in Anthropology-Sociology from Randolph-Macon Women's College in Lynchburg, VA and a Masters in Art History-Museology from George Washington University in Washington, DC, Connie completed a Master of Education in Museum Leadership and Administration at Bank Street College of Education in New York City. Connie will join NEQM on June 1st.

Laura Lane

## Activities

Make-It/Take-It ~ Demos ~ Box Challenge REVEAL ~ Sewing Machines To Play With .... all this and our end of year potluck dinner too!

The June meeting should be a GREAT time for everyone. The activities committee has planned an eventful and fun set of events. There will be Make-It/Take-It projects, demos and FREE kits to go home and make yourself, as well as some Bernina sewing machines, courtesy of Ann's Fabrics Sewing Machine Center in Canton. So come ready to try your hand at some Free Motion sewing with the Bernina Stitch Regulator. At the end of the night we will be drawing a name from the hat for some lucky Guild member to bring home the extra fabric painting supplies from the make-it/take-it project.

Along with these great activities we ask that everyone who participated in the last box challenge bring along their completed (or as far as it has gotten) quilt to share with the rest of the guild for our Box Challenge REVEAL!

As announced last meeting this years Summer Challenge will be a bit different. Instead of a quilt we will be making and exchanging quilted postcards. If you would like to sign-up please let us know as soon as possible. You will be getting a set of directions and ideas along with the basic supplies you'll need for creating this fun challenge.

Janet Columbus and Jill Callander, co-chairs