

Wayside Quilters

Next Meeting:

November 13, 2006

7pm Social Time

7.30pm Business Meeting

Goodnow Library

Concord Road, Sudbury

Raffle Items:

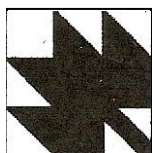
Towns of Hudson, Concord,
Lancaster and Northborough

Refreshments:

Towns of Marlborough and
Westborough

Block of the Month:

Maple Leaf



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November 2006

From the President:

Happy November, Waysiders. It's getting crisper and crisper outside -- perfect weather for cuddling under a quilt!

Last month's program and workshop with Sylvia Einstein were both fantastic, and I hope you enjoyed her too. I know we all have different styles and tastes and color preferences, but I hope everyone could appreciate Sylvia's gifts for composition and color arrangement. What a treasure to have her so close to our area!

Don't forget to complete your surveys. They can be brought to the Nov. 13 and Dec. 11 meetings or they can be mailed to my home address (I'm in "the book"). I'm sure you'll notice that the surveys are not anonymous. I did that intentionally so that if you have a great idea or comment or tip, I can follow-up with you if I need more information. If you have something to say that you wish to remain anonymous (although I'd prefer it if you just told me; I can take it!), you may write it on a separate blank piece of paper and submit it in the same fashion as the surveys. There will be a supply of blank surveys at the next two meetings as well as a collection box for completed surveys. It is also included as an attachment with this month's newsletter. Please complete it and help your executive board run the guild to your satisfaction. I hope to report the results in January.

I don't want to take too much time for our business meeting this month -- we all want time to enjoy our speaker Gerald Roy -- so I will put out this one plea here only (for this month anyway): We are desperately in need of someone to help with the marketing of the raffle quilt.

If you're a mom and have organized the activities of your kids, you can do this job. If you're a manager or independent contractor in charge of managing your own duties and those of others, you can do this job. If you've planned a bake sale at church or ever organized a holiday party, you can do this job. Grab a buddy or two to spread the tasks out and have fun with this! I cannot stress enough what a significant fund-raiser this is for the guild. Many venues require scheduling way in advance -- we don't want to be continually beat out by the Boy Scouts now do we? (Although they're a fine organization, to be sure.)

Please hold your show and tell items for one more month -- in deference to our speaker -- and I promise one humdinger of a show and tell in December! I'll even wear extra-tall heels so I can help lift your creations as high as possible!!

Kristine Diederich

Programs

Our featured guest for the November 13th meeting is Gerald Roy of Warner, NH, a distinguished and well-known figure in the quilt world. He is a painter, quilt maker, designer, quilt collector, antique dealer, teacher, AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser, author, lecturer, judge and quilt historian. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the New England Quilt Museum and is the owner of the Pilgrim/Roy Collection and Quilt Conservatory. He will do a trunk show of antique quilt tops (bringing tops only multiplies the number he can show us), using these as a basis for his presentation on quilt history. You can find out more about Gerald Roy and his quilt collection on his website: pilgrimroy.com

Anne Messier

Raffle Quilt

Anyone who did not turn in their raffle quilt blocks at the October meeting, PLEASE bring them to the November meeting and give them to either Jane Harris or Mary Leonard. We have no extra quilt blocks so it is imperative that we receive all quilt block packets that were taken at the June meeting. If you are not attending the November meeting and still have a quilt block packet please call Jane or Mary so arrangements can be made.

Jane Harris



Library Talk

For those of you who attended Sylvia Einstein's workshop, or if you're just interested in reading up and trying Curved Piecing, we have a book for you.

A good basic technique book for curved piecing is part of the Your First Quilt Book series. Curved Piecing by Paulette Peters first shows how to get a smooth, flat curved seam using templates. Her lessons are for machine and hand piecing.

Later on, she explains how to draw perfect curves using a bar compass, a ruler and a pencil. She includes instructions and templates for 8 projects that range from simple to more complex piecing arrangements.

The hints and warnings of possible problems that might be encountered make this a great beginner's to intermediate level book.

This book will be available at the next Wayside Quilters meeting.

Wanted!

In our search for books with good rose-themed patterns, we've found a few that are no longer in print or otherwise not available. If you have one of these in your personal library and don't need it anymore, would you consider donating it to the guild library? Or, would you consider offering to let interested guild members borrow it?

Senuta, Emily G, Blooms and Baskets: Gems of Summer

McDowell, Ruth: Pieced Flowers

Goldstein, Joanne, Fabric Collage Quilts

As always, if you want a book in the guild library, contact one of us.

Marilyn Novak and Carol DeBold

Raffle

Please look at the header of this newsletter to see if it is your town this month.

Any gently used tool, gadget, book, any excess fabrics from your sewing areas are welcome or if you would prefer to purchase something specifically fat quarters and notions are very popular.

Thanks Audrey

Block of the Month

I am glad so many of you made the "Friendship Star" Block of the Month, it was a great success! I can't wait to see all of those "Autumn Leaves" on the table. It should be quite a spectacular sight.

Barbara Fritz-Elliott

Meeting Dates:

December 11
January 8
February 12
March 19
April 2
May 14
June 11

Activities



PLACEMATS ~ if you haven't already returned your placemats please bring them to the next meeting or make arrangements to get them to Janet or Jill. These will be delivered next week so we need them back, and thanks so much to everyone for helping make this campaign a success.



BOX CHALLENGE – remember to bring back your boxes for round 2. If you can't make the meeting please arrange to get the box to Janet or Jill or have a friend bring it to the meeting. If you're having a problem keeping your box number sticker stuck to the bottom of your box, try taping it to the inside top cover. Hope you're having fun.

SECRET SANTA – instead of a Yankee Swap at this years holiday get together in December we are going to try a secret Santa gift exchange. If you want to participate please let us know at the November meeting. If you can't make the meeting you can call Janet or email Jill, jcallander@usa.net. We will be exchanging names at the end of the November meeting.

HOLIDAY POTLUCK – The holiday pot luck is on for the December meeting, please sign-up at the meeting to bring something.

UGLIES AUCTION & FABRIC DONATIONS – If you are going to attend the uglies auction this year you need to make a fabric donation for the auction. Bring your clean labeled bundle to any meeting up to and including auction day. We are hoping to presort and arrange as much of the fabric in advance of the auction as possible. If you have something that you want to donate to the outreach kits we are also accepting those donations now. Just drop them off at the meetings.

Janet Columbus and Jill Callander, co-chairs