

Wayside Quilters

Next Meeting:

September 15, 2008

7pm Business Meeting
Goodnow Library
Concord Road, Sudbury

Raffle Items:

Everyone

Refreshments:

Towns of Sudbury A-G

Meeting Dates:

October 6
November 10
December 15
January 12 or 26 - TBD
February 9 or 23 - TBD
March 16
April 13
May 9
June 15

Mystery Quilt:

Step 1

Newsletter Deadline:

Noon Thursday 25th September

www.waysidequilters.org

September 2008

From the President:

Hello Everyone!

With summer ebbing it is time to get out of the garden and back to our sewing rooms--where we will be warm and cozy all winter long.

I am writing this to you in this, the first newsletter of the year so I will not be taking-up precious time during the September meeting.

For the next two guild seasons (08-09 & 09-10) I will be standing-up in front of you instead of sitting among you. I want to say a bit of how this has some to pass.

Last April or May when Kristine asked for volunteers to form a nominating committee, everyone ran for the bushes. Two people came forward--Kristine was still 5 short as required by the guild by laws. Having served on that committee 3 times I know it is a fairly easy job to do.

I got to thinking about the 13 years I have had the pleasure of being a member of the Wayside Quilters Guild. I was amazed at what came to mind. When I started I had made two very pale and sad looking pillows. During the 13 years my quilting has blossomed. The reasons for that ---not only all the perks the Guild offers, the speakers, workshops, discounts etc. but most of all the monthly show and tell. I am a better quilter today because of all of you. You have shared your knowledge, your talents, your ideas, your inspiration and most of all your finished products in show and tell with me. Because of you--I am a better quilter. Thank you for all your help.

So, I talked to Kristine and said I would do this job as President. I know you all will help me along the way. I feel it is time for me to show my appreciation and to "Pay It Forward" Hoping this concept will catch on.

Well, having said that ---now to the September 15th meeting.

We are fortunate to have Jennifer Gilbert, past Curator of the New England Quilt Museum in Lowell and author of the book "The New England Quilt Museum QUILTS" Who will speak on crazy quilts.

The business meeting will follow Jennifer's talk. We have the quilt show prep. to review which will answer any and all your questions concerning the quilts you will be hanging in the show. Also, a few short and sweet committee reports--so, please stay after Jennifer's talk for the business meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you on September 15th.
Jane

Membership

This is an especially exciting year. Be sure to renew your membership to enjoy all of the fun of the October Quilt show.

It's a new season of fabulous quilting and time to renew your Wayside Quilt Guild membership. I'll be at September's meeting to renew your membership and collect any updated address/email/phone information.

Please fill out a membership form and submit it to me along with your annual dues of \$25. Or, you can send it in the mail to me before the meeting (this will make it a little easier). Member cards, Fabric Place discount cards and the updated Wayside Quilters directory will be handed out at a later meeting. I have my quilt almost finished for the show (does the binding count?) ...do you?

See you in September!

Melinda

Programs

Hi, Quilters!

We've traded jobs with Ann Messier. She's taken on the library and we're booking speakers and workshop leaders this term. Our first two bookings are Jennifer Gilbert, former curator at the New England Quilt Museum, who will present a talk on Crazy Quilts at our September 15th meeting. To follow up on that, our own Marianne Hatton will do a Crazy Quilt workshop on Saturday, September 20th, at the Sudbury Senior Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We do have a few openings left, so contact one of us if you'd like to join us. If you're already signed up but haven't asked for a kit, please let us know whether you want one—they cost \$10, are wonderful (we've seen one), and will make the workshop zip beautifully by for you.

So remember:

Marianne Hatton – Crazy Quilt Workshop – Sat., September 20th

Here are the other speakers and workshops for this quilting year:

November 10th meeting: a lecture/slideshow by Gwenyd Trefethen

November 11th workshop: Color, by Gwenyd Trefethen (*see Laura's description under Workshops*)

March 16th meeting: lecture/trunk show by local art quilter Dilla Gooch Tingley

May 9th Saturday meeting: morning lecture and afternoon workshop on thread painting by Leni Levinson Wiener

Carol DeBold and Marilyn Novak

Quilt Show 2008 Update

We're getting down to the wire on our guild's quilt show and there is a lot to report.

1. **FORMS:**

- Hard copies of quilt entry forms (to enter a quilt in the show) and volunteer signup forms (required to submit a quilt or quilts in the show) were made available at the June meeting and newsletter. A limited number of forms will be available at the Sept. 15 meeting. For those of you with Internet access, however, we would greatly prefer you use the online forms that our Webmaster Cheryl Fraser has created. These are now live and available for your use. You can find them on our guild website, www.waysidequilters.org; click the Quilt Show 2008 tab. The online forms are preferable because we can send them electronically to all of the people who need them for various jobs. Of course, hand-written forms will always be acceptable. In either case, we require a photo of your quilt -- a digital photo e-mailed to us or a printed photo U.S.-mailed (please be sure to mark the back of your photo with your name, town, phone and quilt name). Please do not include fabric swatches; they have been an alternative to the photo in past years but they will not help us at all so please refrain. A photo is absolutely mandatory because we will have so little time at the venue for set-up. (In past years, we've had an entire extra day to lay the quilts out and rearrange them to our heart's content to make the most pleasing arrangement. This year -- with only 7 hours, total, to set up -- we will need to plot the entire show using the visual cues provided in the photos so the quilts can be hung in the least amount of time.)
- PLEASE SEND YOUR FORMS -- EITHER ELECTRONICALLY OR VIA U.S. MAIL -- ASAP. **The deadline to receive forms is Sept. 15** but the sooner, the better. Hand-written forms and photos can be passed in to us at the Sept. 15 guild meeting. Even if you choose to use a paper form for registering your quilt(s), you still may send your photo electronically if you wish. See our website (click on the Quilt Show 2008 tab) for how to do this. To access the complete set of forms and instructions -- including Boutique information -- from the website, click on "Printable Quilt Entry Form & Volunteer Form". Even if you are filing electronically, you may wish to print a copy of this packet for future reference.

- ### 2. **VOLUNTEERING AT THE SHOW:**
- You may have noticed that the form is a little different this year; we ask you only for the times you are available and whether you need a seated job. Because there are so many jobs at the show, this gives us the flexibility to place you where you are most needed during that time slot. We will have a place at the show where you can check the schedule to know what your assignment is. Remember, if you wish to show a quilt at the show, we expect you to volunteer at least three hours for show-related tasks. If you plan to be around most of the day at the show, please let us know that as well. Knowing we have a few "floaters" who are flexible and able to take on any job that comes up is invaluable.

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- As you know, if you've been involved with any show before, the night of set-up is an exciting, frenetic and physical adventure! Many able-bodied volunteers are needed, and sons, husbands, hulking friends and other strong individuals are especially desired. We can promise them a crazy and (hopefully) fun night with a pizza break at some point. And the

satisfaction of helping you and your guild, of course! Start thinking of who you can hoodwink -- we mean, recruit -- and let us know on your volunteer form or by separate note. Our total time for set up on Friday, Oct. 17, is from 4-11 p.m. (maybe earlier if we have enough volunteers) at Lincoln-Sudbury High's cafeteria. The setting up of the poles will happen first so 4-7 p.m. would be the critical time for "brawn" to be present.

4. **PREPARING YOUR QUILTS FOR PRESENTATION:** At the Sept. 15 meeting, we will speak in detail about what is required for hanging sleeves, lathing strips, etc. These prep instructions may seem niggling, but following them to the letter is what helps us mount the show quickly and efficiently, and provides the most pleasing way for the quilts to be displayed. Year after year, we've had positive feedback on how well displayed the show is and we intend to continue that tradition in our new venue. Our presentation will take place after Jennifer Gilbert's slide show. Please stay for this vitally important information session if you will be showing a quilt(s) this fall.
5. **QUILT DROP OFF:** Again, something new for this year due to our inability to get into the venue early. Drop-off will take place in Sudbury (20 Willard Grant Road) and Framingham (13 Church St.) on Thursday, Oct. 16, from 10 a.m.-noon and 5-7 p.m. Your quilt can also be delivered at the Oct. 6 guild meeting. Your quilt must be delivered in a muslin bag; instructions are available on the website. One bag per quilt. A limited number of kits will be available at the September guild meeting (\$3), however, the instructions on the website clearly tell you how much fabric you need to make your bag. **EXCEPTION TO THE MUSLIN BAG REQUIREMENT:** Quilts for the rose challenge **DO NOT** have to have their own muslin bag; they may be delivered naked.

This is an exciting time, and we are both expecting a tremendous show and turnout. We look forward to seeing all of the wonderful creations you have been working so hard on!

Best, Marianne and Kristine

Raffle Baskets

Please bring your donations to the September meeting. Any donation big or small will be welcome. Themes are gardening, spa, tea, coffee and reproduction fabrics. Search those nooks and crannies for those tea, coffee, gardening and repro themed fat quarters. Some people have suggested that batiks would be a good idea as well. Also a couple of baskets, general sewing items e.g. thread, notions etc and any other item you feel appropriate are needed. If you have items and cannot make the meeting please contact Jenny. Thanks to everyone who has donated so far.

Raffle Tickets: Please bring in sold ticket stubs, money and record sheet to the meeting. If not attending the meeting please mail to Demetra.

Workshops

We have 3 workshops planned for the 2008–2009 guild year. The first workshop will be the Crazy Quilt Workshop with Marianne Hatton on September 20. The second workshop will be a workshop in Color Theory on Tuesday, November 11 with Gwyned Trefethen. Gwyned is an art quilter who has been juried into many special exhibits. Here is how she describes her workshop: “In Color Theory 101 students will develop a comfort level with color through hands on exercises using fabric scraps, colored pencils and construction paper. Students of all abilities from beginner to seasoned are encouraged to sign up. No sewing required.” In May we will have a Saturday lecture and workshop with Leni Levenson Wiener on “Thread Sketching and Thread Painting”. Workshops are \$35 for Wayside Guild members and \$45 for non-members. Laura will begin taking sign-ups for the Color Theory workshop at the September meeting.

Mystery Quilt 2008

The Mystery Quilt for this year will be a child’s quilt measuring 46 ½” X 54 ½”. There will be 5 monthly installments starting in September. The final installment will come in January. I suggest bright, fun prints that children will enjoy. This project works well with scraps, so get out your scrap bags.

Many of you may have a special child in mind or occasion to give this quilt as a gift. I’m hoping some of you will make this quilt for our Guild Outreach Project.

Yardages:

½ yard of a light blue fabric (think sky)
¾ yard of a dark blue fabric (think water)
12” X 12” scrap of bright yellow
8” X 8” scrap of white fabric
Assorted bright, fun scraps

Yardages for borders:

First border: ¼ yard
Second border: ½ yard
Third border: ¾ yard

Yardages for backing and binding:

Backing 2 ¼ yards
Batting: 50” X 60”
Binding: 3/8 yard for a 2 ½” wide double binding

Happy Sewing!

Kids mystery quilt: Part one

Sun block (make one)

From the bright yellow fabric, cut

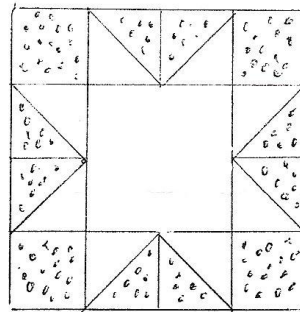


- (1) - 4 1/2" square
- (4) - 2 7/8" squares

From the light blue fabric, cut



- (4) - 2 1/2" squares
- (4) - 2 7/8" squares



Draw a diagonal line on the back of each yellow 2 7/8" square.

Match these up with the light blue 2 7/8" squares, right sides together.

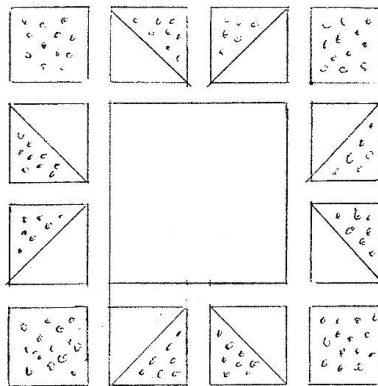
Sew 1/4" on both sides of the drawn line. Cut on the drawn line.

Press towards the darker fabric.



Assemble block according to the diagram.

Block should measure 8 1/2" including seam allowance.



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Wayside Quilters Guild - Membership Request Form

2008-2009 Season

Name (please print):	Annual Dues \$ 25
Address:	Make checks payable to "Wayside Quilters"
Home Phone:	Bring membership form and check to a guild meeting or mail to: Melinda Connor WQGMembership 189 Morse Road Sudbury, MA 01776
E-Mail:	
Member status New ___ Renewal ___	
Guild newsletter will be sent by email unless you make other arrangements with the Membership Chair. Receiving the newsletter by email saves the guild lots of money!	