

# Wayside Quilters

## Next Meeting:

April 13, 2009  
7pm Social Time  
7.30pm Business Meeting  
Goodnow Library  
Concord Road, Sudbury

## Raffle Items:

No raffle

## Refreshments:

Town of Wayland

## Meeting Dates:

April 25 (Saturday)  
May 9  
June 15

## Newsletter Deadline:

Noon Wednesday 29th April

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

April 2009

## From the President:

Hello Everyone,

Our March, Monday night meeting was a treat for all who attended. Dilla Gooch Tingley's lecture and trunk show of her art quilts was amazing. I'm sure we all came away from that evening with new ideas dancing in our heads. A huge "THANK YOU" to Carol and Marilyn for arranging Dilla's visit with us.

Our Saturday meeting was very well attended. Kathie Cromwell, raffle quilt construction chair, had the pieced and appliqué blocks for distribution. Mary Leonard was on hand to help and guide the appliqué and Marianne Hatton gave a short tutorial on using templates for precise piecing. The 2010 raffle quilt is well underway!!

See you all on April 13th.

Jane

## April Monday Night Meeting

We are planning two activities for our April Evening Meeting. We will be holding a "Fill-a-Bag" sale of fabrics from the Wayside Quilters Vault, and a "UFO" Auction of projects donated by members of the guild. ***So please bring your wallet and or checkbook to help support the guild.***

For the "Fill-a-Bag" sale we will be charging a flat fee of \$5.00 per bag for all you can fit in the bag. Please bring an "reusable grocery bag" to fill with fabric. The guild has a large amount of fabric that has been donated, and it's time to clear some of the wonderful treasures out of our storage space.

For the "UFO" auction, please bring your donations of UFOs (unfinished kits, projects, quilt tops, fat quarter packs, patterns, recent quilting books, fiber related projects that you will never finish (that bag of sweater yarn that will never become a sweater), cheater cloths...the sky's the limit. If you have a question regarding what you want to donate, drop me a line at [sharon.macomber@verizon.net](mailto:sharon.macomber@verizon.net) (please put Wayside Quilters in the subject of the email).

## Programs

We will be having a very special meeting on Saturday, May 9 at the First Baptist Church on Landham Road in Sudbury.

Leni Levenson Wiener will show us some of her works during the general meeting from 9–12 noon. After an hour lunch break we will begin our Thread Painting workshop with Leni (from 1–4pm). There is still space available if you want to sign up. Just contact Laura Lane for information.

Four ways to join in the workshop fun:

1. Send a photo that you would like to try thread painting on in the jpeg format to Leni at [leni@leniwiener.com](mailto:leni@leniwiener.com). Leni will print your image out on cotton fabric for you to use.
2. Buy a commercial fabric with a picture on it that you can thread paint. Those oriental fabrics with birds and flowers would work fine.
3. Print your own photo on cotton fabric.
4. Go to Leni's web site and find one of her kits that you'd like. We get 20% off the price. Just email her that you want to purchase a kit and she will bring it with her.

Make sure you get the rest of the supply list from Laura Lane and get ready to have a fun day.

See you soon!

Marilyn Novak and Carol Debold

Program co-chairs

## Workshops

### Thread Painting Workshop

There are still openings in the Thread Painting workshop with Leni Levinson Weiner, to be held from 1:00–4:00 PM on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. We will have a regular guild meeting starting at 9:00 AM at the First Baptist Church of Sudbury located on Landham Road. Then Leni will give her lecture and trunk show on Thread Painting. Those that sign up for the workshop will have lunch then begin the workshop and actually try her techniques. The cost for the workshop and lunch is \$25 for Wayside Guild members and \$35 for non-members. Laura will be at the April meeting to accept registrations. If you have questions please call Laura at (508)480-8259 or [pete.lane@comcast.net](mailto:pete.lane@comcast.net)

## Raffle Quilt News

If anyone needs something for their raffle block I will have the fabrics at the meeting. Completed blocks need to be returned by the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting but if you are already finished I will be happy to collect them. Jenny Johnston

## Caring Hearts Project

Wow! What a great response to our initiative to make a few pillows to give to members who have been dealing with health challenges and other difficulties, whatever the reason. The picture says it all!

Most of you have seen the finished product and are as excited as we are! We are in the process of giving them away and naturally have had only delighted responses from the recipients. Such a nice way to convey our collective concern – little guild with big heart!

There are more hearts still in the works. It seems guild members are enjoying having a little project to spend a few minutes on here and there.

Thank you to all of you who have appliquéd hearts and/or made them into finished pillows – they are absolutely beautiful and have been much admired by everyone who has seen them.

Marianne Hatton  
Jane Harris



## WANTED AND NEEDED!!

With our "Caring Hearts" project well underway, the Guild is now asking for someone to take over the project. This job would include:

- ♥ Handing out the squares and hearts fabrics at our meetings.
- ♥ Collecting finished pillows or pillow covers from members at our meetings.
- ♥ Purchasing (at the guilds expense) pillow forms, at the lowest price possible. (I will donate my 40% and 50% off coupons to help with the price.)
- ♥ When we learn of a friend and guild member who is experiencing a difficult time, deliver to that person a "Caring Hearts" pillow and a short note from all of us in the guild.

It is a small undertaking with huge rewards. Interested? Call me (Jane) at 508-877-7059 or e-mail at [janway@rcn.com](mailto:janway@rcn.com).

# New England Quilt Museum News

Artist of the Month: Diane Loomis



*Diane Loomis' "Not Quite Centered" is among the quilts on display.*

Our Artist of the Month is Diane Loomis, whose award-winning machine quilting is simply stunning. We have small, exquisite wallhangings and one richly-colored large pieced quilt on display in the Museum shop, so stop by and enjoy!

## About the quilts on display:

This exhibit shows my recent work which is an "artistic detour" from machine quilting and finishing full size quilts. I use solid fabrics as my primary fabric 'palette' because of the beautiful way they showcase machine quilting. Many of these quilts were created in the process of experimenting with techniques or materials I am planning to use in larger quilts. Some have been complete surprises -- they started out as practice pieces only, never intended for display or show. I love the creative process as my machine quilting sculpts the fabric and I watch as designs emerge from the smooth, solid fabric, almost effortlessly and without thought, in front of my eyes.

## About Diane:

Although I have sewn since I was a child, I began quilting about ten years ago when I volunteered to coordinate quilts for my children's elementary school classes. As a parent with a 'day job' outside of the home, I realized I would never have time to finish my quilt tops by hand, and turned to machine quilting on my home sewing machine.

## Read more...

My machine quilting has won awards and recognition in local and national quilt shows since 2006. In addition to my passion for machine quilting, I bring over 20 years of teaching experience to my workshops and lectures. You can see more of my quilts on my website [www.dianeloomisquilts.com](http://www.dianeloomisquilts.com)

## Project Linus Make a Blanket Day April 4

The museum is pleased to host the spring Make a Blanket Day for Project Linus on Saturday, April 4. Quilters, both newcomers and experienced, are invited to bring their sewing machine and join the team of Project Linus Blanketeers to assemble quilts for seriously ill children.

Janice Binette-Linn, local area coordinator for Merrimack Valley, has been collecting fabrics and will provide the new pattern for our spring Make a Blanket Day, Saturday, April 4 from 10:00 AM to 3:30 PM. She will deliver the quilts to area hospitals where they will be given to seriously ill children.

For more information about being a Blanketeer please contact: Rhonda Galpern at

[outreach@nequiltmuseum.org](mailto:outreach@nequiltmuseum.org)

Phone: 978-452-4207, ext 17; or

"Project Linus Jan" at [spooliejan@yahoo.com](mailto:spooliejan@yahoo.com)

Phone: 978-687-3346.

### Spring Harmony Table Runner Class March 28

We have an exciting new class on offer from Miho Takeuchi: Look forward to spring with a simple, beautiful table runner that's quick to sew and looks lovely with any décor. This is a one day class, making a beautiful table runner, 16" x 46" finished size. All materials and tools needed are available in the shop, either for purchase individually or as a kit. Class fee is \$55 for members/\$65 for non-members, and includes the pattern book. To sign up, contact Shop Manager Judy Copeland at [shop@nequiltmuseum.org](mailto:shop@nequiltmuseum.org) or 978-452-4207, ext. 16.

### Registration now open for the Lowell Quilt Festival

This year the teachers at the Lowell Quilt Festival include Charlotte War Anderson, Christine Fries-Ureel, Roberta Horton, Anita Shackelford, George Siciliano and others. Classes will be held from August 5-8 at the Radisson Hotel in Chelmsford. Registration information is available on-line at [www.lowellquiltfestival.org](http://www.lowellquiltfestival.org)

## GREAT NEWS!!!

WE NOW HAVE OUR 2010 QUILT SHOW  
CHAIRPERSON AND CO-CHAIRPERSON!!

Carol Bradford, who is currently doing the job of meeting raffle, has stepped up to chair the show. Jane Harris, (who will be by September 2010, retired from the "oval" office) will join Carol as show co-chair. As mentioned at the March 16th meeting, several of the show committee jobs were already filled. Carol and Jane will have a list of the committees needing chairpersons by our June 2009 meeting. Our quilt show is an exciting and beautiful undertaking. If you already have a preference as to what part you would like to play in the shows production, contact Carol at [noyesnurse@verizon.net](mailto:noyesnurse@verizon.net) or Jane at [janway@rcn.com](mailto:janway@rcn.com)

## For Your Interest

### 5 MINUTE CHOCOLATE MUG CAKE

4 tablespoons flour  
4 tablespoons sugar  
2 tablespoons cocoa  
1 egg  
3 tablespoons milk  
3 tablespoons oil  
3 tablespoons chocolate chips (optional)  
A small splash of vanilla extract  
1 large coffee mug (MicroSafe)

Add dry ingredients to mug, and mix well.

Add the egg and mix thoroughly.

Pour in the milk and oil and mix well.

Add the chocolate chips (if using) and vanilla extract, and mix again.

Put your mug in the microwave and cook for 3 minutes at 1000 watts.

The cake will rise over the top of the mug, but don't be alarmed!

Allow to cool a little, and tip out onto a plate if desired.

Then EAT! (This can serve 2 if you want to feel slightly more virtuous).

**And why is this the most  
dangerous cake recipe in the  
world?**

Because now we are all only 5 minutes away from chocolate cake at any time of the day or night.

## The General Artemas Ward House Museum Invites You to Attend a



### QUILT EXHIBITION

Schoolhouse Quilters of Shrewsbury  
At the General Artemas Ward House Museum  
786 Main Street, Shrewsbury, MA  
Saturday, April 25, 2009  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Free Admission

**The newly-published Massachusetts Quilt Documentation project book,  
"Massachusetts Quilts: Our Common Wealth",  
will be available for sale.**

**The price is \$47.25 for this venue (list price is \$60). Payment is by cash or check only.**

Over 100 quilts will be displayed among the museum artifacts. Bed quilts, wall hangings, holiday items, table runners, and pot holders will be shown. Throughout the day, there will be demonstrations of quilting, hand appliqué, English paper piecing, wool work, and embroidery. Outside displays weather permitting.

The Schoolhouse Quilters are a non-profit quilting group founded about thirty years ago. They are dedicated to the art of quilting and are members of the New England Quilt Museum auxiliary guild. They offer yearly college scholarships to high school seniors who will study fiber arts.

For additional information phone the museum at 508-842-8900