

Wayside Quilters

Next Meeting:

Monday December 14
7pm
Goodnow Library
Concord Rd, Sudbury

Raffle Items:

No raffle

Refreshments:

Everyone

Meeting Dates:

January 11
January 23
February 6
March 6
March 15
April 3
May 1
May 17
June 5
June 14

Workshops:

May: Virginia and George
Siciliano

Newsletter Deadline:

Noon Tuesday 29th December

www.waysidequilters.org
December 2009

From the President:

Dear Quilters,

I am sure all who attended the November 16th, Monday night meeting will agree with me when I say, "Faye Labanaris was a huge success".

At the Tuesday workshop she had us up and working in no time. She is such a competent and laid back instructor, it was easy to get into the swing of it. I don't think I have worked that hard at a workshop-- ever! She was great fun.

Now that we have Thanksgiving behind us (literally!) we can concentrate on the upcoming month of holidays and gala events.

Foremost of which is the Wayside Quilters December potluck meeting on December 14th. Don't forget to bring --two fat quarters, (lovely-gift grade) simply wrapped. Lots of scotch tape as they will get roughed up in our game. It will be an evening to remember with fun, games, laughs and of course -- delicious food.

See you all there at 7PM sharp.

Jane

*****REMINDER*****PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO BRING YOUR
DONATION TO THE FOOD PANTRY

THEY NEED: PAPER PRODUCTS:

- A. TOILET PAPER, PAPER TOWELS
- B. JUICE BOXES, FOR THE CHILDREN'S LUNCHES
- C. DIAPERS-----ANY SIZE, ANY BRAND

Thanks again.

Jane

Hospitality

We will once again be having a delicious potluck dinner party at the next meeting – everyone brings something – lots of food!! Sign-up for dishes was last meeting, but if you missed it just make your favorite recipe. Most needed are entrees. **Party!!!**

Joanne

December and January Meetings

Don't forget to bring 2 fat quarters wrapped (in a single package) for our Holiday Party and as a heads up for January – Start looking for a yard of "UGLY" fabric to bring to the January Meeting – I have a plan and it should be a lot of fun..

Sharon Macomber

Raffle Quilt

At the November meeting, members of the Raffle Quilt Committee displayed the completed quilt to many oohs and ahhs. Thanks go to all guild members who made a block -- this is a true group effort, of which we can all be proud!

Now, we need to name the quilt. Ballots were passed out at the November meeting requesting your suggestions for a name. If you were not at the meeting, do not despair -- we are accepting suggestions up to and including the December 14th meeting.

Please contact committee chair Kathie Cromwell at

kscromwell3@gmail.com . Please give us your name, as well -- there will be a prize for the guild member who nominates the winning name. (there is a slip to fill in if you want to snail mail your entry at the end of the newsletter)

The winning name -- and winning guild member -- will be announced at the January 11 meeting so stay tuned!



Historian

If you have photographs of any Wayside Quilters activity that you can spare I would be happy to receive them. I have been keeping a scrapbook and would like to make it as complete and up to date as possible.

Thank you!

Judy Merra

Member Request

Does anyone have an easel I could borrow for the December meeting?? If you do, you can e-mail me at janway@rcn.com for call at 508-877-7050 Thanks, Jane

New England Quilt Museum News

Masters: 40 Contemporary Art Quilters

November 19, 2009 - February 25, 2010

Masters explores the cutting edge of art quilting, with today's most regarded global quilt artists represented in this comprehensive exhibition. Guest curator Martha Sielman has assembled a seminal collection of representative works by master art quilters, explored in this exhibition and in Sielman's companion book, *Masters: Art Quilts*. This expansive look at state of the art quilting brings together works by artists from around the world including Australia, the UK, Japan, Israel, Hungary, France, South Africa, Denmark, and Belgium.

MQX 2010 Charity Challenge to Benefit the Museum

Deadline for Entering: March 1

The New England Quilt Museum is the beneficiary of this year's MQX Charity Challenge. Sponsored by Sew Batik, the charity challenge is an invitation to all quilters to create and enter a quilt using the luscious batik fabrics donated by Sew Batik (shown below!).



This challenge quilt may be traditional, art or contemporary in style and it may be pieced or appliquéd. The *only* stipulation is that the MQX logo block, The Bear Paw, must be incorporated into the quilt. It may be the entire quilt or a single element and it may be pieced or appliquéd as a recognizable part of the quilt. Quilts must be no bigger than 45" per side. The deadline for entry is March 1, 2010. The Challenge fee is \$30 and covers the cost of the fabrics, fabric shipping fees and quilt entry into the competition (quilt shipping fees and return fees are not included). [To download complete instructions on how to enter the MQX 2010](#)

[Charity Challenge, click here.](#)

New England Quilt Museum Tour of England

April 5-13

Deadline to Register: January 10

Join The New England Quilt Museum on a once-in-a-lifetime trip to England. Quilting tour specialists Sew Many Places have put together a wonderful nine-day trip to England next spring for the Museum, featuring curator-led private tours for the group at the Victoria & Albert Museum's first quilt exhibition in 30-years; at the American Museum in Bath to view their extraordinary collection of American quilts; and at the Quilt Museum and Gallery in York. Join like-minded quilt enthusiasts on special tours just for our group, including unique opportunities to see quilts seldom exhibited.

To find out more, visit http://sewmanyplaces.com/tours/england_0410.html

Red sox quilt Raffle

See the story of the Red Sox quilt on NESN's Red Sox Report--online. A piece about the quilt, including an interview with the quilt artist who created it, Rosemary Bawn, recently aired on the popular sports program.

The video can be seen online at the Red Sox' MLB.com website.

On display in the shop: A unique work of quilt art and sports memorabilia created for the museum. The Red Sox raffle quilt contains a center panel signed by 24 members of the 2009 Red Sox--23 players from the 2009 Red Sox team, including Tim Wakefield, Jason Varitek, Jonathan Papelbon, Dustin Pedroia, J.D. Drew, and Josh Beckett, as well as President and CEO Larry Lucchino. The panel was generously donated by the Red Sox Foundation in response to a request by the museum. The autographed fabric was then made into a quilt by nationally-renowned quilt artist Rosemary Bawn, who is known nationwide for her pictorial Red Sox works.

Featuring a panorama of Fenway Park, the piece was hand-quilted by the artist. Measuring 54" by 40", the work took a total of 175 hours to complete. It incorporates fabrics that are reproductions from a quilt made around 1910, discovered by guest curator Laura Fisher, with early twentieth century baseball players depicted in the fabric, exhibited at the museum in ***Master Pieces: Haberdashery Textiles in Antique Quilts***.



NOTE: The Museum will be closed during the first weeks of January, through January 1-18. We will reopen on January 19, with normal winter hours.

Outreach

Our Outreach Day will be on Saturday, February 6, 2010, 9:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Sudbury. All are welcome to participate as we spend the day working together to finish, sandwich, tie or machine quilt comfort quilts to donate to injured veterans. You can bring something you have started yourself, or can work on something someone else has started or donated. There will be plenty to do, so mark your calendar now and plan to join us, as the day is always fun as well! This year we are giving quilts to returning, injured veterans who are back in this area. The recipients are both men and women; any colors are acceptable as long as they are cheerful and upbeat. We are accepting donations of fabric (washed please), which you can bring to any guild meeting. If anyone needs batting cut before Feb. 6, please call Benje at 978-443-5560 (or email) and it can be cut to size. We also have some large pieces for backing and a small selection of other fabrics if anyone needs them to add to your quilt. We will be passing around sign up sheets for workers and food donators at upcoming meetings

Thanks – Benje and Jennifer

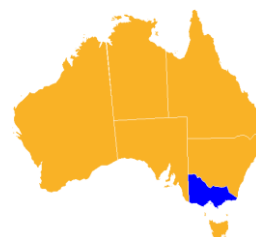
Sister guild

Earlier this year, I proposed at a meeting the idea of establishing a sister-guild relationship with an Australian guild I visited near Melbourne a couple of years ago. The response from our membership was very enthusiastic, and so I made contact with a friend who is a member there, and she too received an enthusiastic response from their committee and very positive response from the membership of her guild, the Seabreeze Quilters about connecting with us. They have been calling our idea "Sisters across the Sea", and the following notice was posted in a recent Seabreeze newsletter:

"SISTERS ACROSS THE SEA"

Are you interested in sharing your love of patchwork with a quilter's group in the USA?

Jenny Stevens has a friend (Marianne Hatton) who belongs to the Wayside Quilters Guild in Sudbury, Massachusetts. The group is keen to link up with our own club with the possibility of working together as a "sister group". If members were interested it would involve communicating with their members, sharing ideas, sewing tips, fundraisers, maybe visiting each other sometime down the track, and any other exchanges that are practical.



At this stage it is just a thought between two friends considering the possibilities that may come about from a love of their craft. Stay tuned.

So, it is sounding like a go! Please share with us your ideas that we might be able to use for this venture. For those who enjoy corresponding, perhaps we can start off with a pen-pal, or maybe "Pin-Pal" idea, to link up with someone via email or regular mail. Another suggestion was to form long distance friendship groups to make and exchange blocks with each other. Perhaps we can have quilts made and exchanged to show off at our quilt shows – same design, but with Australian and US interpretations. There must be lots of things the guild might like to do (before planning a trip there!) and we'd really like to have your ideas and experience too on ways to interact with their guild, so please be thinking about it and contact me or Jane Harris with your thoughts. Thanks!

Marianne Hatton

You can reach me by phone: (978) 443-4004 or by email: cattinthehatt@gmail.com



Cut and mail OR bring to the December meeting and give to Kathie Cromwell or Jane Harris:

My name for this quilt is _____

Guild member name _____