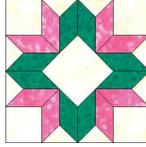


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Newsletter of the Rhododendron Needlers Quilt Guild

August-September 2011

Presidential Musings

Dear Quilting Friends,

As I write this, the thermostat outside my window is showing 102 degrees. Looking at that, it is hard to believe that another guild year is upon us. In just a few short weeks, my children will go back to school, the leaves will begin to change, and another year will begin.

We have a year full of surprises. Our program committee has been hard at work planning a year of learning for us all. This begins with the September meeting. An evening of networking and interacting has been planned. This is a great opportunity to see all that our members have to offer, both quilting and non-quilting related. Members have been invited to share their businesses with us at a Members' Share Night. It will also be a great chance for those who have

been members for a long period of time to introduce themselves to the new members who are joining us for what may be the first time.

So grab a cup of iced tea or a glass of wine and relax. Try to beat the heat, stay cool, and enjoy what remains of the summer. Take a moment to read through this edition of the newsletter. Think about which workshops you might like to attend. Plan your next quilting project, which is always a great way for me to unwind.

We look forward to seeing everyone in September.

Happy Quilting,
Linda Hancock
President

From the Editor

Dear Fellow RNQG'ers,

Like you I'm wondering where summer went! One good thing about the change of seasons is the renewal of RNQG each fall. This newsletter contains LOTS of info; please read it through and mark your calendars for all the activities coming up.

You'll note that the programs section lists the plans for each meeting; details including photos can be found on our website at www.rnqg.org. I'm trying to include other quilt-related events in the newsletter as well, so if you know of anything coming up, please shoot me an email at editor@rnqg.org. Here is the list of deadlines for newsletter submissions:

October 15, 2011, December 15, 2011, February 15, 2012

Cheers, Linda Newberry

Schedule of Board Meetings

Board meetings are held at All About Quilts, 958 Main Street, Walpole. All members are invited to attend. All board members are encouraged attend. Future board meetings will be held on the following dates:

September 7, 2011 November 2, 2011
 January 4, 2012 March 7, 2012
 May 2, 2012

MEETING INFORMATION

All RNQG meeting are held at 7:30 pm at the Italian-American Club, 109 Stone Street, Walpole, MA. Getting to know each other can be difficult. Please remember to wear your nametag to meetings. If you do, you'll receive a raffle ticket for a fun prize!

Website

AnneMarie Freitas continues to work her magic to make the RNQG website both full of information and very user friendly. If you have anything you'd like her to post, you can reach her at webmaster@rnqg.org. Whenever you need to double check the date of a meeting or what events are coming up, please remember to check out the website: www.rnqg.org.

List of Board members for the year

RNQG Board of Directors 2012-2013
 President: Linda Hancock
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 Secretary: Rita Partridge
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 Programs 2012-2013: Diana Annis
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 Newsletter: Linda Newberry
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 Library: Lisa Steinka, Bonnie Vinson
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 Monthly Raffle: Deb McManus
 Quilted Comforts: Paul Burega
 Rack Keeper: Diana Annis
 Connecting Threads: Claudia Cummings
 NEQMA Liaison: Teddi Weber
 Quilt Show 2013: Linda Hancock
 Historian: Avis Davidson
 Raffle Quilt: Deb Woodhams
 Raffle Tickets: Sarah Brewin
 Webmaster: AnneMarie Freitas
 Block of the Month: Suspended
 Publicity: Vacant



Don't forget the summer challenge!

Make one or more 6" or 12" (finished size) star blocks (any style) in red, white and blue. All blocks will be incorporated into quilts submitted to the "Quilts of Valor" organization for distribution to veterans.

Connecting Threads

This year the RNQG contact person for Connecting Threads is Claudia Cummings. If you know of someone who could use a greeting card on behalf of the guild, please contact Claudia at connectingthreads@rnqg.org or by calling her at 508-378-3137.

Comfort Quilts

Quilt-a-Thons are planned for October 15, 2011 and January 16, and March 17, 2012. Paul Burega will be happy to share any details you might need. Every year RNQG contributes comfort quilts to those in need and every year we try to top the number made the previous year. Who knows what our number will be this year!

2011-12 RNQG Program Preview

Guild meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at the Italian-American Club, 109 Stone Street, Walpole, MA. Unless stated otherwise, all workshops are held at All About Quilts, 958 Main Street, Walpole, MA and run from 9:30AM to 4 PM.

Workshop fees: \$60 for RNQG members, \$65 for non-RNQG members. Additional costs (if applicable) are listed in program description. Any non-RNQG member registered for a workshop may attend the guild meeting preceding the workshop free of charge.

Workshop fees are due at the time of registration. If you register for a workshop and find you are unable to attend, there are NO refunds from RNQG. You may find a replacement for your spot and have that individual pay you directly.

September 20, 2011 Member-Vendors night

This is your opportunity to connect with fellow guild members! Take a trip around the Italian-American Club to learn about the businesses -- quilting and non-quilting -- owned and operated by RNQG members and their families and show off your summer challenge block(s). There will be random

drawings for prizes throughout the evening as well as a prize given to everyone who participates in the summer challenge.

If you would like to showcase your business at this meeting, contact Diana Annis at programs@rnqg.org. Let her know if you need a table or will bring your own.

October 19, 2011 Lenore Crawford

“Fusing and Fabric Painting to Create Your Own Fabric Art”

In this lecture Lenore talks about the fusing and fabric-painting techniques she uses to create art quilts with depth and color from

photographs she has taken in her travels. She has won prizes with this style of art quilting including “Best Wall Quilt” at the 2007 AQS Nashville Show and the 2011 AQS Paducah Show.

October 20, 2011 Full-day workshop with Lenore Crawford

“Fusing and Fabric Painting to Create Realistic Fabric Art”

In this workshop, design of a small fused project is begun. Participants work from one of three of

Lenore's patterns: Yellow Poppies, Red Poppies or Yellow Cone Flower. The design is outlined on freezer paper and transferred to the background fabric on which it will be fused. No sewing is done during the workshop -- only designing and fusing.

Learn how to make patterns from your own photos too! Lenore will also demonstrate how to add fabric painting to a design to add

detail and depth.. **NOTE:** There is an additional workshop kit fee of \$15 for supplies and patterns provided by Lenore.

November 16, 2011 Sue Pelland

“Trunk Show and Ruler Demonstration”
Sue’s quilting career began at the tender age of 12, working alongside her mother. Over the 30 years since that time, she has developed a passion for teaching new quilters. She loves making new quilting friends and getting them addicted to quilting.

In the interest of finding new and better ways to teach quilting and faster methods so busy quilters can get more done, Sue has developed a new method of cutting appliqué shapes to make fast and beautiful quilts. She is best known for her “Leaves Galore” templates introduced at Spring Quilt Market in 2010.

November 19, 2011 Full-day workshop with Sue Pelland

“Melissa’s Quilt”
Learn how the Leaves Galore Templates can help you rotary cut appliqué in no time. Mark grids with the Quilter’s chalk line. Use

these two new tools to make the stunning quilt in just one 6 hour workshop. Each quilter makes a mini or crib size quilt based on the Melissa’s Quilt pattern.

January 18, 2012 Janet Elia

“Japanese Sashiko”
A member of RNQG and a full time school nurse at Taunton High School, Janet teaches at Quilter's Stash in her spare time and is fondly known as "The Bag Lady"! Her presentation introduces the beautiful art form of Japanese Sashiko: its history, fabric choices, marking the design, thread and

needle choices and the sashiko stitch. Each member of the audience receives a small kit containing a pre-marked 6-inch fabric square, embroidery needle and thread and will have the opportunity to try their hand at Sashiko during the meeting! A short trunk show of Janet’s past works rounds out the evening.

February 15, 2012 TBA

March 21, 2012 Donnalynn Milford

“With Bestest Love from Aunt Char”
Take a refreshing look at the history of American quilting while hearing short, but amusing stories about the women who made the quilts. Donnalynn Milford of Glens

Falls, NY brings her trunk show of 40+ quilts and quilt tops to help tell the stories. The collection is said to be one of the best antique quilt collections in the Northeast, ranging from the 1940s back to the 1830s.

April 16, 2012 Rockin’ Auction

The RNQG biennial blast of bidding and bargain-buying returns to the Italian-American Club in 2012! Both silent and live auction segments are planned for the evening. Be sure to bring your checkbook and your friends to this gala event!

Other Activities, just in case RNQG isn't keeping you busy enough!

Belknap Mill Quilters Guild
34th Annual Quilt Show: "A Harvest of Quilts"
Conference Center at Lake Opechee Inn
62 Doris Ray Court, Laconia, NH
Sat., Oct. 1, 2011 - 10am-5pm
Sun., Oct. 2, 2011 - 10am-5pm

A Harvest of Quilts
Common Threads Quilt Guild
Peoples Academy Gym
202 Copley Avenue, Morrisville, VT 05655
Sat., Oct. 8, 2011 - 10am-5pm
Sun., Oct. 9, 2011 - 12 noon-5pm

Champlain Valley Quilters Guild
29th Annual Quilt Show: Once Upon a Time
The Field House at Shelburne Health & Fitness
Athletic Drive off Harbor Road, Shelburne, VT
Oct. 8-9, 2011 - 10am-5pm & 10-4
Proper Bostonian Quilters
Biennial Quilt Show
Monsignor Donahue Hall
Saint Theresa School
40 Saint Theresa Avenue
West Roxbury, MA 02132
www.rc.net/boston/st_theresa/
Fri., Oct. 14, 2011 - 6pm-8pm
Sat., Oct. 15, 2011 - 10am-6pm
Sun., Oct. 16, 2011 - 10am-4pm

24th Annual Rising Star Quilters Quilt Show
Cary Hall
1605 Massachusetts Ave.
Lexington, MA
Sat., Oct. 15, 2011 - 10am-5pm
Sun., Oct. 16, 2011 - 11am-4pm

Cocheco Quilters Guild
30 Years: Seams Like Yesterday Quilt Show
Rochester Community Center
150 Wakefield St.
Rochester, NH 03868
Sat., Oct. 15, 2011 - 10am-4pm
Sun., Oct. 16, 2011 - 10am-4pm

Shoreline Quilters'
A Harvest of Quilts 2011
The Morgan School
27 Killingworth Turnpike (I-95 exit 63)
Clinton, CT

Sat., Oct. 22, 2011
9am-5pm

Concord Piecemakers Biennial Quilt Show
Basket of Quilts
St. Matthew's United Methodist Church
435 Central St., Acton, MA (exit 41 off Rt. 2)
Fri., Oct. 21, 2011 - 10am-8pm
Sat., Oct. 22, 2011 - 10am-4pm

Burlington Quilters' Guild Annual Quilt Show
Middlesex Community College Campus Center
591 Springs Rd., Bedford, MA
Sat., Oct. 22, 2011 - 10am-5pm
Sun., Oct. 23, 2011 - 10am-4pm

A Harvest of Quilts
Cape Cod Quilters
Cultural Center of Cape Cod
307 Old Main St., South Yarmouth, MA 02664
Sat., Oct. 22, 2011 - 10am-5pm
Sun., Oct. 23, 2011 - 12 noon-5pm

Eastcoast Quilters Alliance 3
A Quilters' Gathering
Radisson Hotel Nashua
11 Tara Blvd., Nashua, NH 03062
Thurs., Nov. 3, 2011
Fri., Nov. 4, 2011
Sat., Nov. 5, 2011
Sun., Nov. 6, 2011

