

Hammersmith Quilters Guild Newsletter



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June 2016

First The important Stuff

June 1, 2016 Meeting

Program- Ice Cream Social, and complete the annual member survey

Show and Tell- yes

Vendor- Mary Rose's Quilts and Treasures

Bring Fat Quarter- Polka dots

Quiltworks- Batik Disappearing 9 patch

Raffle Baskets for Quilt show- The Raffle Baskets are a way of making money at the Quilt show for the guild. We have a variety of baskets of different themes. We are asking the groups and individuals who have signed up to make a basket, to please bring the completed basket. We are also asking everyone to donate a Fat Quarter (good quality fabric) to make up another raffle Basket. If any questions, please see Linda Reppucci, Martha Mazeika or Judy Massakowski.

*Margie's table is making a basket! Dottie & Lori Sue are making a basket!

*Anyone else?

Raffle Quilt- tickets now available for sale!



Quilt Show Meeting at Panera Bread in Saugus from 7pm-9pm on June 8th.

News

Dues for the 2016-2017 guild year (Sept. 2016-August 2017) are due at the June meeting. Per the bylaws change that was voted in during May's meeting, regular dues are now \$30 and senior dues (age 70+) are \$25. Please pay by cash or by check made out to Hammersmith Quilters Guild or HQG. If you are not going to be at the meeting in June, you can mail your check to Dottie Macomber, 9 Fletcher Rd, Woburn, MA 01801. New membership cards will be available at the September guild meeting.

The annual member survey will be available at the June meeting. This is your chance to give feedback, constructive criticism, and suggestions regarding the activities of the guild. Your answers help to inform the Program, Creative Quiltworks, and Charitable Donations committees about your likes, dislikes and preferences and helps the Executive Board to be responsive to your wants and needs as guild members. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey and return it to Dottie Macomber by the end of the meeting.

Last meeting

May

Treasurers Report = as of 4/30/16 balance was \$ 10,729.92 .

Presidents Message: Joyce Rodenhiser and Margie Berkowitch

President's Message-

How can we tell the difference between a novice quilter and a seasoned quilter? The seasoned quilter has a seam ripper in hand!!

Levity aside - here is a list of items regarding the quilt show that our new members, especially, may like to know:

Our guild will be 35 years old this Fall so we're celebrating with the lovely coral and jade (gems for 35th anniversary) quilt made by Kristin and her committee. All members are kindly asked to sell at least \$10 worth of raffle tickets for this show quilt. The person selling the most tickets will win this beautiful quilt kit! Yes I said a kit!



Also, we are asking if you would form groups to chip in for a raffle basket for the show.

When it comes time for the show we'd like everyone to volunteer for at least 2 hours. We have 102 members now so some can help with setup on Friday, some on the weekend. There will be sign-up sheets soon.

We have a Boutique sale at the show. Each member who wants to participate will be given table space to lay out her/his handmade items for sale. When you price your items, please remember 80% of the price is for you and 20% goes to the Guild, so price accordingly to make your profit. At the last meeting, you received your quilt show registration pack. You can have up to five quilts in the show, one for each form in the pack. If you are not going to use one or more of the forms, feel free to swap with another member, or give your unwanted form(s) to someone else to use. For example, if you won't be using the Large Quilt form but need an extra form for a second Small Quilt, find someone who wants to trade forms.

The quilt show committee has been working since last winter. We ask a lot of each person, but the results are amazing!! Thank you for your anticipated participation.

Respectfully submitted, Margie Berkowitch and Joyce Rodenhiser

Program Committee: Irene Dwyer

Program Notes-

Contact Irene Dwyer for more details: irene_dwyer@hotmail.com

Donation Committee: Gretchen Berkowitch, Holly Peterson, Julie Legere, Sheila Darcy, Sally Nimblett, Louise Nazzaro, Kathy Cusack and Carol Swindell.

Donation Committee News-

Donation committee is still collecting quilts and pillowcases

Thank you, Gretchen

Creative Quilt Works Committee: Gretchen Berkowitch, Marcia Karalis and Holly Petersen

Creative Quilt Works Information-

The Creative Quiltworks Committee has several activities planned for next year. We will continue

registering members at the June meeting so we will know how much material to provide. Read the activity descriptions and see one of the committee members at the June meeting if you are interested in participating in any of the following activities. If you will not be at the June meeting and would like to participate, just contact one of the committee members

1. Our summer project will be "Inspirational Quilts"; these quilts will be on display at the quilt show as one of the categories . If you would like to participate in this challenge, you will sign up and pick a word out of the hat; then you will make a quilt no bigger than 36"x36" inspired by that word.

2. Starting in the fall, we will be making polaroid blocks. These are blocks mimicking polaroid photographs, made by fussy cutting novelty fabric. We will place participants in groups of 4 or 5, and blocks will be traded in each group. Details will follow. In the end, you will have 12 blocks to make a calendar quilt. We will provide the solid white fabric so all whites are the same. Search online for "Polaroid quilt block" for ideas.

3. In the fall, we will also provide instructions for a mystery quilt. In order to know how many copies of instructions to make, we will need a head count of how many people are interested. See a member of the committee to express your interest in this project.

Please remember your batik disappearing-9-patch block for the June meeting.

Member News and Events

Member news-

Susan Tamulaitis is collecting 5 and ½ inch squares to make up kits for Chinese take-out box quilts to sell at the boutique. These will be another money-maker for the guild, so if you can help out and cut some of these squares from your stash, it would be appreciated!

Hostess Coordinator: Julie Legere

Hostess memo-

Be "Green" and bring your own mug for coffee and your own K-cup, if you like. No hostesses this month because we are making our own ice cream sundaes!

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Callahan, Secretary