

Hammersmith Quilters Guild Newsletter



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November 2016

First The important Stuff

November 2, 2016

Program: MEG Foundation Christmas Tree Ornaments, and 2016 Quilt Show recap

Vendor: No

Show 'n' Tell: Yes

Fat Quarter: Plaids per Margie B.!

Quiltworks: Bring partner polaroid block swap, pick up next installment #3 of mystery quilt

Getaway-March 17-19, 2017 at the Ramada Inn and Conference Center in Saco, ME

News: Dottie Macomber

General Member News

Remember, for our holiday donation for children in need, we are making pillowcases, not stockings. These can be made using the same "magic pillowcase" pattern we use for charity pillowcases. Make these out of holiday or winter-themed fabrics. These will be stuffed and tied up and given to organizations serving needy kids in the North shore area.

Last meeting

Treasurers Report = As of September 30, 2016 we had \$ 12,485.56 in our treasury.

At our last meeting, we had 74 members in attendance, almost a record, to hear Lisa McCarthy discuss the similarities and differences between Judy Niemeyer's method of foundation paper piecing and that of Jacqueline de Jonge. Her trunk show contained many stunning examples of these methods!

MEG tree ornament is Crazy Quilt Christmas Cracker/Ornament. See our website for a link to the directions. **Due at the November meeting.**



Presidents' Message: Joyce Rodenhiser and Margie Berkowitch

The excitement is mounting as we surmount the sewing to be finished for the Quilt Show for this, our 35th year as a guild. Soon people will be mounting ladders to hang our quilts; the amount for admissions, raffles and snacks will be collected! Mountains of pleasure will be felt by the ribbon winners and everyone else for work nicely done. Tantamount to a weeks' work in one weekend!!! Have you had a minute to look at the By-laws on the website? I was especially thinking of the mission that was set up for us 35 years ago that reads: "The mission of the Hammersmith Quilters Guild is to promote the appreciation, enjoyment, and knowledge of quilting as an art form and as a craft to its membership and the general public". It also sets out to quilt for charities, increase our skill, foster friendships, and inspire us. These are such positive and lofty goals and we work diligently to achieve them all through volunteerism. We thank you all so very much for your volunteerism. Respectfully submitted, Joyce

Program Committee: Irene Dwyer

March 17 – 19, 2017, HAMMERSMITH QUILTERS GUILD GETAWAY WEEKEND

There is a link to the registration form on calendar page of our website.

At the Ramada Inn and Conference Center, Saco, ME
Exit 36 Maine Turnpike (85 miles north of Saugus)

Gail Dwyer, Kristin Callahan and I (Irene Dwyer) took a Road Trip to check out this location which is hosting some 8 – 10 Quilt Retreats or Workshops per year.*

Ladies and Gentleman, I think this location is going to please everyone!

Cost: \$150 +/- for double occupancy room, dinners Friday & Saturday,
Breakfasts Saturday and Sunday

\$250 +/- for single occupancy room, dinners Friday & Saturday,
Breakfasts Saturday and Sunday

Options: There will be an option for Thursday night; details to come
[There may be an option for Saturday lunch so those of you who never leave your sewing machines can eat, sleep and quilt without changing out of pajamas.](#)

Deposit: Non-refundable deposit of \$50 due by December Meeting.
Balance due by January Meeting.

Registration Forms are on our website under March on the Calendar page and will also be available at our November Meeting. Please fill one out and submit it with your deposit.

The shoppers will want to go to Marden's in Sanford (20-minute ride) or a number of other quilt shops in the area. There is a new quilt shop in picturesque downtown Saco called The Half Square; the owner might vend for us.

*Lisa McCarthy is holding her Jacqueline de Jonge workshop here in February.

MEG tree ornament is due at the November meeting.

MEG Foundation Christmas Tree Ornaments - November Program

We already have thirty Christmas Cracker ornaments turned in so although there is plenty of time for anyone bringing an additional ornament to finish up at the meeting, we suddenly have a lot of free time here!

Suggestions?

Sit and Sew?

Spend some time on each of our various ongoing programs? (Donation items, Polaroid quilts, etc.)

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

Donation Committee: Gretchen B, Julie L, Sheila D, Sally N, Louise N & Carol S.

1. Please remember your winter themed pillowcases
2. Please bring your donations with the post-it inside your bag.
3. If anyone has boxes the size of copy paper boxes or larger please bring them as well.
4. We need **elves** to volunteer to stuff pillowcases on Saturday Nov 26th at Blessed Sacrament Church in Saugus. [We will start at 10 am.](#) We usually finish by noon. I will have a sign up sheet at the November Meeting.

Creative Quilt Works Committee: Gretchen B. and Marsha K., Mug Rug Swap: Holly P.

1. Month 3 of Mystery Quilt
 2. Remember your Polaroid blocks
- We are swapping mug rugs in December. See Holly Petersen for any questions

Member News and Events

QUILT SHOW- October 29-30, 2016

GETAWAY-**2017 Getaway Information and Registration Forms on web site**

TOPSFIELD FAIR- Lots of entries from our Guild/ Lots of Ribbons.

Hostess Coordinator: Martha Mazeika

As you recall, in October, I had 3 lists to complete

These lucky eleven signed up to bring snacks to our next meet!

Ann Kelly-Mcguire, Maureen Maher, Lauren Loughlin, Kathy Connors, Lucille McCarthy, Joan Alexander Spinney, Louise Nazzaro, Betty Carr, Lorraine DiMilla. Elfriede Gangemi, and Donna Cormier (water)

Thank you to all the wonderful ladies who brought snacks for the table last month. Remember the healthy snacks this month and not just all the left over Halloween candy! Some guild members have food allergies so please advise if your donation contains any of the common food allergy ingredients.

See you all on November 2nd!!

Martha Mazeika
Hostess
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Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Callahan, Secretary