

Hammersmith Quilters Guild Newsletter



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October 2016

First The important Stuff

October 5, 2016

Program: "Compare and Contrast of Quiltworx and BeColourful" by Lisa McCarthy of Compass Point Quilts, an authorized instructor for BeColourful patterns and techniques of Jacqueline de Jonge and a certified Judy Niemeyer instructor [Compass Point Quilts](#)

Note: Guest fee is \$10.00 for this speaker meeting.

Vendor: Lisa McCarthy

Show 'n' Tell: No

Fat Quarter: Navy blue

Quiltworks: partner polaroid block swap, Halloween and Thanksgiving are due

Raffle Baskets for Quilt show: due

Raffle Quilt: tickets available for sale! Quilt is finished.



Getaway-sign ups happening soon. Refer to Irene for venue and date for 2017.

News: Dottie Macomber

Quilt Show News

Raffle Quilt Tickets

Please remember to bring in your raffle tickets and money and give them to Jean Coughlin. She will be sitting at one of the long tables near the charity donation drop-off area. She also has more ticket books if you would like to sell more tickets (or purchase them yourself!).

Congratulations to the volunteers, headed up by Kristin Callahan, who sat with our raffle quilt at the Saugus Founders Day and sold \$205 worth of tickets!

New members and anyone who has not yet picked up your raffle tickets: the guild expects each member to sell at least two books of tickets. If you don't like selling things to all your friends (but how many boxes of Girl Scout cookies and rolls of wrapping paper have you bought from their kids???), you can just buy the tickets yourself. The tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for a book of 6 tickets sold to the same person, so if you pay the \$10 yourself, you have 12 chances to win the raffle quilt! Please see Jean to get your tickets.

Raffle Baskets

If you signed up to make a raffle basket for the show, please bring it in to the October meeting and give it to Judy Massakowski or Linda Reppucci; they will be sitting at one of the long tables near where our raffles take place. Judy and Linda are still collecting fat quarters to 'beef up' some of the

baskets, so if you would like to bring some in and donate them, that would be great!

Also please remember to bring your completed registration forms for our show. They are due at the October meeting but we would like them earlier if possible.

General Member News

Pillowcases, not Stockings

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 Northshore area.

Last meeting

Treasurers Report = As of August 31, 2016 we had \$ 12,406.82 in our treasury.

MEG tree ornament is Crazy Quilt Christmas Gift Cracker/Ornament. See Kreinik threads website for directions; link is on our website.



Presidents Message: Joyce Rodenhiser and Margie Berkowitch

Seasoned quilters will already know this but new quilters often need a hand navigating the fabric stores!

First, decide what kind of quilt you want to make - baby, queen bed, wall hanging, etc. and find the pattern you want so you know how much fabric you will need.

Second, what colors will you use? Same as the pattern, your favorites, Fall colors, whatever strikes you when you see it?

Then, when you get to the fabric store, you will see all the fabrics are in categories such as Civil War reproductions (if they're sold there), batiks, babies, seasonal, floral, children's, plain, etc., etc. So head to the section you want!

Choose a fabric that "speaks" to you as far as your project is concerned. On the selvedge of that fabric are color dots (usually) used by the manufacturer to print the fabric. But, you can use them very successfully to find coordinating fabric for your quilt.

If you don't find what you want, a sales associate will be able to help. They know their stock and, in minutes very often, can locate just the right thing or, at least give suggestions.

May you live long and quilt often!

Respectfully submitted, Joyce Rodenhiser

Program Committee: Irene Dwyer

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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 continue to donate quilts of all sizes and pillowcases for all ages.
2. This year we will be doing something different for the Christmas stocking. We will be making winter themed or holiday themed pillowcases and we will fill them this year. They will be due in November.

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

1. Bring Polaroid swap blocks for Halloween and Thanksgiving
2. Sign up for Mug rug swap
3. Pick up next part of mystery quilt directions.

Member News and Events

Topsfield Fair-look for Guild member entries! September 30- October 10, 2016.

Hostess Coordinator: Martha Mazeika

**Paula Grenier, Marcia Karalis, Beverly McGrath, Adrienne Nolan & Judy Massakowski,
I ask you please**

To bring a snack

For the rest of the pack!

The tradition continues to depend on guild members to bring treats to the meetings for all to share. There is a list for you to volunteer to bring snacks to future guild meetings, **please sign up!!!!** There should be a minimum of **5** members bringing snacks. Remember our Guild members who cannot eat sweets and include in your choices some healthy snacks such as veggies, cheese & crackers, fruit, etc. Of course anything you bring, bought or homemade, is appreciated!!

Do not forget to sign up for your opportunity to bring a snack!

See you all on October 5th!!

Martha Mazeika
Hostess Coordinator
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Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Callahan, Secretary

A request:

Dear Quilt-friends,

In April this year I started with a Hexagon-quilt.

My idea is to make a large quilt from fabrics all over the world....

In August I went to "The Festival of Quilts" in Birmingham UK where I met several people from different countries who donated a few scraps!

I was surprised by the lovely reactions and the generosity of the quilters!

One of them was very enthusiastic and gave me the idea to ask Guilds in different continents to contribute some scraps.

So my question is.... Would you ask your members to send me one or two scraps? Maybe they have some fabric they don't like, but which will be great for my quilt.

I use all colors and patterns... size small hexagon = 6x6 cm / 2,5x2,5 inch, big hexagon = 11x11 cm / 4,5x4,5 inch.

Hope to hear from you!

Warm greetings from the Netherlands,

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