

# Hammersmith Quilt Guild

## January 2023 Newsletter

### President's Message

Greetings and Happy New Year!!

It was great to see you all at the December meeting. Thank you to Margie and all of you for the work on the kindness quilt and mug rugs that were presented to the teachers at the Veterans Early Learning Center. There was a great article in the Advocate about the project. It brought me great joy to see this presentation. I know that actions like this project are why I quilt and am part of a great community of quilters. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!

We will be having a Retreat March 30<sup>th</sup> through April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 at the Double Tree by Hilton in Nashua, NH. More information is included later in the newsletter along with the registration form. Please let me know if you have any questions, my contact information is on the form.

Looking forward to the new year and the guild activities! I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season! See you all at the Senior Center on January 4<sup>th</sup>!!!

Stay safe and healthy!!

*Martha*

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**Treasurer's Report - Sheila Darcy:** The current balance as of December 17, 2022 is \$14,470.79. Checks for \$509.50 will be sent to Readfield Maine Historical Society and the NEQM in memory of our dear friend Dottie Macomber. Please remember that members who are seeking reimbursement for approved budget categories should submit itemized receipts in an envelope with their name, date, budget category and total amount written on the envelope. No receipts, no reimbursement, no exceptions. Thank you.

## Hammersmith Quilters Guild 2023 Quilting Retreat

**Date:** Thursday-Sunday, March 30-April 2, 2023  
**Location:** Double Tree by Hilton Nashua  
2 Somerset Parkway, Nashua, NH 03063  
**Cost:** \$455.00 per person for double occupancy room for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday  
\$697.00 per person for single occupancy room Thursday, Friday, and Saturday  
**Facilities:** Ballroom A/B with cutting tables and ironing stations; two people per 8' table. Conference Room is available from 10:00am Thursday until 2:00pm Sunday

- Deposit of \$50 required with your registration or you may pay the whole amount.
- Balance due by February 1, 2023 guild meeting.
- Entire payment is refundable through February 15, 2023. After that date it will **ONLY BE REFUNDED IF** your spot can be filled from the waiting list.
- Form and payment can be brought to the January or February Guild meeting or it can be mailed to:

Martha Mazeika

Questions? Call Martha at (413)250-5449 or email [marthamazeika@gmail.com](mailto:marthamazeika@gmail.com)

**Fat Quarter for January is YELLOW**

**No Creative Quilt Works for January.**

**Membership:**

We have 96 paid members. Costs for guests attending the January meeting is \$5. Remember, only guild members may participate in regularly scheduled Guild activities

(Creative Quiltworks, Block of the Month, Fat Quarter Raffle, etc.) when attending a meeting.

If anyone cannot attend the January meeting because of illness, caregiving responsibilities, COVID-19 precautions, etc., and wants it live streamed to them, let me know and I will send you a zoom link.

Rosie Graham,  
Membership chair  
[hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com](mailto:hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com)

## **Charity Donations – Gretchen Berkowitch & Louise Nazzaro**

The donation committee would once again like to thank the guild members for their generosity. The guild was able to donate 100 stuffed pillowcases to DCF and the Home for Little Wanderers. . The guild donated much needed food for the Saugus Food Pantry, and we raised \$177 as pocket change for the guild. If it were not for the unselfishness of members we could not do the charity work in which the guild is founded.

We will start collecting baby and lap size quilts as well as pillowcases in January. Please make your quilts and pillowcases with babies, kids and teens in mind. It would be nice if every child gets a quilt next year. If you want to get a leg up on making the charity pillowcases, they again will be SNOWMAN themed. Fabric is now discounted at Joann's;)

Sally and I would like to thank members who have come forward to help with the quilt show and be a part of the committee. We are still seeking committee members. We will be setting a date for January for our first Committee meeting. At the January meeting we will be talking more detail about the raffle baskets and about the boutique. January is a great month to start crafting. For new members, if you wish to sell items in the boutique, there is an 80:20 split where 20% of proceeds goes to the guild.

## **SUNSHINE & SHADOWS**

Brenda Lane is our new Sunshine & Shadows Chair. Thank you Brenda  
If you know of a guild member who could use some get well wishes, encouragement or condolences, please notify her at  
[blane14@ix.netcom.com](mailto:blane14@ix.netcom.com) (978-836-7543)

Paula Fallon, [REDACTED], recently had a shoulder replacement.

Dana Giunta, [REDACTED] was in a car accident.

Anne Smith, [REDACTED] (encouragement)

Sally Nimblett, [REDACTED]. (encouragement)

Sympathy cards can be sent to Dottie's husband Roger McLellan at [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

## WEB Administration:

Rosie Graham is our new Web site administrator. The guild website is at <https://hqgsaugus.org/>. The website will be barebones for a few months. The guild needs a backup for Rosie as well. Contact her if interested in being a backup in case of emergency.

If you have anything you wish posted, please provide it to her. Pictures of quilts or activities of the guild are always welcome.

**Ruler Library:** Guild members can use our online ruler catalog

<https://hqgsaugus.org/index.php/member-information/> to find the ruler you're interested in and reserve it by emailing the number and name of the ruler to the Librarian, Rosie Graham, [hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com](mailto:hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com).

Want to be the Quild Ruler Librarian? Just email Rosie Graham to discuss duties.

To give some inspiration for borrowing some rulers, here are two that are highlighted this month. **Marilyn Doherny 9° 25" wedge ruler** and the **9° 37" wedge extension ruler**. They are numbers 48 and 47 in our catalog, respectively. Together, they can make a 9° wedge that is 62" long. Putting 5 wedges together gives a 45° angle. The rulers come with instructions on how to use them plus inspiration for patterns. More inspiration can be found at the following websites –

<https://marilyndoheny.com/quiltretreats/> <https://sewmod.wordpress.com/tag/marilyn-dohenys-9-degree-circle-wedge-rulers/>

<http://keepmeinquilts.blogspot.com/search?updated-max=2012-02-07T10:10:00-05:00&max-results=7&start=623&by-date=false>

<https://freezeframe03.blogspot.com/2011/12/tutorial-christmas-tree-skirt.html>

<https://sewmod.wordpress.com/tag/marilyn-dohenys-9-degree-circle-wedge-rulers/>

## **FEBRUARY** BLOCK OF THE MONTH: Kathleen Connors:

NOTE: We apologize for the delay, but we had technical difficulties getting the BOM information, so this block is for **FEBRUARY**. Thanks for understanding.



Here are a couple photos of the quilt presentation at the December meeting





## Antique Tile

Fabric

Color 1/dark blue

One 2 1/2" x 10" strip

One 2 1/2" x 18" strip

Color 2/ light blue

One 2 1/2" x 10" strip

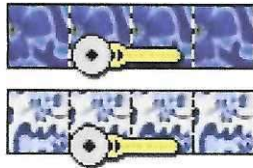
One 2 1/2" x 18" strip

One 4 1/2" square

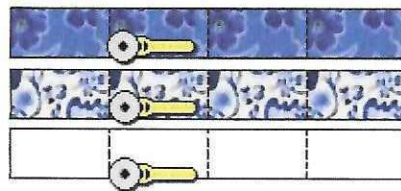
Color 3/ white on white

One 2 1/2" x 18" strip

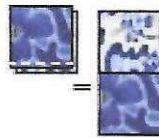
Start by marking and cutting the Color 1 and Color 2 2 1/2" x 10" strips into four 2 1/2" squares.



Next mark and cut the Color 1, 2 and 3 2-1/2" x 18" strips into four 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" rectangles.



Sew the Color 1 and Color 2 squares right sides together in pairs, using a scant 1/4" seam. Press seam to darker side. You will be making four units like one this

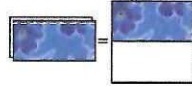


Sew the Color 2 rectangles to the side of the square pairs. Two on the left, two on the right, with the Color 1 square on the bottom in each case.

Press seam toward the rectangle. These will be the blocks four corner units.



Sew the Color 1 and Color 3 rectangles right sides together in pairs along one long edge, again using a scant  $1/4$ ".



Now piece the block! Lay out all your units as shown at left, then sew three horizontal rows. Press top and bottom row seams towards the outsides, and center row seam towards the middle. ...and then join the rows! The block is 12" square.

