



Hammersmith Quilt Guild

February 2023 Newsletter

<https://hqgsaugus.org/>

President's Message

Greetings!!

Thank you for being flexible in January to attend a ZOOM meeting versus meeting in person. I think Ann Lauer's presentation about the quilters she met at the women's cooperative, Ride 4 a Woman, in Bwindi, Uganda was great. I liked that as a guild, we reached out locally to teachers at the Veterans Early Learning Center in December; then in January we learned about quilters internationally.

In February, we will hear from Linda Pearl presenting "Ten Quilters You Should Know and Why". This will be another opportunity to learn more about fellow quilters.

We will be having a Retreat March 30th through April 2nd, 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.

Note: Your deposit is due by the February 1st guild meeting.

See you all at the Senior Center on February 1st!!

Stay safe and healthy!!

Martha

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From Carmen Arnone, Vice President:

Hammersmithqgvp@gmail.com or 617-605-6018

One of my duties as VP is to oversee the Nominating Committee in preparation for our election cycle at the May 2023 Annual Business Meeting. This year we will elect a President, Secretary, Program Chair and Member-at-Large all of whom will serve for 2 years beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2025.

Specific Executive Board member duties are spelled out on pages 4-6 in the guild By-Laws which were revised Oct. 6, 2021.

Any member in good standing who may be interested in any of these positions should email or call Carmen Arnone. If you want to suggest a nominee, please call or email ASAP so the nominating committee can make contact prior to the April guild meeting.

Treasure's Report: Sheila Darcy:

The balance as of January 10 is \$11,451.79. A deposit of \$2000 was sent to the Doubletree Hilton in Nashua for the getaway. If you would like to be reimbursed for expenses, please put receipts in an envelope with your name, the amount, and the budget category. Thank you.

Raffles will resume February 1st:

- **Fat Quarter:** is **YELLOW**
- **Creative Quilt Works:** Something "3-Dimensional"
- **BOM:** The "Antique Tile" block instructions are attached. Carried over from last month because of the Zoom meeting.

Sunshine and Shadows:

Brenda Lane (978) 836-7543 or blane14@ix.netcom.com. If you know of a guild member who could use some get well wishes, encouragement or condolences, please notify Brenda.

Kristen Callahan fell and fractured her hip.



Membership – Rosie Graham, Membership Chair:

We have 96 paid members. Costs for guests attending the February meeting is \$10. 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. As a reminder, the free stuff table is available for people to share their no longer needed quilting material and supplies. Just be sure to take it home with you afterward if not picked up by others.

Rosie Graham,
Membership chair
hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com

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.

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

To give some inspiration for borrowing some rulers, this month the highlighted ruler set is number 62, the Double Wedding Ring templates that come with instructions by Quilting in the Heartland. If you have always wanted to make a double wedding ring quilt, these templates are available to borrow. Sharlene Jorgenson from Quilting in the Heartland has several Youtube videos on using these templates and making the quilt including how to bind it. Here are the video links.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UJXqllLJ550>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Wt7i5OAw0A>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aH9HUuRQhhw>

WEB Administration:

The guild website is at <https://hqgsaugus.org/>. The guild needs a backup for Rosie Graham, the administrator. 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.

The website will be barebones for a few months. Rosie is doing a rebuild of the website and would like ideas of what information you would like to see on the web site. For example, would you use a "members only" link to see minutes of meetings, membership rosters, and the like. Would you be willing to provide content for the pages? Please contact Rosie at hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com with your suggestions.

January's Zoom Presentation:

Ann Lauer was a delightful speaker for our zoom meeting in January. She is a fabric designer for Benartex. She joined us from her home in Montana to tell us about her Gorilla trek and the group of quilters she met in Bwindi, Uganda. You can check her website: GrizzlyGulchGallery.com and click on the African Quilters tab and see photos and watch the video and most importantly find the GoFundMe information to donate to their efforts. 100% of the funds donated go directly to Ride 4 a Woman. Ann and her husband pay all the fees associated with the money transfers.

To watch the video we showed at the Zoom meeting, go to YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xURsGyHL320&t=79s>

Before and
after
receiving
their new
supplies



2023 QUILT SHOW– Gretchen and Sally. Our sign-up flyers are attached so you can see the various categories we need to fill. If you are unable to make our February meeting, please email Gretchen at: gabrncs@yahoo.com or Sally at: sallyclapp@me.com to sign up or if you have questions.

Looking forward to a **GREAT** show!

See you on February 1st at the Senior Center!

Hammersmith Quilters Guild
Weekend Getaway
Thursday-Sunday, March 30-April 2, 2023

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

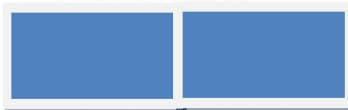
Facilities: Ballroom A/B with cutting tables and ironing stations; two people per 8' table.
Conference Room is available from 10:00am Thursday until 2:00pm Sunday

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 IF** your spot can be filled from the waiting list.

Form and payment can be brought to the January and February Guild Meetings or it can be mailed to:

Martha Mazeika



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

----- REGISTRATION FORM -----

Please Print

Name: _____ **Double***

Address: _____ **Single**

Phone: (home) _____ (cell) _____

Email: _____



Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ Cash _____ or Check # _____

*If opting for a Double, please include roommate's name: _____

*Check here if you would like a Double but need a roommate. Martha will contact people who check this to match people up for a Double

THE QUILT SHOW IS RETURNING!!!!!!!

  YEAAAAAAAAA!!!!!!!  


And that means there are some spectacular opportunities to volunteer to help make this happen!!!! And WHO DOESN'T want our show to happen????  So NOW is the time to get in on the ground floor and find your favorite volunteer job AND to help you choose, we have created an amazing description so you know what is involved!!! YEAAAA US!!!!!! And don't forget: you also get to enter your quilts in the show IF YOU HAVE VOLUNTEERED!!!! Sooooo, here we gooooo!!! 

Raffle Baskets!!!! Whooo hooo!! A big part of our fundraising and who doesn't LOVE a good raffle basket??? Each table will be asked to prepare a basket. You and some helpers will also do the ticket drawings and awarding the baskets. So, a coordinator and a couple of helpers will fill the bill!!! Put your name in the space below if this is your dream job!!!

Coordinator Name: _____ Phone _____

Helper #1 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #2 Name _____ Phone _____

Door Prizes!!!!!! We all love the excitement of seeing if our number is called for a wonderful prize. This job entails writing letters to various companies to request donations and deciding whether the items stand alone or should be grouped as one prize. Also to be in charge of calling the winning ticket numbers and giving out the prizes. We need a coordinator and one or two assistants to help manage all the LOOT!!!! 

Coordinator Name: _____ Phone _____

Assistant #1 Name: _____ Phone _____

Assistant #2 Name: _____ Phone _____

Glorious Page 2!!

Boutique Coordinator!!!! Get your holiday shopping done here with the unique items made by our members . We need a coordinator and a group of volunteers to staff the boutique during quilt show hours. So, how about 5 extra people to help with that?

Coordinator Name: _____ Phone _____

Helper #1 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #2 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #3 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #4 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #5 Name _____ Phone _____

Snack Bar!!!!!! Food, glorious food!! Hot sausage and mustard!! While we're in the mood, Cold jelly and Custard! Oh food, wonderful food, marvelous food, Glorious food! (Thanks to Oliver Twist!) Let's ALLLL volunteer to stock our wonderful snack bar so no one has to go hungry like poor Oliver. We need a pair of coordinators and a group of helpers to staff our snack bar. And, if you are working there, you get first choice on your favorite goodie 😊!

Coordinator Name _____ Phone _____

Coordinator Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #1 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #2 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #3 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #4 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #5 Name _____ Phone _____

Beautiful Page 3!!

Vendors!!!! It has been soooooo long since we have had vendors into our space. They must be dying to get back to us!!! And we are equally eager to buy their wares!!! So, we need a coordinator and an assistant to reach out to the vendors, invite them to join us, determine the amount of space they need and set that up. Wonderful vendors coming our way!!! 🤝

Coordinator Name _____ Phone _____

Assistant Name _____ Phone _____

Advertising!!!! Getting the word out to other guilds, to newspaper and town website calendars. Put on your marketing hat and show us what you can do! We need a coordinator and an assistant.

Coordinator Name _____ Phone _____

Assistant Name _____ Phone _____

Quilt Labels!!!! Imagine all of our beautiful quilts FINALLY hanging in a show and NO labels to tell us about the quilt! WHHAAAATTT!?!?!?!? NO WAY!!!! We need a coordinator and some helpers to create labels as beautiful as our quilts (well, at least informative 🤔)

Coordinator Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #1 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #2 Name _____ Phone _____

Helper #3 Name _____ Phone _____

Scrumptious Page 4!!

Quilt Show Volunteers!!!! These are probably the most important jobs of all and likely most of us will be doing this in addition to another job. We need help putting up racks and hanging the quilts; taking down the racks and quilts; being "white glove" people during the show; selling entrance tickets at the door; raffle quilt table and being a "liaison" between different activities-helping to announce prize winners, checking on needs of other volunteers (water, food, etc) We need a Show Volunteer Coordinator and many volunteers throughout the two days of the show. These positions are for specific 2 hour time slots during the show. Please consider doing two time slots. We will have unlimited slots for putting up and taking down the show and will need at least 4 people for every time slot during the show. This is where the pedal meets the metal!!!

Coordinator Name: _____ Phone: _____

Please add your name in the spaces below to indicate your availability. Specific jobs and hours will be decided upon later:

Friday Night Set Up:

Sunday Take Down:

Delightful Page 5!!!

Please continue to add your name under one of these days. Specific jobs and times will be decided upon later. And don't forget!!!! When you volunteer, you will be able to see your quilt hanging in the show!!! EXCITING!!!!  Thank you so much for your help!!

Saturday Quilt Show:

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