

# Hammersmith Quilters Guild Newsletter



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March 2024

## March 6, 2024 Meeting

**Show & Tell:** We will have Show & Tell in March.

**Free Table:** There will be a free table at the March meeting.

**Block of the Month:** The March Block of the Month is a 12-inch finished block. See instructions at the end of the Newsletter. The instructions were also emailed to everyone last week.

**Fat Quarter (FQ) Drawing:** Bring a fat quarter in the designated color or theme. For each FQ you bring, your name goes into a drawing. You could win a whole bundle of fat quarters! The theme for February is **batik**. Remember: a fat quarter of fabric measures 18" x 22".

**3/\$1 Raffle:** Buy 3 tickets for \$1 and you are entered into a raffle for notions or other quilting things. The more tickets you buy, the more chances to win!

**Name Badge:** Wear your Guild name badge and enter a drawing for a prize. This is to encourage everyone to wear their name badge so we get to know who you are! New members received a printout of the directions when you joined as part of your tote bag welcome pack; the directions can also be found on our website [www.hqgsaugus.org](http://www.hqgsaugus.org) under Member Information.

All drawings and raffles are optional; you do not need to participate at all, or you can pick the ones that interest you!

## President's Message: Nancy Sandreuter

Dear Guild Members:

Spring is finally approaching; days are getting longer and our Getaway is just around the corner. When we meet in March, we begin the process of thinking about who would be good choices for new board members. Please see Carmen if you know of someone you would recommend.

We are also in need of a small group to choose, develop and stitch our raffle quilt for our 2025 Show! Please let me know if you can help. I would like the committee to be in place by April 1<sup>st</sup>. We need at least a full year of marketing and ticket sales.

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the auction in February. Despite the low dollar bids, we made \$ [REDACTED] Thank you to everyone who purchased items.

Joyce has arranged a great workshop of "Art Quilting" for our March meeting. Carol sent out a link to a video featuring the leader Penny Young, so check it out.

Can't wait to say goodbye to Winter and Hello Spring! See you in March.

Keep quilting!

Nancy Sandreuter, President  
[REDACTED]

## Vice President's Message: Carmen Arnone

One of my duties as VP is to oversee E-Board nominations in preparation for our election cycle at the May 2024 Annual Business Meeting. To maintain a balance of new and experienced members on the Board, we will elect a Vice President, Treasurer and Membership Chair this year. All of those newly elected will serve for 2 years beginning July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2026.

Specific duties for these elected positions are spelled out on pgs. 4-6 in the Guild By-Laws which were revised and approved by the Membership on June 7, 2023.

Any guild member in good standing who may be interested in learning more about any of these positions is encouraged to contact me by phone ([REDACTED]) or email. Of course you can discuss these positions which guide the Guild operations with me in person at our March meeting, workshop or Getaway. Also, if you'd like to suggest a nominee, please do so ASAP so I may contact that individual prior to the April 3rd meeting.

Thank you,  
Carmen Arnone  
carnone@comcast.net

## Treasurer's Report: Sheila Darcy

The bank balance as of February 22, 2024, is \$ [REDACTED] We are also holding an additional \$ [REDACTED] in payments received for the Getaway and not yet paid to the hotel.

When writing a check to the Guild, please make a note in the memo space of your check so we know what it is for and can track the payment. That way we can keep the checks in categories making it easier for me to find your check if necessary. When you're submitting receipts for reimbursement, please put them in an envelope and write on the envelope what each receipt is for so the expenses can be tracked as well.

## Membership & Web Administration: Rosalene Graham

We currently have 90 paid members. The cost for guests attending the March meeting is \$10.

There is a new feature coming to the Guild's website called Members Only. It will contain information that is nonpublic but available to guild members such as our membership roster and unredacted newsletters. It is still under construction. When it is ready, we will provide information on how to log into that portion soon.

## Program Committee: Joyce Rodenhiser

First of all, a heartfelt thank you to all of you who helped with the Auction! Our Guild works well because you volunteered and it is so appreciated.

On March 6th, the first 20 people who signed up will meet at 3:30 p.m. in the "Boutique Room" at the Saugus Senior Center to make Art Quilts with Penny Young.

The cost is \$22.50, due at the time of sign-up. We will print, stamp, dye, bead and embroider. Bring your supplies (light colored Batik fat quarter, batting, backing, pins, beading needle, press cloth and other sewing supplies you might use) and something to eat for supper. We can go right to the meeting after we eat and be ready to enjoy our main speaker for the evening, Penny Young. She will tell of her journey to "Art Quilts" and show us some amazing pieces that she has made. All who have seen them are inspired to think about making one for their wall!!

In April, we look forward to learning from Margarita Blyumkina, our Guild member who makes gorgeous scrap quilts! Double-sided scrap quilts!

Respectfully submitted,  
Joyce Rodenhiser

## **Charity Donations Committee: Gretchen Berkowitch & Louise Nazzaro**

Thank you to everyone who donated quilts and pillowcases in February.

Please note it is a requirement for guild members to make a juvenile pillowcase and a baby to lap size quilt per year which will be donated to various charities. We also make snowman themed pillowcases used for our holiday donation to DCF and Home for Little Wanderers. Quilts and snowman themed pillowcases are due at the November meeting.

## **Member-at-Large: Paula Fallon**

As the Member-at-Large, I am here to help with any member questions or comments. Please don't hesitate to contact me.

## **Sunshine and Shadow Committee: Brenda Lane**

Our Treasurer, Sheila Darcy, is in the hospital but hopefully will be home by the time you are reading the newsletter. Sheila's address is [REDACTED].

If you know of anyone who needs a little cheering up for whatever reason, please let me know. I'd be happy to send a card with well wishes. You can contact me at [brendaglane14@gmail.com](mailto:brendaglane14@gmail.com).

## **Hospitality Committee: Mary Ann Andree and Ann Kelly-Maguire**

The following members have signed up to bring refreshments for the March meeting. There will also be a reminder on the Facebook page closer to the meeting! Don't forget to take home your leftovers/platters at the end of the meeting.

Carmen Arnone  
Janice Meade  
Liz Coviello

Anne Smith  
Brenda Lane  
Ann Kelly-Maguire

## **Creative Quilt Works & Block of the Month: Judy Massakowski and Linda Reppucci**

The Block of the Month for March is a 12-inch finished block. Please see the instructions and sample at the end of the newsletter.

## Ruler Librarian: Rosalene Graham

One more Tucker ruler was donated to the ruler library. It is the Rapid Fire Hunter's Star – Petite, #1016. It is an 8 ½" square ruler. A video demonstrating its use is at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jWOS9KBDJgU>.

Thank you to Holly Petersen and Martha Borkan for their donations to the ruler library. Their ruler donations are: #99: Easy Center Square; 1001: the strip tube ruler 9.5 in; 1002: Hex N More ; 1003: Easy Center Square; 1004: 15" x 15" square ; 1005: 6 1/2" x 24 " ruler; 1006: 3 1/2" x 24" ruler; 1007: 3" x 18" ruler; 1008: 3" x 18" ruler; 1009: 12" square reversible ruler; 1010: Joseph's Coat templates; 1011: 9 1/2" square ruler; 1012: 16" The Wave Edge;; 1013: 4" x 8" ruler; 1014: Double wedding ring templates; 1015: Clearly perfect slotted trimmers A & B 1.5" to 6.5"; 1016: Rapid fire Hunter's star – petite; 1017: x-blocks Basix template; 1018: 12" add a quarter ruler; 1019: 3 mini block rulers (square, triangle, hexagon; 1020: Leaves Galore petite - 15"; 1021: 54 40'Plus template set; 1022: Recs tool -6 1/2 " ; 1023: Mini simple folded corners - 4"; 1024: Log cabin ruler (14"); 1025: winner's bouquet templates; 1026: Creative Curves 1 1/2" & 2" rulers; 1027: BiRamgle \*8" x 4"; 1028: Big Mama 6 1/2" x 12"; 1029: Quilter's quarter marker; 1030: quilter's Rule Triangle; 1031: Large scallop Radial Rule; 1032: Quilter's rule Mini Square 6 1/2"; 1033: strip off at 45 degrees; 1034: easy-eight; 1035: Mini read easy wonder ruler 4 1/2" x 14 1/2"; 1036: easy-six; and 1037: clear view 60 degree triangle 8". In addition, they donated 222: Trace & Create - Dresden Plate & Fan and 223: Perfect stems.

If you wish to check out a ruler, contact Rosie Graham at [hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com](mailto:hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com) with the ruler number and when you need it.

## Guild Property: Rosalene Graham

We are asking all people who may be storing physical property of the Guild to let us know what they have stored. We think we may have lost the knowledge of who has what property of the Guild. When we took an inventory of the Quilt Show items, we realized that there were some nonquilt show items that people may have stored in their homes. If you have any items, please let Rosie Graham at [hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com](mailto:hammersmithqgmembershipchair@gmail.com) know what they are. We are not going to collect them, we just need to know who has what and where. This doesn't count consumables that we use during the year like paper plates, etc. Thank you for your help!

## Getaway/Retreat: Cindy Nile

We have only two spots left for the Getaway/Retreat. If you would like to sign up, you must submit your Registration Form and full payment by Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Please email me at [cindynile@verizon.net](mailto:cindynile@verizon.net). Everyone who has signed up will receive an email from me with the details very soon. As is customary at the Guild's Getaway, there will be a Mystery Quilt organized by Kristin Callahan and an email containing the fabric requirements was sent to all participants.

As you plan your projects for the Getaway, don't forget to contact Rosie if you would like to sign out a ruler or two to use at the Getaway.

## **Burlington Quilters Guild – Quilt Show**

The Burlington Quilters' Guild will host its Quilt Show and Boutique on Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Knights of Columbus, 114 Middlesex Turnpike, Wilmington, MA (behind St. Thomas' Church). Local quilters from surrounding communities will display their handiwork.

This year's show will feature our guild made raffle quilt and a selection of raffle baskets. The raffle drawings will be held on Sunday at 2:30 pm, you do not need to be present to win.

Also featured is our boutique of handmade items for sale and vendor booths.

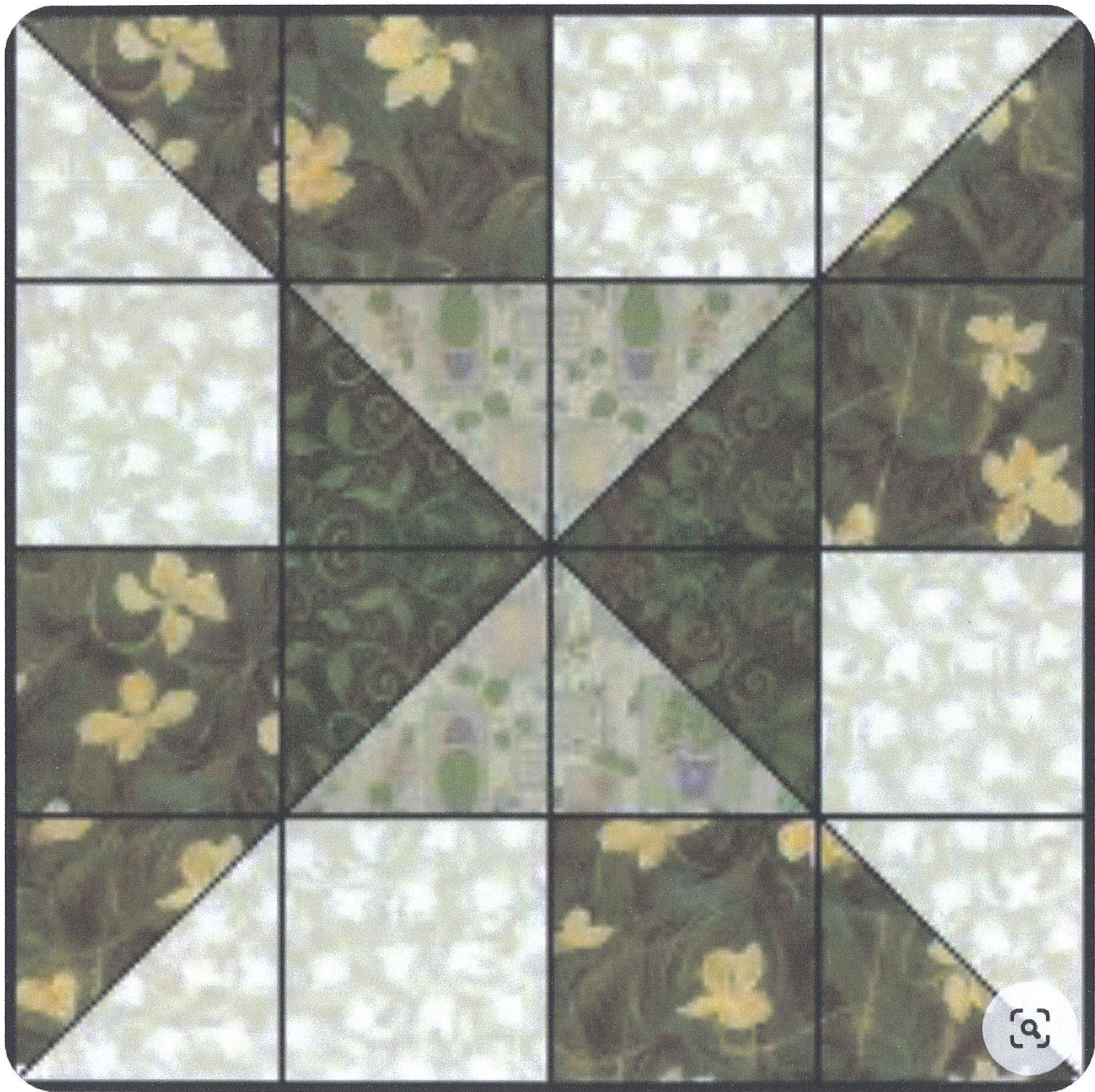
Several times a year the guild donates teddy bears to local police and fire departments and many comfort quilts go to hospitals, women's shelters, and other needy organizations.

Admission is \$10. Buses welcome! Plenty of parking and handicap accessible.

## **Miscellaneous: Cindy Nile**

The Guild would like to thank Donna Cormier for bringing water to the guild meetings.

Don't forget to check the Guild website periodically for any updates on the Guild Calendar. All updates will be made to the calendar on the website.



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# 12" Finished block

Cut for center

2 - 4" light  
2 - 4" dark } make 4 HST

Border

4 -  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " light square  
4 -  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " dark square

2 - 4" light  
2 - 4" dark } make 4 HST

Make all the dark same color  
palette ei all blues, pinks etc

Sew according to picture

