

Quiltations

April 2011

2010-2011 Schedule Presidents' Letter

MEETINGS:

(DOORS OPEN @ 6 AND THE

MEETING STARTS @ 7:30)

MONDAY, APRIL 11

URSULA KERN

MONDAY, MAY 16

GERI BARR

WORKSHOPS:

APR 9 AND APR 10

BUGS AND FLOWERS

MAY 14 AND MAY 15

JOURNAL QUILTS

QUILT SHOW:

JUNE 3 - 5, 2011

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD AT
THE ARSENAL CENTER FOR
THE ARTS, 321 ARSENAL
ST, WATERTOWN, MA.

Thank You!

I wonder if you realize how difficult it is to come up with inspiring and funny President's letters. The panic sets in as soon as I get the reminder from Melissa, Quiltations' editor, that one is due. The stories are easy because my daily life reads like a fiction novel. I seem to generate issues wherever I go. This month I spent 11 days with the flu and a sinus infection. And the second I felt better, I tore the meniscus in my left knee (now it matches my right one which I tore hanging baby quilts in the trees for a baby shower...don't ask). I rolled over in bed and heard the pop! Loud, especially without my hearing aids in, very bad. I hope it will cooperate and allow me to sew the vest I have only obsessed about. I usually never plan anything, just hack and sew and piece and slash. I tried a different approach, one that has a plan, and find I don't know where to start or how. Too much thought has robbed me of the spontaneity and zest that I usually have to begin - and to finish.

Another difficult part of the letter is trying to inspire and repeat the same message every month about volunteering, selling your raffle tickets, making nine-patch blocks for next year's Scrappy raffle quilt and making a Challenge quilt for our Silent Auction that helps generate donations to NEQM, ACA and QC. Thank you to all who have volunteered for any position in QC next year. Thank you to all who volunteered this year. Thanks to all who submitted a quilt for our Quilt Show, decided to place items in the Boutique (can't wait for that), and volunteered to help make our show the best ever so that everyone gets a chance to enjoy the show. I hope everyone plans to help and attend. Remember this is your show and if you don't support it by bringing your family and friends and everyone in your address book, why should others. Don't worry, there is still time to volunteer and there are still open positions on the Board and Committees. Come on, it will be fun, informative and help you to meet and reach more people.

I'm looking forward to this month's speaker, Ursula Kern and her workshop. I'm hoping that Marla's jar gets filled with sold raffle tickets, the nominating Committee has a full roster and the President and Vice Presidents Challenge, "Somewhere in the World" fills the Atrium with wondrous places that I need to bid on!

I'm looking forward to nicer weather, especially since I can see open

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UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS
CONTACT A BOARD MEMBER FOR
MORE DETAILS.

Board of Directors

1 YEAR - BEVERLY FINE
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Newsletter Deadline

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27TH
EMAIL MELISSA RADZYMSKI
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water on the lake that I live on. I can't wait for the loon to expose himself, with his family, as he has done the last 6 years. I can't wait to see the sun, the varmints, namely chipmunks, running across my deck, the dragonflies to land on my quilt while I am sewing, the ferret that someone left in my yard, chasing the chipmunks, and the fish that jump out of the lake like piranhas when you throw them bread.

Till we meet,
Jessica

Treasurer's Report - March 28, 2011

Checking Account Balance 02/05/11	\$ 24,656.52
Deposits:	
02/23/11	1,806.24
Sales Table, Membership, Getaway Deposits	
03/08/11	2,447.70
Adopt-a-Fabric, Program Fees, Raffle Quilt, Membership/Guests Show Book Ads	
03/11/11	397.49
Getaway Deposits, Raffle Quilt, Sales Table	
03/22/11	1,106.80
Adopt-a-Fabric, Raffle Quilt, Membership	
Expenses:	
ACA Rent, March and April	(2,000.00)
Speaker Fees, Expenses	(1,306.41)
P.O. Box	(72.00)
Food, Winter Free Workshops	(352.00)
Rent, January Comfort Quilts Workshop	(75.00)
NEQS (Sales Table)	(262.50)
Library	(357.39)
Raffle Quilt	(176.12)
Show Publicity	(276.05)
Getaway Deposit Return	(75.00)
Balance 03/28/11:	\$25,462.28

Quilt Show Update

Quilt show preparations are well underway! Special thanks this time around to Ginny Such who has sent information to approximately 50 guilds and 35 shops. When you come to the April meeting please pick up fliers at the membership table and do your part publicizing our wonderful show!

Entries and forms are in but remember, you still have time to volunteer and to come up with a challenge quilt! We'll be delighted to hear from you up to the time of the show and everyone's efforts will be applauded. Many members are needed to help set up, run the show and boutique and take down the show. It's a fun time to visit with friends, put faces to names and get to know other QC members. Husbands are welcome to help with set up and take down - just let Nancy Howard know!

Raffle Ticket Update

Raffle tickets are being accepted up until the quilt show. To date, we have sold over \$1,000 worth of tickets. Where are the rest of them? This represents less than one half of the guild. Please get your ticket stubs and payment to me as soon as possible. More tickets are available!

Remember, for every ten tickets you sell, you get a single chance at the guild member raffle quilt.

Marla Richmond

Nominations Committee Update

From: Ann Bonsett and Ethel Shulam

Are you interested in becoming a member of next year's QC Executive Board? We are currently taking nominations/volunteers for the upcoming slate of officers. If you are interested, please contact either one of us. Our goal is to be able to present our slate of candidates at the April 11th membership meeting.

Volunteers Needed to Fill 248 Jobs

We need you! Any member of QC can volunteer to do a shift at our show. Of course, if you have a quilt in the show you need to send in your volunteer form. For those of you who want to spend time with the quilts, please contact me at nancy@nancy-howard.us or 617-491-9881, and I will set up a time for you, to sell tickets for the raffle quilt, white glove, demonstrate, or help at the reception. I will take forms until the last minute!

The final schedule will be available on the QC Website on Thursday, May 19, 2011. A copy of the show volunteer form is included in this edition of the newsletter (page 6) as well as on our website under Forms.

Thanks, Nancy Howard

How QC Members Can Help Japan

You have probably been watching the situation unfold in Japan with distress and sympathy for the nation as it struggles to recover from earthquake and resulting tsunami and nuclear disaster. As quilters, many of us have long honored and appreciated the Japanese quilt tradition, and we have learned much from it. Many QC members have also been featured over the years in Patchwork Quilt Tsushin, and many of know the editor, Naomi, personally and have been in touch with her since the disaster. Now is the time for us as quilters to show our care for our country that has given the textile world so much.

Here are several ways that you can help with the relief effort, from QC members and the news:

1. **Make a Comfort Quilt:** As you may have learned in the Yahoo group (look for the email from jpottter@earthlink.net), Patchwork Quilt Tsushin is leading an effort to distribute comfort quilts to those who have lost their homes and all they own. Please consider making an additional comfort quilt, or setting aside a comfort quilt you are working on for the relief effort. For details on how to make sure your quilts get to Japan, please see the link from the original post, reprinted here for your convenience: <http://tttl1998.blogspot.com/2011/03/patchwork-quilt-tsushin.html>
2. **Text to Donate to the Red Cross:** Eileen Stone has called attention to the fact that you can text to donate \$10 to the Red Cross. Texting REDCROSS (all one work) to 90999 will put a \$10 charge on your phone bill, with the donation going to the Red Cross' Japan relief efforts.
3. **Go to Starbucks:** Starbucks is collecting donations at the register, so donate when you pick up your morning coffee or afternoon tea.
4. **Donate When You Buy Music:** iTunes has set up a donation section, so you can include a donation when you purchase music.

The Salvation Army and Save the Children are also making strong efforts to help those in need, so if you regularly support these organizations, please consider visiting their websites and seeing how you can help.

-Chrissy Inge
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Program Update

Our Next Featured Speaker:

Ursula Kern from Basel, Switzerland

Our upcoming workshops (April 9 and 10) and featured program for our April 11th meeting are sure to be a great events. Ursula comes to us with a strong artistic background. She worked as a professor for color, free-hand drawing and textile design at the School of Design in Basel for about 30 years.

We have two workshops scheduled on April 9th and 10th at the Arsenal Center for the Arts in the Rehearsal Hall. We will start with modifying the flowers of "Grandma's Flower Garden." Then we'll learn to draw irregular polygons and to fill them into drawings of flowers, fish and butterflies, to name a few.

Please check out Ursula's web site: www.ursularkern.ch/kern_pages/frameset.html

News and Notes

Michele David has an art exhibit on display, April 25 - June 24, 2011, in the Gallery at The Children's National Medical Center, Washington DC.

Pat Delaney's quilt "Sugar Maples and Nose Stickers" was shown recently in the AQS Lancaster, PA show. And, the AQS magazine editor wants to pattern it for the magazine!

Diana Galson-Kooy is one of several Newton Open Studio artists exhibiting in a show called, Rhythm and Color at the Newton Mayor's Office, 1000 Comm. Ave, Newton, MA. This multi media show will go on until June 4 and is free.

Susan McCraw's quilt, Fascinating Rhythm, will be part of the 29th annual Art Quilt Exhibition at Lincoln Center in Fort Collins, Colorado, from October 7 to November 13, 2011.

Please send your News & Notes to me at wnwasserman@aol.com

-Nancy Wasserman

You're Invited

I am in a small mixed media art show at the Old Schwamb Mill in Arlington beginning Sat. April 2 at 2:30 -4:30 P.M. Julie McDaniels, a QC member is also featured in exhibit, as is John Coles and Anne Calcaterra. We will have painted furniture, water colors, oils and quilts on display. Please come.
- Rita B. Robinson

Old Schwamb Mill (781)643-0554
17 Mill Lane, Arlington, MA 02476

"Art at the Mill" featuring Arlington artist John Coles and students Rita B. Robinson, Anne Calcaterra, and Julie McDaniel. Mixed media: Paintings, furniture, quilts, and more.

Open every Tues & Sat 11AM - 3PM
April 2, 2011 through June 4, 2011

Special Events:
Opening Reception on Sat April 2, 2:30 - 4:30PM
Music, refreshments

Cinco de Mayo Event on Sat May 7, 2:30 - 4:30PM
Salsa, Music, & Celebration

Closing Reception on Sat June 4, 2:30 - 4:30PM
Mill tours & demonstrations
Music, refreshments

2011 QUILT SHOW VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

Show and Boutique are separate forms.
Please read forms carefully.

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: (Cell) _____

Phone: (Home) _____

Show volunteers:

How many shifts can you work? () One () Two () Three

() Any time ___ Yes!

Willing to do whatever needs to be done? ___ Yes!

Please put limitations, if any _____

Do you need to have a seated job?

Pre-Show Tasks - Thursday, June 3

() Show prep 7:30 am - 10:00 am

() Quilt check in 8:00 am - 9:00 am

() Hang Show 10 am until finished

Members' Night (FRIDAY)

6:30 pm – 10 pm _____

Show Friday June 3 - Sunday, June 5

Gate - Raffle Sales - Hostess - Member's Room - Demonstrations

Indicate shift preference with 1, 2, 3, etc.; we will do our best to accommodate you.

	FRI	SAT	SUN
10 am–1 pm	_____	_____	_____
12:30 pm –3:30 pm	_____	_____	_____
3 pm–6 pm	_____	_____	_____

Return form to: Nancy Howard, 8 Cogswell Ave, Cambridge, MA 02140

You can contact Nancy at nancy@nancy-howard.us

Quilters' Connection 2011- 2012 Membership Renewal Form

Name: _____ (as will appear on membership ID)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Do not print in membership booklet

Email: _____ Do not print in membership booklet

Regular: All Meetings, exhibit in show, take workshops, *Quiltations* by email \$40
(If received after May 31) \$45

Associate: 2 Meetings, exhibit in show, take workshops, *Quiltations* by email \$30
(If received after May 31) \$35

International: Living overseas, exhibit in show, *Quiltations* by email \$40
(If received after May 31) \$45

Student: 2 Meetings, exhibit 1 quilt in show, *Quiltations* by email \$20
(If received after May 31) \$25

Quiltations newsletter by mail \$10

Payment enclosed Cash Check # _____ \$ _____

Please volunteer for one or more of the following committees:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Comfort Quilt Projects | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Nomination |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donations | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get-Away Weekend | <input type="checkbox"/> Quilt Show |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Boutique | <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Quilt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meetings | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunshine/Caring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Free Workshop |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Your Special Talents _____ | |

Membership is from September 1 to August 31.

Return completed forms with payment so they are received by May 31 to:

(A-L) Stephanie Laurin 10 Slavin Dr Pelham, NH 03076
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