

Quiltations

May 2010

2009-2010 Schedule

MEETINGS:

(DOORS OPEN @ 6 AND THE

MEETING STARTS @ 7:30)

MONDAY, MAY 17

JESSICA LEGER

QUILT SHOW:

JUNE 4-6, 2010

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

Notice to the Membership:

Slate of Officers and Board of Directors Position

Here is the slate of officers that will be voted on at the May 17th Annual Business meeting:

President: Jessica Leger
Vice President: Elaine Stone
Secretary: Deborah Rocha
Treasurer: Irene Dwyer

Board of Directors: Sylvia Einstein

If there are others who would like to express interest, please contact any of the following Board of Directors members, prior to the May meeting:

Carolyn Rabson
Beverly Fine
Sandy Gregg
Ann Bonsett

Thank you,
Ann Bonsett

President's Letter

Just as I thought I was getting the hang of being QC President, wham, I realize I have so much more to learn. This is the only guild, I know, that has pages of documents and since I did not realize Elections were held every year, I am sorry to say...I missed it! I have since read all the documents and hope others take the time to read them also as it is very informative. We will move forward with the Election process in May. As a past Selectman of my town, I hope anyone who wishes to be on the Executive Board to please put your name on the ballot. It is a great pleasure to help QC move forward and all of you should think about running. Many people like to judge what is happening, but the only way to get your voice heard is to volunteer. If you don't like change, then be part of the continuing process of QC.

The Quilt Show is so near that I hope all of us are finishing our quilts and vendors are busy with the wonderful items we will have for sale in our Boutique. I can't wait and, as I am in Bali, I will have to pull a few all nighters to get my own jacket completed. Lesson learned is that pro-

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UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS
7PM AT 11 BRYANT RD, LEXINGTON
EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

Board of Directors

1 YEAR - CAROLYN RABSON
2 YEAR - BEVERLY FINE
3 YEAR - SANDY GREGG
PAST PRESIDENT - ANN BONSETT
PRESIDENT - JESSICA LEGER

crastinators never learn!

The Executive Board voted, and I announced at the April meeting, that there will be a \$3.00 charge for each person attending the Members night celebration the Friday evening Member Night celebration. In these slow economic times we felt it necessary to help offset the costs of the entire quilt show and not just the Members night. We have found that we do not need a license to serve wine for one night. Think about it: for the cost of a cup of coffee at Panera's, you get a private night with family and friends to share the show and also get first priority on the wonderful items in the Boutique before anyone else! Unlike other guilds, our rent is higher, plus rental of racks, drapes and table coverings, as well as printings costs, yes, we will have a book, tickets and misc. items all come out of the attendance fees and budget. Fact: our show is not offset by raffle baskets, refreshments sales or other fundraising activities that others use to make money; plus we donated the entire proceeds of the "Challenge" quilts to NEQM and the ACA last year. It is vital that all of us forward information about our show to everyone you know and every guild you belong to. We are trying a greener approach having found that some of the mailers we have placed at the large shows are still there after the show is done. Most of us read our emails more than snail mail and this is a great way to reach more people.

Please excuse any mistakes as it took me 1 hour to send this message! Fabrics are wonderful in Bali but everything is slower here!

We have 32 "Challenge" quilts promised and the promise of more at the last minute. Great way to help others!

Well off to Ubud, Bali, for more fabric shopping!

Jessica

2010-2011 Membership Renewal

We have already received 140 membership renewals for the 2010-2011 QC year. Thanks to those who have sent in their renewals early. This serves as a reminder to our other 260 members that renewals are due by May 31, 2010. Renewal forms are available on the QC website at quiltersconnection.org or in this newsletter on page 7. Please submit your form along with payment to either of us at a QC meeting or by mail. There are 63 very anxious individuals on the waiting list. We will begin sending out invitations to those on the waiting list after May 31. Please get your renewals to us if that is your intention and insure that you will not miss out on another exciting year of activities and programs at QC.

Susan Stemporzewski & Stephanie Laurin

News from the Library

The May meeting is the last before the summer break. This will be your last chance to borrow lots of books to inspire your summer quilting projects. The more you borrow, the fewer we will have to pack away in storage. The library will be open before the meeting on Monday, May 17 from 6:30 to 7:15 so come early and allow yourself ample time to make your selections. Don't forget to return any books borrowed at previous meetings.

We have several new books recently added to the library. With the money from our book sale, we were able to purchase 500 Art Quilts: An Inspiring Collection of Contemporary Work, Journal Bliss: Creative Prompts to Unleash Your Inner Eccentric, Stitch Alchemy: Combining Fabric + Paper, Cathedral Window Quilts, and Kaffe Fasset's Simple Shapes, Spectacular Quilts. Thanks go to Sandy Gregg for her generous donation of SAQA's Portfolio 16: The Art Quilt Sourcebook. You can reserve any of these books via email to judy.botsford@gmail.com.

We continue to urge you to donate the newer quilt books in your collections when you are finished with them. This gives us some freedom to invest in more of the higher priced books requested by members. Some of the titles we are looking for are Ribbon Treasures from Celia's Garden (Labanaris), Off-the-Shelf Fabric Painting (Beevers), Quilter's Playtime: Games with Fabrics (Hire), Fat Quarter Frenzy Two (Mark & Greig), Caryl Bryer Fallert: A Spectrum of Quilts 1983-1995 (Fallert), Layered Waves: A Fresh New Way to Quilt (Eckmeier), Dream Landscapes: Artful Quilts with Fast-Piece Applique (Hughes), A Workshop with Velda Newman: Adding Dimension to Your Quilts (Newman), Image Transfer Workshop: Mixed-Media Techniques for Successful Transfers (McElroy & Wilson), and Fractured Landscape Quilts (Masopust). We will be happy to supply you with a taxable donation receipt.

For those of you who have made requests, we will be weeding the collection again and buying new books over the summer. Please fill out the form below and return it to us via email or by hand. We will attempt to notify you if the book you requested is purchased:

Title _____

Author _____

Source: _____

Suggested by _____

Have a great summer.

Judy Botsford 1-781-646-9708; judy.botsford@gmail.com

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Congratulations to those celebrating 25 years of membership this year

The following members will be honored at the May meeting for their 25 years of uninterrupted membership: Caroline Howard, Marcia Kaufman, Deborah Shelkoff, Beverly Smith, Patricia Spaght and Marcia Szkolka.

If any other member joined QC in 1985 and is not listed above, please contact Nancy Crasco at 617-54-1952 or nrcrasco@rcn.com.

Quilt Show News

This is it! Our final month before the show and as always much to be done! Many have been working behind the scenes but we still need more volunteers to fill all the positions necessary to make this a great show. Please, if you haven't committed yet, give Nancy Howard a call!

I hope you plan on encouraging friends and acquaintances to attend, send out our flyer, print a few for workplaces! Our show is always beautiful and an educational experience for all. Take a moment this month to put the final touches on your entries, whip out a challenge quilt(!) and offer to help out! Thanks!

Quilt Show Volunteers

The 2010 Quilt Show volunteer schedule will be posted on the QC Website on Thursday, May 20th. Be sure and check the schedule. If you need to make a change, please contact me at 617-491-9881 or nancy@nancy-howard.us. Thanks, Nancy Howard

Quilt Show Advance Tickets

Advance tickets for this year's Show will be available at the May Meeting. Advance tickets are \$5, a discount from the \$6 admission at the door. Members not able to attend the May meeting can send checks to the Treasurer (Irene Dwyer) and tickets will be mailed.

Treasurer's Report - April 25, 2010

Checking Account Balance 3/15/10 **\$ 13,254.24**

Deposits:

Getaway Weekend Deposits *	2,607.00
Sales Table	99.00
Guest Fees	20.00
Program Fees	50.00
Membership Fees	4,320.00
Raffle Quilt Sales	700.00
Subtotal:	\$ 21,000.24

Expenses:

Sales Table	(45.90)
Comfort Quilts Workshop	(316.52)
Speaker fees and expenses	(2,696.46)
Quiltations	(116.53)
Returned Getaway Deposits	(306.00)
Getaway Weekend	(3,732.00)
Scholarships	(500.00)
Registration Fee, Commonwealth	(15.00)
Subtotal:	(5,836.05)

Balance: **\$ 13,271.53**

*Note: No QC funds were used for the Getaway Weekend. Earlier pre-payments added to these deposits equaled the amount paid the Inn.

QC Programs and Workshops for 2010-2011

I am thrilled to announce that we have almost all of our programs confirmed for next year. We also have selections for 2011-2012, and are just awaiting final confirmation from the ACA on dates. Here is our meeting and workshop schedule for next year, along with our confirmed programs:

September 20th – The Great Show and Tell by Members

Welcome to our new and returning members!

Sign-up for this season's workshops prior to the meeting

October 23-24 – Two one day workshops (Currently in negotiation with the artist)

Monday, October 25 – Membership meeting, Guest Speaker (in negotiation)

November 6-7 – Two one day workshops “Magic Squares” starring Sylvia Einstein

(Check out www.sylviaeinstein.com – under workshops see links to her magic squares!)

Monday, November 8 – Membership Meeting, Guest Speaker: Sylvia Einstein

“Circles and Other Obsessions”

December – No Workshops and No Meeting

January 22 and 23 – Two one day workshops “Mock Applique” showcasing Pat Delaney

(Check out www.crabtreelane.com Look at Pat's award winning gallery of work!)

Monday, January 24: Membership Meeting, Guest Speaker: Pat Delaney

February 26-27: Two one day workshops by Jennifer Beaven – Art Quilts

TUESDAY, March 1 – Membership Meeting, Guest Speaker: Jennifer Beaven

March 19-20: Two one day workshops – Sylvia Naylor

Capturing Summer to create floral quilts with organza

Monday, March 21: Membership Meeting, Guest Speaker: Sylvia Naylor

Check out the April/May 2008 Quilting Arts Magazine Article!

April 9-10: Two one day workshops - Ursula Kern - subject TBD

Monday, April 11: Membership Meeting, Ursula Kern from Basel, Switzerland

Ursula's lecture will focus on color and design

May 14-15: Two one day workshops - (Currently in negotiation with the artist)

May 16 – Annual Business Meeting, Guest Speaker (in negotiation)

Quilt Show: Setup and Show: June 2-5, 2011

If you are interested in hosting an out-of-town guest, please contact me via e-mail. We also have needs for assisting with driving to and from the workshops and the meeting. Contact me if you are interested!

~ Ann Bonsett - abonsett@rcn.com

Changes to the Yahoo List

The moderator of the yahoo has changed. If you are not already signed up but would like to be, please email either Barbara Frost (frostf14@comcast.net) or Diane Franklin (diane.franklin@gmail.com).

News and Notes

Fran Newton ran the Boston Marathon as part of Team John Hancock. In her words "it was one of the most amazing experiences of my life - probably the closest I'll ever come to feeling like a rock star! It was a long, grueling 5 hours, 32 minutes - but I've never been in so much pain and had so much fun at the same time." To read more about her "journey," visit her web site www.firstgiving.com/frannewton1

If you have any "News & Notes", please send them to Nancy at wnwasserman@aol.com

Studio Hop

May 16, 2010
1-5 pm

Seven QC members have graciously offered to open up their studios and share their organization secrets with other members of the guild. Hosts are Diane Franklin (Jamaica Plain), Martha Supnik (Carlisle), Jayne Todd (Framingham), Betsy Habich (North Reading), Bea Grayson (Winchester), Rita Robinson (Medford), Ethel Shulam (Peabody) and Gail Dwyer (Winthrop). To participate email me at joryagate@gmail.com and I will send back a contact sheet listing each site, address, driving tips, contact phone (for if you are lost) and a brief description of the studio space and what unique things you will find there. These studios include examples of how to use small space, functional furniture, create design wall and tool storage, ergonomic design, storing fabric, and a converted garage with silk screening, painting and dying space. I am asking for a \$15 donation which will be collected to give thank you gift certificates to our host for taking the time and energy to open their space to guild members. Checks should be made out to QC and sent to Jory Agate, 183 Harvey Street, Cambridge, MA 02140. Checks can also be given at the meeting on May 17 (the day after the Studio Hop.) Questions or more information, contact me at joryagate@gmail.com or 617-480-1666.

- Jory

Old Home Day Festival

Jamaica Vermont's Old Home Day Festival is on Saturday, July 31st.

Activities include: Parade, Bands, Games for kids, Foods, Music, Craft Vendors, Chili Cookoff and a Museum quality Exhibition of Quilter's Art, featuring: Rebekah Clark, Rhoda Cohen, Sylvia Einstein, Beatrice Grayson, Nancy Halpern, and Ruth McDowell.

Contact Bob Stone with questions.
jbobsto9@aol.com

QC Getaway 2010

I have a place in Waterville Valley, so I arrived a day early. Weather was sunny and in the 60's. Daffodils were blooming. Friday morning there was an inch of snow with more to come and a drizzle of rain thrown in for good measure! We kept warm, dry, busy and well fed. Our very own aerobics instructor put us through the moves Saturday, stretching and burning calories, just in time for dinner.

Machines started whirring before noon on Friday and continued non-stop (almost) until 4 pm on Sunday. Some of us went to bed way past midnight and were up again at first light. So focused were we on our tasks that the owner/chef had to come up and drag us down for Sunday lunch. We just did not want the weekend to end.

We were hand appliquing, hand quilting, paper piecing, machine piecing, machine quilting, fusing, and gluing, designing jackets, celebrating Elvis, and singing Broadway show tunes and camp songs. We had embellishments, needle punch, stain glass quilts, table runners, Hawaiian shirts, antique quilts, wedding quilts, sampler quilts. We were putting on bindings, mitering, sewing a quilt made out of upholstery fabrics (imagine quilting that), making pillow cases and cashmere scarfs. There were light houses, hexagons, birds, chickens, roosters, stars, bear claws, otters, flowers, chocolate, Scrabble, and so much more.

Mark your calendars to join us for QC Getaway 2011, The Silver Fox Inn, May 20 - 22.

~Nancy Wasserman

Quilters' Connection 2010- 2011 Membership 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
- Associate: 2 Meetings, exhibit in show, take workshops, *Quiltations* by email \$30
- International: Living overseas, exhibit in show, *Quiltations* by email \$40
- Student: 2 Meetings, exhibit 1 quilt in show, *Quiltations* by email \$20
- Quiltations* by mail \$10

Payment enclosed Cash Check # _____ \$ _____

Please volunteer for one or more of the following committees:

- Comfort Quilt Projects (coordinate workshops, donate quilts)
- Communications (website, yahoo group, email newsletter)
- Donations (review annual donations)
- Get-Away Weekend (plan & coordinate weekend quilt retreat)
- Holiday Boutique (organize holiday boutique)
- Library (oversee use & maintenance of library)
- Meetings (adopt-a-fabric table, sales table, information table)
- Membership (membership & wait lists, membership booklet, renewals, reception, IDs)
- Newsletter (editor, quilt happenings, news & notes, mailings)
- Nomination (coordinate nominations for various QC positions)
- Programs (host lecturers, transport, assist workshop signup, workshop assistance)
- Quilt Show (advertising, publicity, layout, set-up & take down, white glove, reception, hospitality, front gate, show book and tickets, boutique)
- Raffle Quilt (design, assembly, quilting, raffle tickets)
- Scholarship (oversee the process of awarding grants for education purposes)
- Sunshine/Caring (send greeting cards)
- Winter Free Workshop (coordinate workshops, instruct, plan luncheon)
- Your Special Talents _____

Membership is from September 1 to August 31.
Return completed forms with payment by May 31 to
Susan Stemporzewski or Stephanie Laurin

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