



The Newsletter of Quilters' Connection
Arlington, MA

Quiltations

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Notes from Nancy

I hope to see all of you at the Annual Meeting of QC on Monday, May 14. We will vote on the members who volunteered for positions on the Executive Board. (Reminder. . . Vice-President is still open.) It is important to give your input on the future of QC.

It is an exciting month seeing the culmination of a year, or two, of planning and cooperation working toward our very special QC Quilt Show in the first weekend in June. I am proud that every member has contributed in some way by making quilts, passing out bookmarks, hanging posters, planning and contributing to the raffle quilt, designing boutique items, selling raffle tickets, advertising the show, working on the brochure, and volunteering to help during the show. It takes all of us.

Thanks to everyone for your support, love, confidence, and especially for your friendship these past 2 years. It has been a blast!

Love,
Nancy

QC Executive Board Meetings

The following date are set for the QCEB: June 13. Please notify Nancy Howard (617-491-9881 or nancy@nancy-howard.us) for you plan to attend or have agenda items.

All the meetings are scheduled to be held at 7:00 PM at *The Knittin' Kitten*, 93 Blanchard Road, Cambridge, MA. If you need directions please call 617-491-4670 before 5:00 PM on the day of the meeting.

QC Meeting Dates 2006-2007

All meetings this year will be held on Monday at 7:30 p.m.

- May 14
- June 1-3 Quilt Show

A THANK YOU to Quilters' Connection from the New England Quilt Museum

The New England Quilt Museum is pleased to name the Quilters' Connection Guild as a sponsor of the exhibit, *Expressions of Beauty: Objects of Utility*, which will be at the Museum from August 23 to November 11, 2007. Quilters' Connection will be joining the International Quilt Association in sponsoring this exhibit.

The New England Quilt Museum wishes to thank Quilters' Connection for its constant generosity and support. The help from groups such as QC and IQA enables the Museum to fulfill its mission to preserve the study of quilting, both past and present, by providing assistance for exhibitions, workshops, programs and other services.

Expressions of Beauty: Objects of Utility will feature quilts from the Museum's Permanent Collection.

QC Officers 2006-2007

Executive Board

President	Nancy Howard
Vice President	Ann Bonsett
Secretary	Carolyn Rabson
Treasurer	Barbara Degan
Assistant	Mary Gillis
Quilt Show 2007	Marie Cotton
Quilt Show 2008	Irene Dwyer
Programs 06-07	Ann Manzelli
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Appointed Committee

Adopt-a-Fabric	Rosemary Koch Nancy Maher Ellen O'Sullivan Nancy Crasco Laurel Miller Marie Geary Ethel Shulam Joan Gulovsen Tina Reinhardt Beverly Fine Steffi Karp Sandy Gregg Deborah Rocha Rose Ann Yap
Arsenal Center Liaison	Claire Leone
Bulletin Board	Martha Supnik
Calendar	Diana Dow
Caring Committee	Carol Telsey
Comfort Quilts	Martha Supnik
Donations	Sheila Toomey
e-communications	Nancy Wasserman
Equipment Manager	Ellen O'Sullivan
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Raffle Quilt 2008	Jeanne Williamson
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Webmaster	
Workshop Registration	
Workshop Helper	
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Board of Directors

1 year	Cathy Berry
2 year	Joy Rosettos
3 year	Barbara Crane
Past President	Beverly Fine
President	Nancy Howard

News and Notes

QC members *Jeanne Funk-Geddes*, *Janice Gould*, *Gail Pettiford Willett*, and *Missy Shay* along with the other members of their Tuesday Morning Collaborative, have a group quilt "Makeover" hanging in the juried art show *Laugh: the art of humor!* at the Arsenal Center for the Arts, March 31 - May 27.

Gladys Perkins has 6 quilts hanging on the 3rd floor gallery of the Arsenal Center for the Arts in a solo exhibit—part of the rotating quilt exhibit by members of Quilter's Connection. The quilts will be displayed through May 14.

Rosemary Koch had two quilts, "Floral Explosion" and "Oceans Alive", in the Lancaster Heritage Quilt Show, Lancaster, Pennsylvania

QC members *Sandra Donabed* and *Linda Dunn* had pieces in the show "Paste Up" at the Ayer Lofts Gallery in Lowell during the month of April.

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

—Nancy

Quilt Show News

I want to thank every one of you for your hours of support and dedication these past months. The racks have been ordered, the VIP and 3-day tickets have been made, the Friday Night Reception planned, the ads are in, and the brochure being edited. The hanging crew met and are raring to set up the show. The quilts are elegant, sophisticated, beautiful and unique. Our viewers will have a magnificent show to attend.

See you at the the first weekend in June!

Marie Cotton
2007 Quilt Show Chair

Quilters' Connection 2007-2008 Membership Form

Please Print Clearly

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

You may print my telephone number Yes No

You may print my email address Yes No

Can we use your email to notify you of guild updates and meeting/workshop cancellations? Yes No

I prefer to receive the Newsletter by Email Regular mail (check one).

Please renew my membership at the following level:

- **Regular:** All meetings, exhibit in show, take workshops, *Quiltations* \$30.00
- **Associate:** Two meetings, exhibit in show, take workshops, *Quiltations* \$20.00
- **International:** Living overseas, exhibit in show, *Quiltations* \$30.00
- **Undergraduate Student:** Two meetings, exhibit one quilt in show \$10.00

I have enclosed \$ _____ Cash Check # _____ (Make checks payable to Quilters' Connection)

Please indicate your interest in one of the following volunteer opportunities.

Programs

- Planning
- Facilitation
- Contracts
- Workshop Registration
- Hosting Lecturers
- January Free Workshop

Comfort Quilt Projects

- Coordinator
- Assistant Coordinator

Scholarship

- Reviewer

Donations

- Reviewer
- Nominations**
- Committee Member

Quilt Show

- Data Entry
- Show Book
- Show Tickets
- Advertising
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Publicity

Treasurer

- Tax Reporting
- Budget/Finance Mgmt

Newsletter

- Calendar
- News & Notes
- Article Contributor
- Membership**
- Proofreader
- New Member

Meetings

- Sales Table
- Adopt-a-Fabric
- Information Table

Communications

- Website
- Yahoo Groups

Library

- Coordinator
- Library Table Asst.

Boutique Committee

- Volunteer

You haven't listed my skills which I would like to use _____

**Membership is from September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2008.
Completed renewal forms must be received no later than May 31, 2007.**

**Return completed form with payment to:
Quilters' Connection, PO BOX 1337, Arlington MA 02474**

Library News May 2007

Summer Inventory

Please search your coffee table, bedside table, bookshelves, tote bags, etc for books that belong to QC and bring them to the May 14 meeting so others can enjoy them over the summer. If you will not be attending, get a friend to return them for you. If all else fails, please contact Martha to renew them until September. That will save us from sending overdue notices to those who already realize what books they have at home. The remaining library books will be stored at Martha's house in case you need something over the summer. You can contact me and pick up a book in Carlisle or at the New England Quilt Museum Library where I volunteer on Tuesdays and Fridays.

New DVD

The Art of Quilting from PBS Home Video was produced by Wisconsin Public Television this year but was aired only once in the Boston area. Segment One was filmed at Quilt National 2005 and has interviews with Hilary Fletcher, Jane Burch Cochran, Bob Adams, & Pam Rubert. Quilt montages include the works of Susan Else, Paula Nadelstern, Marla Hattabaugh, Jan Myers Newbury, Therese May, Joy Saville, Tafi Brown, Janet Steadman, Lori Lupe Pelish, Linda Levin, Dinah Sargeant, Judith Content. Segment Two features The Chicago School of Fusing with interviews with Laura Wasilowski, Melody Johnson, Emily Parson, & Frieda Anderson. Segment Three features Art Quilts At the Sedgwick in Philadelphia with interviews with Pat Kroth, Carol Krueger, Judy Langille, Deborah Schwartzmann, QC member Jeanne Williamson, Kristin Hoelscher Schacker, & Diane Savona. Quilt montages include the works of Kathyanne White, Patti Shaw, Leesa Zarinelli Gawlik, Natasha Kempers Cullen, Julia Pfaff, Eileen Lauterborn, Virginia Abrams, Gretchen Echols. Segment four is a bonus segment not aired on TV with interviews with Lisa Call, Dominie Nash, Sue Pierce, Bonnie Epstein, Kathyanne White, Julia Pfaff, Lathy Weaver, Eileen Lauterborn, Anne Lullie, Anne McKenzie Nickolson. Quilt montages include the works of Bonnie Peterson, Wendy Huhn, Emily Richardson, Emily Lewis, Sue Benner, Valerie Aita, Sandy Shellenberger, Jane Sassaman.

New Book

Creative Quilting: The Journal Quilt Project by Karey Bresenhan is packed full of great photos and artist statements about their small series quilts, all 8.5" by 11". Several QC members are included and the topics include stories, nature, faces, figures and abstract subjects.

New Magazines

Quilting Arts # 26 April/May 2007 has articles on scale, proportion and balance as design principles, how to find inspiration, fabric collage, silk painting with resist, the "Doorway to Imagination" reader challenge, seasonal color in design, artist profiles of Frances Holliday Alford and Joanie San Chirico, a group of 5 artists in Austin, Texas who collaborate on projects, adding dimensional "dolls" to quilts, faux texture by Jane Durnewald, holographic effects by QC member Wen Redmond, contour drawing with your sewing machine, and a gallery of works from the Small Wonders VIII embellished miniatures exhibit in Houston last fall.

American Quilter Summer 2007 has articles on a quilter in the Netherlands and her paper-pieced star quilt, comparisons of sewing machines, appliqué design by Gwen Marston, a quilt with an irregular outer edge, quilting in an RV, a quilt about famous "old maids", prairie point variations, distorting traditional blocks to fit contemporary quilts, a pieced bee quilt, Ami Simms' Alzheimer's quilt exhibit, a basket of violets quilt, and the winners of their online quilt contest.

Book Order Suggestions

Title _____

Author _____

Source _____

Suggested by _____

Date _____

give to Martha Supnik at meeting or mail to me at 601 Heald Rd., Carlisle, MA 01741.

Martha Supnik 978-369-7292 Martha@Supnik.org
 Carol Telsey 978-369-7366
 Diana Dow 617-624-6114

QC 2007-2008 Appointed Committees—There's a SLOT for YOU!

I believe current committee members have been contacted at least once and some folks have had more than one message sent regarding next year's cast of Appointed Committees. I was thrilled at the outpouring response from so many of you. Your willingness to volunteer in support of the Quilters' Connection Appointed Committees is really the backbone of what makes QC tick. We need the membership to be involved in order for us to continue to flourish. We do have some open positions—Adopt-a-Fabric has some openings for next year and we also are in need of a Workshop Helper. There are a few slots that we're waiting for responses. If you're interested in a particular area, please, do let me know. My email is: abonsett@rcn.com.

I encourage all members to express interest. This is a great way for new members to get acquainted with those who know their way around the guild. It's also a great way for a seasoned member to spread some knowledge with some of the newer members. Let's all get involved! You may even have a little extra fun in the process! ☺ -Ann Bonsett-

Appointed Committees	2006-2007	2007-2008
Adopt-a-Fabric	Rosemary Koch	POSITION OPEN
Adopt-a-Fabric	Nancy Maher	Waiting for response
Adopt-a-Fabric	Ellen O'Sullivan	POSITION OPEN
Arsenal Center Liaison	Nancy Crasco	Yes
Bulletin Board	Laurel Miller	Waiting for response
Calendar	Marie Geary	Waiting for response
Caring Committee	Ethel Shulam	Waiting for response
Comfort Quilts	Joan Gulovsen	Yes
	Tina Reinhardt	Waiting for response
Contracts	Sandy Gregg	Yes
Donations	Beverly Fine	Yes
	Steffi Karp	Yes
e-Communications	Sandy Gregg	Yes
Equipment Manager	Deborah Rocha	Yes
Historian Assistant	Rose Ann Yap	Susan Sapolsky?
Information Table	Claire Leone	Yes
Library	Martha Supnik	Yes
	Diana Dow	Yes
	Ginny Such	Sub
	Gail Dwyer	Yes
	Jo Ickler	Yes
	Carol Telsey	Yes
NEQM Liaison	Martha Supnik	Yes
Newsletter Assistant	Sheila Toomey	Yes
News and Notes	Nancy Wasserman	Yes
New Members Coordinator	Ellen O'Sullivan	No
Program Committee 07-09	Connie Eddington	Yes
	Steffi Karp	Yes
	Jenny Peace	Yes
Program Contracts	Sandy Gregg	Yes
Raffle Quilt 2007	Ethel Shulam	N/A
Raffle Quilt 2008	Patti Karp	Yes
Raffle Quilt Design 2008	Margaret Rolph	Yes
	Carolyn Rabson	Yes
Raffle Quilt Quilting	Mary Walter	Yes
Sales Table	Robin Fan	Yes
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Scholarship	Barbara Evans	Yes
Webmaster	Suzanne Knapp	Yes
Workshop Registration	Donna Jean Downer	Yes
		POSITION OPEN

Vermont Quilt Festival

Treat yourself to the 31st annual Vermont Quilt Festival and enjoy over 400 beautiful contemporary and antique quilts. Several special exhibits, including antique quilts, art quilts, and Ami Simm's traveling Alzheimers exhibit will inspire and move you. Sign on for lectures and workshops with nationally known quilt teachers but do check the website first. More registrants than ever have already signed on. Nearly half the classes are closed and all air conditioned dorms and townhouses are sold out. There are a still a few slots left in the Shelburne conservator's class and for the tour of the three Shelburne quilt exhibits.

Enjoy free demos and free gallery talks, shop the merchants mall for all the latest wares and the VQF booth brimming with lots of new items, and bring your antique quilts to be appraised. Stop by the Quilting Treasures booth on Saturday morning to meet noted folk artist and designer of a new fabric line, Warren Kimble.

The show opens June 28 with the awards ceremony honoring the winning contest quilts and their makers at 7pm in the Blue Pavilion room. The always festive Champagne and Chocolate Preview begins at 7:30pm; tickets are \$12 at the door. The show is open June 29-July 1, Friday-Saturday, 9am-6pm and Sunday, 9am-3pm; admission is \$10, seniors \$9, children under 14 free. All at the air-conditioned Champlain Valley Exposition, 105 Pearl Street, Essex Junction. For more information, visit www.vqf.org.

Quilt Happenings

May thru December - The New England Quilt Museum will now be open on Sundays from 12 noon to 4 pm. Admission is free for Members. Non-members admission is \$5.00 per person. See www.nequiltmuseum.org for full information or call 978-452-4207

Now through June 10, at the New England Quilt Museum, exhibit of 60 quilts, I REMEMBER MAMA, organized by Karey Bresenham to honor the memory of her mother, Jewel Pearce Patterson, who taught thousands of people in Texas to quilt and love quilts.

Quilt Happenings (con't)

May 12 at the New England Quilt Museum, MOTHER'S DAY TEA. Come enjoy tea, special treats, and a gallery talk of the exhibit, I REMEMBER MAMA. All included in the event cost which is \$15. for NEQM members and guests and \$20 for non-members and guests. For Tea time and to make Reservations call 978-452-4207 ext 16

May 13 - MOTHER'S DAY - Museum is open 12 pm to 4 pm. Admission is free today.

May 18, 19, 20 Northern Lights Quilt Guild present QUILT FESTIVAL 2007 at the Fireside Inn, West Lebanon, NH, Exit 20 off I-89. Admission \$4.00. See www.nlqg.org for all information.

May 20 - In honor of the NEQM 20th Anniversary year, the Museum is open free of charge on the 20th of each month throughout 2007.

June 14 thru August 19 - UNCOVERED IN NEW HAMPSHIRE: Antique Quilts from NH Quilt Documentation Project. Gallery Talk by Gerald Roy, Saturday, June 23 at 1 pm and Lecture by Julie Crossland on NH project, Sunday, July 15 at 1 pm.

June 19 - BLENDED QUILTS WORKSHOP with MARSHA McCLOSKEY 10 am to 3 pm at the NEQM. Call 978-457-4207 Ex 13 for fee information and to reserve space.

June 1-3 - QUILTERS' CONNECTION QUILT SHOW AND SALE: Arsenal Center for the Arts, 321 Arsenal St., Watertown, MA. Information at www.quiltersconnection.org

June 29 to July 1 - VERMONT QUILT FESTIVAL - Champlain Valley Exposition Center, Essex Jct., Vt. Over 400 quilts, More than 70 vendors, Workshops with nationally known quilt teachers, Special Events and much, much more. www.vqf.org for complete information or email info@vqf.org

Thursday thru Sunday, August 2-5 - LOWELL QUILT FESTIVAL: A city-wide celebration of quilts with exhibits, workshops, lectures, many special events. See www.lowellquiltfestival.org for complete information.

QC Schedules for 2006-2007

Lectures

Monday, May 14 **Judy Simmons** lecture: *Trunkshow of WearableWearables*

Workshops

Saturday, May 12 **Judy Simmons:** *Woven Fabric Vest*

JUNE 1-3 QUILT SHOW

**Note:* All Meetings are held at the *Arsenal Center for the Arts* in Watertown. Meeting cancellations will be announced at the website by mid-afternoon of the meeting day. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm on the dates above. Workshops run from 9 am to 4 pm and will also be held at the Arsenal Center unless otherwise noted in Workshop descriptions.

QC Workshops

Fabric Woven Vest

Learn the fascinating technique of fabric weaving to create interesting fabric for a vest with **Judy Simmons** on Saturday, May 12. Using 2-4 fabrics, decorative and couching threads, ribbons and yarn, students will find working with this technique to be easy and fun. The use of machine decorative stitches and couching techniques will add more excitement to the piece.

To find the supply list for his workshop, visit the QC website, www.quiltersconnection.org.

Workshops will be held at Watertown Center for the Arts. Cost is \$50 per workshop.

Send SASE & check payable to *Quilters' Connection* to:

Donna Jean Downer Telephone: 781-821-4692
10 Standish Drive Email: djdquilt@comcast.net
Canton, MA 02021 Workshop: 9:00-4:00

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ email _____

Workshop _____

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