



## HRQG Newsletter May 2018

### Presidents End of Year Message

#### A Huge Thank You!

Where did the year go? I know time seems to pass more quickly as we get older, but this year has flown by faster than ever (with the exception of the record setting month of March, with 4 Nor'easters, and what feels like the coldest April on record!). While I am happy that the warm weather should be arriving soon, I can't believe that we are almost breaking for the summer.

But, we still have plenty to look forward to! I spent my weekend organizing and packing my belongings for our annual Getaway, and am looking forward to spending the weekend with so many talented women. Our End of the Year Celebration will follow in May – a month early to accommodate our lecture and class with David Sirota, which was rescheduled for our June meeting. If you are signed up for David's class, you were likely just as disappointed as I was that we needed to cancel our meeting in March, but hopefully you know where to find all of the pieces you prepped for class a couple of months ago (mine are hanging on the back of the door, ready to go).

Due to a prior commitment, I am going to be unable to attend our May meeting, which should be my last as Guild President. I want to thank all of you – the wonderful board of women who worked so hard to put together a really fun year, and the entire guild for being so supportive while sharing your talent with the group. It is an honor to be surrounded by such a wonderful group of ladies, and I am excited to take my seat next to you come June.

Keep doing what you love, and don't forget to enter your quilts in the show!

Jen Cannizzaro

#### **Remember, new elections at the May meeting!! Board Members (for now!)**

President	Jen Cannizzaro
Vice President	Janet McGinty
Treasurer	Jane Hewitt
Secretary	Jennifer Brown

#### **Committee Chairs (for now!)**

<b>Block of the Month</b>	Janine Cannizzaro
<b>Comfort Quilts</b>	Vivian Cardinal, Debbie Luoma
<b>Historian</b>	Christine Moriarty
<b>Hospitality</b>	Susan Joseph, Ann Reilly, Christine Moriarty, Etta Forti, Jean Baker
<b>Library</b>	Phyllis Boothroyd
<b>Membership</b>	Virginia Mills, Ann Selig
<b>Newsletter</b>	Anne Marie Stanton
<b>Programs</b>	Katy Welch, Shelia Berry, Ann Reilly
<b>Quilt Museum Liaison</b>	Mary Parker
<b>Quilt Show 2018</b>	Nancy Robertson!
<b>Quilters Basket</b>	Kristen Anderson, Donna Silva, Gina Swedko
<b>Website/UFO Challenge</b>	Mary Ann Karpinski
<b>Website photos</b>	Anne Marie Stanton
<b>Thayer Academy Show</b>	Lynn Anastos
<b>Committee Chair</b>	

#### **Program Committee Announcements**

##### From the Program Committee:

Sheila, Ann and Katy would like to thank the guild members for allowing us to switch the

spring schedule around. Since two meetings were cancelled this year due to the weather, we had to do some scrambling to reschedule our programs.

Reminder - the "End of the Year" activities will take place at May 5th this year. The meeting will include any updates from the quilt show committee, a yard sale and the spring luncheon. All members who have a last name that begins with M through Z are asked to contribute a favorite dish. If you wish to sell some items at the yard sale simply bring them and set up a table. Please take home all unsold items after the sale.

At the June 2 meeting David Sirota will present a lecture "What Makes a Quilter Tick?", a humorous look in the mirror. His class will teach his patented "No More Tears" paper piecing method. Using his method we will make a "Storm at Sea" wall quilt. The class is presently full. We hear raves about David's presentations. Don't miss this!

The fall schedule is fully booked with speakers planned for October and November. At the September meeting, we will be finalizing all plans for the quilt show. So lots to look forward to as we continue to hear new ideas, learn new techniques and proudly display our quilts!



### Quilters Getaway

2018 GETAWAY WEEKEND!!

April 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>

When you are reading this, we will be either packing or enjoying working on our varied projects!! Thank you to Denise for once again taking her time to

organize a lovely weekend for us all in Sturbridge. It will certainly be a lovely weekend, and it is all because of her efforts. We are looking forward to next year's Getaway!!

### Hospitality

Hospitality committee members this year were Susan Joseph, Ann Reilly, Christine Moriarty, Etta Forti, and Jean Baker (a virtual army!!) ☺  
THANK YOU ladies for your service this year!

You don't realize how much work goes into this committee until you have worked it! So please consider helping out with chores, and bringing snacks or drinks for us all to enjoy at least once a year. You can mark items that are gluten free or allergy specific, and that always helps! And if the spirit moves you, bring copies of the recipe to share! This month, MAY, all members with last names beginning with M thru Z are asked to bring something to share for our meeting. Remember, we are flipping the May and June meetings, so this month will be our end of year celebration!

### From The Comfort Quilts Committee

Many thanks to all our guild members who make Comfort Quilts all year long. We hope you will continue to sew over the summer and we will have a lovely display at our show in September! As always, thank you!  
Vivian



### From the Quilter's Basket Raffle:

There is a request for baskets or anything that could be used to hold our monthly raffles. We would really appreciate the donations!! And if you find new items that you have never used, or packs of fabrics, etc., bring them in and we will put

them to good use!! Thanks to everyone who has brought items in this past year...we all benefit!

Thank you,  
Gina, Kristen and Donna

### Guild Webpage

Submitted by Mary Ann Karpinski  
Have you checked out our guild webpage lately? [www.herringrunquiltguild.com](http://www.herringrunquiltguild.com) . What would you like to see on our guild webpage to make it more interesting or more informative? If you have any suggestions please send them to Mary Ann Karpinski at [maktjk9@aol.com](mailto:maktjk9@aol.com). Thanks.  
You should also look at the Show and Tell page! We try to keep it up to date, and the link is on the web page!



### Newsletter Submissions

Please send articles, news, favorite quilt websites, tips, and other quilt related items for the newsletter to Anne Marie Stanton at 19 Washington Street, Pembroke MA 02359 or to: [amisha123@aol.com](mailto:amisha123@aol.com)  
Deadline for submissions for the next newsletter will be **July 27, 2018**

### Guild Meetings

The Guild meeting dates for 2017-2018:

May 5, 2017  
June 2, 2017

All meetings begin at 9:30, and are held at:  
United Hill Methodist Church  
11 Church Street, Norwell MA  
In the Church Hall (follow the fabric)



### QUILT SHOW 2018!!!

**At the time of the getaway the quilt show will only be 5 months away! That's how long it's been since Thanksgiving!! The dates are September 29 & 30 from 10-4, set up September 28 starting at 4. Here are some show reminders:**

- \*Get your **quilt forms** in to Mary Ann [by mail and with photos] by July 15 if you want to be in the show. You can enter 3 plus a challenge quilt.
- \***Boutique** - if you make things for the boutique, be sure to get your price tags from Rosemarie when they are ready. This includes items you plan to donate to the guild instead of getting 20% of the price back. It has been strongly suggested that each member make one item for the Boutique to donate. Smaller items sell the best, but some larger items will sell.
- \***Silent auction** - Items donated to the Silent Auction do not have to be sewing related. Less expensive items go well, but don't be afraid to donate larger ones. Also, Joy will be collecting 9 1/2" pink and white squares for a basket to auction. Stand by for information on possible professional quilter and celebrity quilt square baskets too! If you personally know any celebrities, local or otherwise, let us know!!
- \***Baskets** - If you have signed up to put together a basket, be working on filling it up! If you have ideas for more baskets, sign up to do one! Martha Cook has some empty baskets if you need one.
- \***Challenge** - Keep working on your "tea" challenge quilt. (see below – and on the website)
- \***Raffle quilt** - Sell, sell, sell those tickets! This

is our big fundraiser. Also, pass around the photo of the quilt, put up posters when available, and find places to display the quilt where people might buy tickets.

\***Miscellaneous** - Save your old quilting magazines to give away at the show. Stand by for "beachy" requests from the decorating committee.

\***Sign-ups** to work at the show will be at the June and September meetings. Please remember that many hands make light work, and that it's really fun to work at the show. Plan to sign up for as many shifts as you can. It's also fun to be there all day just walking around, listening to viewers' comments and maybe sitting and doing some handwork as a demo.

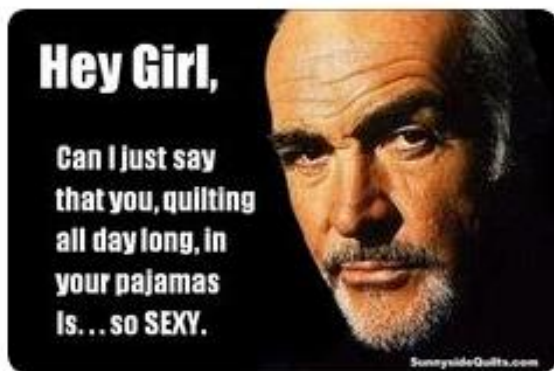
Thanks!

The Quilt Show Committee

### **One more thing.....**

Please pick up your tickets for the Quilt show Quilt at the May and June meetings! Each member is asked (part of being a member) to purchase/sell two packs or \$10 for 12 tickets. These tickets will be at the membership table. You can get more if you want, and remember this is our biggest fundraiser of the year!!

Please call Virginia Mills at 781-856-0220 or email her at [virgie15@verizon.net](mailto:virgie15@verizon.net) for more information.



### **Next year is not that far away.... Marshfield Fair!!!**

The Peggy Beals Quilt Block Contest entry form and directions for 2018 Marshfield Fair are attached at the end of this newsletter. Your participation makes the raffle quilt special each year. Hopefully we will have

as good a representation in 2018 as we have in years past." From Laurel DeCastro

## **The theme of the Herring Run Quilters' Guild September, 2018 quilt show challenge is:**

### **"Tea Time"**



The names of teas are exotic and inspirational. Your challenge is to create a quilt with tea as its theme and to interpret the name of one of those exotic teas in your design. You don't have to be a tea drinker to join our challenge. Browse the shelves at the grocery store or search online and pick a tea name that motivates you. Use your imagination and have fun. ***You must include the name of the tea somewhere in your quilt so we know what inspired you.*** We encourage everyone in the guild to participate in this challenge.

Finished challenges are due at our September 8, 2018 guild meeting for judging by your quilt guild peers. All guild members attending the September, 2018 meeting will have the opportunity to vote anonymously for their favorite challenge quilt. Challenges will then be hung at our show for attendees to vote on their favorite. Ribbons will be awarded for the guild favorite and the top favorites of the show viewers.

**ALL QUILTS ENTERED IN THE CHALLENGE WILL BE DISPLAYED AT OUR SEPTEMBER, 2018 QUILT SHOW!!**



To see the list of “rules”, there have to be rules, please visit our guild website at [http://herringrunquiltguild.com/2018\\_challenge](http://herringrunquiltguild.com/2018_challenge) or contact Mary Ann Karpinski at [maktjk9@aol.com](mailto:maktjk9@aol.com) or 508-747-0629.

### FOR SALE

I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO BUY A JOANNS CUTTING TABLE (usually sold for \$145) FOR \$50.00... JUST LIKE NEW.....THANK YOU DOTTIE PEROTTI  
781-878- 194 [DOTTILOU1@VERIZON.NET](mailto:DOTTILOU1@VERIZON.NET)

### From the Lowell Quilt Museum...

**QUILTS JAPAN: The 13th Quilt Nihon Exhibition from Tokyo**  
On view through April 21, 2018



### Need a Road Trip?!!

**Bayberry Quilters 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Show**  
August 2 – 4 , 2018  
New location!!  
Barnstable High School  
744 West Main Street, Hyannis

### Not sure about the batting you'll need?

Bed Type	Mattress Size	Suggested Quilt Size
Crib/Toddler	28" x 52"	36" x 60"
Youth	33" x 66"	54" x 78"
Twin/Single	39" x 76"	70" x 90"
XL Twin	39" x 80"	70" x 95"
Full/Double	54" x 75"	84" x 90"
Queen	60" x 80"	90" x 95"
King	78" x 80"	108" x 95"
California King	72" x 84"	102" x 100"



I have been thinking about scraps. I love scraps. And I realized recently that I love them because they are so completely liberating for me. I have way too much fabric - lovely sets of fat quarters, beautiful piles of one yard cuts, yardage's for quilt backs. They are on shelves, in bins and drawers and in piles wherever I can fit them. But what do I use? I use scraps.

I am aware that there are many different definitions of scraps; for some of us it is the smallest potentially usable pieces of fabric, for some of us it is everything left over from a project, for some it is fabrics we don't like or no longer need. I love all of them.

I think I must have inherited from my mother the hesitation to cut into 'the good stuff' that might be used for something special. She collected yardages of silks, most of which survived her. She had fabrics in her stash I remember from my youth.

So scraps; 'found fabrics', bags of strips, tag sale bundles, the guild giveaway table, eQuilter 3lb boxes of assorted fabrics, they inspire me! I can use them! They are odd colors, sizes, shapes! They inspire ideas, they 'don't matter', so if I 'waste' them or make a mistake, who cares? I don't, and I guess that's why I find them so inspiring. I love fabrics, the more the merrier. If I need a red, then as many different reds as possible are best. And scraps make this possible! When I work with scraps and make a cutting error, so what? Now it is a scrap looking for a home! Many of you have watched me making little five inch log cabin blocks with one inch strips and asked me how I can do that, and when I will make the quilt. I love the process! Small scraps can be one inch strips. Waste not want not! It is not a project with an end. There may be many quilts, the process is a scrap catcher! The little blocks make me happy.

Submitted by - - Jennifer Brown

(Beautiful quilt Jennifer!! I hope it is in the show!!)  
--Editor

### And speaking of the SHOW.....

Don't forget about the Silent Auction coming up during our Quilt Show. If you have any questions about what to donate, please talk to Joy Lavery at our meeting or on email!! [lavery125@aol.com](mailto:lavery125@aol.com)

Also, Joy is collecting Pink and White quilt blocks to benefit Breast Cancer Research. Blocks should be 9 inches (finished), and we will have exciting news about our plans to attract celebrity participation!! More at the Getaway and at our meeting in May!



### Thought for the Thoughtful

As a double Block of the Month winner this year I can't tell you how much fun I have had! The UFO group intimidates me (sorry Mary Anne) as the pressure of completing something every month plus moving on with current projects is a tad overwhelming. But making one block a month works.

I committed to this last year as I think it is important to support our guild activities any way we can and this is the least demanding. I must admit I don't have a perfect record, but I'm close.

To continue - for the past few days I have put together two quilt tops - one with gingerbread men (December blocks) and the other with vibrant "read solid" fabrics with a white background. I have learned that quilters approach their passion very differently: some iron seams open, some don't; people measure differently; sew 1/4 " seams differently; hand applique and machine applique. And it makes no difference to me!

With many quilters submitting blocks of course they won't match up perfectly. But do I care? Not a bit! The joy is winning blocks and creating something my quilting friends have made with care and, of course, a little bit of hope they will win!

Over recent years I have avoided solids. Now I am a little less ridged. I REALLY like these squares. As someone who measures and adds a hair more, I've learned not to. Accuracy is important. I had to do a lot of trimming (the most on mine!) to make the squares match.

With almost 150 members I am surprised there aren't more blocks submitted each month. So I want to encourage you to make the effort to take a couple of hours and create a block. If we have a large amount I think they will be divided into two piles so we would have two winners.

So look for the results of your efforts at one of the next two meetings! You are going to be SO envious :-).

Submitted by Lynn Anastos

(Can't wait to see the results!!)

--Editor

A final thought from the editor...



Thanks to everyone who sent me a submission, and sorry if I left anything out! Practice makes perfect..... ☺

And one more....'cause I liked it:



Remember, make those quilts!!  
Sell those raffle tickets!!  
Have some fun this summer!!!