

Herring Run Quilt Guild
Saturday, September 9, 2023
Norwell, MA

Report of Committees:

President: Maureen MacLellan

- Filings have been done with the State.
- We still need a Program Chair. We encourage members to volunteer for tasks that do not fall under specific programs and to shadow our committee members to get a feel for the jobs with the hope that they will run that committee the following year.
- Instead of an Auction this year, the plan is to do a Yard Sale where members buy a table and sell your quilting treasures. We will need volunteers to assist with this. A vote was taken at the meeting and the majority of the members voted for the Yard Sale version.
- Membership book is on hold. Hope to have it done by the end of the year. Forms are on the back tables if you haven't done it online.
- Michell Medeiros from Homestead Quilting has organized a bus trip in September for a Shop Hop. It is full but there is a waitlist.
- Plans underway to make a Banner for our guild in time for the upcoming Quilt Show. Peg Doyle and Denine Surette are leading this project.
- Crosstown Quilt Guild is having their Quilt Show the weekend of October 14th at the Abington Senior Center

Sunshine:

- If you know of a member who is ill or there has been a death, please let Maureen MacLellan know.
- The husband of Penny Miles (former member) passed away as well as former member Anne Slattery's husband has passed also.
- Nancy Walty is recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Treasurer: Cathy deVeer

- Our balance currently is: \$16,660.
- An audit was completed by Cheryl Schenker covering the past 4-5 year.
- Most of our bills are paid up to the end of the year.

Membership: Marybeth Sayers

- We currently have 144 members. Maximum membership is 150 with 20 associates. We have openings.
- Reminder to pay dues.
- Membership cards will be given out next month.

Raffle: Another great basket which included a wool mat with its own carrying case, pins, thimbles and Shop Hop fabrics.

BOM:

- We collected 14 blocks for this month. Anne Dutson was the lucky winner.
- Next month-Indiana Puzzle. Please use Cream color (NOT white) for the background and the rest in fall colors.

Challenge Quilt: please contact Maryann Karpinski for directions of if you have any questions.

Comfort Quilts: Let Jen Cannizzaro or Joy Lavery know if you need any kits or batting. Consider donating bright colors.

Hospitality:

- Sign up sheets every month. List of must haves at kitchen-water, ice, milk, cream, drinks and of course goodies.
- Members with last names A-N will be responsible for signing up from October to January then M-Z for February to June.
- Joy Lavery has volunteered to organize the Christmas lunch. Thank you, Joy!!

Quilt Museum: Charlene Shultz

- Information regarding current exhibits was in the latest newsletter.
- Member Susan Joseph's quilt was on display and used in their advertisement pictures!

Getaway

- Next year's getaway will be Sunday 4/21 to Wednesday, 4/24 at the same venue, Holiday Inn Express in Sturbridge MA. The price of rooms is \$109-119 per night.
- Plan is to include 1 meal and Denise will have total price at next meeting.

- **IMPORTANT:** Please make hotel reservations early as we need to use up our 1st block of rooms before they will give us another block of rooms!!
- Plan to start sign ups and collect money at October meeting.

Newsletter: Anne Marie Stanton

- Next newsletter will go out in November. Deadline for submissions is 10/25.

Quilt Show 2024: Rosemarie Gentile and Denine Surette

- We have booked the Boys and Girls Club in Marshfield on 9/21 and 9/22 of 2024.
- Keep sewing those beautiful quilts!!
- Cathy Rich is quilting our Raffle Quilt and will have it ready for our next meeting.
- Please sign up for Raffle Baskets. Sheets are at the Program table.
- Silent Auction: all proceeds go to Breast Cancer Research. Donations needed of small items or blocks with white and bright colors-the pattern is on our website. Joy Lavery will bring the pattern in to our meeting.

Library: Mary Bell

- We are overflowing with 200++ books The newest books are displayed on the desk with the card catalogue sign out. Older books have been placed on the donation table for \$1 per book.
- Victoria Findley Wolf has a wedding ring quilt with a template, and we will purchase the book w/template so you don't have to purchase a separate template in order to do the pattern when borrowing books.

Programs: Denise Fitzgerald and Marie Nappi

- Huge shout out to Denise and Marie who worked tirelessly during the summer to fill our programs with speakers and workshops through 2024!! Especially challenging as most speakers need to be booked a year in advance.
- New policy in place: will send out an email 2 months ahead of class. Need to sign up a month ahead or class will be cancelled. We will have speakers quilts on display to get a better idea of the type of project/class.
- Coming up: October-Marge Tucker, November-Barbara Graceffa "no rules, no measures" house type quilt, April-David Sirotta- Kaleidoscope with an

all-day class on Friday 4/5 and lecture on 4/6 and May-Kathy Belt her quilt will highlight the use of a special ruler.

- **Mystery Quilt** -Marie found a quilt shop out west that runs mystery quilts. She bought a pattern-no block is smaller than 3 inches. It does use the scant $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam. There are 6 steps with the reveal in May. Pattern with first step of instructions will be in October. There are 6 steps. She will send out fabric requirements now to people who have signed up as we can take advantage of any sales going on with the Shop Hops. There is a main background, focus and accent fabric. Hints will be sent out monthly.

Show and Tell was amazing as always.

Our speaker, Christa gave a good lecture where we learned about good body mechanics, posture when sewing/quilting and ways to protect our joints and backs as well as stretching exercises to alleviate pain.

**Submitted by,
Lynne Cleary**