



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Random thoughts from a rambling President...

As I write this, it's snowing, and as you read this, I hope it is not! I hope the roads are easy to travel so you are able to attend our January meeting.

Hope and Cathey have planned several interesting demonstrations for you to view and participate in during the January meeting. From making mug rugs and funny buttons to appliqué, embroidery and other things quiltly, you should enjoy the topics they have arranged for this fun filled, learning event.

Looking forward to February, we will see a workshop from Kassie Randal and Billie Bunnewith called "Get Goosed". These two members always provide laughs and entertainment as they teach us new skills. Book this one early since it usually sells out!

And finally (or maybe it should have been first item), my UFO collection needs some serious work. I think having workshops and meeting demos may actually add to the UFO collection, but they will also give me new skills to use as I tackle that pile of UFOs. I am looking forward to our programs and workshops in 2017. The topics are intriguing. I hope you can participate in NBQA's varied offerings, expand your knowledge and apply it to reduce YOUR UFO collection!

Until the next newsletter,  
Louise

### 2016-2017 MEETINGS East Greenwich United Methodist Church

**January 19, 2017  
7:00 PM**

Please Bring:

- Your nametag
- Magazines to swap
- Cash or checkbook for workshops
- Snacks (if you agreed to bring)
- **NOTE: No Show & Tell, Fat Quarter exchange, BOM or Library due to demo night**

**February 16, 2017  
7:00 PM**

Please Bring:

- Your nametag
- Magazines to swap
- Cash or checkbook for workshops
- Library DVDs
- BOM - Reds and/or Pinks
- Fat Quarter -- Hearts/circles/dots in red, pink and/or white
- Show & Tell
- Snacks (if you agreed to bring)

# QUILTATHON

The Quiltathon will be held **March 11, 2017**  
from **9:30-3:30** at **Blaine's**.

For those of you who don't know,  
this is open to everyone to come  
sew comfort quilts all day  
and have lunch together.  
You are welcome to come  
just part of the day,  
or all day.

## NEW MEMBERS!

*New full members*

**Jennifer Schnell**

**Michele Berardo**

*Renewing full member*

**Tina Zuffoletti**

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## 2016 – 2017 NBQA Block of the Month Program

This year members can make blocks to donate to the Comfort Quilts program. Of course, you can always make a block for yourself. We ask members to make blocks in suggested color ways (**NOTE: no BOM for January; for February, colors are reds and/or pinks.**) Backgrounds should be a neutral color to complement the main color.



### Hashtag Quilt Block Directions

From Background Fabric: Cut Three (3) 2.5 inch strips by at least 8 inches

From Color or Print Fabric: Cut Two (2) 2.5 inch strips by 10.5 inches

AND Cut Two (2) 2.5 inch strips by 8 inches

Sew 2.5 inch strips by 8 inch strips of background and color/print together as follows:

Sew Background to Color/Print to Background to Color/Print to Background

This strip set should measure 10.5 inches wide by the length of your strips (8 inches)

Press this strip set and then, cut Three (3) 2.5 inch segments from the strip set.

Place the two (2) 2.5 x 10.5 inch Color/Print strips between the pieced strip sets as shown in the picture above.

Sew strip sets and color/print strips together to make one “Hashtag Block” measuring 10.5 inches square (unfinished).

Picture above from Patchwork Posse and the blog tutorial found at

<http://www.patchworkposse.com/hashtag-quilt-block-tutorial/>

Or visit youtube.com and search for a video from Jenny Doan of Missouri Star Quilt Company describing how to make the Hashtag Quilt.

However, please remember that we are using 2.5 inch wide strips for our blocks, and NOT 1.5 inch wide strips that Jenny uses in the video.

# LIBRARY

Our collection of DVDs is available for members to borrow at our monthly meetings. To check out DVDs, sign the index card in the back of each DVD and give it to the librarian. When returning DVDs give the librarian your name and she will pull your card and check off that you have returned your DVD.

DVDs are checked out for one month intervals. There is no limit to the number of DVDs you may borrow. If you do not return the DVD when it is due there is a fine of \$1 per month per DVD.

A list of all DVDs in the library is on our web site at  
<http://www.nbqa.org/resources/dvds/>

**NOTE:** The library will be closed during the January meeting. DVDs due in January will be due in February.

The following DVD's/CD's were donated by Tracey Williams.

*Painted Peppers* by Esterita Austin

*Learn Hand Applique* by Pam Furniss

*Inspire. Design. Create.* by McCall's Quilting

Submitted by: Maria Lage

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# PROGRAMS

**All NBQA workshops will be held at:**

**Blaine's Sewing Machine Center, 1280 Oaklawn Ave, Cranston RI**

We will welcome the New Year with our fun January Meeting! Instead of a speaker and business meeting, we will have stations set up with demonstrations. This is a fun night to wander around, learn new things, eat good food, and have a chance to visit with your friends. There will be some new sewing and quilting ideas and a couple of surprises.

Our February meeting will have Mary Padbury showing her slides about our quilt donations. It's wonderful to see where our Comfort Quilts go, and hear her heartwarming stories. She also wants to be able to explain what is most helpful and needed for the Comfort Quilts program.

The February Workshop will be on Saturday, February 18, at Blaines. Billie Bunnewith and Kassie Randall are presenting "Get Goosed with Billie and Kassie". You will be able to see a sample of what they are making at the January meeting. They always have a fun workshop with lots of laughs. Make sure you sign up at the January meeting!

## CLASSIFIED

Double Deluxe dress form – size small (excellent condition, asking \$100.00 (JoAnn selling same one for \$289.99). Also 22" Homestead Quilting Hoop (Hinterberg Design), asking \$125.00. Contact Carol Kochevar at [cjkochevar@verizon.net](mailto:cjkochevar@verizon.net).



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# NEQM NEWS

## New England Quilt Museum Winter Hours:

CLOSED FOR WINTER BREAK JAN 1 - 10, 2017,  
November – April: Wednesday through Saturday, 10 AM - 4 PM

## January 11 - April 29, 2017

The Quilted Canvas, The Crit Group: 30 Years and Still Quilting.  
Artist Reception is Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 11:00 am. This exhibition features innovative quilt artists Judy Becker, Nancy Crasco ([www.nancycrasco.com](http://www.nancycrasco.com)), Sandy Donabed ([www.sandydonabed.com](http://www.sandydonabed.com)), Carol Anne Grotrian ([www.carolannegrotrian.com](http://www.carolannegrotrian.com)), and Sylvia Einstein ([www.sylviaeinstein.com](http://www.sylviaeinstein.com)). Dates for a panel discussion and various workshops with the artists will be announced in January.

## February 2, 2017

Brown Bag Lunch with Wen Redmond, Thursday, Feb 2 at 12:30 pm  
“Breaking the Surface: Creating Digital Fiber Art”

## On view through February 11, 2017

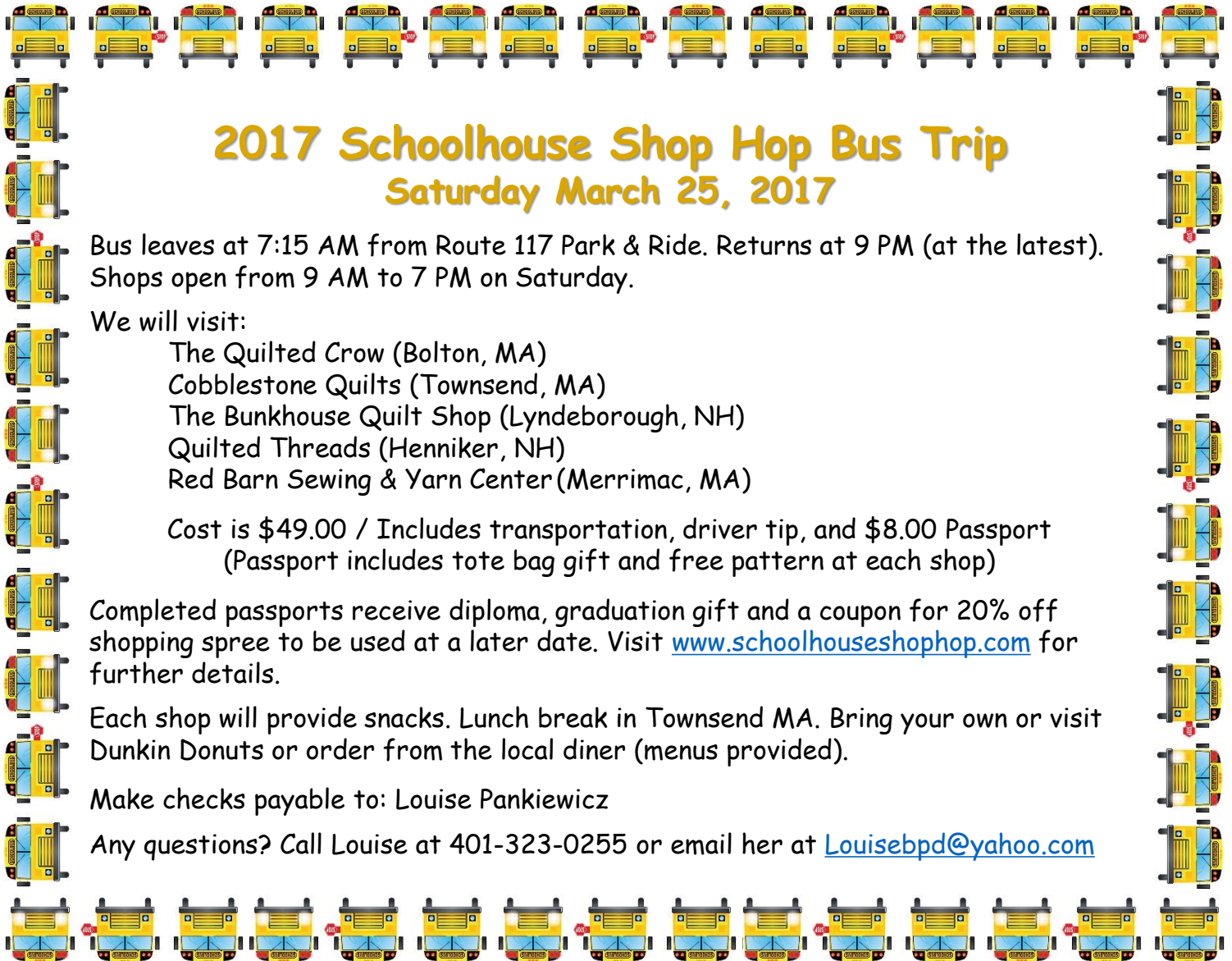
Along the Spice Route: A Journey in 41 Wall Quilts.

## February 15 - April 29, 2017

Water is Life: Clean Water and its Impact on the Lives of Women and Girls around the World - A Quilt For Change ([www.quiltforchange.org](http://www.quiltforchange.org)) Exhibit - NEQM ([www.nequilmuseum.org](http://www.nequilmuseum.org)), 18 Shattuck St., Lowell, MA. Artist Reception is March 4, 2017. Artists were invited to create quilts addressing the issue of clean water and its impact on the lives of women and girls.

\* \* \*

While you are at the museum, become a member and mention that you are an NBQA member and you will receive a \$5 discount on your annual membership! If you would like passes to see the exhibit, please contact Allison Wilbur, the guild rep, to the museum. We have 8 passes; each pass admits two people. And don't forget, the museum gift shop is a superb place to buy quilty presents for all the friends in your quilting bee!



## 2017 Schoolhouse Shop Hop Bus Trip Saturday March 25, 2017

Bus leaves at 7:15 AM from Route 117 Park & Ride. Returns at 9 PM (at the latest).  
Shops open from 9 AM to 7 PM on Saturday.

We will visit:

The Quilted Crow (Bolton, MA)  
Cobblestone Quilts (Townsend, MA)  
The Bunkhouse Quilt Shop (Lyndeborough, NH)  
Quilted Threads (Henniker, NH)  
Red Barn Sewing & Yarn Center (Merrimac, MA)

Cost is \$49.00 / Includes transportation, driver tip, and \$8.00 Passport  
(Passport includes tote bag gift and free pattern at each shop)

Completed passports receive diploma, graduation gift and a coupon for 20% off shopping spree to be used at a later date. Visit [www.schoolhousesophop.com](http://www.schoolhousesophop.com) for further details.

Each shop will provide snacks. Lunch break in Townsend MA. Bring your own or visit Dunkin Donuts or order from the local diner (menus provided).

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## NBQA Membership Meeting Minutes November 17, 2016

- ❖ President called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- ❖ Guest speaker was Valerie Poitier who had a wonderful talk on her journey in quilting. Highlights included:
  - We don't really need all the gadgets we buy
  - Spend wisely

Her slide show and trunk show had a great variety of quilts showcasing a number of different methods. Her face studies in particular were very striking, and she was an animated speaker who clearly loves her subject and enjoys talking to other quilters.
- ❖ Delicious snacks were available at the break.
- ❖ Hope Barton noted that the next workshop would be "Get Goosed" on February 18, 2017 with Billie Bunnewith and Kassie Randall, who have always provided a fun workshop.
- ❖ Members were informed there are new photos on Shutterfly.
- ❖ The Youth Quilting Program had its first event at the North Scituate Library which was a great success.
- ❖ NBQA will have a bus trip in March for the Schoolhouse Shop Hop [details elsewhere in this newsletter].
- ❖ There was a great Show & Tell from a number of members to conclude the evening.

Submitted by Kathy Esposito, Co-Secretary



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**NEQM CURRENT/UPCOMING EXHIBITS**

**January 11 - April 29, 2017**

THE QUILTED CANVAS

*The Crit Group: 30 Years and Still Quilting*

**May 2 - July 30, 2017**

THE QUILT TAKES A PRIZE

*Award Winners from the National Quilt Museum*

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