



It is said that we never stop learning and some of us never stop teaching.

NBQA has provided many opportunities for us to learn something new. Our workshops (which still have spaces available) are wonderful opportunities to learn new techniques and to learn from different teachers. In addition, learning in this year's workshop venue at Blaine's gives us an easy and economical way to increase skills and learn something new about quilting.

Another opportunity to learn will be at our January meeting. We will socialize, snack and learn from members who enjoy sharing and teaching. If you are interested in sharing a skill, technique or product at the January meeting, please let me know. We are always looking for those willing to teach us something different.

Finally, our local quilt shops and neighborhood quilt groups are great ways to connect with other quilters and learn from peers. There are open sew times at most quilt shops where you can work on your own projects, but still give you a chances to learn from other attendees. Neighborhood quilt groups may be harder to find, but they are out there and, once again, provide camaraderie and the opportunity to learn from other quilters.

## 2016-2017 MEETINGS East Greenwich United Methodist Church

#### November 17, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Please Bring:

- Your nametag
- Magazines to swap
- Cash or checkbook for workshops
- Fat Quarter for November flannels
- Block of the Month for November –
   Hashtag quilt block in browns, from tan and "paper bag" to chocolate
- Library DVDs
- Show & Tell
- Snacks (if you agreed to bring)

December 2016
No Meeting – Happy Holidays!!!!!

Quilting is often a solitary activity, and you can get stuck in your own way and your own process. Why not look for a way to reach out, meet other quilters and keep yourself fresh by taking an NBQA workshop, attending our January meeting, joining a local group or visiting your local quilt shop to learn something new?

Happy Quilting! Louise Pankiewicz

### NBQA Membership Meeting 9/15/16

The evening started with people viewing the summer challenge and meeting/greeting friends after the summer break.

President Louise Pankiewicz called the meeting to order with Opening Remarks and reminders to vote for your favorite summer challenge quilt.

This was followed by a talk by Bonnie Hunter who had been teaching Narragansett Blues and focused on her history of quilting, along with her recent book Scraps & Shirttails I & II, both released by Kansas City Star Quilts. She had a great deal of info on how to manage your scraps to be able to use them effectively by cutting them into "normal" sizes that are used in many quilts. Bonnie also spoke of her own personal history of quilting and showed how fabric is timeless. Her trunk show, with a broad range of her scrap quilts, was stunning. The membership, along with many guests, enjoyed the evening.

The business meeting was called to order after the break. The snacks were very good.

Secretary and Treasurer's reports were both approved.

Pat DelPadre-Myers gave the treasurers budget and answered questions related to the budget and the balance in the savings and checking accounts. There was discussion around the funding balance that covers the guild for a Rainy Day challenge, especially if we had a disaster on the weekend of the Quilt Show and would need funds to cover any shortfalls.

Summer challenge quilts were brought to the front and all of the quilters showed off their summer creations. The following won: First place: Sara Crocker, Second place: Maria Lage, Third place: Lisa Bagian

Mary Padbury spoke about the Comfort Quilts and brought 12 quilts and asked for volunteers to quilt them. She also noted that Women & Infants Hospital wants to invite the quilters to a tea to thank them for the lovely quilts that were donated.

Membership team announced that there are 17 new members and we also had 12 visitors at the meeting tonight.

Maria Lage, the librarian, reminded members that DVD's could be signed out for the month.

There were six door prizes awarded.

Submitted by: Celia Schnacky and Kathy Esposito, Joint Secretaries.



### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Please make a point of saying hello and welcoming the following new members to our guild:

Terrie Celentano Karen Sienkewicz Brenda Starble Rosa Laroche Celeste Benoit Terry Worme









### Additions to Membership Booklet

(Please make note of following in your booklet)

### **New Full Members**

### Terrie Celentano 167-A Southwinds Drive Wakefield, RI 02879 401-284-0092 Terrie.celentano@yahoo.com

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### **New Associate**

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### Corrections

-Alice Wheeler is a full member not an associate. -Eileen Halloran email address is eileen9115@verizon.net

### 2016 – 2017 NBQA Block of the Month Program

This year the Block of the Month program will again work with the Comfort Quilts program. Members can make blocks to donate to the Comfort Quilts program, and the blocks will be used to make quilts during the Quilt-a-thon. Of course, you can always make a block for yourself.

When you bring your blocks to the meeting you will receive a fat quarter that you can use to make the next block of the month. This fabric has been donated to our group by various fabric companies and individuals.

This year ONE BLOCK PATTERN has been chosen for the BOM Program: the "Hashtag" Quilt from the Missouri Star Quilt Company. The directions are below and will be posted on the website with a link where the directions can be found. You can view the tutorial on their You Tube channel for block construction direction.

We, however, will be using 2.5'' strips so the finished size will be 10'' (unfinished size = 10.5'')

Each month, members can make the block in the suggested color way. Backgrounds should be a neutral color to complement the main color.

November – Browns, from Tan and "Paper Bag" to Chocolate January – [none – demo night] February – Reds and Pinks March – Greens April - Yellows and Golds May – Blues

We hope you will choose to become involved in this year's Block of the Month program. It promises to be rewarding as we contribute to NBQA's charitable efforts and sharpen our piecing skills.



### Hashtag Quilt Block Directions (Pound Sign for us Oldsters!)

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.

Thanks!

## 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 http://www.nbqa.org/resources/dvds/.

### The following titles have been added to the library.

Learn to Love Needleturn – Mary Sorensen

Strips that Sizzle – Margaret Miller

Triangulations – Brenda Henning / A quick and accurate way of sewing half square triangles.

The following DVD's/CD's were donated by Sara Crocker.

Grand Finale – Ricky Tims

Mastering the Art of McTavishing – Karen McTavish

Mystical Cotton Tracks Workshop I – Jamie Wallen

Foundation Factory (over 400 Blocks to Size and Print) – Carol Doak

Machine Quilters Business Manager

The following DVD's were donated by Melissa Smith Easy Quilts 2009 – Fons & Porter Love of Quilting 2000-2013 – Fons & Porter Love of Quilting Series 2300 – Fons & Porter

Submitted by: Marie Lage

### PROGRAMS

### All NBQA workshops will be held at:

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

Plans have changed for the November 17th meeting and for the workshop the next day. Only one person signed up for the workshop and the board did not believe it was financially wise to fly the scheduled speaker from Arizona.

Valarie Poitier will be our quest speaker at the November 17<sup>th</sup> membership meeting and her talk is titled "Beyond Needle and Thread". She is a dynamic and humorous woman who will speak about her journey from traditional quilts to art quilts This is an excerpt from her website. "As a fiber artist, Valarie's tools include thread, fibers, paint, glue, dyes, looms, machines, stream of consciousness drawing, the study of emerging techniques, plundering old magazines and books for the tried and true techniques, guts and courage. She creates from the heart".

Blaine's worked out very well for our October workshop. There is plenty of room, good lighting, and many electrical outlets. We are welcome to use the refrigerator and microwave if we want to bring our lunch, but the Greek deli close by has some delicious food.

We will be having a free **Open Sew** on Fri, November 18, from 9AM to 3PM. You are welcome to bring a project you are working on and sew with us. If you are a new quilter and would like consultation on something, that is fine.

For anyone interested in **Comfort Quilts**, we will be making isolette covers that day with some of the adorable kids fabric that Mary Padbury has. Sewing together is a wonderful way to meet others and make new friends.

Please let Hope Barton know if you are coming, so she can make sure we will have enough room. You can contact Hope at <a href="mailto:cbarton6580@charter.net">cbarton6580@charter.net</a> or 860-377-3718.

### Workshops & Quilt Shows of Interest

# FALL WORKSHOPS CLAMSHELL QUILT GUILD

Sashiko and Chiku-chiku

**Date and Time**: Thursday, November 17, 2016 9:00 to 3:30 **Location**: Temple Emanu-El, Dayton Road, Waterford, CT

**Description:** *Susan Sato* of Easy Piecing will conduct a workshop where you will learn to use and practice Sashiko as a decorative quilting and embroidery technique and incorporate these Sashiko designs into a table runner or stuffed pillow.

**Workshop Price:** \$45 includes workshop and admission to Susan's presentation and trunk show at the Clamshell Meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

For Additional Information and Registration Contact:

Joan Folcik, Clamshell Co-Program Chairperson

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Phone: 860-399-6701

Hands Across the Valley Quilter's Guild presents Hands All Around Quilt Show April 1-2, 2017 UMASS Amherst Campus Center Amherst MA 10:00AM-4:00PM each day.



At our October membership meeting, Michelle O'Neil Kincaid spoke about using Paverpol, a unique textile hardener, in her fabric work. The website <a href="www.paverpol.com">www.paverpol.com</a> provides more information about this product.



## Winner's Exhibition On View through November 19, 2016

As winner of the Viewer's Choice Award at last year's *Summer Celebration of New England Quilts*, the Narragansett Bay Quilters' Assn of East Greenwich, Rhode Island is exhibiting 24 of its members quilts in the Museum. These outstanding quilts are not to be missed.

# America's Applique Quilts From the Private Collection of Pat and Arlan Christ October 20 through December 31, 2016

Pat and Arlan Christ began collecting quilts in 2003 and have since accumulated a fine collection of antique and vintage quilts with Pennsylvania roots. This exhibition features some of their favorite selections with intricate or unique applique work, made between 1850 and 1950.

Applique is a technique in which shapes or patterns are cut from fabric and sewn onto a fabric background. There have been many trends in applique over the centuries, from the elegant red and green floral-inspired designs of the 1850s to the whimsical nursery rhyme crib quilts of the 1950s. This exhibition includes Baltimore Album styles, four-block quilts, several examples of rose applique patterns, and modern design applique quilts in the pastels of the 1930's and '40's. This is a must-see for applique enthusiasts and everyone who values the extraordinary skill displayed in antique quilts.

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!

### NBQA Fat Quarter Challenge 2016-17

This is a great way to reduce your stash of fat quarters and/or take a chance that you will take home all the themed fat quarters brought in to the meeting.

This is how it works...

Check the theme for the month and pull what you have in your stash. You can bring in 1-5 fat quarters per meeting. You will receive a ticket for each fat quarter you bring in. Near the end of the business meeting there will be a drawing. You must be present at the meeting to win. We will continue to draw numbers until we get a winner.

Here are the themes for each month:

November Jack Frost – Flannels January **none – demo night** 

February Cupid's Bow - Hearts/circles/dots in red/pink/white

March Jewel in the Crown – Jewel tone batiks
April Animal Planet – Animals of any type
May Trash or Treasure – Clean out your stash!

### **COMFORT QUILTS**

We will be making isolette covers, on Friday November 18<sup>th</sup> from 9AM to 3PM at Blaine's Sewing Machine Center, using some of the adorable kids fabric that Mary Padbury has collected. Sewing together is a wonderful way to meet others and make new friends!

Please let Hope Barton know if you are coming, so she can make sure we will have enough room. You can contact Hope at <a href="mailto:cbarton6580@charter.net">cbarton6580@charter.net</a> or 860-377-3718.

Please bring any finished "Dog Days of Summer" blocks and quilts to the November meeting.

### Board and Committee Chairs 2016-2017

President - Louise Pankiewicz

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At the 4th light, Thorndike Street merges into Dutton Street. Go to the 2nd light and turn right onto Market Street.

### **NEQM CURRENT/UPCOMING EXHIBITS**

#### **Kaffe Fassett's Heritage Quilts**

November 18, 2016 - January 10, 2017 New quilts from the design master inspired by antique quilts from The Quilters' Guild of the British Isles. Sponsored by Hancock's of Paducah.

AMERICA'S APPLIQUE QUILTS
The Pat and Arlan Christ Collection
October 20 through December 21, 2016

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