

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to another NBQA Guild Year!

I hope everyone had a great summer and is ready to be involved in NBQA activities this year. There are many wonderful and exciting things happening this year, from speakers and workshops, to bus trips and shop hops, as well as our monthly meetings.

Of special note is a presentation of many of our guild's members' quilts at the New England Quilt Museum from September 7 until November 19. Why not get a group of friends together to visit the museum ... and a quilt shop or two along the way? I promise you won't be disappointed!

Finally, our workshop venue has changed due to the closing of The Sewing Room. Our September workshop with Bonnie Hunter is scheduled for the Masonic Temple on Route 102 in North Kingstown. October and November workshops will be held at Blaine's Sewing Center in Cranston, RI. Stay tuned for info on future workshops!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone's creation for our summer challenge, saying hello to NBQA members, and enjoying our speaker and some refreshments when we get together in September.

See you then!
Louise Pankiewicz

FIRST TWO 2016-2017 MEETINGS

East Greenwich United Methodist Church

September 15, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Please Bring:

- Your nametag
- Magazines to swap
- Cash or checkbook to sign up for workshops
- Fat Quarter for Sept – Halloween or Fall
- BOM for Sept – Hashtag quilt block in any color
- Library DVDs
- Your challenge quilt (if you made one)
- Show & Tell
- Snacks (if you agreed to bring)

October 20, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Please Bring:

- Your nametag
- Magazines to swap
- Cash or checkbook to sign up for workshops
- Fat Quarter for Oct – Winter or holiday
- BOM for Oct – Hashtag quilt block in orange/rust/gold
- Library DVDs
- Show & Tell
- Snacks (if you agreed to bring)

Membership booklets will be available at the September meeting. Please check that your information is accurate. Contact membership with any changes.

NBQA Membership Meeting – May 19, 2016

The evening started with a Strawberry Social provided by the Hospitality Committee.

President – Hope Barton called the meeting to order at 7:20 PM.

Basket Raffle Donation – Gerry Bergreen announced that \$2000 will be given to charity from the quilt show basket raffle. Gerry introduced Ann Marie from the VA Hospital Women's program and Janice from the Hope Alzheimer's Center. Each gave a summary of their respective programs and expressed much gratitude for our donations.

Secretary – Melanie Johnston. The General Meeting minutes from March were voted on and approved without change.

Treasurer – Lisa Champlin: April income: \$857. YTD Income: \$12,043. April Expenses, \$166.19. YTD Expenses, \$7,853.93.

Membership – Judy Chase. Membership renewal checks are being collected and will be deposited in June.

Judy will be doing the membership booklet for the 2016-2017 guild year but is looking for someone to train and work with her who would then take over for the 2017-2018 guild year. Please contact her if you are willing and able to do this.

Mug Mats – Allison Wilbur thanked everyone who made mug mats for the Quilt Show and awarded prizes to the three most prolific makers. 3rd place – Carolyn Marshall; 2nd place – Brenda Dziedzic; 1st place – Judy Beardsley. Judy has agreed to take over heading up the mug mat effort for the 2018 show.

Quilt Show Report - Joan Potter thanked all who helped with our quilt show and conducted the volunteer raffle. Thirty prizes were given. Joan announced there were 980 attendees and we had a net financial surplus of \$1,390.

Workshops – Hope Barton announced that the Sewing Room is closing at the end of May. The May applique workshop will be held at Sharon Mayers' Piecing with Poppers Studio. Hope will be taking over Programs for the coming guild year and is looking for a new workshop location. If you have a suggestion, please get preliminary information from the facility including Friday or Saturday availability, cost, size of space, parking, access to water and a kitchenette for Hope.

Raffle Quilt – Hope Barton extended thanks to all those who stepped up to make the raffle quilt a reality in a shortened time frame: Pat Harrison and members of her EQ group for design, Tina Craig for helping with fabric selection, making the center medallion and overall construction assistance, Maria Lage for construction assistance and applique work, Sharon Mayers for a discount on fabric and a space for construction, Susan Ellis for quilting, and Cathey LaBonte for ticket sales!

Raffle Quilt - Cathey LaBonte drew the name of the raffle quilt winner - Jane Dennison from Mystic!

Cathey then thanked Hope for her service as President for the last two years and gave her a gift from the guild.

President - Hope Barton gave each officer and committee chair a gift along with a personal thank you.

Fabric Challenge – Susan Chace is looking for a replacement. Billie Bunnewith volunteered to take over.

Program – Peggy Murphy reminded us that in a joint venture with NBQA and Ningret Quilters, Bonnie Hunter will be teaching workshops on September 14 and 15 at the Masonic Temple in N. Kingstown. Peggy also reviewed the workshops for the next guild year. They will be posted on the website soon.

Newsletter - Sara Crocker announced that Sally Cooper will be working with her and Maybeth Cost on the newsletter for next year.

NEQM – Chris Bagley announced that Allison Wilbur will be our NEQM rep for next year. See Allison if you want to take advantage of a free pass. When you visit, please consider joining the museum.

Fat Quarter Challenge – Carol Kaufman drew the name for this month's baby themed fabrics. Susan Chace will take this over for next year.

Hospitality - Peggy Lane announced that Cheryl Boyd will be heading up Hospitality next year.

Slate of Officers - Hope presented the slate of offers: President – Louise Pankiewicz, VP – Joan Potter, Treasurer – Patricia DelPadre-Myers, Co-secretaries – Celia Schnacky and Kathy Esposito. No nominations were offered from the floor. The slate was confirmed by a vote from the secretary and unanimous acclamation.

Block of the Month - Louise Pankiewicz showed the blocks made for May which will be made into comfort quilts.

Snack & Door Prizes – Prizes were drawn.

Show and Tell was excellent! Adjournment 8:25 PM

Submitted by Melanie Johnston, Secretary



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

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

<p>Linda Adomonis Jackie Baddeley Frances Bagshaw Eileen Belleville Lynn Ann Cardi Dyann Casala Mary Eddy</p>	<p>Carole Eustis Eloise Grundy Deb Lemieux Leatrice Marks Janet McCluskey Linda Petrarca Elizabeth Salomone</p>
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Thanks to the following vendors for supplying prizes to the Quilt Show Volunteers' Raffle: Bob's Featherweights, Just Quilts, The Sewing Room, Six Gables Designs, Pat Ferguson Quilts, Amelia's Garden, Piecing With Poppers, Kindred Quilters, Easy Piecing, Michelle Polk, Stitch Chicks, and Galilee Designs. Also thanks to Blaine's for donating a sewing machine for the basket raffle.



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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.

September – Any Color

October – Oranges and Rusts and Golds

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).

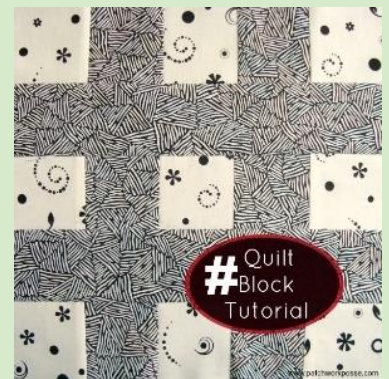
Picture above from Patchwork Posse and the blog tutorial found at

<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!



Board and Committee Chairs 2016-2017

President – Louise Pankiewicz
 Vice President – Joan Potter
 Treasurer – Patricia DelPadre-Myers
 Secretary – Celia Schnacky & Kathy Esposito
 Block of the Month – Lisa Champlin
 Comfort Quilts – Mary Padbury
 Door Prizes – Barbara Hartford
 Fabric Challenge – Billie Bunnewith
 Historian – Maribeth Traer
 Hospitality – Cheryl Boyd & Phyllis Cayer

Librarian – Maria Lage
 Membership – Judy Chase, Diane Roman & Anne Sabatini
 NEQM Rep – Allison Wilbur
 Newsletter – Sally Cooper, Sara Crocker & Maybeth Cost
 Programs – Hope Barton & Cathey LaBonte
 Publicity – Barbara Hartford
 Quilt Show – Joan Potter & Sandy Pare
 Special Events – Louise Pankiewicz & Geri Bergreen
 Website – Joan Blade-Johnson & Joan Rebecchi
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LIBRARY

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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/>.

Maria Lage

PROGRAMS

There has been great excitement about Bonnie Hunter coming to Rhode Island! Both workshops have been sold out since midsummer. Just a reminder to all participants — make sure you check our website for the supply lists. The venue for these two classes is Masonic Grand Temple, 1515 Ten Rod Road, North Kingstown, RI. Bonnie's book, "More Adventures with Leaders and Enders" is needed for the Wednesday class.

All remaining NBQA workshops will be held at Blaine's Sewing Machine Center, 1280 Oaklawn Avenue, Cranston, RI.

In October we will have Michelle Kincaid's workshop, "Poppies". She says she can't grow poppies in her garden, but she is really good at helping students make these stunning, vivid flowers in cloth.

Lynn Kough will be teaching in November. She will demonstrate how to create a clever "woven" design, in bright colors.

You can sign up for workshops at the break, or contact Hope Barton at cbarton6580@charter.net, or call her at 860-377-3718. You will need to hold your spot with a check made payable to NBQA.

NEQM NEWS

We hope you will take a trip to Lowell, MA to see the upcoming exhibit of NBQA quilts in the Classroom Gallery of the New England Quilt Museum from September 7, 2016 to November 19, 2016. In the 2015 "Best of New England" exhibit at NEQM, Glacier Star - Sunrise, pieced by Anne Sabatini and quilted by Allison Wilbur, was awarded viewer's choice and so NBQA, which is an active supporting guild of the museum, was selected to have this special exhibit of guild members' quilts.

The exhibit highlights the wide range of talents in our guild, from piecing to appliqué, from traditional to modern, both hand stitched and machine worked. What an honor to be able to share the work of our guild in a museum setting!

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:

September	Ghost Busters - Halloween or Fall
October	Let it Snow - Winter or holiday
November	Jack Frost - Flannels
January	[none - demo night]
February	Cupid's Bow - Hearts/circles/dots in red, pink and/or white
March	Jewel in the Crown - Jewel tone batiks
April	Animal Planet - Animals of any type
May	Trash or Treasure - Clean out your stash!

Quilt Shows of Interest

Marathon Quilters 20th Anniversary Quilt Show

September 17 & 18 / 10am – 4pm

Hopkinton Center for the Arts, 98 Hayden Rowe Street (Route 85), Hopkinton, MA

Blackstone Valley Piecemakers Quilt Show – “Piecing it Together”

September 24 / 10am – 4 pm

St. Joseph Parish Hall, 1303 Mendon Road, Cumberland, RI

For more info email: Rebecca@AngelLilyDesigns.com

Farmington Valley Quilt Show 2016

October 22 / 10am - 5pm and October 23 / 10am - 4pm

Mount Anthony Union Middle School, Bennington, VT

More info at www.benningtonquiltfest.com

Piecemakers Quilt Show

October 29 / 10am to 3pm

Newman Congregational Church, Memorial Hall, 100 Newman Ave., Rumford, RI

SUMMER CHALLENGE

All summer challenge entries are due at the beginning of the September meeting. Please give your entry to Joan Potter in the lobby, and she will assign a number to it. After the Bonnie Hunter lecture, we will vote for our favorite. Winners will be announced at the end of the meeting, and there will be money prizes for the top three vote getters (\$25, \$15 and \$10).

The summer challenge rules are:

The NBQA summer challenge is to make something from black and white fabrics with the addition of only one other fabric (i.e. not black and white). You can use as many different black and white fabrics as you like, and they can have minimal amounts of gray or silver but no other colors in them. The one additional fabric can be any color or combination of colors, and you can use as much of it as you wish. Solid black and solid white are allowed but should not be the only black and white fabrics used.

See the NBQA website for additional rules.

Additions to Membership Booklet

(Please make note of following in your booklet)

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Members can check their newsletters (mailed or emailed) for full info.**

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COMFORT QUILTS

We had 96 quilts – large and small – to give to families in need. From young women with cancer, preterm infants, and babies born to servicemen on USS Harry Truman.

Please bring any finished quilts to meeting. I will have fabric for block of the month and packets of "Dog Days of Summer" blocks. Our biggest request is for babies' and children's quilts. Thank you for sewing,

Mary Padbury

Proposed 2016-2017 NBQA Budget

(to be voted on at September meeting)

	BUDGET 2015-16	BUDGET 2016-17
<i>INCOME</i>		
Library	–	–
Newsletter	410	200
Workshops	3,375	5,100
Special Events	3,000	1,200
Membership	6,000	6,500
Auctions	–	1,500
T's & Sweatshirts	1,000	150
Miscellaneous	–	160
Quilt Show	17,645	–
Raffle Tickets	1,600	–
TOTAL INCOME	33,030	14,810
<i>EXPENSES</i>		
Block of Month	150	–
Summer Challenge	–	50
Door Prizes	350	350
Historian	25	–
Hospitality	600	550
Library	250	250
Newsletter	500	300
Workshops	4,800	6,825
Special Events	3,500	1,200
Rent: General	1,150	1,275
Rent: Workshops	450	750
Fees/ Dues	400	410
Membership	600	500
Comfort Quilts	200	200
Donations/NEQM	–	1,500
Website	200	200
T's & Sweatshirts	800	–
Miscellaneous	200	150
Raffle Quilt	350	300
Quilt Show	16,000	–
TOTAL EXPENSES	30,525	14,810



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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

July 14 - October 16, 2016

CONFLUENCE

Water's Beauty, Use and Misuse

October 20 - Dec 31, 2016

AMERICA'S APPLIQUE QUILTS

The Christ Collection

January 11 - April 1, 2017

THE QUILTED CANVAS

New England Art Quilters of the 1970s

April 5 - July 30, 2017

THE QUILT TAKES A PRIZE

Award Winners from the National Quilt Museum

August 3 - 27, 2017

SUMMER CELEBRATION OF NEW ENGLAND QUILTS

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