



Tewksbury Piecemakers Newsletter

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MEETING MARCH 14, 2023

@ Tewksbury Senior Center, 175 Chandler St., Tewksbury, MA 01876

Doors open at 6:30 PM NO MASKS REQUIRED

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PRESIDENTS GREETINGS

Good Morning Tewksbury Piecemakers!!

I wish I could say, "It's good to be back!" But the weather in Florida was a lot better than what I came home to!

We have not yet counted the amount of pillows that were stuffed at the February meeting. BUT!! I WAS REALLY AMAZED AT ALL THE BAGS THAT WERE FULL!
You all used your talents well!

At our March meeting I will be introducing:

Dr. Maxwell Shippen, DPT. He is a physical therapist in Tewksbury, MA.

He currently practices at Tewksbury Physical Therapy.

He will be giving us some hints on how we should be sitting at our sewing machines. Also, a few exercises we can do to warm up before we sew or what to do after we have been sewing for a period of time. It is important to take care of ourselves. I'm looking forward to his suggestions.

A few years ago, Terry Maimone, an active member, did show quilts for the Tewksbury Piecemakers. She was kind enough to make this top for us after she moved out of state.

We had lost touch with her and was finally able to reconnect.

Terry was gracious enough to complete the top and forward it to us.

We are now in the process of finishing it so we can raffle it off.

The size is 71.5" X 71.5".

We are looking for guild members to give us a bid on a basic stippling pattern.

If you are interested, please contact one of the board members or me.

Thanking you all in advance!

Sandy

Picture is on the next page.



So Pretty!

Refreshments for MARCH

We are going to go back to assigning refreshments for our meetings.

The following people are asked to bring refreshments. Polly Flanagan, Catherine Flowers, Elaine Fubel, Teresa Grignon, Karen Ivas and Roberta Kane.

Important to know. Attendance is small. We only need a dozen of something, appetizer or dessert, your choice. If you are unable to bring anything PLEASE let Marcia Daunis know via phone, 978-452-0318 or email, billdaunis@aol.com. You may also let me know via phone or text 978-604-4434 or email, meanswell@comcast.net.

You must bring your own drink.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This is your guild! You want speakers, a banquet, photos in the newsletter? Refreshments? A quilt show? You are needed to chair these positions. Grab a friend and co-chair if you wish. The board cannot be expected to handle it all.

WE MISS YOU! There are quite a few of you that we haven't seen in a long time. We sincerely hope to see you at one of the next several meetings. Dues will be coming up before we know it and members are required to attend one meeting per year.

TEWKSBURY MINUTES FROM PIECEMAKERS BOARD MEETING

Tewksbury Piecemakers Board Meeting February 21, 2023

In attendance were Sandy Cook, Cathy Harvey, Cheryle Laffey, Cam Michallyszyn, Elaine Walsh, Pat Wolf, Mary Arcidy.

The Thursday Group will wrap and tag the heart pillows that were made during the February monthly meeting. These pillows will be going to Lowell General Hospital to be given out to certain surgical patients. The pillows will be used as "cough" pillows after a patient's surgery to help lessen the pain when coughing after surgery.

The Thursday Group will also be making knit hats for cancer patients at Lowell General as well. The hospital is looking forward to receiving these hats for their patients.

Scissors sharpening – please respond to Cheryle's email (meanswell@comcast.net) so we know if there will be enough participants to have sharpening scheduled for the April monthly meeting.

There will no longer be raffle prizes at the monthly meetings after June. Both Cathy and Carol will be moving on to bigger and more exciting adventures. The Guild is considering having a 50/50 raffle at each monthly meeting in place of the raffle prizes. Suggestions on how to run this raffle are welcome.

A 50/50 raffle was conducted at the February monthly meeting. A total of \$150 was collected. Tickets for the raffle were sold for \$5 each. The winner received \$75.

A review of the Bylaws by Board members was conducted and no changes were recommended. Members are still required to attend one regular meeting per year to renew membership. (Article III 3.1)

Signup for the Quilt Museum visit on March 18 at 10:00 is still on-going. Please contact a board member if you are going.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Arcidy



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR MARCH

2nd, Charlotte Sargent; 5th, Elaine Walsh; 12th, Marie Dube; 23rd, Kathy Kinsella;
24th, Ann Buskey; 25th, Maureen Mullen; 29th, Kristina Noonan. Happy Birthday to all.

FOOD PANTRY

PLEASE NO EXPIRED FOOD

The food pantry currently has a surplus of canned vegetables, canned soup, & pasta.

We can use:

Breakfast Items:

Boxed Cereal, Pancake mix & Syrup, Oatmeal,
Fruit Bars, Granola Bars, Pop Tarts, Muffin mixes,
Coffee (ground & instant) - Caffeinated & Decaf,
Tea (Green tea & black tea) - Caffeinated & Decaf

Snack Items:

Cookies, cheez-its, peanut butter crackers, etc.

Snack Packs (Individual sized)

Juice (64 oz size)

Juice Boxes

Hot Chocolate

THANK YOU

Many thanks to Catherine Flowers for sending the following quilt show/exhibition information. Hopefully some of you will get to take one or two of them in.

Maine Exhibits & Shows



Timna Tarr Trunk Show

March 24, 2023

North Yarmouth Congregational Church

3 Gray Rd

North Yarmouth, ME

Admission: \$5

donation to pet pantry encouraged

Starts 7 PM, doors open at 6 PM

Before and After: Repeating Patterns (45-60 minutes)

Where do ideas come from? For Timna, much of her work is inspired by antique and family quilts. In this lecture she will show the utilitarian quilts from her life, and how they planted the seeds that became the contemporary works that she now creates.

Handicap accessible

Parking: Plenty of parking

Food: There will be no food at the trunk show.



Maine Quilts 2023

July 27 – 29, 2023

Augusta Civic Center

76 Community Drive

Augusta ME

<https://mainequilts.org/>

Admission: \$15

\$30 multi day, children under 12 free with paid adult,

\$10 groups more than 14 people with advance registration

500+ quilts, special exhibits, vendors, lectures, demos, raffles, national teachers, and special events! Air-conditioned; convenient, free parking. Reception and preview July 26, 7-9 pm
Handicap accessible. Exhibits are on ground level, elevators available for workshops and lectures
Parking: Free, convenient. Easy drop-off at entrance
Food: Food service available

Labor of Life: Textile + Fiber

Feb. 2 – March 30, 2023

20 Academy St.

(3rd floor wheelchair accessible)

Arlington MA 02476

<https://www.acarts.org/>

Free admission

Often taken for granted, textiles have had an impact on every aspect of our lives. In this exhibition, curated by textile artist and educator, Kristina Goransson, works are shown that demonstrate how textiles are used not only as aesthetic tools to express our ideas and identities but also to improve life with innovative new technologies.

Handicap Accessible. Use entrance at side of building (27 Maple St) where there is a ramp and easy access to the elevator.

Parking: Limited space in adjacent parking lot, but plenty of on-street parking on Maple and Academy Streets and Mass. Ave.

Food: Local restaurants on Mass. Ave. (No food at the event).



Sharing the Love of Quilting

March 7 – April 10, 2023

Lawrence Library (Pepperell)

15 Main Street,

Pepperell, MA 01463

<http://www.squanicookquiltguild.com/>

Free admission

This is a small quilt show sponsored by the Squanicook Colonial Quilt Guild and the Lawrence Library. There will be approximately 60 quilts on display in the library's beautiful Art Gallery. This historic building is a wonderful backdrop to display quilts.

Handicap accessible. It is a public library with excellent accessibility. There is a elevator to the second floor.

Parking: Free

Food: There is food in the nearby town.





Rhododendron Needlers Quilt Guild "A Community of Quilters"

March 18-19, 2023

Blue Hills Regional Technical High School

800 Randolph St.

Canton MA

<https://www.rnqg.org/>

Admission: \$10

Quilt show of member quilts, Boutique of hand made items with this year's special "postcard quilts" and mounted 12"x12" art quilts, vendors and opportunity to purchase raffle tickets for this year's gorgeous raffle quilt "Blue Plate Specials"

Quilt Appraisals by Diana Reinhardt Annis by appointment or walk-in; verbal \$25 or written (insurance, fair market or donation) \$40. Cash or check payment. Appointment requests at quiltappraisals@rnqg.org

Come to Boston for Saint Patrick's Day weekend. Hotels in nearby Dedham – try breakfast at the '50's Diner in Dedham, lunch at The Chateau on Rte 1 Norwood and Dinner at Amelia's on Rte 138 in Stoughton. Spring has sprung, enjoy New England.

Tickets for the Raffle Quilt may be purchased 3/\$5 or \$2 each outside of show dates by contacting raffletix@rnqg.org

Handicap accessible

Free parking

Food: Food at the school by the Blue Hills Boosters.



Quinobequin Quilters Auction

April 11, 2023

Congregational Church of Needham

1154 Great Plain Ave (at the corner of Linden St.)

Needham MA 02492

<https://www.quinobequin.org/>

Free admission

An auction of quilts, wall hangings, fabrics, kits – and so much more. The Evening will consist of a preview with grab & go purchase tables at 6pm, followed by a live auction at 7pm.

Handicap accessible. Ramp at door entrance.

Free parking on street or in church parking lot

Food: Variety of restaurants located 1/4 mile from event location on Great Plain Ave. in Needham Center



Quinobequin Quilters Auction



Hands All Around 18 Quilt Show

April 22 - 23, 2023

Robert Crowne Gymnasium

Hampshire College, 893 West St-Route 116

Amherst, MA

<http://www.handsacrossthevalley.org/>

Admission: \$10; 12 and under free, Students and Military \$5

Hands Across the Valley Quilters guild welcomes you to our show at a new venue-Hampshire College, Amherst, MA. We are excited to be a part of the traveling exhibit from American Quilt Study Group 2020-Framed Center Medallion Quilts: History of Style. This special exhibit along with an expected 200+ quilts promises to be a show well worth attending.

Mini quilt sale, raffle baskets, and vendors! Show attendees have the opportunity to purchase a raffle ticket to win our stunning raffle quilt! You do not need to be present to win.

Handicap accessible

Free parking

Food: snack bar is located on second floor. Many food venues close by.

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Capital Quilters Quilted Illusions Show

April 28 – 29, 2023

Pembroke Academy

209 Pembroke Rd

Pembroke, NH

<http://www.capitalquiltersguild.com/>

Admission: \$10

Capital Quilters Guild presents the Quilted Illusions quilt show featuring over 150 quilts as well as multiple vendors, quilt raffle, sewing machine raffle, penny raffle, and more!

Handicap accessible

Parking: ample parking in school parking lot

Food: No food will be available at the venue



Hannah Dustin Quilt Guild Quilt Show

April 28 – 29, 2023

Hudson Community Center

12 Lions Avenue

Hudson NH 03051

<https://hdgg.org/quilt-show/>

Admission: \$8.00

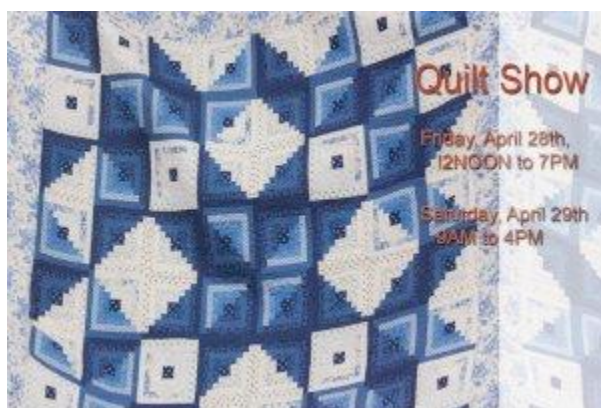
Come join us at the annual Hannah Dustin Quilter's Guild show, Friday April 28 Noon to 7, and Saturday, April 29th 9 am to 4 pm at the Hudson Community Center, 12 Lions Ave, Hudson, NH. Tickets are \$8 at the door. Parking is free.

This year's show will feature many quilts and other quilted items made by our members. Winners will be picked in several categories, including Viewer's Choice and Member's Choice. Multiple vendors will also be in attendance, selling quilting tools, fabric, and completed items. We are also selling raffle tickets for the quilt pictured below.

Handicap accessible. Front door is at street level.

Parking: Free parking next to the event.

Food: Food trucks are available next to the building. An eating area will be provided inside the building.



Hannah Dustin Raffle Quilt 2023

Vermont Exhibits & Shows



Franklin County Quilt Show

April 1-2, 2023

100 North Main Street

St. Albans VT 05478

<http://franklincountyquilters.org/>

Free admission

Guild members quilts will be displayed. Attendees vote for their favorite quilts in the categories of miniature, wall hanging, lap, challenge or bed quilts.

Handicap accessible. Ramp and elevator on the south side of the St. Albans City Hall. (to the left of the main entrance stairs)

Parking is available on the street and the City Parking garage that can be accessed of Lake or Federal Streets.

Food: Coffee shops and restaurants are within walking distance of City Hall.



Franklin County Quilt Show



2023 Festival of Quilts — Maple Leaf Quilters 30th Show

April 22 & 23, 2023

Mount St. Joseph Academy

127 Convent Avenue

Rutland Vermont 05701

<https://www.mapleleafquilters.org/>

Admission: \$8; children under 12 free

After the postponement of the 2020 Festival of Quilts, Maple Leaf Quilters is excited to bring our 30th Festival of Quilts back! Featuring over 150 quilts by Guild

Members, we will also have demonstrations, exhibit of antique quilts, special exhibits, Guild Challenge Quilts, Basket Ticket Auction, Raffle Quilt, food, vendors, and consignment boutique.

Handicap accessible

Parking lot across from school, and on-street parking.

Food: Tea Room with snacks available at the show



Maple Leaf Quilters 2023 Raffle Quilt