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Meeting/Banquet – June 13, 2017

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Hi all,

WOW! The year went by so fast! I want to thank everyone for all your help through the year.

Without you there would not be a guild.

Hope you can all come to the June banquet.

Don't forget to bring:

1-YOUR SHOW TELL; 2-ITEMS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY; 3-MONEY FOR THE RAFFLE TABLE
Happy quilting, Ida

ELECTIONS

Voting took place at the May meeting. Officers elected for the 2017-2018 year are:
President, Ida Morrison; Vice President, Roberta See; Secretary, Gina Maniscalco and
Treasurer, Cam Michallysyzn. Congratulations to all.

JUNE MEETING

June's meeting will be held at the Knights of Columbus hall at 2068 Main St., Tewksbury. This will be our last regular meeting until September. We will be having a small picnic style supper. This is being catered and you must have signed up with Claudia Russo. Her contact information is as follows.
If you want to attend you can mail me a check made out to the Tewksbury Piecemakers for \$20.00 to: Claudia Russo, 71 Lynnes Way, Tewksbury, MA 01876-1323. Ccraftygal11@verizon.net or phone 978-851-8473. Time is important and I must have a count for the caterer.

REFRESHMENTS for JUNE

No refreshments are needed.

AND THE WINNER IS

Congratulations to Charlotte Sargent. Her quilt was chosen to be displayed at the New England Quilt Museum.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

2nd, Marilyn Ivas; 3rd, Karen Mauriello; 6th, Roberta Kane; 9th, Dianne Judd; 10th, Theresa Grignon; 13th, Rose McKenna; 15th, Sharon Carroll; 16th, Deb Leroux; 20th, Cindy Payne; 20th, Pat Roberge; 24th, Linda Hattori; 29th, Louise Gearty; 30th, Patricia Connors; A very HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all!

TEWKSBURY SENIOR CENTER

The flooring at the senior center is now being started at a date later than we were first informed. We received this news too late to change our venue back there from the knights. However, in September, we may still need to meet somewhere other than the senior center. This has not been confirmed yet.

Secretary's Report for May 16, 2017 submitted by Cheryle Laffey

Attendees were Cheryle Laffey, Ida Morrison, Roberta See, Elaine Fubel, Mary Renn, Claudia Russo, Ann LeBourdais and Cam Michallyzyn.

Banquet update from Claudia Russo. 80 members have signed up so far. No outside food or drinks allowed. Beverages, except coffee and tea, may be purchased at the bar.

Membership dues are being collected. They are payable by June 30th.

Ann LeBourdais reported that the web site is being uploaded with pictures from the quilt show.

Ideas for a fund raiser were tossed around. Nothing has been decided. Maybe membership can come up with something.

Mary Renn reported an accounting error for the boutique table and it was voted to pay the difference of \$55.00.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is full. Anyone interested in joining the guild can either contact me, Cheryle, at meanswell@comcast.net or go to our web site, www.tewksburypiecemakers.com and download a form.

Please send it to: Tewksbury Piecemakers - Membership PO Box 617, Tewksbury, MA 01876

FOOD PANTRY

Please remember the food pantry. Need suggestions? Try peanut butter, jelly or jam in plastic bottles, spaghetti and sauces, beans, tuna fish, spices, pancake mixes, syrups. I'm sure anything you can give, they will gladly accept.

NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM

Please support the New England Quilt Museum every chance you have. This is the 2nd oldest museum. Why? You may ask and I will answer. Last year there were 9, yes- only 9, quilt museums in the United States. This year only 7 are left. So sad to see such history fading away due to lack of support. Our guild supports the museum but it is up to all of us, individually, to offer support. Do not be one of those people that says, Oh, I meant to do it but ---. See Carol Calistro for membership forms to New England Quilt Museum.

FEATURED EXHIBITIONS at the MUSEUM

May 2 - July 30, 2017 - THE QUILT TAKES A PRIZE: Award Winners from the National Quilt Museum

May 3 – July 9, 2017 - Twisted: Modern Quilts with a Vintage Twist

All programs are free to NEQM members and included with the price of admission for nonmembers.

Saturday, May 6 at 11 am – Curator's Reception and Gallery Talk for The Quilt Takes a Prize. All are welcome!

Visit nequiltmuseum.org for current information on exhibitions, education programs, and seasonal hours.

YOU MAY BE INTERESTED IN DOING THIS

Dear Quilt Guild President

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Cathy Carroll and I am one of the chairs of the Quilt Department at the Topsfield Fair. I hope you had the chance to visit the fair this past year and enjoyed the quilt exhibit.

2018 will be the 200th anniversary of the Topsfield Fair and for that fair, we are planning to tie the quilt exhibit to the history of quilting in New England by showcasing both antique quilts and sewing machines. We hope you will encourage your members to look ahead and be a part of this exciting journey with us. One way is by entering a quilt. Another is by volunteering at the fair. But you don't have to wait until 2018, we'd love to see your members at this year's fair. The Exhibitor's Handbook is published to the Topsfield Fair website – www.topsfieldfair.org – in August. That's where you'll find the entry form as well as the entry deadlines and other information. To volunteer, please have them contact us at fairquilt2014@yahoo.com

Over the past few years we have made a number of changes to the quilt department that we'd like to share. For one, we have gone to a points system for judging. Quilts that are entered at the Topsfield Fair are judged solely on their own merit. A certified judge examines each quilt and shares their thoughts with the quilt maker on the judging form that the quilter receives when they pick their quilt up after the fair. We also encourage the quilt maker to share the story behind their quilts. With permission, we share those with the fair goers.

We know that, because of people like you who promote the art of quilting to both veteran and rookie quilters, that quilting is alive and well. We hope that you will promote the quilt exhibit at the Topsfield Fair to your members at your upcoming meetings.

Best to you and your members.

Cathy Carroll, Co-Chair Topsfield Fair Quilt Department

SOME INTERESTING VENUES TO VISIT

Quilters Connection Members Quilt Show QC Celebrates Forty Years of Fabulous Quilting, Bently University; LaCava Building, 3rd floor 175 Forest Street; Waltham, MA on Saturday, June 10, 2017 10am - 5pm Sunday, June 11, 2017 10am - 3pm Quilt Show Admission: \$10 QC Members Boutique, Vendors, Raffle Quilt and Ruby Red 40th Anniversary Art Quilt Sale Also The Crit Group Exhibit, featuring the work of Judy Becker, Nancy Crasco, Sandy Donabed, Carol Anne Grotrian and Sylvia Einstein with a lecture Saturday, June 10th at 3pm - free with paid quilt show admission.

Vermont Quilt Festival - 41st Year New England's Oldest & Largest Quilt Event! Champlain Valley Exposition Center 105 Pearl St., Essex Junction, VT Friday, June 23, 2017 - 9am-6pm Saturday, June 24, 2017 - 9am-6pm Sunday, June 25, 2017 - 9am-3pm <http://www.vqf.org/> Admission: \$12 one-day pass; \$22 two-day pass; \$32 three-day pass. Group discounts available. Children under 14 free with paying adult. Free parking. View and download this year's brochure at <http://www.vqf.org/>

Maine Quilts: 40th Annual Show & Conference presented by Pine Tree Quilters Guild August Civic Center 76 Community Dr., Augusta, Maine New Days! Thursday, July 27 through Saturday, July 29, 2017 Show hours: 9am-5pm each day Daily Admission: \$10.00; Multi-Day Admission: \$15.00 Groups (14 or more): \$8.00 with advance registration Children 12 & under free with paid adult admission. For more information: http://www.mainequilts.org/Quilt_Show/

BAYBERRY QUILTERS OF CAPE COD 36th ANNUAL QUILT SHOW
THURSDAY: 9:30am-4:00pm FRIDAY: 9:30am-4:00pm SATURDAY: 9:30am-3:00pm
Daily Admission: \$8.00; Multi-Day Pass; \$12.00 (Group Rates Available; Bus Tours Welcome)

CAPE COD REGIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL (CCRTHS)
351 Pleasant Lake Ave. (Rte. 124), HARWICH, MA (Exit 10 off Route 6, North on Route 124)
For more information visit www.bayberryquiltersofcapecod.com

AUTUMN FESTIVAL OF QUILTS

September 16 & 17, 2017 10 AM to 4 PM.

Hawthorne Brook Middle School, 64 Brookline St. (Rte 13), Townsend, MA. For more information go to:
squanicookquiltguild.com

BENNINGTON QUILTFEST

September 16-17, 2017 Saturday 9-5 and Sunday 9-4
Mount Anthony Union Middle School, 747 East Road, Bennington, VT Presented by the Quiet Valley Quilters Guild
Admission \$7.00 Burlingtonquiltfest.com

RENEWAL TIME

It is guild renewal time. Dues are payable by June 30, 2017. If you are lucky enough to have reached the age of 85 + then you will pay no dues. I am happy to report that a fair number of our very active members have attained that goal. For the rest of us, it is \$25.00.

If your contact information has not changed I do not need a renewal form, if there are any changes, just tell me or email me. You may start paying anytime. If you wish to mail it to me, please send it to the PO Box. Please let me know if you do not plan on renewing as I do have a wait list.

Cheryle

I wish you all a very warm, sunny and productive summer.