

#### Our Next General Meeting Monday, May 1 at 7:00 pm Grange Hall, Sudbury Town Center (Park behind the Town Hall)

## Wayside Quilters Auction

We have been working hard to put on a fun evening for our Auction on May 1. Be sure to come early and bring a friend or two or three! Also, please bring a finger food appetizer, a dessert or pick up some seltzer water or sparkling cider.

The auction starts promptly at 7:15. Please come early to peruse all auction items on display before bidding. The auction has five parts and lots of action.

We will "live" auction off 12 of our premier items. The silent auction will have another 15 items. The teacup raffle will have still more goodies! If that is not enough, visit the Dollar Store where anything on the table goes for a buck. And last but not least is the \$5 a bag table, as much as you can fit in a grocery bag for \$5! The choices are fantastic!

Our premier "live" auction item is a four day, three night stay in Newport:

Historic Newport House 3 Night stay Perfect for Quilter's Retreat!!! Opening Bid is \$500

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Come to the Historic Point District in Newport for a quilting getaway! 19 Cherry Street is one block from the Harbor and walking distance of Newport proper. There is something for everyone in Newport: beautiful nature walks, the Cliff Walk, the Newport Mansions (the summer cottages of the Vanderbilts) to name a few. Newport hosts many music festivals including a wonderful Classical Music Series. Eating out in Newport is a treat. You might want to check out the famous brunch at Castle Hill Inn or dine at the historic White Horse Tavern. If the timing works out, the Cromwells will treat you to a harbor cruise.

19 Cherry Street has 3 bedrooms and a loft. Two rooms have a Queen and the other bedroom has 2 twins. The loft sleeps 3. You may stay from Thursday to Sunday on a date mutually agreeable to the Cromwells. Dates are available all year round. (\$500 minimum)

Pat Lukens, Betsy Athan & Carol Bradford

## Workshop with Prudie Taylor Saturday, May 20 9:30 am – 4:30 pm

In April 2016 we had Lisa McCarthy give us a lecture and trunk show of Judy Niemeyer and Jacqueline de Jonghe paper pieced masterpieces.

Prudie Taylor will teach us how to paper piece one of Judy Niemeyer's latest projects. She will be teaching a project from the "Leaf Series".

The project chosen is "ONE" – a set of 2 small pieces, each 20" x 40", which can be used as a wall hanging or table runner. See image.



Prudie will have this pattern available for purchase at the workshop. The materials list will be sent to you with fabric requirements upon sign up.

In this workshop participants will learn how to paper piece, do curved paper piecing, and how to insert an S-shaped vein into the leaf. These skills will prepare you for many paper-pieced projects, including the ones you so admired in Lisa McCarthy's trunk show. There are a number of other projects in Judy Niemeyer's "Leaf" series. Participants can also choose any of these projects if they want, but Prudie will NOT have these at the workshop. If you want to do another project, then you need to purchase that pattern directly from Judy Niemeyer's website at www.quiltworx.com.

There are 4 others to choose from, ranging from wall hangings to table runners or place mats. The other projects you can choose from on the website are:

1. Three – Wall hanging with three leaves 48" x 34"

2. Tea Leaf Table runner – set of 2 table runners. These are leaf-shaped.

3. Tea Time Place mats – a set of 4 placemats shaped like leaves.

4. Four – Wall hanging with 4 leaves. 32" x 44"

Bring your pattern to the workshop, and Prudie will help you with it.

Please sign up early, so that you have time to order your project pattern if you want to do a different one from "One".

Cost of the workshop: \$35.00 for members. \$45.00 for non-members. Anyone can sign up for the workshop with immediate effect.

Please send your check to: Laura Lane, 29 Ahern Lane, Marlborough, MA 01752

Come and learn with us!

Tíca de Moor Program Chair

## Changes in Guild Tax Status

WQG is preparing an application to the IRS to change its tax exempt status from 501(c)4 to 501(c)3. The application and revised by-laws will be presented to the Board for approval at its May 13 meeting.

A presentation of the changes will be made to the membership on May 1 from 6:00-7:00 pm at the Grange Hall (before our auction). This is a chance for the membership to ask any questions. The Board will approve the revised by-laws at their May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. After that, membership will be sent the application and revised by-laws by mail 10 days prior to our Annual Meeting in June. At the June 5 meeting, we will call for a vote from the membership to approve the documents.

Anyone who is not on the Board and interested in the process is welcome to participate in the review of the drafts and to come to the May 13th Board Meeting.

Kathie Cromwell, Guild Treasurer

# Raffle Quilt 2018 Revealed

Our 2018 Quilt Show Raffle Quilt includes Geese, Stars and Piano Keys.



Now is the time to turn the project over to you, the members. We need all members to help by stitching up a block or two or three to be included in our next Raffle Quilt. Patterns and background fabric will be handed out at the May and June meetings.

Jean Konopacz, Raffle Quilt Chair

#### Welcome to New Member



We welcome new member Lorraine Gotlib to our group. Please extend a warm "hello" to Lorraine.

## Facebook & Website Updates

Thanks to the work of Pat Lukens and her daughter, we recently learned that our Facebook group was not ideal. If you think of Facebook as a party, a group is like some friends moving into another, quieter room to talk. Not the best way to spread the word about all the great reasons to join the guild. So we set up a page. A page can be seen by anyone. The information on the page can be shared with anyone. In short, a page is perfect for our guild. You can find the page using the links on our website, or go to <u>https://www.facebook.com/Wayside-Quilters-Guild-232039927270880/</u> (we're working on creating a customized URL).

If you tried to visit our website recently, you probably wondered where had it disappeared to. The short explanation is that when we paid to renew our domain (waysidequilters.org) for another year, someone at the company missed a step in the process, which made it look like we had not paid. It's rather nice to know that even in the tech world, human errors still matter. The customer service agents we worked with to discover and resolve the problem were incredibly helpful, and the website is back. Speaking of which, please be sure to visit the News & Resources page of our website to see what guilt related events are happening in the area. There's a lot going on this spring.

Trícía Crockett

### Share The Squares

Remember to bring your next batch of  $15 \times 3 \frac{1}{2}$ " nine patches to our next Monday meeting. If you cannot be there in person, send your squares with a friend.

We will also be collecting squares for June, July and August in case you are up to working ahead. Make sure to check off the months that you are stitching 9 patches for.

Please consider donating your leftover blocks for a raffle quilt for our 2018 show. Email questions to either Jill or Kathie.

### Fuller Craft Museum

This spring, the Fuller Craft museum in Brockton MA is holding several exhibits that our guild members may enjoy. Here are some examples:

Circular Abstractions: Bulls-Eye Quilts What Remains: Wooden Quilt Sculptures of Laura Petrovich-Cheney Cary Wolinsky: Fiber of Life.

There are a couple weeks where all of these overlap and will be on view at the same time. Go to the News & Resources page of our website to learn more about the exhibits. At the bottom of the page is a one question survey to determine whether there's enough interest to plan a group trip.

Trícía Crockett

#### Boston Modern Quilt Guild Show

Weekends thru May 7 Admission Free At Fabric Place Basement 321 Speen St., Natick

#### Northern Star Quilter Guild Show

Saturday, May 6, 10 - 5:00 Sunday, May 7, 10 - 4:00 Western Connecticut State University O'Neill Center, West Side Campus 43 Lake Ave. Ext, Danbury, CT 06811

Featured guest lecturer: Mary Fons Invitational Guest Quilters: Liza Prior Lucy & Rayna Gillman

Info at: www.quiltshow@Northernstarquilters.com

### **Quilter's Connection Show**

Saturday, June 10, 10-5:00 Sunday, June 11, 10-3:00 Admission \$10.00 for one or both days

Bentley University LaCava Exec. Dining Rm. 175 Forest St., Waltham

Special Guest Quilter: Katie Pasquini Masapust

Boutique, Raffle Quilt, and Vendors

See www.quiltersconnection.org for details

## WQG Calendar 2017

Monday, May 1, 2017, 7:00 pm **Uglies Auction Reinvented** See p. 1 for more info.

Saturday, May 13, 2017- Board Meeting

Saturday, May 20, 2017 9:30 – 4:00 **Workshop with Prudie Taylor** on paper piecing the Judy Niemeyer method. See p. 2 for more info.

Monday, June 5, 7:00 pm Annual Meeting Potluck & Show and Tell

#### 2017-2018 Meetings Announced

Our meetings are the 1st Monday of the month, with the exception of a holiday.

2017: September 11, October 2, November 6, December 4 2018: January 8, February 5, March 5 April 2, May 7, June 4

> Newsletters and "Betweens" Deadlines: 3 days before the 1<sup>st</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> Send submissions to Jean Konopacz at jkonopacz@gmail.com