

## From the President

I hope everyone is finishing up their quilts for the show. I know that the deadline is a great help for me. Without it my quilts would be waiting for quilting or sitting quilted but unbound or lacking their labels. Sometimes it seems that it's easy to piece a quilt, but then it gets put on the "to-be-finished" pile where it lingers as I move on to the next thing. I get interested in a new pattern or a new fabric or I need to get the right color thread for quilting and before I know it, something else is started before the old is finished. I'm grateful for whatever the motivation is to finish.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming programs and I really look forward to seeing all those completed quilts at our show. \*\*Please also remember that the show proceeds allow us to bring speakers to guild meetings -- if we all get a few more friends to attend the show, the program chairs will have more to work with over the next two years!!\*\*

Julie Wolkoff

### *Up Coming Meetings:*

*March 9, April 13, & May 11*

### WHAT TO BRING!

- **Nametag.** Bring a nametag and be entered in our fabulous door prize drawing!
- **Comfort Quilts.** We are looking forward to seeing the work you completed this year.
- **Show & Tell Quilts.** Show us the quilt projects you've recently finished.



### HOSPITALITY REMINDER

**Don't Forget to Sign up for Refreshments!**

**Please volunteer** at the March and April meetings to bring a snack to a meeting that's convenient for you. When you volunteer, we will email or call to remind you what you're bringing.

Haiyan Newton

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## 2009/2010 PROGRAM

The Guild meets at the Wellesley Community Center the second Tuesday of the month. Please plan to arrive at 7:00PM for socializing, and the meetings begin promptly at 7:30.

Ann Hunter and Bryn Wood, VP Program Co-Chairs

March 9, 2009 – Lynn DiRusso of Falmouth will be joining us for a program yet to be determined. It may be a trunk show of Lynn's wonderful quilts as well as a demonstration.

April 13, 2009 – This will be a fun night of mini-demonstrations of handy techniques, new tools, uses for those rulers that nobody knows why they're special ... Bring your notebooks!

May 11, 2009 – Carol Doak will be here.

....Carol will also be doing a workshop that day (open to 20 or 25 members at additional cost). Most of us have either met Carol at one of her workshops or seen her books. She takes the confusion out of foundation piecing. Visit her website at [www.caroldoak.com](http://www.caroldoak.com).

## Quilt Show Updates

**Location:** March 26-27,

Masonic Lodge, Needham

Our 12th Quilt Show is about a month away, and there's plenty to do to get ready! Please contact the members mentioned below to sign up to hostess, help with set-up and take-down, get more raffle tickets, or to arrange to sell your art at our boutique.

### QUILT PREPARATION

All quilts must include a 5" hanging sleeve, unless they are under 24" wide. Pack each quilt in a separate pillow case or cloth bag labeled with your name and address. We will keep you informed of the drop-off time and place as the show gets closer.

### HOSTESSING AT THE SHOW

We need many people to sign up for 2-hour hostess shifts. Hostesses are the white "glovers" who staff the show, show quilts to attendees, and answer questions. We also need people to sell raffle tickets and admissions, and to help with the boutique. To sign up contact Hillie Forsythe at [hillieforsythe@hotmail.com](mailto:hillieforsythe@hotmail.com) or sign up at the March meeting.

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## SET-UP AND TAKING DOWN THE SHOW

Show set up will be held on Thursday, March 25 from 9:00 – 2:00 at the Masonic Hall. And takedown is right after the show ends at 4PM on Sat. The more people we have to help, the faster it goes. Please contact Jane Evans at 781-444-9575 or [JaneLEvans@verizon.net](mailto:JaneLEvans@verizon.net) to help, or sign up at the March meeting.

## SHOW POSTERS

Many posters were given out at the Feb. meeting. Please put them up! We will have some more available in March.

## RAFFLE TICKETS

Keep selling those raffle quilts tickets! If you need more tickets, please contact Patti Thorne at 781-449-1197.



## BOUTIQUE ITEMS NEEDED

Members are encouraged to contribute items for sale at our boutique at the show. The guild takes 10% of the sale price. You may also label quilts in the show “For Sale.” Forms are available on the QQ web site, or at the March meeting. For more information call Ellie Ringer at 781-449-7952.

## INVITE AS MANY PEOPLE AS YOU CAN !!

The Quilt Show is our biggest source of income to bring interesting and exciting guest speakers to our monthly meetings. If everyone could “bring” (at least) 7 people to the show, our revenue could really add up. The money that we raise from our show will fund our programs for the next two years. This is also a great opportunity for our friends and neighbors see the beautiful work that we all do!

Submitted by Jane Evans



## April 2010 Meeting ...

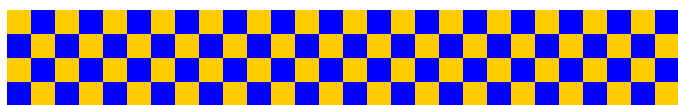
For the QQ guild meeting in April, we are planning to have a social meeting with activities.

This will be a chance for you to get acquainted with more Guild members and to demonstrate your skills as well as learn new techniques. We are looking for volunteers to demonstrate various hand and machine techniques related to their quilting projects.

Do you hand or machine quilt, do red work or silk ribbon embroidery, appliqué by hand or machine, bead your quilts, etc.? We're planning to set up a half dozen (or more!) tables around the room for member demonstrations. Each demo will last about 10 minutes, then members can dash to the next table to see what's on offer there.

More ideas for demonstrations include binding (do you miter your corners?), piecing techniques, showing the use of all those fancy rulers you have, the miracle sheet for ironing fusibles – you tell us what you can do! At the March meeting there will be sign up sheets (which will give us an idea of the varieties of skills and interest) or you can e-mail

<[bryn.wood@comcast.net](mailto:bryn.wood@comcast.net)> with suggestions. Don't be shy, even if you're not an expert, show what you know - someone out there will be eager to see what you can do, and they will be just as eager to learn new techniques from a friend and guild member!



## New England Quilt Museum's Featured Exhibit

### Opening Reception for

### *Kinder Komforts: Amish Crib Quilts*

Join us on Saturday, March 6 for the opening reception for *Kinder Komforts*, an exhibition of Amish crib quilts. An exhibition of Amish quilting unlike any other, curated by Bettina Havig, *Kinder Komforts* shows a new facet of the tradition to explore.

During the *Kinder Komforts* exhibition, the museum will also feature the work of Dorothy Bosselman. The late artist set out to recreate 60 historic Amish quilts, most of which were originally made in the early 20th century, in miniature.

### Screening of *The Skin Quilt Project* The Stories of African-American Quilters

Director Lauren Cross to Attend

**March 20, 1:30pm**

Locally produced in Waltham, MA, *The Skin Quilt Project* is a full length documentary that explores colorism in the African-American community... through the stories of African-American quilters... For more information, visit [www.skinquiltproject.com](http://www.skinquiltproject.com).

Join us for a special screening of the film on National Quilting Day, March 20, and meet the director, Lauren Cross, at 1:30pm. The cost is included with regular admission to the Museum.

# Comfort Quilts Update

A big thank you to all the retreat-goers who devoted some of their getaway time pinning, stitching, and quilting.

During the retreat this month quite a few bags were made for Dr. Hitron . She will take 250 draw string bags to Haiti that they will use to give medicine and toothbrushes to their patients. The bags will be returned and washed by the facility and handed out again to new patients. If you have time please make a few bags.

Kathy Elias can give you the measurements.



## HOLD FRI – SUN, January 7,8, & 9th, 2011 OPEN For our next Winter Quilting Fun!

Join us to sew and quilt to your heart's contentment, and to finish those UFP's at the Cape...the first place we ventured to has contacted us with a great deal.!

Just give me a call, afterwards, 781-455-8540 or at cell 781-686-4223.

Susan Downs Schlegel

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## 2009-2010 Quinobequin Quilters Membership Registration

Attached is the registration form for 2009-2010. You can renew early by bringing in a form and the \$30.00 registration fee to the May meeting. You can also mail the form and dues to:

Becky Reed, 50 Longfellow Rd., Wellesley, MA 02481

Registration and dues will also be accepted at our next Meeting.

New member: Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

If information has not changed from last year, just fill in your name.

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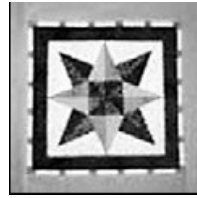
Do you want to receive the newsletter by Internet\_\_\_\_\_ or by mail\_\_\_\_\_

Please include fee: \$30.00 Check made out to Quinobequin Quilters

## Library Update

We want to encourage you to bring back the books you have outstanding and especially those borrowed before our last meeting. We were lucky enough to increase our library by 30 books before you left on your summer hiatus, now remember others would like an opportunity to gaze longingly at those same publications so look under, over, around and through everything and get your books back to the meeting on time!

To keep our books circulating, our new lending policy is that members may take books out for three months. If you still need the book to finish a project, you may renew your book one time. Our Library on-line listing is being updated regularly



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## From our Historian Susan Burkhardt

The Tradition continues.....

Quinobequin Quilters have had quilt shows since 1989. The show, held April 19 and 20, at Wellesley Town Hall, was a tremendous success. Over 500 people attended the two day event and a profit of over \$800 was realized.

Raffle tickets were sold for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Janet Bohlin won the “Churn Dash” quilt having purchased just ONE ticket. (Note: not recommended for 2010.)

Viewers choice awards were voted on. And one quilter, Joan Heckaman won in both categories. She tied with Deborah Peto for third place in the Bed Quilt category and won second prize for her Wall Quilt.

The second QQ show was held in 1991, also, with great success. Forty-three attendees of the show had expressed interest in membership and were invited to the last meeting. It was a “social” gathering and members were asked to bring a dish and the recipe as they were planning a guild cookbook.

Stay tuned for the next newsletter --- there will be “HISTORY” of a well known quilter --- hint: she is an Ohio State grad!



# Or Sew It Seams - - - - -

Monday, February 8, 2010

No. 1: I am not a football fan. Nor do I care anything about football. “Needle-less” to say, I wouldn’t know when the Super Bowl was if it dropped from the sky and hit me in the head. Except, of course, that there is so much hullabaloo about

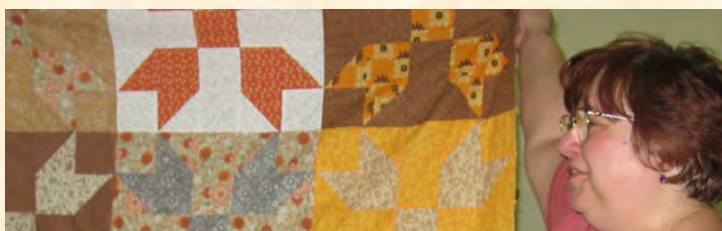
it, one can’t help but know. And then plan to stay away from the grocery stores and television as the time nears.

I received more than one e-mail from quilt shop owners and internet quilt sites which were having “Super Bowl” sales. Now that caught my eye!!! I don’t know a single quilter who wouldn’t be tempted by such an offer. Including me.

Most of all me! Anyone who knows me knows that I don’t “need” more fabric, and also knows that this fact won’t stop me from buying more fabric anyway.

Especially when there is a sale!! Actually, I did need some fabric for a backing...

“Sew” I was telling my husband a few nights ago how smart I thought this idea of a Super Bowl sale for quilters was. Why not give those of us who don’t know a pig skin from a potato skin something else to do? Why not sell “yards” of fabric



while the football players are running “yards”? After all, there are a few similarities between sewing and football. Ever notice how a football field sort of looks like a rotary cutting mat? They’re both bright green and have marked measurements. I was sharing these musings with the owner of the Fabric Corner while he was measuring out my “yardage,” and he mentioned something about a “gridiron.” I have no idea what that is, but I do know that there are lots of “grids” in quilting, and we do use a lot of “irons.” That’s as far as I got with the associations. By the way, Mark seemed to think I was brilliant; at least it

“seamed” that way because he was telling other customers about it.

...”back” to the “cutting board”... Guess how much fabric I ended up buying? Let’s just say I’ve got a LOT of possibilities for “backs” ----- “fullbacks,” “quarterbacks,” and “halfbacks.”

I happen to know that the New Orleans Saints won the game. I also know that I am no saint as far as buying fabric goes.

Or sew it seams - - - - -

Cathy Harless

## A NEW MEMBER of the FAMILY

As far back as I can remember, I have always sewed. I always had a need to create with fabrics. When I was younger, I used my mother's and grandmother's sewing machines. I took classes, I stood at the elbow of anyone one who picked up a needle and applied it to fabric. This yen was in my blood. So it was no wonder that with my first job, I bought my first sewing machine, a Singer. Why a Singer, because that is what I knew. My grandmother had one, then my mom. As my skill increased, my need for a machine increased. It needed more bells and whistles to do all that I needed to do, to help me grow.

Thirty years later, I moved up to my first embroidery machine. I was hooked. My need and desire to create had expanded to this new area of sewing. Five years later, my creative side had now morphed to a quilting side. All types of quilting, foundation, piecing, crazy quilting, it all had me hooked. My embroidery started appearing in my quilting, and I kept growing. I started doing research on how to make this process less confusing, more productive, and less time consuming, but still holding true to my need to quilt. My quilts started becoming more artistic. I began to lean toward surface design, thus I became a fabric artist. All the while the research continued on how to get my art works quilted and I wanted to do the work myself with machines.

However fibromyalgia had taken its hold on my body.

I explored different types of machines to do the quilting, from the home machine, to the industrial machine. I went to many quilt shows and long arm shows refining my research, trying to find the machine that will help me continue my growth, my purpose, my quest.

A year ago, my research intensified as I attended even more shows and tried to find different people who would let me play with their machines, who would give me honest feedback about living with this new family member.

Next month, I'll become the proud parent of a George, a long arm machine, but on a sewing table base by APQS. I know, I'm supposed to own a George. I liked the clean look, the simple operation, it's made here in America, and that it has the symbol of peace (the dove) as its logo. I feel divinely moved to make this purchase. I truly believe that it will be the vehicle that will help me move into the next phase of my artistic persona. This is what I'm supposed to be doing. It is my vehicle, the path I will use while completing my mission. Quilters, find that thing that you are supposed to do... and do it.

Celeste B. Janey

# 2010 Calendar of Local & Regional Quilt Shows

- ◆ March 27th & 8th Connecticut Piecemakers' Quilt Guild A Spring Shower of Quilts XIII, will be held , 2010 at the Trumbull Marriott, Trumbull, CT.
- ◆ April 15-17 Machine Quilters Exposition, Providence, RI, 866-675-7247, [mary@mqxshow.com](mailto:mary@mqxshow.com), [mqxshow.com](http://mqxshow.com)
- ◆ April 11 - 17 Machine Quilters Exposition, LLC 2010 Estimated Attendance: 2,500 people. MQX is a quilt show and conference for anyone that loves to quilt. Over 200 classes, fashion show, vendor mall, banquet and 350 competition quilts. Come and join the adventure we cal MQX. Thursday 9:00 am - 6:00 pm, Friday and Saturday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. Admission is \$12 for a single day for \$21.00 for a multi-day pass. For more information contact Janet Lee Santeusanio at 603.778.6994 or visit their website at [www.mqxshow.com](http://www.mqxshow.com).
- ◆ April 24-25, 10-5 & 10-4 Fabrications Quilt Show—North Kingstown, Narragansett Bay Quilters' Assoc.
- ◆ May 14-15, Chelmsford Quilter's Guild—Friday 12 noon - 8pm, Saturday 9am - 4pm \$5.00, Church of St John the Evangelist, 115 Middlesex Street, North Chelmsford, MA , <http://www.chelmsfordquiltguild.com/show.shtml> for more info and quilt show submission form.
- ◆ June 24-27, Vermont Quilt Festival, Champlain Valley Exposition, Essex Junction, VT 05452, 802-872-0034
- ◆ <http://www.quiltguilds.com/massachusetts.htm>
- ◆ Above is a site that has a list of New England Guilds and their shows are listed. Please check the individual sites or contact the guilds for exact dates, times, and fees for all listings on that page and for all our listings here. Regards, Ms. V



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