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Mission Statement: To promote and encourage interest in the art of quilting through sharing of related information; to work together in harmony with mutual respect; and to continue the education of ourselves and the public in the art of quilting.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00 pm.

To send email to whole guild: mothertownquilters@googlegroups.com

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

DEBBY FINK

Hope everyone is looking foward to the holidays. I know you've started your quilty holiday gifts.

Just a reminder that if you have suggestions, comments or questions you can always talk to any board member - Debby, Allison, Ann or Mary or to our member at large - Christa (you will find her working the raffle).

FABRIC SWAP

TRACY LEBLANC

There are 8 participants in the 10" square fabric swap this year. The theme is "Holidays". Please bring 7 squares of November's Fall/Thanksgiving/Harvest fabric to the meeting.

- October Halloween
- November Fall/Thanksgiving/Harvest
- December Christmas/Hanukkah/New

Years

• January – winter

- February Valentines/Love/Breast Cancer Awareness
- March Easter/Spring/Polka Dots
- April Stripes/Plaid/Geometric Designs
- May Flowers/Mother's Day
- June Flag Day/Patriotic

FIDGET QUILTS

SUSAN BIRSE

Hello All, hopefully your fidget quilts are coming along. I will bring more kits and backing to the meeting and will also collect the finished fidget quilts as they come in. I would love to get as many as I can so I can deliver them to the Life Care Center of Nashoba Valley in Littleton soon. Thank you. Any questions, please contact Susan Birse.

FUNDRAISING

VERONICA ROSE

The Fundraising Team will be meeting on November 8th at 10 during the Open Sew at the Village Church. If anyone is interested in attending, please feel free to show up!

HOME SEWS

VICKY HASKELL

The Home Sew schedule is available on the guild calendar. You can find it by clicking HERE!

Reminder: Contact the hostess of the Home Sew so she can plan for chairs, etc.

MEMBERSHIP

SUSAN BIRSE

If you haven't paid your dues yet, please make out a check for \$25.00 to Mothertown Quilters and mail it to Mothertown Quilters, P.O. Box 223, Lancaster, MA 01523-0223. Thank you.

MYSTERY QUILT AND BLOCK OF THE MONTH

VERONICA ROSE

I hope you're all getting on swimmingly with your blocks! Please bring your completed Part B blocks for show and tell. I would love to see the colors you've all used!

Part C will be available online and at the meeting on the 10th. I will also be at the next open sew if you need help, just drop on in.

OPEN SEW

The next Open Sew is Sunday, November 8th at the Lancaster location – the Village Seventh Day Adventist Church on 75 Sawyer St at the corner of Sawyer and Prescott.

Other upcoming Open Sews are December 13th and January 10th.

PROGRAMS

JANICE BOUTOTTE AND BONNIE BRODERS

Here are the programs and workshops for the next few months. They are also on the website.

Meeting Programs:

<u>November 10, 2015</u>: Hand applique lecture and trunk show. Maureen Blanchard from Cobblestone Quilts will present a trunk show of her applique quilts, some of which have won awards at quilt shows, with a few English paper pieced quilts as well. She will also discuss her favorite method(s) of preparing the pieces for applique and the applique process. She will be back in the spring to teach a workshop on hand applique.

<u>December 8, 2015</u>: Annual potluck and holiday gift exchange. UFO challenge quilt #1 will be due. The potluck dinner will start at 6 P.M.

RETREATS

DIANE CHAREST

This year's quilt retreat to Calumet in Ossipee, NH is Sunday, November 15th to Wednesday, November 18th. This 3 night retreat includes your room, 9 meals, quilting area with tables, extension cords and ironing board and iron. There is a 24 hour beverage station with coffee, tea and hot chocolate. Every night before the cook leaves, she even makes a big bowl of homemade popcorn for us for the night! They are very accommodating.

This retreat also includes trips to local quilt shops including Keepsake Quilting at our discretion and whenever is convenient for us - no set time. There are beautiful walking trails around the conference Center where we will be staying and even a bonfire on Ossipee Lake if we choose.

All this for only \$212.00! There are still a couple of spaces left so please contact me at 508-320-3087 or jdcharest52@verizon.net. A deposit of \$75.00 is required.

If you are unable to attend this November, there will be another retreat coming in April, 2016 - stay tuned!

RAFFLE

CHRISTA NEE AND BARBARA PERILLI

This month's raffle will be a holiday themed basket loaded with fun filled Christmas treats. Stop by our table and take a chance! Good luck!

REFRESHMENTS

CINDY JOBIN

It's Veronica. I'm guest writing for Cindy here. Please let Cindy know if you are willing to bring refreshment! It's just about that time to start testing out all those lovely holiday recipes. If you would like inspiration, just look at this!



If you actually want the tutorial, you can find it <u>HERE</u>. (Because we all have this much time on our hands) Thank you!

UFO

CINDY JOBIN

UFO challenge quilt #1 will be due in December! Keep working away.



WEBSITE NEWS

DEBBY FINK

There are no large changes to the website this month. Lots of information is available here including Block of the Mystery, Programs, Workshops as well as fun photos of our get-togethers.

WORKSHOPS

JANICE BOUTOTTE AND BONNIE BRODERS

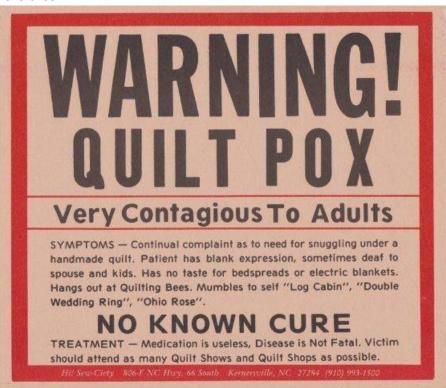
Upcoming Workshops:

February 13, 2016 from 9:30 – 3:30PM **Paper Foundation Piecing** with Janice Boutotte The cost is \$15. This workshop will be held at the Lunenburg location – United Parish House – 39 Main St. (the hall is across the street from the church)

We still have openings in all our workshops - check the website for more details.

Please sign up and pay for this workshops at the next meeting or mail a check made out to MotherTown Quilters Guild to:

Mothertown Quilters P.O. Box 223 Lancaster, MA 01523-0233



EVENTS

In this area, I'll be adding whatever quilt shows and news I can find. If you have a something to share, please email me (grapecoffee@gmail.com) and I'll get it into the next newsletter.

The Quilted Crow is moving and they are having an Open House! Check out thequiltedcrow.com for more information.



SEEN AROUND THE WEB

Bonnie Hunter's yearly mystery is just around the corner! She has put up the fabric requirements <u>HERE</u> on her website.

QUILT SHOWS

Proper Bostonian Quilters - Monsignor Donahue Hall, Saint Theresa School 40 St. Theresa Ave., West Roxbury, Ma 02132 November 6, 6pm-8pm November 7, 10am-6pm November 8, 10am-4pm Admission is \$7.00