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MEETING TUESDAY, November 11 at 7:00 PM

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Allison

Happy November! Take a look at the calendar to see what's coming up! There are plenty of spaces left in our workshop on Nov. 8 with Sue Pelland - make sure to let Janice or Cindy know if you want to sign up! Home sews are also well underway - take a look at the calendar and let Vicky know if you'd like to add one to the schedule! Join us for our meeting on Nov. 11, and keep working on UFO #1 for the December meeting.

THE MYSTERY QUILT

Debby

This year's Mystery Quilt is crib size. The Outreach team will provide donated fabric for the top, backing and the batting. Fabric for the top will be available to choose from at the November meeting. Please sign up at the meeting to donate the baby quilt if you take Outreach materials or if you would like Outreach to provide the batting. As always, you can make the Mystery Quilt without donating the finished product. Step 3 has been posted on the website at: http://mothertownguilters.com/mystery-guilt/

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Debby

This year the theme is Stars. Outreach will provide one fabric to coordinate the blocks and fabrics for you to choose for the 2nd color. As always, you can make the BOM without donating the block or donate a block using your own fabric. List of blocks can be found on the website at: http://mothertownquilters.com/block-of-the-month/

The October BOM (due for November meeting) is Friendship Star. Instructions can be found at: <u>http://www.quilterscache.com/F/FriendshipStarBlock.html</u>

The BOM (due for December meeting) is Shooting Star. Instructions can be found at http://www.quilterscache.com/S/ShootingStarBlock.html

WEBSITE NEWS

Debby

Home sews, open sews and board meetings are on the calendar. Almost everything is now open to the public including the current newsletter, free patterns, workshops and programs. There is still a members only area with older newsletters, secretary notes and treasurer reports.

The round robin color list for the year is available. More outreach photos and older events have been posted.

You can add the Mothertown Quilters calendar to your google calendar - click on +Google Calendar at the bottom of the calendar.

HISTORIAN

Debby

Just a note about the origin of the Mothertown Quilters name: Mothertown Quilters is named for our home - Lancaster. In 1731 Lancaster (then 110 square miles) was proposed as the Worcester County seat. Lancaster declined the proposal. In 1732 part of Lancaster broke away to become Harvard. As so other sections of Lancaster began to formed their own towns - Bolton, Leominster, Sterling, Berlin, Boylston, West Boylston and Clinton. After birthing 8 daughter towns Lancaster was reduced to 24 square miles and kept the title "Mothertown".

GENERAL NOTES

MailingAddress

Mothertown Quilters now has a P.O. Box. Please send mail to:

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

Snacks (Michelle)

Also, if anyone isn't signed up, but wants to bring something - feel free to bring something! Michelle will have something cold to drink, but if anyone wants hot drinks, she suggests Dunkin Donuts or McDonald's, which are both nearby.

HOME SEWS

Vicky

The Home Sew schedule is available on the guild calendar at: https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=mothertownquilters%40gmail.com&ctz=America/New_York.

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

RAFFLE

Christa, Barbara

The winner of last months raffle (October) was: Veronica.

November's raffle will be a bountiful basket of Christmas fabrics. If anyone has any nice Christmas fabric and would like to donate it, we could make the prize even bigger! Please get in touch with Christa or Barbara to make arrangements to pick up any fabric you would like to donate.

OUTREACH

Bonnie, Andie

We received a nice thank you letter from the Leominster Hospital for the quilts we made for their babies. The staff and patients love the quilts. A couple of the first babies to receive a quilt, brought the babies home to the Orchard Street Shelter in Leominster. We on Outreach thought perhaps as we have sent many quilts to the hospital, we may send some over to the shelter in the months to come as well. We collected a few more quilts at the October meeting and will continue to collect any you have finished each month. Outreach will wash, label, pack and deliver the quilts in the name of the guild.

We will bring to the monthly meetings, donated fabric for you to use in the mystery baby quilts and Block of the Month blocks earmarked for donation baby quilts. We will have backings and batting, which we will start bringing to meetings in the new year.

We also are planning to have an all day Outreach Sew at the Sunday March 8th Open Sew, there at the Village Church. We hope many of you can join us. We should have 5-6 months worth of BOM's to assemble into baby quilts!

Thank you all so very much for supporting all of the guild projects.

SHOW & TELL SAMPLER











PROGRAMS

Janice Boutotte, Cindy Jobin

Meeting Programs:

<u>November 11, 2014</u>: Photo Transfer – Michelle Banton will give a program on how to transfer photos to fabric. <u>December 9, 2014</u>: Annual Holiday Potluck supper.

Open Sews: (Lancaster, 10 – 4 PM unless otherwise stated)

November 9, 2014 December 14, 2014 January 11, 2015

Workshops:

Date Time	Workshop Teacher	<u>Cost</u>	Place*
November 8, 2014: 9 – 3:30 PM	Machine Applique Sue Pelland	\$35	Lunenburg
January 11, 2015: 10 – 4 PM	Charm Packs Veronica Rose	\$15	Lancaster

<u>Rotary Cut/Machine Applique</u>: Sue Pelland is returning, this time to show us how to use the techniques we learned in her first workshop a couple of years ago to make a quilt – the Hope Diamond pattern; this pattern uses the same Leaves Galore ruler we used in that workshop, so if you already have the ruler, that's great. There will be enough of us with the ruler to share, so if you don't have it, you won't have to buy one unless you want it. You don't have to have taken the previous workshop to do this one.



*Lancaster location - the Village Seventh Day Adventist church on 75 Sawyer St

*Lunenburg location – the United Parish hall, 39 Main St. (the hall is across the street from the church)

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

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