

DECEMBER 2023

GUILD TO GUILD NEWSLETTER



PARTICIPATING GUILDS

Cocheco (Dover), **Monadnock Quilters' Guild** (Peterborough), **Amoskeag Quilt Guild** (Hooksett & Manchester), **Hannah Dustin** (Nashua), **Cheshire Quilt Guild** (Keene), **Capitol Quilters Guild** (Concord), **Belknap Mill Quilt Guild** (Laconia), **Squanicook Colonial Quilt Guild** (Townsend, MA), **Bedford Friendship Quilt Guild** (Bedford), **Seabreeze Quilt Guild** (Exeter), **Country Village Quilters' Guild** (Moultonborough), **Merrimack Valley Quilters Guild** (Haverhill, MA), **New Hampshire Modern Quilt Guild** (Amherst), **Piece Makers Quilt Group** (Weare), **Ladies of the Lakes Quilters' Guild** (Wolfboro) **Heritage Quilters' Guild** (Manchester), **Northern Lights Quilt Guild** (Lebanon), **Souhegan Valley Quilters' Guild**, Milford & **SooNipi Quilters' Guild** (Newport).
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HAPPY NEW YEAR !!! Can't wait to hear what your group is up to for the new year. If you'd like your programs, lectures and shows advertised to our members listed above, please send an email to foxden@tellink.net. Denise (editor) is a former President and Treasurer of the Souhegan Valley Quilters' Guild of Milford and this newsletter is her attempt at uniting all NH Guilds through the sharing of ideas and the bond of friendship.

No fees involved (seriously).

Upcoming Quilt Shows:

2024

April 11-13	New England Quilt Expo: 700 Elm Street, Manchester. A must see & participate in!
April 20 - 21	Amoskeag Quilt Guild 10:00 a.m. to 4:00
May 4	Seabreeze Quilt Guild, Exeter (cancelled)
July 25 - 27	Maine Quilts, Augusta Civic Center 9-5:00 \$15.00
October 11-13	Monadnock Quilters Guild



Announcements:

Quilt Related Mystery Books: Quilting related books by Bruce Leonard - “ A must read for all quilters whether you have been to Paducah, KY or not. I love a good mystery, and this is definitely one. The characters are believable. The dialogue is clever. The setting is perfectly described. The world of quilting is flawlessly portrayed from quilters’ quirky ways to brilliant descriptions of fiber art. The plot is well woven and keeps the reader guessing. The author’s use of English Language was very entertaining for a Grammar Nerd like me. It left me wanting more”. Amazon Review.

Patches Quilt Loft and Embroidery: Celebrated 12 years in business and is ready for 12 more. 1442 Candia Road, Manchester, NH **Monthly Featherweight Club.** The Featherweight Club takes place on the first Saturday of each month. You must have a Featherweight or a vintage machine to attend. Please call ahead to reserve, as space is limited or let us know the month prior if you plan on attending. 603-206-5490 patchesquiltloft.com. They have a waiting room for your significant other and are veteran owned!

Looking for Guild Classes? Ask Adele, 107 Captain Linnell Road, Orleans, MA 02653 - Offering many classes for your Guild meetings and is also exploring on-line options. Are you looking for lectures and workshops for the upcoming Guild year? Adele has great topics for your members.
E-mail Adel at asds@adelescott.com for the current topics list.

NEW QUILT SHOP!!

Leila’s Stitch Haven 603-654-2110

Sunday 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.

Closed Mondays and Tuesdays

Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Thursdays 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.

Fridays 9:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m.

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Quilted Threads: Quilt Appraisal Days with Gerald Roy, Jan 11, Feb 8, Mar14, April 11, May 9, and June 13th. by appointment from 12:00 - 2:00, 116 Main Street, Henniker, NH 03424..... info@quiltedthreads.com

GUILD NEWS:

Monadnock Quilters' Guild: (Peterborough) December Update



MQG's "Our lives should be like a quilt, made with love, and held together by the threads of friendship". Monadnock Quilters doesn't produce a newsletter in December but will resume in January. Our regular January Guild Meeting is on the 19th at the Divine Mercy Church in Peterborough and begins at 6:30 p.m. Our 2024 Challenge will be revealed, and George & Nancy Stolz will do a program on what they do when they aren't quilting. They collect modern board games! They will bring some games for us to look at. Thanks for the reminder Denise. Candace.

Seabreeze Quilt Guild:(Exeter) December Update



Next meeting is January 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the Senior Center, Court Street Exeter. Local quilter Lynne Tyler from the Manchester area will present a trunk show featuring her letter-based quilts. There will be a \$5.00 non-member fee for this program. All are invited. Refreshments will be provided.

Please note we have cancelled our quilt show scheduled for this coming spring, but raffle tickets are available for our star quilt. One dollar each or 6 for \$5. Submitted by Carol Poitras

Souhegan Valley Quilters Guild: (Milford) - December Update



Celebrating their 40th Anniversary year with lots of fun planned.

Participants were given phase 2 of the mystery quilt design at our December meeting and we hope everyone had time to finish it throughout the busy holiday season so that phase 3 can commence. Work is continuing on plans for our Member Identification Board containing headshots of all members to be displayed at the reception table. Lots of new names to remember and this will help us welcome the newbies as well as the names of the dedicated long-term members. As we age, we need all the help we can get.

Souhegan Valley Quilters' Guild meets on the second Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. and the third Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Light of The World Church, 273 Elm Street, Milford, NH. Two free meetings before deciding to become a member at only \$25. a year. But we know you'll love us.

Squanicook Colonial Quilters' Guild: (Townsend, MA) - **December Update**



On Saturday (January 6th), the Squanicook Colonial Quilt Guild will be hosting Sue Pelland, a nationally known quilting lecturer, designer and instructor for an applique workshop. Her workshop will feature the "Drunkard's Path" pattern. The workshop is planned to be an in-person workshop and will be held at the Pepperell Community Center. The workshop is 4 hours in length and will run from 10am til 2:00pm.

We are opening up this workshop to other guild members. Please, if you plan to attend the workshop, let me know by sending me an email at: lebenon@charter.net. I will save you a spot in the class.

This workshop will require a special ruler (the large set of "Hearts and More") that Sue will have available at the workshop. However, if you sign up for the workshop, she will provide a coupon for a 20% discount to purchase the ruler and any other goodies you may find on her website. I will email participants the coupon code once you sign up. I'm erring on the safe side and getting my rulers early just in case weather gets in the way! Cost of the workshop is \$45 (not including the ruler).

NOTE: If the weather precludes travel, Sue is able to still deliver this workshop via ZOOM. She has done this many times before, so "the show will go on".

Country Village Quilters' Guild: (Moultonborough) - **December Update**

We meet twice a month, and we have 115 members. Awesome Quilt photos on our website. Your Editor found the following Santa Masterpiece on the CVVQG's Website and had to show it to you. Crafted by Colleen Kane Whary



Hannah Dustin Quilt Guild - Hudson - December Update



From their website: They feature photos of their jellyroll Race Workshop and thank Diane Judd for running it.

January 8th: Presentation of Janice and David Jones. This husband-and-wife team share a passion for creating art and enjoy presenting lectures, trunk shows and workshops. Visit the Brush Art Gallery and Artist' Studio's in Lowell, Mass or view their work at www.TheBrush.org.

Our Guild's monthly meetings are moving to the VFW located at 15 Bockes Road, Hudson, NH, (not the Hudson Community Center). The first meeting will be September 11th with a "Meet and Greet" theme". A number of new members joined the Guild in June, but we would always welcome more. Meetings formally begin at 9 a.m. but the doors are open by 8:30. Looking forward to 2024.

Amoskeag Quilters' Guild: (Hooksett) December Update



Welcomed two new members this month.

The Amoskeag Quilters Guild meets on the third Thursday of each month from September through May and concludes its year with a celebration banquet for members only in June. The meetings are held at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 14 Mammoth Rd., Hooksett, NH. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the business portion of the meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. followed by the evening's program which might include a speaker, show 'n tell, light refreshments on occasion, and signups for various activities including several charitable endeavors. Guests are welcome to attend two meetings at no cost before signing up as a member, except for meetings with speakers in which case the speaker fee for non-members is \$10 and \$5 for AQG members. Workshops are offered several times a year, often in conjunction with the speakers. Emmanuel Baptist Church is accessible with ample parking. Come see what Amoskeag Quilters Guild has to offer.

Amoskeag Quilters Guild Biennial Quilt Show is coming Sat. and Sun., April 20 and 21, from 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Multi-day admission is \$10 - under 12 free. Member quilts, vendors, raffle baskets to benefit New England Quilt Museum, raffle quilt to benefit the Pass Along Project, sewing machine raffle. Mark your calendars! www.amoskeaggg.org

Cheshire Quilt Guild: December Update



Denise: Enclosed is the program from Cheshire Quilters' Guild for the year. We have very exciting programs our team has picked and do welcome guests at our general meetings. Right now we are having an executive board transition so anyone with questions can contact me via email at louannegyory@gmail.com
January 10, 2024: Sophia Sushailo shows us her Ukranian Needlework.

Capitol Quilters Guild: (Concord) - October Update

Fall has continued to bless us with its beautiful colors and cooler temperatures. I am hoping for some dryer weather before the dreaded white stuff starts to fly. We had a new program this past month with a speaker via zoom that let us experience something to do with our scraps or at least inspiration to get them organized. I hope you found her suggestions helpful. This next month we will also have a zoom program that will let us visit with another non-local artist. Evelyn found one that may prove very useful with our upcoming Eclipse challenge. I hope you continue to find your inspiration wherever it may be and keep inspiring others. Our beautiful craft only grows when we share it with others - CQG President - Justine
Our November speaker will be Dana Jones from Colorado. Dana is an experienced writer, teacher, and lecturer and has been involved in many aspects of the quilting world and is especially interested in foundation piecing.

The group is working on backpack stuffing for holiday giving to the McKenna House a social services organization. Friday Nov. 3rd at 7:00 the Pembroke Public Library and Pembroke Historical Society are pleased to welcome Pamela Weeks from the New England Quilt Museum. She will speak about New England quilts and the stories they tell. We are encouraged to bring a quilt with us.

Merrimack Valley Quilters Guild: (Haverhill, MA) - October



Our show is over and we're getting down to actually quilting! Our first workshop is full and our retreat is around the corner. Our next meeting is our holiday party so we are a happy group. We had 8 new members at our meeting last night and a lot of guests as well. All is good in the quilting world at MVQ. Lynne.

Editors Comment: I will occasionally include Guilds from surrounding states when I know that NH Guild members are also members of the Mass. Guild. But G2G is all about quilting in NH.

New Hampshire Modern Quilt Guild: (Nashua) - September

Get ready for our monthly meeting, September 14th at First Church in Nashua, 1 Concord Street, Nashua. At the meeting we will have Round Robin Rules, tutorials with Quick Curve, Stripology, BlocLoc, Square in a Square and perhaps Circle Savvy Ruler. See you at the meeting.

Hannah Dustin Quilt Guild Hudson - September



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Bedford Friendship Quilt Guild: September

Our quilt challenge was amazing. The theme was "Your Favorite Children's Book". The projects will be on display at the Bedford Library in the children's area in September. At our upcoming September meeting one of our members will be giving a demonstration on marking fabric using Inktense pencils with the Derwent line of Inktense watercolor pencils. Watercolor pencils, stamps and cotton fabric will be available for any member interested in participating. We have a speaker lined up in November - Michele Banton on "What if MacGyver Was a Quilter? Lots of quilting and sewing hacks using items you probably already have a home.

The Guild is very excited and plans a significant expansion in offerings because of the larger space.

Northern Lights Quilt Guild: Lebanon - September

Thanks for checking in and for all the work you do with Guild To Guild. Northern Lights Quilt Guild meets in person April through December at the Methodist Church in Lebanon, 18 School Street at 6:30. Members and visitors come from various towns in NH and VT. January through March is on Zoom at 6:30. Typically, meetings feature a short business meeting, announcements, a program featuring a guest speaker or Guild member, refreshments, block of the month and nametag drawings plus show 'n tell. Folks can choose to participate in completing community service quilts, various fundraisers or sew togethers. All are welcome to visit and consider becoming a member, Thanks, Gwendolen

Editors Note: Northern Lights had a booth at the League of NH Craftsmen Fair in Sunapee to showcase their talent and get people excited about quilting. Photo's on their website.

Heritage Quilt Guild: (Manchester) - September

Thank you for keeping up this newsletter. We will be meeting at the Litchfield Community Room located at 10 Liberty Way, Litchfield, NH 03053 at 6:30 on the second Friday of the month.

Belknap Mill Quilters Guild: (Laconia) - September

Busy working on their upcoming show. Saturday and Sunday September 23 & 24th. There are three venues, all of which are very close to one another in Laconia.

- Belknap Mill on Beacon Street, East, 1st Floor and 3rd Floor (elevator available)
- Venues 2 and 3 are one block away on Main Street at the Conference Center and the Senior Center) ground floors.
- Each venue displays different categories of quilts and each has one or more vendors. There will be 170 quilts on display this year. Admission is \$10 for one (on both days) children under 12 are free.
- Hours: Saturday, September 23rd, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday September 24th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Twas the night before Christmas and the quilts were not made.
The threads were all tangled, the cookies delayed.
The stockings weren't hung, the pantry was bare.
The poor weary quilter was tearing her hair.
Stacks of fat quarters, tipped over in streams,
visions of Log Cabins, has turned into dreams.
When what to her wondering eyes should appear,
but a bus full of quilters with all of their gear.
They went straight to work with just a few mutters,
Sorting and stitching and brandishing cutters.
The patterns emerged from all of the clutter,
Like magic the fabrics arranged in a flutter,
Log Cabins, Lone Stars, Flying Geese and Bear Tracks
Each quilt was a beauty-even the backs.
Her house how it twinkled, her quilts how they glowed.
The cookies were baking, the stockings were sewed.
Their work was all done, so they folded their frames,
And packed up their needles without giving their names.
They boarded the bus, and checked the next address,
more quilts to be made, another quilter in distress.
She heard one voice echo, as they drove out of sign,
Happy quilting to all and to all a good night!
Author Unknown.