



# THIMBLES & FRIENDS QUILTING GUILD

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**Well I don't know about you** - but I am finding myself looking forward to getting back into the swing of our Guild meetings every month. I have gone through all my calendars already, business and personal, 2002 and 2003, and marked off all of my important quilt dates in pink highlighter.

Let's see - there's Bayberry Quilt show in August, I can't miss that. Then Images in Lowell - I'm taking some neat classes, staying overnight with my quilting buddies and will take in the Quilt Museum while I'm there. Then there's every first Saturday for my Thimbles and Friends Guild meeting. Oh, I have to block out time for "The Gathering" in November, some more classes and overnight stuff. Then there's the Guild retreat in February - I would really like to pull an all-nighter there and get lots of sewing done. Then April - off to the "Heritage Quilt Show" in Pennsylvania and all those wonderful fabric shops. That'll be overnight again for a few days, guess I have to save up for that.

Of course I can't forget our own Thimbles and Friends Quilt show in October 2003. There will be planning days and coordinating things for that. I really want to get all my projects done for the show too. Wow-my calendars are filling up fast, in fact they are becoming awash in pink highlighter as I add new quilting adventures I would like to try. Besides all of this, add up the time we quilters spend reading quilt magazines, sending emails, searching the internet for quilting sites, going to board meetings, visiting quilt shops, buying fabric and just enjoying each others company while we sew and I'm surprised there's room for much else!

Over the years I have learned many things about quilting, quilters and time management. Some of the more important of these things are that - There is always time to buy one more piece of fabric for my stash, there is always time to go to one more quilt shop and most important of all, there is always time to make one more quilting buddy. May-be that's why I'm looking so forward to getting back to Guild meetings - Gee, I miss you guys!!!!

Written by Carolyn Anderson, Co-Chair

## Save your pennies...

**PA** here we come! As was mentioned at a Guild meeting last spring, Carolyn Anderson and Linda Newberry are going to the Quilter's Heritage Quilt Show in Lancaster, PA next April and are willing to coordinate a car caravan of anyone interested in going. The list will be out at the September Guild meeting in case you want to add/remove your name. It will be up to the individuals going to organize their own transportation, but we're working on gathering info about the area so you can make the most of your time there. More info will be coming in the late fall!

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## See you in September

Our first meeting of the year is September 7. One of our goals for this year is to foster getting to know each other better. This will be evident in a special introduction activity we have planned for this meeting. Of course, a highlight of the September meeting is always show & tell, so we can see what you've been up to all summer!

Bring the things you've been working on...we want to see!!!

## RETREAT!!!

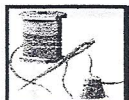
We will again have a Thimbles and Friends weekend retreat at the Seacrest in Falmouth.

The dates are February 8 & 9.

## Welcome

We are pleased to announce that we have a new member. Marguerite MacPhail will be joining us in September.

Welcome, Marguerite!



### Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand 3/6/02	\$4,714.51
Add Income:	
Dues	700.00
Fat Qtr. Raffle	39.00
Raffle Quilt Sales	94.00
Challenge Fab. -member buy back	8.00
Less Expenses:	
Retreat—film & developing	12.58
Dues for NE Quilt Museum	15.00
Newsletter—April 2002	26.11
Fat Quarter Fabric—2 months	17.00
Thank you gift—Linda Newberry	47.25
May 2002 Speaker fee—Mary Walter	247.25
Abington Library—Annual Gift	100.00
Backing fabric-raffle quilt (red,white,blue)	34.00
Greeting/Sympathy/grad cards for members	5.21
Cash on hand 7/12/02	\$5,051.11

### Congratulations to....

**Pat Delaney** has won a blue ribbon at the Vermont Quilt Festival! Her quilt, "New York Beauty Floral," which appears in the May section of the 2003 Quilt Art Engagement calendar, won the honor at the Festival in July. She also won an award for her combination of techniques in the quilt.

**Linda Newberry** A loose-leaf copy of her thesis is going into the permanent library of the New England Quilt Museum so that it may be used for reference by future quilt scholars.

**Pat Kriensky** for the sale of her picnic quilt with all the buttons that was auctioned off this summer. There were 5 bidders competing for Pat's quilt.

### Keeping in Touch

If you know of a guild member who is having a bit of a rough time and could use a cheerful note, or is celebrating something like the birth of a grandchild, let Jo Frusetti know. Jo has volunteered to be our "hospitality connection," sending notes and cards. Etc. as needed.

Thanks, Jo!

### Charity Quilt Recipient

The Board has adopted DOVE as our charity quilt recipient organization this year. For those of you who don't know, DOVE is involved in helping victims of domestic violence by providing safe housing. They have emergency housing locations and apartments where people who have left an abusive situation can stay until they get on their feet. DOVE has 18 beds that need twin-sized quilts. We hope to fill that need. Karen Bozek is providing information in this newsletter on supplies necessary to make the "lightening bolt" or "zig zag" quilt. Members can make their own design if they prefer. Our October meeting will be spent putting our charity quilts together. The Board has decided that batting for the quilts will be provided for the members. We suggest that if you want, people could pair up to work on these projects if making a twin sized quilt on your own is too much for your schedule this fall. Dove will pick them up at the November meeting.

### Charity Quilt Supplies for the October Meeting

Fabrics that are color coordinated, maybe florals, novelties, or whatever.

10 pieces of fabric - cut 6" wide by the width of the fabric long. (45')

For borders cut: 6 pieces 3 1/2" wide by the width of the fabric long.

8 pieces 5" wide by the width of the fabric long.

Karen will bring samples to the September meeting.



## Thimbles & Friends white gloves for Images August 15-18 2002

Following are the times that guild members have signed up for to work at the Images Quilt Show August 16, 17, and 18. Please mark these dates on your calendar. We have a couple of slots we still need to fill in order to qualify to have our raffle quilt on display each of these three days. Please contact Linda Newberry ASAP if you are able to fill in for any of these times.

### Friday, Aug. 16 White Glove

Irene Warman 10-11:30

Paula Whalen 11:30-1

Claudia Cummings 1-2:30

Diane Piechowski 2:30-4

we need one more person to work 3:30-5

### Friday, Aug. 16 Raffle Table

Diane Piechowski 10-11:30

Claudia Cummings 11:30-1

Paula Whalen 1-2:30

we need two more people to work 2:30-4 and 3:30-5

### Saturday, Aug. 17 White Glove

Carolyn Anderson 10-11:30

Linda Newberry 11:30-1

Phyllis Barry 1-2:30

we need two more people to work 2:30-4 and 3:30-5

### Saturday, Aug. 17 Raffle Table

Linda Newberry 10-11:30

Carolyn Anderson 11:30-1

Linda/Carolyn 1-2:30

Phyllis Barry 2:30-4

Linda Newberry 3:30-5

### Sunday, Aug. 18 White Glove

Pat Delaney 11-12:30

Louise Wilson 11-12:30

Anne Szczesny 12:30-2

Nancy Moynihan 12:30-2

Martha Empey 2:30-4

### Sunday, Aug. 19 Raffle Table

Martha Empey 11-12:30

May Lai 12:30-2

Nancy Moynihan 2:30-4

Drawing at 3:45 p.m.!

## Officers for 2002 - 2003

### Co -Chairs

Carolyn Anderson

Nancy Moynihan

Diane Piechowski

Secretary

Linda Newberry

### Co-Treasurers

Sandy Brawders

Joyce Hochstrasser

Members-at-large

Karen Bozek

Claudia Cummings

### Co-Program Coordinators

Pat Kriensky

Newsletter Editor

Paula Whalen

## QUILT SHOW PREPARATIONS

At our October guild meeting we will begin the planning for our quilt show in the fall of 2003. Have you started working on the quilts you're going to put in the show? The theme of the show is "The Story is in the Stitches."

We will again be having a mini-quilt auction, which Karen Bozek and Claudia Cummings will coordinate. The maximum size of the mini is 24 inches. If you have any questions about the type of quilt they are looking for, please talk to one of them. We hope every guild member will make a quilt for the auction. To make it less hectic for guild members, we are going to ask that the minis be due at the March meeting, rather than have them due just before the show.

Also, be thinking about what jobs you might be interested in doing for the show. We've already had people sign up for soliciting ads for the show book, organizing the mini auction, quilt registration, admissions, vendor coordinator, and yard sale coordinator.

One area where we will need someone in the near future is advertising the show. Once we get the date, we'll want to be ready to send out cards to guilds, shows, etc. We plan to focus more effort on advertising this time and would like someone to take this job on as their main responsibility.

If you have any ideas about the show, please make a note and bring it with you to the October meeting!

go to raffle table  
TSONGS arena  
Ice floor  
wendy



## MEETING SCHEDULE:

- September 7 Welcome back, Getting to know each other, Show & Tell, and info for Charity Quilts (Please see inside Newsletter for supply list)
- October 5 Charity Quilt Workshop. Quilt Show Discussion and sign up for jobs. Supply list for the Calendar Workshop
- November 2 Charity Quilts due, pickup by Dove Representative. Calendar Workshop
- December 7 Yankee Swap Holiday Potluck Party and Show & Tell.
- January 4 Physical Therapy for Quilters, presented by Wendy Moore & Sandy Brawders. Announcement of Challenge Quilt Rules (Coordinated by Martha Empey and Erin Yunits)
- February 1 Retreat preparation: bring items and do your cutting, prep work, etc. that you are going to work on during the retreat. Retreat February 8 & 9.
- March 1 Landscape appliqué workshop with Maria Loge. Due date for mini-quilts for the quilt show (24 inches).
- April 5 Pat Kriensky volunteered to coordinate a field trip for those not going to PA
- May 3 Show & Tell, Challenge quilts due, quilt show preparation.

## NEWSLETTER INFO

Do you have info you think the guild members would be interested in? Do you know of someone who does excellent quilting for hire? Have you read a particularly good quilting book lately? Share it in the newsletter! Please feel free to give Paula Whalen the information or send it to her via e-mail at [pjwhalen@bellatlantic.net](mailto:pjwhalen@bellatlantic.net), at least 3 weeks in advance. Also, please feel free to offer any feed back on the newsletter format. Did I leave anything out? Is there something you think I should add? Thanks for you input.

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