



Thimbles & Friends Quilt Guild Newsletter

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Greetings from Bridgewater

Pretty soon I'm getting new flooring in my sewing studio. That means I have to box everything up and store it for a time while the 70's shag carpet is pulled up and new flooring installed. That means no sewing for a while (sigh). Then I'll need to unpack all those boxes and reorganize and set everything up again. While this will be a lot of work in my already busy life, it is also an opportunity. What should I change in my sewing room? Should I completely reorganize everything? I could move all the cabinets and tables around! I could buy new storage units for my fabric! I could completely revolutionize sewing in Bridgewater!

I'm tired just thinking about it. Happy Thanksgiving.

- *Julia*

From the Chair

Hello My Friends,

Here's a brainteaser for you: A hobo found he could make a new cigar if he found 5 cigar butts. How many cigars can he make if he finds 25 cigar butts? Think a minute! The answer is six: 5 out of the original 25 and one more after he smokes those five!

So I was looking at my stash the other day, (fabric, not cigars!), and I wondered how many quilts I could make. I bet you can guess where I'm going with this! I figured if a quilt takes 6 yards on average, and I have about 300 yards of fabric (check below for a photo of my stash), I can make 50 quilts out of the fabric, and 20 more out of the scraps, for a total of 70 quilts! Whoops, I forgot to count my precuts and the scraps I already have! Looks like I am set for a good long while! How about you?

Be sure to get sewing for the holidays and to have a Happy Thanksgiving! See you at our Holiday Party.

- Jeanne

P.S. To the left is a photo of my old MA license plate -- it's my goal!

Freecycle Table

Sue-Ellen Hewett, Sally Thornton, and Barbara White have taken over the Freecycle Table. Thanks to Gina Stone for her great job with this endeavor! We plan to make a few changes beginning with the November meeting. For November and December we will be accepting and freecycling only quilt books, quilt patterns and quilt magazines

- Sue-Ellen, Sally, and Barbara



Table Runners

Thank you for all that participated in the twisted table runner. The runners turned out awesome. If you could bring them for show & tell to the December meeting it would be nice to share with everyone. Thanks!

- Sheryl & Janice

Have Something to Say?

Send newsletter submissions to
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Meeting Dates

Here are the meeting and event dates for our upcoming year. Meeting times are 10:15 AM – 2 PM. Looks like we have a busy season scheduled! (Be sure to check back often for updates.)

Dec. 5	Holiday Party – Mary Davis
Jan. 9	Faux Piped Binding Workshop – Chris Thierfielder
Feb. 6	Prep for Retreat – Joanne Donovan and Pat Delaney
Feb. 12-14	Retreat in Plymouth!! – Joyce H, Janice O’Gara, Sue-Ellen Hewitt
March 5	TBA
April 2	Shop Hop? Tracey Phillips and Janice O’Gara
May 7	End of the year party – TBA





It's A Party!

Dear Thimbles and Friends Friends,

Chris Thierfelder and I plan to have you "Dreaming of a White Christmas" for our annual Christmas party on Saturday, December 5th.

We're asking that each of you brings a non-perishable food item to be donated to a deserving food pantry.

Also, remember your \$20.00 Yankee Swap (good quality fabric or other quilt-related item).

A dozen members have already signed up to provide refreshments, but if you just can't wait to try out a new holiday recipe or a traditional favorite, by all means let us know.

So see you all soon, and keep "Dreaming of a White Christmas!"

- Mary Davis

Retreat News

Hello Ladies!

That time of the year is upon us (and I'm not talking about Christmas/Hanukkah) the Thimbles and Friends yearly retreat is just a few months away. It will be held February 12-14, 2016, at the Radisson/ Hotel 1620 at Plymouth Harbor located at 180 Water St. in Plymouth. The Mayflower room is available for sewing from 7 AM Friday morning until Sunday 6 PM, so if you want an early start, you can book your room for three nights, beginning Thursday the 11th.

The nightly rate of \$91 is still being offered, but your reservation needs to be made prior to January 12, 2016. The earlier the better. It was announced at the last meeting guild meeting that the guild will pay the \$50 fee for each member to cover the cost of the meals. That would be the luncheon on Saturday and the brunch on Sunday. I know we have a member with gluten allergies, but if there are any other type of allergies, please email them to me directly. We have plenty of time to set up the food choices.

With that, have a very Happy Thanksgiving and see you all at the December holiday party.

- Joanne Donovan

Reservations must be made by January 12, 2016 to get the group rate of \$ 91.00 by calling 508-747-4900. Be sure to mention that you are with Thimbles and Friends Quilting.

