



Thimbles & Friends Quilt Guild Newsletter

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Facebook

Thanks to Sheryl we now have a Facebook page. To "like" it, go to <https://www.facebook.com/ThimblesAndFriends>.

On this page we can share meeting notes and tips, and set up events. You can even post pics of your quilts. Thanks Sheryl!

Greetings from Bridgewater

Dear Quilting friends,

Did the summer go by in a flash or what? All of a sudden I'm back-to-school shopping and thinking about the Fall schedule. And I realize with horror that I don't have too much more time to get my show entries done and submitted. I keep forgetting about my auction piece, which I really have to finish, and I need to get sleeves on a few quilts and finish my 2012 challenge. I better get going!

Blessings,

- Julia B.

From the Chairman

I can't believe that August is almost over. We've had a little bit of that Fall "feeling" in the air. I've missed everyone over the summer; welcome back!

I hope you've been to some great shows over the summer to keep your creative juices flowing. The Board has been busy planning for the coming year. We have an exciting calendar of workshops, a bus trip, parties, and hopefully an outside speaker. The Show Committee has been meeting monthly, getting all the details in place for our October 5 & 6 Quilt Show. I know you have been busy with your entries and auction piece. I've surprised my friends by doing a little knitting for the boutique. Who knew I knitted?

Our September 7th meeting will be all about the Quilt Show. Be ready to sign up for working various time slots both Saturday and Sunday at the Show. The best thing about the Show is that it is SO MUCH FUN!

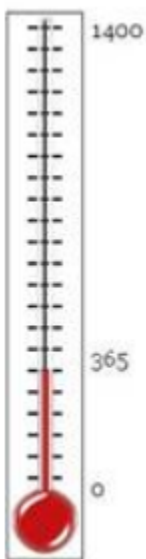
See you in September.

- Rose

Thank you

A word of thanks to Rose, Jeanne, and Donna for spending a very HOT July 4 selling raffle tickets at the Bridgewater Arts Festival. We sold over 70 tickets! Thank you hardy souls!

- Julia B.



Keep selling those tickets! We can make it!

Congratulations to Pat Delaney for winning the Vermont Quilt Festival ribbon for the Best Machine Quilting: home machine!



September Meeting

Our contact at the library called to let us know that a library function will be taking place at 2:00 pm on Saturday, 9-7-13. They would like to have access to the room a few minutes early to set it up. We came to an agreement that the library employees will let us into the room at 9:45 am that day and we will need to be finished and out of the room by 1:45. This still allows us to have enough time for our meeting; we just need to be aware that we will start 15 minutes earlier and vacate the room 15 minutes earlier. Please make note of the change in time on your calendars.

- Thanks, Pat McCollem

Meeting Dates

Here are the meeting and event dates for our upcoming year. Sounds like a whole lot of fun!

Sept. 7	Quilt Show Planning – Tracy and Janice. Please be there early.
Sept. 28	Turn in quilts for show 10-12
Oct. 4-6	Quilt Show! All hands on deck!
Oct. 12	Quilt Square Roulette - Pat McCollem
Nov. 2	Bus Trip – The Gathering – Joyce and Shirley
Nov. 9	Jelly Roll Race! – Jeanne and Gina
Dec. 7	Christmas/Holiday Party – need volunteers
Jan.4	Table Runner workshop - Louise
Feb. 1	Rotary Cutter Mat Tote – Rose and Josephine
Feb. 14 - 16	Retreat in Plymouth!! – Wendy, Pat M., Joanne F., Joyce, and Donna
March 1	Joanne D. and Pat D.
April 4	Outside Speaker – Need coordinator
May 3	End of the year party – need volunteers

Note for the November Gathering Bus Trip

Departure time will be 8:30 and we will depart New Hampshire no later than 3:30 pm. There is no extra charge for the increase in hours.

Handy Link of the Month

Ever heard of **McTavishing**? – Karen McTavish has invented a marvelous quilting method that is fascinating and gorgeous. Go to her [site](http://www.designerquilts.com/gallery5_mctavishing.html) for more information:

“McTavishing is a background filler which employs long swooping lines and curves - like cartoon hair. It can be made very densely to pack down the background or it can be made loosely to add motion and interest to the quilt top. I use McTavishing in most of my quilts.”

– Karen McTavish

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T & F Silent Auction

A silent auction will be held during our upcoming quilt show. This has always been a great money maker for our guild and, therefore, we hope each one of our members participates.

Trying something new, this year you will have a choice to make one of the following items:

- A small quilt measuring no more than 18” on all sides or,
- A lady’s handbag or shopping bag

The items are due at our September meeting – thank you for your support in this fundraiser!

- Cathy Hodges & Pat Loftus, Silent Auction Coordinators



Quilt Show News

Hi ladies,

We had our last quilt show meeting before our September Saturday meeting this week. The quilt show is really working out well—thanks to everyone’s effort.

Here is a recap of our meeting:

The quilt show book has been completed by Paula Whalen with Jill Lillie proofing the content. It looks great! The team of Donna Babchuck and Jeanne Aurelio has amassed a number of ads, many with coupons, for the book.

Reminders – please bring to the September 7th meeting

1. Items for the raffle baskets category for Linda Robbins:
 - Knitting & Crocheting



Quilt Show Reminders

Please label ALL your quilts and attach hangers or sleeves of about 5" wide.

Please continue to sell the raffle tickets as our target is \$1,000.00 and we're almost half way there. If you need more then please contact Rose using her new e-mail address rose.perrymail@gmail.com

There will be additional flyers for distribution at the September meeting. Rose has contacted 25 guilds about our show!

Louise has visited the Senior center to scope out the kitchen so we have an idea of space for lunch, pocket books etc.

Don't forget to work on your boutique items as the show will be here before we know it.

Janice and I hope everyone has had a great summer and look forward to upcoming show.

- Tracy Phillips

Boutique

With the quilt show fast approaching, I hope members have been working on items for the boutique. Every member that will be submitting items must be assigned a number and every item must be individually tagged. If you have not been assigned a number or if you need tags, please see me at the September meeting. All boutique items will be brought to the senior center on set-up day, Friday, October 4. Thanks.

- Shirley

- Kitchen
 - Garden
 - Romantic
 - Patriotic
 - Sports
 - Quilting
2. Challenge Quilts are due from this and last year.
 3. Please complete registration forms for all Challenge quilts for Pat Delaney and for making labels. Pictures with the form will be appreciated. Sleeves are not needed for last year's Compass Marnier or this year's Favorite Song challenge or the silent quilt action.
 4. Show quilts are due at the **9/28/13** meeting but may be delivered at the **9/7/13** meeting. *Sorry for the confusion*
 5. The 9/7/13 meeting will be devoted to discussing and planning the quilt show. For members unable to attend, please let Janice and I know what tasks you are interested in helping with at the show. Also we need volunteers for the quilt rack pick up (being tentatively planned for Thursday, 10/3/13 night) and the show set up on Friday 10/4/13. Husbands, boyfriends, boy toys are welcome to help set up.
 6. At the 9/7/13 meeting there will be sign-up sheets for helping with admissions, selling raffle tickets, admissions, show rack pick up and returns, show set up, hanging quilts, white gloves, etc.
 7. We need music theme decorations for the show. Please let Josephine Abbot know of any items you are willing to loan for the show.
 8. Remember to complete quilts or bags for the silent auction. This is a great revenue generating project so all donations are greatly appreciated. For those more organized than me, multiple items can be donated!
- Tracy Phillips

Have Something to Say?

Send newsletter submissions to Julia at Julia.Blanchard@Comcast.net and Jill Lillie at Scruffsmom@Comcast.net

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