



QBS PRESS

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QBS Mission Statement

*To instruct, encourage, and develop the art of quilting;
to share techniques, ideas, and experiences;
and to extend friendship.*

Next Meeting:

September 10, 2015 ~ 7:00 p.m.

St. Barnabas Church

1697 East Main Road
Portsmouth, RI 02871
(Handicapped accessible)

For the September Meeting:

Remember your:

- Name tag
- Membership fee, if needed (\$25)
- Meals on Wheels placemat(s)
- Fabric strip of the month
- Show and Tell

Board Members

President: Ruth Sears

Vice President: Chris Bagley

Secretary: Jennie Nestlerode

Treasurer: Martha Munkacsy

Newsletter Editor

Catherine Hawkes

Guild Photographer

Susan Rood

Committees

Hospitality ~ [Your name here?]

Fabric Strip of the Month:

Chris Bagley

Boutique Item of the Month:

Carol Garvey, Lori Bessette

Membership: Susan VanDerhoof

Community Service: Noreen Kissell

Sunshine: Carol McOsker

Program ~ Susan Rood, Allison

Wilbur

Librarian: Norma Jones

Quilt Show ~ [Your name here?]

Raffle Quilt ~ Judy Messenger

Next Board Meeting

September 15, 10:00 a.m., home of
Chris Bagley

Web Site

<http://quiltersbythesea.com>

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Welcome quilters,

I hope you have been enjoying the beautiful weather we have had this summer and doing whatever makes you happy, hopefully getting time to quilt. As I write this, it is pouring rain, so the garden will be happy again, and I love the chance to be indoors working on a quilt today.

The new Board is getting ready for the September meeting with lots of new ideas and plans for the upcoming Fall. You will see some of them in this newsletter. We hope you will be at the September meeting as we kick off the new year with some activities and information about ongoing community service and some new slants on the old favorite parts of our guild meeting. I hope some of you have been thinking about what you can do to support the guild, as we are looking for volunteers for hospitality, raffle quilt marketing, and the all-important Quilt Show Committee. Be ready to share what you have been working on while we took a break for the summer. I, for one, am looking forward to seeing everyone September 10th.

Ruth Sears, President



Quilters by the Sea 2015-16 Calendar

September 10: General Meeting: *Welcome back!* Ruth and other members will introduce some new ideas as we head into the new year. Community service projects will be introduced as well.

October 1: General Meeting, Timna Tarr Trunk Show : Timna is a modern quilter who works with color. Her quilts have won awards at national shows and have appeared on the covers of national quilting magazines. Website and Facebook page: www.timnatarr.com, www.facebook.com/timnatarrquilts.

October 2: Workshop, Portsmouth Library: Timna Tarr, “Design-ing with Flying Colors,” a color class where Timna has everyone play with fabrics and color, then use improvisational piecing to combine them.

November 5: General Meeting., Brenda Devine Trunk Show: “Baltimore Album and So Much More.” Brenda is a local quilter and President of the Industrial Revolution Quilt Guild in Pawtucket. Her Baltimore Album quilts have won awards nationally, but she has so many more wonderful quilts that you wonder how she has made so many beautiful quilts in one lifetime!

November Workshop : Making Christmas ornaments at Knit One Quilt Two

December 3: General Meeting: Holiday Party and Entertainment

January 7, 8, 9: Quilt In, St. Barnabas Church : Thursday, January 7, 4pm – 10pm; Friday, January 8, 9am – 6pm; Saturday, January 9, 9am – 5pm. Bring along whatever project you are working on and spend some time getting to know your fellow guild members. You can leave your supplies in the room overnight. Bring a food to share, swap quilting tips, find out about our new Quilt Challenge, and enjoy seeing what everyone is making. It’s always more fun to quilt with company!

February 4: General Meeting:,Barbara Becker Trunk Show,“Panel Play.” Barbara has written a terrific book on using panels in quilts called *Panel Play* in which you take panels and incorporate them into quilts. Designs range from simple table runners to complex quilts. Website: www.fourpawsquilting.com.

February 6: Workshop, Portsmouth Library : Barbara Becker shows how to take a panel and make it into a small quilt or wall hanging.

March 3: General Meeting, Melanie Johnston and Joan Blade Johnson: Both women are art quilters whose work ranges from realistic to collage to abstract. Websites: melaniejohnstonfiberart.com, www.jbjfiberart.com.

March 4: Workshop, Portsmouth Library: Melanie and Joan “Memory Quilts”

April 7: General Meeting, Judy Lancaster Trunk Show: Judy is the star instructor at RYCO and has made some fantastic quilts to share with you.

April 8: Workshop , Portsmouth Library TBA

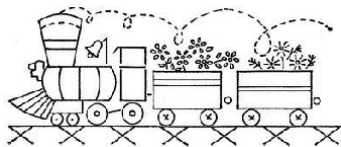
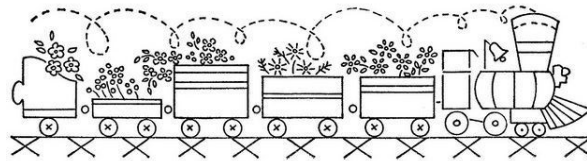
May 5: General Meeting, QBS Member Judy Messenger Trunk Show.

June 2: General Meeting: Ice Cream Social and Member Demo Night in which there will be several stations with demonstrations. Members move from one station to the next for approximately 15 minutes each with 5 minutes in between. If you have a technique you would like to demo or there is a technique you would like to see, please contact Allison Wilbur or Susan Rood.



TREASURER'S REPORT ~ Martha Munkacsy, Treasurer

July 2015 Treasurer's report	Payments	Deposits
Membership		\$963.00
Meeting venue rent	\$250.00	
Programs – Chong & Tarr		\$85.00
Shop Hop	\$1,048.39	\$1,430.00
Storage expense(June&July)	\$216.00	
Non-profit submission	\$30.00	
Supplies	\$72.17	
Raffle prizes/gifts	\$131.48	
June & July 2015 totals	\$1,748.04	\$2,478.00
Balance July 31, 2015	\$13,471.14	



OCTOBER PROGRAM AND WORKSHOP

Take a look at Timna Tarr on her website. Her workshop should be exciting. It is beginning to fill up, so if you are interested, please let Susan Rood know. The price of the workshop is \$35. Sign-up will be available at the September meeting.



OUT AND ABOUT

Shows, Workshops, Shop Hops, and More
(Submit items you think we'd like to know about!)

Sue Pelland Workshop: Ninigret Quilters has space available for a workshop with Sue Pelland on September 9th. "Hope's Diamond" can be a lap or wall quilt that looks like elaborate curved piecing but is actually easy fusible appliqué with large pieces. Workshop will be held at Saint Andrew's Church in Charlestown. Cost is \$45.00 for non-Ninigret members plus \$9.50 for required pattern. Sue will have templates available to use – you do not have to purchase the templates. If interested, contact Kate Conroy (bsktkate@cox.net) or Barbara Chojnacki (bchojnacki@yahoo.com).

Monthly Quilters Get-Together: Please join your fellow quilters at the Middletown Public Library on the fourth Thursday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

New England Quilt Museum, Lowell, MA

Through October 31: Caryl Bryer-Fallert ~ A Retrospective

Through October 31 in the Classroom Gallery: Quilts Inspired by Civil War-Era Quilts

November 5 - December 26: Small Wonders ~ Miniature, Doll & Crib Quilts

Strip of the Month

by CraB



This year instead of bringing, and (hopefully) winning, a fat quarter of Fabric of the Month, we will be bringing in:

TWO cotton 2 ½” x 42” strips of fabric

each month in order to enter to win. Some lucky quilter will go home with dozens of 2½” strips, providing an awesome variety of one single color. What’s not to like?

We will keep it simple. Remember *ROYGBIV* from Art Class 101?

- R = Red** for September 2015
- O = Orange** for October 2015
- Y = Yellow** for November 2015
- G = Green** for December 2015
- B = Blue** for January 2016
- I = Indigo** for February (Think Blue Jean Blues) 2016
- V = Violet** for March 2016
- Solids** for April 2016
- Black** for May 2016
- White** for June 2016

Any print, shade, pattern or value of the color is acceptable, as well as bits of other colors. There are many free patterns using these strip sets available online or at your Public Library (search “jelly roll quilts”). Questions? Email Christine Bagley.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

As the new chair of Membership for the Guild, I want to welcome you all to another year of great meetings, programs, quilting, and — most of all — friendship. In order to make it easier for everyone to get to know each other, I’d like to remind you all to wear your name tags to each and every meeting. While the QBS name tag is preferred, you can wear any kind of name tag you might have. Members who forget their name tag will be asked to make a \$1.00 donation to the Guild.

In May and June many of you renewed your membership for another year. We still have quite a few people who still need to renew. The fee is still \$25 and you can renew at the September meeting and receive your membership card. If you renewed over the summer, we will have your membership card waiting for you. I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Yours in stitches,
Susan VanDerhoof

Guild Opportunities

Being a member of the guild means participating in decisions, projects, sharing ideas and helping each other to learn and enjoy their quilting experiences. As we head into the next two years, there are opportunities for members to meet new people, help out with our projects, participate in activities, learn new techniques and generally grow in our shared quilting lives. Here are some ways you can help the guild:

Hospitality: we will need some volunteers (more fun in a group) to organize the refreshments offered at the meetings. This involves coming early to the meetings (about 6-6:15) to set up the table and put out the items brought in by other members. They also organize the list for sign-up and make sure the area is clean before leaving. You also get to socialize with everyone who comes by the table!

➤➤Each month a few people are needed to supply food and water for this, so please sign up at least once during the year.

Community Service: This is an opportunity to lead our efforts to support those in need in our community. In the past we have donated many items to children and families and in order to continue this, we need someone willing to organize us. The guild members will support you, we will be more productive with someone to focus our efforts. Donna Chaves, who has been doing a fantastic job at this is willing to help the next leader.

Membership: Susan Vanderhoof has been working with Barbara for the past year and is willing to take over as the membership person for the guild. She would like someone to help her. This involves coming to the meetings a bit early, by 6:30, and helping to check in the people as they arrive, as well as helping Susan in any other related tasks (record keeping, membership lists, etc.) This is a great way to meet everyone and learn names to go with the faces you see each month at the meetings!

Raffle Quilt: There is a group of members working on making a quilt to be raffled in the Fall of 2016, when we will be having our next Quilt Show. This quilt should travel to shops and other locations during the next year and a half, to sell tickets. This task involves organizing this “trip” and means you would get to visit quilt shops, maybe explore some new ones! You might even get to go to a quilt show to show it off to others! Again, a small group of friends might be good for this one!

Quilt Show: This is THE BIG ONE.....we all look forward to the quilt show every other year. We will need a team to work on organizing this, so I hope everyone has something they can do to help out. There will be many tasks involved, and there’s sure to be something you can do to help the next show be the best yet. Initially, we need a chairperson (or two) to lead, and we will need people to do advertising, printing, decorating, hanging the quilts and taking them down, registrations, and many more committees that you will be hearing more about as we head into Fall. If you have an interest in leading one of these or helping out, please let Ruth know as we begin to plan for this. Many of our members have done this show many times, some are new to this. We will help you learn what needs to be done and hope everyone is able to participate in some way. By the way, I hope you are all working on some quilts to put in the show!

There may be other opportunities I have forgotten, so please feel free to bring them up to me. If you want to let me know what you are interested in doing, email or call me or talk to me at the June meeting. Hope to see you there.

As we take a break for the summer, I hope you will think about how you can become an active member of the Quilters by the Sea. Keep your eyes open for ideas for the show, ways to teach others what you know, share your projects. Over the summer I hope you have plenty of opportunities to sew, places and things to inspire you, and time to get together with friends and family to relax and sew!

~ Ruth Sears

Quilters by the Sea Meeting Minutes June 4, 2015 ~ St. Barnabas Church, Portsmouth, RI

Meeting began at 7:15.

Donna Bozeman, our outgoing President, started the meeting she then turned over the microphone to Ruth Sears, our incoming President.

Announcements: We had a great turnout for the paint chip challenge! * The New England Quilt Museum has a free community event from July 30th - August 16th showcasing quilts from around New England. * Debbie Timby has a friend who would like a quilt made; please contact Debbie for more information. * The meetings at the Middletown library will continue through the summer on the 4th Thursday of the month. * Donna thanked everyone for their two-year term.

President: Ruth introduced herself to the guild and told us how she became our next President: at the end of April when she was considering being our President, her horoscope for two days was basically telling her this is a great opportunity and that she should say yes. Ruth went over what we have accomplished as a guild for the past two years.

Treasurer: Carol recapped what had been spent over the past two years including fabric for the BOM, quilt show income and expenses, door prizes, hospitality, and other miscellaneous expenses and income.

Membership: Tonight we have 64 members at the meeting. We have two new members: Ann Green and Sandra Santos.

Hospitality: Carol thanked everyone who has brought snacks, water, and goodies for the past two years.

Program: Susan mentioned the Shop Hop is Saturday the 13th and there are still 10 seats available. If you would like to go please see Susan; also if you are going please be at the Tiverton Park & Ride by 7:45am as the bus leaves at 8am. Allison then announced our programs for the next year. In September will be Welcome Back and Community Service; October, Timna Tarr Trunk Show (you can sign up for the October 2nd, 9:00-3:00 workshop now); November, Brenda Devine, Baltimore Albums; December is our holiday party; January is our annual quilt-in; February, Barbara Becker, All About Panels; March, Melanie Johnston and Joan Blade Johnson, memory quilts; April will be member demo night; May is member talk; June is our final meeting before the summer and we will have an ice cream social.

Community Service: Donna is still collecting placemats for Meals on Wheels; about 23 have been collected so far. Donna then recapped the charities we have donated quilts to over the past two years, including but not limited to 65 pillowcases and 8 quilts to Hasbro, 16 quilts for Gabriel's Angels, quilts and pillowcases went to Lucy's Hearth, and quilts were passed out from our disaster closet to families that had fires.

Show and Tell: Projects were shared tonight by Sandy Reynolds, Edna Clifford, Donna Chaves, Barbara Gifford, Jan Gunzelman, Chris Bagley, Janet Roche, Penny Lewis, Maria Ferreira, Kelly Neeley, & Jennie Nestlerode.

Winners: *Block of the Month:* Chris Bagley. *Fabric of the Month:* Lori Bissette. *Door Prize:* Sandy Reynolds.

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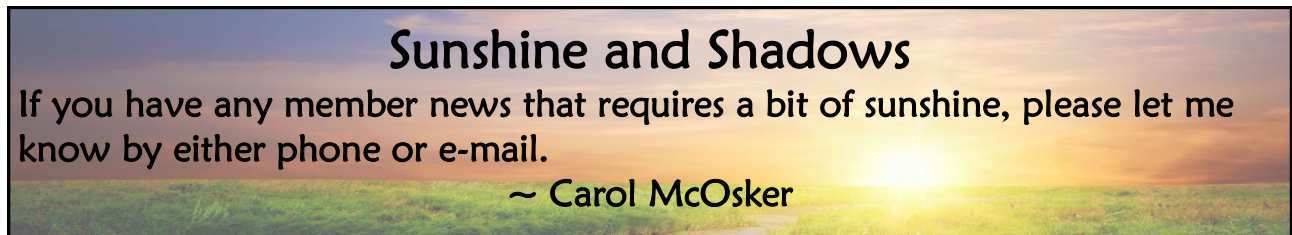
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Other: Ruth announced in addition to our new board members we have Susan Rood, Allison Wilbur, and Jean Droger doing Programs; Noreen Kissell is coordinating Community Service; Judy Messenger is heading up our raffle quilt for the 2016 Quilt Show; Catherine Hawkes is putting together our monthly newsletters; Susan Rood will continue being our photographer; Carol McOsker is continuing with Sunshine & Shadows. We are still looking for someone to coordinate Hospitality for our monthly meeting. Lori thanked Donna for her hard work for the past two years as our president and presented her with a present from the Executive Board which was a necklace with a bear paw on it.

The winners of the Paint Chip Challenge were announced:
1st: Jeannette Perry; 2nd: Kelly Neeley; 3rd: Barbara Gifford.

Adjourned: 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennie Nestlerode



Community Service
Helping people one placemat at a time

Want to use your needle skills to enrich the life of seniors in our state? Bring a placemat to our September meeting to be donated to Meals on Wheels of Rhode Island. Meals on Wheels of Rhode Island serves nearly 1,500 meals each day throughout the state in order to enable older people to maintain independent living with safety and dignity. Having new placemats delivered with these meals is a great way to share our skill and bring a smile to the face of those in need.

These gender-neutral placemats should be approximately 14"x 18" (non-seasonal, please). Bring them to our September meeting to be entered into a raffle drawing. Each placemat gives you to one more opportunity to win. Great cause, nice prizes (gift certificates, lovely fabric and more)!

Need another reason to come to September's meeting? We will be having the following demonstrations that you can use on your own work or for more placemats!

- ◆ Donna Bozeman ~ binding for placemats
- ◆ Chris Bagley ~paper piecing (lovely for the center of a placemat)
- ◆ Donna Chaves ~ quilt as you go

Brush up or learn a new technique to practice on place mats! There will also be placemat kits available for you to pick up and return in October (and more opportunities to win prizes!).

Many thanks,
Noreen