



QUILT SHOW EDITION!

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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.*

NO MAY MEETING!

Next Meeting:

June 6 ~ 7:00 p.m.

St. Philomena School
Student Activities Center
324 Corys Lane
Portsmouth, RI
(Handicapped accessible)

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello, my friends,

As I write this, we are all in final preparation mode for the Guild's 17th biennial quilt show, A Bouquet of Quilts, on May 4 and 5. Of course, there are a few things I have left to the end, but surely I'm not the only one!



A great big thank you to Carol Garvey, Lori Bessette, and Donna Chaves for suggesting last month's guest speaker, Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill. It's always enlightening to listen to someone speak about their thought process and the actual making process. Somehow it was reassuring to hear that Sheri made the same quilt multiple times, for differing reasons: it just wasn't "right" the first time, sometimes she learned something in the making and wanted to try it out again, and sometimes she made quilts with specific people in mind and that required a different take on a quilt. And, just being reminded that you don't need to get it "perfect" is lovely – just make it again!

If you haven't found just the right thing to "do" at the Quilt Show yet, please email me at quiltersbytheseari@gmail.com. You shouldn't miss this chance – especially if you are new or haven't worked on a show previously. I know you know there are several times in making a quilt when magic happens. You suddenly see that the whole quilt is greater than the sum of its parts. The assembly of the quilt show is exactly the same. There is an excitement that happens as the racks are delivered and laid in place, assembled, quilts are unfolded, the "hanging teams" move the quilts to their assigned spots, and you watch as the show takes shape. It is a thing of beauty! And the two days of the show are your chance to get to know your fellow Guild members and to share what you love with our show visitors. If you would like to have something to do during the show, there are still spots available – sometimes it's easier to have a specific task during an event. Maybe staffing the Raffle Basket table is your cup of tea. Just email – we will find just the spot for you!

One last word – invite a friend, or two or three, to the show. It's going to be beautiful.

Gail

Quilters by the Sea 2018-19 Calendar

ALL SOLD RAFFLE QUILT TICKETS AND CASH/CHECKS MUST BE TURNED IN AT THE SHOW IN TIME FOR THE 2:00 DRAWING ON SUNDAY!

May 4-5: QBS Show ~ “A Bouquet of Quilts.” (No monthly meeting.)

June 6: Gladi Porsche Trunk Show, Ice Cream Social, and Annual Meeting. “The Quilting Journey,” Please check out Gladi's website at gladiquilts.net. We will also enjoy our annual Ice Cream Social and vote for QBS officers for 2019-20. *Nominations (including self-nominations) should be made to Susan Rood between now and the June meeting.*

QBS QUILT SHOW

We have over 140 beautiful quilts, 11 vendors, demonstrations every hour on the hour, 13 raffle baskets, 50 small quilts for the silent auction and five totes of boutique items. We are going to have a GREAT show.

We're on the Rhode Show! On Thursday, April 25, Gail gave an informative interview and displayed several quilts on The Rhode Show (WPRI TV) to publicize our show. The show is on the calendar in *Newport This Week*. Hopefully the publicity and the efforts by members in placing bookmarks and posters will bring in at least 500 attendees. We're aiming for 300 Saturday and 200 Sunday.

Members-Only Raffle: Remember to renew your membership at the show to enter a raffle for a fat quarter basket donated by Elaine Wilson, owner of Sew Nice and our new Guild President.

Awards for the Quilts: Past presidents enjoy free admission, and each past president in attendance will pin an award ribbon on a quilt she loves. Each vendor also will place an award ribbon on a quilt of their choice. (Each quilt may receive only one President's Choice or Vendor's Choice ribbon.) Attendees will be able to select one quilt for a viewers choice award. The viewers may choose from among all the quilts, including those quilts that already have a ribbon. Kristin will tally the viewer ballots and determine Best of Show 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. People who receive a ribbon will be invited to show their quilts at the June Guild meeting.

Set-Up Procedures for Friday, May 3

Set-Up Crew Use the Front Entrance: The Pennfield School has to lay down a protective floor for the gym beginning around 4:00 so set up begins when they are finished laying the floor, probably around 4:30. **Everyone, except the people delivering the racks, report to the front entrance.** The racks are delivered to the **side door of the gym** where there is a road.

Rack Set-Up: Kristin Meranda is working with the rack set-up crew according to Allison Wilbur's rack layout plan. Kristin will measure and mark with masking tape where the racks are to be set up. Hopefully the racks will arrive from Norton between 4:30 and 5:00 and will be at the gym side entrance. The rack set-up crew will unload the truck. **Bring gloves if you are working with racks.** Linda Willoughby's grandson and three friends will assemble racks with the help of the people who will have picked up the racks in Norton: Steve and Nancy Landreville, Peggy McCandless, Kristin Meranda, and Liz Bezel.

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Set-Up Procedures for Friday, May 3 (cont'd)

Hanging the Quilts: Ruth Sears and her committee determined which quilt goes on which rack. Kristin and Ruth, working according to the quilt layout plan devised by Ruth and her committee, are supervising the quilt-hanging crew:

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| Donna Chaves | Alyson Lombard and two children (after table set-up) |
| Nancy DeVillers | Derek Mays |
| George DeVillers | Peggy McCandless |
| Shirley Fisher | *Sandy Mitra |
| *Catherine Hawkes | Jennie Nestlerode (after table set-up) |
| Nancy Klein | *Gail Palazzolo and daughter Mary |
| Betsy Leslie | *Linda Willoughby's grandson and three friends |
| | Elaine Wilson |

*These folks will bring ladders, as will Debby Timby, Ruth Sears, and Susan Rood. Janet Roche is bringing the sheets that go between quilts.

Receiving Quilts: Quilt receiving and quilt runners will be supervised by Susan Rood in the front entrance hallway:

Barbara Beaumont
B. Anne Green
Carole Kenny
Barbara Niekerk
Sara Jane Tirpaeck

Table Set-Up: Janet has the diagrams for table layout. Newport Tent will deliver the tables and chairs at 4:30 at the entrance to the school—not the gym. The table crew will work as follows:

Alyson Lombard and her children will supervise Newport Tent workers setting up tables and chairs on the stage.
Barbara Saar will monitor the entrance hall.
Jennie Nestlerode and Nancy Vaillancourt will direct the set-up of tables and chairs in the lunch room and music room.

Susan Rood is bringing three additional card tables.

Bringing Props? Put your name on any props that you are bringing to the show and bring them to the **front entrance**. Noreen Kissell and Penny Lewis will decide where to place the props.

Vendors should enter through the front entrance hallway.

Hopefully set up will be completed by 8:30.

*Working at the show or helping with take-down?
Turn the page!*

QBS QUILT SHOW

Working at the Show on May 4 and May 5

Report to Admissions Table: Report for your shift **15 minutes before the shift begins to allow for a smooth transition between shifts.** The first shift begins at 10:00, so please arrive at the Admissions table at 9:45.

- ✂ Come through the **front entrance** and present your advance ticket and, if you are first shift, pick up your apron.
- ✂ If you are a white glove lady, pick up your white gloves at Admissions.
- ✂ Consider bringing a sweater. We can't guarantee the temperature in the school.
- ✂ Think about bringing a snack because there will be no food sold at the show.
- ✂ There is no secure area for personal possessions. You might want to bring a small shoulder bag or waist pack instead of your usual (large?) purse. The aprons do have pockets.
- ✂ If you have the last shift, turn in your apron to Kristin at the admissions table.

If Your Job Involves \$\$\$: Janet will hand out cash boxes at the beginning of the show to Admissions, Boutique, Membership, Raffle Quilt, and Raffle Baskets.

Directory: Membership, Sweatshirt Challenge, Community Service, Demonstrations, Project Linus, and Raffle Baskets are on the stage. Vendors are in the lunch room and music room. Boutique, Raffle Quilt, Silent Auction, and Admissions are in the front entrance hallway.

Take-Down on Sunday, May 5

At 2:00 on Sunday we will announce the raffle basket winners, silent auction winners, and raffle quilt winner. **Turn in your sold tickets before 2:00!**

Take-down begins at 3:00 on Sunday and hopefully will be completed by 5:00.

Take-Down Supervisors: Janet is supervising stacking tables and chairs. Kristin is supervising quilt take-down and rack take-down. Susan Rood is supervising the return of quilts to owners.

Bring gloves if you are working with racks.

Take-Down Crew: The SAME PEOPLE are stacking tables and chairs by the gym side entrance AND taking down quilts AND taking down racks:

Shirley Fisher
Nancy Keith
Nancy and Steve Landreville
Veronica and Derek Mays
Peggy McCandless
Jennie Nestlerode
Gail Palazzolo and daughter Mary
Sarah Sullivan, her husband, and two sons
Debby Timby
Linda Willoughby's grandson and three friends

Any questions, email Janet Roche.

See you at the show!

Officer Nominations for 2019-20

In accordance with QBS By-laws and Robert's Rules of Order, the following slate of officers for the Quilters by the Sea Executive Board is presented by the appointed Nominating Committee:

President, Elaine Wilson
Vice President, Susan Rood
Secretary, June House
Treasurer, Barbara Saar

Because of the Quilt Show in May, nominees will be voted on at the June meeting. At that time nominations also will be accepted from the floor. Thank you.

~ The Nominating Committee

Proposed Amendment to Quilters by the Sea By-Laws

The By-Laws require notification before a vote is taken.
The Board will ask for a vote at the June meeting.

In light of our recent votes and action, the Board proposes this change to the By-Laws:

By-Laws, Article II

Current: A \$25 contribution to the New England Quilt Museum will be made to honor the birth to or passing of any current member of Quilters by the Sea.

Proposed amendment: *Add the words:* The same contribution will be made for the passing of any former President of Quilters by the Sea.

Sunshine and Shadows

If you have any member news that requires a bit of sunshine, please let me know by either phone or e-mail.

~ Carol McOsker

AT THE MUSEUM...

May — December hours: Tuesday - Sunday 10-4



May 1 through Aug 4: A new exhibit entitled **In Praise of Silk** spans three centuries of quilt-making, highlighting silk. A curator's reception on **Saturday, May 11**, will feature guest speaker Dr Robert Forrant, professor at UMass Lowell, who will be presenting "The Silk Mills of Lowell."

June 25 through August 18: 19th-Century Basket Quilts. American Quilt Study Group members were challenged to study a 19th-century quilt with a basket motif and create a new quilt using the original as inspiration. The exhibit includes 25 study quilts and statements from the quiltmakers about the process and what they learned.

Through Apr. 27: Guns — Loaded Conversations

Through Apr. 27: Big Impressions — Mini Art Quilts by Nancy Messier

Through June 23: Explorations II — Inside the Quilt Artist's Studio

~ Claudette

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KUDOS

Veronica Mays' quilt "Flower Child" is on display at the Pawtucket Arts Collaborative through May 2. It was one of 66 pieces selected out of 281 submissions of art works. Hers was the only fiber art piece chosen. Congratulations, Veronica!

Do you know of a member with work being displayed in the community, or who should be recognized for an accomplishment? Let the editor know so we can share the good news with other members!

2019-2020 PROGRAMS!

Over the course of the next few months, I will be gathering information on speakers and workshops to offer over the next two years. As you know, Lori Bessette has rotated off the Program Committee, and I have agreed to chair that Committee. Lori has been planning all our programs by herself for quite a while. *I would LOVE some help* – in the contacting of potential speakers, setting up for workshops, surveying members, researching (including reporting on speakers you have seen), and attending the annual "Meet the Teachers" at the New England Quilt Museum. Programs are at the heart of our Guild's mission to instruct, encourage, and develop the art of quilting and to share ideas and experiences. *Please, please send me your suggestions or talk to me at a meeting.* I will be putting together a survey to be completed in person at the June meeting and perhaps on-line as well.

~ Gail



COMMUNITY SERVICE



Baby quilts are needed for the NICU at Women and Infants Hospital.

The size is 40" x 40".

Please *pre-wash* the fabric for these quilts.

Thank you for your continued support of the Guild's Community Service efforts!



~ Jennie & Peggy

Quilters by the Sea Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2019 ~ St. Philomena School, Portsmouth, RI

President Gail Palazzolo opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Announcements: Unfortunately, guest speaker Faye Labanaris was unable to attend, but she graciously sent gifts for everyone. Many members brought friends to the meeting, which was a nice addition! We took care of quilt show business including distribution of lawn signs, posters, and bookmarks.

Program: Our guest speaker was modern quilter Sheri Cifaldi-Morrill of wholecirclestudio.com. Sheri was very engaging, from explaining her methodology right down to her quilted leggings!

Announcements: Gail noted that new Bee Block pattern is available! Please bring it back for June. Those who participate are reminded also to finish Gail's Spool Block and return it to her.

Minutes: Debbie Timby motioned to accept the minutes of the March meeting; Claudette Reuss seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Nominating Committee: At the June meeting, we will have an election. The slate of officers from the Nominating Committee is as follows:

President, Elaine Wilson
Vice President, Susan Rood
Treasurer, Barbara Saar
Secretary June House

Nominations also will be accepted from the floor.

Programs: Lori Bessette has stepped down as Program Committee chair. Gail Palazzolo is taking over and will need assistance with this committee. Please step up to help. Lori has left the committee in good standing by planning events several months in advance. A survey will be going out to find out what we are interested in doing going forward. Please respond so that your voice is heard. • There will be another new members get-together this summer at Gail's house. Stay tuned for the date and time. • In June we will have our election, Gladi Porsche will be the guest speaker, we will have our annual ice cream social, then we will be on summer break. The library sew days will continue over the summer in Middletown and Bristol.

Community Service: Jennie Nestlerode reported that 16 quilts were given to the baby shower! Please keep them coming!

Treasurer: Sue Bates reported balances:

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| Checking | \$10,044.34 |
| CD | <u>5,094.39</u> |
| Total | \$15,138.73 |

Refunds will be issued to the people who paid for the canceled Faye Labanaris workshop.

Strip of the Month: Joan Louise won the strips.

Membership: Marilyn King Simoes reported:

63 in attendance
8 guests
1 new member

Quilt Show: More lottery tickets are needed for the raffle basket.

Raffle Quilt: Please sell quilt raffle tickets!!! The quilt is going to the New England Quilt Museum on April 6 with Claudette and Sue Bates selling tickets. Next quilt stop is Sew Nice!

Show and Tell: We closed as usual with Show and Tell. Our members have unique and beautiful talents.

Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Veronica Mays, Secretary