

## Hands All Around – September 2018

Quilters United in Learning Together – Schenectady <u>http://www.quiltschenectady.org</u> Meetings - First Thursdays @ 7pm (Doors open @ 6:30) First Reformed Church of Scotia 224 N Ballston Ave., Scotia

#### FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

Hello Friends,

I hope everyone had a great summer and that heat and humidity didn't affect your quilting endeavors. My air conditioner is my new best friend.

Our Fall Inspiration's Quilt show at Proctors is just around the corner and it's because of you that our show has a reputation of being "one of the best" and that's something all of you should be proud of. This is OUR Show.

The Show Committee has been working diligently organizing yet another great Show but they can't do it without you. At our September 6 meeting there will be Volunteer Sign up Lists. PLEASE be generous with your time and remember that the more you volunteer the less you pay for your ticket. This shouldn't be your only incentive. The Show is the guild's <u>only</u> income and it's the responsibility of all of us to participate in anyway we can to help it continue to be the success that it is. Not only do you help your guild with your volunteering it's a great opportunity to make new friends. I've made so many lasting friendships by "stepping up" and participating in all parts of the guild.

We have a busy year ahead of us. Not only the Quilt Show, great speakers and classes have been planned and of course the challenges. We have our Kid's Sew-in, and Tie-ins along with the Veteran Quilt-ins that are scheduled throughout the year. Another successful exhibit at the Library is being planned and the possibility of a Quilt Retreat at the Church. Don't forget those "Quilt" themed ornaments for our tree at the Schenectady Historical Society. There will more details for you in the newsletter and at our upcoming meetings.

As I've said before I am so proud to be part of such a wonderful group of women. Thank you for your time and talents to help Q.U.I.L.T.S. be the best guild ever!

See you in September.

Linda Cary President **Sept. 6/18 --- "Ellie vonWellsheim". She will be talking about the Mooncatcher Project** This project provides girls with reusable, washable menstrual pads and gives them a chance to stay in school during menstruation. <u>www.mooncatcher.org</u>

| √ Fat Quarter- BACK TO<br>SCHOOL | ✓ Show & tell projects                       |
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| √ Your hand-sewn name tag        | ✓ A friend or new member – \$5.00 fee        |
|                                  | ✓ Quilts for Northern Rivers kids & soldiers |

**<u>REMINDER</u>**: Our November meeting is the first meeting after the show, so if you want to cut your own kit(s), please plan to pick it up at our September  $6^{th}$  meeting.

**REMINDER 2:** <u>Membership Dues.</u> If you haven't done so already, please remember to pay for your 2018-19 dues at our September 6 meeting. It is \$25 a year.

Sept. 26/18 Guild meeting at Proctor's Theater September 26, 2018, doors open at 6:30

| √ Fat Quarter- SPOOKY                | ✓ NO Show & tell                           |
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| $\checkmark$ Your hand-sewn name tag | Quilts for Northern Rivers kids & soldiers |

#### Greetings from the 2018 Autumn Inspirations Committee

The committee has been working diligently over the past several months getting plans together for another successful Q.U.I.L.T.S. Schenectady show. I am proud of our committee, they have another great show in store for us all. Some important next steps.

•Volunteers, Volunteers, Volunteers still needed. Sign-up sheets will be at the September 6 meeting as well as at the September 26, 2018 meeting. It is imperative to the smooth operation of the show we have filled all volunteer spots. Please be generous with your volunteer time. Our guild doesn't ask for much of your time for the day to day running of the guild, only every other year do we ask for your time.

•Remember to bring in your raffle tickets and give to Linda Ovitt.

The volunteer sign-up sheet is included with this email and shows what opportunities are still available and needed. If there are any member information errors on the chart, please let Regina Guzzo or Elaine McCain know at the September 6, 2018 meeting.

•Please bring your Quilts to be displayed at the show on September 26, folded so the identifying label shows.

•Please bring your "member challenge" fall themed table runners to September 6 and/or September 26, 2018 meeting and give to Pat Piniazek.

•Even if you are not entering a Quilt in the show, attendance at this meeting is appreciated

•At this meeting you will purchase your show wristband as your volunteer hours will provide you a discount on your band. The discount will only be honored on Sept. 26, purchase at show will be full price.

I have been blessed to work with and have the guidance of so many experienced committee members as I have made my way as this year's committee chairperson. I'm looking forward to another great show, thanks to all member of our guild.

Rochelle Jones, Committee Chairperson

# September 29 and 30 Autumn Inspirations 2018 Quilt Show at Proctors GE Theater Saturday hours: 10am – 5pm and Sunday hours: 10am – 4pm

#### November 1, 2018 – Sew-in for Northern Rivers (sewing starts at 4pm, meeting is at 7pm)

This is our annual sew-in for Northern Rivers (formerly Northeast Parent and Child). Please come early, if you can.

Members should bring sewing supplies and machines, cutting supplies (some patterns need them), tying needles and scissors, etc. The guild has irons and ironing boards now. Members can come at any time <u>from 4pm</u> onward to sew. Dinner is at 6:30 for those who have been sewing. Members may also bring their own "kits" that they made at home for Northern Rivers.

| √ Fat Quarter- THANKFUL   | ✓ Show & tell projects                       |
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| √ Your hand-sewn name tag | ✓ A friend or new member – no fee            |
|                           | ✓ Quilts for Northern Rivers kids & soldiers |

December 6, 2018 Holiday Party (meeting starts at 7, doors open at 6:30)

This is the annual "sweet and savory" holiday celebration. For this meeting, we sample our favorite finger foods and ask half of the membership to share theirs (so this year, we get those treats from the second half of the alphabet. This is a meeting that we all love!

| √ Fat quarter – CHRISTMAS                   | ✓ Show & tell projects                       |
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| √ Your hand-sewn name tag                   | ✓ A friend or new member – \$5.00 fee        |
| Finger foods (if last name begins with M-Z) | ✓ Quilts for Northern Rivers kids & soldiers |

**Reminder for the December meeting:** Every year at this meeting, Q.U.I.L.T.S members donate items to Northern Rivers Family Services and to the Family Life Center at the City Mission of Schenectady for the holidays. More specific information on what to bring will be included with the November newsletter.

#### This year's challenge:

Challenges – A quilt made from a triad of colors from the basic color wheel and a quilt depicting a leaf or leaves. 24" X 36". I sent the color wheel in an attachment in the fall, but please let me know if you need it. Natalie (quiltsnewsletter@gmail.com)

#### Pet beds

Please do not bring any scraps or fabric to the September meeting. For more information about the program, contact Jane Martinec, janemajel@aol.com, 346-0910

#### MEMBER NEWS AND BULLETIN BOARD

Linda Cary's entry for the Sew Batik challenge, "Proud" at the VQF received a second place award in the Mixed Technique Category and she received a third place ribbon for her quilt entry. Congratulations Linda!

Elaine McCain, is a Hoffman Challenge winner. Her piece, "Gems in the Garden" will be on tour for the next year as part of the Hoffman traveling exhibit. Congratulations Elaine!

Did you know that you can find a list of quilt shows, broken down by State? Our show is included, and you should check out the link for your travels, near and far. <u>http://quiltshownews.com/quilts-show-by-state/new-york</u>

Don't forget about the Quilt Show in Bennington on September 16-17 (Sat. 9-5 and Sunday 9-4) at Mount Anthony Union Middle School. The featured quilter is Michelle Renee Hiatt, who is a designer of her own line of patterns, Sew on the Go. <u>http://www.benningtonquiltfest.com</u>

And one in Roxbury, NY (Catskill Mountain) the weekend before our show. http://wiltwyckquilters.org/guild-events/?mc\_id=312

And Lexington (Mass.) on Columbus Day weekend http://www.risingstarquilters.org/show.html

And Burlington (Mass.) on Oct., 20 and 21 Middlesex Community College Campus Center, 591 Springs Rd, Bedford, MA 01730 <u>http://burlingtonquiltersguild.org</u>

#### Communication...

When you are sending an email or providing information, please be mindful of the following...

- Include your name.
- For the newsletter, be concise, but with full and clear information, about 3 to 4 lines as space is limited.

• Send your questions to the appropriate person. If there is a contact name, please direct your question to that person, rather than just hitting Reply to the email blast.

If you have news for the newsletter, please send it to Natalie McDonough at <u>quiltsnewsletter@gmail.com</u>

#### The deadline for the November newsletter is October 22 at 5pm.

#### Fat Quarters – This year's theme is "Color Me"

For those of you who like to plan ahead, clip the year's schedule of fat quarters and take it shopping with you. Each fat quarter should measure 18 inches by 22 inches. The fat quarter can be solid, batik or print as long as the background is the color listed below.

| September | Back to School | February | Love    |
|-----------|----------------|----------|---------|
| October   | Spooky         | March    | Lucky   |
| November  | Thankful       | April    | Spring  |
| December  | Christmas      | May      | Flowers |
| January   | Winter         | June     | Summer  |

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