

Hi Girly Girls!

Hope this note finds you all well, and quilting up a storm. I would like to start off with a big thank you to Colleen, Janice, and all MQ members that helped make the 2011 Quilt Show a success. It was a show filled with traditional and contemporary quilts, a wide spectrum of color, and precise workmanship, truly a feast for the eyes! Kudos to all that participated in the show.

We have two years until the next show, so, let's power up those sewing machines and try to outshine ourselves.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to Karen and Yvonne, and for those members that I missed please accept my apologies and best birthday wishes. Hope you all have a month of celebration.

THIS MONTHS MEETING

At this months meeting, Sarah will be demonstrating how to create an easier style of making a Stack and Whack quilt. Sarah showed us the quilt she made using this technique at the first meeting, and it is beautiful.

We will also be handing out the Red and White Potholder Quilt Challenge. Based on survey results, the program committee decided to change the Secret Valentine Challenge. Details will be presented at the meeting.

For those signed up for the Mystery Quilt, clue #1 will be revealed!

October 22 - Open Sew day and Machine Repair with Dan. Those that have not signed up yet and would like to get on the list, please contact Jean at:

jeanber65@hotmail.com

AND THE WINNERS ARE ...

You have been waiting patiently to hear the winners of the quilt show viewer's choice. Congratulations to all the winners.

BEST OF SHOW

Tom's Quilt by Peg

Bed Quilts

1st place - Tom's Quilt by Peg

2nd place - My Checkered Past by Karen

3rd place - Favorite Scraps by Peg

Wall Quilts

1st place - Lotus Seed Pods by Laima

2nd place - Over the River and Through the Woods by Jean

3rd place - Spring in Bloom by Joyce

Other

1st place tied - Second Time around (jacket) by Linda

Serenia (doll) by Nancy

2rd place - Change by Karen

Thank you to all that brought food pantry items. They were dropped off at the Ashland Community Center. This month we are collecting for the Holliston Food Pantry, they do not have specific donation needs, all donations are welcome,

especially the staples: peanut butter, canned tuna fish, spaghetti sauce and paper products.

Thank you for supporting those who are in need.

WEEKEND GETAWAY INFO

Here is some information about the MQ Getaway (Friday, March 30th - Sunday, April 1st, 2012).

To find out about the Inn you can visit their website at www.lakeshorefarminn.com. It is in Northwood, NH, approximately a 2 hour drive.

Their room prices are different than on the website (they said they will be updating it soon). It is \$160 pp double occupancy / \$210 for a single. This price includes 6 meals (Friday dinner, Saturday break, lunch, dinner, and Sunday break and lunch). The meals sound delicious, they are served family style and plentiful. They can also provide vegetarian meals upon request. I believe there is a \$100 deposit when booking, and you have up until 2 weeks prior to cancel and get your money back.

They do not provide a project for us. This will be the perfect time to start something new or finish something old. Whatever you decide to do, I am sure you will have a great time sewing, chatting, laughing, oohing and aahing over each others work and eating.

As a member of last year's getaway, it was a wonderful time with my fellow quilters (I also had the bonus of a weekend away from my husband and kids). Money well spent! Please check out the Inn's website and give serious thought to whether you would like to participate in the getaway, then at our October 11th meeting we can get a realistic head count of attendees. Can you believe it is already October 1st?

Joyce

JANIACS

Thank you Sarah for opening up your business to the Janiacs, for our first meeting. Our plan is to meet once a month to sew, troubleshoot and have fun. We set a goal to have 4 blocks finished a month, but if you have time, certainly making more would be good. The Janiac motto is 'No Pain, No Jane'.

For those that would like to join us, our next meeting will be :

November 13 at 4pm

35 Loring Drive, Framingham.

HOSTESS REMINDER

Drinks: Joyce Snacks: Michele

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- \$25 for membership, if you haven't paid yet
 - Food Pantry donations
 - SHOW AND TELL
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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 14 – 16

Proper Bostonian Quilters Biennial Quilt Show, West Roxbury

For more information: www.properbostonianquilters.org

October 20 – December 31

NEQM - Patience to Raise the Sun: Art Quilts from Haiti and their Power to Change Women's Lives