



Marathon Quilter's Newsletter

Our first autumn meeting for Marathon Quilters Guild will be held on Tuesday, **October 11, 2016** at 6:30 p.m. for greetings; 7:00 for the formal start. We will have a Halloween-themed meeting with a demo, so we hope you can make it! The leadership team would like to welcome all current and past members as well as anyone new to our guild's meetings.*

October Meeting Activities

October's meeting will be led by Colleen. We will have two topics. First, we will be making a Halloween-themed quilt using 2 ½ inch strips. A lucky member will bring it home. Second, Colleen will introduce us to bobbin work and couching. She will give a demonstration, and then everyone will be able to try free motion bobbin work.

Please bring to the meeting two 2 ½ inch x 40 inch strips of the same Halloween-themed fabric.

We will also need the following:

6 sewing machines

2 irons

2 ironing boards

4 cutting mats (large)

4 rotary cutters

4 large rulers (at least 24 inches)

>>>Please email Colleen at Colleenmbarnes@outlook.com if you can bring any of the above items. We'll end the meeting, of course, with Show & Tell.

A Note from Yvonne... The Hopkinton Center for the Arts has invited us to participate in their "Festival of Trees," which will take place on December 2-4, 2016. All trees will be provided by the HCA (they will be real and no larger than 6'). Show your creative flair and talent. All trees will be raffled off to benefit the HCA. Please let Yvonne know at the

meeting or via email (yjp1039@comcast.net) as soon as possible if you are interested in decorating a tree.

2016 Quilt Show

Here were the winners of our voters' favorites at the show:

Round Robin:

1. Jean Bertschmann for Halloween
2. Colleen Barnes for Three Dudes Medallion
3. Kelsey Ullman for Halloween

Other:

1. Cindy Ramos for her Kaleidoscope rug
2. Bea Wardford for Leaves and Lillies
3. Kathleen MacLennon for her ice skates

Wall:

1. Laima Whitty for Harvest Moon
2. Dawn Stewart for Cat in the Mystery
3. Kerry Cresswell for Winter Critters

Lap:

1. Karen Swiech for Shirl's World
2. Cathleen Dinsmore for Sampler 101
3. Jean Bertschmann for Nancy Drew

Bed:

1. Becky MacDonald for Cartwheel
2. Linda Grant for Shade and Shadow
3. Cathleen Dinsmore for A Mish Mash on Both Sides

Best of Show:

Donna Plourde for Argyle

A huge congratulations to everyone for submitting something to the show, for donating items and for helping in all ways toward putting together such a successful show! *Thank you from Cathleen*

And from Yvonne... It may seem early, but we really need to start planning for our next show. Even though our show just ended, we especially should start designing the raffle quilt and making items for the boutique for PolyArts 2017. A sign-up sheet will be available at the

next meeting for the various teams and positions. Please be sure to read the team descriptions, which will be emailed to you and provided at the meeting, to know what the responsibilities are for each.

Upcoming Shows and Announcements – Please notify Cathleen if you'd like to post anything happening in the quilt and art circles that might be of interest to the rest of us in coming year.

° **Merrimack Valley Quilters Show** – September 30th and October 1st from 9-4 at Hope Community Church, 11 Hale Street, Newburyport, MA. There will be over 150 quilts, luncheon available, raffle quilt, penny raffles, unique vendors, demonstrations, a boutique and special exhibits.

° **Wayside Quilters Guild Show** – Come see beautiful quilts made by local quilters! Wayside Quilters Guild proudly presents our 15th biennial quilt show. Join us at Lincoln Sudbury Regional High School (390 Lincoln Rd. Sudbury) for two days of fun and inspiration. There will be quilts both modern and classic, a raffle quilt (tickets on sale at the show), and a boutique full of handcrafted items perfect for gift giving or a treat for yourself. Saturday Oct. 1 from 10-5. Sunday Oct. 2 from 10-4. Admission \$6 for ages 12 and up. Plenty of free parking. Wheelchair accessible.

° **County Line Quilters Fall 2016 Quilt Show** – Saturday, October 1st, 10-4 and Sunday, October 2nd, 11-4 at Medway Senior Center, 76 Oakland St, Medway, MA. Admission: \$5.00, seniors \$3.00. Queen Size Raffle Quilt: "Arrowhead" with jewel tones on a neutral background, featuring a pieced backing. Pieced by the guild and quilted by member Pam Arsenault. Drawing Sunday, October 2nd, 2016. Tickets: \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 *

100 quilts displayed

2105 Art Show Challenge Quilts

2016 Guild Color Challenge Quilts

Vendors

Two Giant Raffle Baskets!!

Getaway Basket- everything you could possibly need for a quilt weekend

Fabulous Fabric Fun- all kinds of precuts, books and patterns to inspire you

° **Monadnock Quilters Guild 2016** – "Fall Festival of Quilts" featuring Quilts of Valor on Saturday, October 8, 2016 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 9, 2016 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at South Meadow School, 108 Hancock Road, Rte. 202 North, Peterborough, NH. Admission is \$5.00, Children under 12 free. Over 200 quilts on display with door prizes, vendors, boutique, café, demos, raffle quilts, and children's activities. www.monadnockquiltersguild.org

◦ **29th annual Rising Star Quilt Show** - St Brigid Church in Lexington at 1995 Massachusetts Ave on Friday October 14, 2016 10:00 am to 7:00 pm and Saturday, October 15, 2016 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. In Parish Hall you'll find

- * The Quilts
- * Scavenger hunt
- * Raffle quilt
- * Mini quilt raffle
- * and raffle baskets

In Keilty Hall you will find

- * More quilts
- * Our Café
- * Vendors
- * Yard Sale
- * Demonstrations by RSQ members

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to REACH Beyond Domestic Violence. Admission: \$6.00 for Adults, Children 12 years and under are free. For more information,

<http://www.risingstarquilters.org/show.html>

◦ **Burlington Quilters' Guild Annual Quilt Show** - Saturday, October 22 from 10 to 5 and Sunday, October 23 from 10 to 4 at Campus Center, Middlesex Community College, 591 Springs Road, Bedford, MA. Quilts, raffles baskets, raffle quilt, handmade items in our Boutique and much more!

Plenty of free parking, no stairs - everything on ground level. Buses welcome.

◦ **Hammersmith Quilters Guild 35th Anniversary Show: "Quilted Treasures"** - Sat. October 29, 2016, 10:00-4:00 and Sun. October 30, 2016, 10:00-3:00 at Saugus Senior Center, 466 Central St., Saugus, MA 01906. Handicapped accessible. Admission \$6.00, Children 12 and under free with paid adult admission.

Quilt displays including challenge category and "Quilters of Tomorrow," which are quilts done by children age 12 and under

Raffle Quilt, Raffle Baskets, Member Boutique of handmade items, Café, Demonstrations, Quilts of Valor informational display and table

New this year: Treasure Hunt! Pick up a sheet of questions about our guild and the show, answer the questions and turn in your answer sheet. You are then eligible to win one of two \$20 Dunkin' Donuts gift cards! The winners will be picked randomly from all correct entries; you need not be present to win. If you are a winner, we will call you and let you know that your gift card is on its way!

Marathon Quilters on FACEBOOK

Join Marathon Quilter's Facebook Group. . . . Search for Marathon Quilters and submit a request to join. This is a great place to share pictures of what you are working on, inspiration or ideas you think the group would be interested in and to ask questions of the group.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!! Our October Birthday Girls . . . Karen, Laima, Michele, Pam and Yvonne.

*The quilt image on the first page is "Haunted Hill Quilt" from www.everythingquilts.com with Cynthia Reed quilting. Image was found on <https://www.pinterest.com/source/everythingquilts.com/>.