

# STRIPS & PIECES



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**Next Meeting: Tuesday  
September 16, at 9:30 A.M.**  
at the Presbyterian Church, 4  
Church Road, Bedford

**Bring** coffee mug, FIT quilts  
*and tops*, Show-and-Tell,  
equipment, supplies, etc. for  
name-tag workshop

**Fat-Quarter Fabric for  
September:** Solids, any color

**October Newsletter  
Deadline:** Please submit  
articles, photos, etc. by  
**Tuesday September 23.**

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## Hospitality for September:



Cary  
Flanagan, Nancy  
Peach, Jill Guild,  
Priscilla Cordeau

## BFQG on the Web:

<http://www.bfqg.org>

To send a note to all Guild  
members, email it to:  
[BFQG@yahoo.com](mailto:BFQG@yahoo.com).

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

PAM MIKKOLA

Greetings,  
Welcome Autumn. With the beautiful  
colors that are about to surround us we  
should all be inspired to dig into our  
fabric stashes and make a new table  
runner or quilt to celebrate the season.

Our summer meetings were well  
attended. In June, we worked on quilts  
for our Little Quilt Auction. Kits were  
distributed at the July meeting for FIT  
quilts and we got them started at the  
meeting. August was a do-your-own-  
thing day. With September we are back  
on track with more formal meetings.  
Deb, Jane and their program committee  
have some fun ideas in the works.

In July also we had a well-attended  
Quilts of Valor workshop. We have  
enough blocks completed to make four  
quilts plus extra blocks for another.

We had a very good board meeting on  
September 2. The various quilt show  
committees are working hard to get

ready for our first show. There will be  
lots of information to follow. We  
encourage you all to choose a  
committee on which to serve. It is a  
great way to get to know guild members  
by participating in a smaller group.

We reviewed the questionnaires from  
last April and are working on a new  
one. We would love to hear more from  
you before then. There are various ways  
to accomplish this. We have a  
**suggestion box**. You may use that to  
communicate with the board or address  
a committee chair. We welcome  
criticism as well. You may offer  
program suggestions. Many of you  
have belonged to other guilds and have  
new ideas for guild activities. We are  
doing the best we can to make your  
guild membership experience a good  
one; feedback from you can help us do  
better.

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## FROM THE EDITOR

This issue is so jam-packed with news  
and information that there's no space  
for photos. Please read it closely; don't  
miss a thing!

Several new features appear this year—  
our 4th year—can you believe it?  
Expect to see the **Calendar** on the last  
page of each issue. Beginning in  
October you'll receive **Block of the  
Month** instructions in that column..

If you'll use it, another regular column  
will be **Swap Shop**. (Next month, I  
may ask for some specific fabrics.)

You will begin receiving Strips and  
Pieces about **2 weeks before** the Guild  
Meeting; the deadline for entries has  
been adjusted accordingly.

By printing the ad on page 9 of this  
issue, the guild will receive one free pass  
to *A Quilters' Gathering*.

## HOSPITALITY

LOIS TOURANGEAU

Refreshments for September: Cary Flanagan, Nancy Peach, Jill Guild, Priscilla Cordeau

October: Leonora Isaak, Jess Kane

November: Faye Shedd

December: Pot Luck

If you find you cannot do the month you signed up for, please tell Lois as soon as possible.

## MEMBERSHIP

ANNE-MARIE KENYON

I'm happy to report that our guild now consists of 50 members. We had 3 members join during the summer months. Please help me welcome Ginny Frechette who joined in June, Emily Peach who joined in July and Jane Furusho who joined in August.

In September your membership renewal is due. We've already had 23 people renew. If you haven't renewed your membership, print a form on the website or get one at the membership table. Dues are \$20.00 for members younger than 62 and \$15.00 for members aged 62 and over. There is an extra \$5.00 charge if you would like your newsletter delivered via US Postal. Each renewing member will receive a new membership card.

If anyone changes a name, address, email address or phone number please let me know. Email me at [Anniequilts@msn.com](mailto:Anniequilts@msn.com) or let me know at the meetings. Thank you.

## SUNSHINE

DOTTIE WILLIAMS

Be sure to let me know if anyone needs a little sunshine.

Dottie

## PROGRAMS

DEBORAH KOZCELA & JANE SEDRICK

Welcome back! We have a very busy year coming up as we prepare for the Quilt Show and, as much as we'd like to think that it's the only thing going on, it's not. We plan to continue to enjoy our monthly meetings and hope that you will find something to interest you as well.

In **September**, Jane will demonstrate how to put together our new name tags. She has graciously embroidered our first names on muslin and we will add a Friendship Star. (See page 7 for further details and a photo.) This is your opportunity to let your quilting personality shine through by choosing your own fabrics for the star. I always say, "Orange is my neutral", so I'll be sporting a bright star!

We hope to have a mega sharing session to see what everyone has been up to this summer. Have you finished your Flower Garden quilt from the fabric swap? Have you been creating Christmas gifts? We hope to see lots and lots of exciting quilts.

In **October** we will have a guest speaker and a trunk show. Beth Helfter of EvaPaige Quilt Designs is coming to the Guild. She is wonderfully entertaining and I'm sure she will have patterns to sell. Please note that there will be a \$5.00 fee for guests at this meeting but if they join the Guild before the end of the meeting, the fee will be returned.

**November's** program is to be announced but I am cautiously optimistic that we will have the planned workshop. A preparation tip for this workshop will be for you all to check your stashes. Look for 4-inch wide strips and cut them at random lengths from 5 inches to 18 inches. Look for more information in the October newsletter.

**December's** meeting will be our Holiday Pot Luck. The hospitality committee will cover the food details. We will have a Yankee Swap and if you are thinking in advance - \$10.00 max on a quilting-related item.

I think that's plenty of information to process for now. If you have program ideas or would like to teach a workshop, please don't hesitate to see Jane or Debbie. We welcome all ideas.

One last note: We have 50 members in the Guild. Please take a minute at the September meeting to introduce yourself to someone you don't know. You already have quilting in common; what else might there be?

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### President's Message (Continued from page 1)

We would like to create a new committee for **retreats** and **field trips**. If anyone would like to chair or be part of this committee, please let me know. Field trips were a high priority item on the questionnaire.

Be sure to note the new deadline for newsletter articles and committee reports. We are so happy to have one of the best newsletters. Please consider writing an article and sending it to Kathleen.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Blessings, Pam

## RAFFLE QUILT TICKET SALES CONNIE MORIN

Including quilt shows and “private” ticket sales, we have sold \$975.00 in raffle quilt tickets! \$698.00 was from the shows (MQX, Images, League of NH Craftsmen) where we displayed our quilt and sold tickets. So you can see that these venues are a FANTASTIC opportunity for us to let the public see what an awesome Raffle Quilt we have – and then the tickets pretty much sell themselves.

We only have 2 more opportunities to sell at area quilt shows before our own show in April, 2009. Those are the **Mancuso World Quilt Show** in Manchester **September 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>** and **A Quilter’s Gathering** in Nashua **November 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**.

We still have **open shifts** for ticket sales on **Friday (19<sup>th</sup>)**, **Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>)** and **Sunday (21<sup>st</sup>)** for the **Mancuso World Quilt Show**. If you have not signed up yet, please do so at the September Guild Meeting.

The signup sheets for **A Quilter’s Gathering** were sent out via email on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and will be available at the Raffle Table at the September meeting as well.

The 2-hour shift doing ticket sales is a great way to get to know fellow Guild members. Don’t hesitate just because you don’t have a buddy to sign up with. If you need to carpool, please indicate that on the sheet or speak to me at the meeting; we’ll make sure you have a ride.

After the Quilter’s Gathering, we will begin selling tickets in venues that are not so specifically quilting oriented. So far we are thinking of the Bedford Library, Bedford Mall (not sure that has enough traffic now days, but...), grocery stores (Has anyone done this? Is our quilt safe in this environment?), maybe at the Bedford schools ... At any rate, any ideas you have of good venues for ticket sales, please me or one of the other committee members know and we will take on the task of checking it out and getting it scheduled.

If you haven’t gotten your initial packet of 30 tickets yet, please see me at the Raffle table at the September meeting. For those of you eager-beavers who have already sold your first 30 – we have PLENTY more tickets and **you can have as many as you want**. Just see me at the meeting, or give me a call.

Raffle Quilt Committee Members are Connie Morin, Nancy Dodson, Pam Mikkola, Diane Trottier, Sue Ann Walker and Jess Kane (alternate).

**ONE MORE THING** – If you have the large **duffle bag** that we use to carry the quilt from venue to venue

(after Images or League of NH Craftsmen), please bring it to the September meeting. If you cannot make it to the meeting, call me at (669-8453) and I will come get it.

THANKS to everyone who helped out with the sales at Images and League of NH Craftsmen.

## “FIT” REPORT

FAYE SHEDD & TOMMI HALL

It was so great to have the workshop in July and get a head start on some quilts for the new list of 46 children at Families in Transition. I thank all of you who participated to make this a success. We have gotten several of the kits back completed and some are already quilted. We are well on our way to completing this list. For those of you that have now completed your tops, please **bring them to the September meeting**. We will assess where we stand and start assigning them to the children on the list.

I would like feedback from you to see if you thought that this was a good way to get a stockpile of quilts. We can always schedule another day to do this, or perhaps have a bee at my house for those who are interested in doing it this way.

There is a new facilitator at FIT and they continue to be very grateful for our wonderful contribution to make these kids’ lives better. We are going to post the sizes of the quilts again for those of you who need a refresher. Remember—no bed-size quilts!

Thanks,  
Tommi

FIT QUILT SIZE GUIDELINES				
<b>Ages</b>	Infant - 3 years	4 - 8 years	9 - 12 years	13 years and up
<b>Width</b>	36-40	40	40-45	50
<b>Length</b>	45	45-50	55	60-65
<b>Fabric</b>	Unisex	Age and gender specific		

For additional guidelines on making FIT quilts, visit the “Community Services” page of the guild website, <http://www.BFQG.org>.

# MINUTES OF BFQG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

RITA SODERBERG

September 2, 2008

Present: Pam Mikkola, Debbie Koczela, Sue Ann Walker, Nancy Peach, Jane Sedrick, Kathleen Beach, Anne-Marie Kenyon, Lois Tourangeau, Connie Morin, Karen Kopp, Rita Soderberg

The meeting was called to order by Pam at 10:00 AM.

Minutes of the April 28, 2008 BOD meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report was approved. The need for an audit was discussed. Someone from the membership who has experience with audits will be asked to do this.

## Committee Reports

Program: September will be a "Welcome Back" theme. Jane Sedrick has designed a nametag for members to make. Info on this will be in the September Strips and Pieces. A portion of the meeting/program will be devoted to getting members signed up for specific tasks related to the Quilt Show. October will feature a trunk show speaker. November will be a workshop...still to be arranged. December will be our Christmas Pot Luck. Programs for January – April have not been planned yet. The May program will be another Pot Luck along with the Challenge Quilt display and voting.

Quilt Show: We will allow an hour for discussion at the September Guild meeting, with Action Team Chairpersons explaining their teams' specific needs. The most critical teams will present in September. The next tier will present later. Rationale is to get members involved now.

Boutique: Lois has taken an inventory of items turned in to date. She will present a wish list at the September meeting.

Little Quilt Auction: Four quilts have been turned in to date. Pam will probably host more workshops for people wanting to get together to work on these. The LQA committee will meet on October 7 at 10:00 AM at Pam's house.

Raffle Quilt: The sign-up for selling tickets at Quilters' Gathering in November has gone out via Yahoo Groups. We have sold \$975 worth of tickets to date. \$698 of that came from selling at the Lowell Quilt Festival, MQX and Sunapee.

Library: Karen has updated the list of books in the library.

Newsletter: We will be adding a new column, "Swap Shop". It was also decided that the Secretary would publish an activities calendar in Strips and Pieces. This will be a list of dates for upcoming BFQG attractions, quilt show deadlines, etc. If anyone has something to include in the calendar, let Rita know prior to the newsletter deadline, which is the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Membership: 50 members, 23 renewals to date. New membership cards will be available at the September meeting. The Board will receive a revised membership list every time there is a change. If a non-board member would like a list Anne-Marie will provide it.

Community Services: No report

Sunshine: No report

Hospitality: Covered up to December. Room set-up for workshops was discussed.

Publicity: Connie will get Guild Meeting notices into local papers.

New Business: Kathleen suggested we have our own website that is separate from her husband's site. The cost would be \$120 a year. A motion was made to this effect, seconded and approved. The Board decided to change the deadline for submitting information for the newsletter to the fourth Tuesday of the month (one week after the guild meeting). By doing this, information pertinent to the upcoming guild meeting will be available to the members sooner.

The questionnaire that was filled out in March 2008 by 25 members was discussed. Since many wanted to see more field trips it was decided to form a Field Trip/Retreat committee. A similar questionnaire will be prepared for the April meeting, most likely appearing in the April Strips and Pieces so members have time to think about their responses.

Old Business: Pam asked the Board to be thinking of ways we can encourage members to be more active.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00.

Submitted by  
Rita Soderberg

## QUILT SHOW CORNER

DIANE TROTTIER, ET AL

### From your Quilt Show Facilitator:

We are making great strides in preparation of our first biennial quilt show. Registrations (for quilts you plan to enter in the show) will begin shortly. Yes, it's time to start thinking about entering your quilts for our show. At this point we have not set any limit to the number of quilts a member can enter; once our space is filled we have to adjust that.

Letters to potential **vendors** have been sent out and we are hoping to hear from them soon. The **boutique** has been gathering items for sale. All items must be turned in to Lois by March 1, 2009. Pam has the **Little Quilt Auction** under control and will update us periodically. March 1, 2009 is also the deadline for entries there.

One more very important thing: we need one or two people to take on the challenge of setting up the **program booklet**. I believe we have a couple of people that are willing to help get it organized, but we need someone to step forward and lead the group. It involves transcribing the brief description of each quilt entered into the show and performing cut-and-paste tasks for advertisements that have been gathered. If you have any questions regarding this, please call me at 603-622-8791.

Thank you.

**Diane J**, Facilitator

### Boutique Bee:

Here's what we have in stock for the boutique:

*throw pillows* - 4 decorative and 2 appliquéd  
*aprons* - 3 child and 1 adult  
*appliquéd kitchen towel* - 1  
*doll quilts* - 6  
*stuffed bunnies* - 5  
*table runners* - 8  
*tote bags* - 6 small, 8 medium, 6 large, 2 unspecified  
*purses* - 3 large, 2 schlep  
*padded Christmas trees* - 8  
*framed quilt pictures* - 3.

I have to admit that I, too, have been slow with my contributions, but now we really have to bite the bullet and start to produce. There are some items floating around out there that were started during bees. I would love to have you bring them to meetings, both for show and tell and to put my frazzled mind to rest. I've worked hard to keep the water out of my basement and to keep things safe and dry. Now I need to see the pile start to grow. The drop-dead date for turning items in is March 1st, and preferably long before then. Two weeks before the show, a group of us will sort, price and bag items.

If you need suggestions for things to make that are quick and

easy: basic butcher aprons in both adult and children's sizes, baby or doll quilts, small table runners or centerpieces, place mats, hot mitts, appliquéd hand or kitchen towels, coasters, strip-pieced notebook cover. I have lots of patterns, and as always, I welcome any and all suggestions.

Don't forget, when forming our guild was discussed, the naysayers told us it would never happen in Bedford. Let's continue to prove them wrong and have a great show!

Blessed Be,

**Lois J**

### Little Quilt Auction:

**WE NEED LITTLE QUILTS FOR OUR AUCTION!!!!!!** Past experience with these auctions has proved that they are a successful way to raise funds for our guild. The proceeds for the LITTLE QUILT AUCTION go to providing funds to enable us to have speakers and workshops for the guild. If each of us contributes one LITTLE QUILT, we should have a wonderful auction. If you haven't made your LITTLE QUILT yet and need suggestions please call me and I will gladly get you started. The LITTLE QUILTS should be turned in to me by March 1, 2009.

We will have a **Little Quilt Auction meeting on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am** at my house. We will discuss how the auction will be run, the booklet that will have a list and description of the Little Quilts as well as the bidding number, displaying the quilts, the accounting process, etc. **We need members for this committee.** If you would like to join this committee, please plan to attend the meeting.

**Pam M**

### Raffle Committee:

Just a reminder: There will be a grand prize raffle basket as well as raffles throughout the day of the Quilt Show. We are asking that each member donate a new quilting-related item. The item can be anything from books to fabric, needles or thread. As mentioned in an earlier newsletter, it doesn't have to break the bank!

There will be a bin available starting at the September meeting. Please see Debbie Koczela to donate your item.

Thanks very much for your participation.

**Debbie K**

### *Musings from Messy Tessy*

*With autumn right around the corner with glorious colors of nature to inspire us, I can't wait to start on a wonderful new project. If you haven't been working with me to organize your Quilt Studio, now is a good time to start. Just check back in your newsletters beginning last January and jump right in. Our studios are always a work in progress so don't get discouraged if you have slipped off the organization wagon. I know I have.*

*This month I want you all to take everything off the table that you have your sewing machine on, including the machine. Take a clean dust cloth and dust the table surface. You may want to use a little all-purpose cleaner. Next, take the cloth and dust the machine.*

*Take a few minutes to clean and oil your machine and replace the needle. Never blow into your machine to remove dust. You can introduce moisture that could create problems down the road and just pack the dust in. Also never use compressed air canisters; they will do the same thing. Remove the plate and use a small brush to remove dust collected. Check the book that came with your machine to do this maintenance correctly for your machine brand. They all differ slightly. Bernina recommends cleaning and oiling your machine after each bobbin. I do clean my machine often and do not have any trouble. Change the needle after every project or if you notice irregular stitching.*

*After your sewing area is nice and clean, decide what you want to have on the table. Suggestions would be a small cutting mat, scissors or thread snips, a marking pencil, pin cushion. Anything that makes your sewing experience better should be there. A clean work surface will entice you to work on your projects. You need space for the pattern, with directions to follow. If you always have to clean up before you start a project, the desire fades.*

*Now that your table is clean and orderly, why not make a nice cover for your sewing machine. They are easy and will eliminate lots of dust.*

*This should not take too long to accomplish. Just remember to organize your space when you are finished sewing for the day so that you are ready to go full speed ahead next time.*

*Have a good month and happy quilting.*

*Tessy*

Tessy would like to hear from you. Email her with your questions, suggestions, and comments, at [messy.tessy@comcast.net](mailto:messy.tessy@comcast.net)

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

The Program Committee is pleased to announce a new feature to the Guild that will commence in October and run each month through May. The blocks chosen can run 8 – 12 inches finished. There will be a color wave choice for each month and a sample of the block will be available for viewing at the previous meeting.

Each month we will hang the completed blocks, and one lucky quilter who contributed will win all of the blocks. You will get one chance for each block submitted.

Our first block will be Churn Dash, done in fall colors. A sample will be shown at the September meeting. Also available at that time will be a handout with the instructions for completion. In October, and the months following, the directions will be published in the newsletter but we will always have a sample for viewing.

We look forward to your participation and hope that everyone will take the time to make a block.

Debbie K

**NEWSLETTER & WEB SITE**  
KATHLEEN BEACH

Beginning in October, *Strips and Pieces* will be posted to the web site about **2 weeks before the next meeting** (and mailed on that day as well).

That means that the **newsletter deadline** for items must be one week earlier than it has been. The deadline may also be easier for you to remember because it is exactly **1 week after** any meeting.

The October deadline is September 23.

The guild now has an independent web site, and we may take advantage of additional features that are available.

*Kathleen*

**SEPTEMBER PROGRAM**

**BFQG Name Tags**

At the September meeting, instructions and kits will be given to each member for making your own name tag.

The name tag will have a small friendship star on the left side and your first name embroidered to the right. (See sample, below.) The fabric for the star block will be made from fabrics of your choice from your stash. (The building blocks are only 3/4" plus 1/4" seam allowance so only small pieces are needed.)

We will demonstrate how to make the badge at the meeting. Make yours at the meeting or take your kit home. We can share sewing machines since the machine sewing is minimal. We have pin backs available, but you may want to use a ribbon or fabric string to hang your name tag.

If you wish a nickname other than the one listed on the guild roaster and did not sign up on my list please e-mail me at [jes4033@aol.com](mailto:jes4033@aol.com)

*Jane S*



**FAT QUARTER RAFFLE**  
CONNIE MORIN

Our summer fat quarter themes (patriotic, beachy and animals) brought in some really great fabrics and added \$49.00 to our treasury.

Our winners for June were Karen Kopp, Pam Mikkola and a junior visitor, Amber Morin. In July the winners were Ruth Wintle and Pam Mikkola (Hmmm....) and the August winners were Priscilla Cordeau, Lois Tourangeau and Emily Peach (daughter of Nancy Peach). YEE-HA FOR JUNIOR QUILTERS.

The theme for September is **Solids** – any color, every color. And themes for the next 3 months:

- October – Plaids
- November – Stripes
- December – Tie Dye, Moda, Bali, Batiks, etc.

Remember, if you'd like, you can bring in extra fats for our Quilt Show Raffle basket(s). We've got a pretty good collection going already.

If you've won a previous fat quarter raffle and have made something with those fabrics, be sure to bring it to Show and Tell and let us see what can be done with fats!

A *fat quarter* is made from a half yard of fabric cut down the middle, parallel to the selvage. Dimensions are about 18 inches by 22 inches. Please bring new, quality cotton quilt fabric; it's OK to wash it first (but not required).

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

SUE ANN WALKER

Beginning Balance	\$2,548.11
Income (raffles and dues)	712.30
Expenses	(11.70)
Ending Balance	\$3,248.71

**BFQG BOOKS NEED TO BE AUDITED.** Will someone who has a financial background or knows about auditing please contact Sue Ann Walker to arrange to do a simple audit of our books. THANKS  
*Sue Ann*

## 2009 CHALLENGE

JANE SEDRICK

Announcing the BFQG 2009 Quilt Challenge:  
**"NAME THAT TUNE"** (Drum-roll, please.)

A quilt challenge is a chance to challenge your creativity by incorporating several fabrics given to you with a topic to make a small quilt, following a set of established rules.

This year the inspiration for your quilt will be any song of your choice. It can be a Pop song, a Patriotic song, Christmas carol, Hymn, Lullaby. I am sure you already can think of some ... "Somewhere over the Rainbow" ... "Frosty The Snowman" etc.

**Sign up for the 2009 Quilt challenge at the September meeting.** The cost to sign up is \$5.00, which pays for your kit and prizes. The fee will be due in October when the fabric kits and rules are handed out. The deadline for handing in your quilt is the May meeting. (Plenty of time to complete them after the April 4 Quilt Show.) We had some great entries last year, and I hope many of you are going to take part this year.

In addition to a vote by members for their favorite quilt, there will be a prize for the guild member who can guess the most song titles represented by the quilts.

*Jane Sedrick*

## SWAP SHOP

### Calling all scraps!!!

Do you routinely throw out your scraps when working on quilting projects? It's amazing to realize that these days those scraps can be worth \$9.00/yd or more! The same scraps can be turned into fun kids' quilts using string, crumb or crazy quilting blocks. We have guild members who can show you how to make your own scrap quilt.

If you'd rather not use the scraps yourself, save and **recycle them at the next guild meeting.** (Give them to Karen K.) Let us decide what scrap is too small! You might be surprised!

*If there's a quilting-related item you'd like to give to, swap with, or receive from members, send a "Swap Shop" note to the newsletter editor.*

## LIBRARY

KAREN KOPP

An updated booklist is available on the BFQG website.

At the September guild meeting, please return those library materials you checked out for summer reading.

If you'd like to check out library books, simply sign and date the card found in each book or magazine. Hand the card to me, Karen Kopp. It's that easy! Items are due at the next meeting.

### BFQG Board

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### TIP OF THE MONTH

Focus on your strengths, not your weaknesses. Use your talents to advantage. Don't try to "force a square peg into a round hole."



July FIT Quilt Workshop

# A Quilters' Gathering

November 6 – 9, 2008

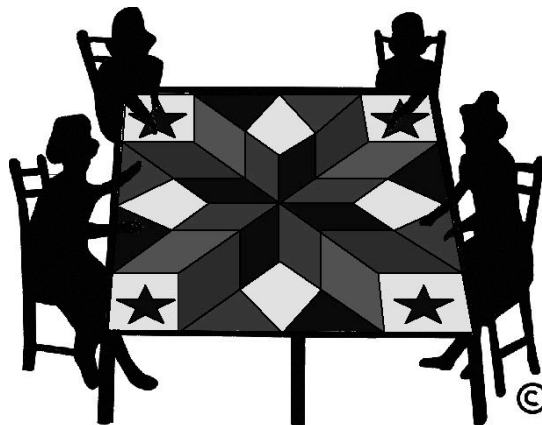
*Our 20th Anniversary!*

Radisson Hotel – Nashua, New Hampshire

Exit 1, Spitbrook Rd. off Route 3N – just over the Massachusetts border

## Workshop Instructors

- ✿ PEPPER CORY
- ✿ CHRISTINE FRIES-UREEL
- ✿ JENIFER BUECHEL
- ✿ BECKY GOLDSMITH
- ✿ SHARON SCHAMBER
- ✿ SHELLY BURGE
- ✿ CINDY BRICK
- ✿ MICKEY LAWLER
- ✿ SUE NICKELS
- ✿ JOE CUNNINGHAM
- ✿ DIANNE S. HIRE
- ✿ NANCY EHA
- ✿ MARSHA McCLOSKEY
- ✿ VICKI L. JOHNSON
- ✿ CAROL DOAK



## 2008 Quilt Contest Theme: *“Anything Goes!”* & 2008 *“Made to Wear”* Contest

*An Exhibition and Contest of Quilted Clothing*

Entry Deadline September 15, 2008

### 2008 SPECIAL EXHIBIT:

#### *“The Artistic Quilt Collection of Jeanne E. Glenfield”*

An exhibit of quilts created in a variety of styles and techniques by Jeanne E. Glenfield, Co-Founder of "Eastcoast Quilters Alliance" and "A Quilters' Gathering". This exhibit will show Jeanne's passion and love of quilting! From her smallest pieces to her largest, she took great pride in her hand piece work, but her specialty and love was appliqué.

### Exhibits, Vendors Mall, Special Events – Open to the Public

Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10 to 6 and Sunday 10 to 3

**Daily Admission \$9.00 – Multi-Day \$14.00**

For Workshop Program and Contest Entry Forms send a large Self Addressed Envelope and \$2.00 to : **EQA3, 307 N. Amherst Rd., Bedford, NH 03110**

Or for more information, visit our website at: [www.aquiltersgathering.com](http://www.aquiltersgathering.com)

**BFQG Calendar**

(Deadlines are in bold italics.)

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT OR DEADLINE</b>
<b>2008</b>	
September 16	Guild Meeting
September 18-21	Mancuso World Quilt Show—Raffle Ticket Sales and White Gloving
September 20	Quilt Registration for BFQG Quilt Show begins
<b><i>September 23</i></b>	<b><i>October Newsletter information due</i></b>
October 21	Guild Meeting
<b><i>October 28</i></b>	<b><i>November Newsletter information due</i></b>
November 6-9	A Quilter's Gathering- Raffle Ticket Sales
November 18	Guild Meeting
<b><i>November 25</i></b>	<b><i>December Newsletter information due</i></b>
December 16	Guild Meeting—Potluck
<b><i>December 30</i></b>	<b><i>January Newsletter information due</i></b>
<b>2009</b>	
<b><i>January 20</i></b>	<b><i>Quilt Show "Quilt Registration" deadline</i></b>
<b><i>March 1:</i></b>	<b><i>"Little Quilts" deadline</i></b>
<b><i>March 1:</i></b>	<b><i>Boutique items deadline</i></b>
<b><i>April 3:</i></b>	<b><i>Deliver quilts to Bedford Town Hall</i></b>
April 4	<i>Friendship Garden Quilt Show</i>

**Quilt Shows 2008**

Sept. 13-14: 9 am to 5 pm—15th Annual Bennington Quiltfest, sponsored by the Quiet Valley Quilt Guild. Mount Anthony Union High School, Park Street, Bennington, Vermont

[www.benningtonquiltfest.com](http://www.benningtonquiltfest.com)

Sept. 18-20: 10 am to 6 pm; Sept 21: 10 am to 4 pm—Mancuso World Quilt Show XII, Radisson Hotel, 700 Elm St., Manchester, NH. Admission \$12 (includes readmission); \$10 on Sunday

[www.mancusoshows.com](http://www.mancusoshows.com)

Oct. 11: 10 am to 5 pm; Oct.12: 10 am to 4 pm—"Once Upon A Time" Quilt Show, sponsored by Monadnock Quilters' Guild. South Meadow School, Route 202, N. Peterborough, NH. ***Carpool with Lois—contact her.***

Admission \$5

[www.monadnockquiltersguild.org](http://www.monadnockquiltersguild.org)

Nov. 6-9—A Quilters' Gathering; Radisson Hotel, Nashua **For details, see page 9.**

<http://www.aquiltersgathering.com/>

**New England Quilt Museum (NEQM)**

Now thru November 2: New England Quilt Museum exhibit—Metrotextral—Manhattan Quilters' Guild.

September 13: Lecture by Sandra Sider; NEQM; 1:00 PM

October 4: Bead and Button Boutique; NEQM; 10 – 4

*Please send updates for any of the above to the newsletter editor.*

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