



The NIMBLE THIMBLE

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Ladies,

I hope you are well and have taken this "pause" in life to reflect on your lives. How we take things for granted, from food shopping, toilet paper and paper towels, eggs, elastic, hugs and kisses. And having coffee with friends, going out to dinner, going to the movies or church, and even seeing our guild members at our monthly meetings.

It broke my heart to cancel our general membership meetings in March and April, and now our May meeting is canceled. We really would like to try and meet over this summer, but in light of the average age of our membership being over 60 (including myself) it is best to hopefully "startup" again in September.

This should not mean there will be a pause in calling or having FaceTime with a fellow member to check on them. Have a *Zoom Quilting Bee* with a bunch of friends from the guild, or even a member who might live near you. I'm available any time, and don't be surprised if you get an invite to join one from me. So, grab a glass of wine, or even a martini, invite a few members, and catch up.

During these times we need to be creatively "socially distant", but at the same time we should keep in touch with our family and friends.

We are doing a guild project for Governor Gina. I hope all members will participate, so get your juices flowing and be creative. Get your "Pandemic" frustrations out in a quilt block. See page 5 for details.

Quilting is powerful! It gets rid of depression, relieves anxiety, and improves creative thinking. Be Powerful! Wish upon A Quilt

Geri Bergreen
President

MEETINGS

**September through May
3rd Thursday of the month
6:30 p.m.
East Greenwich United Methodist
Church
1558 South County Trail,
East Greenwich, Rhode Island**

Due to current restrictions and the state of our world, all of our guild workshops have been cancelled until September. Due to uncertainties, we have decided that rescheduling is not a feasible option at this time. NBQA will be issuing refunds for those who have registered and paid for the May workshops. If you are an NBQA member, the refund will be mailed to your registered mailing address. We ask that you please be patient during this process. It is a huge undertaking for all of us. We will do our best to accommodate everyone accordingly. We are hopeful that we will be able to invite Marge Tucker (of the May workshops) to come back at another time. Just to note, the programs that are listed on the NBQA FACEBOOK page for September - December 2020 are on hold for registrations until we know what will be the out come of this pandemic and social distancing.

The guild would like to extend a special thank you to those who donated their workshop fees. Your commitment and generosity are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your patience and understanding,
Chrissy Bonin and Gail Macera, NBQA Programs

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Hang on to those block of the month squares you have already completed. Try some of the ones you skipped. We will accept any of the blocks at our next meeting. All the instructions are still on the website. Have a safe and healthy summer.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Current board members and committee chairs will remain in their positions through the Summer, until the September general membership meeting. At that point, if there are any members interested in board positions, President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer, an election will be held. If anyone is interested in these positions NOW please contact President Geri. Also, if there are any members interested in being a mentee for a board member or committee chair with the intention of taking over positions for the 2021-2022f term, please note your intent.

COMFORT QUILTS

Linda and I hope this finds you well and healthy during our collective battle with Covid-19. Since we will not be able to have our last *Quilt-A-Thon* of the year, we will have a *Pick-up/Drop-off* session on June 13, 2002 from 9 am to noon. We will be in the parking lot of Louise's classroom at Island Creations by Louise, 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI. 02817. We will be available for members to drop off anything that has been done and you are ready to see leave your house! We will have kits available for pick up - from tops to be pieced to quilts to be quilted. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Maslanka or Brenda Starble.

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CANCELLATIONS AND RESCHEDULING

GENERAL MEETING CANCELLATIONS –NBQA General Membership Meetings are canceled until our scheduled September 17, 2020 meeting. Board meetings will be conducted via Zoom due to the social distancing order. Board and committee members will be emailed for upcoming scheduled meetings.

SHOP HOP – *The SHOP HOP HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED* to a ten day period (as of this writing) from JULY 7 TO 18, 2020. You will still be able to shop the four stores during this time , and receive a free fat quarter and pattern from each shop when you present your passport. THE QUILTED CROW, COBBLESTONE QUILTS, QUILTED THREADS, and RED BARN SEWING AND YARN CENTER are still hoping to see you complete the “Learning Loop”, register for shop prizes , and earn your graduation” gift! Shop hours are posted on the individual store websites , and more information can be found at the event website schoolhousesshophop.com Your tote bag and passport are available for you to pick up at our June 13 *Comfort Quilts* event, or by calling me at 401-323-0255 to arrange an alternative time. You will receive a refund for the bus transportation for \$49.00 in the next month or so. Cash refunds will be reimbursed to you if you pick up your tote bag and passport on June 13 at the studio and classroom at 74 Nooseneck Hill Road, West Greenwich, RI 02817.

Thanks for your understanding of this Covid 19 impacted change to our event!
Louise Pankiewicz, Special Events

SUMMER CHALLENGE – There is still a *Summer Challenge* planned. The theme has been decided: “What UFO did you finish on your quarantine?” We welcome all UFO’s. Please indicate somewhere on the quilt the date started and the date finished. All quilt sizes are accepted, but must have been started prior to Covid 19, and finished during the quarantine period of March 2020 to August 2020. Bring to the September 2020 meeting to be shown and judged by all. Limit one entry per person.

REVISED MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2020 – 2021 FORM: It was decided that the membership renewal for 2020-2021 will be \$35 during any period of time from September 1, 2020 to August 31 2021. There will only be an increase of \$5 for membership and for mailing of the booklet and/or newsletter. There will be no additional increase for renewal/new membership received after July 1, 2020. Please see revised 2020-2021 Membership Form” located at the end of this newsletter, and on the NBQA website. You can mail your completed form to Anne Sabatini, 61 Plaza Street, Cranston, RI 02920.

BLOCK WHEEL OF FORTUNE

Fill in the
blanks to
find the
quilt block
name.

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Raffle Quilt - The raffle quilt application with the State Police had been approved to extend our raffle "pull date" to our May 21, 2021 meeting. If you sold tickets, please mention this to your purchasers. Also you can change the date on any tickets you may have that are not yet sold. So please keep on selling those tickets, and if you need any more please contact Celia Schnacky, Vice President, for them. Money and stubs from ticket sales can also be sent to Celia. Remember this is the major fundraiser for the guild. Please support it. Ryco is displaying the quilt, and will give a free raffle ticket to anyone spending \$100 or more for a single purchase. If you qualify for a free ticket, please mention it at register, as RYCO just reopened.

New England Quilt Museum - The museum is closed at this time. There is a virtual show available. You can also check their *on line* store. Please check the website as they continue to monitor developments prior to reopening. <https://www.neqm.org/>

Contests Coming for NBQA FACEBOOK Friends:

In the coming weeks, there will be Facebook contests on the NBQA FB page running every 2 weeks or so. Prizes will be mailed out to the winners. So keep an "eye" out. You never know what it will be. Stay tuned, and make sure you requested to be a "Friend", and follow Narragansett Bay Quilters Facebook page.

Let's stay connected. We are all in this together.

Supporting Quilters...

Visit this website for interesting information regarding "*How to Support Quilters During a Pandemic*". See ideas about reducing anxiety, helping your local quilt shop, and making more time for sewing. <https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/magazines-more/quilting-podcast/episode-464-how-to-support-quilters-during-a-pandemic>

Block Wheel of Fortune Answers: 1. log cabin, 2. bear paw, 3. nine patch, 4. storm at sea, 5. Irish chain, 6. maple leaf, 7. attic window, 8. feathered star, 9. rail fence, 10. lasagna, 11. turning twenty, 12. landscape

Quilty Word Jumble Answer Key: seam, applique, binding, stash, piecing, selvage, fold, miter, template, basting, sashing, bias, grain, patchwork, border, batting, fabric, backing, yardage.



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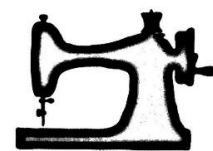
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GUILD GROUP PROJECT – GOVERNOR GINA'S QUARANTINE QUILT

Please assemble a block, 6 ½" to 10", of Blues/Whites/Golds (RI state colors) reflecting your feelings or thoughts during the quarantine of 2020. Please send your blocks to Vice President Celia Schnacky, 36 Blackmore Street, East Greenwich, RI 02818 by August 1, 2020. A quilt will be assembled for presentation in the Fall to Governor Gina from our guild.

Here are some ideas:

CRUSH COVID RI/POISITIVE/NEGATIVE/STIMULUS CHECK\$\$/
PHASE 1/ PHASE 2/PHASE 3/MASKS/GLOVES/TAKEOUT FOOD-DRINKS/
STAY AT HOME ORDER/COVID-19/KN95 MASKS/NURSES/DOCTORS/
HEALTHCARE WORKERS/THANK YOU/ZOOM/
HEROES/UNEMPLOYMENT/QUARANTINE/REOPENINGRI.COM

Or you can refer to the Governor's daily update, or look on Wikipedia.org for COVID-19 pandemic in RI.

Be creative. You can use words or pictures, or anything that you think would fit this project.

Don't forget to sign and date your block, in the bottom right hand corner passed the 1/4" sewing line, with a fine line permanent black marker.

Thank you, and we hope you will participate and send in a block or two.



EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- Peggy Lane and her fabulous education committee are continuing to work on their outreach projects for next year. If any of you are interested in working long distance and have any ideas... all are welcome..... We have to be more creative so we may reach all of our members.
- As far as I know, *the Creative Arts Show* to be held during the Eastern States Exposition (The Big E) is still on). Newest information is available at CreativeArts@thebige.com. We have not participated recently, but they are welcoming all quilters. If you have any questions give Barbara Stetson a call, and check their web page.
- A big hug from all of the quilters. We know that many, many of you have gone beyond the call of duty making all kinds of masks to ward off the virus. Our prize winner, if we were to give one, would go to Phyliss Cayer of North Kingstown. She has made more than 1,000 face covers of all types, sold them, then donated \$5,000.00 to the North Kingstown Food Bank. This will definitely help a lot of families.
- If any of you have any interesting stories to tell let Paula Weston know for our next newsletter. Looks like we're going to need this item for a lot longer.

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PLEASE TURN IN FORMS BY AUGUST 30, 2020

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NBQA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - September 1, 2020 - August 31, 2021

ALL MEMBERS:

- Receive a membership booklet and membership card which may entitle the member to discounts at local quilt shops.
- Receive five bimonthly newsletters via email.
- May submit quilts to the biannual show.

FULL MEMBERS – GUILD LIMIT 250 FULL MEMBERS	ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May attend all meetings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May attend 2 meetings per year.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May enroll in all workshops and trips.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May be wait listed for unfilled workshops and trips.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New full members will receive a name pin to wear to meetings.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will be given a priority position on the waiting list for full membership.

Membership dues are not prorated for a partial year.

Bring this completed form with cash/check to a meeting or mail this completed form with a check made out to NBQA.

(DO NOT MAIL CASH)

to:

Anne Sabatini, 61 Plaza Street, Cranston, RI 02920

☐ **I AM A CURRENT MEMBER RENEWING MY MEMBERSHIP.**

☐ Full membership \$35.00 (check enclosed if mailed)

☐ Associate Membership \$15.00 (check enclosed if mailed)

☐ **I AM A NEW MEMBER.**

☐ Full membership \$35.00 (check enclosed if mailed)

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☐ **MAIL MY MEMBERSHIP BOOKLET TO MY HOME ADDRESS (include an additional \$2.00 for postage).**

☐ **MAIL A PAPER COPY OF THE NEWSLETTERS TO MY HOME ADDRESS (include an additional \$15.00 for printing and postage).**

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY – ESPECIALLY THE EMAIL ADDRESS AND EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

MEMBER NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS

STREET _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT

NAME _____ PHONE _____

RELATIONSHIP TO YOU _____

In what type of program or speaker would you be interested? _____

FULL MEMBERS: Would you like to help out by working on a committee?

Please check your choice(s) and the appropriate committee chairperson will contact you.

- ☐ Hospitality ☐ Door Prizes ☐ NE Quilt Museum ☐ BOM/Strip Exchange ☐ Programs ☐ Comfort Quilts
☐ Membership ☐ Publicity ☐ DVD Library ☐ Newsletter ☐ Quilt Show ☐ Educational

Other: _____

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By car:

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At the 4th light, Thorndike Street merges into Dutton Street. Go to the 2nd light and turn right onto Market Street.

The museum's changing exhibitions, Brown Bag Lectures, gallery talks, and special events are updated weekly at nequiltmuseum.org.