

# Bits & Pieces

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## Presidents Message



### Happy New Year!

The beginning of our Guild year has gone so quickly... Thank you for your patience and co-operation with the schedule changes at the faigrounds this Fall.

Our project days have been a success! Each project day has found a group of members working on projects and enjoying the unstructured time!

Thank you to our Programs, Hospitality, Secret Sister, and other committees for their hard work on behalf of our Guild. Our meetings have been interesting and thought provoking... (and our mini-ways & means was a huge success !!!)

Our first formal meeting of the New Year is a co-operative effort to help us all figure out what to do with those rulers that we keep buying but forget why and how to use them... I'm looking forward to finding out why I purchased a few of the rulers in my collection! Perhaps I'll find that I could have saved time

and effort by using them on some of my projects! I hope that you do as well!

We have a wonderful schedule of Guild meetings ahead and I hope that you, too, are finding that the short business meeting, short break, and program format is working well.

As always, the guild is our guild, and everyone's thoughts are welcome! Have a suggestion for the program 'wish list'? Let someone know! Wishing you, and those that you care about, a Joyous 2014!

Pam Mulveyhill  
President

## RECIPE CORNER

### Zucchini Pizza

1 package crescent rolls in the tube  
1 cup zucchini 1/4 inch slices  
1 cup chopped onion  
1/2 cup butter  
1 teaspoon each basil, oregano, garlic powder  
12 oz. grated mozzarella cheese

Line 9x13 pan with rolls. Sauté vegetables and herbs in butter. Pour over rolls, top with cheese. Bake 350 for 20 min.

Enjoy

Sue Moore

### Meringue Cookies (Forgotten Cookies)

2 egg whites at room temperature  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 cup nuts, chopped  
1 cup chocolate chip minis  
1 tsp. vanilla

Preheat oven at 350°. Beat egg whites until fluffy - low speed then fast for some time. Add sugar until stiff peaks. Fold in nuts, chips, and vanilla. Drop by a teaspoon on ungreased baking sheet. Put in oven, shut off the temperature and leave in at least 4 hours or over night without opening.

Carol Eaton

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## RECIPE CORNER

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### Cranberry-Apple Two-bite Pies

2 medium tart apples,  
peeled, cored, and  
finely chopped  
1/2 c. dried cranberries,  
finely chopped  
4 tbsp. sugar  
2 tsp. cinnamon  
1 tbsp. plus 1 tsp. orange juice  
1 (14.1 oz.) package  
refrigerated pie crust  
egg wash  
(1 egg plus 2 tbsp. milk)

In medium bowl, stir together the first 5 ingredients. Set the mixture aside. Unroll one of the pie crusts and use a circular cookie cutter, or the rim of a cup to cut into 12 (2 3/4-inch) rounds. Gently press each one into a well of a mini muffin tin. Fold any excess dough over the well's rim. Repeat with the second pie crust.

Heat the oven to 375°. Add a generous tbsp. of filling to each pie shell. Gather the dough scraps and make lattice on the top of each pie or use tiny cookie cutters to make holiday shapes. Brush the tops of the pies with egg wash. Bake until the filling begins to bubble and the crust turns golden brown, about 15 minutes. Let cool.

Pat Arcese

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## Information and Programs for Winter and Spring 2014

**W**elcome back. We hope you all enjoyed your holidays.

We will continue to have program meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month as we have had in the past and our informal sit and sew, knit or whatever you choose to do on alternate Thursdays, unless otherwise notified.

### Winter/Spring Schedule

#### **Jan 9th**

Rulers Rule demo on using different rulers:

Twister Ruler  
Penny Bartlett  
60 degree Ruler  
Pam Mulveyhill  
Tucker Trimmer  
Marge Overholtz  
Phillips Art Ruler  
Jeanie Weinrich

**Jan 23rd** - Ways & Means/  
Auction - Please bring your bundles and UFOs labeled for the meeting. This was a fun money maker in November at the mini ways & means, let's do it again!

**Feb 13th** - Sit & Stitch (Hot Chocolate will be provided). Tips & Tricks - give us one or two of your tips and tricks, write them on a 3"x5" card so we can put them on our website.

**Feb 27th** - Charity Project - Draw String Pillow Cases for Katelyn's Closet (stays on the Cape). Also if you have done a Bargello quilt in the past bring it in for show and tell, as inspiration for our March 13th meeting.

**March 13th** - Bargello table runner/wall hanging.

**March 27th** - Quilt games - test your quilt knowledge.

**April 10th** - Color values - Matching Fabrics.

**April 24** - Red/White/Blue Patriotic Fabric exchange. Bring in 24 (or more) 6 1/2" squares sort in bags for exchange. We can make a disappearing nine patch or tumbler quilt for Veterans (stays on Cape). Bring back quilt in the Fall.

Election of new officers for next year.

**May 8th** - Finished project Auction. Any creative items - quilting, knitting or embroidery, be creative. We've done very well with this in the past, everyone seems to enjoy this. Looking forward to seeing all our talents!

**May 22nd** - To be announced. Our guest speaker may be on this date or in April. Listen at our meetings or check our website for updated information.

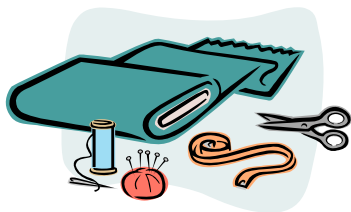
**June 12th** - Luncheon. We will reveal our Secret Sister and show off the Mystery Quilt tops.

\*\*\***Remember** we have our room available to work on any project we like on the alternate Thursdays. We can arrange the room any way we like to lay out quilts, etc.

Suggestion - website [about.com/quilts](http://about.com/quilts) - has patterns and good advice about quilts.



## Community Projects



### Walker Tote Project

A big Thank You to everyone who created a walker tote. We collected 19 walker totes in all and they were donated to the Bourne Council on Aging in time for Christmas. They were absolutely delighted to receive them and they will be given out to those with walkers at their afternoon lunch program.

### Pillowcase Dresses for African girls

Jeanie Weinrich reported that we sent 164 dresses and 20 boys' shorts between two guilds and a group that sews at Tumbleweeds. They were thrilled with them and thanked everyone who participated. They will send us photos.

### Comfort Quilts

We have collected 11 comfort quilts from HBQ members since September and have distributed 6. Comfort quilts bring joy and comfort to those who sew the pieces as well as to those who receive the finished project. Thanks and keep up the good work in 2014.

## New Year's Resolutions for Quilters

As I was sitting down thinking about the new year and how I would like to improve my quilting skills and be a more organized quilter, I came across this article on the internet regarding resolutions for quilters, which I'd like to share with you. It was written by Steffani McChesney, past President of Cotton Patch Quilters of Kern County.



### Resolutions to think about

It's that time of year again. Time to sit down with paper and pencil in hand to make a list of all the things you want to accomplish in the new year. Don't worry about losing weight or trying to get along better with your mother-in-law. I'm here to make some suggestions to make your list doable. (Is that a word? Must be. The Spellchecker didn't have a fit.) Since I don't like to make my life any harder than necessary, I'm sure that you will like my New Year's Resolutions. They are especially for quilters.

**First Resolution:** Make the sewing room usable. Clean up the chaos caused by the frenzy you were in to finish all those quilts and wall hangings you had to get done by Christmas. Put everything back where it belongs and organize any new stuff you have added to your stash or collection of tools and books.

**Second Resolution:** Organize your stash. Sort all the fat quarters and larger pieces of fabric into logical stacks. Purge the collection. Donate fabrics that you will not use or use them to make quilts for charity.

**Third Resolution:** Inventory your UFOs. This is a hard one because it brings up quilt guilt, an emotion I would rather never face. Quilt guilt is also caused by your husband or kids walking into your sewing room, looking at a project you put away to work on the latest stack of fabric you just got at the quilt store and saying, "Aren't you going to finish this one before you start on another one?" Anyway, once you get around that you can prioritize your projects and decide if you really want to finish them all. The ones that you have lost interest in can be donated to schools, nursing homes, homeless shelters, or other places that could use them. Sometimes the guild has use for them. Or maybe a friend might like to finish one for him or herself. Don't be shy ask around.

**Fourth Resolution:** Make an effort to challenge yourself in the New Year. Take a class to learn a new technique. Try new tools. Make a quilt outside of your color or style comfort zone. Participate in a challenge program in the guild or a national one such as the Hoffman Challenge.

**Fifth Resolution:** Participate in the guild. Your membership experience will mean so much more than just being a passive member. And you will meet the most interesting people in the guild because they are the ones who participate.

**Sixth Resolution:** Try to go to as many quilt shows, retreats, and workshops as you can. It will broaden your horizons. And be sure to show your work at the guild show and tell or in the biannual quilt show. This is not a contest. It is sharing your work and vision with everyone else.

**Seventh and last Resolution:** This is the hardest one and the best one. Know in your heart why you spend hours and money making quilts. There are many reasons. You quilt for artistic expression, to show love for your family and friends, for relaxation, for social interaction, for self-healing and meditation. The list is endless but all reasons are valid and meaningful. Know that the quilts you make so lovingly and give away to your friends and family or to complete strangers are a gift to your own mental health and well being and to the world. The quilts we make will be around a lot longer than we are so love the process and quilt with a happy heart. See? That wasn't so hard. Now we can all look forward to accomplishing our New Year's Resolutions for a change.

I said "I don't ever want to be kept alive, dependent on a machine and fluids from a bottle."  
He got up, unplugged my Bernina, and poured out all my wine!



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## **New England Quilt Museum**

18 Shattuck Street  
Lowell Massachusetts 01852  
978-452-4207

### **Exhibition Schedule**

January 16-April 12

### **QUILT JAPAN**

*The 11th Quilt Nihon Exhibition*

April 17-July 6

### **CHARMED**

*Every Piece Is Different*

### **2014 EXHIBITION SCHEDULE FOR THE CLASSROOM GALLERY**

January 22 to March 22

**Embellishments: Constructing Victorian Detail**

April 23 to May 31

**Picture Perfect--Images on Quilts**

June 2 to July 31

**Contemporary Masters**

<http://www.nequiltmuseum.org/>

## **Dedicated Quilters Weekend Shoreway Acres, Falmouth, MA**

March 7, 8, and 9, 2014

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## ***Bayberry Quilters of Cape Cod***

*33rd Annual Quilt Show*

### **"Got Scraps?"**

July, 31 - August 1 & 2, 2014

Thursday and Friday 9:30-4:00

Saturday 9:30-3:00

Daily Admission \$7.00 and

\$11.00 for a multi-day pass

Group Discount Available (20+), inquire  
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