

# Bits & Pieces

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Winter/Spring 2013

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2012—2013

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A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

## Happy New Year Holly Berry Quilters.

Welcome back for the second half of our year.

### The Beginning

As we look ahead to the new year, it's nice sometime to take a look back to see what we have accomplished. While pondering year's past, I came across this article on how our organization began. Kaye Schnell was nice enough to put this little history lesson together for us.

Suzanne McMillan, who is a Life Member, was the

founder of Holly berry Quilt Guild.. Suzanne, along with several of her quilting friends, decided that they would like to meet and quilt together and enjoy each other's company. She asked the Administration of the Barnstable County Fairgrounds if it would be possible to meet in their conference room and permission was granted in 1985. An announcement was placed in the local papers that a meeting would be held and that all interested quilters would be welcome. Approximately 18 people answered.

For the first six months, the quilters met every two weeks and worked on their own projects and helped

each other with problems. It soon became apparent that some order needed to be established, as, at each meeting, someone new would appear.

After much discussion, it was decided to become a non-profit organization and Suzanne was elected the first president of the Holly Berry Quilt Guild. The first Executive Board Meeting was held in January of 1986, and the rest is history, recorded in our Secretary's record book.

Kaye Schnell

"To QUILT is human;  
to FINISH is divine"



## Recipe Corner

### Cranberry Coleslaw

1 1/4 cups whole fresh cranberries, chopped  
1/3 cup sugar  
1 small bunch fresh broccoli, florets only  
4 cups shredded red cabbage  
1 cup coarsely chopped walnuts or pecans  
1/2 cup raisins  
1 small onion, finely minced

### Dressing:

1 cup mayonnaise  
1/3 cup sugar  
2 tsp. vinegar

Combine cranberries and sugar and mix. Add remaining ingredients, cover and refrigerate overnight. Optional: Just before serving, you add 8 slices of cooked and crumbled bacon, or 1/4 to 1/3 cup baco-bits.

Contributed by Anna Barrow

### Share With Us

Do you have a favorite recipe, a quilter's quote or poem, or a quilting tip that you would like to share? See me at a meeting or E-mail me at [anne@fordsplace.net](mailto:anne@fordsplace.net).

## Next Meeting

Thursday,  
January 10

9:00 am  
Refreshments

9:30 am  
Meeting and Program

Barnstable County  
Fairgrounds

(See inside for program details)



We have a website.  
Check it out at  
[www.hollyberryquilters.com](http://www.hollyberryquilters.com)

## Tips and Tricks

### A Washing Caution

*Tip a Day Calendar*

Avoid using fabric softener in the washer or dryer when you pre-wash fabrics that you later intend to fuse. Fusable web will not adhere properly to fabrics treated with fabric softener.

### Bag Handles

*Audrey Lord, Venus, TX*

After making many quilted bags, I have discovered how to make the perfect handle. I wrap a strip of fabric around non-roll elastic and topstitch it down both sides and in the center.

### Accidents Happen

*Tip a Day Calendar*

If you have accidentally fused an appliqué in the wrong place, use a fabric softener dryer sheet as a pressing cloth to loosen the web so you can remove the appliqué to reposition it.

Taken from Fons and Porter Quilting Tips archive  
[www.fonsandporter.com](http://www.fonsandporter.com)

~I'm in therapy and sewing is cheaper than a psychiatrist.



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## Programs for Winter/Spring 2013

We welcome you back for the start of 2013 hoping you all had a happy holiday season. We hope to include some programs that will spark your interests for the rest of the year.



### 10 January

As we go from quilt project to quilt project we have learned easier ways to do things. Today we will share our tips and tricks learned over the years with other quilters. Please bring your tips and hints to share with us today.

Bring in donations to ways and means for our Jan. 24 meeting.



### 24 January

Final Ways & Means Auction. The cost of the tickets for Ways and Means will be 3 tickets for \$1.00. Bags of scraps will be available for \$.50 each (good for paper piecing and scrap projects).

### 14 February

Sit & Chat; bring a project to work on, enjoy some hot chocolate and special treats.

### 28 February

3 hour Mystery Quilt. Each table will work together to create Comfort Quilt.

Fabric needed:

- 1yd each of two contrasting fabrics for the inner squares
- 1yd of a matching print for the boarder/sashing
- 3 yds. for the backing
- 1/2 yd for the binding

If the tables wish to work on this together they can for a comfort quilt. It will end up being approx. 50" square.

### 14 March

Cori & Evelyn's quilt bag previously scheduled for November, and was cancelled due to the weather.

The Expanding Tote—sample will be available. This great easy to make gigantic tote bag can be a laundry bag for college students or the perfect storage bag for your masterpiece quilt. It just keeps growing as you unfold its three sets of handles.

Materials needed:

- 1 1/4 yds. of pre-quilted fabric (45" wide)
- 6 yds. of binding for handle
- Sewing machine

### 28 March

Table 4. Kitchen towels. More information to follow.



### 11 April

Quilted watch bands workshop – more information to follow.

Announce 2013 – 2014 board members



### 25 April

Trunk Show by Mary Ann Karpinski, current president of the Herring Quilt Guild.

Vote on new board members.

### 9 May

#### Finished Project Auction

This has proved to be a very successful fundraiser for us. Lets see if we can repeat or even beat our last years sales. You are asked to bring a finished project in whatever media you wish (quilting, knitting, embroidery etc.) Label your item if there is any special information the purchaser may need. Perhaps even the name of pattern etc.

### 23 May

Table 5 project. To be announced

### 13 June

Year end Pot Luck luncheon.



## The Quilter's Last Will And Testament\*



I, \_\_\_\_\_, being of sound mind (a statement which does not bear close examination) do hereby record my last will and testament.

Knowing that \_\_\_\_\_, my \_\_\_\_\_ (husband, sister, or friend) hasn't the least understanding or appreciation for, or for that matter, knowledge of my extensive fabric collection, which collection is suitably deposited in sundry places for safekeeping.

Knowing also that \_\_\_\_\_ has already notified the local dumpster to pick up and dispose of the before mentioned collection "willy-nilly" (the thought of which causes me a most severe case of hives).

Therefore, I do will this collection and all other collections related to it, to my dear friend and fellow fabric preservationist, \_\_\_\_\_.

It is my wish that she/he, upon hearing of my death and obtaining clear proof that I did not manage, although goodness knows I tried, to take it with me, would come to my home post haste, before the dumpster, and search out my collection which is similarly stored at her own abode.

That she should rescue said collection and stack it in my quilting studio, along with my sewing machines, frames, old buttons, lace, patterns, quilts, dolls and works in progress.

After she/he has done this, she/he should purchase refreshments for my friends not yet departed, which friends are also her/his friends, and every last one shall be in that room and they shall hold a wake and say lovely and kind things about me until they run out and then they shall divide amongst themselves, by lot, my wonderful collection.

I shall be hovering over that very spot until this is done. \_\_\_\_\_ shall then quit this spot and close the door, leaving trivialities to those who do not understand. This is my wish on the matter.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Notarized: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*This is not a legal document

Written By Elinor Peace Baily,  
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**July 20—27, 2013**

**County Fairgrounds**  
1220 Nathan Ellis Hwy, Route 151  
East Falmouth, MA 02536, Cape Cod

**Barnstable County Fair** will be here before you know it. It's time to start thinking about your entries.

Special entries for Fair Quilts in 2013 will be

1. Star spangled
2. Over the Rainbow
3. Hearts and Kisses.



**Bayberry Quilters of Cape Cod**  
**32nd Annual Quilt Show**

August 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2013

Thursday and Friday: 9:30am-4:00pm

Saturday: 9:30am-3:00pm

Daily Admission: \$7.00, \$11.00 Multi-Day Pass

Cape Cod Regional Technical High School

351 Pleasant Lake Ave., Harwich, MA

(Exit 10 off Route 6, North on Route 124)

-Exhibit of over 300 Quilts by Members-

-Featured Quilters:

Ellie Held, Diane H. McGuire-

-Antique and Vintage Quilt Exhibit-

Merchant Mall with over 25 Vendors-

-Lectures and Demonstrations-

-Quilt Appraisals-

-Boutique of Handcrafted Items-

-Raffle Quilt and Other Great Prizes-

-Scavenger Hunt for Kids-

For more information go to: