June, 2014 Issue

This Month’s Meeting: Monday, June 9, 2014
Doors Open at 6:00 p.m. *

Meeting on the second Monday of each month, September through June, at the Arnold Mills Community House, 75 Hillside Road, Cumberland, R.I. (Directions: Route 295 to Route 114 N, then about 2 miles to Hillside Road.)

June Hostesses:

Jane Connelly
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*REMINDER! YARD SALE!!

Just a reminder that we will be opening the Community House earlier in June – at 6:00 p.m. – to set up for our Annual Yard Sale. If you have items to bring, it would be helpful if you could get to the meeting a bit earlier to accommodate your dedicated set-up crew!

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YANKEE CHAPTER DUES ARE DUE IN JUNE!

Your Yankee Chapter Membership Dues of $15.00 are due at the June meeting. Please come prepared! It helps if our Membership Chairperson doesn’t have to chase you around all summer trying to get your dues paid! 😊

Quilted Fabric Trays!

Don’t be scared off by the word “quilted”! These trays use readily-available fat quarters and fabric scraps to create something very useful. Check them out at two websites:

http://www.sewmamasew.com/2014/05/quilted-fabric-tray/


WOW: A Super Scissor Case!

Here’s a super-easy pattern from Moda Bakeshop for a scissor case. I really like the way the scissors tie into the case so they can’t accidentally fall out and drop on the floor or get lost in the bottom of your bag. Great protection for your scissors, and a wonderful gift for anyone who sews!

http://www.modabakeshop.com/2014/05/scissor-case.html#more

YANKEE CHAPTER PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS 2014-2015

President - Sandra Thurston
Vice-President - Donna Boucher
Secretary - Kathy Dacey
Treasurer - Pat Tarpy
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Programs - Cindy Lambrecht
Newsletter - Donna Costa
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Hospitality – Sharon Simoneau
Sunshine - Del Burd
Service Project - ???
Archivist - Karen Ouhrabka
Door Prize - Rosalie Nocera
Yard Sale - Ruthann Sisson & Karen Ouhrabka

We are still looking to fill two positions!

Thank you to everyone who has generously volunteered their time for the upcoming SAGA year. We are very appreciative of your service!

Thank You
Ruthann Sisson showed her hand-appliqued and hand-quilted Chicken Quilt in lovely fall colors. Ruthann also showed two tote bags, one in multi-fruit-patterned fabric and the other featuring lemons and oranges. In addition, she showed her adorable smocked flowers from our latest issue of SAGA News.

Rosalie Nocera showed another of her reversible bags, which was donated as a door prize.

Donna Costa showed her completed wool-embroidered pincushion, made from a kit purchased at the recent Worcester Expo. Donna also bought the “Edge Perfect Blade” and its accompanying book at the Expo, and showed two small projects made of fleece that was cut with the blade. The headband and neck gaiter both featured crocheted trim made of fancy eyelash yarn. In addition, she showed four “Mug Mats” created in-the-hoop in her new (!) embroidery machine; all four mats were donated as door prizes (two were given away tonight, and the other two saved for next month!).

Sharon Simoneau showed her fabulous large tote bag, created at a class at the Community House. The bag uses a package of 5” charm squares to form the design.

Sandi Thurston showed her completed smocked Easter basket! She also showed her beautiful nightgown in Japanese silk lawn, made in a class with Judith Marquis at Bewitching Stitchers.

Kathy Dacey showed the completed yokes from her two lovely Judith Marquis nightgowns-in-progress!

What are Book Slings?

You know, if there was any wall space left in my sewing room, I’d be making these for my most frequently used reference books. A very simple and ingenious idea!

http://www.domesticimperfection.com/2014/03/how-to-make-book-slings/

Scissor Tags

I like this project because it’s a little bit of machine sewing, a little bit of hand embroidery, and voila! Identifying tags for your scissors. Now, I don’t know if this would actually work to keep husbands and kids from using your “good” shears, but it’s worth a try!

Clear Storage Buckets

Well, these are supposed to be toy storage buckets, but I see them more as general storage! I’m thinking about pretty piles of yarn, or even fabric scraps.....and you could definitely use the under-the-table velcro idea for those, too!


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Traveling This Summer?

How about making yourself an adorable little toothbrush & toothpaste holder?


An excellent gift for anyone you know who travels a lot, too!

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Oval Shaped Bag – Free Pattern & Tutorial!

Even though our newsletter has been very tutorial-heavy this month, I couldn’t resist squeezing this one in too, because I haven’t seen a free purse pattern in this shape before. It’s an oval-shaped, retro-style messenger bag!

http://thestitchingscientist.com/2014/05/oval-messenger-bag-with-free-pattern.html

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Japanese Knot Bag

Did you really want one of Rosalie’s adorable little bags that were given away last month as a door prize, but ended up a sad non-winner? Well, look what I found... a FREE pattern to make the same little bag! Enjoy.

http://www.helenheath.com/sewing-patterns

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Adorable Tooth Fairy Pillow!

One of the cutest I’ve seen!

http://thelongthread.com/?p=7370
SERVICE PROJECT UPDATE

We received 70 knitted bonnets from Norma this month, and 4 smocked bonnets from Ruthann. Thank you, ladies!

We need a summer bonnet challenge! What if we all commit to making 10 bonnets during July and August? Who’s in?

NATIONAL SAGA BALLOTS

This year, Kathy Dacey has volunteered to collect all of our ballots for the National SAGA elections which are to be held later this year. Further information will be provided as the elections approach.

Sweet Summer Dress for Little Girls!

Well, isn’t this just the cutest! You can even download the pattern absolutely free, in Sizes 2T/3T.

Part 1 of the Tutorial Here:

Part 2:

Part 3:

Kids’ Drawing Case

Wouldn’t this make a nice favor for kids’ birthday parties? Holds 8 colored pencils and a notebook, and has a velcro closure. Quick, easy and useful...

http://thelongthread.com/?p=6008

Susie Gay is coming to Yankee Chapter on November 8 & 9!

An information sheet/registration form for the “Purse Reticule” class has been distributed. IF YOU HAVEN’T SIGNED UP YET – NOW IS THE TIME! Registration has now been opened to non-members.
NEXT MEETING – June 9, 2014 – WHAT TO BRING:

- Items to be donated to our Yard Sale!
- Your $$$ to spend at the Yard Sale!
- Show-and-Share Items
- Preemie Bonnets
- Donations for Door Prize Committee
- Your Nametag and Coffee Mug

Reminder: Please notify Del Burd of any Sunshine Committee needs.

REMEMBER: DOOR PRIZE DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED!

Please see Rosalie or Lynda.

NOTE TO BOARD MEMBERS:
If for any reason you are unable to attend to your assigned duty at a meeting, please do the following: (1) arrange for someone else to substitute for you, and/or (2) call our President, Donna Boucher, to let her know so that she can in turn arrange for coverage. Thank you!