



MAYFLOWER CHAPTER

Association of Traditional Hooking Artists

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Welcome Mayflower Members

Greetings to all!

Hopefully you are weathering Hurricane Irene, which is sweeping the area as we speak, without serious incident and have had a good summer. We finished our last program year under fair skies with a Strawberry Festival at Dot Woodle's lovely lakeside home and the Mayflower Board convened over the summer to plan for upcoming programs and changes in the way we manage logistics at our monthly meetings. Our membership has reached the 100 mark, infusing our organization with fresh energy and presenting greater administrative challenges. Special thanks to those of you who attended the May meeting to help us address these challenges and to those who have graciously volunteered to help in the coming year. We are especially grateful to Susan Russo for her dedicated effort in establishing a website for us (Mayflowerchapter.com) and hope that you will take advantage of this mechanism for staying abreast our chapter's activities. We look forward to another year rich with opportunities for creative growth and rewarding connection!

Co-Presidents,
Donna Allen & Marcia Kent



September 17, 2011

Welcome In/Potluck Social

Unitarian Universalist Church
239 Woburn Street, Reading, MA

As has become our tradition, we will kick off the program year with a potluck social. We will be organizing to transition to our new program management format as outlined in this newsletter, welcoming new and returning members and getting reacquainted the projects that have been lying dormant over the summer. Please bring a dish to share!

Customs - Old & New

All meetings will continue to be held from 10:00 - 2:00 at the Unitarian Universalist Church. Margaret Cowell has arranged for us to continue using the upstairs room on a permanent basis. We are transitioning to a team format in managing logistics (see separate attachment for more details), including set-up and take down as well as beverages and snacks. The Junque Table will continue to provide an opportunity for members to sell or donate items. Please indicate the price (if any) and your name if you would like to be paid for the item or indicate that you would like the proceeds to benefit the Mayflower Chapter. And last, but not least -- nametags, please!

DIRECTIONS FROM I93: Take Exit 37A onto Route 95/128N to Exit 38B/Route 28N. At the second set of lights (gas station on left), turn left onto Summer Avenue. Follow Summer Avenue through one set of lights. At the second set of lights, you will see the church on the corner of Summer Avenue and Woburn Street. Park in the church lot or on Summer Ave. **DIRECTIONS FROM I95/ROUTE 128:** Take Exit 38B/Route 28N and follow above directions.

■ **October 15, 2011**

Lettering & Finishing Techniques Beverly Mulcahy

Many of you enjoyed the program Beverly Mulcahy delivered last year on the work of Deanne Fitzpatrick. She's back by popular demand to share her know-how for achieving effective lettering on rugs and to provide instruction on a variety of finishing techniques. Join us to expand your toolbox and bring your challenge mat!

■ **November 19, 2011**

Color Strategies Martha Beals

Hooking artist and teacher Martha Beals has few rivals when it comes to using beautiful color for impact. She'll discuss her approach to color and provide strategies for using it to maximum effect in your rugs.

■ **December 10, 2011**

Christmas Potluck Luncheon

Our Pot Luck Christmas Luncheon will be complimented by a Wool Swap and a \$15.00 gift exchange. Bring your favorite dish, ¼ yard of wool for the swap, and your gift if you wish to participate.



Hooked Santa by Audrey Kish

Mayflower Challenge Mats

We are seeking to display our 12 x 12 Massachusetts-themed mats at the North Reading library this fall. All finished, **clearly labeled** mats should be submitted at the October 15th meeting. Special (optional) labels designed by Robyn Hodges will be available for a small fee at the September meeting -- proceeds to benefit the Mayflower chapter.

2012 Programs

January 21, 2012

Home Bee hosted by Edythe Salzman,
Groton, MA

February 18, 2012

Mayflower Chapter Big Bee

March 17, 2012

Hooked Sewing Kit - Robyn Hodges

April 21, 2012

Needle Felting - Lyn Slade

May 19, 2012

Keepsake Castle - Jeanne Fallier

June 16, 2012

Strawberry Festival hosted by Jenna Sleeper
Groveland, MA

Mark Your Calendars

GREEN MOUNTAIN FALL FOLIAGE FIESTA

September 21 - 25, 2011

Vermont Technical College

www.greenmountainhookeddrugs.com/fall-fiesta.htm

CRANBERRY CHAPTER HOOK-IN

Saturday, October 8, 2011 - 10:00 - 3:00

Dennis Senior Center, Dennis, MA

ATHA REGION I SCHOOL - NORTH

November 6 - 9, 2011

The Inn at Church Landing, Meredith, NH

REGION I HOOK-IN

Saturday, March 24, 2012

Unitarian Church, Westford, MA



In the Event of a Cancellation: If in doubt about a cancellation, please call Marcia Kent or Donna Allen. If a program is cancelled due to bad weather or other unforeseen circumstance we will try to revive it in the coming program year.

NEW PROCESS FOR MANAGING MEETING LOGISTICS

Many of you were present at the May 2011 meeting when we discussed our thoughts on how to meet the growing demands associated with hosting our monthly programs. This is to clarify our new course of action. We appreciate all of your past efforts in helping our programs to go smoothly and thank you in advance for your on-going support!

Beginning this program year, logistics for each meeting will be coordinated by teams designated by color. Board members will assume responsibility for the first meeting on September 17th and will organize four teams on that date to rotate responsibility going forward. Each team will be responsible for two meetings over the course of any given program year and will be responsible for the tasks outlined below. Tasks will be coordinated for each team by a Team Leader.

At each meeting, the team responsible for the next month's meeting will convene briefly to insure that all the bases are being covered. The Team Leader will follow up by phone or e-mail prior to the meeting to remind people of what they signed up for. If a team member is unable to perform a task that they volunteered for, they should arrange for an alternate member of the team to fill in for them and notify the Team Leader in advance of the designated meeting.

Board members will assist team members in all activities and will provide guidance and support as needed.

All team members should arrive by 9:15 and will be responsible to bring snacks, drinks, a centerpiece and decorations as appropriate.

Set-up/breakdown – Tables/chairs Team members needed: 4-6

Set up 8 long tables (not round)

Plus one table for junque, table for speaker as needed, and welcoming table

Set up 8-10 chairs for each table

At end of meeting return tables and chairs to storage following church instruction sheets

After meeting clean-up Team member needed : 1

Remove trash and take to outside dumpster

Sweep floor after all tables/chairs removed

Check bathroom

Lights off

Hospitality Team members needed: 2

Set up for coffee/tea

Set out plates, napkins, silverware

Set out food

Clean up at end of meeting

Welcoming Team members needed: 1-2

Assist in taking attendance

Give reminders for nametags

Greet new members and introduce to other members