



## Mayflower Chapter Newsletter October 2013

### ***Copyright Presentation by Pam Bartlett***

ATHA Mayflower was fortunate to have Pam Bartlett speak to our group about Copyrights. Pam shared a wealth of information on this complex topic, and patiently answered our many questions. Below is some basic information on Copyrights.

Copyright is the right to copy, a property right in an original work of authorship (including literary, musical, dramatic, choreographic, pictorial, graphic, sculptural, and architectural works, motion pictures and other audiovisual works, and sound recordings) fixed in any tangible medium of expression, giving the holder the exclusive right to reproduce, adapt, distribute, perform and display the work. Copyright law is governed by the Copyright Act of 1976.

A work is automatically protected by copyright when it is created. Works published before 1923 are in the public domain.

#### **Copyrights as they relate to Rug Hooking**

- When you buy a rug pattern, you are typically paying for a one time license to create a rug from that pattern
- You may be able to find designs in a book; the book should tell you how many copies you can make from a pattern and

whether they can be used for personal or business use

- If you find a design you like that is copyrighted that you want to use, contact the owner for permission to use that design, explaining what you would like to use it for, how many times, etc. Remember that a design does not have to say it is copyrighted to be protected
- You can't just take designs off the internet and use them for patterns; you need to research the copyright restrictions first
- Copying only a portion of a design may well be a copyright infringement

#### **Registering your work**

- Registration is not required in order for a work to be protected by copyright
- Registration is required if you want to sue someone who infringes on your copyright
- The Library of Congress officially registers copyrights which last for the life of the author plus 70 years. No one else can profit or copy your ideas without your permission during this time period
- To register a work, go to [www.copyright.gov](http://www.copyright.gov)

### How can you avoid Copyright Infringement?

- Create your own source material; e.g., take a picture, then use that as the basis for your rug
- Use public domain images (be sure to check out thoroughly); you should still cite it
- Use out-of-copyright materials
- Get permission to use the image



A whimsical rug by Alice Remare, made for her great grandchild



Pillow by Diane DeRoche, an adapted William Morris pattern, made in honor of former member Ginie McMillian



Floral mat by Lorraine Foner, which won First Place at Topsfield Fair

### **Upcoming Board Vacancies**

Dot Woodle, Hospitality and Sandra Porter, Programs have generously contributed their time over the past several years and would like to step down after this year. If you are interested in contributing in one of these positions, please contact one of them or Jenna Sleeper.

## ***The 2014 Mayflower Challenge!***

The vote has been tallied and the winning idea for 2014 is **NAME TAG**. We look forward to seeing the creative creations that our members will come up with regarding this new challenge.



Audrey Kish and Lorraine Foner, Octogenarians enjoying the day

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Fiber Arts Exhibit**

This exhibit features 60 years of designing and making items of Traditional Rug Hooking by Jeanne Fallier of Westford.

Sundays, from noon to 2 pm for the month of November at the Parish Arts Center, Boston Rd and Lincoln Street, Westford, MA.

## **Region 1 Hook In – Sat, March 22, 2014**

This annual event will take place in Westford, so don't forget to mark your calendars.

### **Mayflower Calendar**

- **November 16th**
  - Gorgeous Green Hospitality Team (Leader: Happy DiFranza)
  - Event: Open Rug Hooking (bring something to work on)
  - Guest Speaker: Rose Anne Hunter with Sheep Project, \$10



- **December 14th**
  - Ravishing Red Hospitality Team (Leader: Jane Sittnick)
  - Event: Christmas Celebration
  - This year, instead of the Yankee Swap and Wool Exchange, we will be exchanging a wool piece (hooked, felted, etc), approximately 9 x 9" in size that you make. Please gift wrap your piece, and don't forget to sign your name on the back. This will be a

wonderful chance for everyone to share handmade pieces with each other.

- We will also be engaging in a separate more traditional gift swap (value \$15-\$20).
- Members are welcome to participate in either or both exchanges.

- **January 18<sup>th</sup>**

- Board Members Hospitality Team
- Event: Home Bee, downstairs at the church

- **February 15<sup>th</sup>**

- Gorgeous Green Hospitality Team (Leader: Happy DiFranza)
- Event: Big Bee

- **March 15<sup>th</sup>**

- Yowza Yellow Hospitality Team (Leader: Jeanie Crockett)
- Rug Journey – Sandra Porter and Jenna Sleeper

- **April 12<sup>th</sup>**

- Bodacious Blue Hospitality Team (Leader; Maggie Cowell)
- Guest Speaker: Susie Stephenson, Primitives

- **May 17<sup>th</sup>:**

- Ravishing Red Hospitality Team (Leader; Jane Sittnick) POTLUCK
- Lois Dugal, Embellishments

- **June:** Strawberry Festival, date & location TBD

## **Board Members:**

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## ***Updated Hostess Teams***

### **Ravishing Red Team**

Dot Bickford

Cynthia Dabroski

Lorraine Foner

Patricia Iverson

Jean Jones

Carol Lachance

Ann Lange

Maria Meyer

Janice Oberlander

Phyllis Poor

**Jane Sittnick**

Jan Smith

Kelly Stone

Anne Symchych

Theresa Wells

Marcy Young

*your hostess team days, please pitch in at other times – thanks!*

### **Yowza Yellow Team**

Donna Allen

Pam Bartlett

Judy Carvalho

Barbara Churchill

Grace Collette

**Jeannie Crockett**

Martha Davis

Doris DeProspo

Diana Deroche

Karen Doliber

Bonnie Floyd

Ann Garrity

Audrey Kish

Gail Majauckas

Alice Remare

Margaret Ricker

Betty Travers

**Note:** *We understand that not everyone attends regularly. If you can't help out on*



Please send your rug pictures to Susan Russo to post on the website.

If you are interested in hosting this year's Strawberry Festival, please contact one of the board members.

### **Bodacious Blue Team**

Martha Beals

**Margaret Cowell**

Kathleen Dainton

Janice Hart

Michele Kane

Jean Prato

Ann Rakip

Rose Raymond

Brenda Reed

Nancy Sankus

Susan Smidt

Tary Ildi

Nancy Wallace

Pat Weimer

Susan Wrynn

Mary Yannetti

### **Gorgeous Green Team**

Susan Barry

Wanda Blanchard

Elise Ciregna

Sharon Clarke

Mary Colby

**Happy DiFranza**

Lois Dodge

Ann Duggan

Jeanne Fallier

Cynthia Gorton

Hannah Gregorio

Judy Griffin

Kathy Harber

Sara Hobgood

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### **Editor's Notes:**