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## HIDDEN TREASURES QUILT SHOW INFORMATION

***Judging:*** September 22, 2025

***Show Set Up:*** September 25, 2025

***Show:*** September 26 and 27, 2025

**SET UP:** Setting up the show at Hope Church will take place on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> starting about 8am. The church is located at 11 Hale Street, Newburyport.

**PARKING:** During show hours, members should park in the auxiliary lot next door to the church. Drive past the church and take the next left at the Assembly of God and park in the back lot. There is a path that will lead back to Hope Church. Handicapped members should park at the church at their convenience.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Every member must volunteer a least two hours of time for the show. Linda Lydecker is our Volunteer Chair and has created an online signup process with Signup Genius. You can also call her directly. If you cannot volunteer due to time constraints or other issues, email or call Linda and a solution will be worked out. When you come to the church for your volunteer shift, be sure to sign in at the Admissions table.

**ALL QUILTS:** All quilts must have a tag which you have safety-pinned to the back right hand corner of the quilt. The list for your quilt number will be on the MVQ website or email Lori Josephson (lojo0617@gmail.com) for your number(s). **We will provide tags and index cards at the September guild meeting.** Also, each quilt must be placed in a bag that will stand up. Attach the index card to the outside of the bag. All quilts need a 5" sleeve for hanging or they cannot be hung. Refer to "How to Label Your Quilt and Bag" on the MVQ website.

**JUDGING:** Judging will be held at the Merrimac Library, 86 West Main St., Merrimac, MA. **This year it will be on the Monday prior to the quilt show (September 22, 2025).** Drop off your quilts to be judged at the library between 8-8:30am. Be sure you get a receipt for them. We will bring all these quilts to the church, so you don't have to pick them up.

**NON-JUDGED QUILTS:** These quilts need to be dropped off at the church on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> between 8-10 am. Come in the front door of the church and there will be volunteers there to take in your quilts. Make sure you get a receipt for each quilt.

**EARLY DROP OFF:** There are several members who have agreed to accept quilts early for members who cannot make the regular drop off dates/times. Refer to "Quilt Drop Off and Pick Up" on the MVQ website.

**KITCHEN:** We will need volunteer contributions of Coke, Diet Coke, Ginger ale, etc. as well as water. We are working on providing prepackaged sandwiches and snacks. We cannot accept any home-baked goods this year. There will be sign-up sheets for the drink and snack items at the September guild meeting.

**PENNY RAFFLE:** Baskets can be brought to the church on Thursday morning, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Lottery tickets and fat quarters can be brought to the September guild meeting.

The baskets must be wrapped with cellophane and be ready to display. Each basket needs an attached list of what is in the basket. While quilt-related baskets have been very successful in the past so have non-quilt-related baskets (i.e. chocolate baskets, knitting baskets, candy baskets, etc.). There will be a spot in the church atrium for drop off or see Lisa Arsenault when you come to the church.

**COMFORT QUILTS:** We will accept comfort quilts any time before or during the show. The designated charity for this year is Wellspring House, Gloucester.

**WHITE ELEPHANT ITEMS:** All items for the White Elephant room can be brought to the church on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Please see Helene Parenteau or Minda Fowler as to where they want you to put your items. Due to the small size of our storage unit, we will try not to have anything left over!

**BOUTIQUE:** Items that you want to sell to the public can be brought to the church on Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup> (80% of the proceeds will go back to you, 20% will go to the guild). Items must be made by MVQ members. Each item will need a unique code. See form on website under "Quilt Show Info and Forms." Email Marilyn Yee or Diana Grammont if you have any questions.

**SILENT AUCTION:** Items for the silent auction can be brought to the September guild meeting or to the church on Thursday morning, September 25<sup>th</sup>. The item(s) should be valued at \$25 or more, and it does not have to be quilt related. We are encouraging but not requiring items to be handmade. This year's designated charity is the Merrimac Santa Parade Fund. Email Maureen Terrazano or Mary Gallant with questions.

**TAKE DOWN:** We will need a lot of help on Saturday afternoon, September 27<sup>th</sup>, for takedown starting about 4pm. Quilts will be available for pick up starting at 4:45pm. (Please be sure you receive the judge's comments which will be handed out with your quilts. See Lori Josephson after the show ends if you have not received them.) We will do our best to have the quilts ready to hand out as quickly as possible. Give your quilt receipt to someone else if you can't be there to pick up your quilt.

**OTHER:** No straight pins can be used at the church, use safety pins only. No helium balloons. No latex. No taping to church walls, use poster putty only. These are the church's rules.

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