

# Nimble Fingers Newsletter

Fiber Artists of the Nation's Capital

**www.nimblefingers.org**

**May/June 2018**

PO Box 8101  
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Officers 2017-2018:

President: Dottie Acton

Vice President: Liz Adams

Secretary: Virginia Weber

Treasurer: Susan Sellers-acting

**Since 1974 = 44 YEARS OF FELLOWSHIP**

***Remember to please keep our meetings a fragrance-free environment.***

**Next meeting is Wednesday May 2**

**NOTE: There will be no weekly blasts May 2 through June 8**

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## **President's Message from Dottie Acton**

First, I want to thank all of you for allowing me to serve as your president this past year. I appreciate your support and all your efforts to keep our guild vibrant and relevant. A special thanks to my fellow officers – Liz Adams, Ginny Weber, Helen Wasserman and Susan Sellers.

This has definitely been a year of change for me. My great grandson is now 9 months old, and he's getting bigger and better every day. I don't get as much quilting done as I used to, but I spend a lot more time crawling on the floor, laughing and picking up blocks.

I'm looking forward to our yard sale in May and hope to see many of you there. I really don't *need* anything, but that's never stopped me from shopping in the past, so I expect to do my share to help our treasury and increase my stash. The Friendship Star yard sale is in June, so with two sales back to back I think I'll probably need to quilt faster or get another storage container for my purchases. I'm sure many of you feel the same way.

We will have a brief business meeting at our May meeting to elect new officers (see below for the slate) before we start the yard sale. See you all there!

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## **Nimble Fingers 20-18-2019 Slate of Officers**

We will vote on these candidates at our May meeting. Many thanks to these individuals for volunteering.

**President** – Ann McNulty  
**Vice President** – Margaret Natof  
**Secretary** – Nan Highland  
**Treasurer** – Sheri Thompson

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## **Quilting 4 Others – Margaret Natof and Sheri Thompson**

The May Q4O meetings will be at Margaret's on May 8 and 22. If you would like to join the group, please call Margaret to RSVP.

We have lots of kits for you to complete. Stop by the Q4O table at the June meeting and take home one or more to complete over the summer.

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## **Programs – Cecilia Marzulli, Ann McNulty**

**May** – Yard Sale  
**June** – David Sirota on *What Makes Quilters Tick*  
**July/August** – no meetings  
**September** – Brenda Shoemaker on *T-shirt Memory Quilts*  
**October** – Andrea Schnur *Trunk Show*  
**November** – Debby Kratovil, *editor of Quilt Magazine*  
**December** – Renelda Peldunas-Harter on *Quilts of Valor*

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## **2018 Yard Sale – May 2 – Margaret Natof**

Be prepared for our annual Yard Sale. Margaret Natof has filled her garage with lots of goodies to bring for you to purchase.

Items left over after the sale will be recycled, donated to charity, and/or given to Friendship Star for their June yard sale.

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## **2018 Fall Retreat – Kim Jalette and Laura Markus (co-chairs)**

We are happy to announce that the Fall retreat is full, but we keep a wait list just in case! Contact Kim if you would like to be added. Retreat dates are October 15-18, with a 3 day or 4 day option available. Do not hesitate to put your name on the wait list. Everyone on the spring wait list got in to the spring retreat.

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## **Hospitality – Joni Hanley and Mary Campbell (co-chairs)**

We will have subs and salad for lunch after our meeting on May 2 for \$5 (price increase and larger sandwich size). Those who signed up to hostess will be sent a reminder before the meeting.

June will be our potluck lunch.

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## **Sunshine – Laura Markus**

YOU ARE MY SUNSHINE.....

Laura is looking to spread some Sunshine to our guild members, so if you hear of someone that needs a little Sunshine, or if there's Great news, please let her know, and she will send a card from the guild. Please email Laura.

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## **Mini Groups – Ruth Cohen**

If you are not in a small quilt group, now is the time to join one, or start a new one. Many of the small groups already have enough members. But it is easy to start your own group. Just send Ruth your name and contact information and when you would like to meet. She will keep a list of interested quilters and see if she can create a group. It is not necessary for everyone in the group to be at the same skill level or enjoy the same kind of quilting. Diversity makes for livelier meetings. Send information or questions to: Ruth Cohen by phone or email.

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## **Membership – Rainie Broad**

Nimble Fingers membership runs each year from May 1st through April 30th. Our dues remain at \$25 per year. You can either pay by check (payable to - Nimble Fingers) or cash. If you would like to mail your dues please mail check to Rainie Broad. For more information, send an email to [membership@nimblefingers.org](mailto:membership@nimblefingers.org).

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## **Current Events – position OPEN**

Contact the guild president if you are interested in this position. Your responsibilities would be to provide information about upcoming quilt shows and quilt-related events at meetings and to the Newsletter chair for publication in newsletters and blasts.

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## Library – Luanne Lindeman

### LIBRARY FAQ's

Can I check out more than one book at a time?

Yes!

How long can I keep a book checked out?

The guild prefers that books be checked out for one month at a time so that more people have access to each title. Check it out at one meeting and return it at the next whenever possible.

Don't forget to check the website often ( [www.nimblefingers.org/library](http://www.nimblefingers.org/library) ) and peruse our list of available titles. If you find one or more you would like me to bring to the next meeting, just email the request to [librarian@nimblefingers.org](mailto:librarian@nimblefingers.org)

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## DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES FOR September / October 2018 NEWSLETTER: August 24, 2018

Please send corrections to [newsletter@nimblefingers.org](mailto:newsletter@nimblefingers.org)

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## Committee Chairs – contact these people to volunteer or get information:

Current Events:	OPEN
Historian:	Susan Sellers
Hospitality:	Joni Hanley, Mary Campbell
Library:	<a href="#">Luanne Lindeman</a>
Membership:	<a href="#">Rainie Broad</a>
Mini Groups:	Ruth Cohen
Newsletter/Blasts:	<a href="#">Linda August</a>
Nominating:	OPEN
Programs:	Cecilia Marzulli, Ann McNulty
Quilting Bee:	Francie Parrack
Quilting for Others:	Margaret Natof, Sheri Thompson
Retreat:	Kim Jalette, Laura Markus
Sunshine:	Laura Markus
Website, Facebook:	Linda Dixon
Welcoming:	Ivy Barnett

Nimble Fingers Quilters, Inc. meets at 10 AM on the first Wednesday of the month  
(except July and August) at the  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Rockville (UUCR)  
100 Welsh Park Drive, Rockville MD 20850

Luncheon follows each meeting.