

BMQG GETAWAY 2018 frequently asked questions (FAQ)
The 25th anniversary of the BMQG Getaway is being celebrated in 2018

1. **What exactly is the Getaway?** Answer: Consider it a “Cabin Fever Reliever” and a sewing retreat or immersion weekend rolled into one, held at the Red Jacket Mt. View Resort in North Conway on April 6-8, 2018 with an extra sewing day on Thursday April 5th if desired.
2. **What is the “extra sewing day”?** Answer: Many people have asked for an extra day of sewing so we are providing Thursday April 5, 2018 as a “sew on your own day”. There is a lower room charge for Thursday night and meals are on your own until the actual Getaway event begins on Friday evening. A room is provided for those that wish to come early to sew starting at noon on Thursday. Cost for rooms on Thursday are \$135 for singles, \$67.50/person double and \$52.00/person for triple room accommodations. Remember to register at the Getaway registration table on Friday afternoon.
3. **What hours are available for sewing?** Answer: Starting at noon on Friday until you collapse or Thursday at noon if you opt for the extra day. If you want to sew all night, you go girl! The sewing room is open as long as someone is in it. Otherwise it is locked for security purposes so that you may leave your machines in the room.
4. **What is the challenge exhibit?** Answer: Each year at the close of the Getaway weekend, a challenge is announced for the next year. Anyone is eligible to participate in the challenge for ribbons and prizes whether you attended the previous year’s Getaway or not.
5. **How do I find out the subject of the challenge?** Answer: Register on line at www.bmqg.org or send in your registration form as directed. (Hint): **Since 2018 is the 25th year of the BMQG Getaway, the challenge for 2018 is an item that is an accessory or wearable that will fit inside a carryon piece of luggage and has visible silver incorporated into it. It is not a flat quilt!** So get your creativity in gear and join the fun!
6. **Is it true that there are door prizes and raffles?** Answer: Of course! You can take chances on a terrific raffle basket full of quilt related goodies. And don’t forget the **GRAND PRIZE** drawing for a free Getaway weekend the following year for the winner’s half of a double room.
7. **How is the food at the Red Jacket Mt. View Resort?** Answer: Let’s put it this way: no one has ever left feeling hungry. The meals are great and the service is wonderful. It’s a really great experience with no cooking and no cleanup! And it’s all included in your room fee. *Please note on the registration form if you have any special dietary requirements.*
8. **Why would I want to try the quilting workshop?** Answer: Because it’s lots of fun to see the project evolve and you might even complete it during the weekend. This year’s workshop is called “**TUMBLING TRIANGLES**” and the fee includes the pattern required to make the project. There is an additional discounted charge for the Studio 180 V block tool. Photos are on the BMQG website (www.bmqg.org). Pam Horvath will be teaching the workshop and notes that this quilt may be made in several different sizes from 13x13, 27x27 (the example photo on the website), to 80x80 inches. Directions for fabric requirements and homework will be supplied when your registration fee is received.
9. **Why do I need to make out two checks to send in with the registration form?** Answer: One check covers the hospitality, workshops and possible supplies provided by BMQG. The other check for the hotel is a room deposit and guarantees your room reservation. You will pay the balance of your room bill at the time of checkout. Remember that there is a 72 hour cancellation policy for individual room cancellations. Send both checks to the designated address on the registration form: **BMQG Getaway, PO Box 6174, Laconia, NH 03247-6174**
10. **Are there any other activities?** Answer: There is “Show and Tell” of what you’ve been working on during the weekend and participants are encouraged to bring along another item for a special “Show and Tell” of something else you have made previously and would like to show to others. We are also offering a chair massage on Saturday afternoon but only if you sign up when you register for the weekend. And of course, there is always shopping in North Conway if you want to take a break from sewing.
11. **Is the hotel handicap accessible?** Answer: There are some rooms that are handicap accessible and there is an elevator. However the locations of the sewing rooms that we use require an individual to go up and down 2-3 steps. We try to have participant rooms on the same floor as the sewing rooms for that reason. The hotel has bellhop service to assist you with hauling your “stuff” to your room.
12. **When can we start sewing?** Answer: The sewing rooms will be open @ noon on Friday or noon on Thursday if you sign up for the extra sewing day. You may arrive any time during the day but your rooms may not be ready to move into until mid afternoon. Some people like to stop at a few quilt shops on the way to North Conway as well. Make it a fun weekend!