

POCONO MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD

The Quilt Line

Happy Anniversary!

Pocono Mountain Quilters' Guild

The first meeting of the Guild was held on April 12th 1989 at St Matthew's Catholic Church in East Stroudsburg with 55 people attending. A steering committee was formed by May, the first By-Laws were drawn up and voted on by November of 1989. By June the first newsletter went out and by July we had our first official newsletter in the mail. We had our first slate of officers by the September meeting.

This is Guild's 30th year Anniversary.

Congratulations! We held our first Quilt Show in 1990 and then again in 1991, both of them in the Canadensis area. Successful bi-annual quilt shows were then held until 2013. In 2016 we held our first "Quilt Bingo" and this year will be the fourth one. In 2018 we were able to show off our members quilts by holding our first "Quilt Fest" at the East Stroudsburg Methodist Church. Over the years Guild has run many quilt challenges, block of the months, outings and pot luck suppers and hosted many quilt speakers. We have given away money to different charities and donated many quilts to be raffled and given away, still an ongoing mission of ours. Our purpose is "to promote friendship among persons interested in all aspects of quilting; to promote an interest in and appreciation of the art of quilting making; to share quilting information; and education and stimulation of high standards and technique"

The dedication of our members has kept this Guild going as the Quilt World has changed around us in the thirty years. We thank you all! Help us celebrating our Guild and these eight Charter Members who have stuck with us since the beginning: Marianne Bridges, Donna Conto, Marie Guidry, Lorraine Hare, Bea Kasebier, Louise Price, Lois Kirkwood and Mary Santoro

Submitted by Lorraine Hare

Meeting Dates

Membership 2nd Wed. at 6:30

Community Room

April 17

May 8

June 12

July 17

August 14

September 11

October 9

November 13

Charity Committee

6:30-9:00 Library Board Room

April 24

May 22 - Pullen Room

June 26

July 24

August 28

September 25

October 23

Board 1st Wed. at 6:30 PM

Library Board Room

May 1

June 5 - Eiseman Room

July 3

August 7

September 4

October 2

November 6th

Quilting Fellowship Days

Saturdays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Community Room

May 18

September 21

November 23

President's Message

Dear Members,

Happy 30th Anniversary to our guild!!!! That is quite an accomplishment. There have been ups and downs through the years but due to the hard work and dedication on the part of many guild members, past and present, the Pocono Mountain Quilter's Guild remains strong. Our guild continues in our purpose to promote fellowship among all persons interested in all aspects of quilting, promote an interest on appreciation in the art of quilting and to share quilting information. We can be proud of our charity quilt work. We continue to bring diversified quilting programs to our members. We have the opportunity to come together on a regular basis with other quilters and friends to share our common interest.

In celebration of our anniversary we are investigating printing tee shirts for our members to purchase. There will be more details at the meeting as to cost and design. There will also be discussion about our Charity quilt program. As with any endeavor it is good to evolve based on current needs. There is more information in the newsletter.

There is a program change for April's Meeting. Pat Howlin needed to reschedule her program and we will hopefully have it later in the year. We will be having an easy workshop where we will make a spring inspired pin cushion. There is additional information in this newsletter regarding supplies needed.

In Stitches, Kathy

Minutes

Minutes for March 13, 2019 PMQG meeting

Meeting was called to order by Kathy Parrish with 26 members in attendance.

Shirley Correll moved we accept the minutes of February, seconded by Judy Mehl, motion was accepted. Linda Doll moved we accept the February Treasurer's report, seconded by AnnMarie Kizer, motion was accepted.

Charity quilt for adults will be made at March 16th meeting and kits will be available to assemble.

Lorraine has a sign sheet for a 2 color fabric exchange being passed around, for those interested more information will be given at the next meeting.

Shirley Correll has flyers for the July 14 Bingo, baked goods are also requested as we had a run on them last year so want to be prepared. Containers will be available to hold items. Tricky Tray items and fat quarters are also needed; please bring them as soon as possible.

Linda Doll passed out directions for block of the month which is a Spools design, time is coming fast for the finished blocks to be assembled.

Sunshine Club announced Bea Kasebier is in Pocono General on 5th Floor and Donna Faulstick is on the mend from knee surgery.

There being no further business, Keri Skutnik moved we adjourn, seconded by Ann Wingert Following the meeting 10 members had Show n' Tell items to display.

Respectfully submitted, Donna Conto, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

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Treasurer's Report for February 2019
Beginning Balance as of 3/1/19

\$11,409.74

NO ACTIVITY

Ending Balance as of 3/31/19

\$11,409.74

Submitted by Donna Faulstick



Calendar

Starting on March 13th, a short Bingo Meeting will be held at 5:30 pm before the regular meeting. If your are involved with the Bingo in any capacity, please make sure you attend.

April Business Meeting Workshop- This is a program change

Spring Inspired Pin Cushion. This will be a fun and easy project which members can make during our meeting. This tuffet pin cushion will allow members to express their own personally. Members can choose to keep it simple or embellish in any way they would like.

Cost \$2 per kit

Supplies needed

Basic sewing items

8" square of fabric

Buttons, trim, lace, rickrack, ribbon all to compliment your fabric. One button for center of pin cushion- shank button will work best.

April 17th: Regular Business meeting at the EMPL, we will celebrating Guild's 30th Anniversary.

April 24th: Charity Quilts meeting starting at 6:30 pm at the EMPL. All are welcome to attend, bring your sewing machine and supplies.

May 1st: Board Meeting at EMPL in the Board Room starting at 6:30 pm.

May 8th: Regular Meeting starting at 6:30 pm at the EMPL. "Bucklebee Bags" will be with us to do a presentation.

May 18th: Quilting Fellowship day at the EMPL. Starts at 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Details to follow.

May 22nd: Charity Quilts meeting starting at 6:30 pm at the EMPL in the Pullen Room (upstairs). All are welcome to attend, bring your sewing machine and supplies.

June 5th: Board Meeting at EMPL in the Board Room starting at 6:30 pm, in the **Eisman Room** (upstairs)

June 12th: Regular Guild Meeting at the EMPL. Starting at 6:30 pm. Susan Deshensky from Mamaroneck NY will be presenting "My Quiltworx Journey", this will be a presentation and Trunk Show. **Quilted items to be turned in for the bingo, please give to Lorraine Hare.**

June 26th: Charity Quilts meeting starting at 6:30 pm at the EMPL. All are welcome to attend, bring your sewing machine and supplies.

July 14th: Quilt Lover's Bingo

July 17th: Regular meeting, cancelled

Is there anything special you as a member would like to have a workshop on or a certain speaker you have heard about ... let Lorraine know if you have any ideas.

BOM / Challenge 2018-2019

Block of the Month - For 9 months we will be doing a 12 " (finished) Sawtooth Star but each month there will be a different 6" (finished) block for the center. Use any style of fabric that you want - 30's, batiks, brights, scrappy.

Challenge - Put your 9 blocks together in any way that you want. Be creative. You can add more blocks, you can add different blocks. Use whatever setting you want. The only requirement is that the finished top must include the original 9 blocks. At the August Picnic we will have a show and tell of our finished top (quilting optional) with ribbons for Viewer's Choice.

Submitted by Sheryl Flatt and Linda D

Quilt Bingo

Quilt Bingo this year is on **July 14th**. Thank you to all members who have taken kits to work on a quilt for the quilt bingo. We will be playing 16 games and all prizes are quilted or quilt related items. The deadline for giving us your quilted item for the bingo is **June 12th**, **please keep this date in mind.** Remember the item must be given to us quilted and bound. The committee will use it's discretion, if we do end up with too many quilted items. Remember we have the Tricky Tray as well. Thank you to the members for your help.

Submitted by Lorraine Hare

Charity Quilts

Quilting Fellowship Day was held on March 16th. Lorraine Hare, Anna Rivera, Sarah Pierson, Judy Mehl, Ann Wingert, Kari Skutnik and Kathy Parrish worked to create kits and sew adult lap quilts. Charity Quilts was held on the 27th with Lorraine Hare, Terry Cavanagh, Ann Wingert, Vicki Pede, Laura Lyman, Kathy Parrish working to complete adult and children's quilts.

There will be discussion at the next business meeting as to the direction to take with charity quilts. There are many different organizations who make quilts and blankets for children. As a result, there is not much need in our area for children's quilts. Pregnancy Resource Center has plenty and no room to store them. Shepard Maternity House said their clients are too fussy and do not like the quilts. Children and Youth are getting quilts for Quilts for Kids and do not need any extra. We can still supply Angels Closet with some quilts. We will discuss some new ideas for our children's quilts at the April meeting. Meals on Wheels continues to be very happy and excited to receive placemats. The used the Valentine ones for February birthdays and new clients. They do not have a stock pile and can use as many as we can make. There was a request for more placemats for their male clients. They also express great interest in lap quilts for their clients. They would use them as birthday and Christmas gifts as well as for those clients gravely ill or who have lost a spouse. They are so happy with our donations that the director will be at our meeting in May to personally thank us. We can also continue to make lap quilts for the area nursing homes.

We will have kits available at our April meeting for Adult lap quilts. We will continue to accept placemats and will present them at the May meeting to the Director of MOW.

Activities

Sunshine

If you know of any member who has had surgery, an illness, a death in the family, become a grandparent or just needs some cheering up please let me know so a card can be sent from the guild.

Submitted by Mary Santoro

Tea Time: The Tea Social starts at 6:00 P.M. and gives members the chance to arrive early, socialize and enjoy a cup of tea. Members bring their own favorite mugs. Various teas, sugar and milk are supplied. Our speaker meetings and programs have run more smoothly, with fewer distractions, since members have had the opportunity to socialize before the program.

<u>PLEASE</u> Wear Your Name Tag: Please wear your name tag to help everyone greet and speak to each other by name. If you forget your name tag, stop at the Sign In Sheet for a paper Hello My Name Is tag!

For Your Information

Possible Workshop:

June 13th with Susan Deshensky "Cactus Flower Table Runner" The workshop will be held at the Saylorsburg Firehouse and run from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, this time may be adjusted. The cost will be \$37.50 per student, pattern required, cost paid on day of workshop. The teacher needs a minimum of 12 students. Go on www.ladybluequilts.comto see photograph.

Please sign up with Kathy at the April meeting, if there is not enough response we will open it up to other guilds.

Fabric Exchange:

It is not too late to sign up! You can sign up to participate until the **June 14th.** The fabric squares will be exchanged at the August meeting. You will have to cut **60 five inch squares.** There are many designs using 5" squares. After the first list went out, it showed some members were interested in a few colors, so we have decided to offer two groups at this time. A group for **Black/Red** and a group for **Yellow/Blue**, you may sign up for both groups if you would like. At the April meeting please sign up with Kathy, if you have not already. (Lorraine will have the list after the April meting).

Colonial Quilters' Guild is opening up a workshop on Wednesday June 12th - it is by Karen Eckmeier. You can go to Karen's websites (www.quilted-lizard.com - look under Villages Gallery and Student Gallery - and www.kareneckmeier.com) to see more examples of her work. She is a nationally known speaker, author, and workshop presenter. Would you be interested in attending? It is \$50 and goes from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, the location is in a church on Jacksonville Road. To sign up, send a check made payable to CGQ to Beth Swain, PO Box 696, Long Valley, NJ 07853. Contact Beth at 908-432-2505 OR b.a.swain@att.net with questions.

Our thoughts are with Pat Howlin whose husband passed away in March. Pat sent a message to all members, "Sincere thanks to all Guild members for your kind thoughts and prayers. Your support was a comfort to me during this sorrowful time. I am grateful to have you in my life"

Our thoughts are with Barb Ebert whose husband, Bill fell in back in March on the ice and recently had to have shoulder replacement surgery. Barb has dropped out of guild as she is Bill's full time care giver as he has Parkinson's and she cannot really leave him alone. Barb and Bill were planning on moving to Maryland in April, to be closer to family. This has been put on hold for the time being. The following message came from Barb to Guild:

Just wanted to send a note to the Pocono Mt Quilt Guild. I am sad to say that we will be moving on to a "new adventure" in our lives. For years our sons have been after us to move closer to one of them and I finally think it is time. The house has gotten really too much for me plus taking care of Bill 24/7, makes it very hard on me. So, our sons have been looking in Va, MD and CT and found a new assisted living establishment in Silver Spring, MD.

I want to thank you and everyone in the guild for being friends for so long; being a Charter Member, I have seen the guild grow to what it is today. I will miss all the good times, the laughs and trips we have been on for years. Please tell all my friends in the guild that we are moving on! Our new address will be (I guess by May 1st):

The Landing, 13908 New Hampshire Ave, Silver Spring, Md. 20904 Apartment # 344

Quilt Shows:

May 9th-11th - Mancuso Show at the Old Host Hotel in Lancaster July 25th -28th Hershey Quilt Show Sept. 12th -15th - Mancuso Show at Oaks, PA

The **Guild website** can be found at www.thepmqg.com. The current program calendar is updated on the website every month and the current newsletter is available as a link to a pdf file.



April:

4/1 Bea Kasebier 4/6 Judith Bago 4/11 Jen Walker 4/14 Peggy Chiniewicz 4/26/74 Kathy Rockliuss



April:

4/3/82 Kathleen Parrish 4/9/94 Linda Doll 4/22/72 Mary Dickison 4/24/54 Barbara Ebert

Officers:

President- Kathy Parrish Vice President- Lorraine Hare Secretary- Donna Conto Treasurer- Donna Faulstick Financial Secretary- Ann Marie Kizer

Committees:

Activities- Lorraine Hare
Historian/Photos- Lorraine Hare
Sunshine Club- Mary Santoro
Celebration Quilts
Helping Hands- Peggy Plasencia- Chiniewcz
Hospitality- Vicki Pede
Newsletter- Lois Kirkwood
Publicity- Pat Cudney
Webmaster- Lorraine Hare
Block of the Month / Challenge 2019- Sheryl Flatt, Linda Doll
Charity Quilts
Quilt Bingo- Shirley Correll
Tea Time- Annie Gibson

