

POCONO MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD

The Quilt Line

February 2022

***** Guild Purpose *****

The purpose of the Guild is to promote friendship among persons interested in all aspects of quilting; to promote an interest in and appreciation of the art of quilt making; to share quilting information; and education and stimulation of high standards and technique.

President's Message

Dear Members,

Hope everyone is well and staying warm with these recent chilly temps. I know it has been a great reason to stay inside and sew. I actually finished my challenge table runner from last year! It's time to get going on this years challenge. My problem is that there are too many projects I want to do and never enough time.

I have lots of information to share with you all. Remember that our February meeting will be on Monday the 14th but all future meetings will be on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings. Community quilt meeting will be on the 23rd this month. We will be having a guest speaker this Wednesday, Brita Nelson who will be sharing her lecture about disappearing block patterns. Brita has requested that we wear a mask at the meeting.

Quilt Bingo is 5 months away. We do have several quilts but will need more. It's never too early to start thinking about the tricky tray items also. Elections are also around the corner. I am not able to run again as well as Lorraine and Ann so we will need members to volunteer this spring to run for office. None of the positions are difficult but require a commitment. Lorraine and I are always available for support.

The Sewing Friends of Monroe County are meeting every 2nd and 4th Friday during the day at the Moose Lodge. They meet from 9-3. Just bring a bag lunch, your sewing machine and a project of your choice. Good time to work on a community quilt. The cost is \$10 per year and \$1 at each session you attend. They are open to new members and it is a good opportunity for members looking for a day-time activity.

Community quilts did meet several weeks ago and 6 members were able to put together 25 kits of quilts and 8 kits for placemats. I have been asked by members about the need for baby quilts and I did receive a letter from The Angel's Closet and they are looking for baby quilts. They also are looking for baby items such as towels, wipes, clothing, bibs, etc.

I hope members are taking advantage of the BOM patterns (love this month - Roll of the Dice), are working on the challenge UFO's, and the mystery quilt. I am looking forward to starting the blocks for the "North Pole" quilt. This is a just for fun activity where members can get together at the end of the meetings to show the blocks they are making and share ideas about embellishing.

See you all soon. Stay warm and healthy.

In stitches, Kathy

Minutes

General Membership Meeting 1/10/22

The meeting was brought to order by Vice President, Lorraine Hare, at 6:50 pm. The Secretary's report as printed in newsletter was accepted by motion of Peggy Plasencia, seconded by Linda Doll and approved by all. Treasurer's Report as sent out by e-mail was accepted by motion of Barb Wenton, seconded by Mary Santoro and approved by all.

Lorraine reported that Moose Lodge has requested two quilts to be made by Guild. At a recent Board meeting, it was approved for Guild to purchase a panel with a moose theme, and Guild will add patchwork surrounding it. The other quilt Moose Lodge requested is still in planning stages. Lorraine reviewed upcoming meeting dates as follows: Saturday, Jan 22 Cutting Bee; Monday evening, Jan. 24 Community Quilts; Saturday, Feb. 12 Workshop by Barb Wenton (Jelly Roll Twist); Monday evening February 14 General Membership Meeting with a guest speaker, Magic of Disappearing Blocks; Monday Feb. 28 Community Quilts. (Update since meeting: Please note the February 28 date for Community Quilts has been changed to Wednesday, February 23)

The Mystery Quilt information was reviewed: first set of information was given out in November or December, 1st set of instructions given out in January, everything can be found on Guild's website.

Laura Lyman announced this year's Challenge, which will be Finishing UFO's. Each interested member shall fill out a sheet listing 12 UFO projects they wish to complete this year. Laura is requesting a copy of that sheet. Every month a random number will be chosen and the member will then complete the project corresponding to the number chosen. Those participating should being their completed UFO's each month for Show and Tell. At the end of the year (January 2023), prizes will be given out, prizes not yet decided upon.

Lorraine reminded members that Community Quilt kits are available at tonight's meeting, when taking a kit, please sign your name on the list.

Barb Wenton reviewed Jelly Roll Twist workshop instructions and a sign-up sheet was passed around.

A new quilt group is being formed called "North Pole Quilters"; Lorraine showed a wallhanging of a North Pole town with Santa and reindeer circling above. Interested members can either purchase the book online, or Lorraine will give out instructions each month.

Show and Tell participants were: Laura Lyman, Andrea Guillon, Peggy Jo Smith and Beth Albert. After Show and Tell, members played Quilto Game with small prizes given out to winners.

Submitted by Barb Wenton

Treasurer's Report

The Report was not available at the time of sending out this newsletter. It will be forwarded in a separate email.

Calendar

Meeting Site and Dates:

Our new home: The Moose Lodge 1336, Stokes Mill Rd, Stroudsburg

Beginning March 2022, meetings will be held on the Second Wednesday.

Meetings will have set up starting at 5:00pm; meeting to start at 6:30pm

Community/ Charity Quilt meetings will be the 4th Wednesday of each month also at the Moose with start time 6:00pm.

February 14th: Regular Business Meeting Speaker Brita Nelson from Berwyn, PA will present a program "Now you See it- Now You Don't. The Magic of Disappearing Blocks". Please bring your own beverage to the meeting. Show and Tell. **The speaker requests that we all wear masks.**

February 23rd: (Note Day and Date Change) Community Quilts meeting at the Moose Lodge at 5:30pm - 9:00pm. Come for as long as you would like, join us in making kits or sewing quilts/placemats together. Bring your sewing machine and sewing supplies. The Board will hold a short Board Meeting at this time.

March 9th: WEDNESDAY Regular Business Meeting At this meeting we will be presenting "Time-saving Tips" a selection of mini demonstrations. Please bring your own beverage to the meeting. Show and Tell.

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April 13th: (Wednesday) Regular Business Meeting Speaker Susan Deshensky will present a program "Every Quilt has a Story: Making TShirt and Memory Quilts". Please bring your own beverage to the meeting. Show and Tell.

April 27th: (Wednesday) Community Quilts meeting at the Moose Lodge at 5:30pm - 9:00pm. Come for as long as you would like, join us in making kits or sewing quilts/placemats together. Bring your sewing machine and sewing supplies. The Board will hold a short Board Meeting at this time.

Submitted by Lorraine Hare

Community Quilts

Members came together in January on a cold Saturday to cut fabric for kits. Judy Reinhardt, Ann Wingert, Sarah Pierson, Ann Marie Kizer, Linda Doll and Kathy Parrish were able to assemble 25 quilt kits and 8 placemat kits. Kits are available at meetings and American Ribbon. The next sewing session will be on Wednesday the 23rd from 6-9.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish

2022 New Year's UFO Challenge

Remember to bring your UFO list to the Feb. meeting.

#6 of your UFO Challenge is due at the Feb. 14 meeting. Be sure to bring your fully completed project to enter the prize drawing.

UFO #3 is due March 9. You can bring any/all completed projects at any meeting.

Also, be sure to give Laura a copy of your UFO list if you haven't already!

Any questions? Call, text, or email Laura lalyman@ptd.net 570-350-1218

Submitted by Laura Lyman

Mystery Quilt

The second steps for assembling the quilt blocks were sent out via email. If anyone is interested and does not receive email, please let Lorraine know. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

North Pole Quilters

During the January meeting the North Pole Quilt was shown and some members have decided to make the journey together with other fellow quilters. This is a project where you will be presented with a pattern to make part of a quilt every month, **this is an applique project.** Bring your progress on your block to show to interested group members every month, this will happen at the end of the meeting. You will be able to look at each other's progress, discuss fabric or embellishment choices, even exchange fabrics if you would like.

The first pattern will be available at the February meeting. If you would like to buy your own book with the patterns, it is available on Amazon. "Welcome to the North Pole" by Piece O' Cake Designs for about \$16.00. A great project for using "fun" scraps of fabric. Anyone can join, sign up with Lorraine.

Workshops

If anyone has ideas for workshops or programs they would like to see, please speak with either Lorraine or Kathy. If you have a workshop you would like to teach to a group, just speak up!

For Your Information

Please wear your NAME TAG!!!

Some members may remember **Nancy A. Mikulski.** She was a member of the Guild a while ago and has not been in the Guild for several years. Unfortunately she passed away on February 4th, 2022. She was 82 years old, but always young at heart.

Quilt of Valor Donated to Veterans Museum



At Senator Mario Scavello's Scotrun District office, Ray Chimileski, founder of Operation Chillout, donated a "Quilt of Valor" from the Quilt of Valor Foundation to American Legion Post 903. This beautiful quilt will become a part of the new Thomas Bowditch Veterans Education Center and Museum in Mt. Pocono.

May 9th to 12th 2022

St Francis Retreat House in Easton, PA.

\$330 includes a single room with a private bathroom, three breakfasts, lunches and dinners.

Bring your favorite placemat to dress up your place at meals. Bring your own sewing supplies and whatever you would like to work on, a few optional activities will be offered.

\$25.00 deposit required to hold your place, if you have to cancel, no refund after April 28th. **Limited to 20 people.** Reserve your spot now.

Email <u>aplaner@earthlink.net</u> or contact Audrey Planer at 908-310-9809.

The Guild website can be found at www.thepmqg.com









Thank you to Ann Wingert for sharing this amazing piece.

Wall Quilts - Machine Quilted - Mixed or Other

QUILT EXPO

Officers

President - Kathy Parrish Vice President - Lorraine Hare Secretary - Barbara Wenton Treasurer - Ann Wingert Financial Secretary - Lois Kirkwood

Committees

Activities - Lorraine Hare
Historian/Photos - Lorraine Hare
Sunshine Club - Ana Rivera
Celebration Quilts Helping Hands - Andrea Gullion
Newsletter - Lois Kirkwood
Webmaster - Lorraine Hare
Community Quilts - Kathy Parrish
Block of the Month - Jen Walker
Quilts of Valor - Kathleen McCarthy / ?? co-chair needed
Challenge - Laura Lyman
Quilt Bingo Hospitality - Christine Walker
Tea Time - Jannette Koerner

