



POCONO MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD

The Quilt Line

October 2023

***** 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. www.thepmqg.com

President's Message

October is here and it is the Season of the Witch! Yeah, in addition to the leaves changing, the crisp air and yummy treats, this is my favorite time of year. I've already watched Hocus Pocus and look forward to more scares and haunts this season. We are getting our feet wet as the new officers of Guild.

The VPs have set up some great Programs! Seeing the wonderful speakers and workshops already contracted for 2023-24. It looks like it's going to be a great year! Hope you can all attend guild meetings to learn something and make new "quilty" friends.

At the Holiday Party the gift exchange will be a little different this year as you all know a red paper bag will be provided for all who want to participate. Barbara calls it "Santa's Bag of Goodies". Make sure you see Barb or Lorraine for a bag to participate. You can make a cute little project for the gift exchange. The Gift Exchange project can be something that is small and cute and will probably take only a few hours to make. Project ideas include a Mug Rug, Ornament, Small Pouch or Bag, Pincushion, Coasters, etc. Spirits of the alcoholic kind are always well received well, so are gift cards. Bags should have your name included, so they can thank you.

Now it's time to think of those special holiday gifts you plan to get done. There are lots of retreats going on, so you can get started. Still some fall quilt shows to go and see.

Enjoy all my "ghoulfriends". Peggy



Minutes

Business Meeting: September 13, 2023

Janneke Vander Ree, our speaker for the evening, presented a talk and trunk show, titled: " Diary of a Dutch Quilter". She showed many beautiful quilts and wall hangings while sharing stories behind their creation. Her book " The Princes and the Quilt" and fabric bundles were available for purchase.

The business meeting was to order by our President, Peggy Plasencia.

A motion to accept the Secretary's minutes printed in the newsletter was made by Laura Lyman. Seconded by Donna Conto. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the budget for the 2023/2024 membership year was made by Cara Staviski. Seconded by Peggy Jo Smith. Motion carried.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report a printed in the newsletter was made by Ann Marie Kizer. Seconded by Mary Dickison. Motion carried.

Our holiday party will be held the first Wednesday of the month, December 6, 2023 at Peppi's in East Stroudsburg. The Guild has paid a portion of the overall cost. Cost is \$20 for members. There will be a sign-up sheet at the October and November meetings, November' s meeting being the deadline for signing up. Meal choices are Chicken Parmesan and a fish dish.

Barb shared for any new members, that we have a tricky tray at the holiday dinner with members bringing in the items. Items can be anything you'd like to win yourself. FYI, wine is a very popular item! Also, in the past we have had a " Cup of Kindness" exchange where participants have filled mugs with goodies: candy, sewing supplies, an ornament, something hand made. It was discussed that we all have plenty of mugs. It was suggested those who participate be given a small red paper bag, provided by the Guild, to fill with goodies and called, " Santa's Bag of Goodies". A motion was made by Beth Albert to change the " Cup of Kindness" to " Santa's Bag of Goodies". Seconded by Laura Lyman. Motion carried. Bags will be available at the October and November meetings. Peggy also explained that we make a donation to a local charity with the profits from the tricky tray, so to be thinking about suggestions for what charity it should be. We will discuss choices at the October and November meetings.

There will be a " Brightly" workshop by Barb and Lorraine held on Saturday, November 18th at the Moose Lodge from 9-3. Examples of the quilt has been shown at several meetings. A sign-up sheet will be at the October meeting. The cost of the workshop is free! More details at the meeting.

Someone is needed to take over coordinating refreshments every month for the meetings. They will be in charge of the supply bin and setting out a sign-up sheet for each month for at least 3 members to bring something to share with the membership. Members will provide their own drink.

Block of the Month- September's block (brought back in October) is a disappearing hour glass. Blocks will be used to make a quilt for the Quilt Bingo in July. Fabric for the block will be a light creamy tone on tone and a fall color.

A discussion was had on changing the name of the Sunshine committee to Sunshine and Shadows to acknowledge happy and sad occasions a member may have in their life. A motion was made by Laura

Lyman to change the name of the Sunshine committee to Sunshine and Shadows. Seconded by Kathleen McCarthy. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Barb Wenton. Seconded by Laura Lyman. Motion carried.

Show and Tell - Maryann Mclaughlin, Doris Masten, Mary Dickison, Peggy Jo Smith, Judy Reinhardt, Kathy Balch, Barb Wenton, Beth Albert and Andrew Gullion.

Submitted by Mary Santoro

Membership: As of this writing we have 43 current members. If anyone still has not turned in the membership form and dues for the 23-24 year, please try to have it to Kathy Parrish by the October meeting. The membership list will be available at the November meeting.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish

Calendar

October 11th: Regular Business Meeting to be held at 6:30pm. Speaker Lois Mease will be presenting a lecture "Stash Savvy". Bring in your own beverage. Show and tell.

October 25th: Community Quilts starts at 6:00pm to 9:00pm at the Moose Lodge. Come join us in sewing kits together. Kits will be available, bring your own sewing supplies and machine. Board meeting to be held.

November 8th: Regular Business Meeting to be held at 6:30pm. We will be making a handmade ornament at this meeting. A kit will be provided, see this newsletter for supply list. Bring in your own beverage. Show and tell. **Deadline to sign up for the Holiday Party, \$20.00 check preferred, made payable to PMQG.**

November 18th: "Brightly" Quilt Workshop 9:00am - 3:00pm. Moose Lodge. Sign up at any meeting. See attachment to this newsletter for work to done ahead of time. Lunch will be provided, please bring your own beverage.

November 22nd: No Community Quilts Meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!

December 6th: PMQG Holiday party at Peppe's Bistro in East Stroudsburg. Peppe's. See this newsletter for more information.

December 27th: No Community Quilts Meeting. Happy Holidays!



Treasurer's Report

As of: September 30th 2023

Beginning 9/01/2023 - Ending 9/30/2023
Checking account balance on 08/31/2023

\$16,295.66

INCOME

Membership (9/13/23) 12 @ \$25	\$300.00
Membership (9/19/23) 13 x \$25	\$325.00
Membership (9/27/23) 1 @ \$25	\$25.00
Donation	15.00
INCOME TOTAL	\$665.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Programs: J.van der Ree (9/13/23)	\$356.22
Office Supplies & Postage – Wenton, B	\$15.70
Website for 2 years – Hare, L	\$64.32
Copies – Parrish, K	\$14.84
Workshop Supplies -Wenton, B	\$19.88
Venue – Donation Moose Lodge	\$1,500.00
DISBURSEMENTS TOTAL	\$1,970.96

CHECKBOOK BALANCE ON 9/30/2023

\$14,989.70

Difference +/- (-) \$ (1,305.96)

<u>Checks Issued</u>	<u>Ck #</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Amount</u>
J. van der Ree	1426	Programs	\$356.22
B. Wenton	1427	Office Supp.& Postage	15.70
L. Hare	1428	Website 2 Years – Hare L.	\$64.32
K. Parrish	1429	Copies – Parrish, K.	\$14.84
B. Wenton	1430	Workshop Supplies- Wenton, B.	\$19.88
Moose Lodge	1431	Venue – Donation Moose Lodge	\$1,500.00

Meeting Held on 9/13/2023 at Moose Lodge, East Stroudsburg, PA
Board Meeting/Cutting Bee 9/27/2023

The 990-N has been filed as of 10/4/2023 for the year

Audit:

Kathleen McCarthy thank you for rectifying the 2 minor items. The 2022-2023 PMQG audit is complete. Ann Wingert and Peggy Jo Smith conducted the audit on Monday, September 4th and Peggy Jo Smith met with Kathleen McCarthy on Tuesday, September 5th to return the binder and review the 2 minor items. The records were in excellent order and easy to follow and audit.

Submitted By Peggy Jo Smith / Ann Wingert

Block of the Month:

We have already received several of September's Disappearing Hourglass block and they are gorgeous! We hope that everyone enjoyed making this block. For our newer members we hope that you learned something new. October's block will be "Swedish Woven Hearts". This is a non-applique block. The guild will hand out precut pieces for the background to any member interested in making this block. Members can have multiple sets. We are asking everyone to use a dark blue batik and a contrasting light-colored blue batik. This block requires very little fabric. Hopefully members can use scraps from their stash or a fat quarter. As we receive completed blocks, we will assemble the blocks into quilt tops which we can use for Quilt Bingo. The pattern is included in this newsletter.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish/ Sheryl Flatt

Community Quilts

Members met at the September Community's quilt sewing session and used the time to put together kits for placemats for Meals on Wheels. I was contacted by the director who asked if we could help make the holidays a little brighter again this year. At this time Meal on Wheels has over 350 clients. There are other groups who are also helping with this project.

We were able to make 50 kits which will be available at the October Meeting and at American Ribbon. We are asking for placemats to be returned by the November Business meeting to allow MOW ample time to organize the Holiday gifts.

Thank you to Ann Wingert, Mary Santoro, Andrea Gullion, Lorraine Hare, Ana Rivera, Sheryl Flatt, Cyndy Dougherty, Barb Wenton and new member Wendy MacKillop for helping with the cutting Bee. Thanks to Karen Hallman for her generous donation of Christmas fabric.

Thank you to Sarah Pierson, Noreen Hammond and Karen Hallman for their donations of lap quilts.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish

For Your Information

Quilt Workshop: "Brightly" Quilt Workshop

Saturday, November 18 from 9:00am - 3:00pm

Lorraine Hare & Barb Wenton will be heading up this workshop. Missouri Star has a video tutorial, "Make the Brightly Quilt with Jenny Doan of Missouri Star", which you are encouraged to watch. If you want to purchase the pattern, both Missouri Star and Connecting Threads has it available. See attachment to the newsletter for what you will need to do to make a 60" x 72" quilt, (no borders). An information sheet with cutting directions and some basic pre-sewing to be done before class is attached to this newsletter.

November Ornament Workshop:

A kit will be provided but please bring with you the following supplies.

Supply List:

Green, Red and White Sewing thread

Scissors

Needle

Holiday Party:

The party will be on December 6th, so pretty early in the month. It was decided to go back to Peppe's Bistro, now that it has re-opened and we have all been happy there in the past.

The dinner will cost members \$20.00, a portion of the price of the dinner will be paid for by the guild. The menu will be as follows:

Italian Wedding Soup

Garden Green Salad

Filet of Sole Francese **OR** Chicken Parmigiana with linguini Marinara

Dessert

Barb/Lorraine will have a sign-up sheet at this meeting and at the November meeting. If you would like to pay ahead you can. A check is preferred but cash is always accepted, make check payable to PMQG. Please make sure Barb/Lorraine knows your choice for the main meal. **Deadline to sign up for the Holiday Party is November 8th.**

New!! Santa's Bag of Goodies

At Guild's annual Holiday Dinner, members can participate in a small goodie bag exchange. Pick up your "Santa Bag" (a small red gift bag) at October or November's meetings.

Fill your gift bag with goodies for an exchange with other members. Feel free to decorate your bag any way you like. The exchange will take place at Guild's holiday dinner on December 6. (This is very similar to the Cup of Kindness exchange, without the cup/mug.)

Tricky Tray

Members are encouraged to bring items for the Tricky Tray on the evening of the party. The monies raised from these items will be donated to a charity which is yet to be decided. Items can be anything from holiday decorations, bottles of wine, fabric or sewing supplies, quilted items, really anything you think someone might like. Tickets will be sold, a sheet of tickets for \$10.00.

Refreshments:

Thank you to Judith Reinhardt and Kathy Balch for taking over the refreshment committee. Please help them out by signing up to bring refreshments when needed. They will have a list for sign up at this meeting in October. Also, thank you to Judy Reinhardt and Kathy Balch and Kathy Verbal for providing refreshments for this meeting.

Please Note:

Karen Hallman, current guild member, has been very ill for the past 4 months. She was diagnosed with sudden onset of Myasthenia Gravis early in June. She spent 9 weeks in the hospital, 3 weeks at rehab and is currently a resident at Riverton Enhanced Senior Living. She happily is improving and has resumed quilting. Hopefully in the future she will be able to return to our guild meetings. She has recently made several community quilts and has donated a large quantity of fabric to the guild. To send her a note her address is: 803 North Wahneta St, Room 32, Allentown, PA. 18109



October Birthdays

10-03 Kathleen Rambo
10-20 MaryAnn McLaughlin
10-26 Mary Dickison

November Birthdays

11-04 Noreen Hammond
11-27 Doris Masten
11-29 Kathleen Hahn

Evening Star Quilters Guild Quilt Show

Belvidere High School
Belvidere, NJ
November 4th – 5th 2023

Brownstone Quilters Guild Quilt Show

Celebration of Quilts 2023
November 10th – 11th 2023

Smith Middle School
Ramsey, New Jersey.

PMQOV:

Many thanks to Donna Conto, Marie Guidry, Andrea Gullion, and Sarah Pierson for binding QOV this month, also to Lorraine Hare for adding borders to a quilt top. Thanks to MaryAnn McLaughlin for the donation of backing fabric and Karen Hallman for a quilt top and backing.

If you would like to join Pocono Mountain Quilts of Valor, please contact Kathleen or Laura for details- membership through the group is only \$10/year. Our next Sew Day will be Feb 3, 2024. Kits are always available if you would like to make a quilt for us. You can also contribute fabric- 5 yards will make a backing and all sizes of yardage and scraps are welcome!

Our group has awarded 8 QOV since we officially became a QOV group in Jan 2023. We have 26 QOV ready to be awarded this fall and an additional 30 QOV in progress.

Submitted by Laura Lyman

Officers

President – Peggy P. Walter
Vice President – Barbara Wenton/Lorraine Hare
Secretary – Mary Santoro
Treasurer – Kathleen McCarthy
Financial Secretary – Kathy Parrish

Committees

Activities – Barbara Wenton / Lorraine Hare
Historian/Photos – Lorraine Hare
Sunshine & Shadows – Ana Rivera
Celebration Quilts –
Helping Hands – Andrea Gullion
Newsletter – Lorraine Hare
Webmaster – Lorraine Hare
Community Quilts – Kathy Parrish
Block of the Month – Kathy Parrish/Sheryl Flatt
Challenge
Quilt Bingo
Hospitality – Judy Reinhardt / Kathy Balch



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