



Newsletter
September/October 2022
<http://www.emqg.org>

The Endless Mountains Quilt Guild was formed as a non-profit organization in May 1995. The purpose is to further the art of quilting through education and to provide a means of sharing ideas, materials, skills and fellowship. There is always SHOW and TELL. Bring your projects – old or new, and share your quilts, experiences and knowledge with others.

2022/2023

Guild Officers/Committee Chairs

President:

Gail Arnold (570) 888-1496

Vice President:

Edna Mullen (607) 565-4275

Programs:

Cathy Brown (607) 796-2602

Cathie Wiggs (607) 425-7338

Treasurer:

Carol Allis (570) 888-7278

Secretary:

Barbette Bizilia (607) 731-9193

Social Secretary:

Pam Secrist (570) 423-1712

Hospitality:

Mary Cerutti (570) 888-6464

Sharon Slater (570) 888-2658

Kathy Charlanow (607) 734-4054

Membership:

Jane Watson (607) 738-8402

Historian:

Kathy Charlanow (607) 734-4054

Newsletter & Web Page:

Terri House (570) 867-0258

Publicity:

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Meetings are held the 2nd Thursday each month at Athens United Methodist Church, 118 S Main St., Athens, PA

Odd Months – 10 am (Social time 9:30)

Even Months – 7 pm (Social time 6:30)

No meeting in July unless announced.

Consortium

- Link to Consortium site
<http://www.qcnys.org>
- Password: logcabin

2022 Consortium Delegates

- Carolyn Hintz
- Terri House

**DEADLINE FOR NOV/DEC
NEWSLETTER IS
OCTOBER 20, 2022**



A letter from our President

WOW!!! Can you believe that summer is almost over? Did you accomplish everything that is on your list? I still have a couple of outside projects but am waiting for cooler weather. Meanwhile, the garden is producing lots of vegetables. I can't grow a leaf of lettuce but I can grow cucumbers like crazy!!

I was so excited to go to Troy Fair and see all the beautiful quilts that were being displayed. Some members of our guild earned ribbons for their wonderful creations. Congratulations!! I came home inspired to get busy on an applique project. I hope to have it done and quilted for our quilt show next year.

WAIT!! Did I say quilt show? Yes, I did. We have gotten approval to hold our next quilt show at Athens High School. It is just over a year away so start thinking about which projects you want to get finished and put in the show. It has been a long time since our last show so let's make up for it by having lots and lots of wonderful quilts and projects.

It was great to see so many of you at the picnic. The weather was perfect. It was neat to see all the placemats that you made. Show and Tell was awesome. You have been a very busy group this summer!

One of our goals is to get information about our guild out to people and, hopefully, attract new members. We had a table at the Senior Expo in early August. We are also in the process of getting a Facebook page set up. Another way to spread information is through the local newspapers. Sherry Simonds has been our publicity person for quite a while but she has decided to retire from this position. THANK YOU, SHERRY for making sure meeting notices were in the paper and getting coverage for our special events and charity projects. We now need someone to step up and take over this important job. Feel free to talk to Sherry about what is involved and then volunteer to become the new publicity person.

We also are looking for a couple people to plan the Christmas party. It doesn't have to be an elaborate party but if no one steps up, there won't be any party. Now, who doesn't want to have a Christmas party?!! We are heading into September, so we need to hear from you. Contact Cathy Brown or myself. I checked with Santa's social team and they are unable to plan our party for us!

Happy Stitching!!

Gail

CHARITY QUILTS

I would like to extend a BIG thank you to the following members who donated charity quilts at our August Picnic/Meeting:

Carol Allis (1)
Gail Arnold (1)
Jane Carver (2)
Peggy Cranmer (1)
Ginny Lantz (3!!!)

I'm embarrassed that my name isn't included on this list. I need to get a charity quilt on the "front burner" of my things to do!!

At the recent Senior Expo, two participants indicated a need for our mastectomy pillows that were on display at our table. Those pillows were delivered to Sayre and Troy. We are hopeful they will help with their recovery. Batting and labels are available. Let me know if they are needed before our next meeting in September.

Barbette Bizilia pabab@verizon.net
607-731-9193

September Happy Birthday

Virginia	Pruyne	9/12
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October Happy Birthday

Cindy	Yanuzzi	10/6
Kay	VanFleet	10/8
Kathy	Charlanow	10/19
Linda	Freeman	10/22



Hospitality

September – Board Members

October – need volunteers



AUGUST 15, 2022
 EMQG CHECKING
 ACCOUNT BALANCE
 \$ 7,381.69



REMINDER

RAFFLE QUILT WINNER WILL BE PULLED AT OUR OCTOBER MEETING. PLEASE RETURN YOUR MONEY AND TICKETS.

President – Gail Arnold called the meeting to order at 6pm for this year’s annual picnic held at Waverly Glen Park. The Board meeting was held earlier today; highlights will be addressed today at our monthly meeting.

Treasurer – Carol Allis reported an ending balance as of August 11, 2022, of \$7,844.01, with a small profit of \$80.51 from the Mexican Star class.

Raffle Quilt Tickets – Carol Allis reported we are at a profit of \$1,203.73 to date. Outstanding tickets are with members. Drawing is scheduled at the October, 2022 meeting.

Secretary—Barbette Bizilia reported Minutes of the May and June meetings need to be approved. Motion to approve as written was made by Pam Secrist; seconded by Edna Mullen.

Social Secretary – Pam Secrist sent a sympathy card to Kay VanFleet for the recent death of her Mother. The viewing is scheduled at the Athens Methodist Church on Saturday, August 13, 2022, from 11am – 1pm with the funeral to follow. A “thinking of you card” will be sent to Mary Cerutti after her heart surgery letting her know we are missing her and hoping she is well. Also, a card for Jane Carver will be sent to wish her a quick recovery on her upcoming hip replacement surgery following knee surgery.

Membership – Jane Watson reported we have a total of 60 members to date. Last year we totaled 75 members.

Newsletter – Terri House reported articles should be sent to her by August 20. The September/October newsletter will be sent to current/paid members a few days after that date.

Hospitality – In Sharon Slater’s absence, Gail Arnold reported that Guild officers will be providing snacks for the September meeting. Chairpersons are welcomed to participate.

Programs – Cathy Brown reported 27 members signed up for the Jelly Roll BOM. The supply list was given to those who signed up. Samples and instructions for the first two blocks will be available after the September meeting. A tip – save all your scraps. Another tip – to cut the strips accurately and chain sew, two different rulers were shown (both made by Creative Grids). The 45/90 degree ruler or the Folded Corner Clipper (45 degree angle). Both are available at Friendship Star. Cathie Wiggs also had a tip regarding working with Jelly Rolls. Before taking the roll apart, use a lint roller or tape to remove excess lint.

September’s placemat class, to be taught by Cathy Brown, will be held immediately after the September’s Guild meeting. The sign-up and supply list was available for \$10 which includes the pattern to be provided at the September meeting.

Christmas Party – We are still in need of a committee/member to step up to host the Christmas Party. If this doesn’t happen, we will have a regular business meeting in December.

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AUGUST MEETING MINUTES - CONTINUED

Fall Retreat—AJ Hudock was not present. Gail Arnold reported that AJ will not be available to chair the Fall Retreat. The Waverly Church has been reserved for November 4-5, 2022. Most of the initial work has been completed. Pam Secrist volunteered to chair this project with the help of Nancy Beeman. Thank you, ladies.

Watson Retreat – Cassandra Slocum reported confirmation from February 22 – 26, 2023. Prices have increased from \$30-\$40 depending on accommodations. Ceil Daher has sign up sheets for those interested.

Charity Quilts/Outreach – Barbette Bizilia reported port pillows donated to Arnot Falk Cancer Center with a lovely thank-you note received. There may be a need to continue with port pillows. Unsure about the need for mastectomy pillows. It may be a possible staffing shortage. Will contact Corning Medical Center and UHS/Vestal for possible needs for our mastectomy pillows. If you would like to make port pillows, see the May/June Newsletter for instructions or contact me directly.

We donated quilts to First Look Pregnancy Center in Sayre. Received their thank-you card inviting us to tour their facility when time is available (without patients). Contact them direct (570-886-2090) or work through me (607) 731-9193. It is a very impressive facility, and the need is there.

Quilt Show – Jane Watson reported our application has been re-sent to Athens High School. We were verbally advised we have been approved but are waiting confirmation. Dates to be determined.

Consortium – Carolyn Hintz is planning to attend the Consortium Connections Meeting at the end of this month. Carolyn and Terri House are still accepting 10” quilts.

Publicity – Sherry Simonds resigned from her long-term post. A replacement chair is needed. If interested, please see Sherry for information regarding this position.

OLD BUSINESS

To increase membership, we participated at the Tina Pickett Senior Expo on August 5, 2022, at the Lynch Bustin School to educate the community of our Guild. Interested participants took our brochure and a few new residents to the area were also interested in our group. Time will tell. Members manned the table from 9am – 1pm at no charge to the Guild. Thank you to those who volunteered.

Another opportunity to increase membership is to open a Facebook page including our Guild’s information. Tracey McIntire has graciously accepted that position. Thank you, Tracey.

Next Year’s Raffle Quilt – Peggy Cranmer showed a picture of the “controlled” scrappy quilt she has started. She is accepting fabrics to include: blacks, greens, and blues.

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AUGUST MEETING MINUTES – CONTINUED

NEW BUSINESS

Pam Secrist is the proud owner of a new van to keep her mobile. We were asked by Pam to help with a name for her new van. These were some of the suggestions: Talula, Daisy, Stash 'N Dash, Puff the Magic Wagon, Journeyman Vance, Van Gogh Quilting, Knit Rider, and Sun Bonnet Sue. After much deliberation, Pam decided the winner is "Van Gogh Quilting"!!! We all wish you the best with your new vehicle.

The monthly gift was given to Linda Freeman!

Ginny Lantz made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Cathy Brown.

Meeting was followed by Show N Tell.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbette Bizilia

PLEASE READ AND BE PREPARED TO APPROVE AT NEXT MEETING

MEMBERSHIP

We have 60 people in our Guild as of 8/12/2022. If you know of someone that would like to join, it is never too late. Total membership last year was 75, so it would be nice if we could add a few more this year.

Membership application is on our website.

Jane Watson
Membership Chairperson

GREAT NEWS!!!!!! MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!!!

We are going to be holding a Quilt Show on **9/23/2023 - 9/24/2023**. This will be held in Athens High School and we will be using the old gym and cafeteria. The name of our Show is "Joy of Quilting Through the Years".

We are going to need a LOT of volunteers. More information and sign up sheets will be provided as we go forward with this.

Tracy McIntire
Jane Watson
Co-Chairperson of Quilt Show Committee

**QUILTING IS MY PASSION . . . CHOCOLATE COMES IN A
CLOSE SECOND**

PROGRAM REPORT

We hope everyone had a great time at the picnic at Waverly Glen. There was good time, good food, great weather and an all around fun afternoon and evening!

The September program will be:

Introduction of the Block of the Month

It is not too late to sign up. Cost is a one time fee of \$5 to cover the cost of copying.

We will have our blocks done to show you.

Placemat class:

Cost is \$10; pattern will be supplied. You need 4 coordinating fat quarters, 1 yard backing, 1 yard soft cotton batting and your regular sewing items (like machine, etc.).

There is still space for you if you forgot to sign up!

The October class will be a Halloween project...cost is \$5. A sample will be shown at the September meeting.

It will measure 18 ½" X 23".

You will need:

3/8 yard of orange for background

1 black fat quarter

¼ yard for binding (black would frame it, but you can do your whatever)

You will need your machine, regular cutting mat, rotary cutter and your usual sewing supplies

Directions will be given out at class.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us, and we will do our best to answer questions and put your mind at ease.

Cathy Brown and Cathie Wiggs

RETREAT AT WATSON

The Watson Retreat is scheduled for February 24 – 26 (or extended Feb 22 & 23) at the Y at Watson Woods. Below is the registration form with costs. Any questions can be directed to Cassandra Slocum at craftycass@yahoo.com

Retreat at Watson Woods 2023

Basic retreat: **Friday, February 24th – Sunday, February 26th**

Extended Dates: **Wednesday, February 22nd – Sunday, February 26th**

For those arriving on Wednesday, please bring your own meals, (a refrigerator is available) or plan to eat out, thru Thursday lunch. We will do a group dinner on Thursday. Cost will be approximately \$3-5. Please bring a snack to share.

Meals served by Watson Woods kitchen will begin with breakfast on Friday Morning and will end with brunch on Sunday.

Contact Cassandra Slocum at craftycass@yahoo.com with questions.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Basic Retreat: (2 nights/7 meals)

West Wing Hotel Rooms: Double \$238 _____

Single \$320 _____

North/South Wing Dorms Double \$166 _____

Single \$207 _____

With Bathroom Double \$187 _____

Single \$228 _____

Extended Retreat (Nights without food)

West Wing Hotel Nights ____ X \$45 _____

Dorm Nights ____ X \$35 _____

Total Owed: \$_____ Check# (If PIF) _____

Down Payment*: \$50 Check# _____

*Remainder will be due by February 1, 2023

Please list your roommate if you have one: _____

_____ I would like to share a room and have a roommate assigned to me.

_____ I would like to help with preparations for retreat if needed

EMQG ADVERTISING POLICY

1. There will be no official solicitation for advertising.
2. No charge for listing of quilt shops and quilt shows.

Advertising fee schedule as follows: full page \$40.00; half page \$20.00; quarter page \$10.00 (25% discount for Endless Mountains Quilt Guild members)

Food Bank: Donations of non-perishable foods are always needed and greatly appreciated by the Valley Food Bank. Please bring your donations to the guild meetings.

Newsletter: Please send newsletter contributions by the 20th of each even month to Terri House at house_terri@yahoo.com

Cancellation policy: If Athens School District is closed the day of our meeting due to inclement weather, our meeting is cancelled. If there is a delayed school start, the meeting is not cancelled and you will have to use your own judgement based on your local road conditions. If Athens School District has a weather-related early dismissal, our evening meeting is cancelled. School closings are announced on local news websites and the following local radio stations: WATS/WAVR (102.1 FM - Sayre), Wiggle (100.3 FM - Troy), and WTTC (95.3 FM - Towanda).



c/o Terri House
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