



POCONO MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD

The Quilt Line

March 2025

***** 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

We are certainly grateful to the Moose Lodge for all they do to accommodate us. We are lucky enough now to have someone to set up the tables and chairs for our business meetings. And with luck our rescheduled retreat for later this month will go ahead with no hiccups. I am glad we did not have to wait too long to try it again. If you cannot make the new dates for the retreat, we will refund your \$25.00. Please speak with Barb Wenton about this.

2025 has not started off well for so many people. I have heard some of my friends say they are not impressed by this new year. I cannot believe we are already in March! I recently had to cancel an annual girls trip, I make to VA, which was a real shame. But I hope I have a retreat and trip to the UK planned for April to look forward to. It looks like my husband is going to have a hip replacement surgery very soon. It has been a lot of up and downs emotionally at our house. I feel for anyone who is suffering from chronic pain, it cannot be easy to deal with. On a happier note, maybe the weather is finally beginning to improve a little. I am ready for warmer days and more smiling faces.

Your President, Lorraine Hare



Minutes

PMQG Minutes February 12th, 2025

Meeting was cancelled due to weather. *Submitted by Laura Lyman*

Calendar

March 12th: Regular Business Meeting featuring Doris Cavallini from Bloomsburg, PA she will be sharing her quilting journey with us. Show and tell, please bring your own beverage.
St Patrick's Pot of Gold: Bring a new or gently used item you would like to donate with a value of \$10 or less to this meeting. This is taking the place of the Valentine's Gift Surprise bag.

March 19th: PMQOV Meeting 10am-3pm at American Legion Post 927, Gilbert, PA.
You need not be a member to come and help sew or cut kits.

March 26th: Community Quilt Meeting – meeting will be held at the Moose Lodge starting at 6:00pm. Bring your sewing machine and supplies, kits will be provided. A Board meeting will be held.

April 9th: Guild's Tea Party - the challenge will be presented, also games and a small boutique. Come and enjoy. Show and tell.

April 23rd: Community Quilt Meeting – meeting will be held at the Moose Lodge starting at 6:00pm. Bring your sewing machine and supplies, kits will be provided. A Board meeting will be held.

April 26th: Mini Mosaic Workshop

Starting at 9.30am until 3:00pm, at the Moose Lodge. Please sign up at the March or April Meeting. \$10.00 fee payable when signing up for the workshop.

St. Patrick's Pot of Gold (aka Valentine Gift Surprise Bag):

Since February's meeting was canceled, those who want to bring small items, such as something handmade, or a gift item or quilt related item worth \$10 or less, can bring it to March meeting for a Pot of Gold Surprise Bag. There will be a box on the Sign-In Table for you to put your items in. Everyone at the meeting can participate in this, whether you brought something or not. Remember no more than a \$10 value. Donate something you would be happy to receive yourself. Just bring the item to March's meeting, no need to sign up for anything.

Stash Buster Block Exchange - Foundation Piecing

Please remember to bring your 50 blocks this month. Please bring them to the meeting or get them to the meeting via a friend, if you are unable to attend. Hand them into Barb Wenton or Lorraine Hare. Package your blocks in plastic bag with your name on it. Those blocks will be sorted, so everyone gets a nice assortment of everyone's blocks and they will be returned to you at April's meeting.

Treasurer's Report

As of: March 2, 2025

Beginning 1/24/2025 - Ending 03/02/2025

Checking account balance on 1/24/2025

\$13,738.63

INCOME

PMQG Retreat

\$0.00

INCOME TOTAL

\$0.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Quilt Bingo - Backing Fabric

(\$33.86)

Barb Wenton – Early Notice Dinner Cancellation

(25.00)

Retreat Refund for rescheduling

(25.00)

DISBURSEMENTS TOTAL

(\$83.86)

CHECKBOOK BALANCE ON 03/02/2025

\$13,654.77

Difference +/- (-)

(\$83.86)

Checks Issued

Ck #

Reason

Amount

Kathy Parrish

1496

Backing Fabric

(\$33.86)

Barb Wenton

1497

Refund/Dinner

(\$25.00)

Sheryl Flatt

1498

Refund/Retreat

(\$25.00)

Business Meeting February 12th 2025 - Cancelled

Board Meeting February 26th 2025

Block of the Month:

Due to the weather cancelation and the late publishing of the block for February on the website, we will use the same pattern for March. The "Friendship Chain" blocks will be made with members fabric. The star will be from bright jewel tone fabric. The center 4 1/2' center should be a darker tone than the star points. This will add interest and movement. The black and cream-colored fabrics can be solid or tone on tone. The pattern will be available at the March meeting and the BOM is always attached to the newsletter.

The "Country Star" blocks from December and January will be due at the March meeting, so I can assemble the top.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish/ Sheryl Flatt

Community Quilts:

Thank you to Debra Shortino for donating 2 lap quilts, Barb Wenton for 1 child quilt and Ann Wingert for 1 lap quilt.

Thanks to Lorraine Hare, Andrea Gullion, Barb Wenton, Sheryl Flatt, Ann Wingert, Ana Rivera, Peggy Jo Smith and Mary Santoro for joining us at the sewing session in February.

I did receive a message from Tammy Heistand the Hospice Volunteer Coordinator with a request for more quilts. She says they have been very busy and have gone through what we have given them. I was able to deliver 9- lap quilts to the Hospice House for which they were very appreciative. I also delivered 5- baby quilts to the Angel's Closet. We are always looking for members to help make these quilts. Kits are available at the American Ribbon, our meetings or directly from Kathy Parrish.

Our next sewing session will be on March 26th, 6PM at the Moose Lodge. All members are welcome to join us. Come to sew on whatever project you would like or just to socialize.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish

For Your Information

Sunshine and Shadows: Please keep member **Doris Masten** in your thoughts as she recovers from recent surgery. Also, **Jannette Kroener**, who was in the hospital over Christmas time. We hope you are both feeling better.

Judy Mehl recently had emergency heart surgery.

With great sadness we will be saying goodbye to **Peggy Walter** who is going to be moving to MD very soon. We wish her well with her new adventures. Also, Peggy's family recently lost her sisters longtime partner.

Our thoughts and prayers are with **Linda Jurasits** with the passing of her father.

Refreshments:

March's refreshments are being provided by: Christine Walker, Lori Smith, Cara Staviski, Donna Dickey and Beth Albert. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

Sleep-in-Your-Own-Bed Retreat

March 22nd & 23rd, 2025

Saturday 10:00 – 10:00

Sunday 10:00 – 8:00

As you all know we had to cancel the retreat scheduled in February due to bad weather, we are fortunate that the Moose Lodge has other dates available for us. If you paid your \$25.00 and are unable to attend the retreat in March, please speak to Barb Wenton first and she will see that a refund check is issued to you. If you did not sign up and would like to now, because the date has changed, please also speak with Barb at this meeting. Barb will also announce at this meeting if any other foods or supplies are needed.

The cost includes:

Hot Coffee & Tea each day; Bottled Water

Pasta & Salad Dinner meal one evening

Mini Sandwich (Slider) Tray one evening

Supplies for small retreat projects each day

Please see attachment to the newsletter for more details.



Tea Party – April Meeting)

Sign-ups will be taken at March meeting for desserts, tea sandwiches and fresh fruit. Think about what you would like to make so we have a good idea of what foods are coming. Remember, Challenge projects are due at this meeting and Boutique Tables will be set up for those who want to sell something handmade. No free table at this meeting.

Mini Mosaic Workshop (Artistic Wall hanging)

Saturday, April 26, 2025

9.30am to 3.30pm (at the Moose Lodge)

Lynn Lentz will present this workshop. She has quite a few mosaic patterns to choose from. You can see the patterns on this [website:www.cheryllynchquilts.com](http://www.cheryllynchquilts.com)

Printed pictures will be available at March and April meetings. Cost of for the workshop is \$10.00 payable in advance. Lynn also has a \$5.00 kit fee, payable on the day of the workshop. Reserve your spot on the Sign-Up sheet being passed around. If you know which mosaic you would like to make, indicate that on the Sign-Up Sheet.

Challenge - 2025

This challenge is to help inspire and expand your improv quilting skills! Quilts should measure no larger than 36" x 36" for this challenge, so let the inspiration flow and let fate guide your roll to help you tell a story! Feel free to use fabric from your stash or exchange with a friend Most importantly: HAVE FUN! Questions, please contact Jenn Walker.

Challenges are due April 9th 2025.

Free Table: Just a note to members who bring items to the meetings for the free table. **You must be responsible to take unclaimed items back with you at the end of the meeting.**

Thank you.

PMQG 2024-2025 - OMG! Challenge

Each month challenge yourself to One Monthly Goal, and at each meeting, let members know what you accomplished to complete your goal. Sharing your goal may inspire others. Remember, this goal should be quilting/sewing related and it can also be a goal to finish a UFO. There will be a special Show & Tell for OMG's.



March's Birthdays

03-01 Donna Conto
03-05 Ann Wingert
03-07 Marie Guidry
03-21 Cynthia Dougherty

April's Birthdays

03-23 Kathy Verbal
03-28 Jenny Rourke
03-30 Donna Dickey

Please Note:

PMQOV 88526:

Thank you PMQG members for donations of blocks to help with the assembling of quilts for our area Veterans and Service Members. Every block helps in the effort to bring comfort and healing. Thank you, this month, to Debra Shortino and Lorraine Hare.

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Meeting contact: Bernadette Faiella, Quilt Coordinator at bfaiella@verizon.net.

Membership contact: Kathleen McCarthy, Group Leader at poconoqov@gmail.com

If you would like to join our group, membership is only \$10 a year. Please email at: poconoqov@gmail.com or call 917-453-0002, speak to Kathleen McCarthy.

Come join us to sew, membership not required.



Officers

President – Lorraine Hare
Vice President – Barbara Wenton
Secretary – Laura Lyman
Treasurer – Ann Wingert
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 / Kathy Verbel



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