

***** 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.

Meeting Dates

See the Calendar in this Newsletter

President's Message

Dear Members,

It is the start of a new year. A vaccine is available and they have started worldwide immunizations. A new president is to start office in a week. The days are slowly starting to get longer. The prospect of seeing our friends and family in person is in sight. I am feeling positive and confident that 2021 will be a good year.

For now I continue to find solace, comfort and pleasure with quilting. I find myself pulling out projects that were forgotten and organizing my sewing area which was neglected with the holidays. I am starting to plan my color scheme for the Sudoku challenge. I am still thinking about fabrics for the mystery tablerunner and have pulled blues and reds for the blocks of the month. I hope everyone is planning on participating in one or more of the projects.

Our plan right now will be to have an in person meeting in April. We will find a covered outdoor facility and set a date on a Saturday afternoon. We can socialize, catch up, show our challenges from 2020 and 2021 and try to enjoy our new normal. We will have more details as we get closer. For now we have plans for guest speakers in January, February and March via zoom. We are still planning on Quilt Lovers Bingo on July 31st.

As always, if anyone has a question, concern or thought they want to share please feel free to contact me. Stay healthy, stay calm and think quilts.

Kathy

Minutes

The zoom meeting for December took place at 6:15 with around 22 members online. Jenny Lynn gave an informative slide show on Beauty & Imperfection in quilting. After the program she answered questions we had and gave information on quilting projects. Kathy called the meeting to order:

Treasurers report was approved by Lorraine Hare and seconded by Judy Mehl. A correction was made on last months minutes: instead of 16 member in attendance there were 20

Financial Secretary reported a new member Allison Fitzpatrick has joined

Programs: January will have Sam Hunter from Portland as our speaker

A table runner for January

Block of the month will be due in February, use true red, white and blue fabric

Kathleen McCarthy will do the audit

Community quilts: 237 placemats were turned in and given to Meals on Wheels

Quilts are needed for July 31 Quilt Bingo

Vertie Knapp donated quilt squares, Laura Lyman will assemble them

Old Business: Maryanne Bridges would like to have our challenge from last year shown

New Business: Lorraine Hare apologized for not putting the new calendar in the newsletter.

After the meeting was adjourned, show and tell items were displayed, and the ornaments were held up by the members. Beautiful work girls

Submitted by Donna Conto

Treasurer's Report

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Treasurer's Report for January 2021

November 8, 2020 Activity to January 6, 2021

Beginning Balance as of 11/9/2020 Income:			\$11,158.99
Total income:			\$-
Expenses:	Ck #	_	
11/11/2020	1321	Lorraine Hare - e-quilter for President gift	\$100.00
11/27/2020	1322	Kathy Parrish - Community quilt batting	\$ 84.79
12/9/2020	1323	Jenny K Lyon - Speaker for December meeting	\$ 400.00
	1324	East Stroudsburg Methodist Church	\$ 500.00
Total expenses:			\$1,084.79
Ending Balance as of 11/8/2020			\$10,074.20

Yearly Audit

On Tuesday, December 15, 2020, two members of the PMQG, Annie Gibson and Kathleen McCarthy, conducted an audit of the PMQG checkbook for the past year.

With a confirming phone call to Ann Wingert that she had in her possession the last 2 receipts, all was found to be in order. Upon return of the records, Ms. Wingert will place the receipts in their proper order.

The binder was returned to Ms. Wingert on Wednesday, December 16, 2020. Submitted by Kathleen McCarthy

<u>Calendar</u>

January 13th - Regular meeting to be held via Zoom, join us in welcoming Sam Hunter from Portland, Oregon and hear her lecture titled "The Creative Process"

February 3rd - There will be a board meeting held via Zoom from 6:30pm to 7:30pm

February 10th - Regular meeting to be held via Zoom, join us in welcoming Michelle Banton from Lunenburg, MA and hear her lecture titled "Cotton to Consumer"

Spring 2021: PMQG Quiltfest

Charity Quilts

We had a final count of 251 placemats which were delivered to Meals on Wheels in time for the holidays. I want to thank Laura Lyman, Barb Wenton, Andrea Gullion, Sarah Pierson, Susan Andrew, Terry Cavanaugh, Lorraine Hare, Ann Wingert and Judy Bago for putting in a lot of hours on their sewing machines to make this happen. MOW representatives were overwhelmed and very appreciative. Meals on Wheels will accept placemats through out the year which they use for gifts for their clients. I also want to thank Barb Wenton for the beautiful twin size quilt, Terry Cavanagh for the 2 baby quilts, Ann Wingert for the large throw, Anna Rivera 4 children and 3 adult lap quilts, and Sheryl Flatt for the adult lap quilt.

There are plenty of kits ready to go for anyone interested. Just contact me and I will arrange for delivery.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish

Quilt Lover's Bingo

The date: July 31st

The place: The Moose Lodge in Stroudsburg.

There are several quilts already completed. We have several tops which need do need to be quilted. Thank you to Laura Lyman and Kathleen McCarthy for volunteering to quilts some of them. We will still need more quilts for the game prizes. We have a large number of fat quarters which we can use for raffle. As we get closer we will be looking for help to organize all the details. We will wait as long a possible to be sure that it can be a Co-Vid safe function.

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 Marie Schriever*

PMQG Mystery 2021

The guild is offering its members the opportunity to make a small mystery project. The mystery will run from January to April. The directions for each month will be in your newsletter and posted on the website. It is a small project and does not take too much fabric to make. It will be interesting to see the finished results in May. Please join us by participating.

January instructions: Please see the attachment sent with this newsletter.

Submitted by Lorraine Hare

Block of the Month

February's BOM will be attached separate from this newsletter – it is the same as the January block.

Floating Star due by Feb meeting: Blocks can be dropped off at American Ribbon in a plastic bag labeled "QOV BOM"

We will again be making BOM for Quilts of Valor (QOV) so start collecting your red/white/blue fabrics! Beginning Jan. 2021 a BOM will be published in the PMQG newsletter and on the website. Blocks are to be completed by the following month. Make as many blocks as you like and they will be used to make QOV for donation.

Guidelines:

- Use quilt shop quality 100% cotton fabrics, colors will be specified in instructions.
- Press blocks carefully as you construct them.
- Trim units/blocks to sizes indicated on instructions.
- Sign your name in permanent marker in the seam allowance.
- Drop blocks off at American Ribbon in the fabric department- please place in ZipLoc bag and label "QOV" or mail to Laura Lyman, PO Box 506, Pocono Lake, PA 18347

If you would like to donate backing fabric- 5 yards of a quilt shop quality 100% cotton fabric in a patriotic print will be appreciated.

If you would be willing to bind a quilt, please let Laura know- I will arrange to get a completed quilt to you when needed.

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

For Your Information

"Wonderful to See You All Again"

As we settle into our new Zoom meetings Lorraine Hare will be sending you out the invitation to join the Zoom meetings. The meetings will start around 6:30pm, you can sign in as early as 6:15pm and chat with fellow quilters. Kathy Parrish will be running the meeting and will ask everyone to mute their microphones when the speaker is presenting. It is important to mute your microphones during the meeting, especially when the speaker is presenting.

The microphone icon is in the bottom left hand corner of the screen, as is the video icon. You just have to press to unmute yourself and the video will come on when you press the video icon. If there is going to be a lot of background noise at your house, please mute your microphone. You will have to unmute yourself if you would like to ask a question. You can do this quickly by just pressing the space-bar down .We are learning as we go, by the time we have it down pat, we will not have to use it anymore. Thank you.



PMQG 2020 SUDOKU QUILT CHALLENGE

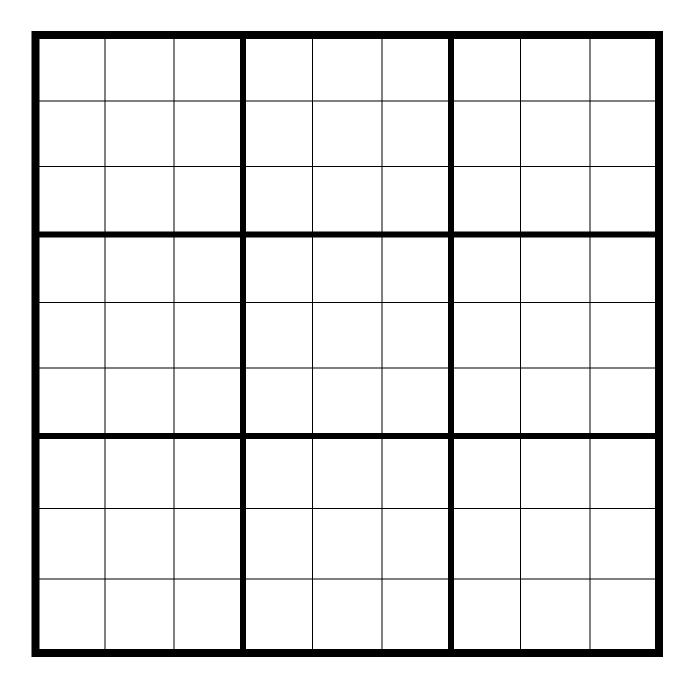
Using a completed Sudoku puzzle, fill in the numbers on the grid below. Choose 9 fabrics plus a sashing/border/binding fabric. Number your fabrics 1-9 and layout following your puzzle grid. If you want a larger quilt, add borders. Supplies: for 58" large lap quilt 9 coordinating fat quarters- cut (9) 6" squares from EACH

1 ¹/₄ yds for sashing- cut (6) 1 ¹/₂" WOF, borders & binding- cut (11) 2 ¹/₂" WOF

Supplies for 43" baby quilt

9 coordinating fat quarters- cut (9) 4" squares from EACH

1 yard for sashing- cut (4) 1 ¹/₂" WOF, borders & binding- cut (8) 2 ¹/₂" WOF



Meeting Refreshments:

Chocolate Mug Cake Mix together-¹/₄ C. flour 2 T. sugar 2 T. cocoa ¹/₄ t. baking powder Pinch salt Add-2 T. oil ¹/₄ C. + 1 T. milk Spray mug with PAM, pour batter into mug. Top with 1 T. Nutella if desired. Microwave on High 1 to 1 ¹/₂ minutes. (I do 1 min, which leaves the center runny, like a lava cake)

<u>Single Chocolate Chip Cookie</u>
1 T. butter, softened
1 T. light brown sugar
1 t. white sugar
1/8 t. vanilla
2 T. flour
1/2 T. Kahlua, rum, Amaretto or other liquor
1 ½ T. chocolate chips, mini chips, or mini M&Ms
Mix all ingredients, add more liquor if needed to make soft dough. Sprinkle with sale if desired. Bake at

350 for 8-10 minutes.

Submitted by Laura Lyman

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



January Birthdays

Barbara Wenton	Jan. 1
Rose Frailey	Jan. 6
Louise Price	Jan. 8
Bobbie Long	Jan. 12

HAPPY CAR

January Anniversaries Rose Frailey 1/15/72

Officers

President – Kathy Parrish Vice President – Lorraine Hare Secretary – Donna Conto Treasurer – Ann Wingert Financial Secretary – Ann Marie Kizer

Committees

Activities – Lorraine Hare Historian/Photos – Lorraine Hare Sunshine Club – Marie Schriever Celebration Quilts – OPEN Helping Hands – Peggy Plasencia Newsletter – Lois Kirkwood Webmaster – Lorraine Hare Challenge Quilt – Marianne Bridges Community Quilts – Kathy Parrish Quilt Bingo – Tea Time – Annie Gibson

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