



POCONO MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD

The Quilt Line

April 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,

Happy Anniversary to PMQG!!! Tonight we will have some cake and celebrate another year as a quilting family. We had a busy year with guest speakers, workshops and sewing together and now we look forward to lots of quilting activities in the upcoming year. Tonight we will have the Moose Lodge donation quilt to show everyone and present it to the Moose Lodge to raffle off. There are several workshops which will be offered this spring and in the fall. Lois and Jen will explain the ice dying method which they will be having a workshop for in May. Kathleen has two different sewing workshops which she will explain for in the fall. Sign up will start at the April meeting to see what member interest we have. There are guest speakers set for April, May and June's meetings. We will have discussion and vote on having a July meeting.

I have one volunteer for the nominating committee, Mary Santoro. I will need one more member to help. We already have volunteers for the positions of secretary, treasurer and financial secretary. We need willing members for president and vice president.

Quilt Lovers Bingo had an initial committee meeting. Our date is set for Saturday July 30th. Ticket sales will start at the April meeting. The cost remains \$25 for early sales and \$30 at the door. There will be sign up sheets for members to help the day of the Bingo and to help with baked goods. The biggest need will be for quilts which we can use as prizes. We currently have 8 and we need 16. There will be a need for tricky tray items and as we did last year we are hoping for small quilt items such as table runners, placemats, small quilts, etc. as well as the usual tricky tray items.

I hope everyone is having fun working on the mystery quilt, North Pole quilt blocks and/or the blocks of the month. I know that many members are finding the challenge a good way to catch up on their UFOs.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the April Meeting.

In stitches, *Kathy*

Minutes

General Membership Meeting Due to the weather, the meeting in March was cancelled.

Treasurer's Report

The Report is attached separately with this Newsletter.

Calendar

April 13th: (Wednesday) Regular Business Meeting Speaker Susan Deshensky will present a program "Every Quilt has a Story: Making T-Shirt 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.

May 11th: (Wednesday) Regular Business Meeting Speaker Tracy Sturmak will present a program "Dyeing Fabric". Tracy will also set up a mini store for us. Please bring your own beverage to the meeting. Show and Tell.

May 25th: (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

We had 10 people turn out for our monthly sewing session in March; Laura Lyman, Sheryl Flatt, Mary Santoro. Andrea Gullion, Barb Wenton, Peggy Smith, Peggy Plascencia, Lorraine Hare, Ann Wingert and Kathy Parrish. The following members donated quilt items; Ann Wingert- lap quilts, Lorraine Hare- place mats, Pat Cudney- lap quilt, Barb Wenton- lap quilts and Andrea Gullion lap quilt.

The guild donated 7 lap quilts to the Gardens at Stroud nursing home, 7 lap quilts to Whitestone nursing home and 3 large lap quilts to hospice during the month of March.

Kits are available at the business meeting and American Ribbon. There will be another community sewing session from 5:30-9:00 on Wednesday April 27th at the Moose Lodge.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish

Quilts of Valor

Thanks to members Peggy Plascencia, Noreen Hammond, Sarah Pierson, and Kathy Parrish for binding QOV. Terry Cavanagh completed a Next Door Neighbor QOV and will bind it as soon as I get it quilted. Noreen, my sister, my friend, and myself are completing the 2022 QOV Mystery, so with the one I have in storage, we will have 10 QOV ready to gift. Kathleen McCarthy is willing to do the presentations, if anyone else would like to help her contact Kathleen directly. I have notified our QOV state coordinator that we are prepared to honor presentation requests.

Submitted by Laura Lyman

Quilt Lovers' Bingo

Our first committee meeting was held in March. Mary Santoro, Andrea Gullion, Lorraine Hare, Lorraine Hare, Sheryl Flatt, Lois Kirkwood, Peggy Plascencia, Kathy Parrish all participated. The Bingo tickets will remain at \$25 each for early sales and \$30 at the door. We will sell up to 130 tickets which is our pre-CoVid amount. Ticket sales will start at the April meeting. Tickets will be available from Kathy and Lorraine. They will also be for sale at American Ribbon. Andrea and Mary will organize the tricky tray. Use your imagination, sewing items, gardening, reading, raffle tickets, crochet and knitted items, etc. We are hoping to get small quilted items to use as well. Peggy will organize the the food which will be available for sale at the Bingo. She will need help in the kitchen that day but there is no cooking. Everything will be pre-made. We hope members can bring baked goods individually wrapped in \$1.00 sized portions to sell. We will be offering free coffee and tea at the Bingo. Barb is organizing publicity.

There will be flyers available for members to share with other organizations and friends. There will be a sign up sheet at the April meeting for members.

The most important way members can participate will be with quilts which we can use as prizes. We currently have 8 quilts and we need 16. Members can work together to make a quilt. There is no specific size but should be at least a large throw size.

This is our only fund raising event. The money covers cost of guest speakers, refreshments, community quilt supplies, insurance, etc. We gave the Moose lodge a large donation last year to cover the cost of us using the Moose facilities and hope to do the same this year. All members need to find a way to participate in the Bingo in some form. Thanks in advance for your help.

Submitted by Kathy Parrish

Attention all members:

We need tricky tray donations for Quilt Bingo in July.

We need baskets, big cellophane bags, complete or partial baskets.

Some things that are very popular: Quilt store and Joann Fabric gift cards, alcohol, wine, restaurant gift cards, jelly rolls or coordinated fat quarters and quilt/sewing notions and lottery tickets.

Please contact Andrea Gullion; 570-460-3658 (text is best) and Mary Santoro to coordinate drop off.

Please also bring donations to the meetings.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!!

Andrea and Mary

It is going to be that time very soon again. This is always a great fundraiser for the guild. We already have a few quilts to give away as prizes at the bingo. If you are intending on making a quilt for Bingo, please let me know. Remember that smaller quilted items can be given to Mary Santoro or Anrea Gullion for the Tricky Tray. Participants in the bingo seem to like that they may be able to win something quilted through the Tricky Tray as well.

Submitted by Lorraine Hare

2022 New Year's UFO Challenge

Many of you are diligently completing those UFO's! You can still join us, just complete the form on the PMQG website and bring it to the next meeting. So far we have done #6 in Feb and #3 in March. #2 is due this month (April) and #8 is due in May. Bring any/all finished UFO's for Show and Tell and get your prize tickets. *Submitted by Laura Lyman*

Mystery Quilt

The fourth step for the mystery quilt was sent out via email. Also the directions are on the website at thepmqg.com. If anyone is interested and does not receive email, please let Lorraine know. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. *Submitted by Lorraine Hare*

North Pole Quilters

So we are on our way! Bring your progress on your blocks 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.

Patterns will be available at all meetings. 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.

Submitted by Lorraine Hare

Workshops

Kathleen McCarthy will present 4 different workshops, dates to be determined at the Moose Lodge either on a Wed., Thurs., or Friday during the day. Lists will be emailed to participating members once dates are confirmed. 4-6 hours, depending on the class. Rulers and patterns must be purchased on your own. Interested members see sign-up sheets at the meetings. The workshops are:

Sew Kind of Wonderful Patterns and Rulers: 1) Flutter Wonder, 2) Giving Tree and 3) Happy Together. Each class uses a specific curved ruler: Wonder Curve, Quick Curve, or Mini Quick Curve ruler. This is a no-pin, square up method of sewing curved pieces – very addictive and soothing. <https://sewkindofwonderful.com>.

Phillips Fiber Arts ruler and 4) Spicy Spiral Pattern. Bargello curved, table runner uses a 10 degree ruler. <https://www.phillipsfiberart.com>

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

Our thoughts are with long time member Donna Conto at this time as her husband passed away at the end of March.

Please wear your NAME TAG !!!

Colonial Quilters had Brita Nelson to speak a few months ago. She was our featured lecturer in February. Colonial Quilters would like to do her sampler block workshop. Knowing it is hard to gather 12 -15 people, they suggested to her that maybe they could invite our guild to join them for this event. As of now they have only about 6 that want to sign up, **they need at least 12 to 15 to keep the cost to \$40.**

So, would anyone consider joining them for the date of **Sat. May 21. It is a 6 hour workshop.** Brita mentioned the workshop at the meeting. It is a six hour "zoom" workshop **with some homework involved.**

If anyone is interested please contact Jane Merkel by **March 15th or ASAP.**

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



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