



The Quilt Line



Pocono Mountain Quilters' Guild

April 2015

Check out the web page at www.thepmqg.com

Next meeting is April 1st 2015

President's Message:

Our 2015 Challenge is done! Congratulations to all those who entered! This was a tough one and it was great to see that 15 quilters were up to the challenge. The opening at the Bar Association was a fun event and to see the quilts hanging at Art Space Gallery was thrilling. We should all be proud of our Guild! There were 14 quilters who signed up for the UFO / Ph.D. program at the March meeting. A few more members asked and are joining at the April meeting, so you still have time to pull out an unfinished project and share it with the members. It's going make for a fantastic show and tell at our August picnic! And guess what?!? I've actually started working on the mini project I brought in - Amazing!

I'll share this at the meeting, but want to tell you here also. We successfully got rid of the quilt show frames. I had 27 voicemail messages on my cell phone asking about the pipes. Lorraine Hare put up with a lot of back and forth phone calling and no-shows with the first guy to contact us. We finally called the next guy in line and he was easy to work with. Thanks to Lorraine and husband, Bob, for helping with this.

I want to remind everyone that not having quilt show frames doesn't necessarily mean we won't ever hold another quilt show. It's good to see and hear you keeping an open mind. We are certainly creative and ingenious enough to put our heads together and come up with something different and successful. Hopefully by the time we meet, we'll be wearing lighter spring jackets and sweaters. It's about time, don't you think?

Keep on Stitchin', Lois

Minutes: General Meeting: 03/04/2015

The meeting was brought to order by President Lois Kirkwood at 6.46pm. Seventeen members present, one guest, Donna Lavache. The meeting started with members showing their half finished projects. The members were asked to come to the front and show their projects that they want to finish and talk about the history of the piece. A fifteen minute break was taken for refreshments. The Secretary's Report as printed in the newsletter was approved by Linda Doll and seconded by Donna Conto. The Treasurer's Report as printed in the newsletter was approved by Mary Santoro and seconded by Barb Wenton. All members were in favor.

Jane Maughan, Vice President, reported that there will be a paper pieced hands-on workshop at the April meeting. The supply list is in the newsletter and on the web site. Irons are needed, so Jane asked if some people would bring an iron and extension cords. You could finger press the paper piecing but using an iron would be better. Optional things to bring would be an Add a Quarter ruler. Jane stated with paper piecing you do more complicated blocks, we will watch a video "The Essentials of Paper Piecing" by Carol Doak. Are there any questions, please sign in the book if you want a kit.

There will be a gathering for the display of the challenge quilts on Friday March 6th at the Bar Association building on Main Street. There is a wine and cheese party from 5 - 7pm. There are 15 quilts in the show. Judging took place on Saturday February 28th; there were three judges who worked very well together. Judges were Phyllis Manley from NQA, Claire Markus from the arts Council and Lauri Cerato a past President of the Bar Association. The Arts Council Display will start on the 13th of March and run for two weeks. Anyone who wants to take their quilt from the Arts Council can once the show is over or Jane will pick up the quilts and bring them to the meeting on April 1st. Lois Kirkwood will let us know more about the Arts Council Display, she will email out information.

Lois Kirkwood read a letter from "Meals on Wheels", a thank you note to thank the guild for the money we sent to them after Christmas.

Old Business: Last month we talked about the storage unit and what should happen to the things in it. Andrea Gullion's husband will take the wood that is there. Lois has put an advertisement in the newspaper that the pipes are for free. At the end of April we hope not to have a bill for the Storage Unit.

Barb Wenton will contact members for refreshments for April.

Donna Conto announced that her mother in law was selling items related to quilting/sewing. There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Bea Kasebier, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Lorraine Hare

Calendar:

New Meeting Dates for 2015: May 6; June 10; July 1;
August 5; September 2; October 7; November 4 and December 2.

April 1: At the April 1st Member Meeting we will learn paper piecing techniques from a video tutorial, and will hand sew a simple 5" paper pieced block. You can sign up for the \$5 kit, kits contain the 3 fat quarters pictured on the website, together with several paper piecing foundations. I do have a lot of fabric and will make extra kits. Members who have not signed up can still buy a kit.

Challenge Show and Tell

Members who participated in the Challenge "100 Years on the Courthouse Steps" are invited to bring their Challenge quilts to the April meeting for a special Show and Tell. Congratulations to all who participated!

Treasurer's Report: Report for March 2015

February Activity 2015

Beginning Balance: \$11,137.51

No Activity

Ending Balance: \$11,137.51



Activities:

Ways and Means:

Thank you for your ongoing support to Ways and Means. Your donations of prizes and ticket sales are an important fund raising activity at each meeting. Tickets continue to be 1 ticket for \$1.00 and 3 tickets for \$2.00.

Submitted by Kathleen Rambo/Mary Santoro

Charity Quilts:

The Monroe County Children and Youth Agency recently received seven of the Pocono Mountain Quilt Guild's donated quilts. Agency members were very grateful and expressed a continuing need. All ages are represented, even newborns. In early 2015 they received five prenatally exposed babies. This is a growing problem. There is a long process to stabilize these babies. Your volunteer donations of quilts of all ages are continually welcomed.

Submitted by Judy Mehl

Kits are available; please see Lorraine Hare if you would like a kit.

Submitted by Lorraine Hare and Judy Mehl

Community Quilts:

There are two quilt tops that need to be quilted if anyone is interested in quilting one please let Rose Frailey know. If anyone has an idea for a community quilt, please speak with Rose Frailey.

Submitted by Rose Frailey

Celebration Quilts:

Do you have a special occasion coming up? Or know someone that does? Let us help you celebrate. The birth of a baby; a wedding; a 25th anniversary; a 50th or 60th anniversary are important occasions. **It is important to celebrate.**

Contact Sheri Seip

April's Birthdays:

Bea Kasebier	April 1st
Peggy Chiniewicz	April 14 th

April's Anniversaries:

Barbara Ebert	4/24/1954
Linda Doll	4/9/1994
Mary Dickison	4/22/1972
Kathy Rockliss	4/26/1974



Hospitality: No report.

Submitted by Barb Wenton

Tea Time: Our tea social is back again at 6:00pm; bring your favorite mug and enjoy some social time before the meeting with fellow members.

Wear Your Name Tag: Please wear your name tag to help everyone greet and speak to each other by name. If you forget your name tag, stop at the Sign up Sheet for a paper Hello My Name Is tag!

Submitted by Jane Maughan



Members who attended the Bar Association Cocktail party and had their quilts exhibited there.

For your information:



The pipes are going to a new home.

Quilt Shows / Events:

May 3, 2015

Cranberry Quilt Guild of Hazelton
Annual Quilter's Luncheon
12:00 noon – 4:00pm
Reservations by April 23, 2015
(Lorraine has more details)

June 27 – 28, 2015

Milford Valley Quilter's Show
Delaware Valley School Complex
Milford, Pa

July 23- 26, 2015

Quilt Odyssey
Hershey Lodge/Convention Center
325 University Drive, Hershey PA
www.quiltodyssey.com/

September 17 -20, 2015

Penn. National Quilt Extravaganza
Philadelphia Area, Pa
www.quiltfest.com

The Guild website can be found at www.thepmqg.com. The current program calendar is updated on the website every month and the current newsletter is available as a link to a pdf file.

Challenge Quilt Winners:



First Place - Lorraine Hare
Second Place - Peggy Plasencia-Chiniewicz
Third Place - Mary Santoro
Judges' Choices:
Mary Santoro, Sheryl Flatt and Andrea Gullion
Viewer's Choice: Lorraine Hare

Editor's Note:

If you have something you want included in the newsletter please forward to lorrhare@ptd.net Articles such as recipes or quilt shows/events, tricks or tips, news about members are due to the Editor by the first Wednesday of the month.

April Meeting: Paper Piecing Supply list

Your purchased \$5 kit will include paper foundations for three 5" blocks and 3 fat quarters of the fabric.

We will need small irons, groups of four can share irons, and guild will not be supplying irons for this project.

Please bring:

1. Needles of your choice for hand sewing. Using a slightly larger than normal needle can be helpful in removing the paper as larger needles put bigger holes in the paper.
2. Pins
3. Small scissors and/or rotary cutter
4. Small rotary cutting mat
5. A postcard or index card 5" long or slightly larger
6. Marker to mark back of fabric, pencils are suitable
7. Medium to light tone neutral sewing thread for sewing seams (grey or tan is best)
8. Small ruler
9. Iron
10. Small paper bag for your scraps (Guild will provide painter's tape to attach bags to the tables).

Optional items:

Needle threader, thimble, the Add A Quarter yellow ruler is helpful but not necessary.

Officers:

President	Lois Kirkwood
Vice President	Jane Maughan
Treasurer (Acting)	Christine Bearn
Secretary	Lorraine Hare
Financial Secretary	Ann Marie Kizer

Committees:

Activities	Jane Maughan
Historian/Photos	
Celebration Quilts	Sheri Seip
Helping Hands	Marie Schriever
Ways & Means	Kathleen Rambo / Mary Santoro
Hospitality	Barbara Wenton
Newsletter	Lorraine Hare
Community Quilts	Rose Frailey
Block of the Month	
Publicity	Pat Cudney
Raffle Quilt 2014	
Quilt Show 2015	
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