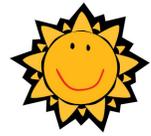




The Quilt Line



Pocono Mountain Quilters' Guild

May 2015

Check out the web page at www.thepmqg.com
Next meeting is May 6th, 2015

President's Message:

It's May and spring is finally here! Now we can start thinking of beautiful spring colors for our quilts – buttery yellows, precious pinks and soft, fresh greens. Even when combined in a modern pattern or layout, this combination just yells “spring!” Not much time? Put together a square and make it into a pillow!

Guild board members met on April 22 and we got a lot done. After reviewing the list of items remaining in storage, we decided on what to keep and what to get rid of. Don't worry, members, nothing of value or significance is going to be trashed. For example, all the photos in the albums have been transferred to disk. Items that may be useful for a future quilt show are being kept. If you have any questions, call or email me.

We're also discussing the possibilities of holding a smaller quilt show starting with location and size of the show. There are a few ideas that we're thinking over. An ad hoc committee has been formed to gather information for the guild to hold a retreat. Information on the Kutztown Folk Festival quilt auction is being collected. You are invited to share your ideas with board members.

The Guild calendar is pretty much full through the end of 2015. Speakers, quilt shop visit, picnic and much more! Do you find it hard to get to your quilting? Schedule some time for creating – put it on your calendar – make a date with yourself, your needles or your sewing machine. Don't neglect your creative spirit – it needs to be fed!

Keep on Stitchin'
Lois



Minutes: General Meeting: 04/01/2015

The meeting was brought to order by President Lois Kirkwood at 6.30pm. Twenty eight members present, one new member guest, Janella Macbeth.

The meeting started with Jane Maughan speaking about the benefits of paper piecing and also about sewing seams by hand verses machine sewing. Carol Doak's video was played "Mastering Foundation Paper Piecing". Jane showed the blocks in the kit and suggested that members try to do the square within a square block first. Jane then went through the directions on how to get started. Members proceeded to sew. At 7.30pm the members were asked to take refreshments.

The Secretary's Report as printed in the newsletter was approved by Judy Mehl and seconded by Barbara Ebert. The Treasurer's Report as printed in the newsletter was approved by Rose Frailey and seconded by Donna Conto. All members were in favor.

Jane Maughan, Vice President, reported that at this time she did not have a program for the May meeting. She is arranging speakers for up coming meeting, with exchanges of emails. In May and June we will have a speaker at guild. July we will be taking a road trip to the Countrie Quiltery in Effort. Bring a lawn chair to sit on. If it rains, we will not have time outside. Directions and information will be in an upcoming newsletter. August meeting the picnic will be outdoors at Mountain View Park. Guild will provide charcoal, buns and hot dogs and also greens for salad. It will be at pavilion one which will entail no walking for members. Please bring two cups of toppings for salad. If it is raining then we will be having it inside as the library will still be available. Jane will be setting up a phone tree to co-ordinate with members who do not get the newsletter by email, so we can let everyone know where the meeting will be.

The members who participated in the challenge showed their quilts and spent some time talking about them. Lois Kirkwood announced that we had a lot of catalogs from the show and asked everyone to take one. Members who did not sign up to do the PHD challenge were given another opportunity to sign up. The pieces were shown and photographed.

Celebration Quilts: Sheri Seip presented Andrea Gullion a 1930's fabric table topper, in celebration of her wedding.

Ways and Means: \$37.00 was raised by Ways and Means. Winners tonight were: Donna Conto, Marie Shriever, Kathy Parrish, Ann Lambert, Barb Ebert, Kathleen Hahn, Padma Iyengar and Barb Wenton.

Hospitality: Barbara Wenton showed items which have been passed down by other hospitality chairs to her, the items were things left behind at meetings. She wanted to know if these things belonged to anyone.

New Business: Christine Bearn (Treasurer) asked approval for a check for \$128.00 to

pay the post office box. Lorraine Hare made the motion, seconded by Mary Santoro, all members were in favor. Also Christine stated that a check would be written for \$509.00 for liability insurance, for us to have the meetings at the library.

Lois Kirkwood read a thank you letter from the Historical Association for a quilt we gave to them. Lois Kirkwood announced that the Embroiders guild was having a annual luncheon at Shawnee Inn on June 6th. The fee was \$25.00 to non- members and their speaker will be "Framing by Carla".

Old Business: Marie Shriever asked the question why we did not sell the pipes to instead of giving them away. Lois Kirkwood responded.

Andrea Gullion asked for donations of fabric for her school students. Students are making quilts 42" x 48", this is a community based project for the students. She is looking for donations of cotton fabric and batting.

Ann Marie Kizer alerted everyone that their directories were available for pick up, look for your name highlighted on the directory and that will be your copy. Please take it with you when you leave.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting by Kathleen Hahn, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Lorraine Hare

Calendar:

May 6: Jean Campbell, Machine Quilting

We will have a lecture and display from Jean Campbell, a local teacher and lecturer. Jean will present on machine quilting and will share valuable advice and show some samples. Jean has been teaching machine quilting for some time and knows many of the members of our Guild. She spoke to us about 4 years ago, and will bring new information and samples for her new lecture.

June 10: Barbara Dann of Alleycat Quiltworks

Presentation entitled "Diva Detectives" by Barbara Dann of Alleycat Quiltworks. Barbara will share her tips on how to become a quilt detective. How is that block made? How can I make it a different size? How can I make small changes to my quilts for big impact? You will learn answers to these questions and more in this fun, lively and informative lecture and trunk show. Barbara will have patterns, tools and rulers and other items for sale. You can learn more about Barbara at

www.alleycatquiltworks.com.

July 1: Program: An Evening at the "Country Quilterie" in Effort

We are taking a short road trip! Meet up at the "Country Quilterie" quilt shop in Effort, at 6:00 P.M. The address is 2783 route 115, Effort, Pennsylvania, 18330. Bring a lawn chair and a dish to share, as we will picnic outdoors (or indoors if necessary) after shopping. To learn more about the shop go to www.countryquilterie.com.

August 5: Picnic at Mountain View Park, Tannersville

Light rain or shine (but not if we get a hurricane) we will celebrate our annual summer picnic under cover in a pavilion at the Mountain View Park. If there is any last minute change due to weather, we will send out an email to members with email addresses, and will move the picnic back to the Eastern Monroe Public Library where we regularly meet. If you don't have an email address please buddy up with a member who does to get last minute information about the picnic. Please sign up at the May, June or July meetings to bring a dish for the picnic. In addition to your dish to share, please ALSO bring 2 cups of salad fixings. Guild will supply charcoal for the grill, salad greens and hot dogs. Bring your own place setting and let's also continue the tradition of groups of members coordinating their table's decorating theme. After dinner we will have a super Show and Tell, with the Ph.Inished candidates presenting their completed UFO's. Certificates will be issued to those who actually phinish!

We will be in Pavilion #1, directions to the Park follow and also will be on the Guild website:

From Route 715 in Tannersville, turn onto Sullivan Trail, the road that the Crossings Outlets is on. Pass the Crossings Outlets, go under Route 80. Continue on Sullivan Trail, at about 1 mile from the Crossings you will pass The Loft on your left, it is a ski shop. Continue another .2 miles, pass the Barley Creek Pub on your left and almost immediately make a right into Mountain View Park. Pass the Park Office, go straight up hill and follow the signs to Pavilion #1.

September 2: Fourth & Sixth Designs

We have a truly spectacular program for September 2nd. Barbara Persing and Mary Hoover of Fourth & Sixth Designs will present their lecture and trunk show entitled "Edge-coloring Appliqué." Their presentation is described as "a magnificent trunk show that illustrates the endless possibilities of what can be done with appliqué techniques." Barbara and Mary are award winning quilt artists and their quilts have been published in many quilting magazines and have been featured in Keepsake Quilting and Clotilde. They were born the fourth and sixth children in a close knit family in south Jersey. Their mother taught these Jersey girls garment sewing at the young age of ten. Barbara and Mary will bring books, patterns and other items for sale. To learn more about Barbara and Mary go to www.4and6designs.com.

October 7: Gretchen Gibbons of Celebration of Life Designs.

Our October 7th speaker is Gretchen Gibbons of Celebration of Life Designs. Gretchen will present a lecture and trunk show of her own quilt journey, ending with her experience working with wool appliqué. Gretchen is an avid quilt designer, teacher and author. She combines wool and cotton in her quilts and patterns, bringing fresh looks to traditional designs. She will bring wool pieces, patterns, quilts and books for sale. To learn more about Gretchen, go to www.gretchengibbons.com.

New Meeting Dates for 2015: June 10; July 1; August 5; September 2; October 7; November 11 and December 2.

Treasurer's Report: Report for May 2015
March and April Activity 2015

Income:

Ways and Means (April)	\$37.00	\$11,174.51
Membership	\$10.00	\$11,184.51
Total Income:	\$47.00	

Expenses:

#1099 Kistler Printing (Newsletter)	\$25.81	-\$25.81
#1100 Anniversary Cake (Barbara Wenton)	\$25.99	-\$25.99
#1101 Stroudsburg Postmaster (Stamps for newsletter)	\$49.00	-\$49.00
#1102 Celebration Quilts (Sheri Seip)	\$22.93	-\$22.93
#1103 Selective Insurance	\$509.00	-\$509.00
Total Expenses:	\$632.73	
Ending Balance:		\$10,551.78



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. Look out for a special raffle starting soon.

Submitted by Kathleen Rambo/Mary Santoro

Charity Quilts:

Your volunteer donations of quilts of all ages are continually welcomed.

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

May's Birthdays:

Marie Schriever	May 8th
Betty D'Imperio	May 16th
Norma Woolever	May 17th
Sheryl Flatt	May 21st
Padma Iyengar	May 28th



May's Anniversaries:

Bea Kasebier	5/21/1966
Ann Marie Kizer	5/25/1974

Hospitality: No report.

Submitted by Barb Wenton

Tea Time: The Tea Social will return in September at 6:00 P.M. There will be no Tea Social at our upcoming May or June meetings.

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

For your information:

Our sympathies go out to Betty D'Imperio whose brother recently passed away.

Member of the Year:

In the past a Founder's award was given annually by the founding members of this guild. The founding members are Jenny Rourke, Jane Walck, Bev McMahan, and Lois Kirkwood. Since 2002, a member of the year award has been given in lieu of the founder's award. This award is given to a guild member who has shown herself to be willing to share her time and experience in the art of quilting with others and who promotes friendship. This year the executive board chose a member who consistently spreads goodwill, the love of quilting and a willingness to donate her time and energy to the good of the guild.

Previous recipients are: Janet Richards, Ann Benz, Lorraine Hare, Barbara Ebert, Kaye DeMars, Ditta VanGemen, Barbara Wenton, Norma Woolever, Peggy Plascencia

Chiniewicz, Kathy Parrish, Edna Shaffer, Rose Frailey, Marianne Bridges, Pat Bruck, Andrea Kash, Sheryl Flatt, Mary Santoro and Bea Kasebier. Congratulations to this year's recipient.

Quilt Shows / Events:

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

October 9 - 10

Keystone Quilters Show
Quakertown Christian School
Quakertown, PA 18951
www.keystonequilters.org

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.

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.



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Treasurer (Acting)	Christine Bearn
Secretary	Lorraine Hare
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Activities	Jane Maughan
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Celebration Quilts	Sheri Seip
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Hospitality	Barbara Wenton
Newsletter	Lorraine Hare
Community Quilts	Rose Frailey
Block of the Month	
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