



# The Quilt Line



Pocono Mountain Quilters' Guild

September 2015

**Dues are expected to be paid at this meeting.  
They are \$25.00. Bring your check book and pay now!  
Next meeting is September 2nd, 2015**

## President's Message:

Hello Quilt Friends,

School has started and the temperature is certainly very agreeable. Dare I say it may be a good time to start on those holiday projects? Gifts, décor, tree decorations ... if you work faster than I do, then maybe you can wait until next month to start.

We certainly had fun and good food at our picnic in August. We also got to see many terrific finished projects from members who earned their PhD certificate. There were also a number of members who admitted to not finishing UFO's - tsk, tsk. If you did finish but didn't get to the picnic, you're still eligible to receive your certificate. Just bring in your piece for show and tell.

The 2016 Challenge is going to be announced at the September meeting and it's a good one! Lorraine Hare will share all the details quickly before our speakers are introduced. Inspiration will be hanging around the room!

Information is going to be shared at the meeting about the very first PMQG Quilt Retreat!

And here's the biggest news of all - We Want to Hold a Quilt Show in 2016! Before it is definite though, we need to know that members are willing to step up and get involved. We have the set up, hanging and take-down under control. We have a tentative date. But We Need Your Help! At the September meeting, there will be a table with quilt show committee cards. Please look them over, ask questions of Jane, Lorraine or me if necessary, and take a card to chair the committee. If all the cards are taken by the end of the meeting, we're going ahead with the plans. You can grab a friend and co-chair if you want. (Put your name(s) on the card and give it to me, please.) And you can then recruit more helpers for your task(s). I'll talk about all this quickly at the beginning of the meeting before our speakers begin their presentation.

It's going to be another busy, exciting year for PMQG members and I'm looking forward to another great year as your President.

Keep on Stitchin', Lois

**Check out the web page at [www.thepmqg.com](http://www.thepmqg.com)**

**Minutes:** 07/05/2015

On August 5<sup>th</sup> the guild met at Mountain View Park. Multiple groups organized wonderful table settings and outfits. We had nightgown beauties (with night caps) and beach babies (no sand of course) and a couple of plain Jane's.

After enjoying great foods and company Lois Kirkwood brought the meeting to order. Sheri Seip introduced the slate of new officers. Judy Mehl nominated first and Ana Rivera seconded the slate. Peggy Plascencia Chiniewicz read the installation for the new officers.

We then saw the successful finished challenge projects. The following ladies showed their projects" Marianne Bridges, Linda Doll, Sheryl Flatt, Lois Kirkwood, Janella McBeth, Judy Mehl, Mary Santoro. Thank you to all for showing your work and sharing your stories.

**Ways and Means** winners were pulled by Mary Santoro. Meeting was adjourned.  
*Respectfully submitted by Bea Kasebier*

**Calendar:**

**September 2: Fourth & Sixth Designs**

Tea Social at 6:00 P.M., Meeting at 6:30 P.M

Our program tonight is from Mary and Barbara of 4th and Sixth Designs.

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. Skilled in all areas of sewing, Barbara began quilting in 1983 during the long New England winters while her husband attended the University of New Hampshire. She moved to Pennsylvania in 1990 and continued quilting as a hobby. Mary began quilting in 1992 when she moved to upstate New York. As a stay at home mom, she needed a creative outlet and immediately knew quilting was the answer she was looking for. Mary began teaching quilting classes in 1993 and eventually opened a quilt shop in 1999. Despite living 300 miles apart, Barbara and Mary began collaborating shortly after the start of their own businesses. This collaboration quickly became a partnership which has grown into the pattern and design company, Fourth & Sixth Designs. In 2008, C&T Publishing released their first book, StrataVarious Quilts, and in 2013 they became fabric designers for Island Batik.

Barbara and Mary will speak on appliqué, show their spectacular quilts and will have patterns and other items for sale.

**October 7: Gretchen Gibbons of Celebration of Life Designs.**

Our October 7<sup>th</sup> 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 experi-

ence 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 go to [www.gretchengibbons.com](http://www.gretchengibbons.com).

**New Meeting Dates for 2015:** October 7; November 11 and December 2.

### **Treasurer's Report:** Report for September 2015

#### August's Activity 2015

<b>Beginning Balance:</b>		<b>\$9,469.53</b>
<b>Income: Ways and Means</b>	<b>\$83.00</b>	
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$83.00</b>	

#### Expenses:

#1112 Kistler Printing (Newsletter)	\$2.54	\$9,549.99
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$2.54</b>	
<b>Ending Balance:</b>		<b>\$9,549.99</b>

### **Activities:**

#### **Ways and Means:**

On August 5, 2015

Money Collected- \$83.00 for special raffle

Winners were Ann Marie Kizer, Christine Bearn, Kathleen Rambo, Andrea Gullion and Marie Guidry. Some of the winners won multiple times. Thank you for your ongoing support of 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:**

*No report. Submitted by Lorraine Hare and Judy Mehl*

#### **Community Quilts:**

*No report. 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 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary; a 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary are important occasions. **It is important to celebrate.**

*Contact Sheri Seip*

#### **Hospitality:** No Report

*Submitted by Barb Wenton*

### September's Birthdays:

Mary Santoro September 15th  
Laura Lyman September 16th  
Ann Jennings September 13<sup>th</sup>  
Kathy Rockliss September 24th  
Lorraine Hare September 30th

### September's Anniversaries:

Lois Kirkwood 9/2/1984  
Sheri Seip 9/19/1992

**Challenge 2016:** The challenge will be presented at the September meeting. The rules will be available at the meeting. The theme of the challenge is "Off the Page". We hope you can be there to pick your "page" for your challenge piece.

**Tea Time:** The Tea Social is back for this upcoming meeting at 6:00 P.M.

**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:

#### Membership:

**Membership renewals are due at the meeting. Please complete a new membership form (which can be downloaded from our website, or you can get one at our meeting) and give it to the Financial Secretary (Mary Santoro) along with your \$25 payment, paying by check is preferred.**

#### Needed: Quilt Pattern Testers.

I am developing some of my own quilt designs and am in need of pattern testers of ALL skill levels, especially NEW quilters.

You will receive a PDF pattern, make the quilt in your own fabrics and provide me with constructive criticism. It will be helpful to write your comments directly on the instructions as you work, so I can incorporate your recommendations/corrections in the final pattern. You will need to note such things as clarity of written instructions, accuracy of measurements, usefulness of diagrams/photos, and any errors or omissions you find. I also ask that you send me a photo of your completed quilt top. You must commit to a one month completion deadline.

You keep your completed quilt. I will send you a copy of the final pattern as well as a bonus pattern in appreciation of your efforts!

I am looking for several testers a various skill levels. I try to write my instructions as I teach, with lots of details and diagrams to make it easy enough for beginners. The first design is for a Christmas scrap lap quilt. If this one doesn't appeal to you, or you can't commit to this one, send me your info anyway. I will keep a list of interested quilters for future patterns! [lalyman@ptd.net](mailto:lalyman@ptd.net)

**Proposed Budget  
Year 2013-2014**

**Income**

Membership	\$1,200.00
Ways and Means	\$1,000.00
Holiday Dinner	\$500.00
Miscellaneous	\$300.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$3,000.00</b>

**Expenses:**

Postage	\$50.00
Printing	\$200.00
Speakers	\$2,000.00
Insurance	\$450.00
Donations	\$650.00
Supplies	\$350.00
Gifts	\$200.00
Holiday Dinner	\$1,000.00
P.O.Box	\$120.00
Web Site	\$150.00
Games License	
Bus Trip	
Block of the Month	
Storage	\$660.00
MAQNET Dues	\$25.00
Challenge Expenses	
Vendor Fees	\$145.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>

## Quilt Shows / Events:

### September 12

Pocono Chapter of Quilts for Kids  
8<sup>th</sup> Annual Luncheon, 12 Noon  
Boulder View Tavern  
Lake Harmony, PA

Tickets are \$26.00 per person and must be purchased in advance by August 28th. For ticket information please call: Marie (570) 722-9797 or Ann (570) 722-8198



### September 17 - 20, 2015

Penn. National Quilt Extravaganza  
Philadelphia Area, Pa  
[www.quiltfest.com](http://www.quiltfest.com)

### October 9 - 10

Keystone Quilters Show  
Quakertown Christian School  
Quakertown, PA 18951  
[www.keystonequilters.org](http://www.keystonequilters.org)

### October 10 - 11

Quilters in Bloom  
Columbia Montour Vo. Tech  
5050 Sweppenheiser Road  
Bloomsburg, PA

### October 16 - 18

The South Shore Stitchers  
Upper Township Comm. Center,  
1790 Route 50,  
Tuckahoe, NJ 08250  
[www.southshorestitchers.com](http://www.southshorestitchers.com)

The Guild website can be found at [www.thepmqg.com](http://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](mailto: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.

### *Officers*

President	Lois Kirkwood
Vice President	Jane Maughan
Treasurer (Acting)	Marie Guidry
Secretary	Bea Kasebier
Financial Secretary	Mary Santoro

### **Committees:**

Activities	Jane Maughan
Historian/Photos	
Celebration Quilts	Sheri Seip
Helping Hands	
Ways & Means	Kathleen Rambo / Mary Santoro
Hospitality	Barbara Wenton
Newsletter	Lorraine Hare
Community Quilts	Rose Frailey
Publicity	Pat Cudney
Webmaster	Jane Maughan
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