



The Quilt Line



Pocono Mountain Quilters' Guild

December 2015

Next meeting is Thursday January 14th, 2016

President's Message:

The Spirit of Santa Claus

There is a little bit of Santa Claus in all of us

He's seen in the smiles the whole world is sharing.

He's found where there's friendship and loving and caring.

He's felt in the warm handshakes when people are meeting.

He's heard in the cheer of a Christmas time greeting.

His spirit is behind all the gifts we receive.

He's everywhere, always... to those who believe.



Wishing You and Yours Joy and Love

This Wonderful Holiday Season

Lois

Check out the web page at www.thepmqg.com

Minutes: 11/11/2015

The ornament workshop was presented by Jane Maughan. An adorable “skate boot” was made by members. Lois Kirkwood brought the meeting to order after refreshments at 7:41 pm. The Treasurer’s Report as printed in the newsletter was accepted by Sheri Seip, seconded by Donna Conto with all in favor. The Secretary’s Report was not available. Lois reminded everyone to bring an item to the Christmas Party for our annual raffle/tricky tray. Members suggested the following charities for the raffle to benefit: Street 2 Feet (a homeless charity); Women’s Resources; Valor (a veteran’s shelter); or Student Book Club Library for Stroudsburg Junior High School. A vote was taken and Street 2 Feet was chosen as the beneficiary for the raffle/tricky tray.

Lois reported on the Quilt Show. The dates will be June 11 and 12 with set up on June 10 at the Stroudsburg Junior High School. Quilt Show committees will meet at our regular January and February meetings, as our programs for those month. All committee members should attend. The budget will also be discussed. At upcoming meetings, bring fat quarters to donate for the Fat Quarter Basket at the show.

It was announced that Mary Santoro is expected to have valve replacement surgery in the near future. It was also approved that Guild will purchase a book for the library in memory of Ureneus Kirkwood. Lois discussed the possibility of Guild having a Facebook presence.

Respectfully submitted by Barb Wenton

Calendar:

December 2: Holiday Party – Sign up & choose your meal:

Guild’s annual Holiday Party will be held on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, at 6:00 at Peppe’s Bistro, Eagle Valley Mall, East Stroudsburg, PA. See Barb Wenton to sign up and choose your meal. Our choices are: Pollo Valostano with roasted Potatoes (an Italian form of Chicken Cordon Bleu) OR Pollo Pomo Doro, which is chicken in red tomato sauce with rigatoni. Both meals come with one vegetable, minestrone soup, house salad and chef’s choice of dessert with tea or coffee. Cash bar is available. **Each meal costs \$26.03, Guild has voted to pay \$6.03 of everyone’s meal, with member paying \$20.00 Non-members can attend at a cost of \$26.03. Sign up at November’s meeting, with final reservations by Sunday, Nov. 22. You can call Barb at 570-629-2428 to let her know you are coming.**

Christmas Party Cup of Kindness Exchange

Last year President Lois Kirkwood suggested that Guild members exchange a “Cup of Kindness” at the Christmas party at Peppe’s. It was a great success and many members participated. So we are doing it again this year. Bring a cup or mug filled with any small items such as candy, small sewing items or small Christmas items. Please wrap your Cup of Kindness and all the participants will pick numbers and receive a Cup of Kindness from another member. Join in, this was great fun last year!

Christmas Party Tricky Tray

We will hold the Tricky Tray at the Christmas party again this year. All members are asked to bring an item for the Tricky Tray tables---we always receive a great collection and let's make this another great year. Sewing items, gift items, hand made items and Christmas theme gifts or gift baskets are the usual fare.

At the November Meeting we voted to support Street2Feet, a local program that assists homeless people to get re-established with housing and jobs. Come with an item for the table and cash for your tickets!

January 14th: Meeting Program: Quilt Show and UFO 2016 PhInished Contracts
Our January Meeting will be held at the Library on **January 14, the second Thursday of the month** *This is our only meeting in 2016 that is on a Thursday; it is the day the Library assigned to us for January.*

We will open the meeting with sign ups for the 2016 PhInished Contracts. Last year we held the sign ups at the March meeting, President Lois would like to move it to the January meeting to give everyone the opportunity to make this part of your New Year's resolutions. So find one of your golden oldie UFO's, bring it to the January Meeting, and sign your contract to have it done by the August Picnic. You will receive a PhInished Certificate for completing your PHD (your Pretty Much Half Done project). This was loads of fun at the 2015 picnic and many members received Certificates. *Bring your chosen UFO for your photo and contract signing!*

The Business portion of the January meeting will focus on the 2016 Show. Our Show dates are now firm as the Stroudsburg School District has approved our application. Set up will be Friday June 10th, and the show will be open on Saturday June 11th and Sunday June 12th.

We ask that each committee/activity chair come to the January Meeting with questions and ideas. Reports and questions will be taken in the following order: Volunteer Coordinator, Vendors, Door Prizes, book Sale, Fat Quarter Basket, Flea Market, Bake Sale, Consignments, Registration/Judging, Raffle Quilt, Raffle Tickets, Show Displays, Publicity. **We also will discuss the following items that do not yet have any committee/activity chair: tote bag sale, member name tags and signage.**

We hope to finalize a budget, so all chair persons should consider what funds they expect to need. **Anyone who has previous paperwork or final reports for areas they previously chaired, please bring them to the meeting.**

This is an opportunity for all chair persons to learn from those who previously chaired show committees, and for everyone to collaborate to make our 2016 a successful event that also is fun for all Guild members.

Submitted by Jane Maughan

Treasurer's Report: Report for December 2015

November's Activity 2015

Beginning Balance:	\$9,924.16
Income: Membership	\$25.00
Holiday Party	\$340.00
Workshop	\$105.00
Total Income:	\$470.00

Expenses:

#1116 Celebration Quilts	\$20.99
Total Expenses:	\$20.99
Ending Balance:	\$10,373.17

Submitted by Marie Guidry

Activities:

Quilt Show:

Committees

Chair - Lois Kirkwood

Volunteer Coordinator - Jane Maughan

Publicity - Jane Maughan

Registration - Lorraine Hare

Raffle Tickets - Anne Marie Kizer, Linda Doll, Sheryl Flatt

Show Displays - Lois Kirkwood, Mary Santoro

Consignments - Kathy Parrish

Fat Quarter Basket - Sheri Seip, Betty D'Imperio

Book Sale - Kathleen Hahn, Donna Conto

Flea Market - Pat Cudney

Vendors - Jan Macbeth

Door Prizes/ Admissions - Bea Kasebier, Kathleen Rambo, Jan Macbeth

Bake Sale - Mary Dickison, Kim Kimler

Tricky Tray

Community Service Display



Fat Quarter Basket:

I would like each member to bring 2 fat quarters, to each meeting for our raffle basket.

Submitted by Sheri Seip

Ways and Means:

No report

Submitted by Kathleen Rambo/ Mary Santoro



Charity Quilts:

Laura Lyman finished off the year of donations to needy children for Monroe County Children and Youth with five beautiful baby quilts. Thank you Laura.
Submitted by 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 25th anniversary; a 50th or 60th anniversary are important occasions. **It is important to celebrate.**
Contact Sheri Seip

Hospitality:

See Barb Wenton to sign up for January, February or March.
Submitted by Barb Wenton

December's Birthdays:

Mary Archibald	December 2 nd
Janella McBeth	December 12 th
Christine Bearn	December 16 th
Linda Doll	December 25 th
Sandra Hance	December 26 th
Marianne Bridges	December 26 th

December's Anniversaries:

Kathleen Rambo	12/11/1982
Laura Lyman	12/16/1978



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:
Future Meeting dates are:**

January 14 (2nd Thursday)
February 10 (2nd Wednesday)
March 9 (2nd Wednesday)
April 13 (2nd Wednesday)
May 11 (2nd Wednesday)
June 15 (3rd Wednesday)

Sept 14 (2nd Wednesday)
Oct 19 (3rd Wednesday)
Nov 9 (2nd Wednesday)



November Ornament Workshop a Success

With Sheryl Flatt's help I made up 38 kits for our November Ornament Workshop. Twenty four members participated and many of you purchased 2 kits. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did with the project; I especially enjoyed the Christmas singing that spontaneously started as we were all sewing!

Contact me if you would like some of the left over supplies; I still have some of the big paper clips (both gold and silver) and also have some bells. I'll bring them to the Christmas party at Peppe's on December 2nd.

Submitted by Jane Maughan

Paul's House - Valor needs twin and full size quilts for the vets there. 30 vets have gone through the house and they each bring their quilt with them to their new homes. Thanks for your help.

Submitted by Marie Schriever

Thank you for sharing this. I had never heard of Valor or Paul's House until after my husband passed and a co-worker suggested that it would be a good place to donate clothing. The folks there were very appreciative. From all the activity going on at the house and from a brief conversation with a resident it appears that they are doing an excellent job helping Veteran's. A good cause that is worthy of support.

Submitted by Kathleen Hahn

Membership: If there are any corrections for the directory, please email or call Mary Santoro at quiltmare@hotmail.com or [579-629-4560](tel:579-629-4560).

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:

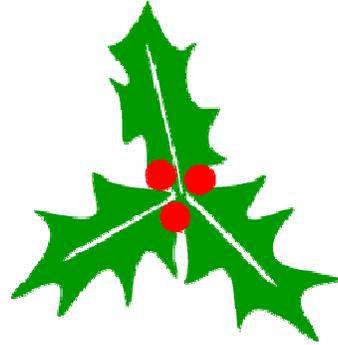
If you have something you want included in the newsletter please forward to lorrhare@ptd.net Articles such as recipes or quilt shows/events, tricks or tips, news about members are due to the Editor by the first Wednesday of the month.

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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