



POCONO MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD

The Quilt Line

November 2016

Membership Meetings

December 7, 2016
at Peppe's Ristorante
January 12 (2nd Thursday)
February 8
March 29 (5th Wednesday)
April 12
May 10
June 14
July 5 (1st Wednesday)
August 9
September 13
October 17 (3rd Tuesday)
November 8
December to be announced

Board Meetings

(1st Wed. at 6 PM)

January 4
February 1
March 1
April 5
May 3
June 7
July 14 (2nd Friday)
August 2
September 6
October 4
November 1

President's Message

“At times our own light goes out, and is rekindled by a spark from another person. Each of us has cause to think with great gratitude for those who have lighted the flame within us.” These words, spoken by Dr. Albert Schweitzer, Nobel laureate and missionary physician, capture the soul of gratitude.

Some days it is difficult to find gratitude in our hearts, and some days we nearly overflow with it.

I am grateful for your friendship, for your patience and for your love of quilting. I am grateful for the energy that draws us all together in our Guild.

I wish you all a truly happy Thanksgiving, and hope that somewhere in the hustle and rush of holiday preparation you “light the flame” in those you love, and also in those you encounter in your everyday activities. How clearly we all know the value of a genuine smile from a stranger. Let's all share the best of ourselves this Thanksgiving, and still find some time to sew!

Jane Maughan

Check out the web page at www.thepmqg.com

A Note From President Jane Maughan

At our October Meeting, some members expressed dissatisfaction with the Board's decision to require that members who request mail service of the Newsletter provide the Newsletter Editor with postage paid envelopes in January of each year.

The Board's decision was made without extended discussion and without any expectation that members would find the decision unfair or unkind.

At the Board's November meeting, the Board unanimously agreed to return to the previous practice where members without email addresses receive their Newsletter by mail if they do not pick the Newsletter up at the Member Meeting.

I personally apologize for any bad feelings created by the Board's decision, or by how we announced it. Clearly we should have been more diplomatic in the announcement, explaining the reasons for our decision. We never intended to isolate or upset any members; we made the decision with a focus on budget and on the time and energy spent by members who work hard to keep our Guild operational.

Lois Kirkwood has assured the Board that she can keep printing costs minimal and she will gladly mail those Newsletters not picked up at the Member Meetings.

Minutes

No minutes submitted for the October meeting.

Our First Retreat



Left to right: Donna Conto, Sheryl Flatt, Donna Faulstick, Anne Marie Kizer, Linda Doll, Kathleen Hahn, Kathy Parrish

Treasurer's Report for NOVEMBER 2016

OCTOBER 2016 Activity

Beginning Balance		\$ 11,132.44
Income:		
	Membership	725.00
	Guest Speaker Fee	5.00
	Total income:	730.00
Expenses:	Ck #	
	1142 Margaret Plasencia-Chiniewicz	134.34
	1143 Void	-
	1144 Jo Ann Lapore	413.72
	1145 Mary Santoro	20.99
	1146 American Ribbon	101.11
	Total expenses:	670.16
Ending Balance		\$11,192.28

Respectfully submitted by
Marie Guidry

2016-2017 PMQ Budget

Income		Expenses	
Membership Dues	\$1,025.00	Postage	\$50.00
Holiday Dinner	\$500.00	Printing Newsletter	\$75.00
Total Income	\$1,525.00	Speakers/Programs	\$2,500.00
		Insurance	\$500.00
		Donations	\$350.00
		Quilt Documentation	\$200.00
		Supplies	\$350.00
		President's Budget	\$150.00
		PO Box	\$120.00
		Website	\$210.00
		Games License	\$200.00
		Block of the Month	\$300.00
		Christmas Dinner	\$500.00
		Tea Pot	\$45.00
		Rotary Blade Sharpener	\$75.00
		Marketing Postcard	\$250.00
		Helping Hands materials	\$100.00
		Financial Secretary	\$150.00
		Total Expenses	\$6,125.00

Membership Information

Please make the following changes and additions to your newsletter:

Patricia Howlin – cell # ...-...-3883
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Anniversary- 10-14-05

Any other corrections, please let me know!

Submitted by : Mary Santoro

Thank You

10/25/16

Kathy & the Pocono Mt. Quilt Guild,

Thank you to each member and especially to Kathy for the opportunity to speak at the meeting last Wednesday.

As I begin another journey in my quilting life, I will always remember my first stop.

Passion, excitement and noise have been my story. I hope you will all continue with the same in your quilting lives.

*Kind regards,
JoAnn Lepore*

Calendar

December 7 - Annual Holiday Party at 6:00 P.M.

Peppe's Bistro, East Stroudsburg

This year the dinner will cost each member \$20 which must be paid in advance to Kathy Parrish. The guild will be paying \$5.00 towards each member's meal. Please try to pay with a check if possible. Payment is needed by November 15. The meal will include soup, salad, entree, dessert and tea/coffee. Members have a choice of three different entrees. Sign up sheets will be available at the October and November general membership meetings. We will be having a tricky tray and exchanging the "Cup of Kindness" gift swap.

Entrée choices:

Chicken Scarpariello sauteed with Italian sausage, olive oil and garlic

Chicken Parmigiana with linguine marinara

Chicken Marsala in a wine and mushroom sauce

December 7 -Holiday Dinner Tricky Tray

As with what has become an annual tradition we will have a tricky tray raffle at the holiday dinner on 12/7/16. Members are encouraged to bring a basket or a gift which members at the dinner can try to win. At previous dinners members have brought wine, chocolate, fabric, sewing items, holiday decorations, plants, quilted items and many other ideas. It is fun for all with many members winning little treasures to take home. The money generated by the tricky tray is then donated to a local worthy cause which will be chosen by the members.

December 7 - Cup of Kindness

In December 2014, Past President Lois Kirkwood introduced a lovely new idea for our annual Christmas Party that has become a fun and popular tradition.

Members bring a "cup of kindness"—a cup of some kind (we've seen lots of beautiful tea-cups, mugs and even one chamber pot), containing sweets, small items, sewing notions, or anything your imagination creates. Members wrap their "cup of kindness" and we all put them on a table at the party. Participating members take a number and during dinner we each pick a numbered bag/box and share a cup of kindness. Be sure to include a signed note in your wrapped "cup of kindness" so that the recipient can know the gift is from you. Our Vice President and the Hospitality Committee will be ready to accept and number your package.

This year we plan to continue our singing tradition by closing the evening with a candlelight carol of "Auld Lang Syne." So share a cup of kindness and a song this year with your Guild.



Activities:

Tea Time: The Tea Social starts at 6:00 P.M. and gives members the chance to arrive early, socialize and enjoy a cup of tea. Members bring their own favorite mugs. Various teas, sugar and milk are supplied. Our speaker meetings and programs have run more smoothly, with fewer distractions, since members have had the opportunity to socialize before the program.

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 In Sheet for a paper Hello My Name Is tag!

Celebration Quilts:

Do you have a special occasion coming up? Or know someone who 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

November Birthdays:

Kathleen Hahn November 29th
Donna Faulstick November 11th

November Anniversaries:

Marie Shriever 11/09/1974

For your Information:

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 kre8f1@yahoo.com 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	Jane Maughan
Vice President	Kathy Parrish
Treasurer (Acting)	Marie Guidry
Secretary	Linda Doll
Financial Secretary	Mary Santoro

Committees:

Activities	Kathy Parrish
Historian/Photos	Lorraine Hare
Celebration Quilts	Sheri Seip
Helping Hands	Peggy P. Chiniewicz
Hospitality	AnnMarie Kizer
Newsletter	Lois Kirkwood
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