

North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild
April 2023 Newsletter

President's Message

It's Spring!

That is enough to make anyone smile.

I am sure you have seen the opportunity that Connie Holko has shared. What a wonderful opportunity to share with others.

The retreat in May thanks to Tracey Zigo will be a reality. If you are interested in a wonderful 3-4 days of sewing with friends get your registration forms and check in to either Anne or Tracey.

We do need a vice president for next year's officers. Please, please think about saying "yes, I can do that".

And we will need a new newsletter editor. Janice Merritt has been a wonderful editor for many years and she is ready to turn the task over to a new editor. Who will step up and say I will??

We have the Annual Dinner in June and our annual picnic in July.

Plus planning is underway for next year's Quilt Show.

We are a busy talented group of friends.

See you at the meeting in April.

Sylvia Lynn ~~ President

Attention Executive Board *****

The Quilt Guild Board will meet **April 18 at 7 PM** at Berkeley Hills Lutheran Church. This will be the 4th board meeting of the year which will meet our requirement for meetings. After a quick board meeting Stacy will hold an organizational meeting for the Quilt Show 2024. So if you are interested in helping with the Show please mark your calendars and plan to join the meeting.

~~~~~ Also from Sylvia

Community Service

My name is Connie or Annie Holko. Im usually at the greeters table with Mollie and will continue to do so but I have also volunteered to be the Community Service Coordinator. I am excited about this new venture and want to share my heart with everyone. I have recently been in contact with Foster Love Project, a wonderful organization that reaches out to foster children providing them with items needed.

Our big project this year will be to provide quilts for this program. They are mostly in need for elementary and high school ages so lap and twin size quilts. A few baby and toddler sizes. I would appreciate if these can be worked on soon as they are in such need and through out the summer and next year. You can bring them to guild or call Me for pick up. 412-320-3582

Thank you so much

If you know of any other projects we can work On through out the year please let me know. I would like to do different things than what has already been done.

Thanks

Connie/Annie Holko ~~ Community Service

Programs

Sandy Schott prepared a thorough Programs update, 2 pages long, which doesn't seem necessary to copy and paste here — I have included it as a pdf document, attachment to the news.

Please read carefully, as there is a lot of information there.

Programs ~~ Sandy Schott

Quilt Show and Programs

Quilt Show News

April starts the Quilt Show clock running! We're one year out. I know that sounds like a really long time, but there is a lot of long-term planning involved. Which means we need to have our first Quilt Show meeting. (Don't worry, they won't be monthly.) Here's the plan, courtesy of Sylvia. We have a board meeting scheduled for Tuesday April 18 at 7:00 at the church. We will do a fast board meeting, and then turn it over to quilt show business. So mark your calendars and show on up, please! If you already have a job, come. If you don't have a job but would like to work on the show in any capacity, come. We will hook you up. If you can't come but would like to do something, email me.

(stacy.kpoehler@gmail.com) I'm excited! A major Thank You to everyone who has stepped up so far....and to those who will. Quilt shows are little miracles. You start with a big empty room, turn it into something beautiful and fun and tear it all down again in the space of 5 days. And it's all due to a bunch of (mostly) ladies who, to put it delicately, might be just a teeny tiny little hair past our prime. It's amazing. If you've never worked on a show before, definitely give it a try. It's fun and you get an amazing feeling of accomplishment. Come! Work! Get tired! Share ibuprofen with your new friends! Seriously!

We will also be announcing (with details this time!) a challenge that will be due at the beginning of our 23-24 quilt guild year. The details will be in the May newsletter as well. That gives us all summer to work on it.

President's Block

I will have the step-outs for Sylvia's Disappearing Hourglass block at the guild meeting, if you want to look at it again. Here is a website with a good tutorial and pictures:

<https://arkansasquilter.com/12-quilt-block-series-disappearing-hourglass-free-tutorial/>

And the elections:

We will be formally announcing the candidates for next year's board. We will vote at the May meeting. We still desperately need a candidate for Vice President. Sylvia said that there was a year we didn't have a VP till the picnic. Please don't wait that long. I don't know if I can stand the suspense.... Any questions, or to maybe volunteer: stacy.koehler@gmail.com

Upcoming Workshop / QnW

On Saturday May 6 we will have another Quilt n Wilt /Workshop combo at the church, which we have booked from 9-3. Come when you can, leave when you want. The workshop component will be different ways to make a crazy quilt. We won't do it first thing, so if you're a little slower on Saturday morning, you won't miss it. "Let's Go Crazy" is our '24 quilt show theme and we'd love to see lots of quilts with a crazy component of some kind. We'll put some ideas about materials and tools to bring in the May newsletter. If you have no crazy ambitions, come anyway and Quilt till you Wilt on a project of your own choice. We do a pot luck lunch and snacks, which haven't let us down yet. Mark your calendars!

Stacy Koehler ~~~ Programs

Treasurer' Report

SHOW ME THE MONEY

As of March 29, 2023, the Guild's checking account balance was \$ 13,960.
We also have a \$ 5,000 CD.

Please continue to submit reimbursement requests for expenses incurred on behalf of the Guild.

Anne Shearon, Treasurer
412-897-1000

Upcoming Quilt Shows and More

March 29 - April 1, 2023, The Lancaster Quilt Show.
www.thelancasterquiltshow.com

March 30 - April 1, 2023, Three Rivers Quilters 2023 Quilt Show, Thursday,
March 30, 10-5, March 31, 10-7, April 1, 10-4, Hollywood Casino at The
Meadows, Washington, PA www.threeriversquilters.org.

April 5 - 10, 2023, Artisan Week at Deer Valley YMCA Family Camp, 254 Deer
Valley Drive, Fort Hill, PA They also have an Artisan Week scheduled in October,
2023. For October, 2023. For more info call
800-962-2386, www.deervalleyymca.org.

April 13 - 15, 2023, Original Sewing & Quilt Expo, John S. Knight Center, Akron,
OH, 10-5. For more info www.sewingexpo.com

April 15, 2023, Salvation Army Fabric Fair, Salvation Army Temple Worship and
Service Center, 8:30-1:30, 1060 McNeilly Road, Pittsburgh, PA For more info call
412-446-1500, www.salvationarmywpa.org/fabricfair.

April 22 & 23, 2023, 9-5 and April 26 - 30, 2023, 9-4, Pennsylvania Maple
Festival Quilt Show, Meyersdale Volunteer Fire Department, 202 Main Street,
MeyersdalePA www.pamaplefestival.com

April 26 - 29, 2023, The Paducah Quilt
Show, www.thepaducahquiltshow.com.

July 13 - 15, 2023, Quilt Co. East Quilt Show, July 13 and 14, 10-6, July 15,
10-2, Christ the Divine Shepard Parish (formerly St. Bernadette), 245
Azalea Drive, Monroeville, PA Deadline for entering a quilt is May 19,
2023 www.quiltcoeast.org.

July 14-16, 2023, Mid-Appalachian Quilters, 2023 Quilting Education
Seminar, Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA. www.maqonline.org

July 20 - 22, 2023, The NorthEast Ohio Quilt
Show, www.theNEohioquiltshow.com.

August 24 - 26, 2023, Pittsburgh Knit & Crochet/Creative Arts Festival,
Double Tree Hotel, 800 Mansfield Avenue, GreenTree, PA

Information about upcoming shows or exhibits about which you are aware and reactions to this column are appreciated. Thanks to all.

Anne Shearon

Annual dinner

Please come and enjoy an evening of food and friendship with your fellow quilters.

WHERE: Sewickley Heights Golf Club 126 Backbone Road Sewickley, PA 15143

WHEN: Tuesday, June 6, 2023

TIME: Cash Bar 6:00 pm and Dinner 6:30 pm

COST: \$35 MENU: Grilled Chicken with Peach Chutney OR Bourbon Glazed Salmon All dinners served with garden salad, vegetable, fingerling potatoes, rolls and butter, coffee or iced tea.

Cake (complements of the Guild) We hope to see you there! * * * * *

Audrey King and Mim Gerstenberger ~~~ Dinner Committee

The registration form is added to the newsletter as an attachment.

Newsletter submitted by Jan Merritt