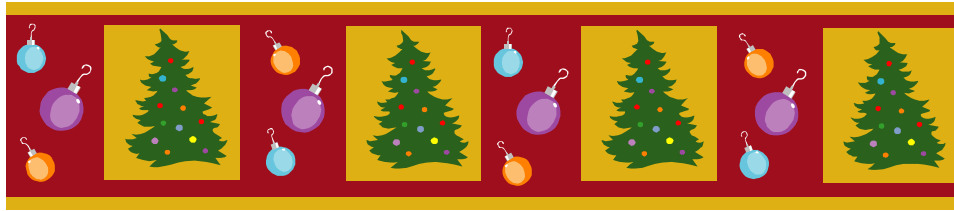


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Happy belated Thanksgiving to you all.

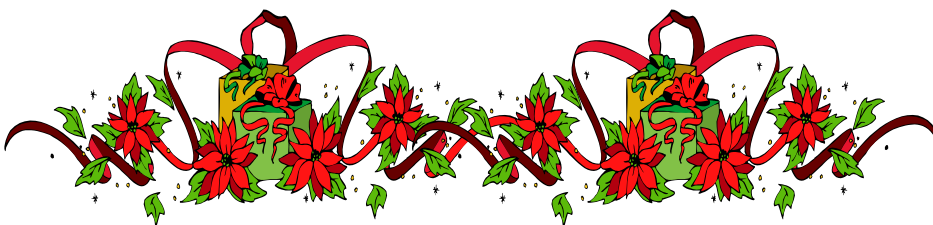
I hope you had a wonderful day and didn't have to work too hard cooking and cleaning. Thanksgiving is a time to reflect all the things for which we are thankful. Deb Thompson sent out a wonderful reflection by a quilter I would like to paraphrase as it expresses my feelings also. "There are a myriad of reasons to be thankful for quilting. Most important are the friendships and relationships of other quilters. We have different backgrounds but our love of quilting brought us together. We are family and share our lives like sisters."

Our December meeting is going to be quite different than our monthly meetings. We are going to party! There will be no business meeting or "show and tell." We will have a delicious non-alcoholic punch, also appetizers or desserts provided by you. If you prefer wine, please bring your own.

The main event of the evening is our Christmas auction. Come at 6:30 with your item(s) and you will have plenty of time to look over everything and eat before the auction starts at 7:30 PM. Marilyn has more details for you in her article. I feel sure you will enjoy the auction even if you are not a big spender. Bring a friend, the more the merrier.

If you are unable to attend, I wish you a merry and blessed Christmas.

Donna



Hospitality – Barbara Turke

We're asking each guild member to share an hors d'oeuvre or dessert. We'll have a non-alcoholic punch, hot tea and coffee. You can also bring a wine to share if you'd like. Also, bring your appetite!



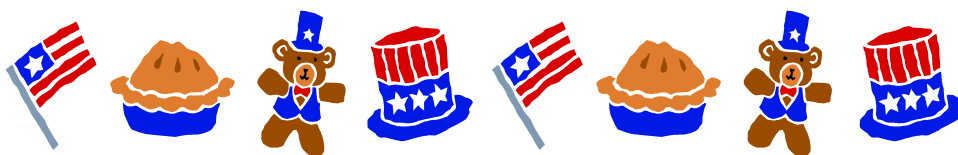
Fundraising – Marilyn Macarthur

Here's the latest info for our big Christmas Auction on December 3rd – Our auctioneer will be Mim Gerstenberger, a former member and past president who now lives in Ohio. She has a wonderful sense of humor and will make the auction lots of fun. We want to start the auction at 7:30 pm., so plan to arrive between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. so that you have a chance to look over all the beautiful and interesting items you may want to buy. Please bring a 3x5 card with the name of your item, a description and the lowest bid you will take for it. Place it with/near/or on the item. Stop at the table in the foyer to pick up your Fat Quarter about halfway through the auction and you may bring wine if you desire.



Punch will also be available along with delicious appetizers and snacks! Your friends the relatives may join us, too. Payment may be made by cash or check at the end of the auction – Louise Warner and Harvene Lynch will be our treasurers for the evening. I know Eleny and I can count on everyone to bring your wonderful items and lots of money to make this fundraiser a BIG SUCCESS! See you there!

Marilyn and Eleny, Co-chairmen



Betty Kania will be collecting the completed star kits at the December and January meetings.

Quilt Show – Carol Beck - Challenge Quilts should be brought to the January meeting so they can be joined together. There will be photos on the Web Site.

Sunshine – Elsie Richards – We must all be healthy since Elsie has not received any requests for “Get Well” cards. Please let Elsie know if a Get Well, Sympathy, or Congratulations card should be sent.



Membership – Deb Thompson

We welcome five new members to the North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild

Linda Dugan

Susan Harke

Cheryl Hayes

Carole Holliday

Esther King



Forget this list – make your own

Remember to get ready early for the NPQG meeting – plan to arrive at 6:30 PM

Bring an item to auction

Bring cash/check to purchase an auctioned item that will turn out to be a treasure or a great gift.

Bring a dessert or appetizer.

Bring your completed Quilt of Valor square

Bring your Christmas Spirit

Reminder – Workshop on December 7, 2013 – Paper-pieced Pineapple Wreath

Refer to last month's Newsletter for all the information or email Loretta Crum loretacrum@verizon.net