



**North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild
February 2017 Newsletter**



President's Message

Hello to all members. It doesn't seem possible that it is 60 degrees outside and it's January! Last weekend we had another successful Quilt and Wilt. If you have never attended one you have been missing out. Socializing, sewing, and good food, what could be better? Think about joining us for the next one.

Our February meeting is a work session for making Port Covers. Please bring your machine and thread and join us in this endeavor. Snacks are to be finger foods (nothing which needs utensils) and red, in honor of Valentine's Day.

Our March meeting is a trunk show from Teri Tope. She is giving a Thread Painting class on March 11 at St. Johns. If the light table requirement is stopping you from attending, we have several ideas for you: I will be bringing an extra large one that will serve two people. Other members are willing to lend theirs to someone in need. You can use a shadow box with a light underneath, and/or the clear plastic sewing tables that extend your machine will serve with a light underneath, and a piece of glass supported with a light underneath can also be used. You must take a picture that you will use for the class that has a pretty clear background. It must be sent to Teri before March so that her husband can get them ready for the class. You must say they are for NPQG March 11 in the email so she can bring them to the class. If this interests you, bring a check to the February meeting to sign up. The cost for members is \$25, non-members is \$45. In addition, you must purchase her book for \$20 the day of the class. The book describes the entire process so that you can complete the process again. Please think about joining us.

Recently an email was sent out regarding my donated quilt to Quilts of Valor. It tells the story of the man who received my top which Ralph quilted. The Guild had purchased the material for this project. The material is brought to each guild meeting. If you feel moved to make a quilt top please take some of this material for this project. You do not need to spend money for material, just donate the time to make the top. All we ask is that you figure out the amount needed for your top and take it home. When you donate the finished quilt top, other volunteers will quilt it. I hope that you are able to find the time to enjoy sewing and relax by quilting.

Janie Walker



Community Service

Our February Guild Meeting will be our Community Service Project --- providing Port Pillows to the Cancer Center. We will have 3 stations: one for pinning, one for sewing, and the third for stuffing and hand-sewing closed. Our Goal is to make 100 pillows. If you are one of the lucky members to have an easily portable machine, please bring it (we could use about 5/6 machines.) With the help of dear Betty Kania and sweet Sylvia Lynn, the pillows/velcro are pre-cut, ready, and in “kits”. We could also use extra polyester fiberfill, so if you have extra, please bring it for the “stuffing” part. Of course, Betty has already made several models for us! Let’s plan on having a champion assembly line and finish in record time.....start your engines!!!!!!

Pat Barber





Fund Raising

There will be a Cup and a Quarter Raffle at this meeting. Donations are greatly appreciated !!

Jeannie McCormick



Never hurts to repeat good news:

Hello - In the gray days of winter, here is something that will cheer you up and make you think of summer. Below are a few photos of the beautiful dresses that will be shipped overseas in the next few months. They are so fresh and summery and have cute detail work that any girl would just love. I keep thinking about sisters getting the two puzzle fabric dresses and just laughing. The fabric in the bottom left photo has animals they will be able to identify and letters to learn.

You donated 16 small, 10 medium and 10 large for a total of 36! If you wish to make more, please do. I don't think the dresses will be sent until March.

From Pat and I - THANK YOU VERY



MUCH! Have a super day.



Sandra Schott



Newsletter respectfully submitted by Jan Merritt