# North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild March 2023 Newsletter

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#### President's Message

I will miss our community service meeting on March 7 but the meeting and program are in very good hands. That's what makes this organization so incredible; people step up and do. I am in Florida visiting with my brother who I had not seen since pre COVID (it was time). Plus my sister lives down here ago so it is a win win vacation.

I am very excited that a committee read, discussed and updated the by laws for you to read and consider for adoption. Take time to read the document and after consideration be ready to approve or disapprove at our April meeting.

The nominating committee has a slate of officers to be voted on in April plus a 2024 Quilt Show committee complete with chairpersons in place. It is so exciting. They have even chosen a theme! Not going tell you so they can share at the meeting.

A Retreat is being planned for May 18 to 21. Come to the meeting to learn more. It is going to be wonderful.

Peace, Sylvia Lynn ~~ President
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Hospitality

- → Meeting in person- YAY!!!
- ~ Community service- YAY!!!
- → Bringing goodies to share for Fat Quarter- YAY!!! And YUM!!!!

Alice Gibson ~~ Hospitality

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This month's "Make It Quick" will be about making the Disappearing Hourglass block Sylvia has chosen as her President's block. Stop by and see how to make this cool little block! Presented by Stacy Koehler

**Community Service** - March 7th - Bring your zippers, trims and furry fabrics. There will be two projects, 1) a placemat and/or 2) a fidget mat. A good website to look at is Bethany@nancysnotions.com Please bring your machines, cutting tools and irons and ironing board. You can call Denise if you have questions.

#### **More on Community Service**

\*\*\*\*We will need a lot of help Tuesday night. \*\*\*\*\*

We need sewing machine helpers. We need a couple cutting mats and rotary cutters. I have 1 travel ironing board and iron, one more of each would be nice. Don't forget items for the fidget mats: buttons, zippers, plastic rings or keys, texture fabric, ribbons, pockets and anything else you can think of.

I will set up stations so everyone will have a job. Looking forward to a productive meeting.

### **Denise Ludwig ~~ Community Service**

#### **Back to Programs**

Stacy is doing the April 4th program and it will focus on Tradition Unchained: Rail Fence.

\*\*\*\*\*THERE IS NO QUILT N WILT ON THE 29TH OF APRIL.

The May 2nd meeting will feature Karen Combs a quilter / teacher from Tennessee via Zoom. The topic will be Quilts of Illusions. She will give a one hour lecture which will include a trunk show and some tips and tricks. She does do workshop if there is enough interest (limited to 20). Her web address is www.karencombs.com. Check her out! IMPORTANT! We can do this at the church or from your home. I'm not sure if everyone has Zoom capabilities and I

don't want to leave anyone out. Please contact me immediately, if you cannot access Zoom from your home and want to participate in this lecture. Otherwise, I will push for using the church.

There is a Quilt 'N' Wilt on Saturday May 6th at the church.

**June 6th** is the Guild's annual dinner at Sewickley Heights Golf Club. The committee will provide you with the details.

Sandra Schott ~~ Programs

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#### **Retreat News** !!!!

Our NPQG Retreat will be held at Crestfield Camp & Conference Center in Slippery Rock May 18 - 21.

There is a large sewing room with a refrigerator and microwave. Water and coffee are provided during the day. Crestfield has many walking paths and a lovely setting. Our rooms are just a few steps away from the work room and the dining room. Each room has its own bathroom. Sheets and towels are provided. If you have a quilting friend or relative who would like to join us, please invite her.

The lodge does have a few rooms with a partial handicap bathroom and a couple with a full handicap bathroom. If you want to request either of these, please note it on your registration slip. Also if you have any dietary restrictions, please include that on your form also.

I will have also forms at the meeting. Please call or email if you have any questions.

**Tracey Zigo** 

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#### **Treasurer 's Report**

## SHOW ME THE MONEY

Attached to this newsletter is a year-to-date budget report. We are in very good financial shape. Our income so far exceeds the total projected for the year. Our expenses have been reasonable and nothing extraordinary. I will be happy to answer any questions before or at Tuesday's meeting.

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

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## **Upcoming Quilt Shows and More**

March 29 - April 1, 2023, The Lancaster Quilt Show. <a href="https://www.thelancasterquiltshow.com">www.thelancasterquiltshow.com</a>

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 <a href="https://www.threeriversquilters.org">www.threeriversquilters.org</a>.

April 22 & 23 and April 26 - 30, 2023, Pennsylvania Maple Festival Quilt Show, Meyersdale Volunteer Fire Department, 202 Main Street, Meyersdale, PA <a href="https://www.pamaplefestival.com">www.pamaplefestival.com</a>

April 26 - 29, 2023, The Paducah Quilt Show, <a href="https://www.thepaducahquiltshow.com">www.thepaducahquiltshow.com</a>.

July 13 - 15, 2023, Quilt Co. East Quilt Show. 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. Registration for classes begins March 4, 2023.

www.maqonline.org

July 20 - 22, 2023, The NorthEast Ohio Quilt Show, <u>www.theNEohioquiltshow.com</u>.

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

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Newsletter respectfully submitted by Jan Merritt