

NORTH PITTSBURGH QUILTERS GUILD

MARCH 2015 NEWSLETTER

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Groan == thanks to the weather, the universal sound around Pittsburgh, replacing “Go Steelers”! (for now, anyway). I refuse to talk about the snow any more than that, maybe if we ignore it, it'll go away? While surfing the internet for something to see, besides snow, I found this website and wanted to recommend it to any of you who may not have seen it: classiccottons.com

They have plenty of beautiful, and free patterns. I had a wonderful time perusing and down loading. Some I just downloaded the pictures because I am aware of my limitations and there was too much detail in them. I can't see myself even getting started on them, much less ever finishing. It helped that the colors were outstanding. You have to remember that it is a fabric seller, and of course they would promote a lot of fabrics in each quilt.

So! We are looking forward to our March Meeting!!
Bring Bingo cards (and buttons), sewing machines, snacks, and Cup-and-a-Quarters!!
We are going to do it all!! And pretty much all of it fun !! Good idea - be sure to wear your name tags -- it has been so long that some of us may not remember each others' names. And, bring in your Satchels for Sylvia -- let's send her home lugging tons of Satchels, and Bags for beads.

I'm thinking I have to dig out my Tropical shirt -- with the bright colors -- pretend I am in Hawaii, or the tropics -- anywhere but Snow Central for a little while, at least. Feel free to try to outdo me in outlandish bright colors. Maybe we'll have a contest? Popular vote. Significant prize. Jar of Olive Salad?

On a serious note, for those of you who knew Mickie Swall. Her mother passed away. Mickie used to be a member of the guild

On a more positive note, Muriel Petschke is expected to be discharged from rehab and in her new home soon. Good news.

Once again, I could not keep this short, hope to see you at the Meeting!!
Jan



Whoever wrote the song “Let It Snow” didn’t have to go outside and shovel it. The frigid temperatures and the annoying snow would be bad enough but I have had to deal with a hubby who has had a few problems that needed dealt with. I have missed out on a lot of quilting time and he has apologized for my inconvenience. I told him it was no problem because I know where all the quilt shops are. Now if it would stop snowing so I can go!

I have some information for the Three Rivers Quilt Show. It is March 26 – 28 at the IBEW Circuit Center on the Southside. The hours are Thurs. 10am - 7pm, Fri. 10am – 5pm , and Sat., 9am – 2pm.

I still have the Fons and Porter “Love Of Quilting” magazine information to send in. Unfortunately with all that has been going on I haven’t been able to finalize the order. If anyone else is interested in ordering or renewing a subscription, please see me at the March meeting, call me @ 412-367-0237, or email me @ sueannseb@aol.com. The subscription is \$15.00 for 1 year. Please make sure you have a check made out to NPQG not Fons and Porter. If anyone has signed up but not submitted a check, please mail one to me (Sue Sebastian, 307 W. Ingomar Rd., Pittsburgh, PA 15237) or give it to me at the March meeting. I will only be at the March meeting for a short time. I plan to send the order in by March 6th at the latest.

Enjoy the last frigid days of February and hope for a warmer March. See you at the meeting.

Keep on Quilting

Sue

Next Meeting – Tuesday March 3, 2015 7 PM Kearns Spirituality Center



March Meeting – COMMUNITY SERVICE – Sylvia Lynn

Just look at how cute these little Bags for Beads of Courage Bags which will hold the special beads children who are fighting Cancer will receive each time they have a procedure.

We are going to be sewing these bags at the March meeting because we care, the sun will be out, the snow will be melting and we can finally get together and celebrate. So bring your sewing machines, some white or cream colored thread, your smiles and talent. And if you made a bag for the Satchels of Care program for women undergoing Cancer treatments bring them in. All of the kits are out and I know you are loving the funky looking bags you are making

PROGRAMS – DENISE LUDWIG

This month's meeting is our community project headed up by Sylvia Lynn (Beads of Courage Bags) SEE ABOVE

For April, we will have a guest speaker – Sherry Meabon, Quilt Historian.

In May, we have Cynthia England coming to speak at our meeting. We will have a workshop on Tuesday, May 5th at St. John's Lutheran Church on Cumberland Road featuring Cynthia teaching her landscape class. A kit is required at \$35 each. The workshop cost will be \$40. (For a total of \$75.00) We are asking for potluck lunch to help keep the cost down. Of course, you can brown bag a lunch. We should have samples of Cynthia's landscapes available for the March meeting.

FUND RAISING – Harvene Lynch and Sue Kremmel Wow! What a way to start out the new year with two cancellations. Hope the weather begins to improve and tht we can have our regularly scheduled meeting in March. If the weather cooperates, we will have our Cup and a Quarter event for the March meeting. Just a refresher – anyone wishing to contribute a cup with several fat quarters inside the cup is invited to bring in their contributions. Tickets sell for 3 for \$1.0. Looking forward to seeing all.

SUNSHINE – Elsie Richards

Memorials have been made for Marie Anna's husband and Lisa Sauer's sister. A "Get Well" card has been sent to Muriel recently. A "Thinking of You" card went to Ruth Anthony. Sunshine has contacted Carol Beck in regard to a memorial for her mother. Please keep the "Sunshine Committee" aware of all those who may appreciate receiving a card from their friends at NPQG.



The Salvation Army Greater Pittsburgh Women's Auxiliary Presents:

Saturday,
April 11th

The
27th Annual
FABRIC FAIR

8:30am-2pm

Fabrics, Notions, Yarns, & Crafts

South Park Home Economics Building
Located Behind The
Allegheny County Police
1801 Brownsville Rd
South Park, PA 15129

Due to large crowds, strollers are not permitted. Fabric donations will not be accepted at the fair.

Cash and checks only, please.



For more information, please contact The Salvation Army at 412.446.1500 or Marilyn Dehuff at 412.835.3162

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Supply List



Tranquil Lake

19" X 17"



Country Road

17" X 19"

Material fee for class \$34.50

INCLUDES: Pattern and fabric kit, complete with borders and binding. Payment for materials can be made in class: cash, check, Visa and MasterCard.

Bring to class:

- Sewing machine with light gray or neutral thread
- Personal sewing supplies - seam ripper, pins, etc.
- Iron (travel iron works best, not the small mini irons on a stick)
- Ironing surface: small table top ironing boards work well or an empty cardboard box from a bolt of fabric
- Paper and Fabric scissors (I like to use my embroidery size scissors for cutting fabric)
- Tray (plastic lid from a sweater box works good) This is for laying out and organizing the individual pieces, no bigger than 11 X 16. Don't go out and buy this.
- Approximately 15 sandwich sized ziplock baggies; to separate sections



type of tray for organizing

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email. There are tutorial videos online, so if you aren't clear on any of the supplies you can check there.

www.EnglandDesign.com

There is NO homework. Look forward to seeing you in class! We are going to have FUN!

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