



North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild May 2021 Newsletter



President's Message

Greetings !! I hope everyone is excited as I am for the May meeting! We will be able to have an in-person plus zoom meeting on **May 4th**. We will be able to meet at the **Martina Spiritual Renewal Center, which is at 5244 Clarwin Avenue, Pittsburgh, 15229.**

Clarwin is off Perry Highway, (Perrysville Avenue.) GPS will be helpful if you have it.

Directions: from Cemetery Lane — make a right onto Perry Highway, make the first right onto Clarwin; follow Clarwin past Alamac Avenue to Center (will be on the right). Make a right into the driveway.

From WestView — stay on Perry Highway, pass the Ross/WestView EMS to Clarwin (on the Left) and follow Clarwin as directed above.

Look for balloons for entrances to the building.

Masks will still be in use and we will observe distance seating. For now, there will not be a Fat Quarter.

More exciting news, we will be having our Annual Dinner and the picnic !! The picnic will be at the Beveridge Grove on **July 6th, starting at 3 p.m.** More details will follow for the picnic. And Donna Martin will have more details on the dinner.

I want to thank everyone for your patience through this past year and a half, and your continued support of your/our Guild.

Mollie Healy ~~ President



Our May program is a two-fer.

The first one: On Tuesday May 4, at 7:00 PM, we are planning on trying a hybrid Zoom and in-person meeting, We will be meeting at the Martina Center in West View. Those who are comfortable meeting in-person, masked and keeping socially distanced, may do so. For those who are not comfortable, I will attempt to run a Zoom meeting from Martina. I honestly don't know how this will work, as it is partially dependent on Martina's equipment. We know there is internet access, but we're not sure how strong and where. So it's a Zoom adventure and we'll see how it goes.

The meeting will be a business meeting, live show and tell, some social time and for those attending in-person, a **pattern exchange**. (**See more info below**). And maybe a surprise. No Fat Quarter, but if you need a snack, bring one. We just can't share.

If the meeting has to be cancelled for any reason, I will send it out as an email, so check before you leave the house.

The second one: On Tuesday May 11, at 7:00 PM, we will be having a Zoom lecture. This is the 2nd Tuesday off the month. The speaker is Cindy Grisdela. You can check out her website: www.cindygrisdela.com . She will be presenting the lecture Anatomy of an Improv Quilt.

Then, on Saturday May 22, at 10:30 AM. Cindy will be presenting a **full-day workshop** entitled Focus on the Improv Block. We originally had her booked for a half-day workshop, but we are able to make it into a full-day event. Please note that it starts at 10:30 rather than our usual 10:00, at Cindy's request.

If you are interested in registering for the workshop, send a check for \$30, **made out to NPQG** to Stacy Koehler, 147 N. Fremont Ave, Bellevue, PA 15202.
Questions: stacy.koehler@gmail.com

About the pattern exchange: I'm pretty sure that many of us buy patterns we like and hope to make. And sometimes we make them and like the quilt but don't think we'll ever use the pattern again. Or maybe we buy a pattern, let it sit for a while and decide we don't like it any more. Or we start the pattern and decide we hate the technique. Or we make 15 of them during Covid and we are SO done with that pattern. However we got them, there are patterns we don't want any more. Bring them to the May in-person meeting. We will have a pattern exchange table. However many patterns you bring, that's how many you can take. (I just don't want patterns left over at the end of the evening, people!) The pattern can be new or used, as long as all its pages are there. So dig through your drawer / bin / shelf / Giant Eagle bag and bring what you don't want to the meeting. One quilter's trash is another quilter's treasure!

Stacy Koehler ~ Programs



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Treasurer Report
4-29-202

Balance 3-30-2021 12933.03

Income

dues 2021 1/2 year 2021-2022 full year 37.50
Workshop fees 30.00

Expenditures 00000

Current Balance 13,000.53

Sylvia Lynn ~ Treasurer



Quilt Show Update

May Newsletter information from the Quilt Show Committee

The committee will meet later in May to discuss the design for the raffle quilt and the theme of the challenge quilts for the 2022 quilt show.

The committee still needs someone to help with the Publicity. The responsibilities are to contact local magazines, newspapers, etc via email or by phone from a list already prepared. Any previous contacts in the PR business would be great. The Publicity person would distribute posters and flyers to guild members to distribute to their local quilt shops and other guilds.

Sandy and Lisa
Co chairs for the 2022 Quilt Show

Days for Girls ~~ the need persists and Nancy Jeffries continues to request our help

Days for Girls is helping to prepare 3,000 feminine hygiene kits to be sent to Nicaragua and 2,100 kits to be sent to students in Chad. The following are items needed to help make the kits:

The greatest need is for Women's size 5 and 6 panties. Dark colors are preferred. They will dye white ones. No faces or animals please.

Wash cloths. Dark colors are preferred. White ones will be dyed.

Cotton fabric. Dark patterns and 100% cotton are preferred.

Flannel fabric (double brushed). Dark patterns are preferred.

Target or JoAnn's gift cards.

I will be happy to collect any donations at our meetings/gatherings.

Many thanks to all of you for all of your support for this project!

Nancy Jeffries

Newsletter submitted by Jan Merritt

