



North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild

Newsletter ~~~ May 2022

President's Message

It was so nice to see so many of you at the quilt show. We had a great turnout, thank you to everyone who volunteered at the show. I think Treasure Chest was a huge success. I spent a little more than I wanted, but who could resist all that was donated. The talent within our guild with the quilts that were entered was amazing.

Congratulations to everyone whom entered a quilt and received a ribbon.

Kathleen Mohr ~~ President



Vice President's requests

Please bring your President's blocks and charity quilts for Glade Run Lutheran Services to the meeting on May 3.

In case you need a reminder, Kathleen is asking for a block, 12 1/2 " square, in 3 colors: dark purple, medium purple, and white. You choose the pattern, and remember to sign your block (on the front).

And, from the heart,

You know how we have words that mean something special?

Well, last week at the quilt show as I watched the unveiling and operation of the Treasurer Chest, walked through the kitchen and saw more cookies than needed for a wedding cookie table, marveled at the dream baskets

and raffles, was so amazed by the greeters and tickets sales group,, shopped and was so impressed at the members table, chatted and shopped at the vendors tables, and was blown away by the quality and beauty of the quilts displayed I could only feel PROUD.

As I worked with members I can tell you from the bottom of my heart how PROUD I am to be a member of the Guild. You are an amazing, talented and caring group.

Sylvia Lynn ~ Vice President



Programs

On Tuesday May 3rd, our program will be a presentation of 2 unusual ways of setting up your quilt blocks: Circle of Nine, and String of Beads. These can work with any size block you have and give you 2 more interesting ways to present your work.

Make it Quick! this month will be some examples of ways to use the Stack and Whack technique. See more info below in Workshop section.

Workshop Information...and there is a lot of it.

Depending on when the newsletter goes out, the **April 30th Scrap Quilt workshop** has been cancelled due to our presenter, Renee, being sick. We will; try to reschedule her for another time, probably for next year.

If you have donations for the **Navaho Quilt Project**, and if you want to unload them, so to speak, I can take them off your hands at the May meeting.

Although the Scrap Quilt workshop has been cancelled for April 30, we will still be having the Beginners Event at the church. Time 9-3.

As long as we have the church, we might as well quilt! So turn that cancellation into an **informal Quilt and Wilt**. Come anyway and welcome our beginners!

New! We also have the church on Saturday May 14th. We will be having a workshop on the many ways to do Stack and Whack and put them together. I will

have some quilts as examples, plus instructions about what to bring to the workshop, at the Make It Quick presentation before the May meeting. Cost will be a budget-friendly \$10 to help cover the rental of the church. If you just want to come and Quilt and Wilt, that's fine too!

The **June Barn Quilt workshop in Somerset** is filling up fast. I am about to start a waiting list. If you have previously told me you are interested in coming to the Barn Quilt workshop but have not yet paid me, please do so at the May meeting, the May Stack and Whack workshop, or get in touch with me about when you will. If I haven't heard from you by May 14, I will start giving away slots to the waiting list folks.

So to summarize the workshop situation:

Saturday April 30: Beginner's event and impromptu Quilt in Wilt with Betty demo-ing at Berkeley Hills, 9 AM to 3 PM

May 14: Stack and Whack workshop 9 AM to 3 PM. Materials list etc coming soon. Also, feel free to come and Quilt and Wilt even if you're not interested in the workshop. We've got that beautiful space, we might as well use it for all it's worth.

June 11 in Somerset, Barn Quilt Workshop. Please pay up soon to keep your spot.

And one last thing: Look for a summer project coming in June!

Stacy Koehler ~ Programs



Membership

It sure is good to be seeing members at the monthly meetings. While it is good to have Zoom available for times when we are unable to meet face-to-face, nothing beats the social aspect and support of seeing friendly faces. Thanks to all members for another great year and a wonderful quilt show.

Harvene Lynch ~ Membership

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## Hospitality

Please bring a sweet or savory snack to share at the May meeting as we bask in the glory of a fabulous, successful quilt show and celebrate the actual end of winter.

## Alice Gibson ~~ Hospitality

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Treasurer's Report

Show me the money

Sometimes you bust butt for days, or weeks, or months, and it is all for naught.

But sometimes, just sometimes, you bust butt for days, or weeks, or months and something really great results. That was our Quilt Show - really great. Beautiful display of quilts, nice fellowship among members, hundreds of totally WOW'd visitors — and we made money. It doesn't get any better than that.

Others will report on the results. Good job by all.

The Guild's bank balance as of April 29, 2022 was \$ 22,960. There are numerous outstanding checks. If you have one, please cash it.

If you have any expenses, related to the Quilt Show or otherwise, please submit them as soon as possible so that we can get the Quilt Show numbers totally finalized, and keep track of everything else. Thanks.

Anne Shearon ~~ Treasurer

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## Annual Dinner

NPQG Annual Dinner at Wildwood Golf Club **June 7th**

Please join us to celebrate all the hard work of the Guild Quilt Show with a relaxing dinner. The invitation is attached to this newsletter. Bring your checkbook to the May 3rd meeting so you can save a stamp. The cost is the same as last year **\$30.00**.

We will be able to answer any questions at the meeting or contact us by email/ phone/text

Members at Large: **Nancy Jeffries, Peggy Trevanion**

With help from Patricia Malinowski, Sylvia Lynn, Anne Shearon



## **TREASURE CHEST**

Our adventure in creating a resale store for the Guild is a huge success! And, believe it when I say “Adventure”! I, for one, had no idea how it would turn out, however, help and suggestions from Stacy Koehler and Betty Swidorski, from Three Rivers Guild, gave us the ground work. Many shoppers were very complimentary and asked, and suggested that this be continued in the future.

A sincere thank you to all of the committee members: Lisa Sauer, Co-chair, Lori Chandler, JoAnn Davis, Lois Deyoung, Alice Gibson, Kari Jones, Betty Kania, Cheryl Kirchner, Stacy Koehler, Helen Marcellus, Donna Martin, Sally Taylor, Teri Tuminello. They all worked to collect, sort, store, price, stack, tape, wrap and bag the donations! And thank you to Sandy and the entire show committee for letting us create this project and let it take on a life of its’ own.

Leftover merchandise is in the process of being distributed to other programs in the area and out of state. Examples are:

- Salvation Army (sale in October 2022)
- Piecing it Together Community Service
- Richmond VA – (through Sylvia Lynn) To make quilts etc. for Ukrania and other disadvantaged areas
- Local Libraries
- The Najavo Project
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Some fabrics, 5 yds, or more, will be held for NPQG to support future Community Service Projects.

**Last, but certainly not least, thank you to all of the Guild members for your donations! We appreciate the time you took to sort through your “stash”!**

**Denise Friedrich ~~ Treasure Chest**



Newsletter submitted by Jan Merritt