
NORTH PITTSBURGH QUILTERS GUILD

From the President's Desk

It really looks like Fall now....and kinda feels like it. The days in the high 70s are a bit confusing.

I'm working on Halloween costumes (a sure sign that the monthly holiday marathon is about to begin.) Does the owl costume need to accommodate something under it for warmth? If it doesn't, the owl might not want a fleece over her wings. Or if I make it large enough for a jacket, and it's warm out, you could end up with a droopy or sweaty owl. To a small owl, these are important decisions. Hope I guess right! What you don't have to guess about is the November meeting. I'm really looking forward to Judy's presentation on fabric collage. I've never done one, although I love the look of them. This might get me moving!

Elsewhere in this newsletter you'll find info about our **Quilt 'n Wilt/workshop this Saturday, November 4**. A big Thank You goes out to Carol Hartman for jumping in to help! See you soon,

Stacy

Next Up

Quilt 'n Wilt 'n Workshop

We will be having our last 2023 Quilt n Wilt *this Saturday November 4 from 9-3* at Berkeley Hills.

This was originally scheduled for the 18th of November, but the church needed the room on that date and so we moved.

The workshop portion which will begin around 10, will be all about edge finishes: traditional binding, faced edge finish, a machine applied binding and adding a hanging sleeve incorporated into the binding.

If you want to try putting on one or more of the bindings, bring:

Traditional: 12 inch-ish unbound but quilted quilt sandwich, small ruler, cut binding strips of the width of your choice (I cut 2 1/4" inches wide) pins or wonder clips, pencil

Faced edge finish: 12 inch-ish unbound but quilted quilt sandwich, small ruler, a fat quarter of fabric for the facing, pins or wonder clips.

Machine binding: 12 inch-ish unbound but quilted quilt sandwich, small ruler, cut binding strips of the width of your choice (I cut 2 1/4" inches wide) wonder clips NOT pins, pencil, open toe embroidery foot, stiletto or seam ripper.

Don't forget to bring a yummy something to share for our potluck lunch!

Hope to see you there.

YOU DID YOUR DUES ...

Which is why you are getting this newsletter. The Guild membership list has been updated to include only people who have paid their 2023-24 dues. If any of your Guild friends mention that they have not gotten a newsletter or heard from the Guild for a while, please suggest they contact Missy Bauer (mbbauer87@gmail.com) or Deb Thompson (jthompson343@msn.com) so they can pay their dues, or if they think they already have, straighten it out.

Upcoming Programs

The 23-24 guild year is scheduled with exciting programs and workshops. Stacy will continue to run the monthly Saturday Quilt N Wilt with an educational segment (thanks Stacy!) Next one is November 4th from 9 - 3. Stacy will be featuring different types of binding for our lovely quilts. More about this in Stacy's report.

The November 7th program will feature our own Judy Gough teaching us about Collage Quilts. Judy is a certified Laura Heine (<https://www.fiberworks-heine.com/shop/Kits/Collage-Kits-by-Laura-Heine.htm>) teacher having taken a two day intensive course in 2018. Judy has modified the techniques she has learned over the years and will share the many ways to create a collage quilt. (continued on page 6)

Help (really) Wanted

The Guild really needs to fill the positions of Guild Secretary and Publicity Chair for the upcoming Quilt Show. Perhaps you have been thinking about getting more involved in your Guild. Here are a couple great opportunities.

The Secretary job is easy. Just take notes at the member and Board meetings (and someone will always fill in for you if you miss a meeting) and type them up. That's pretty much it.

The Publicity Chair is a short term gig, just a couple months before the Quilt Show. We always want to increase the attendance at the Show. You can help get the word out and bring in the crowds.

In neither of these jobs are you starting out with a blank sheet of paper. It has all been done before, so there are plenty of people to show you the ropes.

Contact Stacy if you are ready to step up

Quilt Show April 2024

TREASURE CHEST 2024!!

THE DOORS OPEN IN 175 DAYS!!!!

Please don't forget to save your reusable shopping bags for our Treasure Chest customers.

As we collect donations, we will bring items to each meeting (i.e. fabric scraps, books etc.) that we are **not** stockpiling for our store.

Once again, committee members will be on hand in the (side door) parking area for donation drop off. Can't make it to a meeting? You can contact me or Lisa Sauer and we will make arrangements to have your donation picked up.

And one extra note: I am not sure when the newsletter will reach you, however, just in case, **Treasure Chest will be tagging on to the Quilt 'n Wilt scheduled for November 4th.** We will be sorting and pricing items. If you have any items to donate, feel free to drop them off!!

Take care and be safe!

Lisa and Denise

FACEBOOK

As mentioned at many meetings, we, the North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild, have a Facebook page: [North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild | Facebook](#), Yes, we do !!!!!

But there are only a few of us who use it. We would love to see more members posting about what you are working on or have finished so that our members are treated to the beauty of your hard work, encouraged and inspired. Yes, we love to see your show and tells at meetings, but also on here as not everyone attends meetings. We would love to see other posts as well, maybe a good quilting tool or a workshop or even a quilt show or class in the future that our members might enjoy. It is a private group so the world doesn't see your posts, just the members do. Please just hit the join button if you are not a member. We would love to hear from you and make this site a good place to find information for our guild.

Carol Hartman

Fundraising

November will be the final cup and a quarter until spring due to the holiday festivities and zoom winter meetings. Hope for a lot of participation!

Teri Tuminello

TREASURER'S REPORT

Current checking balance is \$14,059. The Executive Committee unanimously agreed to cash in the CD of \$5,000.00 (interest earned was around \$3.00) which will be rolled into the Checking Account. This will help with upcoming 2024 Quilt Show expenses. After the show, we can look into reinvesting.

Deb Thompson

Upcoming Programs (cont.)

Also in November, the first segment of the lone robin / mystery style quilt will be presented. Each month - over a six month period - a new prompt / technique will be given for you to add to your quilt. The first technique will be something we learned at the October Round Robin.

If you google "Lone Robin quilts" or "Julia McLeod", you will see examples of these amazing quilts and read Julia's story on how she started this rage that has taken the quilting community by storm. December will be our holiday party. Stacy and I will come up with something fun for that evening. Remember the tape game Stacy did a few years back!

Also, if you are interested in a workshop by Karen Combs, **please email me and tell me if you want to do the Chip Out of Every Block quilt pattern or the Jewel Box pattern.** Links to the two quilts are below if you don't remember what they looked like.

Our January and February meetings will be via Zoom. We have Mel Beach in January **with a demonstration on free motion quilting** and Paula Nadelstern in February **lecturing on her FABRICADABRA. Paula is very well known for her Kaleidoscope quilts.**

Chip Out of Every Block: <https://www.karencombs.com/class-detail.php?ID=32>

Jewel Box: <https://www.karencombs.com/class-detail.php?ID=31>

North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild
General Meeting
October 3, 2023

The member convened at 7:02 pm at Berkley Hills Lutheran Church Community Room.

President Stacy Koehler welcomed members and reminded everyone that voting would take place for the Outside My Window challenge quilts on display.

Minutes for the September, 2023 meeting were approved.

Treasurer Deb Thompson reported that the Guild has a bank balance of \$ 14059 and a \$ 5000 CD which will be redeemed soon. She also noted that we have received a license to operate a small game of chance (quilt raffle) from Allegheny County.

Stacy reported that for personal reasons Lori Galanter has had to resign as Secretary, so the Guild is in need of another person to fill this role. Please let Stacy know if you are willing to do this.

Stacy also reported that Connie Angermeier has accepted the position of Sunshine Chair. Thanks, Connie.

Carol Hartman urged members to use the Guild's facebook page as an excellent way to communicate and thanked members who have used it. Annie Holko said the quilts made for the Foster Project have been much appreciated.

Sandy Schott reviewed the Round Robin program for the evening featuring:

Stacy demonstrating English Paper Piecing
Teri Tuminello demonstrating No Waste Flying Geese
Lisa Cope demonstrating Applique Circles
Sandy demonstrating Curved Piecing

Sandy also reported that there appear to be two available dates for a workshop with Karen Combs: March 2 or 9, 2024. Sandy will provide additional information later.

Stacy reminded members that there is a Quilt & Wilt on October 7, 9-3, at the Church. Stacy will be doing a demo on walking foot designs.

AND THEN, we had the unveiling of the 2024 Quilt Show Raffle Quilt, designed and pieced by Stacy and quilted by Lisa Sauer. Many, many ooh's and ah's. It is beautiful. Congrats and thanks to Stacy and Lisa.

Payment for raffle tickets will be collected at the next meeting.

Denise Friedrich reminded members that there are open car trunks waiting to receive your Treasure Chest donations at every meeting. She also requested that if members have reusable shopping bags, these are also appreciated.

The Round Robin program was conducted and informative to all. Thanks to the presenters.

Following Fat Quarter and voting on the challenge quilts, Cheryl Goldberg was announced the winner. Congrats, Cheryl.

Annie reported that there were 48 people present at the meeting.

Show & Tell followed, with many ooh's and ahh's, and the meeting adjourned at 9:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Shearon,
Minute Taker

North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild
Board Meeting
October 24, 2023

The Board Meeting convened at 7:10 pm via Zoom.

Attending: Stacey Koehler, Sandra Schott, Carol Hartman, Deb Thompson, Mollie Healy
Connie Angermeier, Anne Shearon, Missy Bauer, Judy Gough and Tracey Zigo

Stacy Koehler welcomed Connie Angermeier as Sunshine Chair. A get well card be sent to Linda

Williams. A donation to Animal Friends had been made in memory of Dee Carioto's son

Judy Gough noted that she has secured a commitment for a raffle sewing machine for the Quilt Show from Gloria Horn.

There was discussion of the Guild's policies and procedures, the review of which was deferred while the By-Laws were being revised and approved by the membership last year. Sandy Schott is working on revisions to the policies and procedure and will ask current and recent holders of various jobs to review to try to make the policies and procedures reflect reality.

Deb Thompson reported \$14,059 in checking account, plus \$5,000 CD recently rolled into the account.

Donation from WesBanco for the Quilt Show will be made after Jan.1,2024.

Carol Hartman encouraged members to visit site and post pictures of their quilts.

Sandra Schott discussed Programs:

November-- Judy Gough presenting collage quilting
December-- Christmas Party--fun, fun!!

Quilt& Wilt workshop will be Nov 4th, with Stacey and Carol demonstrating different binding methods. Sandy also talked about the possibility of a workshop with Karen Combs.

Missy Bauer will purge unpaid members from Guild membership list by end of the month. New member list will then be sent out. The Board also discussed the possibility of moving to online membership cards that members can just print out if they want them and generally agreed it was a good idea.

Stacey & Mollie Healy discussed the Quilt Show, noted that the raffle quilt is finished and beautiful and ready to be displayed at local shops:

Amy Baughman: November
Little Foot: December
Quilting Needle: March 2024

Each shop requested about 50 tickets to sell.

Stacey received a request from Heinz History Center asking if anyone would be interested in being a docent for an exhibit in Spring, 2024, of the work of Louise Silk, a Pittsburgh fiber artist/quilter. We will try to have a representative of the History Center speak briefly at the January Zoom meeting to inform members of this upcoming exhibit and the docent opportunity.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18.

Respectfully submitted,

Mollie Healy and Anne Shearon,
Minute Takers

