



North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild September 2021 Newsletter

President's Message

Hello Everyone,

I can't believe that summer is almost over. Our children and grandchildren are starting back to school and the fall decorations are appearing. My youngest has started his senior year of high school, so my feelings are bittersweet this fall.

I am looking forward to getting together with everyone in September now that most of our traveling and family picnics are over.

Don't forget we are starting at a **new location for our Guild Meetings ~~ Berkeley Hills Lutheran Church ~~ 517 Sangree Road.**

We have a lot planned for this upcoming year. Stacy's Programs will keep us busy and on our toes with a few of her plans. The planning for the **Quilt Show in April of 2022** is underway and going strong. If you have any questions or would like to help contact Lisa Sauer or Sandy Schott.

As always, remember to check our website ~~ npgg.org ~~ Tracey always keeps us up to date with photos and information.

Don't forget to bring your **Santa Bags and Raffle Quilt blocks** to the **September Meeting.**

Kathleen Mohr ~~ President

Membership

currently we have 51 paid members for the 2021-2022 year. Please be sure to send your renewal forms & check for \$25. For

returning members, that \$5 late fee can buy a spool of thread or a fat quarter & you'd have some change left. New members are always welcome for the \$25 membership fee. I will have forms at our next meeting to help make joining easy.

Harvene Lynch ~~ Membership

Hospitality

We have decided to resume the tradition of having Fat Quarter at our in-person monthly meetings. As in previous years, board members are asked to contribute a goody/snack item of their choice for the first meeting of the year. (Could whoever makes those awesome two-layer mint brownies, please make them again!!) . We will supply chilled bottled water, but otherwise it's BYOB (bring your own beverage). I believe it is a church policy that masks be worn inside the building, but I think that removing them for short periods of time to eat should not be an issue.

Alice Gibson ~~ Hospitality

Program Notes

Hello and welcome back to a new year of guild programs! Although things are better than they were last year at this time, life is still unsettled and we aren't sure how this next year will pan out. To try to keep us flexible, I'm planning a combination of live and virtual programs. For those who are not interested in meeting in person, I will be running a Zoom meeting from the in-person meeting each month that we meet in person. For the bad weather months, I am planning all virtual meetings

so nobody has to go out in the cold and the dark. And of course, if conditions warrant, we can go back to all virtual meetings.

In addition to our monthly program, we're going to be having something new before each meeting. It's called Make It Quick. What it is will be different every month. It may be a super-fast project, a demo, a tip or a How-To. Whatever it is, it will take 5 minutes or less. I will try to start around 6:50. Depending on what else is going on, it might be repeated during Fat Quarter break, for those who can't get to the meeting early. If I'm super organized (I'm not making any promises!) I'll try to get something on the website or Zoom for those who aren't attending in-person.

For September's meeting we will be viewing and exploring the Grafitti Quilts, a group of 24 themed challenge quilts that, thanks to a friend, I was able to get my hands on. Think of it as a little quilt show that comes to you! For those attending via Zoom, I think we've got them in slide show format so you can see them without being there!

More:
Visit the Buffet!

Our entire guild is registered for Global Quilt Connection's All Star Virtual Sampler Platter.

Global Quilt Connection is an organization that promotes virtual quilting activities, and has been instrumental in keeping both quilt guilds and quilting teachers going during the past years and a half.

Their newest offering is 2 half-day presentations. 18 quilting teachers will present short (10-15 minutes) lessons related to their specialties. The teachers range from traditional to art to

modern quilters. With this number of teachers, there will be something for everyone.

Mark your calendars!! **The Zoom meetings will be Saturday, October 2 and Sunday, October 3 from 3 to 6 PM both days.** In addition to the presentations PDF hand-outs of the material covered will be provided. The presentations will be recorded, but will only be available for 24 hours after they end.

Closer to the date I will send out the Zoom invitation and materials to everyone in the guild.. **You do not have to do anything to register;** just show up on line for the presentation. If you have never done a Zoom meeting or class, this is a great time to try it. Let me know if you need help with that.

See you on the 7th !!!

Stacy Koehler ~~ Programs

**Due to the amazing amount of news/work these committees/
Treasurer have produced, I decided to divide the newsletter into 2
editions - to reduce the strain of size on the email.**

So, please look for edition One and Two in your incoming box.

Thanks,

Jan

