

## North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild February 2023 Newsletter

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### President's Message

February is the sweetest month so I hope you get some chocolate to enjoy while you sew on your latest project.

I had cataract surgery on the 16th with the other eye scheduled for Feb. 6 and I know that those of you who have had this procedure done know how it changes your sight; I am so excited. Right now when I look through my left eye I can see bright colors and white looks white. When I look through my right eye I see a grey yellowish brown which means I have not seen true white or good colors for a very long time. Life is good.

I managed to finish my paper pieced Angel but I have to tell you my seam ripper was actually hot from being used so much. I have decided that my brain just doesn't get backwards sewing. Once I get her quilted I will bring her for show and tell.

I did finish a table runner after the January workshop "Quilt As You Go" and I love it and I really like the way it was put together. Thank you Stacy for that speaker.

And finally the Embellishment group project I get to work on has been so much fun that I encourage everyone to try it next time. It certainly challenges you to think of other things to try.

Now how about you? What have you been doing during this rollercoaster weather of January? Send me an email and let me know what you are doing. [sylviaklynn@gmail.com](mailto:sylviaklynn@gmail.com) It will be fun to hear from you.

One Sad thing for our Guild. No one or ones have stepped forward to chair the Quilt Show Committee for 2024 and if no one does we really need to think of other fund raising opportunities for the Guild. So I do hope you will think about stepping up to help. I will be waiting to hear from you.

Quilt Guild board will meet at 7 PM of Feb. 21 in the Lounge at Berkeley Hills Lutheran Church 517 Sangree Rd.

See you on Zoom on February 7 for the Book Meeting. I have a page turner to share.

Plan to stay on the Zoom for our meeting because Mim and Audrey have information about our annual dinner to share.

Stay Warm

Sylvia Lynn ~~ President

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## Programs

February will be our annual book review headed by Kathy Batykefer. The discussion last year was well received so we decided to make it an annual program. Think about the books you have read (or would like to) and come prepared to talk about them. This is a Zoom meeting.

February Virtual Quilt 'n' Wilt! Although machines are as welcome as ever, let's talk about and share some handwork ideas and projects. We just had a program with Diane Murtha about slow stitching. If that resonates with you at all, let's hear about it!

The **Q & W will be Saturday February 18 starting at 9 a.m.** and ending whenever. Look for the Zoom invitation a few days before.

Our March Program is Community Service. More information to follow!

Sandy Schott and Stacy Koehler ~~ Programs

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## Community Service ~~ March Meeting

The guild will be making fidget mats and placemats for meals delivered to shut ins. We will need sewing machines, cutting mats, rotary cutters and fat quarters.

I have some fabric and Carol Hartman donated some batting. Items for the fidget mats are needed.

Examples: nylon zippers, pockets, ribbon, soft texture fabrics. Looking forward to a productive meeting.

Denise Ludwig ~~ Community Service

## Membership

MEMBERSHIP: Happy to report we have two new members, Barb Beideman and Samantha Steele.

If I've counted correctly, we have 85 members so our Guild is continuing to grow. Growing strong!

Harvene Lynch ~~ Membership

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## Treasurer's Report

### SHOW ME THE MONEY

As of February 1, 2023, the Guild's checking account balance was \$ 14,674, plus we have a \$ 5,000 CD.

Please continue to submit reimbursement requests for expenses incurred on behalf of the Guild.

Anne Shearon ~~ Treasurer

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## Upcoming Quilt Shows

February 23 - 23, 2023, Modern Quilt Guild, QuiltCon 2023, Atlanta, GA.  
[www.quiltcon.com](http://www.quiltcon.com)

Later in 2023: (additional info like specific addresses and times will be provided (if we have it) as these shows get closer. This info here is just for your planning purposes, especially if you want to submit a quilt to the show. Check websites for deadlines and other information.)

March 29 - April 1, 2023, The Lancaster Quilt Show.  
[www.thelancasterquiltshow.com](http://www.thelancasterquiltshow.com)

March 30 - April 1, 2023, Three Rivers Quilters 2023 Quilt Show, [www.threeriversquilters.org](http://www.threeriversquilters.org).

April 26 - 29, 2023, The Paducah Quilt Show, [www.thepaducahquiltshow.com](http://www.thepaducahquiltshow.com).

July 13 - 15, 2023, Quilt Co. East Quilt Show, [www.quiltcoeast.org](http://www.quiltcoeast.org).

July 20 - 22, 2023, The NorthEast Ohio Quilt Show, [www.theNEohioquiltshow.com](http://www.theNEohioquiltshow.com).

Information about upcoming shows or exhibits about which you are aware and reactions to this column are appreciated. Thanks to all.

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