

North Pittsburgh Quilters Guild

From the
President's
Desk



It feels like winter has been going on for months, perhaps years, and it's only the end of January. I'm hoping that you have all been using this "I don't want to go outside" time to work on quilts and will have lots to show at the March meeting.

It's hard to believe that March will be here in the blink of an eye, which means that our guild year is gearing down. Which of course raises the question who will be involved and is willing to serve next year? I'm bringing this up now because I will be away for the month of February - so I can't bug you individually - yet. So as you are still huddled in your house hoping for an entire week without snow - think about what you can do for your quilt guild?

I'll be back in March and will be sure to ask you so starting thinking now.

Judy Gough

Programs



"Laser Beam to Precision Seam" by Kate Flynn Nichols

Join us Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 7 pm via Zoom when Kate Flynn Nichols from Flynn Quilt Frame Company presents her laser cutting techniques and amazing designs for quilts. Kate will give us a brief illustration of how she designs a pattern which is ready for the laser cutting. She will also discuss curved piecing. You can check out their designs ahead of time on: www.flynnquilt.com. **It is precision piecing at its best.**

Zoom


If you need any assistance for Zoom connection for our February meeting, please let Deb Thompson, 412-225-0831, know. The day before our February 4 meeting, a Zoom invite will be coming your way in your email. If you do not see it, please let Deb know. **Also—check your Junk Mail, it may appear there.**

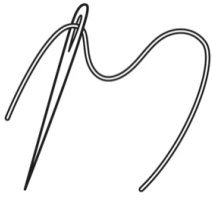
Upcoming Programs

In March we will resume meeting **in person** at Berkeley Hills Lutheran Church, 517 Sangree Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237, 7 pm. 'Make It & Take It" at 6:50 pm with Stacey.

Tuesday, March 4, 2025, "Tied Up in Knots", Community Service Project for Lutheran World Relief, presenter Jean Martz

Saturday, March 15, 2025, 9 am-3 pm, Quilt n' Wilt at Berkeley Hills Lutheran Church (originally scheduled for March 8, but we are in the process of

	<p>requesting March 15, 2025) Tuesday, April 1, 2025, "Working With Wool," with Tracey Zigo No Quilt n' Wilt in April 2025 Saturday, May 3, 2025, 9am-3 pm, Tentative Quilt n' Wilt Tuesday, May 6, 2025, "Vignettes of Creativity" a Round Robin of techniques presented by Guild members Tuesday, June 3, 2025, NPQG Banquet, Wildwood Country Club, 2195 Sample Road, Allison Park, PA 15101 Tuesday, July 8, 2025, NPQG Annual Picnic, North Park No meeting in August 2025</p> <p><i>Deb Thompson</i></p>
<p>Treasurer's Report</p> 	<p>The guild is starting to receive payments for the Guild Retreat in May, which will just be a passthrough. A total of \$1925 was collected thus far. The total income for January was \$1925 and total expenses for January was \$634.60.</p> <p>A decision about renewing the \$10,000 CD that comes due on March 5th, 2025 will be made in late February and will depend on the rates at that time.</p> <p>Any questions regarding the finances can be made to me.</p> <p><i>Sandra Schott</i></p>
<p>Profiles in Stitching</p>	<p><i>Special thanks to Sylvia Lynn who kindly provided her profile for our Newsletter this month. If you are willing to do your profile, please contact me at</i></p>



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I am Sylvia Lynn and I consider myself extremely lucky to be a member of this Guild.

From the first evening I attended a meeting you have welcomed me, taught me, endured countless questions and encouraged me along the way. Being a beginner is daunting when surrounded by very knowledgeable people. I remember attending a small group with Donna Martin and as I listened to their conversation I found I didn't understand a word they were saying. I thank you all for teaching me. I love to sew and Quilting has become my favorite activity.

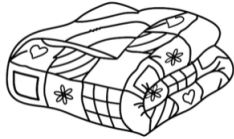
My husband, Jerry and I both grew up in North Dakota (and no I don't like cold weather) and attended NDSU for our degrees. After we married we lived in St Louis, we always tell people it was like a four year honeymoon living there. Then we moved to Chicago and that was such fun, we were slightly crazy people and would hop out of bed at 3 AM to go watch traffic on the Dan Ryan Expressway. One Saturday I was cleaning the kitchen and Jerry saw an article that the last train of a certain run to Kansas City was leaving that morning so off we went for a train ride.

I was able to earn my MS while in Chicago. We moved to Newport News, VA 9 days before our daughter was born. Probably not good planning. But we sure were excited. Our son was born four years later and then when he was almost 1 we moved to Pittsburgh and we are still here and love the place. It was a very snowy winter and we looked for a house in 25 inches of snow. We were blessed with our second son in 1979 and he says he is the only Pittsburgher in

the family.
I taught Family and Consumer Sci in St Louis,
Chicago, and Aliquippa.
That's probably more than you wanted to know but it
was fun to write it down.

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Other News



President's Block

Hello Members,
It is that time of year again to think about making
President's Blocks. Once again we would like to
give our President, Judy Gough, a send-off with a
bunch of blocks made just for her! You can make
any block you want - your favorite or something you
have wanted to try. The finished size should be an 8
inches square (that's an 8 1/2" square unfinished).
The fabric can be any batik with white as an accent.
The white can be plain or tone on tone. As for color
Judy would prefer no brown - She likes lots of color!.
Finally, please sign the blocks so she can have a
remembrance of each member.

I will be collecting blocks at each meeting until May
as the blocks will be presented at our June banquet.

Maura Newell

Panel Round Robin

Group will meet on February 11th at 6:30 at Berkeley
Hills.

Thanks
Denise Ludwig

NPQG Retreat
Crestfield Camp and Conference Center May 15-18, 2025

There is a large sewing room with a refrigerator and microwave. Water and coffee are provided during the day. Crestfield has many walking paths and a lovely setting. Our rooms are just a few steps away from the work room and the dining room. Each room has its own bathroom. Sheets and towels are provided. Meals are included: Thursday dinner, Friday & Saturday brunch and dinner, and brunch on Sunday. And, of course, we will have a snack/dessert area in our sewing room. If you have a quilting friend or relative who would like to join us, please invite her.

The lodge has singles, doubles and triples. Obviously, the more we double or triple up, the more people we can accommodate. The lodge does have a few rooms with a partial handicap bathroom and a couple with a full handicap bathroom. If you want to request either of these, please note it on your registration slip. Also if you have any dietary restrictions, please include that on your form.

So check your calendar, find a roommate or two and get your registration in. Space is limited. First come, first served.

It's unfortunate that we don't have an in-person meeting until March. If you want to come, and don't have a roommate, let me know and perhaps we can get you together with someone in the same situation.

	<p>The registration form is attached. Please call or email if you have any questions.</p> <p><i>Tracey Zigo</i> 412-916-1280 zigo13@comcast.net</p>
<p>For Hire & For Sale</p> 	<p>I received a request from “a friend of a friend” to make a "memory" quilt from her mother's dresses.</p> <p>I know there are a few members that do contract work so I wanted to see if anyone is interested.</p> <p>If you are, please contact me at my email below to get the lady's info and her contact information. Apparently, she is in no rush to get it started and finished for her. I mentioned to MY friend that cotton is the preferred fabric but that could be up to the member who decides to take the job.</p> <p>Thanks</p> <p><i>Linda Williams</i> lwilliams1972@gmail.com</p>
<p>Quilty Road Trips</p> 	<p>Lancaster Quilt Show, March 26-29, 2025, Lebanon Valley Expo Center, 80 Rocherty Rd., Lebanon, PA. For more information: thelancasterquiltshow.com</p> <p>“Stars”, Three Rivers Quilters, April 3-5, 2025, <u>NEW LOCATION</u>: Loft Conference Centers - Southpointe, 1000 Noble Energy Drive, Ste. 100, Canonsburg, PA.</p>

Entry deadline: February 25, 2025. For more information: threeriversquilters.org

“Under the Sun”, **Quilt Company East Guild Show**, July 17-19, 2025, Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish, Monroeville. Entry deadline: May 21, 2025. For more information: quiltcoeast.org

Paducah Quilt Show, April 22-25, 2025, Floral Hall@Carson Park, 301 Joe Clifton Dr., Paducah, KY. For more information: thepaducahquiltshow.com.

North East Ohio Quilt Show, Wayne County Fair EventCenter, 1999 Vanover St., Wooster, OH. For more information: theNEohioquiltshow.com.