

NORTH PITTSBURGH QUILTERS GUILD

JULY 2014 NEWSLETTER

President – Jan Merritt
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Sunshine – Elsie Richards
Website – Kathy Mehoney
Quilt Show – Carol Beck



Donna Martin hosted a dinner for the “old” and “new” board members. It was a very social evening and as usual all the food was wonderful. I just need to say that Donna’s home is beautiful and she has displayed the “works of art” that she has created all throughout her home. There are works of inspiration everywhere you look. Thanks Donna, for the opportunity to transition boards and for sharing your home.

Also, NPQG Board business was discussed and this Guild is in for another great year. Ideas were bantered about and suggestions made. One important topic was adjusting the beginning time of our meeting and it was decided to take an opinion poll to see if members would like to start our meetings at 7:00 PM instead of 7:30 PM. So, keep in mind, this is just an **opinion poll**. At the picnic and also at Quilt N’Wilt, you will be asked if you have a preference time of 7 or 7:30 to start our meetings. The change was discussed because we find that people are leaving the meeting after the fat quarter and for whatever reasons, they are not attending the business meeting of the Guild. Possibly starting earlier will allow them to stay for the meeting.. Ideas for Community Service were presented. So, the September Business Meeting will be a meeting you will want to make sure to attend because Guild business will be presented and voted on.

July 1, 2014 – NPQG PICNIC –

Location – Beveridge Grove in North Park – located in the Swimming Pool/Pie Traynor area of North Park. Dinner is at 6 PM-ish. Feel free to come at any time and leave whenever (but by midnight).

Bring: Your Own Plate and Eating Utensils

Bring a potluck dish (and serving utensils)

If you wish to play a game of “Traders Dice” bring 3 fat quarters. If you wish to play 2 games, bring 6 fat quarters

This game is based on the game “Left, Right, and Center”

Also a version of Quilto – now called Jan’s Quilt Bingo, will be played.

If you don’t want to play games, just strike up a conversation with a fellow quilter or bring a project to work on.

Games to be played starting at 4 PM

Directions to the Pavillion (Beveridge Grove)

1. From Babcock Blvd. or Sample Road – turn onto Hemlock (from Peebles Road, go towards the park, bear left when it “t’s” onto Hemlock
2. Turn in towards the swimming pool
3. Turn right at the fork

4. Turn right again, passin by the ball field and its parking lot (at this point it is a one way road)
5. When the road “t’s”, turn left again
6. Beveridge will be the first pavilion on the left (across from other ballfields and parking)
7. This pavilion sits in the midst of trees which will provide some shade.

There will be signs posted in the swimming pool area directing you to the grove.

If you don't understand these directions, please all either Jan or Clarice.



My husband and I returned from vacationing in Deadwood, South Dakota, last weekend. Preparations for the trip plus the trip itself put a definite crimp in my sewing time. So I have enjoyed being able to get back to quilting. But there is a little glitch. We bought some iron ore magnets at the Wonderland Mine Gift Shop. No doubt about it, these are serious magnets. I put one by my sewing machine to catch pins. The little magnet (about the size of a quarter) was attracted to the little plastic container that contains the pins. It grabbed on and half of the pins spilled over onto the magnet. It looks like a little porcupine and whenever I try to free them, there is all kinds of movement and jumping around and no possible containment. I just walked away and am leaving it alone for now. There must be a moral to this story but it escaped me.

Anyway. Thanks for letting me try my hand at being your President. I have never done this before but I hope that I will do this well for you. I have discovered that the people who are working with me – the Committee Chairs – are the Greatest! Their enthusiasm is boundless. Remember that we are open to your suggestions, and help. We will continue Donna's ideas of having an envelope for comments and suggestions, and the equally important ideas of growing as quilters, and as a guild, while we have as much fun as legally possible.

We look forward to seeing you at the picnic – many plans are in the works. Quilt N'Wilt should also be a blast – come and relax and sew and have fun – OR – come all revved up for the Jelly Roll Races!! Win small but meaningful prizes!

Thanks, Jan



Something to think about over the summer. I would love to see everyone wear a NPQG t-shirt. It would be a great way to advertise our quilting guild. It would be a great way to show our pride in what we do. And, could you just see the 2016 quilt show with everyone wearing this very special NPQG t-shirt? The guests at the show would be able to recognize a guild member in a flash. So, think about this idea and we will discuss this in the fall. Thanks for listening.

Susan Kremmel

Our website received emails from people wanting to sell or give away items, have fun things to do, want someone to make something for them, etc. If you are interested in receiving these requests, fill out the form on www.npqq.org. Your email address cannot be seen by anyone and you can unsubscribe at any time. If you sign up and have problems, please let me know by sending an email to npquilters@gmail.com.

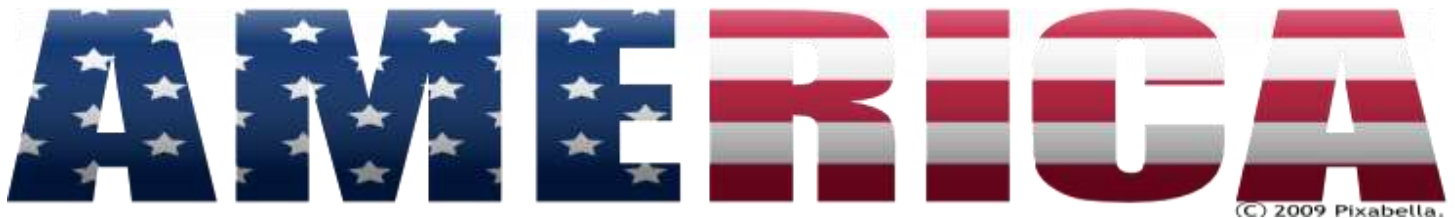
Katy Mahoney

As usual, requests for “cards from the guild” can be made to Elsie Richards (412-367-2789) or dbemrich@yahoo.com. Get Well, New Baby, Sympathy, or ?

August 12, 2014 – Tuesday at Kearns Spirituality Center - Save the date - A separate email containing all the detailed information will be forthcoming around the middle of July.

September 2, 2014 – NPQG meeting – Sandy Lord guest speaker. Also don't miss the business meeting, as your input is valuable to the guild's decision in future planning.

October 7, 2014 – Johanna Blanarik, owner of Piecing It Together, guest speaker.



Land That I Love, Love, Love

A reminder – it is time to renew your guild membership. Dues are \$25 if paid before August 15, Beginning August 16, a \$5 late fee will be added. Complete the form and return with your check made out to NPQG to **Susan Orleman, 24 Ann Arbor Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15229**. Please use this address rather than the NPQG post office box. If you have already mailed your form and checks to the box number, don't worry – we have it.

Westfield Quilters' Guild Quilt Show – August 8 – 10, 2014 Fri & Sat 10-5 Sunday 10-3 “From Start to Finish” Westfield School Quilts, Door Prizes, Vendors, Quilt Appraisals, Bake Sale Info: westfieldqg@yahoo.com

Peggy's Patchwork Pals 8th Annual Quilt Show & Sale September 19 & 20, 2014 10 AM – 4 PM - At the Slate Lick United Presbyterian Church, 106 Brown Rd, Freeport PA 16229 ½ mile off State Route 28-Exit 18, Slate Lick Non-juried, non-judged show. Up to 75 quilts will be hung.

Quilt shop vendors will be present. Lunch available. For information or to enter a quilt call: Peggy Cariale 1-724-295-3734 or Judy Kois 724337-1129 Scissors sharpened both days \$5.00 and \$10.00.

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Membership Registration

July 2014 through June 2015

New Member _____ Renewal Member _____

Name _____

Street or PO Box Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone #: Home _____ Cell _____

E-Mail _____

May we send your Newsletter by E-mail? Yes _____ No _____

Dues*:

New Members: _____ \$25.00 Annual (July 1 through June 30)

_____ \$12.50 if paid after January 1 (1/1 - 6/30)

Renewals: _____ \$25.00 if paid before August 15, 2014

_____ \$30.00 if paid August 16 or later (\$5.00 late fee)

Please make checks payable to NPQG. Complete form and mail with your check to:

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