



**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

I can't believe this year is almost over. And what a year it's been!! We had Bonnie Hunter visit our Guild, celebrated our 20th anniversary and had our Quilt show. Thank you everyone for making this a wonderful year.

Happy Holidays...

*Jane Hamel*

**Vice President/Program Chairperson:** We are in the process of looking for a new Vice President/Program Chair. The following is a brief description of the duties.

- Plan programs for Guild meetings and when necessary, workshops.
- Set up for Guild meetings by opening the doors and after the meeting, make sure the hall is clean, all lights are off and lock the doors.
- Handle collecting all fees for program/workshop and arranging payment for the speaker's fee and expenses (meals and lodging).

For a more detailed job description, go to the By-Laws section on the website ( Article V section 2) or you can contact Jane Hamel.

**BOARD MEETING:**

There is no board meeting this month.

**GUILD MEETING:**

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 15 at 7:15 at The Lutheran Church of God's Love.

- We will be having our annual food drive for God's Love (peanut butter, soup, can vegetables, cereal, etc.).
- Presentation of the 2010 Guild Challenge by Marsha Watro.
- Also to be discussed will be 2010 BOM (Maggie Robinson, Leslie Bell and Dolores Ingram) and a redesigned Member's directory.

Any questions contact Jane Hamel.

**UPCOMING PROGRAMS:**

January 19: Butch Myers "Biker-Dude" - Butch started quilting four years ago after he quit smoking and has gone on to design quilts. He was featured in the October 2009 issue of "American Patchwork & Quilting" His designs can be found at [www.lilcountryshoppe.com](http://www.lilcountryshoppe.com).

February 16: Eleanor Levie - "Thinking Outside the Box" will include some unusually shaped quilts, lots of Skinny Quilts, plus a hands-on program drafting stretched and skewed versions of classic blocks.

**UPCOMING WORKSHOP:**

Saturday, January 30 and February 6, 2010 - "Aging Gracefully: Creating Your Own Brand New Antique Quilt". Donna Laing will be presenting this 2 part workshop.

- January 30: The morning will be devoted to looking at photos of antique and vintage fabrics. At lunch, the class will look at quilt patterns offered and determine whether they want to make a quilt that looks like the early or late 19Th century. In the afternoon, the class will move to Country Quiltworks to stock up on some fabrics.
- February 6: Bring your sewing machine and basic supplies and fabric. You'll swap some fabric so that you'll have a greater variety of fabrics. Tips will be given to make "antique" quilts reminiscent of quilts from the 19Th century. Then you'll start sewing.
- Cost of the class will be \$20 and due to available work space the class will be limited to 12. Sign-up sheet will be available at the December & January Guild meetings. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Laing or Jane Hamel.

**TUESDAY PHILANTHROPY**

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of every month at the Church of God's Love from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participants should bring their sewing machine, cutting supplies, lunch and a beverage. Email Viv DiMeo if you will be attending.

**SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:**

Hi Everyone - Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! Let me know if I can be of assistance in sending a message of support, congratulations, or a get well note.

*Regards, Regina Apuzzo*

**HOSPITALITY:**

The following is a list of members responsible for snacks for the December meeting: **Isabel Best, Sue Bowles, Jane Boyer, Joyce Brown, Phillis Brown, Dee Caballero Kuenzig, Peg Callahan, Kathy Cheddar, Patricia Clayton, and Barb Gonze.**

We hope you all had a very Happy Thanksgiving and hope to see you all at the December meeting!

*Thank you, Leanne Gillen and Denise Somers*

### MEMBERSHIP:

Just a reminder that 2010 membership dues are due by the December meeting. If you cannot make the meeting please send a check for \$45 to me at:

1603 Colonial Drive  
Feasterville, PA 19053

Thank you, *Dawn E. Berger*

### NEWSLETTER:

Articles for January's edition are due by December 20. You can either e-mail them (nqgltr@yahoo.com) or give them to me at the meeting. *Nancy Lacey*

### ODDS & ENDS:

- Charity Quilts: On 6/11/08 the Board voted..."So we can keep track of all the different projects, **members should bring ideas to the Board first.**"
- 2010 BOM: "Stars, Stars & more Stars" Maggie Robinson, Leslie Bell & Dolores Ingram.
- 2010 Raffle Quilt: Donna Laing has volunteered chair the committee.

### GUILD COOKBOOK:

Hi Everyone – First of all I want to thank everyone who sent me their recipes but I still would like more. There were some wonderful dishes at our last meeting and many members have been inquiring about the recipes. I would appreciate anyone who made one of those dishes to please email or send it to me so it can be included in our guild cookbook. Of course, if you have any favorite recipe you would like to share, they will be gladly accepted as well. We can't make this a success without you. Please be sure to e-mail them or give them to me by the December meeting so I can get them all into the cookbook.

*Thanks, Marion Baranosky*

### MEMBERS CORNER

**Please feel free to submit your own items for publication. It can be a tip of the month, a story, info on a great web-site or quilt shop that you have found, etc.**

#### Lady Luck – Submitted by Jackie Kaizar

Call it what you will – fate, destiny, serendipity – maybe the sewing goddess Fabrica favored me that night with luck, whatever, but really, what are the chances? If you were at the November meeting, you know that I asked the membership if anyone had a certain material in their stash. It was very odd material. Actually, it looked like a wooden floor. Why did I buy it? I'm sure that I will never know or even remember which shop tempted me with that treasure. But there I was, on the hunt again. I was halfway into a new project using that material, and of course, I ran out. Typical for me. But it was irreplaceable. I can't change my project now! So, out of desperation, I pled my case at the meeting, during Show

and Tell. And what do you think happened? Guest Shirley Frank, who has never been to our meeting, stopped me on my way to my seat and told me that she had that very same fabric. Is this something out of the Twilight Zone or what? What are the chances that I would stand up at the meeting waving that very weird fabric and someone who actually had it too would just happen to be there that night? Cosmic intervention! But whatever the reason, I'm glad that Shirley was there, liked our guild and planned to return. That's what we need - involved, energetic people who have stashes of weird fabric and are willing to share the bounty. Welcome to our guild Shirley!

### To: My guild sisters (and brothers!)

**From: Eleanor Levie, with permission from our executive board**

Hi! My 2 new books are out, and out of gratitude for your on-going moral support, I'm offering Newtown Quilters, for the rest of this year only, steep discounts for cash purchases with no shipping materials or postage. Unfortunately, I will be away in Pittsburgh doing a quilt presentation at the time of our November meeting, but I will be at the December meeting. If you'd like to buy a book then, email me so I bring enough books to the meeting. If you can't wait, feel free to come on over to purchase gifts for the holidays—and gifts for yourself! Elly, EleanorLevie.com; [elevie@comcast.net](mailto:elevie@comcast.net), 215-340-5027, 259 Cherry Lane, Doylestown, PA

**Unforgettable Tote Bags:** Express your creativity and your respect for Mother Earth, too! Way better than paper or plastic, these SUPERmarket bags let you try out the signature styles of your favorite quilt artists. Tote-ally reliable how-to's for all 20 projects, plus dozens of quick and easy tips in this green quilting book, printed on recycled paper with non-toxic inks.

Checks: \$21.95 plus tax (\$1.32); total: \$23.27

CASH: \$18

**Skinny Quilts & Table Runners II:** This follow-up book showcases the talents of an all-new group of amazing designers. You'll love the variety of styles and techniques they bring to the table! These stylish Skinnies are perfect for gift giving, technique trying, and displaying on dining and coffee and side tables, on walls or doors, over chair backs and railings, mantels and more. Your quilts will look fabulous skinny! And hey, if we can't be skinny, at least our quilts can be!

Checks: \$26.99 tax (\$1.62); total: \$28.61

CASH: \$24

The original best seller – Skinny Quilts & Table Runners

Checks: \$24.95 plus tax (\$1.50); total: \$26.45

CASH: \$20

**Special cash combo deal:** Get the two Skinny Quilts books together and save even more! Value and price when paying by check: \$55.06

CASH: \$40

**A Message from Susan Schmalzried:**

Thank you to everyone who was interested in helping to make quilts for the Hershey Medical cancer unit. After speaking with the nurse manager there, we have decided that wall hangings would be the best way to go - something bright and cheerful for the patients to see as they are taking their walks around the floor in those endless circles to gain their strength back. The other thing that would be appreciated is the shawls to wrap around them as they sit up in the chairs in their rooms. Leanne Gillen has already made a wall hanging and I thank her so much for her wonderful generosity! Also, on a more personal note my Needlers have gotten together to help me on my mission to make signature quilts for the nurses who have helped mom so much while she was on the critical care floor. When the plan to make the 20 quilts fell through I was talking to the nurses on the floor about other ideas and how entwined they get with patients and their families. The idea came up of why not make signature quilts for the nurses but to try to pinpoint just who was involved in her care is not such an easy thing! All told there are 50 nurses on the cancer floor ... ONE QUILT AT A TIME! God bless them they all deserve one!

**Minutes: Guild Meeting November 17, 2009**

President (Jane Hamel): Sign up for quilt camp is starting. See Peg Bauman for details. Marsha Watro has volunteered to chair the 2010 challenge. Details are forthcoming. Canned goods will be collected at the December guild meeting. Donna Laing is planning a workshop on Jan. 30 and Feb. 6, 2010. Details will follow. All Membership dues are due by the December meeting. All requests for charity quilts must be presented and approved by the board. Since Skip Ladyansky has stepped down from his position as Vice President. Jane will fill the void until a replacement can be found. Members were asked to consider volunteering for this important job. A January election is being considered to fill the vice presidency.

Tonight's program was Leslie Lacika's "More than Cotton" which highlighted the various materials and embellishments used in her quilts. December's meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 15 at 7:15 at Gods' Love. Guests are welcome at a \$5.00 charge.

Membership (Dawn Berger, Marlene Beeco):  
60 members and 6 guests attended November's meeting.

2009 Anniversary Raffle Quilt (Diana Leslie, Leslie Bell, Maggie Robinson, and Dolores Ingram):  
Diana Leslie reported that the winner of the 2009 raffle quilt is a young woman from Holland, PA who is getting married in 2010 and was very happy to be the winner of this beautiful quilt. She bought the winning ticket at Market Day.

Sunshine and Shadows (Regina Apuzzo):

Get well card sent: Andrea Csogi  
Thank You cards sent: Eleanor Levie, the 'Desperate Quilters' (Donna Laing, Helen Losada, Barb Ladyansky, Valerie Egar) and Donna Martinez.

Hospitality (Denise Somers and Leanne Gillen):  
December's refreshments should be brought by the members listed in the December newsletter.  
Participants will receive a reminder call. November's Name Tag Winner: Mark Baldwin

Treasurer (Kim Moll):  
Balance is \$7,591.68.

November's Show & Tell:  
Linda Smith, Marlene Beeco, Linda Martin-Mills, Mary Mild, Cathy Stevens, Carol McGowan, Carol Molengraft, Patricia Clayton, Lorie Leonardi, Jane Boyer, Helen Losada, Rosemary Dwyer, Marge Riemer, Marsha Watro, Jackie Kaizar, Evelyn Moosher, Crys Harm.

Respectfully submitted by Jackie Kaizar on November 29, 2009.