



#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

Since it was snowing Saturday I decided it would be a good time to get out the laptop and start searching for next year's speakers. So far I have 6 programs planned. But I could use some help... I need to know what type of programs your interested in ... so if you have any suggestions please contact me.

*Happy New Year everyone!*  
*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:**

The next board meeting will be held before the Guild meeting on Tuesday, January 19 at 6:30 PM. All are welcome and encouraged to attend

#### **GUILD MEETING:**

The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 19 at 7:15 at The Lutheran Church of God's Love. We will be having a "guest speaker."

#### **GUILD ETIQUETTE:**

1. If you spill something, please wipe it up.
2. Place all trash in the waste basket.
3. If possible, put your chair away after the meeting...  
AND
4. Out of respect for our speakers and fellow members, please keep talking to a minimum and turn off or silence cell phones.

#### **WORKSHOP:**

*Saturday January 30 and Saturday, February 6:* "Aging Gracefully: Creating Your Own Brand New Antique Quilt." - Due to the overwhelming response to this workshop, we have decided to offer two options:

- The first will be a discussion of Antique quilts and vintage fabric and a trip to Country Quiltworks. (Cost \$10.00)
  - The second will also include a sewing day on the following Saturday. (Cost \$20)
- Currently the Second option is full. If you have any questions please contact Jane Hamel.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD:**

April 30-May 2, 2010: Quilt Camp at Johnsonburg (NJ) Presbyterian Center. There are just a few openings left then we will start a waiting list. Good food, good friends, lots of laughs, and time to sew—a recipe for success! The cost of \$100 includes lodging for Friday through Sunday and Saturday dinner at the Forge Restaurant. If you would like to spend more time quilting, you may come Thursday Apr. 29 for an additional \$30 or Wednesday and Thursday Apr. 29 & 30 for an additional \$60.00. Meals are brought and shared by participants. All beds are bottom bunks and each cabin has 4 modern bathrooms w/ showers. Contact Peg Bauman if you want to join us. Payment accepted in January or February. If this is a problem, contact Peg. I need commitment by the January meeting.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS:**

**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. If you are unable to join Caroline on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month to make quilts, you can contact her about machine quilting & binding quilt tops.

**Camp Erin:** Donna Laing needs quilts for the 2010 season. If you have a **completed** quilt or would be able to help by piecing a backing, attaching a binding or machine quilting a top, please contact Donna. She has 40 plus quilt tops she needs help with.

**Quilts for Kids:** Contact Nancy Lacey for more information.

**Wall Hangings for Hershey Medical Center:** Sue Schmalzried is collecting wall hangings to decorate the patients' rooms.

**Operation Baby Blanket:** Quilts for Babies born to military personnel. Contact Lori Leonardi or Linda Martin-Mills.

**SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:**

Hi Everyone ... Happy New Year! I hope 2010 (can you believe it's already here!) will bring you happiness, good health, and abundant blessings. If you would like a message of support, congratulations, or a get well wish sent to one of our members, please don't hesitate to let me know.

*Regards, Regina Apuzzo*

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Please review your membership information and if there are any changes such as phone number, email address etc., phone or email me. Thank you, *Dawn E. Berger*

**HOSPITALITY:**

Happy New Year to all! The following is a list of members responsible for snacks for the month of January: **Janet Cohen, Marie Colello, Ellen Conoscenti, Andrea Csogi, Kathy Dettore, Rosemary Dwyer, Valerie Egar, Deb Eickhoff, Lynn Frick.** If you cannot bring your snack, please arrange to switch with another member.

*Thank you, Leanne Gillen and Denise Somers*

**2009 STASH BUSTERS BLOCK OF THE MONTH:**

This year's theme is "Stars, Stars, and More Stars." Each month the background fabric will be white on white (bright white, not off-white).

For January, the pattern is "Diamond Star" from [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com) (found under 12" squares). For this block, use the white on white background and a blue, possibly something that reminds you of winter, snow, or ice, but any blue will do.

If you have any questions, contact Maggie Robinson, Leslie Bell or Dolores Ingram.

**2010 QUILT CHALLENGE:**

Our Challenge for 2010 is going to be a "Border Challenge". Try a new and different type of border for your quilt! Pieced, appliquéd, felted wool, embroidery, paper pieced, embellished or any other medium you can create - it should reflect the theme of the quilt. If you need some inspiration, check out the many books or internet sites that can suggest a new and exciting type of border and I'll share more ideas with you in the months to come. I'm not going to limit the size, just keep in mind that if your quilt is large, it will probably have to be folded for our challenge display. Since there is no size limit, you can think about the quilts you plan on making this year and try to apply this challenge when you create the border! The quilts will be due at the October 2010 meeting.

*Good Luck, Marsha Watro*

**NEWSLETTER:**

Articles for February's edition are due by January 24. You can either e-mail them ([nqgltr@yahoo.com](mailto:nqgltr@yahoo.com)) or give them to me at the meeting. *Nancy Lacey*

**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.**

Philly's Fabric Row

For me, Fabric Row is my 'candy shop'. Just walking through the many small shops on 4<sup>th</sup> Street stirs my creative juices and entices me to redecorate my house. New fabrics and color schemes shout out the next decade of the new millennium and make my décor feel dated. Of course, you could continually update your house to keep up with the current fashion, or you could be like me and just look and imagine the possibilities. In the past, I've bought most of my material for the curtains and bedspreads in my house from Fabric Row and it was always an adventure finding the perfect yard goods. Most of the fabric sold down on the row is decorator fabric, but you can find some quilt cottons, if you look hard enough. I wouldn't suggest that you take a trip to Fabric Row to do a shop hop for your next quilting project, but it is fun to wander around the city and poke in and out of the stores. And to sweeten the trip, stop at the Famous Fourth Street Deli at 4<sup>th</sup> and Bainbridge for the most delicious, humungous corned beef and rye that you've ever had outside of NYC. It's the only reason that my husband will go fabric shopping with me. If you do go to the deli, be prepared for a sandwich 6" thick and consider splitting it or doggy bagging it for dinner. Fabric and food, what more could you want? Bon appetite.

*Jackie Kaizar*

**Minutes: Guild Meeting December 15, 2009**

President (Jane Hamel): Tonight's program featured handouts and free fabric. Canned goods were collected for the local food bank. Jane spoke about a members' directory that would include member's pictures. Peddler's Village quilt competition information was handed out. Eleanor Levie had a book signing of her new books.

Membership (Dawn Berger, Marlene Beeco): 64 members and 4 guests attended December's meeting. Dues for 2010 were collected at the December meeting.

Sunshine and Shadows (Regina Apuzzo):

- Get well card sent: Karen Thompson
- Sympathy card sent: Peggy McNair (former member)
- Thank you cards sent: Leslie Lacika (November's speaker), Skip Ladyanski
- Congratulations cards sent: Ann Guinn
- Thank you cards received and read: Leslie Lacika

Hospitality (Denise Somers and Leanne Gillen):  
January's refreshments should be brought by the  
members listed in the newsletter. Participants will  
receive a reminder call.

Newsletter (Nancy Lacey): Nancy announced that there  
is a hand crafted quilt frame available for \$150.

Philanthropy (Caroline Lee): Meetings are held on the  
first Tuesday of every month at the trailer at the Church  
of God's Love.

2010 Block of the Month (Maggie Robinson, Leslie Bell,  
Dolores Ingram): Displayed the blocks for the 2010  
Block of the Month.

Quilt Camp (Peg Bauman): Quilt Camp, NQG at  
Johnsonburg, NJ April 28, 29, 30 and May 1-2, 2010.  
Cost is \$100 for the April camp and \$30 each additional  
night in May.

Sign- ups at the December meeting for "Aging  
Gracefully" workshop run by Donna Laing on Jan. 30  
and Feb. 6. Make a new antique quilt.

Name Tag Winners: Leanne Gillen, Sue Bowles, Isabel  
Best

Show & Tell: Linda Martin-Mills, Betty Miller, Eileen  
Kelty, Ellen Conoscenti, Sue Bowles, Lorie Leonardi,  
Mark Baldwin, Pam Page, Rosanne Friehs, Jane Nadig,  
Nancy Lacey, Susan Schmalzried, Sue Smith, Katherine  
Cheddar, Jackie Kaizar, Debbie Heagy.

**WISHING EVERYONE A  
HAPPY AND  
HEALTHY NEW YEAR!**

