

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU to *Linda Martin-Mills, Betty Miller and Kathy Dettore* for the outstanding job they did organizing our quilt show in October. It really was a Quilty Pleasure to spend Saturday and Sunday listening to all of the raves and excitement from the people who came to see the show. The food was delicious, the quilt show was beautiful, the vendors were happy and we made a lot of money with Aunt Sukey, the Basket and Mini quilt raffle and consignment (although the BOM of Japanese Taupes I bought is missing some blocks and patterns—if the patterns are still available I would love to have them).
So great job everyone!

Moving on, we had the quarterly Board Meeting in October and the following items were reviewed:

- As a board we decided that it would be a good idea to split the vice president's job between two people-- a first vice president primarily responsible for Program for one year and a second vice president responsible for meeting set up and closing for one year. Both positions would be two year commitments with the second vice president starting in the off election year and moving into the first VP position during primary election years. The thought is that we would always have a person on the Board who is familiar with Program, divide the work, and provide backup for this important position. We will be discussing this during the November meeting, drafting a change to the By-laws for the December meeting, and looking for a volunteer for the second position.
- We will also be moving forward with paid Advertising in the Guild Newsletter, we will be offering a business card sized space for \$25.00 for the year to businesses outside the guild. Regina Apuzzo will be sending out letters to prospective businesses. Advertising will start in the January 2012 Newsletter. (Guild Longarmers get this ad space free so if you are interested, please get your business cards to Nancy Lacey for the next newsletter.)
- For our December meeting, the Guild Board members will be providing refreshment and we will have a Holiday Party and play Steal a Gift. All members will be required to bring a gift valued at \$15.00 wrapped for the game.

Thank you Donna Liang for stepping up to Chair BOM in 2012. Everyone else remember that **participation** is key to a Great Guild and we are still looking for someone

or group to chair the Raffle Quilt for 2012. The Raffle quilt is the major contribution to our Treasury on the off show year and it is really important to start it as soon as possible. It is a great opportunity to make that quilt you always wanted to try but with a lot less sewing on your part.

Donna Martinez

Board Meeting: The board meeting will be held at 6:30 prior to the regular Guild meeting this month. All Guild members are invited to attend.

Guild Meeting: Tuesday, November 15 at 7:15 pm at The Lutheran Church of God's Love, Newtown, PA. Our program this month is "Chewing the Rag," presented by Judith Donavan. Judy will present her wearables and tell their stories. There will be a trunk show/fashion show come early if you want to model.

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:



Hi Everyone!

If you know someone who is going through a difficult time and needs a word of encouragement and support or a get well wish, please let me know. If congratulations are in order, I'd be happy to send a note and

share the good news with our members.

Regards, Regina Apuzzo

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership dues (\$45.00) are due by the December meeting. Please let me know if you are not planning to renew as we have a waiting list. Thank you!

Dawn Berger

NEWSLETTER:

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

HOSPITALITY:

The following members are responsible for bringing snacks to the November 2011 meeting: Ilene Becker, Isabel Best, Janet Cohen, Judy Collier, Crys Harm, Elaine LaPrete, Evelyn Moosher, Francine Oswald, Cathy Stevens.

Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving,
Mark Baldwin and Eileen Kelty

PHILANTHROPY:

There will be a Philanthropy evening at my home on November 16 (from 7:00 to ???). Bring your sewing machines to piece, or if you are interested in cutting kits with the Accuquilt machine, just come. I will have the machine set up.

Please RSVP by the evening before so I know how many places to have prepared.

Linda Martin-Mills

MARKET DAY:

A hearty band of quilters braved the cool, damp weather on Saturday October 1st at Newtown's Day Market Day. We met old friends and made new ones...inviting them to our Quilt Show and to purchase raffle tickets. We all had a good time.. if you've never worked at Market Day you should give it a try next year.

Many thanks to Mark Baldwin, Rosemary Dwyer ,Doris Ingram, Jackie Kaizar, Elaine LaPrete, Jane Nadig and Rosemary Torelli.

THANK YOU FROM THE QUILT SHOW DECORATING COMMITTEE:

We wish to thank all of you who brought us furniture and things to help decorate the Quilt Show. We couldn't have decorated it without all your help. A special thank you to Carol McGowan for bringing and taking home all the beautiful mums, pumpkins, corn stalks and wheat bales. She does this for all our Shows and we greatly appreciate all she does for us.

Cindi Rosenberger, Betsy Smyth and Betty Hancock

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS:

- **Quilts for Kids:** We are in need of quilts for older boys and girls (teens to age 22). We love receiving stash quilts so if you have any fabrics that would be appropriate, please consider making a quilt. The approximate size of our quilts is 38" x 45" but they can be a little larger than that. Contact Nancy Lacey for more information or go to www.quiltsforkids.org.
- **Project Linus:** Contact Donna Laing for more information.
- **Operation Baby Blanket:** (Lorie Leonardi): Thank you to those who have donated blankets. Quilts are still needed for the children of the NJ National Guard as well as the Mercer Hospital. Lorie is collecting quilted, knitted or crocheted baby blankets (Any color for the National Guard. Red, white and blue for Mercer Hospital). Contact Lorie Leonardi or Linda Martin Mills.

2011 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Scrap Basket – 8" finished

Fabrics:

- Basket – Red (print, solid, or plaid)
- Background – Cream/Off White (assorted scraps)
- Scraps for half-square triangles (assorted prints, plaids, solids)

Cut the following:

Basket

- (1) 6" square

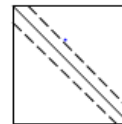
Background

- (1) 6" square,
- (6) 3" squares,
- (2) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles

Scraps

- (6) 3" squares

With right sides together, sew the 6" red square to the 6" background square as follows:



6" square – cut on solid line to make two half-square triangle units.

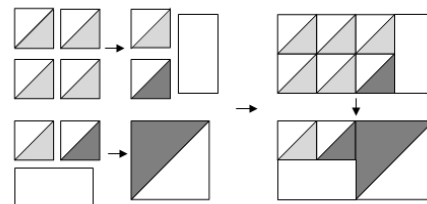
Resize one half-square triangle unit to 4 1/2".

The remaining half-square triangle unit will be resized into (2) 2 1/2" units.

Take six assorted 3" scrap squares and match each with a 3" background square. Sew as shown in the diagram above. Cut and resize to 2 1/2" half-square triangle units.

Six of these half-square triangles will be used in the block (one from each pair). The remaining six will be handed in with your finished block. They will go to the winner to use in the border or to assemble additional blocks.

Assemble as follows:



PHILANTHROPY DRAWING – 10" juvenile print blocks

Any questions, call Betsy Smyth.

Minutes of the Newtown Quilters' Guild Meeting on October 18, 2011

Tonight's program (October) was the annual covered dish dinner and quilt show wrap-up.

At the next meeting, Judith Donovan will present her talk entitled "Chewing the Rag." She will give a trunk and fashion show to present her wearables and tell their stories.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15, at 7:15 pm at Gods' Love Church. Guests are welcome at a \$5.00 charge. Reminder: the December meeting will be on the second Tuesday, December 13.

President's Remarks

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Quilt Show. It was a great success.

We will start working on the challenge for next year at the November and December meetings so please save the scraps from one of your current projects so you can join in the fun and creativity.

Barbara Wyatt is going through a difficult illness and it would help her to hear from her guild friends with thinking of you cards and notes. So get out some of those great quilt note cards I know you own, and show your support.

2011 Quilt Show "Quilty Pleasures" (Linda Martin-Mills, Betty Miller, Kathy Dettore)

Thanks to everyone who helped. It was extremely successful. There are still some bills that need to be paid, so the proceeds cannot be announced tonight but will be announced in the November meeting.

2011 Raffle Quilt (Linda Smith):*

The winner of the quilt was James Hall. The winner of the workers quilt is Marlene Beeco. The guild made \$2749 on the quilt.

We are looking for someone to chair the Raffle Quilt Committee next year.

Winners of the Quilt show were: #1 Ellen Conosenti, #2 Marie Colello and #3 Paula Patti

Corresponding Secretary (Regina Apuzzo)

Congratulations: Peg Bauman (Peg became the grandmother of twin boys.)

Sympathy: Caroline Lee (Caroline's sister passed away.)

Thinking of You: Barbara Wyatt

Thank You: Jane Hamel (Jane chaired the 2011 Market Day Committee.)

Thank You: our 2011 Quilt Show vendors

Good Bye: A card for Helen Losada will be at the Membership desk for members to express their best wishes as Helen enters a new chapter in her life in North Carolina.

Treasurer (Kim Moll):

Beginning balance	\$7,302.91
Deposits	
Raffle & vendors	\$496.00
Expenses	
Insurance	\$436.00
Hospitality	81.00
Raffle Quilt	169.94
Vice President	14.79
Quilt Show	1,557.35
Total Expenses	\$2,259.08
Ending balance	\$5539.83

Philanthropy (Linda Martin-Mills): The next meeting will be on Nov. 16 at 7:00. Please RSVP to Linda by at least the day before.

2011 Block of the Month (Betsy Smyth and Rosemary Dwyer):

The winner of the BOM blocks was Rosemary Dwyer. The winner of the prize for the philanthropy blocks was Lorie Leonardi. See the guild newsletter for information concerning the block for next month.

Donna Laing will chair BOM for 2012.

Name Tag Winner: Linda Martin Mills**Show & Tell:**

Jane Hamel, Rosemary Dwyer, Linda Martin-Mills, Diana Leslie, Judi Reiss, Krys Harm, Lorie Leonardi, Marsha Watro, Deb Weckenman

Respectfully submitted by Lorie Leonardi on Oct. 20, 2011

*** Ticket sales totaled \$3333.00 minus the cost of making the quilt and ticket printing (\$690.00), the guild made \$2643.00. Thank you everyone for your hard work.**

Donna Martinez

LOOKING AHEAD

November 11 & 12, 2011: Celebration of Quilts 2011- Highlands Regional High School, 200 Hillside Avenue, Allendale, NJ. [Click here](#) for more information.

April 14 & 15, 2012: Quilting from the Heart 2012 Quilt Show. Beachplum Quilters of the Jersey Shore. Toms River Elks Lodge #1875, 600 Washington Street, Toms River, NJ.

MEMBERS' CORNER



I want to thank all the members of the guild for their cards, e-mails, and telephone calls. Your prayers and words of encouragement have helped a great deal as I go through this difficult time. I have finished chemo and will start radiation on Monday, the 24th. I hope to be back with all of you at the meetings as soon as my treatments are completed. Thank you again for your thoughtfulness and kindness.

Barbara Wyatt

A Note from Helen ...

The quilt show looked wonderful! I know it will be a success. I am glad I was here long enough to see it in full bloom. It has been a privilege to be part of this guild. You are energetic, and welcoming, and open to new challenges. And you are loving and caring as well. I will REALLY miss all of you! I will be scouting out new territory and new quilting venues and shows for when you come to visit.



My new address is: Helen Losada, 231 Shady Hollow Lane, Garner, NC 27529. (Yes, you American Idol fans, Scotty lives in the development next to me.)

My cell phone is: 215-378-7103

Thanks for the Memories.
Love, Helen

To the Members of the Newtown Quilters,

I would like to thank you all for inviting me to speak on my love affair with the Drunkards Path. It was wonderful meeting you all.

If anyone has any questions, feel free to email me or call.

Yours in the drunkard's path journey

Barb Burke
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GUILD ETIQUETTE

1. If you spill something, please wipe it up.
2. Place all trash in the wastebasket.
3. Put your chairs away after the meeting.
4. Out of respect for our speakers and fellow members- **Please keep talking to minimum and silence cell phones during presentations.**

Reminders for this month's meeting:

- **Wear your nametag.**
- **Make and bring Block of the Month and Philanthropy Blocks**
- **Say hi to a Guild member you don't already know.**