



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Quilty Pleasures is in its last weeks of preparation and we still need members to sign up for specific areas to work during the show! I know that a lot of you may be thinking you will come and work whatever is needed but it is really important that you commit to specific places and times so that the quilt show organizers know that all of the areas are covered. It is your show and everyone is needed to make it Great! PARTICIPATE, DON'T LET YOUR GUILD DOWN!

The October meeting is our annual dinner meeting with everyone contributing yummy food to be enjoyed by all-- also think about what you will be bringing, we will need appetizers, salads, main dishes, bread and of course DESSERTS. The party starts early at 6:30 PM.

We will be repeating the BOM from September at the October meeting, now that you have finished all your quilt show projects — you have time to make a star block for the raffle AND PARTICIPATE.

Donna Martinez

Board Meeting: The Quarterly Board Meeting date is changed from October 16 to October 23 at the Martinez home from 3:30 to 5:30 PM.

Guild Meeting: Tuesday, October 18 at 6:30PM at The Lutheran Church of God's Love, Newtown, PA. Annual Covered Dish Dinner and Quilt Show Wrap-Up

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:

Hi Everyone! Happy Halloween!



Have a spooktacular day! 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:

Please let me know of any changes to the membership list.

Dawn Berger

NEWSLETTER:

Articles for the September edition are due by October 23. You can either e-mail them (nqgltr@yahoo.com) or give them to me at the meeting. *Nancy Lacey*

HOSPITALITY:

The October 18 meeting is Our Annual Dinner. With all the excitement of preparing for the quilt show, the sign-up sheets for dinner were never sent around. Please think about what you can bring (appetizer, salad, side dish, entrée or dessert).



In the past, members have been encouraged to bring their own place settings. You can plan to do the same this year but if you would rather not, we will have dishes and utensils for you. **Remember the meeting starts early at 6:30 PM.**

Mark Baldwin and Eileen Kelty

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

We are repeating the block of the month that was due in September.

Instructions can be found in the September Newsletter.



QUILT SHOW
The Quilty Pleasures quilt show is upon us. It is a wonderful weekend event and we want every single guild member to sign up to participate.

- **Sign-up** - We still have holes in the schedule for helping hands. The volunteer committee will be making calls to solicit your help. Please consider doing more. Some folks are coming Friday to set up, take down AND are still volunteering to work a turn at an area of interest. This is your show and you need to participate fully. We really need your help and appreciate everything you can do to make this show a success. Thank you!
- **Set up** is 5:30 at the school and **take down** will be immediately following the show from 4-5pm on Sunday.
- **Bras for the Cause:** If you intend to exhibit a bra, please call Linda and inform her of the color so that the hanger compliments your entry. We need everyone who signed up to finish their bra and bring it on Friday to set up. Thanks.
- **Consignment** – Don't forget your consignment items for the quilt show. Space is available for hand crafted and quilt related items. Items may be dropped off Friday Night or Saturday morning. Directions and the form to fill out are available on our website. If you have questions, contact Peg Bauman, Ilene Becker, or Lorie Leonardi.
- **Decorating Committee** - If you have small tables, chairs, sewing items, dress forms or anything that might add warmth to the show, the committee would like to use these items. They should be brought to the school on Friday night (set-up). Please make sure they are labeled with your name. Also, if you have any "fall" colored buttons, please bring them to the meeting. They will be used in a jar as a decoration. The committee is also looking for any photos that have been taken since the last show.

- **Café** – Baked goods should be brought to the school on Friday night (set-up). Everything must be individually wrapped and ready to sell at the show.
- **Bras for a Cause** – Bras should be brought the the school on Friday night (set-up).

Minutes of the Newtown Quilters' Guild Meeting on September 20, 2011

President (Donna Martinez) Donna was not able to attend tonight's meeting due to a scheduling conflict pertaining to her job.

Vice President (Mary Mild)

Mary called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and presided over the meeting in Donna's absence.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2011, at **6:30** p.m. at God's Love in Newtown, PA. The October meeting is our Annual Guild Dinner; dinner will be served at 6:30!

Treasurer (Kim Moll) Balance: \$7,362.31. Report will be available in the October newsletter.

Corresponding Secretary (Regina Apuzzo)

Thank You: Barbara Burke, August Speaker; Barb sent a "Thank You" to the guild—her note will be in the October newsletter.

Thinking of You: Eleanor Levie

Get Well: Rosemary Dwyer, Anne Guinn, Laura-Jean Prestage

Sympathy: Peggy Ramsey, former guild member, whose daughter, Pam, passed away

Congratulations: Cindi Rosenberger who welcomed her first grandchild, a girl

Newsletter (Nancy Lacey) Submissions for the October newsletter are due **ASAP**. Because of the Quilt Show, Nancy wants to send the October newsletter as soon as possible.

Membership (Dawn Berger, Marlene Beeco) Nametag winner: Susan Schmalzried.

2011 Block of the Month (Betsy Smyth and Rosemary Dwyer) The September Block of the Month and the September Philanthropy Block will be carried over to October. Once the quilt show activities are concluded, members will have more time to make their blocks. So, if you didn't have a chance to make your blocks, just make the September BOM and Philanthropy blocks and turn them in at the October meeting.

Hospitality (Mark Baldwin and Eileen Kelty) Hospitality will follow up, via e-mail, with those members who are scheduled to bring snacks for each meeting.

The guild's annual dinner is next month. Help is needed to set up the tables. If you would like to help, contact either Mark or Eileen. Table set-up is at 6:00 p.m.; dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

Philanthropy (Linda Martin Mills) Thirty blocks were made at the "Swim & Sew" philanthropy meeting. If you have dog-themed fabric, Linda would like you to make a star block, featuring jewel tones with the star being the dog-themed fabric. If you can help, contact Linda. She would like to have a quilt or two on hand, featuring cat and dog fabrics, in the event we should receive a request for this type of quilt. Look for an e-mail for the next Philanthropy meeting.

Newtown Market Day, Saturday, October 1, 2011 – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Jane Hamel) Sign-up sheets are available tonight. Volunteers are needed for set-up, 8:30 a.m., for selling raffle quilt tickets, and for quilting on the frame. You can dress in colonial attire or wear your guild t-shirt. Please wear your nametag. Contact Jane if you can help or if you have any questions.

Library (Roseanne Friehs) Jane Hamel and Angela Topley donated a total of 9 books to the library.

Other Business

Guild members bid a fond farewell to our friend and fellow member, Helen Losada. Tonight is Helen's last guild meeting. A beautiful and delicious cake was made by Jackie Kaizar and enjoyed by everyone. We wish Helen the very best as she starts a new chapter in her life in North Carolina. Helen let us know that she has a spare bedroom and that Amtrak is quite convenient to get to her new home. We'll miss you Helen! Thank you for your many contributions to Newtown Quilters' Guild!

Marsha Watro informed attendees about the Mid-Atlantic Long Arm Extravaganza, sponsored by Virginia Longarm and scheduled for February 3-5, 2012 at the DoubleTree Resort in Lancaster, PA. Information will be in the October newsletter.

Show & Tell

There was no Show & Tell this evening due to quilt show preparations.

The business meeting concluded, and Linda Martin Mills presided over the remainder of the evening which was dedicated to preparations for our upcoming quilt show.

2011 Quilt Show, "Quilty Pleasures" (Linda Martin Mills, Betty Miller, Kathy Dettore) Committee met on Sunday; preparations are moving right along. Linda discussed the following at tonight's meeting.

- Linda "painted" her car and urged others to do the same.

- Four "Bras for the Cause" have been turned in to date. Please finish your bra and e-mail Linda with your name and the name of your bra; tags will be made for each bra.
- The Quilt Academy is donating a door prize to thank the guild for placing their flyers on a table at our show.
- If you signed up to make something for the café, please tell the committee what it is that you will make. Café needs breakfast items, such as bagels and muffins, for Saturday only. Other items that sell well are cookies and brownies. Volunteers are needed for the café; each volunteer will work only a one-hour shift. 216 slots need to be filled; only 70 slots have been filled thus far. One additional, large coffee-maker is needed; Marsha Watro volunteered to bring one.
- Quilt Set-up and Take-Down (Jackie Kaizar) 17 people have signed up for set-up and 16 have signed up for take-town. More volunteers are needed. It takes 5 hours for each task. Husbands are welcomed to help; Jackie will let them know what tools are needed. Set-up starts on Friday night at 5:30.
- Quilt Layout (Jackie Kaizar) Meeting on Friday, September 23, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at Jackie's house. Volunteers are needed.
- Publicity (Marsha Watro) Flyers for the show are still available. The Quilt Academy will place flyers in their shop. Judy Reiss will look into Quilters Club of America website. Sew Smart in Doylestown will place our flyers in their shop. Marsha has sent flyers to Pennington and Olde City.
- Kids Corner (Susan Schmalzried) If you belong to a PTO, see Sue. Kids Corner will feature blocks with seasonal themes for coloring and appliqué blocks for stitching with the blanket stitch. Children will be admitted free to the show, but they must be accompanied by an adult who will have to pay the \$7.00 admission fee.
- One more volunteer is needed to help put up signs for the show.
- Linda explained the process of deciding how the quilts will be displayed at the show.
- Decorations (Betty Hancock, Cindi Rosenberger, Betsy Smyth) Betty needs autumn-colored buttons for her decorations.
- Aunt Sukey (Marion Baranosky) Volunteers are needed to work at the show.
- Quilt Registration (Diana Leslie) Diana and her committee accepted the quilts that will be hung in our show.

At the conclusion of her report, Linda asked members to sign up to help the various committees.

Respectfully submitted by Regina Apuzzo on September 20, 2011

LOOKING AHEAD

October 22 & 23, 2011: Got Quilts? Quilt Show – Presented by Berry Basket Quilters. “The Blue Barn,” 1006 Tuckerton Road, Marlton, NJ. [Click here](#) for more information.

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

Twas a few weeks before the Quilt Show...

When all through my house
Quilts filled up every cranny
Baby, mini, even some for granny.

King and queen, and a couple twins
And even a few that you hang on the walls
One hundred twenty four awesome quilts!
I'll need a team to sort through them all.

Batik and calico, even Debbie Mumm
Quilted by machine, hand or tied
Green and blue, pink and plum
9-patch, appliqué, some even hand dyed.

These amazing, lovely, beautiful quilts
Were shelved with the greatest care
In anticipation that our quilt show
Soon would hurry and be here.

Hubby Ronald and I were nestled
All snug in our beds
As nightmares of a cellar of quilts
Danced in our heads.

When out on the lawn
There arose such a clatter
I sprang from my bed
What the heck was the matter?

Happy quilty ladies lined the driveway
Great parkers they are not!
Jockeying for primo parking spaces
Zooming in for the best spot.

More rapid than eagles
The quilty ladies all came
And I whistled and shouted
My house will never be the same.

Quilts covered every surface
My cellar was transformed
Every one was a masterpiece
New friendships were formed.

The ladies spoke not a word
But went straight to their work
Matching colors and styles
Touching and feeling is a Layout perk.



All the quilts were so special
Made with lots and lots of love
We'll hang them in the perfect spaces
Handled only with a white glove.

Quilts on top of the frame!
And on top of the wall!
Now hang them up! Hang them up!
Hang the colorful quilts all!

Then they all sprang to their cars
And even gave a whistle
And away they all drove
Of course, running over my bird feeder of
thistle.

But I heard them exclaim
As they drove out of sight
What a great show it will be
Boy did we have fun tonight!

See you at the Show!

Please forgive my ripping off Clement Clark Moore.
He must be turning over in his grave! ...
Jackie Kaizar

Request for Civil War era quilts to be displayed at a quilt show in Bristol on Historic Bristol Day

Historic Bristol Day is an annual event which is held on the third Saturday in October. This year it is October 15 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the theme for this year is the Civil War. The Mothers and Others Quilting Group in Bristol will be doing a Quilt Show, demonstrations of quilting on a large frame and an Underground Railroad quilt block exhibit in keeping with the Civil War anniversary. We would be honored if any of the Newtown Quilters would allow us to show some of their beautiful quilts. We will be hanging the quilts the morning of the event and will be taking them down at the close of day so they will never be left alone. Quilts may be dropped off at our regular meeting on Tuesday, October 11 from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and will be locked in our quilting storage room until Saturday. Or you may bring them to the Senior Center the morning of October 15, or call 215-785-0292 to make other arrangements. Please attach a note with the theme of the quilt and date produced and your name and telephone number.

We will also be doing an Underground Railroad Quilt Block exhibit. If you have a reproduction of an Underground Railroad quilt used to direct slaves to freedom or if you have any slave influenced quilts we would love to include them in our exhibit. Although we have found many references to the use of quilts to aid slaves from the South to safe havens in the North we have not found any actual remaining quilts. We do have two fragments of quilts handed down from slave families and pictures of the quilt blocks and their codes. We are reproducing the quilt blocks for the exhibit, but any help would be appreciated. Please contact Danielle Snyder for more information. daniellejs@verizon.net

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.**

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Reminders for this month's meeting:

- **Wear your nametag.**
- **Block of the Month Blocks (blocks that were originally due at the September meeting)**
- **Bring something yummy to share for the covered dish dinner and your appetites.**