



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

My thanks to all who joined our mystery workshop. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves and had a chance to mix with their fellow guild members in a relaxed setting and wound up with a quilt to boot! It's always been an honor for me to do this with the guild as a contribution to our programs.

I hope those of you who were at the meeting enjoyed our lecture with Sarah Bond, who is so fortunate to be able to trace her history and many inherited quilts to her ancestors. Some of us are lucky to have those quilts left to us by quilting grandmothers and great-grandmothers, to provide us a personal link to the craft we love today. I was also reminded of this continuity of quilting when I visited Quilt Odyssey and saw their display of antique cheddar quilts that was featured this year. So many of the older quilts looked as if they could be part of the "modern" quilting world today. Remember one of our past quilt shows, "Everything Old is New Again"?

And speaking of quilt shows, I will put on my quilt show registration hat to warn you that I will be putting out our quilt registration form soon, so plan the quilts you would like to enter in our show and get some measurements ready.

Diana Leslie

GUILD MEETING – July 21 at 7:30 pm – Linda Lum DeBono

In August, we will welcome Linda Lum DeBono. Linda designs for Henry Glass, Aurifil and is a Martingale author. Linda will have items for sale, so don't forget to bring your spending money!

Our Capital Health Quilt Exhibit Committee is asked to email their availability for a site visit to Linda Martin-Mills. We will look at the space and discuss the direction we want to take with our submissions. We will meet at Capital. Please email me at LMartin-Mills@capitalhealth.org.

HOSPITALITY:

The following members will be providing the snacks for the July meeting: Diane Carrington, Melissa Curewitz, Debbie Eickhoff, Debbie Heagy, Susan Hurley, Eileen Kelty, Lorie Leonardi, Angela Topley, Claire McConnell, Carol McGowan and Judy McTaggart.

Thank you, Janet Cohen

MEMBERSHIP:

Please remember to keep us informed of any changes to the membership list (address, phone number, e-mail address).

Susan Schmalzried and Kathy Dettore

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS:

If you know of someone who needs a message of thanks, get-well, condolences or congratulations, please send me an email or give me a call.

Joan Shipp

PHILANTHROPY:

There are no meetings scheduled at this time.

Sallie Lloyd and Elaine LaPrete

NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE:

Articles for the newsletter are due by August 26, 2015. Please e-mail them to me at nqgltr@yahoo.com.

Nancy Lacey

Minutes of the Newtown Quilters' Guild Meeting on July 21, 2015

Tonight's meeting started at 07:40PM with a brief overview of Guild business followed by a presentation by Sarah Bond who gave us an overview of her quilting experiences with the Modern Quilt Guild along with sharing her beautiful quilts.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at 7:30pm at The Birches, at 70 Durham Road, Newtown, PA 18940. Guests are welcome at a \$5.00 charge.

President (Diana Leslie):

Vice President (Linda Martin-Mills):

Linda was unable to attend the July meeting due to deaths in the family.

Membership (Kathy Dettore and Susan Schmalzried): 44 members and 3 guests in attendance.

2015 Raffle Quilt (Peg Bauman):

The quilt has been traveling to many location including Hershey and The Round Bobbin for display and to sell chances. It will also be going to Yardley's Harvest Day on September 19 and Newtown Market Day on October 3. Volunteers are needed for these events.

Hospitality (Janet Cohen)

Corresponding Secretary (Joan Shipp)

- Get well card was sent to Ann Guinn
- Thank You card to Pam Weeks for her presentation at the June Guild meeting on Jane Stickle and the amazing "Dear Jane Quilt"
- Thank You card to Jane Kiney for her donation of the projection screen for use at our guild meetings.
- Sympathy card sent to Peg Callahan on the sudden death of her husband.

Treasurer (Pam Sugrue):

6/1/2015 through 6/30/2015

Beginning Balance as of June 1, 2015 = 15,679.34

Ending Balance as of June 30, 2015 = 14,263.39

A copy of the complete Treasurer's Report is available on the website.

Newsletter/Website/Facebook (Nancy Lacey):

Philanthropy (Sallie Lloyd and Elaine LaPrete):

2015 Block of the Month (Claire McConnell)

The winner of the BOM blocks was Ann Guinn. See the guild website for information concerning the block for next month.

2015 Quilt Show (Sallie Lloyd) There is now going to be a board with all the sign-up for the different areas to volunteer, which will be coordinated with previous lists made.

Library (Christa Froehlich):

A new box of books has been added to the library collection and is now available to check out.

Name Tag Winner: Judy Rilling

Quilty Prize Winner: There was no Quilty prize this month although there will be an extra special jelly roll at the August Guild meeting, so save your dollars for this extra special raffle.

Show & Tell: The group that took Diana Leslie's wonderful Mystery Quilt Workshop showed off their starting work on their quilts. Also beautiful pieces were shared in show & tell by Eve Vallorani, Rosemary Dwyer, Nancy Lacey, Marsha Watro, Sunya Perl, Louise Danto, Sue Bowles, Christa Froehlich, and Elaine LaPrete.

The meeting ended at approximately 09:40PM

Respectfully submitted by Joan Shipp on 7/25/2015



2015 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Directions for the August Block of the Month are on our website: <http://newtownquiltersguild.org>

2015 Raffle Quilt

We have taken the guild raffle quilt to Pennington, Round Bobbin, and Quilt Odyssey with great responses. We are planning to take it to Harvest Day in Yardley on September 19, to Market Day in Newtown on October 3, and to our quilt show. Our committee would be delighted to have members help sell tickets (even an hour is welcome.) Please contact Peg Bauman or Barb Gonze if you would like to help out.

2015 QUILT SHOW

Aunt Sukie (Sue Demberg and Elaine LaPrete)

Hello ladies. I have tamed the pile of awesome donations so many of you have already contributed ... So bring it on! It's too hot to go outside, so now is a great time to organize your sewing rooms, and get rid of unwanted "stash." If you are donating fabric, it would be really helpful for us if you included approximate yardage amounts. Anything related to sewing, needle crafting, etc., is appreciated.
Sue Demberg and Elaine LaPrete

Small Quilts & Gift Baskets Committee (Rosemary Dwyer and Regina Apuzzo)

The Small Quilts and Gift Baskets are very popular with our quilt show visitors. Members donate these items, tickets are sold, and lucky winners take home great stuff. Member participation has always been very good, and we are hoping that will continue for our 2015 show. Here's how you can help.

For the gift baskets: Grab a few quilting buddies and put together a basket, or you, alone, can fill one. Any food included in your basket must be non-perishable. Many of the baskets have a theme; such as, sewing notions, fabrics, gift cards to restaurants, tea, coffee, chocolate, etc. Use your imagination and creativity! Be sure to give your basket a name. We ask that its value be at least \$25.00. Please wrap your basket in **clear** cello wrap, only, and bring it to either the September guild meeting or to the show venue on the night of set-up—not before, please. What we do need in advance, though, is a list of all of the items in your basket, the name of your basket, and the name(s) of the donor(s). This will give us the needed time to make tags for each one. Beginning in June, look for the sign-up sheet, near the membership desk, when you come to our meetings.

For the small quilts: Now is the time to get started. Small quilts, table runners, placemats and napkins (for at least a service for four), pillows, and wool work (such as candle mats and penny rugs) are accepted. Your small quilt should be no larger than 30" x 30". We have limited space in which to display these items, so smaller is better. Items, such as mug rugs, are not placed with the small quilts. Those items can be included in a basket, along with other things; they can be sold at consignment; or they can be donated to Aunt Sukey. To give you inspiration, here are some ideas for your small quilt. You can choose to make something celebrating a season or holiday; we have had beautiful red work and blue work quilts; appliqué quilts either by hand or machine; a quilt featuring machine embroidery; and paper-pieced quilts, just to name a few. Be sure to check out the many books in our guild library for more inspiration. As soon as you have finished your project, please give it to either of us. Please do not wait until set-up night, as we need to photograph each item.

We're hoping to have another great turnout for Small Quilts and Gift Baskets. So, get started on your projects. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Consignment Corner (Peg Bauman and Lorie Leonardi)

During the Dog Days of August, take some time to simplify your life and organize your quilt related things. You can sell that extra stuff in October at the show in the Consignment area. Consignment provides the opportunity for Newtown Quilters' Guild members (or individuals on the waiting list) to sell their sewing related items. Examples include books, patterns, notions, sewing machines, fabric, crafts, blocks, kits, and completed or uncompleted quilts. Complete guidelines for preparing items for consignment are on the website. Bring your items to the show on Friday evening during Quilt Show setup. At the end of the show, unsold items will be returned to members. By the next Guild meeting, participants will receive a check for 80 percent of the money earned; the guild will keep 20 percent. Contact Peg or Lorie if you plan to have a large number of items for consignment.

Quilt Show Café (Betty Miller)

The quilt show will be here before you know it. In preparation for the café this year, I would like to make a few changes. Membership can make donations to defray the cost of the purchases for the Café. Instead of donating food, water, etc., I am asking for cash donations. Every dollar helps ... \$5.00 here and there add up. Gift cards for grocery stores should come only from Giant this year. In order to make shopping more efficient and supplies uniform.

We would like individual home made desserts, i.e., cupcakes, muffins, breads, brownies, cookies, etc., rather than whole cakes.

We will be posting a volunteer board at the July meeting. We would like 3-4 volunteers for every two hour shift.

More information will follow as we get closer to the show. Please feel free to contact me with any questions @267-431-5254 or email me at 51bjmkm@gmail.com.

Betty Miller, Café Chairperson

Looking Ahead:

September 17-20, 2015: Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza XXII. Greater Philadelphia Expo Center. For more information, go to the website: www.quiltfest.com.

October 3, 2015: Newtown Market Day. 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Go to the website for more information: <http://www.newtownhistoric.org/festival.html>.

October 9 & 10, 2015: ColorBurst, Presented by the Keystone Quilters Guild at Quakertown Christian School, 50 E. Paletown Road, Quakertown, PA. Friday – 10 am to 6 pm, Saturday – 10 am to 5 pm. Admission 1-Day \$7; 2-Day \$10. Visit their website: www.keystonequilters.org.