



## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:**

This will be my last letter to the faithful as President, and I would like to sincerely thank all of you who have helped me greatly in the last two years. So many of you give so much time and energy in helping our guild run smoothly, from donating to our goodies at the meetings, to helping in many ways with the quilt show, and certainly making and donating your time and expertise year in and year out with our Camp Erin quilts, Quilts for Kids, donations to the military babies at Capital Health and on and on. I appreciate any and all help and time you have provided to the running of the guild and its programs.

However, our efforts still need a leader in the form of a chairperson for Philanthropy. Sallie Lloyd has, of course, done a wonderful job as chairperson for two years, and she is a hard act to follow, but we need someone to volunteer to organize and direct our donations. Sallie has done a lot of the actual quilting on the donated quilts herself, but that is certainly not a requirement for the job. I realize that not everyone has the capability and time to do all the quilting as she did, but we do need a person who can be an organizer for the committee. Lori Leonardi has graciously offered her help to the chairperson(s) in preparing kits for our members to work on, and I thank her in advance for her help. Maybe there is a group that would be able to do this as a project also...Please consider whether this volunteer position might be something you (or you and a friend) could handle.

We also are in need of a chairperson for Hospitality, organizing our refreshments and being responsible for the set-up and clean-up of our area.

Both chairperson positions are for the time period of one year (or longer if you wish). Please see me or call if you can volunteer for either of these positions.

One last request: in this time of celebrating the holidays, we would like to ask you to think of our less fortunate friends and neighbors by contributing to a collection of nonperishable food items that we can donate to a local food pantry in the name of the Newtown Quilters' Guild. Please bring any donations to the December meeting and one of the board members will be responsible for delivery of the items.

*Diana Leslie*

## **REMINDER! Your 2017 membership dues are due by the December meeting**

2017 dues are \$45.00. If you can't make it to the December meeting, please mail your check by Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> to Sue Schmalzried; 4615 Grandview Ave., Bensalem, PA 19020

## **NEXT GUILD MEETING – December 20, 2016**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 7:30pm at The Birches, 70 Durham Road, Newtown, PA 18940. Guests are welcome for a \$5.00 charge.

**December** – In December we will have a program on our “100 TOP Favorite things.” There will be tons of door prizes and you will have an opportunity to see and learn about the top items in the quilting industry from your fellow quilters. This is a program for all to enjoy. Please remember to email Linda your favorite things and if it is a high end item – think about bringing it to the meeting to show and tell! We will enjoy a buffet provided by the Board. Please come out and enjoy your friends at the holidays!

**January 2017** – the January meeting will be devoted to hands-on projects that benefit Philanthropy

**March 2017** – we have secured Cheryl Lynch for both a lecture and workshop. She is a quilter, designer author and teacher from Broomall PA. She has a new technique that produces these amazing mosaic quilts that you are all sure to love. I will have sign up at the October meeting for the workshop. Check out her blog at [www.CherylLynchQuilts.blogspot.com](http://www.CherylLynchQuilts.blogspot.com).

*Linda Martin-Mills*

### **HOSPITALITY:**

Our board members will supply the goodies this month

*Thank you, Janet Cohen*

### **PHILANTHROPY:**

There are six quilt tops, some small crib sized and some larger Camp Erin size, paired with fabrics for each quilt's backing, that are awaiting the process of being quilted. If anyone with a longarm machine is interested in helping out with the quilting of these lovely philanthropy projects, please contact Sallie at [sallie.lloyd@gmail.com](mailto:sallie.lloyd@gmail.com).

*Sallie Lloyd*

### **2017 RAFFLE QUILT:**

Thanks to everyone who took a kit home to make one of the flying geese triangle blocks for the 2017 raffle quilt. There were 64 kits, and half of them (32) were taken at the last guild meeting, but there are still 32 more kits left that need to be put together. Please consider taking one of these simple-to-sew kits home with you when you come to the next meeting. Each kit should only take about 1/2 hour to sew together, and iron the seams open for every seam. We are hoping to have all 64 kits completed by the January guild meeting. I have already heard from several people who have finished making their kit very promptly! Much appreciated!

*Sallie Lloyd*

### **MEMBERSHIP:**

Please let us know of any changes to your information (address, phone number, email).

*Susan Schmalzried and Dale Moelter*

### **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*

### **NEWSLETTER:**

Contributions for the January newsletter are due by Saturday, **December 31, 2016**. Please e-mail them to me at [christafroehlich.qb@gmail.com](mailto:christafroehlich.qb@gmail.com). If you have any questions, you can call me at 215-431-5735 or 215-943-0550.

*Christa Froehlich*

### **MINUTES OF THE NEWTOWN QUILTERS GUILD MEETING ON NOVEMBER 15, 2016**

At tonight's meeting Michele Scott (The Pieceful Quilter) was our wonderful and energetic speaker.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 19, at 7:30pm at The Birches; 70 Durham Road, Newtown, PA 18940. Guests are welcome at a \$5.00 charge.

***Membership dues are due by December meeting***

**President** (Diana Leslie):

The nominating committee was commended on their wonderful efforts in obtaining a new board. The new board was introduced as follows:

- President-** Regina Apuzzo
- Vice-President-** Linda Martin-Mills
- Treasurer-** Rosemary Torelli
- Recording Secretary-** Christa Froehlich
- Corresponding Secretary-** Joan Shipp
- Library-** Betsy Smyth, Kim Moll
- Quilt Show-** Linda Martin Mills, Melissa Curewitz
- Membership-** Eve Vallorani, Gretchen Faras
- Raffle Quilt-** Sallie Lloyd
- Newsletter-** Christa Froehlich, Nancy Lacey (website)

**Hospitality- NEED SOMEONE**

**Philanthropy-NEED SOMEONE**

**Vice President** (Linda Martin-Mills):

Awaiting word about closing the deal on the new location for our next quilt show

**Corresponding Secretary** (Joan Shipp):

If you know of someone who needs a message of thanks, get well, condolence or congratulations, please send me a text message (prefer this the most), email or phone call to: 215-539-7426.

A thinking of you card was sent to Peg Bauman

**2017 Raffle Quilt** (Sallie Lloyd):

Sallie gave out kits for the quilt, please see her to help us make this beautiful quilt!

**Hospitality** (Janet Cohen):

Tasty treats were enjoyed by all.

**New Business:**

New ideas for Block of the month may be in the works.

**Treasurer:** (Pam Sugrue)

**Treasurer's Report for November 2016 Meeting**

Income/Expense by Category –October 2016  
10/1/2016 through 10/31/2016

Beginning Balance as of October 1, 2016 = 9,787.94

TOTAL INCOME	447.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES	117.66
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Ending Balance as of October 31, 2016 = 10,117.28

October 2016 Income/Expense by Category  
10/1/2016 through 10/31/2016

Beginning Balance as of October 1, 2016 = 9,787.94

INCOME		
Membership Guest Fees	30.00	
Quilty Prize	202.00	
Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales	215.00	
TOTAL INCOME		447.00
EXPENSE		
Rental (Public Storage)	117.66	
TOTAL EXPENSES	117.66	

Ending Balance as of October 31, 2016 = 10, 117.28

**Show & Tell:**

Sue Smith, Marsha Watro, Rosemary Dwyer, Nancy Lacey, Pat Devonshire, Jane Nadig, Sallie Lloyd

*Respectfully submitted by Joan Shipp on 11/24/2016*

**LOOKING AHEAD:**

**Special Quilt and Needlework Show and Sale: January 2017**

One of our members, Sallie Lloyd, has been invited to have a special showing of her quilts and counted cross stitch needlework during the entire month of January in the large conference room at the Nassau Presbyterian Church, 61 Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey 08542. Over 40 items will be on display and for sale, with prices ranging from \$15 to \$2800. Nassau Church's phone number is (609) 924-0103.

**Quilt Camp 2017: Wed, April 19 to Sunday April 23** (weekend only is also possible) at Blue Lake, a retreat center owned by Burkholders' Fabrics, Denver, PA. The cost is \$40 per night for lodging... plus an additional \$5.00 cleaning fee charge (per person—not per night) The retreat center has a large sewing room, a large dining room with kitchen, and 14 bedrooms (with 23 beds.) 9 bedrooms are on the 2nd floor, 5 bedrooms are on the ground floor (available by steps or by walking outside down a sloped driveway) and one handicapped room is on the main floor. The lower floor also has a game room with 2 large sectional sofas (which could be used for sleeping.) Previous attendees have first choice, but people on the waiting list have always gotten in. You can email Peg Bauman or see her at the January meeting. Payment may be made in January or February (if this is a problem, please contact Peg at the meetings or email her.) Blue Lake is upgrading their sewage system, they expect it will be completed in early January. I won't accept any money before the January meeting when I know things are going well up there, but people may sign up with me by email sooner.