

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

As I write this, it's been almost a week since the epic snowfall, and I'm trusting that a great deal of you made some impact on one of your projects over our "snow-day, sew-day" event. Or maybe you had a chance to get a start on those January resolutions... you know, the ones about cleaning up your sewing area or starting that new applique project or (horrors) straightening the closets or pantry. Or maybe you just chose to sit and vegetate and enjoy the white stuff.

Don't forget to add to your list the two quilt exhibitions in the area: our small quilt exhibit at Capital Health and the Kaffe Fassett exhibit at the Michener Museum in Doylestown. I'm sure you will enjoy both of them if you have a chance to see them.

I'm looking forward to this new year with another raffle quilt to work on, as well as a new guild challenge to be introduced soon ... and getting to know all of our new members and all the new speakers we look forward to welcoming.

See you in February. Remember to look for an email regarding the status of the guild meeting in case we should have bad weather on the day or days leading up to our meeting.

Diana Leslie

GUILD MEETING – Tuesday, February 16 at 7:30 pm, The Birches, Newtown, PA

The speaker for February is our very own, very talented, Eve Vallorani. She will talk about her artistry and show her art quilts. It is sure to be fantastic. Bring your art quilts for show and tell.

Coming up:

March 15, 2016: The March speaker will be Terry Kramzar who lives in Kennett Square, PA. She will talk about her art quilting technique and her use of nature in her quilts. Her workshop will be held from 10:00 to 4:00 and includes a catered lunch and costs \$40. There are 13 spots available. The quilt workshop is quilting in layers, an innovative technique ... not free motion ... just straight stitching with a regular foot. The back is applied after you are done.

April 19, 2016: Suzi Parron will be our speaker in April. She will present her lecture on barn quilts from all over the US.

May 17, 2016: In May, Linda Poole will present a lecture on painted appliqué. There will be a workshop on May 17 from 10:00 to 4:00 entitled Paint, Doodle, Stitch. The cost is \$40. We have 12 spots available and a catered lunch will be served.

June 21, 2016: In June we will be hosting the fabulous Pat Sloan who is a nationally known quilt artist. More information to follow on the lecture and workshop.

We open our workshops to guests from the community or other guilds so reach out if you read this and are interested!

HOSPITALITY:

The following members are responsible for hospitality at the January meeting: Cindy Rosenberger, Raelaine Swanner, Doreen Aiello, Patricia Clayton, Ellen Conoscenti, Kathy Dettore, Rosanne Friehs, Gloria Kaufhold, Betty Miller, and Jane Nadig.

Thank you, Janet Cohen

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

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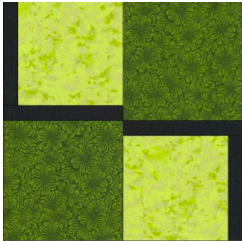
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NEWSLETTER and WEBSITE:

Articles for the newsletter are due by February 21, 2016. Please e-mail them to me at nqgltr@yahoo.com.

Nancy Lacey

2016 BLOCK OF THE MONTH



Directions for the block can be found on our website: <http://newtownquiltersguild.org>

PROPOSED BUDGET:

Please take time to review the proposed budget. We will be discussing it and voting for approval at the February meeting.

Proposed 2016 Budget 1-31-16

INCOME	Actual Income		
	2015	2015	2016
Advertiser	125	50	50
Membership (\$25 per member)	2,500	2,500	2,500
Raffle Tickets Required (\$20 per member)	2,000	2,000	2,000
Quilty Prize	600	524	500
Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales	1500	904	1000
Guest Fees	300	210	175
TOTAL	7,025	6,188	6,225
Revenue Neutral			
*Workshops	3,300	1,490	3,300
*Quilt Camp	0	0	0

EXPENSES	Actual Spent		
	2015	2015	2016
Block of the Month	40	129.95	40
Corresponding Secretary	100	0	100
Equipment	0	45.52	0
Hospitality	200	224.67	200
Insurance	510	494.00	510
Library	100	65.11	100
License Magnet	25	25.00	25
License Raffle	125	131.00	135
Membership	50	45.92	50
Philanthropy	600	837.32	600
President	180	33.63	180
Raffle Quilt	800	642.90	800
Rental (Storage Unit)	1,300	1,283.66	1,300
Vice President	4,000	4,256.98	4,000
Web Site	120	510.75	120
Treasurer	0	0	0
Historian	0	0	0
Newsletter	0	0	0
Quilty Prize	200	106.53	200
Background Check	20	0	20
TOTAL	8,370	8,832.94	8,380
Revenue Neutral			
*Workshops	3,000	1,031.19	3,000
*Quilt Camp	0	0	0

* Revenue Neutral

Note: Estimated Quilt Show income \$5000 divided over two year period

Minutes of the Newtown Quilters' Guild Meeting on January 19, 2016

Tonight's meeting was "Strip Poker." Fun evening socializing and getting to know each other. We have 9 new members and room for more.

The next meeting will be one of our own members, Eve Vallorani, demonstrating some of her beautiful techniques. It will be held on Tuesday, February 16 at 7:30pm at The Birches, 70 Durham Road, Newtown, PA 18940. Guests are welcome at a \$5.00 charge.

President (Diana Leslie): Not present at tonight's meeting.

Vice President (Linda Martin-Mills)

Discussed the "chatter" throughout her hospital, Capital Health, about the quilts that were on display. A special thank you to the Committee that made it possible. Linda reviewed the upcoming months plans for meetings: See Newsletter Remember to sign up for the different workshops.

There are openings for new members so invite some of your friends to come join us.

Membership:

We have 9 new members. Our number is now 95 and Charter allows 100 so please let friends know we have openings.

2016 Raffle

Quilt Kits are ready for people to assemble some squares. When you take a kit please sign the list. The title of the Quilt is *Civil War Generals* and it will be done in teals, blues and coral.

Hospitality (Janet Cohen)

Thank you to all for your contributions.

Corresponding Secretary (Joan Shipp)

Congratulations was sent to Paula Patti for her 10 year anniversary with Joann Fabrics.

Treasurer (Pam Sugrue):

Income/Expense by Category –December 2016
12/1/2015 through 12/31/2015

Beginning Balance as of December 1, 2015 = 13,123.44

TOTAL INCOME	3,019.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES	109.18
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Ending Balance as of December 31, 2015 = 16,033.26

The full report is available on our website: <http://www.newtownquiltersguild.org/treasurers-reports.html>

Newsletter/Website/Facebook (Nancy Lacey):**Philanthropy** (Sallie Lloyd and Elaine LaPrete):

A request was made for material/quilts for boys' quilts for Camp Erin. It seems the large majority of completed quilts, 120, are for girls.

2016 Block of the Month (Claire McConnell)

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

Library (Christa Froehlich)

Please avail yourself of the library.

New Business

No new business discussed at this time.

Name Tag Winner: Sue Demberg

Quilty Prize Winner: Elaine LaPrete

Show & Tell: Karen Roberts, Lorie Leonardi and Janet Cohen

Respectfully submitted by Denise Rouse on January 24, 2016.

Looking Ahead:

Quilt Camp 2016: Wednesday, April 20 to Sunday, April 24 (weekend only is also possible)

This is a great opportunity to make new friends, reconnect with quilting buddies, and work on UFO's. It is held at Blue Lake, a retreat center owned by Burkholders' Fabrics, Denver, PA; the cost is \$40 per night for participants. The retreat center has a very large sewing room, large dining room with kitchen, and 16 bedrooms (with 23 beds). Nine bedrooms are on the 2nd floor and 7 bedrooms are on the ground floor; two of these rooms are brand new singles without windows. One handicapped room is on the main floor. You can email or call Peg Bauman if you are interested. Payment may be made in January or February. Please email or speak with Peg if this is a problem.