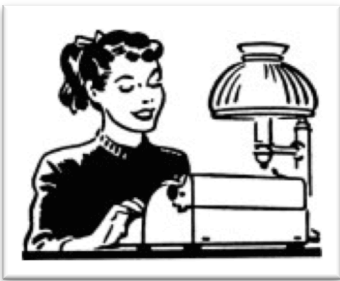


PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



Hi Everyone!

Happy 28th Birthday to Newtown Quilters' Guild! Come on out to our June meeting to celebrate! We have an enjoyable evening planned. If you haven't been to a guild meeting in a while, our birthday celebration is the perfect time to reconnect with old friends and meet our new members.

Our traditional cake with strawberries and whipped cream promises to be a decadent dessert. We "uncovered" the original shortcake recipe, which some of our members will be making—yummy!

Lisa Calle (<https://www.lisahcalle.com/>) will be celebrating with us. Lisa is an award winning quilter, designer, and teacher and has a line of long arm rulers. She will present her lecture, "Quilts and More." Earlier in the day, Lisa will teach her "Divide and Design" workshop. I can't wait to see your creative designs.

Speaking of workshops, Diana Leslie will be teaching her Mystery Quilt workshop in July. Diana does a great job, and her workshops are very popular. For a very reasonable fee, you have the opportunity to spend the day sewcializing with your fellow guild members while working through Diana's clues in a relaxed environment. For our newer members, if you haven't come out to one of our workshops, Diana's Mystery Quilt workshop is a great place to start.

If you didn't attend our May meeting, you missed the debut of our 2017 Raffle Quilt, "*Windblown Flowers*." For those of us who were there, we stood in awe as it loomed high above on the quilt display rack. It's a stunner, to be sure.

Just a reminder: Volunteers are needed to sell raffle quilt tickets at Quilt Odyssey, in Hershey, PA. We will be selling tickets on July 21 and 22. The show is held at the Hershey Lodge. If you plan to attend the show or to take classes, could you please volunteer some of your time? Let me know if you can help out. Quilt Odyssey is a great venue, as there is a lot of foot traffic passing through the area where the guilds' raffle quilts are on display. For those of you who have seen our quilt, I think you will agree that this is a great opportunity; so, please help with selling tickets. Our raffle quilt is a very important fundraising event for our guild.

Be sure to pick up your 2017 raffle quilt tickets from Marion Baranosky; she will have them at the guild meetings. These tickets are included in your membership dues. You may keep the tickets for yourself, or you may sell them; but I think that once you see our beautiful raffle quilt, you will want to keep them for yourself! You can always pick up extra tickets to sell. If you haven't already done so, please be sure to turn in your sewn blocks for the 2018 raffle quilt, to Donna Martinez.

Read on to find out important information about our upcoming Quilt Show, "*A Stitch in Time*". I am co-chair of the Small Quilts and Gift Baskets Raffle. I hope that you are working on a small quilt or other item to donate to the small quilt raffle. As soon as you are finished, please bring it in. Think about partnering with your friends to make a basket, as well. Both Small Quilts and Gift Baskets Raffle and Aunt Sukie's Attic are important quilt show fundraisers. We need your

participation to make them successful. We're going to have a special Guild Gift Basket for the show. We're hoping to fill the basket with batik fat quarters, donated by you. Go through your stash, and bring in one or more batik fat quarters for our basket. You can give them to me.

Well, that's a wrap! Before I go, I'd like to share a remark made by Paula Nadelstern whose lecture I recently attended. Paula told us that people often ask her: "How long did it take you to make that quilt?" She does not reply with the usual answer of weeks, months, etc.; instead, she replies: "A lifetime!" When you finish your next quilt, reflect on your quilt journey and all that you've learned along the way to make that quilt. I look forward to seeing you at our June Birthday Celebration. In the meantime, sew like no one is watching!

Regards,
Regina

NEXT GUILD MEETING – June 20, 2017

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at 7:30pm at The Birches, 70 Durham Road, Newtown, PA 18940. Guests are welcome for a \$5.00 charge.

PROGRAMS: *Linda Martin-Mills*

June 20 - Guild Anniversary – Strawberry Shortcake Celebration Our speaker is Lisa Calle - "Quilts and More!" Come join in on the fun as Lisa tells the stories of her beginnings in the quilting industry through sharing quilts from her 11 years of professional quilting. Lisa will also offer some do's and don'ts for prepping your quilts for your long-armed. She will teach a workshop at Quilts for Kids from 10-3 entitled **Divide and Design** and the cost is \$40 with a kit fee due to the teacher of \$10. You will need to either pack a lunch or order out – I will have menus available.

July 18 - Annual Mystery Workshop with Diana Leslie from 10 to 4 at Addisville Church in Richboro, PA. Bring your lunch and a beverage. Cost is \$25. Diana will send our directions for pre-sewing homework prior to the class. This is always a real crowd pleaser! There is still plenty of room in this workshop so we will open to other guilds who are not as fortunate as us to host workshops. So if you want a space, sign up and bring your checks to the meeting.

The guild meeting that night is all about FUN!!! Games and social time abound. More to follow.....

TREASURER'S REPORT: *submitted by Donna Martinez*

May 2017

Beginning Balance	10,943.74
Total Income	450.60
Total Expense	473.93
Ending Balance	10,920.41

Income/Expense by Category

Income	
Garage Sale	75.60
Quilty Prize	47.00
Quilt Show	232.00
Raffle Quilt	96.00
Total Income	450.60

Expenses	
2017 Raffle Quilt	256.27
Storage Rental	117.66
Vice President	
Speaker	100.00
Total Expense	473.93

Ending Balance as of May 30, 2017 **10,920.41**

NQG BUDGET 2017 YTD 5/30/2017

INCOME	APPROVED BUDGET	RECEIPT YTD	RESIDUAL
Membership (\$25.00 per member)	2,000.00	2,125.00	2,125.00
Raffle tickets required \$20.00 per member)	1,600.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
Quilty Prize	500.00	199.00	301.00
Raffle Ticket Sales	1,000.00	96.00	904.00
Guest Fees	175.00	35.00	140.00
Quilt Show	8,000.00	232.00	7,768.00
Workshops	2,500.00	75.60	524.40
Total	15,775.00	4,612.00	13,462.40

EXPENSES	APPROVED BUDGET	SPENT YTD	RESIDUAL
Block of the Month	0.00	0.00	0.00
Corresponding Secretary	50.00	0.00	50.00
Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hospitality	130.00	0.00	130.00
Insurance	500.00	-79.00	579.00
Library	100.00	0.00	100.00
License Raffle	135.00	0.00	135.00
Membership	50.00	0.00	50.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00
Philanthropy	500.00	50.00	450.00
President	180.00	0.00	180.00
Raffle Quilt & Tickets	800.00	530.63	269.37
Rental (Storage Unit)	1455.00	588.30	866.70
Vice President/Program	4000.00	1,127.37	2,872.63
Web Site	140.00	214.80	-74.80
Treasurer	25.00	0.00	25.00
Quilty Prize	200.00	87.49	112.51
Quilt Show	4800.00	650.00	4,150.00
Workshops	2500.00	656.18	1,843.82
Total	15,565.00	3,825.77	11,739.23

TREASURER'S TRIVIA

This year we purchased 5000 tickets (834 books) to sell for our beautiful raffle quilt.

True or false This means if we sell all of the tickets our profit will be \$5000.00.

The answer is false! Why you ask, if the tickets sell for \$1.00 each, doesn't \$1.00 X 5000 tickets equal \$5000.00? It does, but we sell most of our tickets by the book 6 tickets for \$5.00 and this equals \$4170.00. If we then subtract the \$800.00 we budgeted to make the quilt and buy the tickets and raffle license our profit from ticket sales is \$3370.00.

The good news is that if everyone in the guild sold an additional 5 books we would definitely sell all of our tickets and we could purchase and sell more at the Quilt Show, Market Day and Quilt Odyssey! PARTICIPATION is the key and the answer to this month's question.

Donna Martinez email AHMDMM@verizon.net

HOSPITALITY: *Rosanne Fries*

The June meeting will be our “Birthday Party” and we will be celebrating with our traditional strawberry shortcake. So instead of snacks and goodies for the break time; we will be having a “build your own strawberry shortcake”!

We have some volunteers bringing cake, washed/sliced strawberries or whipped cream to the June meeting. On reviewing the list below, I think we may be okay with the number of cakes and whipped cream, but may need a few extra strawberries to fill the table. Please email me if you can bring a bowl of strawberries at rdfriehs@gmail.com.

Thanks to all the members who are helping to make this a fun “Birthday Party”!!!
So far, these are the members who have volunteered to help: A BIG THANK YOU to you all!!!

“CAKES”

1. Pam Sugrue
2. Doreen Aiello
3. Donna Martinez
4. Cindi Rosenberger
5. Linda Mills
6. Regina Apuzzo
7. Christa Froehlich
8. Caroline Lee
9. Pat Devonshire
10. Rosanne Friehs

“STRAWBERRIES”

1. Denise Cyhan
2. Diana Leslie
3. Gretchen Faras
4. Judith Lapato
5. Debbie Heagy

“WHIPPED CREAM”

1. Marion Baranosky
2. Joan Shipp
3. Eve Vallorani
4. Kara Engleman
5. Melissa Curewitz
6. Marlene Beeco
7. Mary Kay Stoloski

MEMBERSHIP: *Eve Vallorani and Gretchen Faras*

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

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS: *Joan Shipp*

If you know of someone who needs a message of thanks, get-well, condolences or congratulations, please text me at [215-539-7426](tel:215-539-7426) (preferred method, I don't get to check my emails very often), or give me a call and leave a message.

NEWSLETTER: *Christa Froehlich*

Contributions for the July newsletter are due by the end of the month. Please e-mail them to me at christafroehlich.qb@gmail.com. If you have any questions, you can call me at 215-431-5735 or 215-943-0550.

PHILANTHROPY: *Melissa Curewitz*

Come out and sew, cut, package or sort fabric for Philanthropy

June 16th starting at noon.

RSVP birchmom@live.com

QUILT SHOW

Linda Martin-Mills and Melissa Curewitz

Quilt Show - A Stitch in Time

All of the chair people will be reaching out to members to ask for assistance and contributions for items. Please consider how important this show is to the well being and financial health of this guild. We want to provide great programs and can do so with the funds from a successful show. Remember that the show is everyone's responsibility. And thanks for always contributing! For those new members we want to explain that everyone who is a member of the guild is entitled to hang quilts in the show. Dependent upon space, everyone gets their first choice hung. You may request to hang others as well. If you participated in workshops or challenges those will get displayed.

The quilt show is titled "A Stitch in Time" and will be held on October 14 and 15th 9-5 each day. Set up is on Friday evening and we have such fun making our show so special. We will meet at the Masonic Hall of Yardley after 5pm on Friday (eat dinner at home or bring a brown bag dinner) and we will work until we are done. We need many hands to make the work go fast. This is a great place for new members to come and get "dirty" and really learn the inner workings of hanging the show.

Saturday, the doors will open at 9. Café will serve breakfast goodies and coffee and tea. Throughout the day we will have nibbles, hors d'oeuvre type snacks and beverages. The café folks would like us to contribute grocery cards to offset the costs of the goodies and we will be asking you all to bake as well.

At the show we will have small quilts and basket raffles – we ask you to donate a basket or small quilt (or both) and we will raffle them off.

Aunt Sukie's Attic sale is where we take all the things that the members have donated from their studios and stashes and mark them very reasonably. This is pure profit for the guild – so please look over your sewing room and clean out that fabric that has been laying around and you really don't want anymore. One woman's trash is another's treasure!

Tickets to the show are \$8 and there is a \$1 discount on the postcards and flyers that we will be handing out. This year we need to have every member bring out their friends and family and make this show a real success. Foot traffic is the key to us being successful.

On Sunday we gather again to break down the show which takes hours to put up and about an hour to take down!

We really need every member, new or old to help this year in contributing where they can and make this show a success. Thanks.

Aunt Sukie's Attic: *Elaine LaPrete, Sue Demberg, Lorie Leonardí*

Aunt Sukie's Attic is stocked with sewing-related items that are donated by members and friends. We sell the items at bargain prices, with the proceeds going to our guild. Everybody wins!

Think about that extra stuff that has been clogging up your sewing areas. If you donate it, you'll have room to buy more stuff! This year, due to limited space, we aren't able to have magazines, old books and fabric that is not 100% cotton. Please donate good items. If you are donating fabric, please pin a note to it with the yardage, so we don't have to measure it. Thanks!

Elaine has made room in her garage and is ready to take your donations at guild meetings. To make it easier to price, please safety pin a small paper with the yardage on all fabric pieces.

Small Quilts & Gift Baskets: *Rosemary Dwyer and Regina Apuzzo*

Hú Everyone! Now is the time for you to be making your contribution to the Small Quilts Raffle. As soon as you have finished, please bring it to our guild meeting. Here's how you can participate.

Small quilts, table runners, placemats and napkins (for at least a service for four), pillows, tote bags, and wool work (such as candle mats and penny rugs) are accepted. Your small quilt cannot be larger than 30" x 30". We will have limited space in which to display these items, so smaller is better. We will not be able to accept quilts larger than the max size noted. Mug rugs will not be placed with the small quilts. They can be included in a basket, along with other items, or they can be donated to Aunt Sukie. 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.

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. Your basket can 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. Baskets are due either at the September guild meeting, or they can be brought to the show venue on set-up night. Please don't bring them in sooner than September. Since we have a new venue for our 2017 show, it is quite possible that we will have more visitors from the general public. So, it would be great to have baskets that would interest non-quilters. Now is the time to start planning your basket. Beginning in June, look for the basket sign-up sheet, near the membership desk, when you come to our meetings.

Small Quilts and Gift Baskets are very popular with our quilt show visitors. Since we have a new venue for this year's show, we're hoping that more people will be visiting and purchasing chances to win these great prizes. For our newer members, just a little info about this part of the show: members donate these items, tickets are sold, and lucky winners take home great stuff. Member participation has always been very good, and we are optimistic that will continue for our 2017 show. This is a very important fundraising activity for our show, with 100% of the proceeds going to the guild. We need everyone to participate to make this a success. So, get started on your projects. If you have any questions, please contact Regina at puzzmav@verizon.net.

2018 Raffle Quilt – Perkiomen Baskets: *Donna Martinez*

Participation is key to a successful raffle quilt!

Just about half of the members who picked up blocks for the 2018 Perkiomen Baskets raffle quilt have not returned them. Please bring them to the June meeting! If you will not be attending the meeting you can mail them to me at 2329 Lakeview Drive, Yardley, Pa 19067. Thanks to everyone in advance for your help with this project.

Donna Martinez email AHMDMM@verizon.net

MINUTES OF THE NEWTOWN QUILTERS GUILD MEETING ON MAY 16, 2017

The Newtown Quilters Guild meeting of May 16, 2017, was called to order at 7:41 PM by President Regina Apuzzo. We started the meeting with a garage sale, which was a huge success. Many of the members had items for sale. The guild profited 20% from these sales, for a profit of \$65. Aunt Sukie's also had a table and made \$102 toward our quilt show.

The 2017 raffle quilt "Windblown Flowers" was finished and on display. How breathtakingly beautiful this quilt is! What a wonderful job, Sallie Lloyd! This quilt is scheduled to go to Quilt Odyssey Show in Hershey to sell tickets. If you are going to the show please volunteer to help sell tickets.

Snacks were enjoyed by all on a beautifully decorated table.

The business meeting started at 8:45PM.

Vice President- Linda Martin-Mills had many announcements as follows:

- First time "Saturday Mystery Workshop" with Diana Leslie on 5/20/17 from 10-4pm at Addisville Church in Richboro.
- June 20, Lisa Calle will present a day workshop on designing quilting designs. She will also be our speaker at our quilt meeting.
- July 18 (Tues), another wonderful mystery workshop by Diana Leslie at Addisville Church in Richboro.
- July guild meeting is "Game Night"- more details coming soon
- August guild meeting is "Demo Night"

- Also, all are encouraged to donate homemade decorations, pincushions, etc for our show in October.
- Call or email Linda for any of the above workshops to see current availability.

QUILT SHOW INFORMATION: (Linda Martin-Mills & Melissa Curewitz) "A STITCH IN TIME"

- October 14 & 15, 2017
- Friday, October 13, set up time (pipe & drape) - need a lot of help. Bring extra people along, please.
- Saturday 9-5PM, October 14
- Sunday 10-5PM, October 15
- Only 1 spot left on consignment
- Marsha Watro will have volunteer sign up starting in July/August
- Regina Apuzzo/ Rosemary Dwyer for "Small Quilts & Baskets"- requesting NO mug rugs. Size should be no larger than 35"x35". Gift baskets approximately \$25 value
- Refreshments- requesting Shop Rite Gift Cards \$10 or more
- 2017 Guild Quilt- Sallie Lloyd "Windblown Flowers"
- Aunt Sukie's Attic (Elaine LaPrete, Sue Demberg, Lorie Leonardi) donations will be greatly appreciated. We will not be having consignment this year (takes up too much space)
- Nancy Steigerwalt - Upper BucksTech School is making/designing the posters for the show
- Eve Vallorani – decorations - think about what you might have to add atmosphere to our show
- Would like to have some type of demonstrations during the show, there is the perfect small space available for this. Ideas for this are welcome.
- Jackie Kaiser- layout
- As part of your membership dues, you receive 4 books of chances for the quilt. Please think about selling, buying more!!!!

OTHER GUILD REPORTS:

Philantropy- Melissa Curewitz

- 20 quilts for "Quilts for Kids"
- 2 quilts for "Camp Erin"
- 1 birthday bundle for Morrisville food cupboard

Treasurer report (Donna Martinez) - Don't forget to read your newsletter for "treasurer trivia." Our word of the month for April was "VALUE". We really do get a great value for \$25 guild dues. Workshops, friendships, quilt show, snacks, etc... This only lists a small percentage of what we get from the guild.

2018 Raffle Quilt-Perkiomen Baskets-Donna Martinez

Only received about half of the blocks back, please get them back as soon as possible. You can mail them to Donna at 2329 Lakeview Dr., Yardley, PA 19067. My email is AHMDMM@verizon.net

Joan Shipp (corresponding secretary)

- Ann Guinn- Thinking of you card
- Sallie Lloyd - Thank You Card for 2017 guild quilt "Windblown Flowers"
- Lisa White Reber from "Dippy Dyes" thank you card for presentation at April meeting

Rosanne Friehs (refreshments) - June 20, next guild meeting is our Birthday Party where we celebrate with strawberry shortcake. There were sign-ups for cake, strawberries, or whipped cream. Don't forget to bring something. If you didn't get a chance to sign up, give Rosanne a call.

Membership (Eve Vallorani & Gretchen Faras)

- Members-49
- Guests-0

Prizes:

- Treasurer's Trivia - Barbara Patton
- Name Tag - Sallie Lloyd
- Quilty Prize - Barbara Gonze

Show & Tell: (please don't forget to sign the list)

- Sallie Lloyd
- Marsha Watro
- Louise Danto
- Pat Devonshire

Meeting was adjourned at 9:44PM

Submitted by Joan C Shipp, corresponding secretary

MARKET DAY - PAST AND PRESENT

By Jackie Kaizar

Being a long-time member of Bucks County and a resident of Newtown for over 35 years, I sometimes forget the ghosts of history that live side-by-side with modern America right in our own hometown. We have Starbucks, the Gap, spas, pizza parlors, townhouses, and traffic clogged streets, but step back off the beaten path and you will find those very same streets where the Revolutionary War was fought. George Washington slept here! Newtown Borough, the historic district, is lined with 200 year old houses, many with barns and carriage houses sitting quietly behind each one. Take a stroll through town and Newtown's charm comes from its beauty as well as its history. We Newtowners are very proud of our heritage and the Newtown Quilters' Guild is an integral part of that history too. Did you know that our guild has demonstrated the fine art of quilting for over 25 years during Market Day? Do you know what Market Day is? Market Day is Newtown stepping back through time and becoming a colonial village as it was many years ago. The streets are full of vendors selling all sorts of wares - some old, some new. Beautiful watercolor paintings of Bucks County scenes are sold, as well as many other juried crafts such as jams and jellies, hats, pottery, woodworking, and of course there is food and entertainment. But the most unique part of Market Day is the colonial demonstrations, including us(!!!) the Newtown Quilters' Guild!!! In years past, we would set up our very large quilting frame under the big, old tree on Centre Avenue and have a good old fashioned quilting bee. There we would sit in our bonnets and long dresses and spend a very pleasant day chatting and hand stitching a quilt while an admiring crowd looked on. There were always questions to be answered from adults and children alike. Many children had never seen anyone quilt before and many of their parents reminisced about grandmothers making beautiful spreads for their families which were now treasured heirlooms. Our raffle quilt was also displayed and hundreds of tickets would be sold. So many of our members would volunteer to quilt for an hour and stay half the day! It was very pleasant catching up with old friends and making new ones.

Newtown Quilters' Guild's involvement in Market Day has changed a bit over the years, but it remains a tradition and highlight of our year. Not many of us hand quilt anymore, but still produce beautiful quilts using more modern means. If you've never been to Market Day as a spectator or a participant, mark the day on your calendar and see Newtown reveal itself as the grand old lady that she is. You don't have to be a Newtowner, a Bucks Countyer (did I just coin a word?!), or even a Pennsylvanian! When the guild starts looking for volunteers, be sure to volunteer to participate with your guild friends (new and old) and enjoy a wonderful day speaking the language of hand work and quilting. Hope to see you there! **MARKET DAY WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7**



Left behind: **a yellow sweater**. This sweater has been attending our meetings with some regularity, and no one seems to want to take it home. The staff at the Birches tells us that it does not belong to anyone there. It's a rather nice sweater, as sweaters go. If this belongs to you, see Elaine LaPrete. If no one claims it soon, we might have to make it an honorary member! Be sure to check that you have all of your belongings before you leave the meeting. -Regina

Meeting Etiquette

- *Silence your devices or place them on vibrate, especially during the speaker's lecture.*
- *Help clean up the snack area when you bring snacks.*
- *Resist the urge to turn down the volume or turn off the TV in the residents' TV room.*
- *If you have moved tables together, return them to their original location before you leave the meeting. Make sure your table is clean.*
- *If you do any hand sewing during the meeting, make sure there are no pins, threads, etc. on the floor.*

We are guests at The Birches and we need to be good custodians of their property