



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



Hi Everyone!

Fall is finally here! Bring on the cool weather and the colorful turning leaves. This time of year always recalls one of the stories from my childhood school years where Zeke bakes potatoes in the fallen leaves. If you are an oldie, but goodie, like me, you may remember those 1950's basic readers (Dick and Jane).

We held our first workshop at the Community Center; the room is spacious and brightly lit. I'm looking forward to using that classroom for future workshops. Of course, as luck would have it, thunderstorms darkened the sky but not the fun we had making our Woolly Pine Trees. A big "Thank You!" to our teachers, Jackie Burke and Mary Annunziato, for their personal attention to each student. The trees turned out great, and you will find photos on our Facebook page. Be sure to see Linda Martin-Mills to sign up for our upcoming workshops.

Our Annual Sharing Dinner will take place at our October meeting. The dinner will be held at the Community Center and is a members-only meeting. A beloved guild tradition, our dinner celebrates our guild and its members who make it such a great place for quilters. If you have any questions, contact Rosanne Friehs.

One of the highlights of our dinner will be drawing the winner of our 2018 raffle quilt, "Summer Baskets." Be sure to turn in your tickets if you haven't already done so. We will, also, be drawing the winner of our workers' quilt.

Another highlight of our dinner will be our Quilt Challenge – Medallion Quilts. Can't wait to see how everyone interpreted the challenge.

The library book sale will continue at our October meeting. Prices are \$1, \$3, and \$5.

Don't forget, Newtown Market Day will take place October 6th. Your help would be appreciated at our booth. Please contact Nancy Steigerwalt to let her know what time you can stop by. Market Day is always fun and is a great opportunity to spend time with your fellow guild members. There are vendors, entertainment, and food.

There are committee positions still available for the next term: Webmaster, 2020 Raffle Quilt, and 2019 Quilt Show. Each one of these positions plays an important role in our guild. I hope that you will seriously consider volunteering for one of them. Please feel free to contact me if you are interested.

Last Saturday, the Round Bobbin Quilt Shop welcomed our guild to sell raffle quilt tickets at their shop. We thank Susan Sasser, proprietor, for her hospitality and support for our guild. Susan was holding her class preview event over that weekend. If you missed it, check out the shop's website: <http://www.roundbobbinquilts.com/>. While we are all guilty of shopping online, please be sure to patronize our brick and mortar stores. Without them, we won't have classes, sewing machine dealers, and an opportunity to see, in person, all those beautiful fabrics.

Before I go, just one bit of housekeeping. If you bring items for the "free for the taking" table, please make sure that you take home what is left of your items. For the past two months, items have been left on the table and, unfortunately, they found a new home in the trash bin.

Well, that's a wrap! I look forward to seeing you at our October guild meeting. In the meantime, sew like no one is watching!

Regards,
Regina (Friendship Star)

NEXT GUILD MEETING – October 16, 2018

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 6:30 at The Lower Makefield Township Community Center, 1550 Oxford Valley Road, Yardley, PA 19067. You may arrive as early as 6:00. Since this is our annual fall potluck, this meeting is only for members.

PROGRAMS: *Linda Martin-Mills*

We are in the final third of 2018 and there are exciting things happening for our guild. Please note the lectures and workshops below:

October 16th – No speaker – Annual Dinner

November 20th Janellea MacBeth lecture on using, saving, storing and cutting and yes USING your scraps! Workshop is the following day, November 21st, Wednesday, \$40 payable to guild. Please call or email me if you are interested so I can get the directions to you.

December 18th – Lorie Leonardi will present her "Dog and Pony Show" We are so lucky to have such a talent in our guild. This is sure to be a fun talk.

January 15th – Sarah Bond will be with us for a trunk show at guild and then a workshop Saturday January 19th 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., NY Beauty, at Lower Makefield Community Center (bring brown bag lunch!) \$45 guild members \$50 guests. For this special guest, the guild guest fee will be \$10.

February 19th– Philanthropy night at Guild – we will have more details coming later.

For Workshop this month, our very own Betsy Smyth will be hosting at LMCC a “Twist and Braid workshop. Come and learn how to make short order out of 1 inch strips of fabric. Mug rugs, placemats, table runners, rugs.....the sky is the limit! \$20 1:00 pm – 5:00 and then we will go out for dinner if you like prior to guild meeting.

March 16th Saturday Workshop by the funny and talented Pat Clayton! She will be teaching her very own pattern – “I’ll take them All!” ruler bag workshop 10-4 at LMCC \$40 payable to guild. Pattern required.

March 19th Rachel Derstine from Rachel Derstine Designs will lecture on “My Quilting Journey – Boundaries and Beyond”

As you can see, I continue to work into 2019, so if you are thinking about the VP role, speak up. We really need someone to take this role on. It is so much fun and I am happy to help you in any way possible. There are so many great speakers and programs and I have a network developed for you to use with other guilds. Dip your toe in, come on! You will have the time of your life!!!

TREASURER’S TRIVIA – Donna Martinez

As I announced at our September meeting, I am changing the rules/format for the Treasurer’ Trivia game. As I stated at the meeting the main reason I started this section of the newsletter was because I wanted to encourage members to read the newsletter. As a lot of the winners of the Trivia prize know if you play the trivia game you get a ticket at the monthly guild meetings to win a fat quarter bundle! So here is the new format:

Every month in the Guild Newsletter I will be hiding a quilt block name such as Pinwheel in the body of the newsletter.

The quilt block name will be enclosed in parenthesis—example (Pinwheel).

The quilt block name will not be a part of the original content of the topic written about so it will look out of place.

You have to read the newsletter to win!

“Summer Baskets” Raffle Quilt 2018 – Donna Martinez

The quilt looks beautiful so **let’s continue on with the selling!** If you have ideas or places you want to sell tickets please let me know—remember the raffle quilt will only be as successful as **YOU Make It.**

Donna Martinez email AHMDMM@verizon.net

2018 Worker’s Quilt

IT’S BACK! Another Tradition Returns to the Newtown Quilters’ Guild-- “**The Worker’s Quilt.**” What is a Worker’s quilt? How can I win it? A worker’s quilt is traditionally made up of blocks not used in the raffle quilt. It can be won by making a block or blocks for the raffle quilt, quilting the raffle quilt, finishing the raffle quilt and *for those of you that did not contribute to the making of the raffle quilt—you can be entered by selling additional tickets for the raffle quilt this year.* **Each additional book you sell (above the ones you get as part of the membership package) will put one ticket in the drawing for the Worker’s Quilt this year!**

Donna Martinez email AHMDMM@verizon.net

MEMBERSHIP: *Eve Vallorani and Teresa Wescott*

We had one new member, Ellen Manson, rejoin the Guild in September. Please let us know of any changes to your information (address, phone number, email).

SUNSHINE AND SHADOWS: *Joan Shipp*

A sympathy card was sent to Cindi Rosenberger for the passing of her Father. 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: *Doreen Aiello*

Contributions for the newsletter are due on the Tuesday after our Guild meeting. Please e-mail them to me at mrsCstitch@aol.com.

HOSPITALITY: *Rosanne Friehs*

"Annual Sharing Feast"

When: October 16, 2018

Time: 6:30PM (note this is earlier than our usual meeting time)

Where: Lower Makefield Community Center

This is a special meeting for members only where each member brings their favorite dish to share, an appetizer, entrée or dessert. It sounds like an ordinary "pot luck" but it usually ends up being an amazing feast. We quilters love to cook as well as sew! So if you are planning to join us for this feast bring your favorite dish along with your own plate and utensils for dinner. Also if you would like to add to the decorations for the night, please bring autumn themed items for your table (pumpkins or fall flowers etc.).

So far we have members bringing....

Appetizers: Lorie Leonardi, Anne Guinn, Cindi Rosenberger, Lisa Coccetti, Linda Jolley, Lynn Ploughman, Marlene Beeco, Mary Kay Stoloski, Nancy Klikus, Jane Maida, Susan Sanford, Nancy Lacey, Louise Danto, Deb Eickhoff, Jane Matty, Camille Amadio, Betty Hancock, Nancy Yurgevich, Pat Erhard, and Regina Appuzzo

Entrées: Sara Ewing, Diana Leslie, Bonnie Piestrak, Sallie Lloyd, Linda Martin Mills, Donna Martinez, Paula Patti, Nancy Steigerwalt, Marsha Watro, Susan Schmalzried, Doreen Aiello, and Christy Stephenson.

Desserts: Patricia Morrison, Jane Nadig, Kara Engelman, Teresa Wescott, Rosemary Dwyer, Melissa Curewitz, Barbara Gonze, Betty Robertson, Carol Molengraft, Lillian Mannon, Peg Bauman, Sue Broeze, Rosanne Friehs, Eve Vallorani, Carol Berlinger, Leona Law, Lisa Coccetti, Joan Shipp, and Pam Sugrue

MINUTES OF THE NEWTOWN QUILTERS' GUILD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 – *Diana Leslie*

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Regina Apuzzo.

Regina introduced our newest member, Ellen Manson, who has rejoined the guild.

Vice-President Linda Martin-Mills talked about the Woolly trees workshop that had been held earlier in the day at the community center, and spoke about upcoming workshops and lectures for the remaining months of 2018. Our guild dinner is to be held in October at the Community Center, along with pulling the tickets for our raffle quilt and workers' quilt. November will be a lecture and scrap workshop, and December will be our Christmas celebration. Linda has scheduled programs and workshops into April of 2019.

Regina announced that books had been donated to the Courthouse Quilters Guild, and we still have library books for sale to our guild members. Courthouse Quilters are having their quilt show in early October at Prallsville Mill in New Jersey from October 5-7.

We will be able to sell raffle tickets for our raffle quilt at the Round Bobbin Quilt Shop on Saturday, September 22, and Regina asked for volunteers to help with ticket sales.

Peg Bauman is heading the nominating committee for our guild and she announced that all offices have been filled except for recording secretary. She asked for a volunteer to fill that post. The full slate will be announced in October.

Committee member heads have already volunteered for Hospitality (Sallie Lloyd and Elaine LaPrete), Membership (Eve Vallorani and Teresa Wescott) and Newsletter (Doreen Aiello). Still needed are membership chairpersons for Philanthropy, Webmaster, Raffle Quilt for 2020, and 2020 Quilt Show

Donna Martinez announced that treasurer's reports will not be included in the newsletter at large. The Treasurers Trivia answers will now be hidden in the newsletter. There are still tickets available for the raffle quilt, and buying an extra book of tickets makes a member eligible for the workers quilt raffle.

Our guest speaker for the evening was Janneke van der Ree who spoke about her personal quilting journey.

Name tag prize was won by Carol Molengraft, Quilty prize and Treasurers Trivia prizes by Bonnie Piestrak.

Lorie Leonardi announced that she had kits to distribute for Quilts for Kids projects.

Fifty-one members and one guest were present.

Jane Nadig announced that there were still sign-ups available for our October dinner participants for appetizers, entrees and desserts. Please contact Jane or Rosanne Friehs.

Pat Clayton showed the last of the block of the month blocks and encouraged all participants to finish up their quilt tops for December. Show and tell for Block of the month included Leona Law, Lorie Leonardi, Doreen Aiello and Nancy M.

Pat Clayton also showed the workers quilt for our 2020 raffle quilt.

Doreen Aiello announced that she would like submissions for the newsletter by Tuesday 9/27.

Nancy Steigerwalt reminded challenge quilt participants that their finished projects are due by the next meeting in October for judging. She is also in charge of our Market Day booth on October 6 and requested help in selling raffle tickets on that date.

Show and tell for our Wooly workshop were exhibited by Teresa Wescott, Betsy Smyth, and Pat Clayton.

Philanthropy quilts from the Crayon Quilts project were shown by Marsha Watro, Jane Matty, Betty Hancock, Betsy Smyth, Nancy Steigerwalt, and Regina Apuzzo.

Show and tell quilts were shown by the following: Lorie Leonardi, Susan Schmalzreid, Sallie Lloyd, Paula Patti, Betsy Smyth, Pat Clayton, Diana Leslie, and Linda Martin-Mills.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH – PAT CLAYTON

September ended the individual choices for Block of the Month. Completed quilt tops will be shown at the December Newtown Guild Meeting. All members who complete their tops for the December meeting will be entered into a drawing for a small prize. Thank you for participating in the 2018 BOM.

RAFFLE QUILT - PAT CLAYTON

Raffle quilts have been completed. Thank you to the committee for working hard on the timeline for completion and to all of you for completing a block/blocks. Thank you to Elaine LaPrete and Diana Leslie for volunteering to quilt the quilts. Please suggest venues to increase the ticket sales. Our real work is just beginning.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – PEG BAUMAN

The nominating committee has filled their slate for next year with one exception: we still need to fill the position of recording secretary. This is not a time-consuming position; it requires that the secretary (or an individual designated by the secretary for that night) take minutes of the meeting for the newsletter. Please consider volunteering for this position by contacting one of the members of the nominating committee: Peg Bauman, Nancy Steigerwalt, and Mary Kay Stoloski. Members will vote on officers for next year at the October meeting.

Upcoming Events:

Calico Cutter Guild has a \$10 guest fee and has many national speakers. Check out their website for upcoming classes which they are extending out to other guilds. This is a way for smaller groups of us to take advantage of these classes that our guild may or may not be able to afford. This guild is in West Chester area. We can carpool!

Meeting Etiquette

- **Please silence your devices or place them on vibrate, especially during the speaker's lecture.**
- **If you do any hand sewing during the meeting, please make sure there are no pins, threads, etc. on your chair and the floor.**
- **If you bring something for the "free-for-the-taking" table, please make sure to take it home if no one wants it.**
- **Unless otherwise noted, refreshments will be available after the program/lecture. Beverages are available upon your arrival.**
- **The Lower Makefield Township Community Center is a great meeting space for our guild, and being good custodians of their property is much appreciated.**