



POCONO MOUNTAIN QUILTERS' GUILD

The Quilt Line

January 2017

Membership Meetings

January 12 (2nd Thursday)
February 8
March 29 (5th Wednesday)
April 12
May 10
June 14
July 5 (1st Wednesday)
August 9
September 13
October 17 (3rd Tuesday)
November 8
December to be announced



Board Meetings (1st Wed. at 6 PM)

February 1
March 1
April 5
May 3
June 7
July 14 (2nd Friday)
August 2
September 6
October 4
November 1

President's Message

Dear Friends,

The word "January" comes from the Latin word for door--- "ianuarius." We have stepped through the door to a new year. Exciting things are happening in our Guild. Soon many of us will turn to our 2017 Challenge quilts. I hope you have been thinking about yours. I always vow to use fabric from my stash, and I always indulge in buying new fabric once my design ideas have jelled. I hope to step through the door and try some new techniques in my 2017 Challenge quilt.

Step through the door to 2017 with your friends in Guild and support our many worthwhile endeavors. Starting with our January meeting, Bingo Meetings will take place at 5:30 P.M. before all of our upcoming Member Meetings until June. Many hands make light work, so please give of your time to this, our major fund raiser for 2017.

Step through the door and enjoy the company of other Guild members at our first Saturday sewing day at the Library on Saturday, February 4th. Many thanks to Kathy Parrish for organizing this event; you will see more in this Newsletter about it.

You did step through the door and share your ideas for our Charity Quilt Committee's admirable efforts and planning. Your participation in the recent survey was great. At our January meeting, we will review the survey results and keep up the progress we have made recently to revive our charity quilt activities.

I am a lover of quotes. My quote for this month is from the 19th century author, Nathaniel Hawthorne. "Methinks it is a token of healthy and gentle characteristics, when women of high thoughts and accomplishments love to sew; especially as they are never more at home with their own hearts than while so occupied." *How* did he know that?

In friendship,

Jane Maughan

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Minutes

There were no minutes taken at our December dinner. (But a lot of notes were sung!)



Calendar

January 12th- Thursday

Guild Meeting At 6:30 PM, Tea Social 6:00 pm, Bingo Committee Meeting 5:30 pm
Program- Quilto - Have fun, win prizes. Members should bring buttons or coins to mark your squares on your "bingo" card.

February 4th- Saturday 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM

Workshop and Unity Day

Spend the day relaxing, sewing, eating, and socializing with your quilting friends. Join in the paper-piecing workshop or work on your own project. Guests are welcome. Come for the whole day or part of the day.

Pot Luck lunch at 12:00 pm- Bring something to share and your own drinks.

Workshop- 4"paper pieced flower. Supply list is in this newsletter.

February 8th- Wednesday

Guild meeting at 6:30 pm, Tea Social at 6:00 PM, Bingo Committee Meeting 5:30 PM
Program- Several demos will be offered on appliqué techniques. Needle turn, fusible, machine satin stitch.

We will have a special show and tell. I am asking all members to bring in one to three of their favorite scrappy quilt pieces, wall hanging, bed or wearable. This will be our own "trunk show". We will take turns showing our quilts, tell us why it is a favorite, what inspired you and the pattern name (if you can remember it). This could be a great way to inspire ourselves and show off pieces that newer members never saw. We will still have a regular show and tell at the end of the meeting.

Paper Piece Workshop

Guild will supply the paper piecing foundation squares

Fabric- cut all fabric in at least 2" wide strips

White or light color for background- at least 14" long

center color (I used yellow) 2" square

Flower- any color you wish. (I use a different color for each flower), at least 10" long

Leaves- green (can use same for each flower or have a variety), at least 10" long.

This is the fabric requirement for each flower.

Other items needed- Irons, pressing mat, small cutting mat, rotary cutter, ruler with 1/4" line, sewing machine- neutral thread, extension cords, power strips.

We can share irons and pressing boards as well as power strips but the more we have the easier it will be for all.

Call Kathy Parrish for any questions - 570-242-8954



Quilt Bingo

All members interested in helping with Quilt Bingo are reminded that starting in January, a BRIEF Quilt Bingo Meeting will be held at 5:30 sharp, before all of our Member Meetings in 2017 through June.

Quilt Bingo is set for Sunday, July 9th at the Moose Lodge in East Stroudsburg. Our regular July Meeting is the Wednesday before that Sunday.

This is our only major fund raising event in 2017, so we need the support of every member in some capacity. At the January Meeting, we'll sort out Committees and assignments for the event. We will also start the process of identifying the quilts we need for the prizes. Please do your best to attend these meetings, and to give your time and energy to our 2017 Quilt Bingo event.

BOM / Charity

The January block is on the guild website.

Laura Lyman



Activities

Tea Time: The Tea Social starts at 6:00 P.M. and gives members the chance to arrive early, socialize and enjoy a cup of tea. Members bring their own favorite mugs. Various teas, sugar and milk are supplied. Our speaker meetings and programs have run more smoothly, with fewer distractions, since members have had the opportunity to socialize before the program.

Wear Your Name Tag: Please wear your name tag to help everyone greet and speak to each other by name. If you forget your name tag, stop at the Sign In Sheet for a paper Hello My Name Is tag!

Celebration Quilts:

Do you have a special occasion coming up? Or know someone who does? Let us help you celebrate. The birth of a baby; a wedding; a 25th anniversary; a 50th or 60th anniversary are important occasions. **It is important to celebrate.**

Contact Sheri Seip

January Birthdays:

Barbara Wenton	January 1st
Rose Frailey	January 6th
Louise Price	January 8th
Bobbie Long	January 12th
Sheri Seip	January 27th



January Anniversaries:

Rose Frailey 01/15/1972

For your Information

The **Guild website** can be found at www.thepmqg.com. The current program calendar is updated on the website every month and the current newsletter is available as a link to a pdf file.

Editor's Note:

If you have something you want included in the newsletter please forward to kre8f1@yahoo.com Articles such as recipes or quilt shows/events, tricks or tips, news about members are due to the Editor by the first Wednesday of the month.

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