



## TWIN CITY QUILTERS GUILD

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**Deadline:** The 15th of each month.

All members are encouraged to participate

Dear Quilters,

How can I not comment on this winter - just like yesteryear, right?! Ah, if only as adults we could get as excited over the growing snow mounds. It is what it is, something to talk about.

Speaking if talking about, I'm excited for the annual challenge. This committee stepped out of the box with their apron challenge. How cute! And knowing one of our members as we all do...I wonder if we will see French maid attire at our holiday party?!

I'm also looking forward to what Joan and Rene have up their sleeves for their year long project.

In any case, we are rapidly getting ready for our quilt show. Thank you everyone who has already been busy getting everything in order.

Thanks for the fat quarters and get well cards - see everyone in March!

Deb

## Minutes from the February 5, 2025 meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by Vice-President Joan Rockenbrock

Officers present:

Co/Vice Presidents –Joan Rockenbrock and Rene’ Harbison

Treasurer – Kelly Miller

Secretary – Donna Clark

Guests: Annette Meyer- Grunow and Diane DeArmond, who joined tonight

Joan briefly explained our president’s health issues and cards are being sent around.

Treasurer’s reports are on the tables.

Dee Judy made the motion to accept the January minutes and Dru Lis seconded. They were unanimously passed.

**Program** – “Going Back to Basics “ presented by Joan Rockenbrock

Joan started with fabric preparation

1. Make sure fabric is appropriate to project. You can pre-wash if you prefer. Joan serges her edges, washes, then presses yardage. Don't wash jelly rolls or charm squares due to raveling.
2. Next use sizing, starch, Best Press etc. so fabric doesn't move as you cut. How much is determined by the material. Example - muslin has a loose weave and batiks are closely woven.
3. Use a dry iron on wet item.

She then discussed our monthly Mystery Quilt. This month assemble material.

1. 1 layer cake
2. 1 and a half yd. background material
3. The quilt will include applique for a focal point, so find 3”or larger pieces of large flowers.

The quilt will be approximately 30”X 40”.

Milestone Madness will also be starting. Go through your stash and make a list of what you’d like to get done this year. Decide if you want to donate a started project, pick fabrics for a project, complete a project, etc. When you turn your list in to Joan, you’ll have a chance to win a prize.

The Challenge for this year was presented by Linda Wegrzyn and is entitled “What’s Cooking, Good Looking”. Make an apron Grandma would be proud of. It has to be adult size, your own material, but not a pre-printed cut out fabric. Embellishments will be given and have to be included. You will wear at the Christmas party. The cost is \$5 and will be returned at the Christmas party, when you turn your apron in.

A Linus questionnaire was passed out. Please return tonight.

Refreshment break after singing Happy Birthday to February birthdays. Please sign up for Quilt Show committees.

### **Committee Reports:**

All committees weren't reported on.

**Kitchen:** Faye Vogt asked people to sign up for refreshments

**Walker/Wheelchair:** Barb Newman says there are a lot available and you can call Judy Lilac for directions.

**Pink Ribbon:** No one volunteered to head the committee but Linda Smyth will still collect and deliver chemo hats.

**Library:** Linda Berwalt asked for a write up on each charity and sample to be displayed in a case. She's trying to set up on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February, and will e-mail if it is possible. Please bring small table toppers, runners, purses, totes, wall hangings, etc., with name attached.

**Quilt Show: Theme – “Quilts For All Seasons”**

Cheryl Shoemaker explained that the permit has been paid to the community center for the Quilt show. She passed out bookmarks and posters to members to distribute to quilt stores, churches, etc. Linda Barrett is in charge of advertisement with the Wheatfield Tribune, Cheryl Shoemaker – Facebook and 93AM radio station “What’s Happening”. 3-4 weeks advance notice needed for TV events.

Boutique inventory sheets will be emailed and in the newsletter. Cindy Hubacher reminded us that items are needed, but can not compete with vendors. Items usually are \$20 or less.

Rules for the silent auction, headed by Linda Smyth will be in an e-mail and forms will be distributed at next meeting and in the newsletter.

Please sign up to bring display items (racks, small tables, etc) to be brought in on Friday night, April 25<sup>th</sup>. In the foyer will be a display of our charity work - charity quilts, walker bags, Linus, etc. Food Pantry boxes will also be there, headed by Sue Cahill.

A stamp and materials for Quilter’s Consortium visitors will be available.

We will have a “Square” for charges at the boutique and silent auction that will connect to the checking account.

Mystery bags - Doris Gierke and Bonnie Victor need more fabric and “fun” things.

Food – Linda Szmanda needs breakfast food and grazing items (pretzels, chips, cheese and crackers, etc.) No cupcakes. A signup sheet is being passed around. Volunteers also needed for the Linus Pool. Material can be brought Friday night or Saturday morning.

Liz Wheeler will head demos. She’s looking for two more volunteers to sign up for demos on Saturday. Pineapple blocks, EPP and making a pillowcase are already being presented.

The entry fee for the show is \$6, \$1 dollar off for a food pantry donation. Members pay once.

Joan Rockenbrock is in charge of ribbons and judging. All entries are NOT required to be judged. If you’d like your entry judged, it will be on April 5 at Salem Church, Tonawanda. Drop off 9-9:30, pick up 3-3:30. You will need one judging form per quilt. You can be judged in as many categories that are applicable.

At the April 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting, muslim numbers will be handed out to be placed at the bottom right hand corner on the back of your quilt. The greatest distance from the display bar to the floor is 90”, so have your sleeve at appropriate level.

More raffle tickets are available. See Doris Gierke or Bonnie Victor.

Challenge quilts CAN be judged this year.

Jan Brauer is in charge of set up.

Please bring in Lottery tickets for one of the Basket raffle baskets. Give to Kelly Miller.

If you visit a quilt store, please check their supply of bookmarks and let Cheryl know if they need to be replenished.

**Linus:** Linda Szmanda received 32 quilts tonight, with a grand total of 7,149. Jenny Wigle received a prize from the Christmas party.

A question about Dye fixatives was asked and Color Catchers was a product recommended and it's available at Walmart.

**50/50** - \$27.50 – Diane DeArmond

Show and share

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Clark

### **Message from the Vice President**

Month 1: Prep your fabric. Backing of 1 1/2 yard of neutral fabric. 1 layer cake or approximately 2 3/4 yards of a variety of fabric. Make sure the width is at least 2 1/2"

Wash or not to wash. Your choice. If you think your fabric will bleed, take a small sample and boil it. Your water is not clear after it will bleed in your quilt and it should be treated.

Press DO NOT IRON.

Next month: Cutting and your first block.

### **Milestone Madness**

Check out your UFO's and make a list of what you want to do with them. Make a list to bring to the guild and keep one for yourself. If you want to finish it, if it needs to have binding on, if it needs more fabric, if it needs to be cut and even if it needs to go to another home put it on your list. If you accomplish it, bring it to the guild meeting and we will check it off your list. For each accomplishment your name will go into the Milestone Madness box and at the December party there will be prizes.

Any questions: Joan 716-694-5732

For the May or June meeting we were thinking about a Spring Fling Bag Exchange. If there is enough interest, you would bring in a quilted item (something small) along with a treat. If you

brought a bag you will receive a bag. Further discussion at the next meeting We are also looking into workshops later in the year, so when something is finalized we will let you know.

Joan/Rene

## **Quilt Show Judging**

If you wish for your quilts to be judged, please bring them to Salem UCC 114 Morgan Street between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. on April 5, 2025. Parking and entrance is on Main Street. Pick up is between 3:30 and 4:00. Each quilt will have it's own intake sheet marking each category you wish to have your item judged. If the judges think you should have entered it into a category that you didn't check, they reserve the right to do so. In the past there have been a few surprises. Make sure you have any labels covered up and your sheet is attached to the bottom right hand corner (while looking at the back of the quilt) along with your quilt number. The forms were attached in last month's newsletter. Print out as many as you need for each entry.

### **Hostesses for March meeting:**

Cindy Hubacher	Dee Judy
Joann Pietrzykowski	Judy Lilac
Donna Mileham	Jeannine Ellis

Let's wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to the following quilters for the month of March:

Deb Marshall 3/8	Loretta Crane 3/14
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## **TCQG 2025 Challenge “What’s Cooking Good Looking”**

Kits are available for the 2025 Challenge (price of \$5.00). Dig out your favorite apron pattern, and create one that Grandma would be proud of.

Rules:

1. Must be an adult size apron.
2. Your choice of fabric
3. Embellishment provided in your kit, you may add more embellishments if you want.
- 4 . Must be modeled at the Christmas Party.
5. Can not use premade aprons.

The finished challenge needs to be presented at the annual TCQG Christmas Party. The number of your challenge kit needs to be clearly visible and attached to the front of your apron. Please bring your challenge in a plain brown bag. Every member who completes the challenge and turns it in at the Christmas Party will be refunded the cost of the kit (\$5).

Challenges will be judged by your peers at the Christmas Party. Prizes will be awarded.

### **Library Display**

Our Library display will be set up at 1:00 pm on Friday, February 28th...If anyone has an item for display they can drop it off at the library at that time. The North Tonawanda Library is on 505 Meadow Dr, North Tonawanda. Or any small item can be dropped off at Linda Berwaldt house at 2509 David Dr (it's located off of Witmer Rd in Wheatfield). Linda's phone# is 716-418-2312. If she is not at home you can leave it on the front porch near the door.

Right now the committee only has 20 items so far. The committee is hoping for more. Please contact them if you have something to display.



PROJECT LINUS

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their own Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2024				7104
1-2025	10	3	13	7117
2-2025	10	22	32	7149
3-2025				
4-2025				
5-2025				
6-2025				
7-2025				
8-2025				
9-2025				
10-2025				
11-2025				
12-2026				
			2025 Grand Total	

We are always looking forward to the wonderful quilts you make,  
both from Kits and from your own stash.

This has been a very productive month--- 32 quilts—bringing our total to 7149!!!!

On February 11, our Erie and Niagara County Linus Coordinator—Chris Biggie and her husband  
Picked up 6 bags of washed and tagged 121 quilts to be distributed as needed.



Great job all!!!!

We still need volunteers to add sashing to “Crumbs” then to complete the quilt top.  
And we always need volunteers to quilt or tie the tops.

While you are busy sewing your quilts—or sewing for our excellent Boutique—  
Remember to save your useful scraps—for the Linus Pool---please bring them to the Quilt show.

As always, with the very grateful hearts---Co-chairs, Sue, Cindy, Linda



Quilt Judging Entry Form

QUILT Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please check every category that you want this quilt to be judged in.\*

CATEGORIES:

\_\_\_\_\_ Large Quilt (280" or larger)

\_\_\_\_\_ Medium Quilt (200" to 279")

\_\_\_\_\_ Small Quilt (100" to 199")

\_\_\_\_\_ Miniature Quilt (99" or less)

\_\_\_\_\_ Home Decor

\_\_\_\_\_ Wearable Art

\_\_\_\_\_ Mixed Techniques (3 or more separate techniques)

\_\_\_\_\_ Machine Applique

\_\_\_\_\_ Hand Applique

\_\_\_\_\_ Machine Piercing

\_\_\_\_\_ Quilting - Long Arm

\_\_\_\_\_ Quilting - Mid Arm

\_\_\_\_\_ Quilting - Domestic Machine

\_\_\_\_\_ Original Design

\_\_\_\_\_ Modern Quilt

\*Note: The judges retain the discretion to move a quilt to another category to be judged in whether the box is checked or not.

**\*\*DID YOU REMEMBER TO COVER YOUR LABEL/NAME ON THE BACK OF THE QUILT?????**

## PROCEDURE FOR SILENT AUCTION

### AUCTION ENTRY ITEMS:

- Seller fills out a form with description of item and size.
- Seller decides on a minimum price - that will be the opening bid.

### AT AUCTION:

- Bidder fills out name and phone # on bidder list and receives a Bidder #. This is the number used when bidding on an item. No names will be used.
- Subsequent bids on an item, after the opening bid, must be in increments of at least \$10.00.
- Buyers will be asked to pay with cash or checks if possible.

### AFTER AUCTION;

- Auction will close at 2 p.m. Sunday.
- Winners will be notified by phone and asked to come before 3 p.m. Sunday to pay and pick up their item.
- Sellers will be notified of a sale and will be paid after their item is picked up.
- Unsold items must be picked up before the end of the quilt show clean-up.

## SILENT AUCTION ENTRY FORM

**Seller Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Seller Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Item:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Description & Size:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Opening Bid: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**(This is the minimum price you want to sell for.**

**No bids will be lower. Subsequent bids will be in  
\$10.00 increments.)**

**Bring auction items on Friday for set-up.**

**You will be notified on Sunday afternoon of a sale.**

Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_ Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_ Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_  
Item # \_\_\_\_\_ Item # \_\_\_\_\_ Item # \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_ Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_ Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_  
Item # \_\_\_\_\_ Item # \_\_\_\_\_ Item # \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_ Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_ Vendor # \_\_\_\_\_  
Item # \_\_\_\_\_ Item # \_\_\_\_\_ Item # \_\_\_\_\_  
Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Price \$ \_\_\_\_\_



Entry Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

**Twin City Quilters Guild**  
**“Quilts for Every Season” Quilt Show 2025**  
**Large Quilt - Quilt A or B** (please circle)  
 (Perimeter is 280inches or larger)

<b>Name:</b>
<b>Phone:</b>
<b>Address:</b>
<b>Name of Quilt:</b>
<b>Exact Size (in inches):</b> width _____ length _____
<p><b>Please circle <b>all</b> items relating to your entry:</b></p> <p>Pieced by:            machine        hand</p> <p>Appliquéd:            by hand        by machine</p> <p>Quilted:                by hand    by standard machine(self)    by mid/long (self)</p> <p>Quilted:                longarm machine</p> <p>Professionally machine quilted by _____</p> <p>Original Design</p> <p>Mixed techniques</p> <p>Colors: _____ Dark Medium Bright Pastel</p> <p>Theme: _____</p> <p style="font-size: small;">Examples – Winter/summer/spring/fall, Holidays (which one?), Patriotic, Modern, Baby, Reproduction, Flowers, 30’s, 70’s Groovy, Asian,</p>
<b>Pattern Name:</b> _____
<b>Designer/Magazine/Book:</b> _____
<b>Description/History of the item (Please limit the description to 60 words):</b>

Contact Cheryl at: [cjshoe1989@gmail.com](mailto:cjshoe1989@gmail.com) or 531-3546 if you have further ??.





Entry Number \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ **Twin City Quilters**

**Guild**

**“Quilts for every Season” Quilt Show 2025**

**SMALL Quilt**

(Perimeter is 149 inches or less)

Name:
Phone:
Address:
Name of Quilt:
Exact Size (in inches): width length
Please circle <b>all</b> items relating to your entry: Pieced by: machine hand Appliquéd: by hand by machine Quilted: by hand by standard machine(self) by mid/long (self) Quilted: Professionally machine quilted by _____ Original Design Mixed techniques Colors: _____ Dark Medium Bright Pastel Theme: _____ Examples – Winter/summer/spring/fall, Holidays (which one?), Patriotic, Modern, Baby, Reproduction, Flowers, 30's, 70's Groovy, Asian,
Pattern Name: _____
Designer/Magazine/Book: _____
Description/History of the item (Please limit the description to 60 words):

Contact Cheryl at: [cjshoe1989@gmail.com](mailto:cjshoe1989@gmail.com) or 531-3546 if you have further ??.









Entry Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

**Twin City Quilters Guild**  
**“Quilts for Every Season” Quilt Show 2025**  
**Class - Challenge**

**Class or yearly Challenge offered by the Guild**

Name:
Phone:
Address:
Name of Quilt:
Class/Challenge:
Please circle <b>all</b> items relating to your entry:
Pieced by:            machine            hand
Appliquéd:            by hand            by machine
Quilted:                by hand    by standard machine(self)    by mid/long (self)
Quilted:                Professionally machine quilted by _____
Original Design
Mixed techniques
Colors: _____ Dark Medium Bright
Pastel
Theme: _____
Examples – Winter/summer/spring/fall, Holidays (which one?), Patriotic, Modern, Baby,                                  Reproduction, Flowers, 30’s, 70’s Groovy, Asian,
Description/History of the item (Please limit the description to 60 words):
Please add if you learned a new technique, way of doing something better, etc.



