TWIN CITY QUILTERS GUILD

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Dear Quilters,

Last call to bring in your Christmas stockings as November is the last meeting before they are sent off to our troops

.If you haven't signed up for our Christmas Party (December 2), please do so. Can't wait to see the variety of interpretations of this year's challenge and share a wonderful meal.

Please fill out and return your membership forms, especially the committee choices, so we can start forming the committees before our January meeting.

Marty Held, President

Minutes from the October 7, 2026 meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:35 by President Marty Held

Officers present:

President – Marty Held
Vice Presidents – Joan Rockenbrock
Co-Vice President - Rene' Harbison
Treasurer – Kelly Miller
Secretary – Jessica Tribunella- resigned

Guests: Wendy Mangrum
Program – Tonight's program was Joan Rockenbrock on the history of our guild.
After meeting at the Needles Eye, owned by Donna Mileham and Wendy Mangrum, Joan and Ruth decided to start the guild, in 1982. They hired a lawyer and made by-laws, which they chose to make loose rather than extensive. They had a quilt show the first year and made $300. They started in North Tonawanda, went to the YWCA, NT library and ended up here, at the Wheatfield Center. Quilting has gone from making a utilitarian blanket to works of art and from everything needing to be sewn by hand to today's machine work.
She then showed the completed mystery quilt, made completely from half square triangles.
Refreshment break after singing Happy Birthday to October birthdays.

Joan recognized past presidents at today's meeting. They are Donna Mileham, Paula Wasieczko, Carol Carney, Sandy Wardour and Deb Marshall.

Old Business:
Treasurer's report, on tables. Please ask Kelly Miller if you have any questions. Paula Wasieczko made a motion to accept the report and Linda Wegrzyn seconded it.
Before a motion was made to accept the secretary's report, Sandy Wardour felt there was a need to add to the minutes that a discussion was held about Jessica's longarm fee and Jennie Wigle and Barb Newman's generous offer to pay it. She felt in order to have a paper trail, this information should be included in the minutes. The secretary's report will need to be approved at the next meeting. Donna Clark will take notes at the November meeting and Joan Rockenbrock will complete Jessica's term next year.

New Business:
No new business

Committee Reports:

Christmas Party: Jayne Crummet announced the party is on Wednesday, December 2nd at 6pm at Rescue Fire Hall on Stroud in North Tonawanda. There will be stations and a cash bar. The cost is $28 with checks

payable to the guild. They can be mailed to Kelly Miller at 254 Currier Ave., Sloan, NY 14212. A final count is needed by the November meeting. Kelly Miller and Joan Rockenbrock will help Jayne and a short meeting will be held after November's meeting.

Membership: Liz Wheeler said dues are due by 12/10/26. Only half the members have paid.

*Nominations were opened for 2 year terms for treasurer and Vice President. No new nominations were given, so nominations were closed with Kelly Miller for Treasurer and Doris Gierke and Bonnie Victor for co-Vice President.

NT Library Display: smaller items needed for March display

Wheelchair/Walker bags: Thank you for all who handed in tonight, Judy Lilac has kits available

Pink Ribbon: Keep on working

Linus: Linda Szmanda received 22 quilts tonight, with a grand total of 7,558. We need to reach 7,584 to meet the Challenge 250 by the end of the year.

Raffle Quilt: Tickets still available..

Challenge: Kelly informed us, November is the last chance to purchase a project.

Christmas Stockings: Sue Cahill said there's one more month to hand in and she thanked everyone for the prayers for her family.

Kitchen: Five people signed up for November

Quilt Show: Cheryl Shoemaker announced the show will be April 17-18, with set up April 16. We have 4 vendors for the 10X10 tables with two left. Some possibilities are the new stores in Lockport and Southgate Plaza.

The group decided to have bookmarks, not postcards printed for advertisement. It was requested to have a published list of committees for the show.

The Consortium is having a meeting on December 1st, an e-mail was sent with info.

50/50 $28.50 was won by Sue Cahill.

Show and share

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

Submitted,
Donna Clark

Hostesses for November:

Linda Berwaldt
Donna Clark
Kelly Tooley
Linda Barrett
Liz Wheeler

Let's wish a **"Happy Birthday"** to the following quilters for the month of November:
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Doris Gierke 11/19
Charles Rhodes 11/27
Diane Brodfuehrer 11/28
Linda Barrett 11/30

Mystery and Milestone Madness

Good day all:

In the newsletter there is a picture of this years Mystery Quilt. Hopefully the picture is clear enough that you can zoom in (if needed) to make out all of the half square triangles. This particular pattern can be made any size by adding rows and columns or making your half square triangles smaller or larger.

Milestone Madness: Thanks to everyone who participated. I hope everyone got as many of their UFO's finished and will continue. There will be prizes for all who participated at the Christmas Party so to give me enough time and make sure everyone is acknowledged, please let me know via e-mail or text (716-998-8350) if you have any Milestones before November 15. If you are unable to make it to the party, your gift will be awarded to you at the next meeting you attend.

At this moment, we are trying to finalize a program for November, so it will be a surprise.

Joan and Rene



💕 Pink Ribbon 🎀 Comfort Pillows 💕

I was so excited to receive my first thank you while being chairperson of the Comfort Pillows!
I have attached it here for y'all to read and accept the gratitude with which it was sent 💕

"Dear Quilters:
My mom was diagnosed with breast cancer and had surgery yesterday. She received a special pillow and I wanted to thank you. She also has Parkinson's and has trouble sitting up straight. It is the perfect size and shape to prop her up in her chair. I know it's not the intended use but perfect for multiple reasons! Thanks so much for your time and talents. My mom spent many years knitting hats for babies in the hospital, so it was very nice to get something similar after paying it forward. Much appreciated!

Rebecca"

One delivery was made on September 25th that distributed 52 pillows to a new contact, 199 Park Club in Williamsville! So happy to have finally found a contact at that facility!

My surgery is coming up, but I hope to be well enough to have a stuff and sew gathering at the library in November.

As always keep working on wheelchair walker bags, Christmas stockings, chemo caps and Linus quilts! Think 🩷 🦃

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Quilt Challenge

Are you a **LAST-MINUTE QUILTER?** Our November meeting is your last chance to pick up challenge kits:

- **Low Bridge, Everybody Down!** Create a work commemorating your favorite site or memorable moment along the Erie Canal.
- **Let's Go Fly a Kite!** Create a work dedicated to kites.

The cost of a kit is $5.00 (exact change appreciated) PER KIT, but could be free IF you complete AND display your project at the annual Christmas Party. You can get a kit from Kelly T (rear corner table) at any of our TCQG monthly meetings while supplies last. Yes, you can get one *Low Bridge* AND one *Kite* challenge kit if you wish (total $10.00). Your project will be judged by your fellow quilters and **prizes will be awarded** during the annual Christmas Party on December 2nd, 2026.

Please direct any questions to *any* of our 2026 Twin City Quilters Guild Challenge Committee members: Linda Wegrzyn, Dee Judy, Kelly Tooley, Jessica Tribunella, Dorothy Glosser.

***** PLEASE CONSIDER DISPLAYING YOUR WORK AT OUR 2027 QUILT SHOW! *****



TCQG Christmas Dinner

Rescue Fire Hall/Martinsville Grove
1241 Strad Ave, North Tonawanda

Wednesday December 2nd 2026, 6PM

Menu

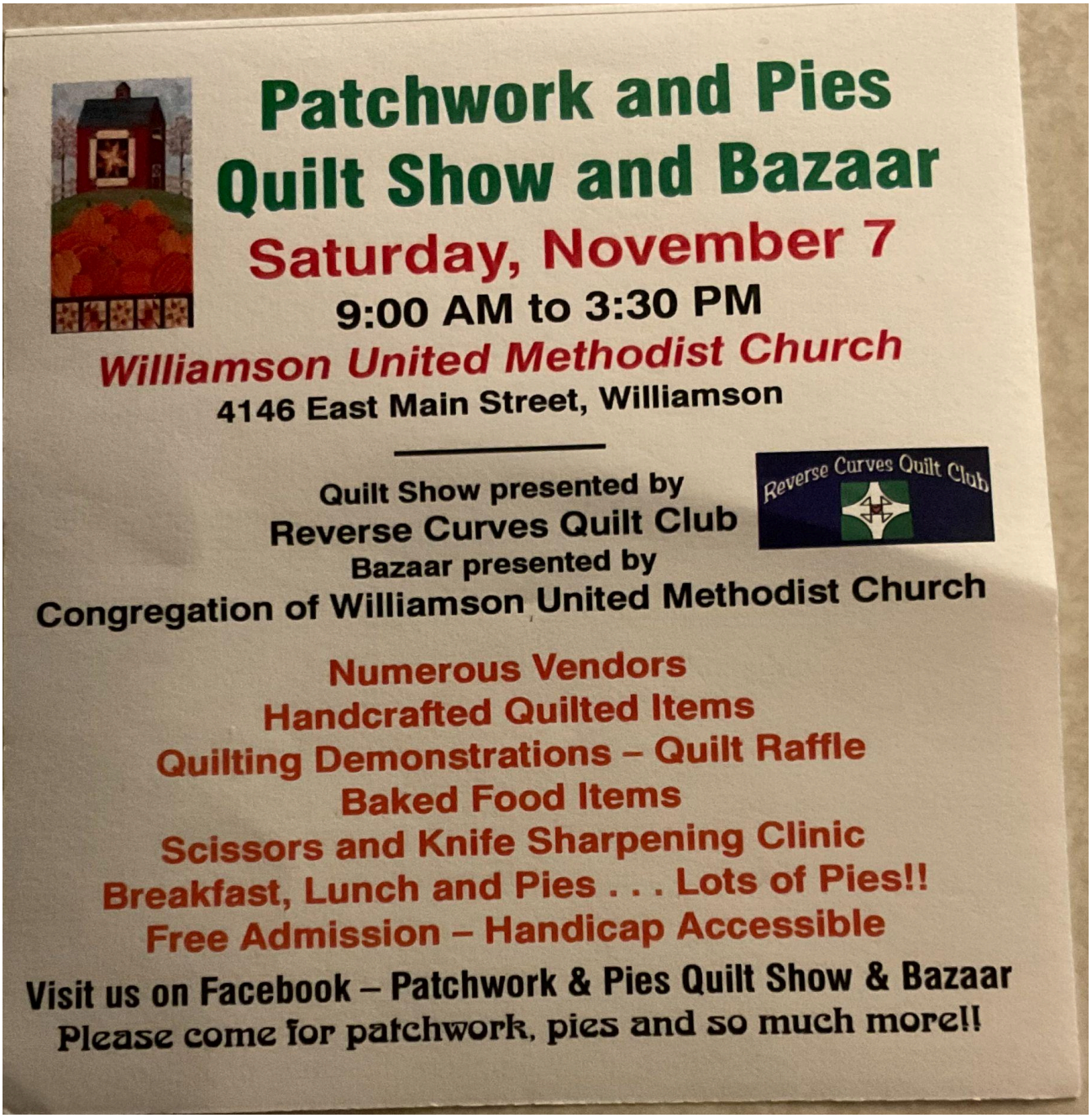
. Different Food Stations and cash bar

Price 28.00 each
Please make your checks out to Twin City Quilters Guild.
Jayne Crummet will accept checks at the November meetings.

Checks can also be mailed to Kelly Miller
at 254 Currier Ave, Sloan NY 14212
Deadline for reservation will be November Guild Meeting

Any questions please text or call Jayne Crummet 716-423-3973

Upcoming Quilt Shows

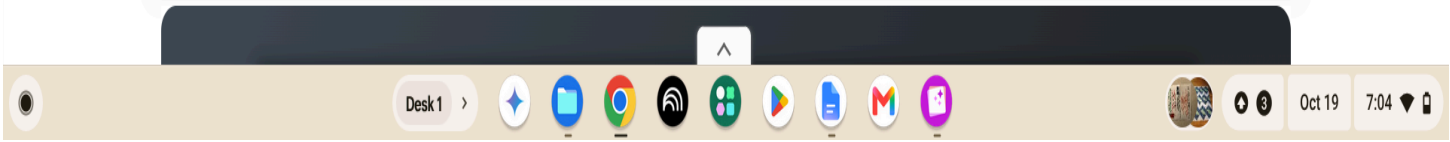




Quilt Shows in New York State

Are you looking for a quilt show near you in New York State? A quilt show is usually sponsored by a quilt guild or club and it is a wonderful place to be inspired, encouraged, and tempted! You will see amazing quilts, some showcasing new quilting techniques and color combinations. You will visit wonderful vendors, who will no doubt have just the fabric and quilting supplies you were looking for. You may even have the opportunity to take classes or workshops from experienced quilt teachers. Whatever you do, wear comfortable shoes and plan to make new quilter friends who share your love of quilting.

- Cabin Fever 15 Quilt Show in Clarence NY - March 12, 2027
- Twin City Quilters Show in North Tonawanda New York - April 17, 2027
- Thread Bears Quilt Show in Sherrill NY - May 1, 2027
- Buzzing along the Towpath Quilt Show in Syracuse NY - July 9, 2027
- County Festival of Quilts Show in Plattsburgh NY - August 7, 2027
- Bursting With Color Biennial Quilt Show in Clay NY - October 16, 2027
- Quilts at the Kenan Quilt Show in Lockport NY - November 5, 2027
- Harvest of Quilts XIX Quilt Show in Mineola New York - November 6, 2027



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PROJECT LINUS

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their own Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2025				7334
1-2026	7	6	13	7347
2-2026	6	10	16	7363
3-2026	20	17	37	7400
4-2026	25	15	40	7440
5-2026	20	17	37	7477
6-2026	3	12	15	7492
7-2026	0	0	0	7492
8-2026	6	8	14	7506
9-2026	14	16	30	7536
10-2026	12	9	21	7557
11-2026				
12-2026				
			2026 Grand Total	

Remember our challenge to make 250 quilts this year in honor of America's 250th Anniversary--- We had a grand total of 21 quilts turned in this month
Bringing out total to 7557----you are amazing!!!!
We only need 27 more to reach our goal---WE CAN DO THIS!!!!

We are very, very grateful to everyone who likes to use their own stash.
Just a quick reminder of the desired size of the quilts:
40 x 50, 50 x 60, 60 x 70 and twin size.

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