



PRESIDENTS message: Linda Barrett

Dear Quilters,

Well, I think from here on out it will be all about the QUILT SHOW. Please be making items for our Quilt Show, so we can remain on the top of the list for the best BOUTIQUE in the area. The raffle quilt is just about done, thank you committee for doing a great job. May the best Man or Women win. Don't forget to sell your tickets.

Thank you for signing in at the greeters table, again this is a safety issue, nothing more! Also thank you for signing up for the refreshment table for the upcoming months. With 77 members, you most likely only need to sign up once a year, well maybe twice in some instances.

Please remember to hand in your Linus items to Doris Gierke or Bonnie Victor for the months of February and March.

Well I was again asked and complied regarding a bus trip. Thanks Cindy Nowicki) I have made tentative reservations for Grand Tours to take us to (RIT) Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester N.Y. For the Genesee Valley Quilt show. We will leave the Wheatfield Community Center on Saturday June 1st, 2019 at 8:15 and return at 4:30. same location. The cost for members will be \$26.00 and non-members \$30.00. Admission \$8 and lunch will be on your own. There will be NO REFUNDS after May 1st, 2019.

We have been to this show before and you will not be disappointed. I will need a definite commitment by May 1st.meeting. Checks made out to Twin City Quilters.

This trip will be offered to all the guilds in the area. I will try to get a pickup place along the Thruway for attendees who live further from the Center.

Looking forward to seeing you all next month, keep those machines humming.

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Myrabelle Quaranto 2/22
Marty Held 2/28

Kitchen: The hostesses for the February meeting are:

Tammy Grider, Pat Vitthuhn, Linda Berwaldt, Marty Held, Sue Cahill, Cheryl Shoemaker, Cindy Nowicki, Dee Judy, Bonnie Victor, Doris Gierke.

Minutes of January 2, 2019 of Twin City Quilters Group

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by President Linda Barrett. Encouraged all members to sign in.

Reminder for all members to check the emailed copy that places them in assigned groups for new year.

Treasurer Report – Marty Held gave one for December, one for January

Newsletter has been taken over by Kelly Urtel. Any information must be submitted by the 15th of each month for printing. Jerry Gensen will continue to manage our website.

The president asked that we continue to save pictures of recent guild activities and forward to Jerry's email.

The block of the month and FAQs will be managed by Karen McMurdo. Patterns are available one month ahead.

Our president complimented the Christmas committee for a wonderful Christmas party. The officers met recently and made some changes for classes taught by TCQG members. The price will increase to \$100 per class. Members will continue to pay \$10.00 but will get money back if they show up for the class.

Liz Wheeler was awarded the members quilt for last year and awarded the gift of \$50. Pam Labushesky explained the donation and ways to use to all members of the guild. Membership – the 2019 Roster has been emailed with 77 paid members. Membership cards are available for pickup at meetings.

Pink Ribbon – Patty Kuriscak announced the next Pink Ribbon Pillow Day at St. Leo's Hall in Niagara Falls on March 9, 2019 from 9:30 – 2:30. A complimentary lunch is provided and door prizes awarded.

Quilt Show – Continue making things for our Boutique – 85% remains with member and 15% to guild. Bring in items on Friday, April 5th. Items for Basket Raffle are to be brought to our February meeting for committee to assemble. Mystery bag items should be brought in Asap. Sandy Wardour is collecting 8 – fat 8ths (or = to 1 yard) for our admissions. The admission cost to our show is \$6.00 for everyone or \$5.00 and a can good. Scraps for our Project Linus pool are collected by Linda Symanda – usable sizes only. Sign up sheets for working the quilt show will be available next month. There will be a job for everyone. Cheryl is investigating whether we will be able to get additional long tables for the show or depend on members to bring in some tables, including card tables. The forms are online for entering your quilts or wallhangings, etc.

Raffle Quilt – Reminder for all members to pick up their raffle tickets for our raffle quilt and sell them. The quilt was shown and measured at 60" x 80" and almost completed.

Challenge for 2018 – reported that 19 of the 32 people enrolled completed their project.

Library Display – committee will be getting together to plan the display at NT Public Library in March. Small items should be brought in to our February meeting along with some Linus quilts.

Janine Ellis won \$35.50 for the 50/50 club and the blocks of the month. Sue Cahill won the FAQs.

Christmas stockings totaled 1350 for 2018 season..

**Deborah Marshall broke her foot ; our member, Pearl Steiger died in December

**Suggestion – to include quilts from members who have passed on into our 2019 quilt show.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Brodfuehrer



Pink Ribbon Projects Comfort Pillows & Chemo Hats



Patty Kuriscak, Linda Goodine, and Judy Klusek

Returned at the January meeting:

Pillows: 115 Total – 29 stuffed and 86 unstuffed -- **WOW!!!**

Hats: 26 Total – 8 regular sleep hats from cotton knit, 12 fleece, and 6 knitted adult hats

Thank You to:

Everyone who takes pillow kits from each meeting and returns them so promptly!!!!

And Special Thank you's to:

Judy Klusek for working on tags for both comfort pillows and hats.

Jeannine Ellis for sewing up **45 pillows** from her own stash!

Vicki Marsh (friend of Dorothy Spears) for stuffing and tagging 16 pillows mentioned above.

Judy Lilac for 4 of the stuffed pillows mentioned above (she is back on her quota!).

Jean Roberto (a former member) for 1 complete pillow and 4 unstuffed pillows of the prettiest breast cancer fabric seen!

Charles Rhodes for sewing the **12 fleece hats** mentioned above.

Judy Klusek for sewing 9 of the unstuffed pillows mentioned above and cutting out a stack of solid-color pieces from her own stash!

Immanuel Lutheran Church ladies for knitting the 6 hats mentioned above. **Thanks for knitting 166 adult hats + 29 infant hats last year!!!**

June Roetzer for delivering pillows and hats to Buffalo Medical Group, Millard Fillmore Suburban, and Roswell in Williamsville as well as hats to American Cancer Society in Dec.

Jeannine Ellis for taking pillows and hats to Erie County Medical Center in December.

Linda Goodine for taking pillows and hats to General Physicians and Dr. Soniwala.

Note: Kits for the **comfort pillows** and **chemo hats** are available at all regular meetings.

If anyone needs kits at other times, please call or email Patty Kuriscak or Linda Goodine; and we will deliver them to you.

Double Note: When you are working on your projects, if you have a piece of fabric 5 ½" x 18" left over, please cut it into a comfort pillow piece (or give it to us and we will cut it to the right shape). If you have just one (or more), we will match it up with other "orphan" pieces to make a beautiful pillow!

Thank you, all, for your continued support – the need is never-ending!



PROJECT LINUS

WOW—A total of 18 quilts were made over the holiday season---You are amazing!!!!!!!

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2018	268	92	360	5543
1/2019	10	8	18	5561

>>>> We----Cindy W, and I will be in Florida. Cindy H is waiting for back surgery at any time and may not be at the meeting.

>>>>We wish to thank Doris and Bonnie who will be accepting your Linus quilts, for the February meeting

A very grateful Linus Co-Chairman

Pink Ribbon Comfort Pillow Day



When: Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where: St. Vincent DePaul (formerly -- St. Leo's) Church Parish Center
2748 Military Road (just north of Kmart), Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Since there are many phases to these pillows, you will be able to work on whatever "stage" you prefer: sewing the pre-cut pieces with your sewing machine, stuffing the sewn pillows with polyfil, or hand-sewing the opening & attaching the tag.

What you should bring:

If you will be machine sewing, → your sewing machine, assorted colors of thread, pins, and scissors.

If you will be hand sewing, → your favorite needle, various colors of thread, and scissors.

Note: pre-cut fabrics, polyfil/stuffing, and final tags will be provided.

What about lunch?

A **COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH** will be provided. Since a "count" for lunch is needed, please indicate your willingness to join us by doing one of the following:

- (1) signing-up on the sheets available at a Guild meeting (Feb. 7th or March 7th) or by
- (2) contacting one of the Pink Ribbon Co-Chairs: Patty Kuriscak (297-2040) pattypillow09@gmail.com
Linda Goodine (298-1002) goodlin79@aol.com
Judy Klusek (283-1264) judyk32@verizon.net

Anything else? Yes, yes, yes ...

- Friends, relatives, and other guests are **VERY WELCOME** to join us and "pitch in".
- Door prizes will be awarded, thanks to June Roetzer, Chairwoman of the Prize Dept.
- Desserts and snacks will be available; drinks (water, coffee, & tea) will be provided.
- Lots of **FUN**, conversation, FUN, comraderie, and **FUN**.

Please let us know if you will be joining us by March 7th.

Library Display

In March we always put a display of our quilts at the North Tonawanda library. Please bring your quilts to the guild in February so we can setup in the beginning of March. Take down will be the last day of March. Please bring smaller items(the large quilts will not fit in the display cases). I will be collecting the quilts. thank you.

Sharon Shakarjian

2018 SUNSHINE FUND REPORT

1/1/2018 Balance	\$77.35
+ Sale of 50/50 tickets	+ 547.00
Paid out in drawings (50%)	- 273.50
Expenses, postage, supplies	- 52.24
To Treasurer for deposit	- 200.00
Balance on 12/31/2018	\$ 98.61

15 members of the guild received packages, and/or cards during 2018.

Linda Smyth
Sunshine Chair

2019 Fat quarter colors:

January: Light blue	February: Red/Pink	March: Green	April: Pastels
May: Batiks	June: Yellow	July: Stars	September: Black/Gray
October: Fall	November: Home spuns		December: Civil war

Fat quarter drawing will be done monthly and winner takes ALL.

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Blocks are also available through the Guild website. Go to the block of the month page and just select the month you want. The link will take you directly to the quilters cache website and the pattern for that block.

paper pieced 8" blocks

January : Braided Star: blues with white background
February: Everybody's Favorite: red and floral
March: Cabbage Rose : Pinks and whites
April: Twisting Spool: any colors
May: End of the Day : Batiks
June: All Those Squares : Multi color and white
July: Delaware Star : Blue, gold and White
September: Crayons and Pencils : Primary colors
October: Shoemaker's Puzzle: Fall colors
November: Triangle Party: Red and White
December: Christmas Quilt 2001: Green with red triangles



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