



Presidents Message

Greetings,

As I write this note it is the coldest day this winter, and I must say it has been kind of nice to stay in and get some sewing done. Speaking of that, don't forget to start your flying geese block exchange, if you are a little hesitant we will do a brief demo to refresh your memory or make you more confident.

We will have a wool applique demo during the meeting this month: kits will be provided and Cindy Hubacher will show us some techniques to make a heart book place holder. The only thing you need to bring is a pair of scissors to trim and cut threads.

February 19th will be our one hour charity challenge; we want to see how much you can do in one hour. So make sure you pick up a few items to work on that day or a day that works for you, tally the items and return them at the March meeting and we will have a draw for a prize. It's amazing what can be done in just a short period of time. Please take part and let's move forward through these challenging times. I know everyone feels the pressure of COVID and I think busy minds and hands will help us keep focused on the good.

Our UFO challenge continues this year so your first one will be due at the March meeting; I believe most of you enjoyed getting some things finished, I know sometimes I need that little extra push.

See you in February,

Karen

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February 2nd, 2022 Hostess:

CINDY HUBACHER, DONNA MILEHAM, LIZ WHEELER

LIBRARY DISPLAY

March is set aside each year to celebrate quilts and quilters. And we will be displaying our talents once again this March at the North Tonawanda Public Library, located at 505 Meadow Drive, North Tonawanda.

The display committee has decided to set up the display on Thursday, March 3. This means that you can bring the items you want to have displayed to the March meeting! So, start curating and make some grand selections to showcase! Remember we have two years of challenge quilts we can display as well as a sampling of the variety of charity items that we create. There really isn't any room for large items (save them for our 2023 quilt show!). Make certain everything is labeled with your name.

Current plans are that items will be taken down on Thursday, March 31. Items displayed will be returned at the April 6 Guild meeting. If you will not be at that meeting, please make plans with another Guild member to collect your items.

I am always so in awe of the talent in our group! Thanks for helping make this years' display awesome as usual!

Deb & Ann

Minutes from the January meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:36 p.m. by Karen McMurdo

Officers present: President – Karen McMurdo

Vice President – Druscilla Lis

Treasurer – Joanne Sentman

Secretary – Donna Clark

Guests: Carol Kalinowski and Kelly Miller

Karen went over committee chairs and asked for volunteers for those not having a chair. No volunteers.

Pink Ribbon – Joan Rockenbrock

Christmas Party – Wendy Mangrum

Christmas Stockings – Sue Cahill

Historian –

March Library Display – Deb Marshall

Meeting Greeters -

Membership –Liz Wheeler

Newsletter –Kelly Urtel

Program Helpers –

Project Linus – Linda Szmanda, Cindy Warthling, Cindy Hubacker

Raffle Quilt –Karen McMurdo

Refreshments –

Summer Picnic –Marty Held

Walker Wheelchair Bags – Barb Newman

Travel – Cheryl Shoemaker

Sunshine – Jill MacDougal

Old Business:

Treasurer's report on tables.

Karen presented Gold Star to Linda Smyth for 7 years as Sunshine Chair.

Cindy Warthling was selected as the winner of the membership draw - \$50 to use toward quilting.

Thanks were given to Christmas and Challenge committees for their great job in December.

Linda Barrett made pillowcases for "Beds from Brian" and will be taking them to Brian's mom. Janet

Smith, Doris Gierke, Bonnie Victor and Karen McMurdo also made donations. A letter was

received from "Beds from Brian" thanking for monetary donation from the last meeting.

After singing Happy Birthday and a brief break, our special program was held.

Our esteemed member, Sandy Wardour, presented a trunk show. Her history, explanations and presentation of her beautiful, colorful quilts were greatly appreciated.

New Business

Proceeds from sale of Pat Neuman materials were used to purchase a quilt rack for future displays.

New block exchange – make 5 two block flying geese units, exchange for 5 two block flying geese units,

which will be in a basket at future meetings. Patterns are available, any colors or scrappy. You can

leave paper on and leave a generous border .

UFO projects – pick 4 projects, first one due in March. Your name will be in for a drawing @ Christmas

party.

February 19th is the annual Linus day of charity. We are conducting a one hour charity challenge. Do at home

and bring it back at the March meeting. Committees have prepared hats, stockings, pillows and Linus

blankets for you to choose from. They will be available at the February meeting also.

Deb Marshall will collect any items for the March library display at the February meeting. Small quilts are

recommended. Put your name on, and she will return to you in April.

We will have theWheatfield center available for the picnic.

Hostess book on table.

Dru needs ideas for programming. Please give her names and number of contact.

Upcoming Events

Genesee Valley Quiltfest will be held May 20-22. Friday and Saturday 9-5, Sunday 10-4. \$10 group fee.

At this point, you will need a vaccine card, Excelsior pass, ID and mask. We are shooting for booking a

bus for Saturday, the 21st. Probably boarding bus at Wheatfield Center about 8am, with arrival

around 9:30. Leaving Quiltfest about 3. Will have bottled water. Might have to pay more if not a

member. You may want to pack a lunch. We will open to Kenmore guild, if our members can't fill

47 seats. Carol Carney is entering some quilts in the competition. If you want to also, she's willing

to take when she takes hers. \$20 fee for judged quilts and can be done online.

Bring scissors to the next meeting. We'll be making a wool bookmark during the meeting. Cindy Hubacker will be teaching.

Our 2023 quilt show date won't be definite until Wheatfield Center's 2023 calendar comes out. Easter is April 9th in 2023. Will be after that. Members can enter one big quilt and one secondary. Need many smaller quilts, so won't be limited to one. Keep eyes open for potential vendors. Lost many due to closings and retirements.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Clark

Note from Vice President

Oh the weather outside is frightful!

But quilting is so delightful!

And since we've no place to go....

let us sew, let us sew, let us sew!

Wasn't it wonderful to have Sandy Wardour start off 2022 for us with a showing of a few of her quilts from the early days? She mentioned to me that that was probably only about 1/5 of all of her quilts! We may have to have a repeat performance!

Now looking ahead to the February meeting, one of our go-to person's, Cindy Hubacher, will be helping us make hearts! She asks that you bring your own scissors, and a needle threader if you need one. She has been working on putting together kits for each of us to have a make and take finished by the end of the meeting! So bring your nimble fingers and create your own wool work Valentine's heart. 

March winds doth blow; and we will have snow! However I have put in a request to reserve the community room at the NT public library community room to have a workshop! Details to follow once I am sure our request has been approved.

I am also working on a guest speaker and hope to have that firmed up by the next newsletter.

Until we meet again, stay warm, stay healthy and stay tuned!

VP Dru

LINUS



PROJECT LINUS

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their own Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2021				6229
1-2022	7	10	17	6246
2-2022				
3-2022				
4-2022				

5-2022				
6-2022				
7-2022				
8-2022				
9-2022				
10-2022				
11-2022				
12-2022				
			Grand Total	

Hello fellow quilters:

**Happy 2022!! It was so great to see so many of you at the January meeting----
and you have been even during the Holidays.**

We wish to acknowledge everyone you have made quilts from their own stash:

Diane Brodfuehrer, Sue Cahill, Linda Barrett and Cindy Hubacher.

Be Warm, Be Well, Be Safe

Gratefully Co-Chairs: Cindy, Cindy, Linda



Pink Ribbon

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The holidays are here and the Pink Ribbon Committee wishes you and your loved ones, a healthy and happy holiday season. We hope Santa brings you everything you want.

We have been working hard and will have a lot of kits available for you at the January and February meetings next year so we hope you will help in sewing up a few pillow kits for us. Unfortunately there is still a need and all that you do is greatly appreciated. We found there were 2 different size templates and we tried to trim the long pieces to match the shorter ones when we packed the kits, but there may be some we missed. So if you find your pieces are uneven, just trim the longer one to match the shorter and stitch together. The templates are all the same size now so we shouldn't have this issue in the future.

Our final count for this year is as follows:

**December pillow deliveries: 64 Total for 2021: 490
Grand Total: 9,822**

**Chemo Hats: Total for 2021: 426
Grand Total: 5,193**

Again, thank you for all your help

Pink Ribbon Committee

Birthday's

2/2 Greg Mangin

2/7 Kelly Urtel

2/15 Cheryl Lynch

2/17 Kim Baglio

2/18 Donna Mileham

2/28 Marty Held

2/28 Linda Szmanda



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just gotta sew!

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