



## **PRESIDENTS message: Linda Barrett**

Dear Quilters,

The Month of February has given us the worst weather I can remember in a long time. Hopefully you all made it through without too much grief. It saddened me that the meeting for Wednesday February 6th had to be canceled, but I felt lives were more important. Due to the bad weather I took the liberty of rescheduling the meeting to Feb 13th. As we have much to discuss regarding the quilt show prior to March meeting.

As was mentioned in last January's newsletter, should we encounter inclement weather at any time, you should look at your emails and see if meeting has been canceled. If someone wishes to be in charge of a phone tree, please see me after the meeting and perhaps this can be put into action. Also in that newsletter it was stated that the doors to Wheatfield Community Center would be open by 5:45. As of this letter, DOOR WILL NOT BE OPEN UNTIL 6:00 PM. That gives everyone time to settle in and kitchen can set up in time.

If anyone would like to have your biography relating to quilting spotlighted in the newsletter, please see me and sign up. Many have done so and reading the bios are enlightening. You may find a comic one in this newsletter.

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for the work to be done for the show. I can't wait to see all the beautiful items that will be on display. Please remember the Boutique, raffle quilt ticket sales and the rest of the never ending projects, wheel chair walker bags, Linus and Pink Ribbon.

We ask for prayers for our members who have been ill, had surgeries, and are not well us this month.

Warm regards, Linda

## **QUILTERS SPOTLIGHT Linda Barrett**

I have been “sewing” since I was about 13. It all started on my Omas treadle machine. Little things, pot holders, aprons, and a straight A-line skirt. We had to make these in 7th and 8th grade.

In my early twenty's I was going to be a Mom, and I decided to sew diapers. I went shopping for fabric, not knowing how much to buy so I bought a whole bolt of flannel at Niese's a small dry good store on Oliver Street in NT. Well, little did I know how many diapers I should sew, so I used the whole bolt.

8 dozen diapers I was done, the edges neatly bound,

As years went by not having much money and being a single Mom, I decided to make my daughter and I clothing. Somehow my Daughter always finds the picture of her and I in look alike dresses and posts it on the internet on my Birthday. From there I became a nurse and couldn't afford uniforms, so out came the machine again! I made my uniforms and also my caps.

Years later my sister in law who belonged to Riverlea, encouraged me to learn to quilt. I will not say I learned a lot, but I tried. So my first “quilt” was a lovely 9 block throw for my Oma who was in a nursing home. I lovingly made the top, than the backing, quilted it and presented it to Oma. She was delighted, little did she know it was not quite right, little did I know either. You see, I did not know you had to put batting in it. None the less she used it daily and loved it.

Since that quilt I have researched and found these quilts without batting, are called “Summer Quilts” or “Florida Quilts”. So I was not all wrong.

I joined Twin City about 20 years ago, and my first “real” quilt was entered in our show and won first place. It was a Radiant Star for my daughters 40th Birthday.

Moral of the story, keep trying, never think you are not good enough, or can't do it. Just DO IT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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## **Birthdays**

3/6 Esther Stoeckel

3/8 Deb Marshall

3/22 Peggy Williamson

## **Kitchen: The hostesses for the March meeting are:**

Judy Lilac, Deb Marshall, Cindy Nowicki, Pam Pandolfi, Jeanine Ellis, Ann Barberio, Liz Wheeler, Marci Hodsell, Linda Wegrzyn, Susan Nearhoof

Thank you to everyone who signed up to bring treats in February. Sorry we could not enjoy them but please consider signing up again.

Donna Brown

## **Minutes of February 6, 2019 of Twin City Quilters Group**

**No minutes as the meeting was cancelled, not once but twice due to bad weather.**

## **Pink Ribbon Projects**

### **Comfort Pillows & Chemo Hats**

**Patty Kuriscak, Linda Goodine, and Judy Klusek**

Since the January meeting, members of the Pink Ribbon Committee have been working diligently:

▶ sewn and ready-to-be-stuffed pillows have been turned in by Jeannine Ellis (17), Emma Hofmeyer (12), and Sharon Sacco (9).

▶ LOTS of pillow pieces, ready-to-be-matched have been cut by Jeannine Ellis, Judy Klusek, and Janet Smith

▶ matching of pieces into sets (127) by Linda Goodine

▶ donation of yards of her own fabric by Margaret Drosky

▶ **400 pillow tags** (ready for Pillow Day in March) by Judy Klusek

▶ delivery of pillows and hats to Roswell downtown by Emma Hofmeyer

▶ delivery of chemo hats to Roswell in Williamsville by Tammy Grider

Since the February meeting was cancelled due to nasty weather, some members may not have had an opportunity to sign up for the Pink Ribbon Comfort Pillow Day on March 9<sup>th</sup> (please see the flyer with details also in this edition of our newsletter). If you would like to help us on that day and haven't yet signed up, please call or email one of the co-chairs: Patty, Linda, or Judy (phone numbers and email addresses are in the flyer) as soon as possible.

If you have taken kits home from previous meetings (especially pillow kits), please sew them up and bring them to the March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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

## 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. 7<sup>th</sup> or March 7<sup>th</sup>) or by
- (2) contacting one of the Pink Ribbon Co-Chairs: Patty Kuriscak (297-2040) [pattypillow09@gmail.com](mailto:pattypillow09@gmail.com)  
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Judy Klusek (283-1264) [judyk32@verizon.net](mailto: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.**

## **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.

**[www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com)**

**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

New rules concerning classes. The class times are 9:30 am to 3ish. It will be \$10.00 per class which will be returned when you arrive at the class. About 10 -12 people per class due to the Center's new renting rule.

Feb 23 Pam Pandolfi will be conducting a class. There will be a \$20.00 kit available. Information will be at the meeting.

March 16 – Rene' Harbison will be conducting a jelly roll rug class. There is homework that will be needed to done before the class. I will explain next month.

May 18 – Marty Held will be conducting the Costa Maya quilt class. Pattern is required.

Any questions, email me at [renesmessages@msn.com](mailto:renesmessages@msn.com) or call 716-553-3397  
Rene' Harbison



**Twin City Quilt Guild**