



## **Presidents Message:** Karen McMurdo

Hello,

March is upon us and hopefully the weather will be improving. Think Spring and start cleaning out your sewing rooms, don't forget our Garage Sale is this month so bring in your stuff labeled and ready to sell. I will be at the Center at 5:30 to open the doors so everyone has a chance to set up.

We have a workshop coming up on March 7<sup>th</sup> Egg Zentangle by Helen Cochran from Patchwork Gardens, and our past workshop Nine Patch Pizzazz was a great success. Lots of fun, and every project looked different, so consider going to one of the upcoming events that Rene' has lined up for us. Don't forget to visit the North Tonawanda Library to see our display that Deb Marshall and her committee has setup for Quilting Month. It always looks so nice with such a variety of pieces and items.

I was pleased with the participation in the exchange blocks. I am hopeful to be able to change things up a bit. Since meetings are being trimmed down it will leave us time at the end to do other things. If you have projects that you need help with please bring them in. Our group is so talented we should use one another for ideas and as a sounding board. We could also break up into smaller groups with interests like wool work, applique, English paper piecing, computer design, miniatures and any other interest you may have. I for one would like to see busy hands at the meeting.

See you in March,

Karen

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**Birthdays**

**March**

**3/6 Esther Stoeckel**

**3/8 Deb Marshall**

**3/9 April McCabe**

**3/22 Peggy Williamson**

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

### **March Hostess list:**

**Barb Barrett, Linda Berwaldt, Jeanine Ellis, Patty Kuriscak, Judy Lilac, Sheryl Lynch, Deb Marshall, Cindy Nowicki, Esther Stoeckel, Linda Szmanda**

**Remember to bring your own cup. Each time you do enter your name for a chance to win a prize!**

## **Twin City Quilters Guild February 5, 2020 Meeting**

### **Notes**

**The meeting was called to order by President, Karen McMurdo at 6:30 p.m.**

**Treasury's Report - Marty Held: Accepted as published. Secretary's report was accepted as published. Visitors: Jackie Ernst, Kim Baglio and Kathy Dublinski - thanks for visiting.**

**Show and Share was inspirational and lovely.**

**Old Business: The racks arrived for the quilt show. Karen has them at her house. Library Show - turn in your items to Deb Marshall tonight or bring them to the North Tonawanda Public Library on Meadow Drive in N.T. on March 1 around 12:30. National Blanket Day - Feb 15 St. Pius North French Road. Chef's will provide lunch but there will**

be a cost - probably \$5.00. New Business - Rada. Is anyone interested in placing an order? The catalogue is available and Karen will be placing it next month. Sunshine - Ann Barberio will contact Linda and audit the books. Violet Protest; - Woman who is an artist and will be putting together a display 2020 Phoenix Art Museum. She will send 50 blocks to the congressmen and senators. To bring to their attention to support America's Core values. The paperwork is available if anyone is interested. Sunday Brunch will start at the South Wilson Fire Co and Aux. 4194 Chestnut Rd March \$12 Buffet for adults \$5.00 for children 5-10, children 4 and under free. Feb Birthdays were celebrated. The basket with the block of the month was passed around. If you brought 5 blocks, you take 5 blocks. The patterns that were given out last month were for you to make copies for the upcoming months.

Rene - VP: 9 Patch Pizazz is this Saturday. You will need a large printed fabric and at least 2 colors to coordinate. The class starts at nine March 7 - Helen Cochran will do the zentangle egg. September 12th John Kubinec is coming to guide us through the basics of Westalee Rulers October 10 - Mini Mosaic quilts Cheryl Lynch. Look on the internet for Mini Mosaic or Cheryl Lynch. Sheryl Lynch November 14 sweatshirt jacket jelly roll

Pink Ribbon - The date has changed to April 25.

Linus Day for the guild will be March 21 at Salem Church in Tonawanda, Main and Morgan. 9:30. Use the Main Street entrance. Tonight there were 24 quilts turned in which brings our total to 5,768.

Walker Wheelchair Bags: Thank you to everyone who donates fabric, constructs lap robes and bags. In 2019 the committee gave away 810 w/w bags.

The evening demos are Bindings and Borders.

50/50 Split \$31.50 Jayne Crummet

Fat Quarters: 9 Sue Cahill

Respectfully submitted - Joan Rockenbrock

## **READY....SET.... CHALLENGE!**

Please come to the March meeting with your \$5.00 ready to join in the 2020 TCQG challenge!

The committee will be ready with kits available for you to choose from! remember to have it completed by the December Christmas party and earn your \$5.00 back!!

What could it be???? Come and see!

Dru Lis, Dee Judy, Linda Wegrzyn

Thank you!!!

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## **2019 SUNSHINE REPORT**

1/1/2019 Balance on Hand

\$ 98.61

Sale of 50/50 Tickets	+	529.00
Paid to Winners (50%)	-	264.50
Forwarded to Treasury	-	300.00
Expenses, Gifts, Cards	-	37.50
12/31/2019 Balance on Hand		\$ 25.61



## Pink Ribbon Projects Comfort Pillows & Chemo Hats



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**Returned at the February meeting:**

**Pillows: 92 Total** – 51 stuffed and 41 unstuffed

**Hats: 37+ Total** – 13 regular sleep hats from cotton knit, 4 fleece hats,

and

20 knitted adult hats + 4 infant knitted hats

**Thank you to everyone who takes pillow and hat kits from each meeting  
and returns them so promptly!!!!**

**And Special Thank you's to:**

**Sister Joanne's Confirmation Class @ St. Leo's (aka St. Vincent DePaul)** for stuffing and tagging 35 of the pillows mentioned above.

**Pam Pandolfi** for sewing 19 of the 41 unstuffed pillows mentioned above.

**Judy Lilac** for sewing the four fleece hats mentioned above.

**Ann Barbario's sister, MJ,** for knitting and crocheting 14 of the hats mentioned above.

**Immanuel Lutheran Church ladies** for knitting 6 adult + the 4 infant hats mentioned above.

**Margaret Drosky and Linda Barrett** for donating fabric for pillow pieces as they do "spring cleaning" in their sewing rooms!

**Judy Klusek** for her continuing work to produce the **MANY** pillow and hat tags needed recently!

**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 1/2" 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 piece (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!**

Co-chairs: Patty Kuriscak, Linda Goodine, and Judy Klusek

## **Pink Ribbon Comfort Pillow Day**



**When: Saturday, March 14, 2020 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 (Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> or March 4<sup>th</sup>)  
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? Definitely ...

☑ Friends, relatives, and other guests are **VERY WELCOME** to join us.

☑ **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 7, 2020](#).

## Linus



### PROJECT LINUS

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their Stash	Totals	Grand Totals

2019	85	106	191	5729*
1-2020	10	5	15	5744
2-2020	5	19	24	5768

Linus is very grateful for any quilts you chose to make with your own stash—Sizes welcomed are:

Preemie 27” square, Small 30 x 40, Medium 40 x 50, Lap 50 x 60. There is a need for Twin 70 x90, for

victims of abuse.

Thank you so very much for your continued support !!!!

With grateful hearts

Project Linus Co-chairs: Cindy, Cindy, Linda

Mary states Linus will accept single layer fleece blankets with crocheted edges -all year.

The double layered fleece blankets are best for the colder seasons.

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With grateful hearts

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**Please join us for**  
**Fun, Friendship, prizes**

**TCQG LINUS DAY 2020**

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

9:30-2:30

SALEM CHURCH, tonawanda

Please use the Main street entrance

We will have a variety of  
Cotton Quilt kits to sew  
and fleece quilts to crochet

Bring you sewing machines or come to iron. Bring your lunch - there will be prizes!

Looking forward to seeing you there 😊

## **Fat quarter colors for 2020**

**January: Polka Dots**

**February: Hearts/Pink/Red**

**March: 30's**

**April: Stripes**

**May: Black and White**

**June: Flowers**

**July: Civil War**

**September: Kids prints**

**October: Halloween**

**November: Plaids/Checks**

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

**\*\*NEW THIS YEAR\*\***

**Block exchange: It is a paper pieced strip block that will measure 4" unfinished. It is a great way to build a quilt with a variety of fabrics. For example: you make 4 blocks for yourself and another 4 to bring in and exchange. We will have basket available at meetings and you will pick out the same number of blocks that you have brought in. More information will be available at the January meeting along with a sample of what can be done with them. There will be templates available at the meeting get you started.**

**Hope to see you all joining in,**

**Karen**

**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.**

**Any questions, email me at [renesletterss@aol.com](mailto:renesletterss@aol.com) or call 716-553-3397**

**Rene' Harbison**

