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The 15th of each month. All members are encouraged to participate

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Dear Quilters,

I'm certain most of you are like me, turning the furnace on for the first time of the season. Cooler temps have certainly arrived and the ice pellets that fell from the sky today is a clear indication that fall has arrived.

Thank you for the courtesy extended to Jayne last month. In case you haven't experienced it lately - moving into a new abode after 47 years is not for the light of heart - especially when you have mobility issues! I'll be missing the holiday party as well, knee surgery is the day prior. My daughter packed up my sewing room - it's gonna be a while before I'm sewing again!

The budget for next year will be presented at the November meeting as will nominations from the floor for the two positions that will be vacated, Vice President and Treasurer. If you haven't been approached to hold a Board position, please consider it.

Deb Marshall

Minutes from the October 2, 2024 meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:40 by Vice President Jayne Crummet

Officers present:

Vice President – Jayne Crummet

Secretary – Donna Clark

Guests: Penny McDowell

Congratulations were given for the membership meeting the challenge to create 7,000 Project Linus quilts by the end of the year. A second celebration was to honor one of the founding members of our guild, Karen McMurdo, moving to Michigan. Karen and Joan Rockenbrock, the only other founding member, gave a little history of the guild. Joan then presented Karen with an engraved seam ripper to remember us by. A celebration cake will be available during refreshments to honor both events.

Karen McMurdo made the motion to accept the September minutes and Liz Wheeler seconded. It was unanimously approved.

No Financial Report given

Our program tonight, “Quilt as You Go”, was presented by two of our members, Linda Szmanda and Pam Labushesky. It was an excellent and informative demonstration.

Old Business:

Remember to update Liz Wheeler (membership) of any address/email/phone number changes.

Your membership survey/programming requests, should be turned in to Judy Phillips.

Let us know if you're a long arm quilter in our group, with amount charged.

The microphone issues have been resolved. The Center has purchased a new microphone and wiring.

Elections for Treasurer and Vice President should be held in November.

New Business:

We are still seeking new Treasurer and Vice President.

It was brought to our attention that long armers prefer backings with horizontal seams.

No other new business.

Refreshment break after singing Happy Birthday to October birthdays.

Committee Reports:

Christmas Party: Linda Barrett informed us of the menu. The party will once again be held at Rescue Fire Hall, on December 4th at 6PM. Linda Wegrzyn will send menu out. Check only for \$30 made out to Twin City Quilt Guild, with Christmas Party on the check, by November 10th.

Christmas Stockings: Dru Lis has stockings and they will be accepted until the November meeting.

Pink Ribbon: Joan Rockenbrock reiterated that she will be stepping down as Pink Ribbon chair, but will remain as a liaison with Salem Church.

Programs: Jayne Crummet said Melissa Kate will be presenting at our November meeting on the Erie Canal Traveling Museum.

Project Linus: Linda Szmanda informed us that she washes all quilts with scent free, clear detergent and has to have quilts with 100% cotton and NO pet dander or hair. Kristine McGraw will get us a list of where quilts are sent.

Quilt Show: Kelly Miller will collect baskets and items in November and January.

Quilter's Challenge: Dee Judy announced there are still 10 kits left.

Raffle Quilt: Doris Gierke, Bonnie Victor and Karen McMurdo presented the beautiful raffle quilt. Besides the three women mentioned, several other members helped make the quilt and Sheryl Lynch quilted it. "Jacks That Care", a family resource center at North Tonawanda High School, is the recipient of this year's profits.

Refreshments/Kitchen: no comment

Picnic: no comment

Sunshine: Jill MacDougall stated that a sympathy card was sent to former member, Patty Kuriscak, upon the death of her husband.

Wheelchair/walker bags: nothing

Fat Quarters: Linda Szmanda (3)

50/50 - \$23 - Paula Wasieczko

Show and share

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Clark

Message from the Vice President

Speaker for our November meeting will be Melissa Kate from the Traveling Erie Canal Museum.

Hosts for November meeting:

Donna Clark

Diane Brodfuehrer

Dee Judy

Linda Barrett

Block of the Month

- January - find a fat quarter that is just as interesting on the back side - refold it so the reverse side is showing for **National Backward Day**.
- February - It's time for **Pistachio Day** - that means the color this month is green
- March - **National Jewel Day** is in March - time for jewel toned fat quarters
- April - **National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day** - who knew??? Think of the colors of this sandwich!
- May - shades of yellow are perfect to celebrate **Lemonade Day**
- June - time to look down the dairy aisle for your color selection when we celebrate **National Cheese Day**
- September - just look up for your shades of blue for **International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies**
- October - time for pink because it is **Breast Cancer Awareness month**
- November - **World Vegan Day** offers a wide variety of bright shades as you travel down the vegetable aisle

Let's wish a "**Happy Birthday**" to the following quilters for the month of November:

11/19 Doris Gierke
 11/25 Susan Skinner
 11/27 Charles Rhodes
 11/28 Diane Brodfuehrer
 11/30 Linda Barrett



TCQG Christmas Dinner

Rescue Fire Hall/Martinsville Grove
1241 Strad Ave, North Tonawanda
Wednesday December 4th 2024, 6PM

Menu

Breaded pork chops, chicken, mashed & au gratin potatoes, candied carrots,
mixed vegetables, coffee, tea & cheesecake.

Price 30.00 each

Please make your checks out to Twin City Quilters Guild.
Linda Barrett will accept checks at the November 6th meeting.

Checks can also be mailed to:

Linda Barrett
7345 Ward Rd,
North Tonawanda NY 14120.

Deadline for reservation will be November 12th, no exception.

Any questions please text or call Linda Barrett 716-799-7226

Thank you, The Christmas Party Committee



PROJECT LINUS

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their own Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2023				6669
1-2024	7	12	19	6688
2-2024	2	38	40	6728
3-2024	21	18	39	6767
4-2024	17	6	23	6790
5-2024	22	41	63	6853
6-2024	27	23	50	6903
7-2024	5	15	20	6923
8-2024	6	-	6	6929
9-2024	23	87	110	7039
10-2024	22	6	28	7067
11-2024				
12-2024				
			2024 Grand Total	7067

A special thank you to Pam Labushesky for the “Quilt as you Go” or “Strip Quilting” demo---

We are still looking for volunteers for our new idea of “Community Quilts”—

Some of you like to sew just the tops-

Some like to add the backing, batting, and the quilting-

Some like to add the binding-

We need more to please step-up to quilt the tops—it’s not fair to the handful

who have offered to quilt the tops—stitch-in-the-ditch, diagonal, horizontal, and vertical lines are all wonderful designs for the quilt tops----

Don’t be scared, kids love them no matter the quilting!!!!

Please call, email, or text me if you wish to be added to this group (716-695-5613).

We will continue make our 10 ½” “Crumb squares”, collecting 12 to make a quilt top—

we need volunteers to add sashing to complete the quilt tops.

Just a quick reminder of the Project Linus Quilts Guidelines:

Please use new 100% cotton fabrics, fleece and yarn.

Sizes: 30" x 40" 40" x 50" 50" x 60" and twin size 58" x 85" (for the older children).

NEW LINUS AREA AT MEETINGS

We have decided to move the Linus Committee table to the foyer.

This will be less interruptive at the meetings.

We will still be very happy to accept your quilts and check-out kits,

Before and after the Meeting—just at a new location.

We are asking you to enter your name into the contest box for prizes at the Christmas Party.

We are very grateful to all who have donated to Project Linus.

Co-chairs Cindy, Cindy, Linda

Pink Ribbon

For the past few years, since I have been chairperson for Pink Ribbon, you have always answered the call when asked. The committee and the recipients thank you. In that time you have supplied over 3,000 pillows to those in need providing comfort and support.

I will be taking on another position with the guild and hope that we find someone to step up and take on this worthwhile charity.

Joan Rockenbrock

New chair needed for Pink Ribbon. Joan Rockenbrock is stepping down; she will remain as liaison with Salem Church. All supplies are kept at Salem Church.

TCQG 2024 Quilt Challenge

Four Seasons

Last Chance, only 10 kits are left. Finished challenge due at our Christmas Party and will be judged by your peers. Rules are your kit fabric must be completely used. Your choice of background, no seasonal panels are permitted. Your choice of any material and embellishments, other than seasonal. Finished challenge 20" square. Challenge must have your number pinned on the front, and brought to the Christmas Party in a plain brown paper bag.

The Challenge committee is looking forward to seeing your version of the Four Season.

THE ODDS ARE IN YOUR FAVOR! EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Is there a fabric/fiber class or technique that you've been wanting to learn? Make 2025 the year that you go for it!

The QCNYS Educational Scholarship is open to all members of QCNYS.

(if you are a member of a guild who is a member of QCNYS, you are a member!)

The application period for 2025 Scholarships is open until December 1, 2024

Applications are made online only.

Educational scholarships are an awarded amount of \$100

Scholarship recipients will be chosen by lottery at the QCNYS December 2024 Member Meeting

2024 Scholarships must be used before December 1, 2025.

Complete the scholarship application at <https://qcnys.org/scholarship/>

Upcoming Quilt Shows:

October 18th & 19th 2024 **Stitches in Time**

Admission \$6

10:00 am to 5:00 pm children 10 and under free

Alexander Fireman's Recreation Hall

10708 Alexander Rd (Route 98)

Alexander NY

Ph#585-880-0456

Website: www.themuseumquiltguild.com

November 2nd 2024 **Patchwork & Pies Quilt Show & Bazaar**

Admission Free

9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Williamson United Methodist Church

4146 East Main Street

Williamson, NY

