



Nov/Dec 2023

York, Pennsylvania

Letter from the President

December is the month of giving, recognized for its holy observances such as Hanukkah and Christmas. Did you know the Orthodox Pilgrims, that came to America in 1620, did not celebrate Christmas. As a result, in Boston from 1659 to 1681, anyone exhibiting the Christmas spirit was fined five shillings. By contrast, the Jamestown settlement, Christmas was enjoyed by all and passed without incident. After the American Revolution, English customs fell out of favor, including Christmas. In fact, Christmas wasn't declared a federal holiday until June 26, 1870.



WOW! For anyone who missed the October Guild Meeting with Polly Mello, you missed a good one! Her collection was so unique and fascinating. She has so much knowledge about the meaning of quilts "on the dark side".

Hope you all enjoy to our Holiday Party, this will be my last official meeting as your President. It has been a fun and busy year and looking to the future. Please make sure you check with Audrey to sign up for refreshments and don't forget your 5" squares.

Darlene Schardt
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Guild Membership renewal

Look for the 2024 membership renewal form
in a separate email

Executive Board 2023

Elected Officers:

President: Darlene Schardt
Vice-President: Joanne Hammen

Board Secretary: Linda Martin
Guild Treasurer: **OPEN**

Programs 2023: Eileen Shrey,
Darlene Schardt

Programs 2024: Kayla Gunter

Executive Board -- Standing Committees:

Ex-Officio President: Cheryl Dawson

Quilt Show Chair: **OPEN**

Show Treasurer: Darlene Schardt

Raffle Quilt: Barb Wilke and Jill Coleman

Communications (Newsletter, Website,

Publicity): Joy Rusonis

Membership: Donna Sheffer, Tena Wolfe

Appointed Committees

Guild Secretary: Linda Martin

Ways and Means: Linda

Kenee, Elizabeth Kohler,

Connie Bentzel, Rochelle Nyman

Challenge: Paula Jacobus

Block Swap-Round Robin: Jill Coleman

Community Education: **OPEN**

Workshops: Joanne Hammen

Retreats: Cindy Leen

Service Projects: Donna Sheffer, Cheryl Dawson

Hospitality: Audrey Glickson,

Kathy Taylor, Janet Ross

Sunshine: Barb Wilke

Activities: **OPEN**

Holiday Party

Dec 7

6:30 PM

Based in York, PA, the purpose of the York Quilters' Guild is to instruct, stimulate and promote the art of quilt making on an individual, group and community basis. The Guild meets at Zion United Methodist Church at 1030 Carlisle Road, York .



HOLIDAY PARTY

Come join us for our annual Holiday
Party

Dec. 7th time 6:30 pm

Zion UM Church, 1030 Carlisle Rd, York, PA 17404

Bring a cover dish to share

Don't forget to bring 24 – 5” squares to participate in fun
and games

January 18 Meeting

The January 2024 meeting will be a “Sit ‘n Sew” for our community service project (the Vet-to-Vet program at Hospice and Community Care service agency). Cheryl Dawson, our community service chair, will try to get the room opened as early as possible, surely by 5:30 p.m. and perhaps earlier. (Check the January newsletter for actual times.) We will have kits available to work on and fabrics and materials available if you want to do something on your own. Plan to bring sewing machines and accessories you expect to need. We will have some cutting mats, rulers and rotary cutters but you may want to bring some of your own. All this is, of course, dependent upon the weather permitting travel in January.

BATTING SCRAPS

If you throw out your batting scraps, I have a friend who would use them. I will accept them at guild. Hazel Wood

SECOND SUNDAYS - December will be the last weekend to sell our guild items at the Jackson House in Railroad. Their plans are to be open Saturday & Sunday, December 9 & 10 from 11:00AM – 6:00PM. If you have any items donate, give them to Darlene Schardt at the Holiday Party. **Located at the Jackson House in Railroad, across from the Post Office. Sales from 11:00AM – 6:00PM**



March 1, 2024 Victorian Villa in Dallastown has invited us to have a table at their bazaar. If you have any items, you think will sell, Darlene will be collecting at the January & February Guild Meetings.

January Workshop: Love the Log Cabin

Wall Hanging or Table Runner

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Monday January 28 time 10:00 am-2:00 pm

New Location:

St. Matthew Evangelical Lutheran Church
839 West Market Street. York, Pa 17401

Sign up at December or January Guild Meeting
or contact: Darlene Schardt

dlschardt@yahoo.com

(there is a \$5.00 fee to cover the room rental)

Ph 717-741-3078 Home Ph. (no text)

(There is a \$5 fee to cover the cost of the room rental)



Thank You

Due to the members of the guild, we had a wonderful year! Started with demos: Disappearing Blocks, Piece a Diagonal Quilt Backing, How to Use the Binding Tool and even a “Gadget Queen”.

Provided a beautiful display of Quilts for the Lancaster Quilt show in March and raised much needed funds from a quilt given to us from Dawn Gerber. Donated quilts to “Quilts for Kid” along with “Vet-to-Vet”. Helped out former members with fabric sales. An education program for residents at Victorian Villa.

Revealed 2022 Quilt Challenge, Block Exchange Quilts and Round Robin Quilts. All members shared many, many Show-N-Tell Quilts.

Offered ten workshops which were fun and well attended, a larger room at St Matthews has been contracted for next year. Provided a car pool shop hop. Both retreats were enjoyed and fully booked.

Ice Cream was enjoyed by all this summer, with a special Show-n-Tell, “Quilts in my Attic”. Even with a small budget we were able to book six paid speakers along with a Movie and popcorn. Looking forward to a Joyous Holiday Party.

Throughout the year members enjoyed door prizes, birthday gifts, fat quarter stash builders, scrap bag exchange and even winning candy at trivia.

Our guild was very busy this year and the best part was, how many of you invited a friend to attend a guild meeting. Again -THANK YOU!

Darlene

Individual photos will be taken at the December 7 meeting for our Membership booklet, so “get your hair done” and be ready.



Sunshine Lady

As Sunshine Lady for the guild, it is my duty to correspond to members of the guild who are in need of condolences, encouragement, and/or congratulations. In order to do this, I rely on each of you to inform me when a member is in need. I will then mail them a card on behalf of the guild expressing support, encouragement, and best wishes. If you know someone who could benefit from such a correspondence, please feel free to contact me at 717-309-7469 622moo@gmail.com (or yorkquiltersguild@gmail.com) or, in person.

Barb Wilke

Please send items for the Guild to our email address at yorkquiltersguild@gmail.com

I get so much "junk" in my personal email, that it is easy for Guild mail to get missed.

If you have items to sell or give away, please send them for the newsletter, if possible.

Thanks.

Joy

December Birthdays

Hazel Wood	12/4
Lila Metzel	12/13
Linda Martin	12/15
Barbara Covin	12/20
Ginny Lehr	12/20
Patricia Weik	12/21
Darlene Schardt	12/22
Jill Coleman.	12/31



January Birthdays

Kathleen Keller	1/1
Judith Weitcamp	1/9
Darla Landis	1/11
Donna Sheffer	1/15
Joann Adase	1/17
Janet Chinault	1/19
Mary Moul	1/19
Cindy Leen	1/24
Cynthia Martin	1/27
Audrey Glickson	1/28
Kathy Taylor	1/29



For Sale: American Professional Quilting Systems: Ultimate 1
Come with machine, 12 foot table, everything shown. It all works fine.
Also available: stencils, bobbins, spare thread spool, if interested.
I can deliver. Contact: doug.j.kirk@gmail.com



York Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes

October 19,2023

7:00 meeting was opened by President Darlene Schardt

We had six guests (Randy S, Joyce M, Maxine A, Sue G, Linda A, Sherry, and Belinda) and no new members this month.

Program: Darlene introduced the speaker, Polly Mello, and she presented dozens of her own quilts that have the theme, "Quilts that Go Bump in the Night". It was an interesting hour of information and examples of quilts that have the theme of mourning, death, etc. It was a perfect theme for October.

Survey: JoAnn Hammen reminded us that there was a survey given out to help the Board prepare for next year. If you still have it, fill it out and bring it to the December meeting. We voted on starting our meetings at 6:30pm instead of 7pm and it was passed, 31yes, and only a couple no's. Since our Christmas party is starting at 6:30, we will continue our meetings at 6:30 starting January.

Board Positions Open: Joanne Hammen, President for 2024, reminded us that we still need to fill a few Board positions for 2024. These are Treasurer and Vice President. Please call her to volunteer. We also need a two more volunteers for the Programs 2025 committee. The programs this year have been very educational and interesting, and we want to expand our educational programs next year.

Round Robin: Cheryl and Jill shared their quilts.

Break: Sally Kursar's fabric was available for purchase during the break. Members enjoyed some treats, looked at the "Free" table, and visited for about 5 minutes.

Announcements:

- A new workshop location for 2024 will be at St Mathews on West Market. We will start holding workshops there in January, 2024.
- Darlene Schardt was offered a room to use for Sit-n-Sews in Dallastown. There should be room for 6-10 members who would like to work on charity quilts or who need additional time for any workshop quilts. Let Darlene know if you are interested and if you prefer Day or Evening. Darlene announced that we made \$102 at the Second Sunday. We will continue participating in November and December. If you have items to sell, talk with Darlene.

Our Holiday Party will be held on December 7 at 6:30pm. Bring 24 five-inch squares for the game and the dish you signed up to bring. If you haven't signed up, Audrey may be calling you to confirm your food donation.

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Quilt Show, 2024: Audrey announced that we will be talking more about the plans for the Quilt Show scheduled for June 7&8 in December and January. Pick up your quilt raffle tickets to sell during the holidays. Mark your calendar to save the dates!! (June 7&8)

Show and Tell: There were 24 quilts shared by the members and guests. After, those participating in the Scrap Bag exchange went to the back and Cheryl organized the swap.

Vets 2 Vets: Cheryl announced that Nancy Cheris will open her home for making Vet-2-Vet kits and/or for sewing them, on Nov 6 from 2-7. Let Cheryl know if you are planning on attending.

Birthdays: There were five in attendance who received a nice gift.

Door Prize: Randi Kay Simmons won a beautiful basket filled with lots of goodies. It was provided by Paula Jacobus.

The meeting was closed at 8:45pm.

**** Remember, NO meeting in November. We meet on December 7 at 6:30 for our December meeting and Holiday Party.****

Respectfully submitted by Secretary, Linda Martin

