TWIN CITY QUILTERS GUILD

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Dear Quilters,

The temperature may still feel like Fall, but before you know it, Winter will be upon us. To help get into the Christmas spirit, we'll be meeting on Tuesday, December 2nd, for our annual Christmas Party. Again this year, we will be at Rescue Fire Hall, 1412 Strad Avenue in NT at 6:00 pm. I'm looking forward to seeing the quilt challenge with this year's themes for either the Erie Barge Canal or Flying a Kite! Membership dues are to be in by the middle of December, so if you haven't done it yet, please either bring it with you to the dinner or mail it to Kelly Miller at 254 Currier Ave., Sloan, NY 14212. Please also bring your committee selections either to the Christmas Party or mail them to Marty Held, P.O. Box 117, North Tonawanda, NY 14120 so committees can be put together sooner rather than later.

Marty Held, President

Minutes from the November 4, 2026 meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:30 by President Marty Held

Officers present:

- President – Marty Held
- Vice Presidents – Joan Rockenbrock
- Co-Vice President - Rene' Harbison
- Treasurer – Kelly Miller
- Secretary –

Guests: Ebony and Helen
Show and Share
Paula Wasieczko motioned to accept past minutes. Kelly Urtel seconded it. Passed unanimously.
Financial reports on tables.
Program – Tonight's program was Joan Rockenbrock on innovations and changes since 2005. If we had questions we used to go to Funk and Wagnalls, now we Google. There are changes to You Tube videos which now include AI. Listicle videos (listing best way to …) are usually AI. Some examples are Jasmine Agostini – "Secrets of Quilt Shop Owners", "Getting Stitchy" by Steffanie, Video: "This Quilt Channel Isn't Real", and " Nonna Giovanni's Tips" (her website is Sew With Love). There technique is –
Phase 1 – make you comfortable
Phase 2 – try to sell you things -many of their patterns are stolen or not tested and you buy things that are never sent.
You can put sites into Google and ask if they are AI, they'll tell you. Sew Yeah Quilting in Las Vegas does Listicles legally. Things that signal an AI video are – the people don't blink, there's more than one view of content, and inconsistencies in speech (things don't add up). Never give your e-mail address or subscribe because they then reach the magic number which allows them to scam with books and patterns. Parasite trainers teach people how to scam viewers on You-Tube.

Old Business:

This is the final month to complete Milestone Madness.
Final time to hand in money for Christmas party.
Membership for 2027 due before January 1st.
Linda Barrett spoke for Dru Lis on Pink Ribbon. Meeting November 21st from 9:30 – 12 at NT Library for Pink Ribbon pillows. Jan Brauer and Linda purchased rotary cutters, thread batting and material with money from the group.
November birthdays and snack break.

New Business:
Officers – Joan Rockenbrock was appointed to complete the Secretary's position next year. The group unanimously passed Doris Gierke for Vice-President and Kelly Miller for Treasurer.
Committee Reports:

Christmas Party: Jayne Crummet announced 35 had signed up so far. Party is on Wednesday, December 2nd at 6pm at Rescue Fire Hall on Stroud in North Tonawanda. There will be stations and a cash bar. The cost is $28 with checks payable to the guild.
Christmas Stockings: Sue Cahill said a final count will come soon and they are being sent to Blue Star Mother group in Jamestown. She needs Christmas material. Start bringing in January.
Membership: Liz Wheeler said dues are due by 12/10/26. Kelly Miller will take over with help from Beverly and Renee.
Pink Ribbon: Linda Smyth said chemo hats in 2025 – 104, 2026 – 135.
Linus: Linda Szmanda received 15 quilts tonight, needs 27 to reach the Challenge 250 by the end of the year. Will take at Christmas party.
Raffle Quilt: Kelly Urtel said envelopes with tickets on table.
Challenge: Kelly informed us, November is the last chance to purchase project.
Kitchen: Deb Marshall only has one person signed up for January.
Summer Picnic: Liz Wheeler will do.
Sunshine: Jill MacDougall sent cards to Dru Lis and Bonnie Victor.
50/50 $27 was won by Jayne Crummet.
Quilt Show: Cheryl Shoemaker first talked about the Consortium. On December 1st the quarterly meeting is in Penn Yan hosted by Lake to Lake Quilt guild. Histories of guilds and what they do are being given. Cheryl will talk on our guild. Scholarships to attend classes are awarded for $100, with winners expected to do a presentation at a quarterly meeting. Mystery quilts start November 15th for $10.
Our Quilt show is "Quilts in Flight". She is lining up vendors. Try to get gift cards from businesses. If you want to sell a quilt at the show, let her know. Keuka College closed and is available for retreats. Kelly Miller will do baskets. Bring donations in January. Door prizes are needed. Fat quarters, small projects and notions are needed for mystery bags. There will be a separate form for classes and the new color award.
Upcoming events: St. Mark's Lutheran's Church - Candy Cane Fair Craft Show, Saturday 9-3, 1135 Oliver St., N.T.
Donna Mileham's "A Gathering of Artesians" will be held 11/13 4-8 and 11/14 10-2 at 211 Falconeeer, N.T.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted,
Donna Clark

Hostesses for December:

No Hostesses

Let's wish a **"Happy Birthday"** to the following quilters for the month of December:
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Linda Wegrzyn 12/5 Kim Scott 12/27
Karen Wozniak 12/30 Brenda Boyle 12/31

A special thanks to an amazing kitchen crew that helped me this past year. Originally I was a committee of one and a group stepped in to help. If I was running late (like the November meeting) everything was set up and organized. If I was caught up in a Guild activity, such as show 'n' share, they stepped up to clean up.

Thanks once again, Ladies I couldn't and wouldn't have been able, do it without you.

Deb Marshall

💕 Pink Ribbon 🎀 Comfort Pillows 💕

"It's beginning to look a lot like....."
Well not really, because the grass is green and the flamingos are pink and I'm sure things will change!

Many thanks to the eight of you that signed up for the stuff and sew at the North Tonawanda Library! If you don't remember if you signed up give me a call I have the list! Again we will meet on:

Saturday, November 21
9:30 until noon
Small conference room!

Bring scissors and a needle, I will have plenty of polyfil and stitched together bones to stuff!

I made one delivery on October 16th of 22 pillows to one of the Park Club facilities in Williamsville. That was all the requests so far.

It will be wonderful to hear from Sue how many Christmas stockings we ended up making this year! And remember to keep working on chemo caps and Linus quilts!

Think pink 🩷🎄 Dru

Quilt Challenge

Whether you've chosen *Low Bridge, Everybody Down* challenge kit or *Let's Go Fly a Kite* challenge kit, it's time to stitch the last stitch and put the finishing touches on your work!

Remember:

- Be sure your completed work meets all the rules included in your challenge kit.
- Attach your kit number to the front of your completed work.
- Bring your completed work in an opaque bag to the Christmas Party on December 2, 2026.

Your project will be judged by your fellow quilters and **prizes will be awarded** during the annual Christmas Party on December 2nd, 2026.

Please direct any questions to *any* of our 2026 Twin City Quilters Guild Challenge Committee members: Linda Wegrzyn, Dee Judy, Kelly Tooley, Dorothy Glosser.

***** PLEASE CONSIDER DISPLAYING YOUR WORK AT OUR 2027 QUILT SHOW! *****



TCQG Christmas Dinner

Rescue Fire Hall/Martinsville Grove
1241 Strad Ave, North Tonawanda

Wednesday December 2nd 2026, 6PM

Menu

. Different Food Stations and cash bar

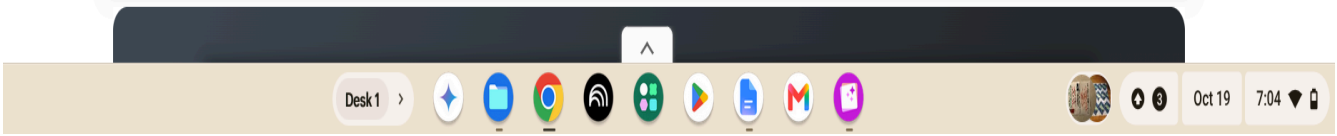
Deadline for reservation was the November Guild Meeting

Any questions please text or call Jayne Crummet 716-423-3973

Quilt Shows in New York State

Are you looking for a quilt show near you in New York State? A quilt show is usually sponsored by a quilt guild or club and it is a wonderful place to be inspired, encouraged, and tempted! You will see amazing quilts, some showcasing new quilting techniques and color combinations. You will visit wonderful vendors, who will no doubt have just the fabric and quilting supplies you were looking for. You may even have the opportunity to take classes or workshops from experienced quilt teachers. Whatever you do, wear comfortable shoes and plan to make new quilter friends who share your love of quilting.

- Cabin Fever 15 Quilt Show in Clarence NY - March 12, 2027
- Twin City Quilters Show in North Tonawanda New York - April 17, 2027
- Thread Bears Quilt Show in Sherrill NY - May 1, 2027
- Buzzing along the Towpath Quilt Show in Syracuse NY - July 9, 2027
- County Festival of Quilts Show in Plattsburgh NY - August 7, 2027
- Bursting With Color Biennial Quilt Show in Clay NY - October 16, 2027
- Quilts at the Kenan Quilt Show in Lockport NY - November 5, 2027
- Harvest of Quilts XIX Quilt Show in Mineola New York - November 6, 2027





PROJECT LINUS

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their own Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2025				7334
1-2026	7	6	13	7347
2-2026	6	10	16	7363
3-2026	20	17	37	7400
4-2026	25	15	40	7440
5-2026	20	17	37	7477
6-2026	3	12	15	7492
7-2026	0	0	0	7492
8-2026	6	8	14	7506
9-2026	14	16	30	7536
10-2026	12	9	21	7557
11-2026	5	8	13	7570
12-2026				
			2026 Grand Total	

We had a grand total of 13 quilts turned in this month

Bringing out total to 7570----you are amazing!!!!

We only need 14 more to reach our goal of 250

We will be collecting quilts at the Christmas Party

We are very, very grateful to everyone who likes to use their own stash.

Just a quick reminder of the desired size of the quilts:

40 x 50, 50 x 60, 60 x 70 and twin size.

As always, with very grateful hearts---Co-chairs, Sue, Cindy, Linda