



# TWIN CITY QUILTERS GUILD

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## **Presidents Message:**

### **Dear Guild Members,**

Thank you for your encouraging words last month following my first meeting. I think the committees did an amazing job talking about their vital contributions to our Guild.

Thanks once again.

A reminder, please, that Kelly Urtel is looking to retire from her position as newsletter editor. Please consider assuming this important role. The hardest task of this position is waiting on folks to submit info in a timely fashion.

If you have a topic that you would like me to bring up at a future meeting, please send me an email and I will place it on the agenda. Suggestions, news, etc whatever you feel should be shared to membership. I just request that you send it to me one week prior to the meeting. Thanks.

I continue to be amazed and proud of our membership for their generosity in making charity projects - whether you use fabric from your own stash or from a kit, time is a precious commodity. Merci, gracias, danke, grazie - what more can I say?

Deb

**MESSAGE FROM VICE PRESIDENT**

Denise from Auntie's Attic will be providing our February program with a presentation on "Color Theory"

Theresa Waiter will be presenting at our March meeting with a program about "Quilts and the underground railroad"

Jayne

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**Minutes from the January 3rd, 2024 meeting**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m by Deb Marshall

Officers present: President – Deb Marshall

Vice President – Jayne Crummet

Treasurer – Joanne Sentman

Secretary – Donna Clark

Guests: Jeewon Kim, Pam Moshier and Paula Wasieczko

Approval of November 2023 minutes – motion to accept by Joan Rockenbrock, seconded by Carol Carney, unanimously approved.

No financial report since still receiving checks for December. Please submit anything outstanding tonight.

**Old Business:**

Rising Star awarded to Judy Phillips for documenting Guild activities in 2023. Karen handed out stars to those not at December banquet.

Thanked all 2023 chairs and their committees.

Thanked Karen for her two terms of office and she will be having a President’s quilt.

Check Facebook and website for programming and info.

Reminder – take back anything left on “free table” at end of night.

**New Business:**

Contract for venue signed and room needs to be left as found.

Refreshment committee will now include clean-up.

Karen McMurdo and Bonnie Victor volunteered to audit Sunshine and Treasurer's records.

Ann Barberio won a drawing of \$50 for a member's quilt.

Kelly Urtel explained what editor of the Guild Newsletter entails because we are in need of a new one.

The summer picnic will be held in August, since there are no conflicts. Unanimously approved.

Jayne outlined upcoming programs:

February – Denise from Auntie's Attic will discuss color theory and will do a follow-up workshop if desired.

March – Theresa Waiter will discuss the connection of the Underground Railroad and quilts.

Sheryl Lynch will have 2 sessions on making a sweatshirt jacket in March and April.

Please let Jayne know if you're interested in a free-motion clinic – it would be a how-to-do and practicing patterns. People would be available to provide info on tips and info and be available to help and guide during workshops. She also has hand quilters available to do a clinic.

We will be joining QCNYS.org - Quilters Consortium of New York for \$45 annually. Sharon Drumm has volunteered to be our primary representative, with Judy Phillips following up.

Diane Brodfuehrer explained "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" which provides beds for children in need.

They will accept twin size quilts to go along with the beds they make.

**Committee Reports:** Our program tonight is explaining what committees do

Christmas Party – Linda Barrett, asked for info from previous chairs

Christmas Stockings – Sue Cahill, stockings are for the military and don't have to be any specific size or color. Over

1,000 were made last year and the Blue Star moms fill them. She'll collect it by November.

Library Display – Dru Lis, March is National Quilt month. We have a display at the North Tonawanda Library for the

month of March. Send in small items with the owner's name. If library patrons inquire about whether an item

is available for sale, library staff will contact the committee, who will get the information to the quilter.

Meeting Greeters – Joann Pietrzykowski, table at entrance to meetings, where members mark attendance and

Guests sign up and receive flower pin. Please introduce yourself to anyone wearing a pin.

Informational

pamphlets also available.

Membership – Liz Wheeler – She has packets available which include sign up and explanation of committees, pin,

By-laws and how to make name tag. She has receipts for cash, but checks need to be turned into

Treasurer.

Newsletter – Kelly Urtel – discussed previously

Pink Ribbon – Joan Rockenbrock – Since 2009 we have been making breast cancer pillows. Brief how-to, 4 pieces

fabric, sew RS together from peak to peak, alternating colors(dog bones), turn into canoe, sew together,

leaving fist sized opening. Back stitch ends. February 24 – Pillow Day, cutting and packaging at Salem UCC.

Donna Mileham – Chemo hats, brief how-to, 2 pieces, sew 17” sides of long piece together, fold WS together,

pin at quarterly marks, do the same with circular pieces, match pins and sew together.

Program Helpers – Judy Phillips – helps V.P. , obtains ideas on-line, from other guilds, and/or FaceBook for

ideas for meetings and workshops. If you have an idea for a National Teacher, get it to her by February.

Project Linus – Linda Szmanda, Cindy Hubacher – take donated money to purchase backing and quilt fabric

(members also donate) to form kits containing material, batting, backing, binding, and pattern to be

assembled, completed and returned. 152 were made last year. Adding 19 turned in tonight, total 6,688 total

as a guild in over 20 years. On February 24 at Salem UCC a joint workshop with Pink Ribbon from 9-3. Doris

and Bonnie will do crumb squares for blocks. Batting donated by a cancer center. ALL quilts are washed.

Bring a sewing machine or needles for crocheting around edges. Lunch provided. Crumbs can be brought to

next meeting - scraps 2 1/2” or larger, strips 1 1/2” or wider.

Quilter’s Challenge – Dee Judy - \$5 to buy kit and participate, they’ll come up with an idea and you have to finish

and bring it to the Christmas party. If you bring it to party, you get \$5 back. Members vote and prizes are given.

Raffle Quilt –Karen McMurdo – quilt made for biannual quilt show. A charity is picked to donate proceeds to.

Refreshments/Kitchen – Faye Vogt – provide water, cups, napkins and plates, and clean up afterwards. Need 6-8

People sign up to bring snacks each month in a notebook at the end of the food table.

Summer Picnic – Kelly Miller – pot luck meal with possible contest for placemats which are donated to Meals on

Wheels.

Sunshine – Jill MacDougall – sell tickets for 50/50, \$1/2 tickets. Half given to name drawn, other half goes to Guild

which is used for sympathy, get well cards and postage. Self sustaining.

Walker/Wheelchair bags – Barb Newman, Mary Wells – brief how-to on wheelchair and walker bags given.

Instruction sheets are available from the committee when picking up kits.

Quilt Show – Cheryl Shoemaker - will be April 2025. Start collecting books and patterns for book room, fabric for

mystery bags and items for raffle bags.

Refreshment break/ Happy Birthday January Quilters.

Fat quarters – only 3 received, will add to next month, which is green.

50/50 - \$33 – Dorothy Glosser

Kelly Urtel and Deb Marshall volunteered to be other administrators for FaceBook -

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Show-N-Share

Deb informed us that all Steamfast small irons are being recalled. Send a photo of your iron with cord cut off. Serial # on iron.

Meeting adjourned by Deb at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Clark

## **Refreshment sign ups:**

Liz Wheeler

Anna Muscat

Lou Clark

Linda Wegrzyn

Kathy Wozniak

Barb Donn

Linda Szmanda

## *Library Display*

Have you ever found yourself "hanging around" the North Tonawanda Public Library?

If you have answered YES, then I hope you have something to submit to our annual March display!

If you have answered NO, then it is about time you found where the library is and can submit something for our annual March display!

Please start bringing items into the January meeting and the February meeting. The display will go up on March 1st, 2024!

We would like to see some of your challenges from 2023. You are more than welcome to submit any other items to help fill all of our displays. Please include your name and any note you might want on each item. Small items are the best, as there is no room for large quilts! Items from the charity groups are always appreciated!

If you have any questions please direct them to the library display team! To be announced at the January meeting. However, I will be available to collect your items as mentioned in January and February.

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# PROJECT LINUS



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Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their own Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2023				6669
1-2024	7	12	19	6688
2-2024				
3-2024				
4-2024				



5-2024				
6-2024				
7-2024				
8-2024				
9-2024				
10-2024				
11-2024				
12-2024				
			2024 Grand Total	

Congratulations to our 2023 winners:

Sue Skinner, Jennie Wigle, Linda Smyth, Diane Brodfuehrer and Linda Barrett.

We thank our January Own Stashers:

Jennie Wigle, Cindy Hubacher, Diane Brodfuehrer, Anna Muscato,  
Dorothy Glosser, Kelly Miller, Charles Rhodes

**Join us for our Project Linus Day in the February 24, 2024.**

Where: Salem United Church of Christ  
114 Morgan Street, Tonawanda 14150  
Please use the entrance on Main Street.

Time: 9-3 pm

We will provide lunch

We are planning on making “Crumb blocks” ( thank you Doris and Bonnie)-- and are looking for useable size scraps: Pieces--- 2 ½” inches or larger Strips—1 ½” or wider

We will have kits available for those who wish to make

kits. We will also have fleece blankets that you can add

crocheted edges.

As we are looking forward to seeing you at  
our Linus Day. Cindy, Ci

Pink Ribbon  
No report

### 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



## February Birthdays!!

**Carole Anderson 2/24**

**Debra Fout 2/10**

**Kathy Gray 2/19**

**Marty Held 2/28**

**Sheryl Lynch 2/15**

**Jill MacDougall 2/27**

**Greg Mangin 2/2**

**Donna Mileham 2/18**

**Anna Muscato 2/10**

**Pam Schnell 2/6**

**Linda Szmanda 2/28**

**Kelly Urtel 2/7**