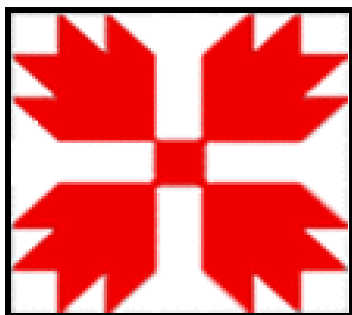




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TWIN CITY QUILTERS GUILD

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Dear Quilters,

I want to start out by thanking Marty Held for stepping up to the plate and offering to become our Guild's next president. Please show her the respect that should be given to this position and remember to offer assistance as needed. Some times folks tend to forget the words in our mission statement, it's on our website; please take a moment to refresh your memory.

I recently returned from a trip to Houston to attend the International Quilt Show. OMG! If you have never had the opportunity, do not hesitate. It truly is international and you will find yourself chatting with fellow quilters from Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Asia and every state (or common wealth) you can think of. Next year's show is the week before Thanksgiving - I'm ready to go back!

Please remember to give Kelly Urtel your reservation for the holiday party, and Liz or Greg your membership info for next year. And speaking of the holiday party, there may be a kit or two still available to participate in this years challenge- and plenty of time in the calendar to complete the task and get your \$5 participation fee returned! That's my goal since my kit and instructions are still hanging where I placed them way back when so I wouldn't forget.

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Minutes from October 1, 2025 Meeting

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

Officers present:

President – Deb Marshall

Co/Vice President – Joan Rockenbrock

Treasurer – Kelly Miller

Secretary – Donna Clark

Guests – Beverly Brown, Sheila Cochrane and Lisa Smith

Paula Wasieczko motioned to accept the September minutes and Linda Berwaldt seconded it.

Financial reports are on tables.

Program – Joan Rockenbrock informed us that a Bella Rosa BOM by Wing and a Prayer was donated for our next raffle quilt. Our members voted to accept the gift.

Joan presented “Tips and Tricks” - What to do when it goes wrong.

- 10 Foot Test – walk 10 feet from your project, if you can't see the mistake – ignore.
- Ugly Block – stick it in the middle, surrounded by beautiful blocks.
- Galloping Horse – if anyone walking by can't see it, ignore.
- Helen Keller – if it's an obvious bad block, applique another block over it.
- Alcohol – have a drink, then come back to it. Work through it.
- Throw it out!
- “That fabric had a mind of it's own” – deal with it, finished is better than not completed.
- Embrace your seam ripper and start over.
- Do NOT sew when you're tired.
- Always buy extra fabric if you can.
- Enjoy the process, if not enjoying, walk away.

Next month we'll discuss basting.

Old Business –

November is the last month to complete Milestone Madness, a list of everything you wanted to accomplish. Thank you to the Linus Committee for a successful September workshop. No other new business.

New Business –

All emails have gone out recently appearing to come from Deb. Please do not reply or click on any attachments before verifying that they are valid.

A workshop at Freedom Run winery has been organized by Chris Biggie, regional Linus Coordinator, for October 19th.

A condolence card has been sent to the family of former member Ann Calinski.

In November, Guild elections will be held. Marty Held expressed interest in the Presidency.

The Board will meet prior to the next meeting to work on the budget. It will be presented at the November meeting for approval.

Please present any requests for adjustments to the financial reports, to any Board member.
Membership envelopes for 2026 have been distributed and are due prior to the first of the year,
There was no other new business.

There was a refreshment break after singing Happy Birthday to October birthdays.

Committee Reports –

Treasurer, Kelly Miller, asked that if you send her an email, also send her a text message, to let her know you sent the email.

Christmas Party – Kelly Urtel let us know the party is 12/3. She needs a check for \$25 by 11/13.

Christmas stockings – Sue Cahill received lots of stockings to donate to the military. Blue Star mothers stuff and send them out. Last year we had over 1,000 stockings. Last collection is November.

Membership – Greg Mangin collected dues and had envelopes available.

Project Linus – Linda Szmanda had 4 crocheted and 19 kits turned in tonight. She thanked those that came to Linus Day and showed an example of quilt as you go. Donor quilts are on the tables.

Quilter's Challenge – Dee Judy said there are a few more kits, which are to be made into an apron and modeled at the Christmas party.

Refreshments – Faye Vogt could use sign ups for upcoming meetings.

Walker/Wheelchairs – Barb Newman said Judy Lilac is in charge of wheelchair pockets.

No 50-50 tonight.

Show and Share

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Clark

Milestone Madness

Next month will be the last month for the Milestone madness entries. You can still participate.

Rules: Give Joan a list or tell her what you want to accomplish, then accomplish it, let Joan know and your name will be entered in the MM Box. The accomplishment can be anything as large as finishing an entire quilt or as small as find the project. At the Christmas party we will be awarding prizes for the participants.

If you have any questions, you can call: 716-694-5732 or e-mail: rockenbrockjoan@aol.com

Hostesses for November

Donna Clark
Brenda Boyle
Linda Littell

Linda Berwaldt
Linda Barrett
Diane Brodfuehrer

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

Doris Gierke 11/19

Susan Skinner 11/25

Charles Rhodes 11/27

Diane Brodfuehrer 11/28

Linda Barrett 11/30

Christmas Stockings

Our November meeting is the last meeting that Sue Cahill will be collecting Christmas stockings for the troops. Make sure you bring in your completed stockings to Sue..

Christmas Party

If you are planning to come to the Christmas Party, you need to get your money into Kelly Urtel before November 15th. More information about the Christmas Party see the flyer in the newsletter.

TCQG Program

Last month we focused on allowing us to embrace our not so perfect bits in our quilts.

The 10 foot test - if you can't see it 10 feet away, it's good enough

Ugly block - put it right in the middle and surround it with all the beautiful blocks.

Do your worst - if things are going well, get scrap fabric and make a totally horrible block and get it out of your system.

Galloping horse - if you can't see it while galloping by it on your horse, leave it.

Helen Keller - if Helen Keller can see it, fix it.

Fabric has a mind of its own - sometimes the fabric just does not want to cooperate - step back, have a glass of wine and try again the next day.

Finishing is good enough - After it's done and washed the quilt will have that antique feel and it's amazing how many of those imperfect bits can't be seen.

Embrace the seam ripper - if you are not thrilled with any part of your quilt, take it apart, press and fix anything that needs to be fixed.

Don't sew when tired - it is sure to come back and bite you in the butt. Too tired = many mistakes

Always buy extra fabric - we all make mistakes, make sure you have enough fabric to fix anything that needs to be.

Enjoy the process - even the difficult times - they are learning moments.

Next month it's Sandwich time. We will be discussing different ways to put your layers together and get it ready for quilting.

Challenge 2025

Still have time to make your challenge apron. The Challenge committee still has kits at \$5. You complete the challenge and bring it to the Christmas Party you get the \$5 back. See Linda, Dee & Kelly for kits.



TCQG Christmas Dinner

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

Wednesday December 3th 2024, 6PM

Menu

Chicken and Roast Pork, mashed & au gratin potatoes, candied carrots, green beans, coffee, tea & dessert.

Price 25.00 each

Please make your checks out to Twin City Quilters Guild.
Kelly Urtel will accept checks at the October and November meetings.

Checks can also be mailed to Kelly Urtel 908 Park Avenue,
North Tonawanda NY 14120.

Deadline for reservation will be November 15th, no exception.

Any questions please text or call Kelly Urtel 716-510-0226

Thank you, The Christmas Party Committee

Note:
Make one block
cutting on



Quilts at the Kenan 2025

Presented by Kenan Quilters' Guild

November 7, 8, 9, 2025
Hours 10 to 5, Sunday 11 to 4
Admission \$6 Cash only

Kenan Arena
195 Beattie Avenue
Lockport, NY 14094
716-433-2617
www.kenanquiltersguild.org

RIVER LEA QUILTER'S GUILD OF GRAND ISLAND, NY PRESENTS

Island Reflections

QUILT SHOW



Saturday, November 15 & Sunday, November 16
From 10am-5pm & From 10am-4pm

Gratwick Fire Hall

110 Ward Rd
North Tonawanda, NY

Entry Fee \$5
Kids 12 and under Free

Quilts, Vendors, Raffle Quilt, Basket
Raffle, Door Prize, Fabric Scrap Pool &
Mystery Bags!



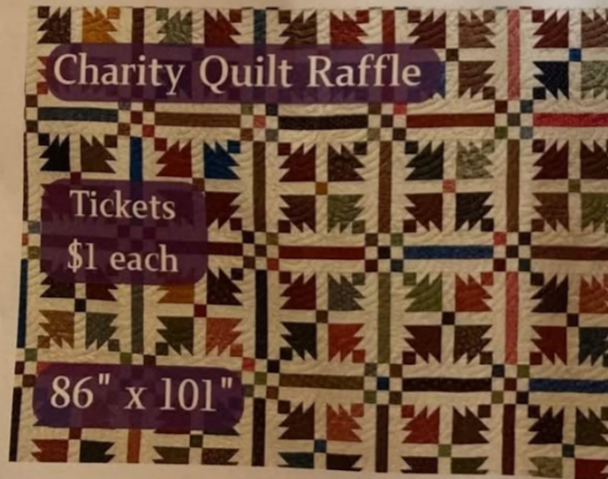
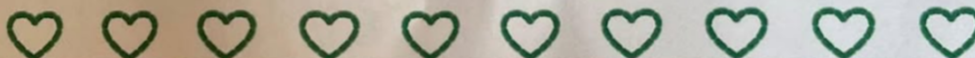
The Southtowns Piecemakers
Quilt Guild presents:

QVILTED TREASURES: A QVILT SHOW

Friday, Oct 17, 2025- 9AM-5:30PM

Saturday, Oct 18, 2025- 9AM-4PM

The Event Center located at the Fairgrounds
in Hamburg, N. Y. - Grange Building



-  Free Parking
-  \$5 Admission
-  Quilt Exhibits
-  Vendor Mall
-  Members Boutique
-  Mystery Bags
-  Basket Raffle

NEW THIS YEAR:

Scissor Sharpening

*A portion of the show proceeds will be donated to
P.U.N.T. Pediatric Cancer Collaborative*



PROJECT LINUS

Month	Quilts made from kits	Quilts made from their own Stash	Totals	Grand Totals
2024				7104
1-2025	10	3	13	7117
2-2025	10	22	32	7149
3-2025	16	1	17	7166
4-2025	15	11	26	7192
5-2025	15	15	30	7222
6-2025	7	9	16	7238
7-2025	2	0	2	7240
8-2025	1	3	4	7244
9-2025	6	28	34	7278
10-2025	8	16	24	7302
11-2025				
12-2026				
			2025 Grand Total	

We wish to THANK all who came to our Linus Day--we were few--but mighty.

Our crocheters' hands kept very busy and our sewer's enjoyed
a super easy top to assemble in just a few hours.

We will continue to make Kits with this new pattern--
with less piecing due to the larger pieces-----TRY IT, you might like it!!!

We are forever grateful to all the dedicated members who, month after month
donate their talents, time and own stash to keep Project Linus totals raising each month.

Chris Biggie, the Project Linus Coordinator, said she distributes
on average 250 quilts per month to 31 different sites.

The need is always present, and we are always in need of twin size for the older children.
She also mentioned that if you know of a child/teen in need to contact her.

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

