



JANUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Hello Ladies,

I hope that everyone enjoyed the holidays with family and friends.

The weather could have been better for the rainy Christmas Party at our Guild. I am thankful that most of you showed up despite the forecast and no one was injured coming to the Lodge. Plus, I want to Thank you all again to those who helped with the set up the tables for the party. It was Early and WET.

Thank you for those who bought raffle tickets for the baskets that were put together lovingly by Janet. The Guild received a great return. And Congrats to those who won them.

I want to thank Rose Mary to get the for taking the time to get fabric together for the Beautiful table runners that were also lovingly put together by members of the Guild. The runners that were raffled off at the end of the party.

I cannot forget those who assisted with the food set up and service. The entrees, munchies and desserts were delicious. We did not have the “Right

and Left” game. I hope that you enjoyed the ‘sort of’ Secret Santa, where I hope everyone received beautiful fabric.

I want to thank those who handled my place while I was out of the country.

Christmas Day was super cold. We were lucky that we did have the ice. I hope that no one had trouble navigating travel during the frigid temperatures. They are predicting a Heat Wave for New Years. We will see.

Mimi Deitrich is volunteering again to share her knowledge with our members this month. Thank you, Mimi. Thank you, Sue Grandizio, for completing the Membership directories.

Do not forget that we will have Charity sewing in February.

I am looking forward to seeing you for Sew and Chat on Zoom every first, second and fourth Thursday of the Month. I have many projects to finish.

I hope that I can glean half of the knowledge that you all have and show my gratitude with completed projects.

Ann Eichelman

TREASURER'S REPORT

In November, the only income, \$105, was from membership dues. Our expenses were for our speaker, charity quilt batting and some kitchen supplies. Expenses totaled \$641. Balance of funds at the end of November:

Checking	\$4,133.81
Savings	3,456.52
Total	\$7,590.33

Our adjusted 2022-23 budget projects a net loss of \$4,059, which should leave a year-end bank balance of about \$3,500. We will continue to adjust our expenses and income as the year goes on.

Regina English, Treasurer



WINNERS

Name Badge: Sue Grandizio

Block of the Month:

November: Paulette Chellis (gift card with blocks going to Quilts of Valor)

December: Regina English

Table Runners donated by Catherine

Wooten: Patty Cirulli, Michele Elder, Cindy Reisberg, Stephanie Sanidas

Raffle Baskets (earned \$130): Donna Badgett, Rene Stiebing, Patty Stenpeck

PROGRAMS

Mimi Dietrich will be our in-person speaker in January. She will bring quilts and talk about "Vintage Inspirations," showing us how many of her quilts are inspired by quilts from the past.

Since the January speaker will be in person at the lodge, we will not have zoom available. Everyone is encouraged to try to attend in person. We wish we had the proper equipment and experience to video the presentations, but we are limited in that regard. The Zoom Team thanks you in advance for your understanding.

Rose Mary Digby

PROJECT LINUS UPDATE

I enjoyed seeing so many quilters at the December Holiday party. By the end of the meeting, my wagon was filled with fabric and batting scraps, 7 completed quilts, 1 basted quilt, and 9 quilt tops.



As 2022 is ending, think about what you can do for charity quilting in 2023. It is not too early to start preparing for our February meeting, which will be devoted to community service sewing. Perhaps you want to sew a jelly roll race quilt. Our members donated so many of these fun and easy quilts to Project Linus. Or maybe you want to sew a supplied quilt kit of squares. And hand sewing of quilt binding is an option too. Reflect on how you can make a difference in someone's life with quilted comfort.

Stephanie Sanidas

HOSPITALITY

Thanks to all who helped with our lovely Christmas party last month.

The following people have signed up to help at our next meeting, January 19:

Morning - Rene Stiebing

Lunchtime – Rene Stiebing

Patty Cirulli

Cindy Reisberg

Cleanup – Rene Stiebing

Ann Eichelman

Bernadette Burley

Sodas –

2 - 2 liter bottles of
clear caffeine-free – Cindy Reisberg

2 - 2 liter bottles of diet clear
caffeine-free _____?_____

2 - 2 liter bottles of “real” cola
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2 - 2 liter bottles of diet cola
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(1 caffeine-free) - Rene Steibing

Thank you, everyone.

Kathy Appleton

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5” SQUARE EXCHANGE

Because of low attendance last month we did not exchange our squares. This month, no matter how many come, we will meet. Please bring your Thankful and holiday squares as well as your Let it Snow squares -- 2 sets of 10 of each square please. Thank You.

Kathy Appleton

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Make one block or five and put an entry in the basket for each block you make. You could win ALL the blocks!



It’s a fun scrappy nine patch made of blue and greys.

Once you complete the quilt, bring the quilt to Show and Tell and win a gift certificate to a nearby quilt shop. See the pattern attached this newsletter.

Thank you,
Jacque Formica

SEW AND CHAT

Join us on Zoom the first, second, and fourth Thursday of the month from 10 am to noon. It is a great escape in the cold winter months to check in with friends, talk about your current projects, and share holiday experiences or your new favorite book. It’s like a mini retreat at home! A link to connect to Zoom will be sent prior to Thursday. We hope to see more faces this year.



Cathie Shanks

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Directories are now available.



Please add:
Donna Helm

Thanks,
Sue Grandizio

RAFFLE BASKETS

Kindly bring your unused, past-used, or previously loved sewing related treasures to fill the raffle baskets. Thank you!

Janet Ruehl

CHARITY GIVING



All donations are appreciated. Please remember to bring your non-perishable food items for a local food pantry.

SUNSHINE

Need some sunshine or know someone who does? Send requests to Janet Ruehl – janetruehl@icloud.com

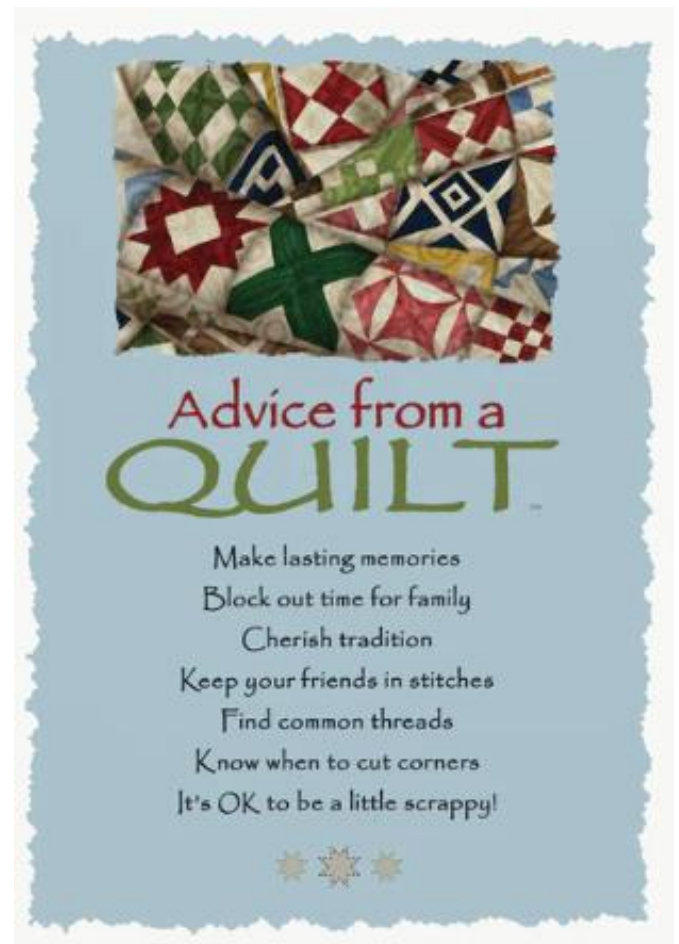
POP-TOPS

Please save and bring me the "pop-tops" from cans for Ronald McDonald House guests. With a lot of family visiting there will be a lot of cans used! Thanks!
Jacque Formica



NEXT MEETING

Meetings are held the third Thursday of the month, except for July and August. Our next meeting is on January 19.



BLOCK OF THE MONTH – January 2023
SCRAPPY NINE PATCH
Blues and Grays

Block Size 12 1/2 (unfinished)

Many of us have fabric scraps left over from our quilt projects. This month's Block of the Month is designed to use some of those scraps. You will be making eight (8) 4 1/2" scrappy squares. The center square is a solid or tone-on-tone square.



Fabric Requirements and Cutting Directions

Choose a selection of about twenty-four (24) scraps in the same colorway – [all blues and grays](#).

Use various widths, 1 1/2" to 2 1/2" or larger by 5" long.

Cut one (1) solid or tone-on-tone 4 1/2" X 4 1/2" square for center that is [Blue](#).

Sewing Instructions for Making the Scrappy 4 1/2" squares

Part A – Choose the method you wish to use.

Method 1 –

Choose three (3) scraps that go well together and sew them together.

Press so both seams go towards the center fabric.

Trim to make a 4 1/2" X 4 1/2" square. Make eight (8) squares this way.

Go to Part B

Method 2 –

Sew the 24 rectangles together to make a strip that is about 36" long.

Press all seams in the same direction.

Sub cut into eight (8) 4 1/2" X 4 1/2" squares. (You may have to tweak the cutting line a bit, so you don't have a very narrow scrap on the outside edge.)

Go to Part B

Part B

Lay out the squares as shown in the example, with the solid square in the center. The scrappy squares are laid out like a Rail Fence Block.

Sew the three squares in each row together. Then sew the three rows together.

Press the seams towards the center now.

The block should measure 12 1/2" X 12 1/2." Do not trim.