

## TOWPATH QUILT GUILD

### MONTHLY MINDER JANUARY, 2021

#### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Happy New Year to everyone! It is an understatement to say that 2020 was a year like no other. And now we have gotten through it. Although the guild has been limited this year, we have stayed active by offering virtual meetings and presentations. As a group we have sewn and donated masks and quilts and blankets for those in need. So now, with the coming of the new year, we are hopeful and optimistic. As we say goodbye to the old year and welcome 2021, we wish for health, happiness and better days for all.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Starting Balance: \$12468.86

Deposits: \$1160.00

Expenses: \$837.52

Ending Balance: \$12791.34

#### TOWPATH QUILT GUILD ON THE NEWS!

On December 8, we were featured in a segment on Channel 9's morning show BridgeStreet. They interviewed the director of the YMCA Men's Residence and he took the time to display some of the quilts and blankets we have donated this year, and to thank the guild for our generosity. If you missed the segment, you can find it here: <https://www.localsyr.com/news/local-news/support-the-downtown-ymca-this-holiday-season/>

Marilouise still has a few quilts kits and lots of fabric and batting available if you'd like to make a quilt for the YMCA. Call or email her to make arrangements if you're interested.

#### NATIONAL QUILTING DAY IS MARCH 20, 2021

Michelle Ricci is our Quilting Day Chairperson, and she is encouraging everyone to visit the website [www.quiltalliance.org](http://www.quiltalliance.org) for information and inspiration.

## JANUARY AND FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

The show and tell presentations have always been an important part of our meetings, so we have decided to devote the January and February Zoom meetings to showcase our own talents! We have designated a theme for these meetings. In January we would like you to share pictures of your first and your last quilts. Our February meeting will focus on projects created during the pandemic! We thank Noel Keith for organizing the slideshow.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 9, 2021: Tierney Barden lecture and workshop.

April 13, 2021: Wenda Coburn lecture and workshop.

May 11, 2021: Sue Ellen Romanowski

## BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S VACANCY

Our guild historian has made the decision to step down this year. We are hoping to find someone with an interest in history and archives to fill the role. If that sounds like something you'd be willing to take on, review the job description on our website and let us know. We are exploring permanent storage sites for the bins of records, photos, and papers that must be maintained. Our sincere thanks go to Wenda for the time and effort she has invested over the years.

### January and February Mini Quilt Challenge

As a member of The Quilt Consortium of NY, we have been asked to participate in the Wee Little quilt project. Wee Little Quilts (aka small fiber art quilt) are 10" x 10" wall quilts of various design made and donated by QCNYS members to benefit the scholarship fund.

We are asking you to make the design of your choice (with 2" sleeve) something that you would like hung in your home and donate the Wee Quilts during January and February. Our goal is to donate 40 Wee Quilts.

QCNYS supports the quilters and fiber artists of New York State by granting five annual scholarships of \$100 each to applicants for continuing their education of techniques in quilting and fiber arts.

Thanks for participating in this Challenge.

