

## **TOWPATH QUILT GUILD MONTH MINDER FOR JUNE 2023**

### **MEETING INFORMATION**

**Towpath Quilt Guild will meet on Tuesday June 13th in Homer Hall. All are encouraged to attend our last general meeting until September.**

**The meeting will begin promptly at 10:00 AM and will conclude with our June "picnic" of green salads, bread and butter, and ice cream sundaes. Yum! Please remember to bring your plate, silverware and mug.**

A big thank you goes out to Carol Long & Janet Sernett for organizing this wonderful event and to their committee who have made this possible.

A new slate of officers will be inducted at Tuesday's meeting; "In with the new and out with the old", as they say. Well ... That's not exactly true, since some of the current officers and committee chairs have graciously agreed to stay on for another year. A very special round of applause goes out to all of them. As I pass the Co President baton to Vicki Swanson and Carol Holladay, I have every confidence that they will do an exemplary job of leading Towpath Quilt Guild in the coming year!

It is hard to believe that an entire year has passed since Suzy Tankersley and I took on the office of Co President(s). Truly, it was a year full of events, memories, emotions and accomplishments. I will admit to having very mixed feelings about stepping down from the position of Co President without Suzy at my side to share in the joy of having completed our year of service. That said, I wish to thank all of you who helped me continue in her absence. At the risk of embarrassing her, I'd like to extend a very special thank you to Barbara Western. I am not sure how I would have gotten through without her wisdom and guidance.

Respectfully,

Donita Whelan

### **Treasurer's Report for May 30, 2023**

Balance 4/30/23	11,893.85
Deposits	+ 1,612.00
	13,505.85
Expenses	- 1,440.71
Balance 5/31/23	12,065.14

## **Challenge Quilts**

Please bring your challenge quilts to the Towpath picnic and give them to Noel Keith or Michele Ricci before the meeting. They must have a hanging sleeve and a label on the back with your name. Members will view the quilts and vote on awards in four categories. Remember to take your quilt home and bring it with your other quilts to OCC.

## **Service Project 2023 – Quilts for the “Hopes and Dreams” ALS project**

- Bring your service project quilts for the “Hopes and Dreams” ALS project to the June 13<sup>th</sup> guild meeting.
- Each quilt should have a label. If you didn’t get a label from Berta, you can contact her for one, or you can make your own. It should say:

*Made especially for you by a member of Towpath Quilt Guild, Fayetteville, NY 2023*

- Please complete a registration form and pin it to your quilt. It can be found on the Towpath website under Members Only/ Service Project. We will have copies of the form at the meeting if you are unable to print from the website.

Thank you to the many members who have made quilts for this project. Contact one of us if you have any questions.

- Gaynell Dorrance, Berta Keeler, Jeannine Lloyd and Nancy Sellers

## **Volunteer Sign Up Sheets**

Our Quilt Show – our only fund-raiser in the past four years – critically needs your help! We have many, many slots empty on our sign-up sheets. These sheets will be available at the June meeting. While you may be thinking ... “*I’m going to be there all day and will just fill in where needed*” ... It would greatly alleviate our anxiety to KNOW who is available to fill specific time slots at specific locations. Please sign up to help with: Set Up, Hostess duties, Boutique, Silent Auction, Raffle Baskets, Raffle Quilt Ticket Sales, Consortium Basket, SCRAPS display, and Tear Down/Clean-up.

Also ... Guild members pay admission to the Quilt Show unless they volunteer at the show or during show preparation. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!

## **Quilt Show Items in Storage Area**

Many of the items necessary for setting up the Quilt Show are stored in the church basement storage area. If you think there are items you need in that area, plan to spend some time immediately following the June Picnic to retrieve them, take them home, then transport them to the show site for set up. We plan to have a little “extra help” available for any heavy lifting. If you are unable to retrieve your items on June 13, you will need to make separate arrangements with the church office to retrieve them.

## **The Buzzin' Boutique**

Items for the boutique have been coming in well. We have a good supply of beautiful products already priced and ready to go. Thank you so much to all who have donated. Carol Holladay will be accepting any additional offerings at the picnic meeting on June 13. There will also be sign-up sheets available if you would like to work a shift at the boutique.

Look for the bright pink consignment sheets at the picnic if you plan to offer some things for sale. Please fill out the complete list and attach the pink tags to your items before dropping them off on show setup day on Thursday.

Be sure to drop by the boutique during the show to purchase things for yourself and then again at the closing to pick up anything you might have donated that did not sell.

The room we have available for the boutique at OCC is big and bright. It will show off your lovely items very well. See you there.

- Carol and Alexa

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## **QUILT SHOW INFORMATION:**

**NYS Quilters Consortium:** A big Thank You to everyone who donated Fat Quarters & 3 books for our Quilters Consortium Raffle Basket for the Admissions table at the Quilt Show. A special THANKS goes to Jane Guiles for her donation of 126 Fat Quarters which brought our total up to 322!! Anyone who gets their Consortium Passport book stamped at the show will get a discount for admission & a raffle ticket for this basket. If you work at our Show & have a Passport, bring it with you & you can get it stamped & get a raffle ticket too. See me at the meeting if you would like to buy a Passport book (\$5). All proceeds go directly to the Consortium's \$100 scholarship awards.

- Michele Ricci

## **Quilt Show Floor Plan**

To give our members an idea of what the Quilt Show Floorplan looks like, we have uploaded a basic outline on our Towpath Quilt Guild webpage, in the Members section under Quilt Show. It can be printed for your reference. There is also a map of the OCC campus with our location noted, and the entrances highlighted.

## **Dedication of Quilt Show**

As you may know by now, we have overwhelmingly agreed to dedicate our 2023 Quilt Show to the memory of Suzy Tankersley. There will be a notation of this in the program. We are also

pleased that Donita has consulted with Suzy's husband to receive four of her quilts to hang in a dedicated area along with a picture, a tribute, and her President's gift of a Lone Star lap quilt.

### **Facebook Page**

To spread the word about our show, please search "2023 Towpath Quilt Show" on Facebook. Like or Follow the page, then share posts!

### **Quilt Registration, Delivery, Pick-Up at Quilt Show**

Delivery of quilts to the Quilt Show will be the morning of Thursday, June 29, at OCC. Details and procedure will be sent to all Guild Members via a separate email so that this important information doesn't get "lost in the shuffle" of other business.

### **Food Options During Quilt Show**

OCC's food services group will be offering coffee throughout the day as well as an assortment of "fast food" items during the late morning/early afternoon. We have been advised that when business slows for them (let's assume around 2-3 pm) then they will close the concession stand. We can bring our own lunches. Locally, there are a few take-out options: Byrne Dairy, Dunkin' Donuts and Pita Pita On the Hill (sandwiches & salads).

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### **OTHER ITEMS**

#### **Summer Hiatus**

For our new members and visitors ... The Towpath Quilt Guild does not meet formally during the months of July and August. We encourage members to stay in community with each other throughout the year!

#### **Quilt Rack Available**

\$20 or best offer; contact Vicki Swanson.

