

MAY MONTHLY MINDER

Common Courtesy: Please be mindful of the "Rules of Common Courtesy". When someone is addressing the group at large, background chatter is impolite and very distracting to all. If you wish to speak, a raise of hand is requested and appreciated. Thanks!

Monthly Treasurer's Report 5/2/2022:

<u>February</u>	<u>September 1, 2021 Balance</u>	\$12,973.29
Deposits \$9.00	Total Year Deposits	\$1,037.00
Expenses \$392.44	Total Year Expenses	<u>\$3,919.06</u>
	5/1/2022 Balance	\$10,091.23

Nominating Committee: Has met and has comprised a short list of candidates who are qualified to fill the 2 Co Vice President positions. These are the only positions open for the upcoming 2022-2023 year. Announcements will be made soon.

Optional Service Project: In addition to our large group service project, Towpath Quilt Guild has previously engaged in small service projects for the Cystic Fibrosis Wing at the Golisano Childrens' Hospital. Speer-headed by our very own Nancy Sellers, Towpath members have previously made numerous Bead Bags and (120) SuperHero Capes for the children who have been born with Cystic Fibrosis. For those who are not familiar with CF, it is an inherited life-threatening disease that damages the lungs and digestive system. The current need is 50 burp cloths for babies born with CF. Nancy Sellers has assembled 50 kits of cut fabric, ready to be sewn into burp cloths. The kits will be available at the May meeting for those who wish to participate in this optional service project.

May Fat Quarter Exchange: Floral prints

Show & Tell: Time will be allotted for members to show their quilts and give a brief description about them. In the event that several members have "Eye Candy" to share, please be sensitive to that fact.

Program, "Quilting Tips & Tricks": Learn something new as several guild members demonstrate favorite tools or how they do something. Sharing their knowledge and talents, here is the lineup of presenters and information they will share.

- Gail Brennan ~ How to Correct a Glaring Error (as in wrong fabric or color) in a Finished Quilt and How to Place Applique Pieces without Marking Fabric
- Carol Holladay ~ Mitered Borders
- Pat Ingalls & Flo Wynn ~ Blanket Stitch for Applique
- Jo Coons ~ Turned Applique
- Karen Arnold ~ Bloc-loc Rulers
- Dale Shinneman ~ 3 Great Finds: Starch, WAWAK, Paper
- Towpath Guild Chit Chat ~ Several Guild Members

June 14th Picnic/Annual Meeting: Will be an Ice Cream Social, held at the church. Details to follow. Please note that a "Trunk Swap" will be one of the main events. Those wishing to participate are encouraged to start going through their sewing "STUFF" fabric, tools, books, etc. ... anything that you no longer want and wish to swap or just pass on to fellow guild members. Fun, fun, fun! Questions? Address them with Arlene King, June 2022 picnic Coordinator

Scholarships: Towpath quilt Guild awards three to six scholarships each year at the September meeting. Eligible members** may submit their names for the drawing (September 2022). Scholarships are good for one year, from September through August and are not to be used for Towpath Guild Workshops. Winners are not eligible for next year's drawing.

****To be eligible, winners must be in at least their second year of Guild membership and have served on a committee or been a Board member. Winners must share their experience at a designated meeting/workshop no later than the September of the following year (September 2023).**

Members pay for the class and the scholarship amount will be reimbursed by the treasurer. The Vice-President or Co-Vice Presidents shall be responsible for overseeing this. If a scholarship winner has not committed to using allocated funds by January 1st, they relinquish them to the alternate.

Scholarship Application Forms will be available at the May meeting and can be obtained from Donita Whelan, Co-VP. _