

## May Monthly Minder 2022-23

Towpath Quilt Guild will meet on Tuesday May 9th in the SANCTUARY of the Fayetteville United Methodist Church. Please note that no food or drinks are allowed in the sanctuary, with the exception of bottled water.

Doors open at 9:30

Meeting starts promptly at 10:00

The program is titled "All Things Quilt Show". It promises to be a very informative program, with plenty of time for Q & A. All members are encouraged to attend.

The upcoming Towpath Quilt Guild Show is important to us for many reasons.

1. The biennial quilt show is our ONLY fundraiser. Due to COVID shutdown in 2019, it has been 4 years since we have had this major fundraiser. In short, we need to build up our treasury in order to pay operational expenses, continue charitable gifting and provide members with educational opportunities.
2. Another reason is that we want to share our beautiful work with the public !!!
3. Also, we want to introduce Towpath Quilt Guild to people who might not know about our guild, people that are interested in learning to quilt or expand their knowledge of quilting.
4. In addition, we would like to reintroduce Towpath Quilt Guild to friends that may have fallen out of the loop due to circumstances of the past few years. Hopefully, the quilt show can serve as a revival and mini membership drive. If you have friends who would be interested in joining a guild or if you know former members that might like to come back to the guild, please encourage them to attend the show.
5. Finally ... The 2023 quilt show is being dedicated to Suzy Tankersley. In her honor, let's make this our best quilt show ever :-)

Having said all of this, I urge everyone to please step up to the plate and **VOLUNTEER**. There are many empty slots on the Volunteer sign-up sheets that need to be filled. The Volunteer Sign Up Sheets will be available at the May 9th meeting. Please do your part and help make the quilt show a huge success.

~ Donita, Co-President ~

### **SHOW COMMITTEE:**

As you know, the May Guild Meeting is "all things Quilt Show"! To that end, there will be general information and site information shared. **As well, chairpersons of the many and various committees working on the show should be prepared to share relevant information to the Guild members.** We will be asking all members, who are able, to sign up for specific tasks at the Show and to spread the word about our Show!

### **Treasurer's Report 4/30/2023:**

Balance 3/31/23	11,708.84
+Deposits	210.00
	11,918.84
-Expenses	24.99
Balance 4/30/23	11,893.85

### **A FULL SLATE:**

We are so fortunate to have a full slate of candidates for our elected positions of leadership for next year. We will vote on this slate, or an amended one, if we get volunteers from the floor, on Tuesday. Many thanks to these dedicated women for stepping up to do the work of the guild we all so much enjoy.

Presidents - Vicki Swanson and Carol Holladay  
Vice Presidents - Berta Keeler and Jeannine Lloyd  
Treasurer - Jane Stopher  
Recording Secretary - Christine Lotto  
Corresponding Secretary - Marilouise Mattson

Program Committee- join the committee; looking for AV assistance; sneak peek at next years programs

### **REMINDER TO ALL ST. NICK QUILTERS:**

- Bring your finished quilt to the May 9<sup>th</sup> Towpath Meeting (in a pillowcase or bag if possible)
- Come to the check-in table (look for Jeannine and Nancy) to register and to turn in your quilt.
- Remember to have a 3"-4" sleeve and a label on the back of your quilt.
- If you are unable to attend the May 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, please send your quilt with someone else or contact Jeannine Lloyd [jmlloyd24@gmail.com](mailto:jmlloyd24@gmail.com) or Nancy Sellers [nsellers@twcnj.rr.com](mailto:nsellers@twcnj.rr.com) .

Looking forward to seeing all these great quilts!!!! Thank you for participating.  
Jeannine and Nancy

### **REQUESTING FABRIC DONATIONS:**

Gay Dorrance and Nancy Sellers are assisting the Cazenovia Public Library with their September Autumn Leaves Art Festival. We are looking for **BATIK** fabrics in fall colors and in light neutrals (tans, beige, light blue or green, etc) in 10" squares (or larger) for an art project that the library is planning. Batiks can be solids or prints. If you have any batiks that you would be willing to donate, please bring them to the **May 9<sup>th</sup> Guild meeting** and give to Gay or Nancy.  
Thank you!!

**RAFFLE TICKET SALES:**

Raffle moneys are due. Money and tickets can be turned in at the May 9th general meeting or mailed to Cathy DiBernardo.

**CONSORTIUM NEWS:**

We will continue to sell Quilters Consortium Quilt Show Passport booklets at the May and June meetings and they will be sold at our Quilt Show. They are \$5 each. At each Quilt Show listed in the booklet, there is a discount for the Admission ticket & you get a free raffle ticket for a special Consortium Raffle Basket at each show. See Michele Ricci at the meetings or check the Consortium website at [www.qcnys.org](http://www.qcnys.org) for any questions.

We are still collecting Fat Quarters to add to our raffle basket. Anyone that wishes to donate one or two, it would be greatly appreciated.

**BOUTIQUE:**

Please use the May and June meetings to deliver your boutique items to Carol Holladay and Alexa Carter. We would like to have everything priced and ready to go long before the day of set up. Remember that anything that does not get sold will be returned to the giver. Some possible items to donate are listed below:

books tools UFOs  
knitted items potholders table toppers  
Christmas ornaments purses scarves  
throws wall hangings pin cushions  
needle cases scissor leashes hankie bonnets  
chatelaines padded hangers portable sewing kits  
pillows and quillows texting gloves sweater mittens  
crocheted items walker bags cases for glasses  
hats toys notion caddies  
shawls baby blankets casserole carriers  
pet beds book bags key chains

**BOUTIQUE CONSIGNMENT:**

We will also be accepting items on consignment. There will be bright pink registration sheets and price tags available at the May and June meetings for those interested in offering consignment products. The procedure for submitting those products involves:

- listing items by name on a pink registration sheet,
- placing your name and the price on the provided matching pink price tags
- attaching those price tags to the correct item.
- bringing your marked items and your list to the boutique on set up day.

- Checks for sold items will be delivered within a few days after the show. Unsold items can be collected at the close of the show. The guild retains 20% of the selling price of consignment items.

There will be time at the May meeting to address any questions you may have about consignment and to pick up registration sheets.

People to work at the boutique are still needed. Please think about signing up for a shift.

The boutique is one of the favorite stops at any quilt show. Let's make this one special!

### **JUNE PICNIC:**

Please remember to sign up for attending our Picnic. We hope to have a large turnout. Two more green salads are needed, so if you are able, please consider signing up for one. Remember, there will be an ice cream social to cap off the event.

Cathy DiBernardo, Jan Sernett, Cyndy Smith, Barbara Western, Carol Long

### **FALL APPLIQUE CLASS:**

It's not too early to be thinking about the line-up of programs and classes the guild will be presenting next year. Your program committee has been hard at work and has several great experiences and speakers ready to go.

Lydia Middaugh, an award-winning wool applique quilter, designer and teacher, will be our first guest of the year with a trunk show and talk on October 10, 2023. Lydia's trunk show includes 12 bed size cotton and wool quilts including a Best of Show Quilt. Lydia's talk is available to all guild members and promises to be a most enjoyable and informative experience.

We also have the option of booking Lydia for a full day class on the Wednesday after our guild meeting. The class would run from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM and includes a full kit containing needles, wool, backing, threads and everything you need to complete a wool applique project. The cost for the full day will be approximately \$75. The kit cost is \$45 and, if 10 people register for the class, the cost will be \$35 each for instruction. If more people sign up, the instruction cost will be less per student.

If you think you might be interested in the all day class, please visit Lydia's website to see her work. Take some time this summer to become familiar with her and make your decision. We would like to let her know in September whether we would like to schedule the workshop day. Keep a lookout for future notices. We will be looking for a roster of students by August. Lydia's website is <http://www.charliesdaughter.net/classes>