

October 2023 Monthly Minder

Greetings to all our Towpath members! We welcome you to the October meeting of the Guild which will include a brief business meeting and then a program with award-winning wool appliquer Lydia Middaugh.

TOWPATH QUILT GUILD AGENDA for Tuesday, October 10, 2023

Presidents' Greeting: Carol Holladay & Vicki Swanson

Past President: Donita Whelan

Vice Presidents: Berta Keeler & Jeannine Lloyd

Treasurer: Jane Stopher

Recording Secretary: Christine Lotto

Corresponding Secretary: Marilouise Mattson

Membership & New Members: Carol Long & Janet Sernett

Program Committee: Lee Anne Wilking

January Service Project: Berta Keeler

Optional Activities:

- Fat Quarter Exchange: Fran O'Donnell
- Wednesday Stitchers: Barb Christen
- Other

Quilters' Consortium of NYS: Michele Ricci

Newsletter: Noel Keith

Librarian: Karen Arnold

Email Liaison: Barbara Western

Website Manager: Berta Keeler

NEW BUSINESS

PROGRAM: Lydia Middaugh, Wool Applique

FAT QUARTER EXCHANGE

This is a fun opportunity to enhance your fat quarter stash. Each month a color or theme is chosen for the fat quarter drawing. Simply bring in a fat quarter, fill out a ticket with your name and enter for the drawing. You are allowed one ticket for each fat quarter you bring.

October will be red colors.

TREASURER'S REPORT

September, 2023

Balance 9/1/23	18,236.62
Deposits	+560.00
	18,796.62
Expenses	-265.80
Balance 9/30/23	18,530.82

EMAILS

If you are sending an e-mail to Barbara Western concerning something to do with Towpath Quilt Guild, please sign it with your name.

Example: If you use 315888999@gmail.com she doesn't know who to respond to. Thank you. Barbara Western, bjwestern123@gmail.com

PROGRAMS

Program information - program sign-up lists are on the Towpath Guild website. You can check if you have signed up.

October meeting is your **LAST CHANCE** to sign up for Marilyn Urcioli's all-day beading workshop on Wednesday, November 15. Details and a sample of the beading necklace will be at October meeting. \$35 cash or check made out to Divine Threads.

March zoom workshop on making postcards. Details and sample will be at October meeting. **Sign up and pay at October or November meetings.** \$5 cash or check made out to Towpath Guild.

Questions? Cheryl Sacco quilt52@gmail.com

2025 QUILT SHOW

There will be a brief meeting after the October Guild Meeting of any one that wants to help with the 2015 Raffle Quilt. We need to arrange a time & place to get together. Thank you. Kate Toole

NEW MEMBER PROFILE

Cyndy retired January 1, 2023, and joined Towpath that month! Vicki Swanson knew Cyndy and had earlier asked her to join; Cyndy said she would when she was not working and Vicki reminded her in January. Cyndy retired after working 41 years managing an IT department for an insurance company. She loves to sew and has been quilting a while. She has traveled to all but five states. Cyndy has already been involved working with Guild members on the June picnic so she does not let any grass grow under her feet



SCHOLARSHIPS

Winners for this year are: Christine Lotto, Terry Richey and Barbara Western. Alternates are:
1. Ann Lamprey and 2. Nancy Sellers

SERVICE PROJECT

We are off and running with our service project, Quilts of Comfort for Hospice and Palliative care. Thank you to all who have donated so far. The people at Hospice and Palliative Care are very happy to receive the quilts for ages toddler through teen. We would like to be sure the quilts are approximately a minimum of 40"x48" to a max of 60"x70" but anything close will be accepted. Colorful prints are requested. Try to limit the use of dark fabrics since we want everything to be cheery. (Also, a good option for pet owners is to wash the quilt after you are finished to be sure that any pet hairs might be removed - just a suggestion.) **Please have the quilts totally cleaned of threads, pins, pet hair, lint, etc. Pretend they are going to be displayed at a quilt show**

We will have some kits available on Tuesday at the meeting and are working on getting batting. Email Berta Keeler, bertk1@aol.com, with the batting size needed as we will precut requests and have them available at the November meeting.

CONSORTIUM NEWS:

Any member of our Guild is a member of the Consortium. Their website is: www.qcnys.org and Facebook pages are: Quilters Consortium of New York State and QCNYS Friends & News Group. Please check their website for all of this information.

There is a Quilt Challenge this year (monetary prizes). Entry registration deadline (send photo of quilt) by 12/15/23 online. Voting will be online. Applications for Educational Scholarships of \$100 each to take quilting classes are chosen by lottery. Appl. period is 10/1/23 to 12/1/23 online. Wee Little Quilts are 10" x 10" quilts of any design. They will be sold at the Consortium's Best of NY Show for \$10 each next fall. The proceeds are used to fund the Educational Scholarships. They have requested as many as we can provide before next summer. Check their website under "Activities." They can be mailed in or Michele Ricci will collect them at our meetings & send them in. The Consortium will have a Mystery Quilt for next year. Details will be on the website starting Nov. 15.