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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Let's hope Mother Nature cooperates and we have a clear winter night for our February meeting. Martha Krupa's January program suggested so many ways to enhance our quilts with stitching, photos, beading, hand dyed fabrics and various kinds of stamping. I'm sure we all left inspired.

Congratulations to Nancy Smith who coordinated the volunteers who worked on the Aaron Mossell quilt. The finished project is very impressive and looked so good on the front page of the Union Sun on Sunday, January 25th, and in the Buffalo News. Also, many thanks to the volunteers who worked at the wine and beer festival in the Kenan Arena. This year's raffle quilt was displayed as guests entered the arena. It looked very dramatic.

February's meeting should be fun. We will be selecting strips to make the Hidden Wells block. If you have any strips between 1 and 3 inches wide and at least 14 inches long, bring them. We have had hundreds donated. But the more strips, the more choices! We'll do the sewing at home and assemble the blocks at a later meeting.

Pat & Katie

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It looks like our January meeting was the first casualty of Western New York winter weather-I hope February weather is better. We had a great time playing with dyeing, printing, and foiling with Martha on Saturday. At least we had no issues finding snow for the workshop!

Pat Tracy is coordinating our next meeting as a Block Party. She has put a lot of work into this so let's support her on February 12th. Jan Jordan and I will be teaching the Vortex Quilt class on February 14th. I have ordered the kits and expect to receive them this week. We should be able to complete most of the quilt during the session. Remember to bring your lunch and beverage of choice.

Sandy has finalized our May meeting program and workshop. We will have a presentation by Rebecca



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March from the Western New York Modern Quilt Guild on May 14th. The workshop, given by Robi Witulski, on May 16th is "No Ruler Improv" using our own fabrics. I expect to have a needs list by our March newsletter. The description provided is: Turn your strips and strings (even leftover blocks!) into your own unique modern masterpiece. Learn to let go and piece by instinct, not patterns. Slice and dice and sew. Sounds interesting-a great way to stretch ourselves!

Finally, we have cancelled our June open sewing due to the preschool graduation that day. We will be at the Taylor Theater Meeting Room for open sewing from 10-2 on these dates: February 18, March 18, April 15 and May 20.

See you at our next meeting!
Nancy Smith & Sandy Shufelt

AARON MOSELL QUILT

Whew! The quilt is done and our efforts are now focused on promotion, publicity and arranging a hand-off to the Lockport Schools. It's been a long time coming but also very rewarding.

By the time you read this we will have completed interviews with Tom Prohaska of the Buffalo News and Anne Calos from the Union-Sun & Journal. Ellen Martin has been hugely supportive in getting the word out about the quilt's completion. She scheduled time for us on Lockport Community Television at 5 PM on February 11th-my TV debut (yikes!). As other arrangements firm up, I will pass them along through email whenever possible.

We also contacted Ryan Schoenfeld, principal at North Park Junior High, and Charlene McClain, advisor to the Senior High's African American History Club. They continue to work out arrangements for a school board presentation and our participation in a February 6th African American History program (6:30 PM at the Senior High). It looks like Mr. Mossell's granddaughter, Dr. Rae Alexander-Minter, will be in town for the program as well-quite a treat to meet her!

Again, a big thank you to the Guild for your support on the project.

Nancy Smith

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The monthly meeting of the Kenan Quilters' Guild was called to order at 7:05 PM on January 8th, 2015. There was one guest present.

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Sue McKenna & seconded by Martha Krupa. Motion passed.

Mail- We received correspondence from the following: the Dale Association, Amherst Museum, and a repeat of the novel offer from last month. Everything is on the table for members to peruse.

Old Business & Committees:

Quilt Show- Sue McKenna announced the categories for judging. Since the name of the show is "Quilts, You've Come A Long Way..." she encouraged members to submit one of their first quilts along with a current quilt to illustrate the theme of the show. The Hoffman Challenge will again be a part of the show and the vendor letters are being sent out. Sue also encouraged members to begin to make things for the Boutique & Auction.

Nursery School- Stephanie Drehs met with Jennifer Anzalone to discuss the Faith Ringgold project. She is waiting to hear from Jennifer regarding the date of the program and which book Jennifer has chosen.

Hidden Wells-We will sort and put strips together at next month's meeting.

Workshops- There are sign-up sheets on the table. Money is needed for the Vortex quilt workshop tonight. Open Sew is next Wednesday at the Taylor Theater from 10 AM - 2 PM.

Raffle Quilt-Sue is looking for suggestions for a name. Attaching the binding will be done at Circle.

Wine & Beer Fest-A volunteer is needed to put together a theme basket.

There was no new business to discuss.

A motion to adjourn was made by Barb Sanford and seconded by Martha Krupa. Motion passed.



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A program on Art Quilts was presented by Martha Krupa following the close of the business meeting.

Respectfully Submitted
Stephanie Drehs, Secretary

PROGRAMS

Programs Thursday Night 7 PM to 9 PM (no cost)
February 12th-Block Party (Hidden Wells)

WORKSHOPS

Workshops are held on the Saturday following the meeting from 9 AM - 3 PM.
February 14th-Vortex Quilt with Jan Jordan & Nancy Smith

SHOW AND TELL

Pat Tracy-Christmas wall hangings
Barb Sanford-Elf on Shelf quilt
Stephanie Drehs-Bertie (Nov & Dec blocks)
Mystery quilt

THIS MONTH'S BIRTHDAYS

Linda Davis Feb. 6
Kim Jeffree Feb. 23

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Center Column-Project of the week, Blog link, Mailing list (sign-up for weekly newsletter), About Us

Right Column-Features newest arrivals & seasonal favorites

2015 CALENDAR

Feb. 12-Meeting 7-9 PM
Program-Block Party

Feb. 14-Workshop 9 AM - 3 PM
Project-Vortex Quilt

Feb. 18-Circle 10 AM - 2 PM

March 12-Meeting 7-9 PM
Quilt Show meeting at 5:45 PM prior to regular meeting
Program-Zentangles & Guild Birthday Party

March 15-Workshop 9 AM - 3 PM
Project-Zentangles

March 18-Circle 10 AM - 2 PM

April 9-Meeting 7-9 PM
Program-History of Reproduction Fabrics

April 11-Workshop 9 AM - 3 PM
Project-Landscaping



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April 15-Circle 10 AM - 2 PM

May 14-Meeting 7-9 PM
Program-Modern Quilting

May 16-Workshop 9 AM - 3 PM
Project-Modern Quilting

May 20-Circle 10 AM - 2 PM

June 11-Picnic

Note: I am only listing dates, times and events. The co-vice-presidents will give you the details regarding the programs & workshops in their monthly columns. As the events occur they will drop off the list.

MODERN VORTEX QUILT

A variation on the Dresden Plate by Debby Kravotil.
Finished Size: 28" X 28"

Please note the pattern used a red & white theme. You can substitute any contrasting colors. The supply list will use the red & white references.

Supply List:

- 18 degree Dresden wedge ruler with at least an 8" height(included in pattern kit)
- 1 yard red (Dresden blades, outer border & binding)
- ¾ yard white/light fabric
- ½ yard white with dots for side triangles (or any compatible print)
- 1 yard backing
- Craft sized batting
- Invisible, monofilament thread for applique (if by machine) or coordinating thread for hand applique
- 4 ½ " square lightweight interfacing AND freezer paper (WE WILL SUPPLY THIS)

If you want to pre-cut any fabrics:

- Four (4) strips at 1 ¾" X width of fabric of EACH of your two colors (the red & white)
- One (1) 4 ½" square of the red fabric
- Two (2) squares from dotted or print fabric at 11 3/8"
- Four (4) red strips at 3" X width of fabric for borders

LANDSCAPE CLASS

Anyone who is taking the Landscape class in April should be holding on to all batik scraps. Keep them separated by color. You will need lots of batiks or fabrics that are colored all the way through like batiks. Just a heads up.

Dotti Timkey & Donna Kathke

WORKSHOP PAYMENT PROCESS

I am putting this reminder in for those who may have forgotten. I haven't gone to a workshop in a long time & forgot the payment process we all agreed on quite some time ago. Gail was kind enough to remind me. I figure if I forgot others may have also. So here it is:

The Guild no longer pays \$50 to the teacher for a workshop. The teacher decides if she wants to have the workshop for however many people sign up. Money from attendees goes directly to the teacher rather than through the Guild. Workshops were begun as a service to members with all incoming fees going directly to the teacher. No one seems to know how/shy we started using it as a money-maker for the Guild and only paying the teacher \$50. There is more info in the September 2011 newsletter-Revamping Workshop Payments, and the October 2011 meeting minutes noting discussion, a motion made and seconded. No vote mentioned, but I believe it passed.

The exception to paying teachers directly is in the case of a national teacher.

Thank you Gail, for keeping us all on track.

QUILT SHOW

Quilts...you've come a long way is the theme for our 2015 show.

We are looking for members to submit an early and current quilt which will be hung together. Show us how far you have come in your quilting. If you have been quilting a long time, your early quilt might have been made using templates and without the beloved rotary cutter...



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Show committee meeting will be held at 5:45 PM prior to the February meeting. Show chairs, please plan to attend as there will be no show meeting prior to the March meeting.

Sue McKenna & Jan Jordan

Clarence Quilt Guild "Cabin Fever 11"

April 24th, 25th, & 26th

Location: Clarence Town Park Clubhouse
10405 Main St.
Clarence, NY

Hours: Friday & Saturday: 10 AM - 5 PM
Sunday: 11 AM - 4 PM

GRAPE SALAD RECIPE

2 lbs. each of red & green grapes

Mix: 8 oz. cream cheese
8 oz. sour cream
½ cup sugar
1 tsp. vanilla

Stir into grapes to coat well.
Top with ½ cup brown sugar & chopped walnuts or pecans.

From: Kim Jeffree

QUILT SHOWS

Twin Cities Guild Quilt Show
"A Celebration of Color"

April 18th & 19th, 2015

Location: Gratwick Fire Hall
110 Ward Road
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

Hours: Saturday: 9 AM - 5 PM
Sunday 10 AM - 4 PM

TREASURER'S REPORT-JA2015

The IRS has accepted the e-Postcard filed for the year 01SE13-31AUG14.

Gail L. Schweigert, Treasurer

Starting Balance		9202.81
INCOME		
31DE14 dividend	3.27	
Raffle Quilt 2014 mini *	70.00	
N. Smith return from NO cash advance for DE14	1.78	
Leftover pop purchased by members	4.00	
2 Zentangles workshops	50.00	
1 Landscape workshop	10.00	
Total Income	139.05	
EXPENSES		
M. Krupa – JA15 prog.	50.00	
N. Smith – reimburse for Mossell quilt expenses	148.95	
Total Expenses	198.95	
TOTAL		
Checking acct balance		110.51
Savings acct balance		9032.40
Total accounts		9142.91



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Next Meeting February 12th @ 7:00 PM in the Taylor Theatre

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