PRESIDENT’S REPORT

For those who could not make it, the Christmas party was a treat. Sandy did a beautiful job setting up the tables and putting together the slide show and a treat bag for each member. The slide show was like viewing the quilt show all over again. Some quilts I didn’t even remember seeing. A remembrance of the show like this would be nice for each quilt show.

This marks the end of 2011 already! Every year I think about resolutions and the last few years I’ve resolved not to make resolutions. It’s not because I set myself up for the impossible, but because life has a way of intruding on my best intentions so I figure why be disappointed in myself when I can’t get everything done. I am always looking to improve myself and my quilting every year. I try to maintain my friendships every year. I try to do well at my job every year. It doesn’t seem necessary to make a resolution in order to do those things.

This year I am looking forward to several of the great quilt workshops Sandy has planned, particularly January’s Attic Windows with Gretchen Lang. Believe it or not I have never made one of these, and I’d like to learn how to get those corners to lay flat! Another workshop I want to attend is the reverse appliqué with Sue McKenna. I’m interested in the design aspect of that. Think of the possibilities! If I can draw it, I can quilt it! The new year is looking up already! We’re fortunate to have such talented guild members who can help us all become better quilters. See! Isn’t that resolution easy? We can all improve our quilting if we attend workshops. Perhaps members can put “attend guild meetings regularly” on their resolutions list? I hope to see you all in January! I wish you a happy healthy new year.

Martha Krupa

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Hi Quilters,

The Christmas Party was awesome. I had a lot of fun and the food was fantastic, luckily I dressed appropriately and wore pants with an elastic waistline. Once the party got started, I forgot that we were even in the meeting room. I would like to thank the members that took the time to come early to help me
set up the room, I really appreciate it. I hope everyone enjoyed their little “goody bags” along with all the other gifts you received that night.

Our January 12th program is Proper Stretching & De-Stressing with Jamie Aldridge. Jamie is a licensed massage therapist with approximately 10 years experience and runs her business out of her Lockport home.

The January 3rd workshop is in the process of being re-scheduled for a Saturday in February.

The January 14th workshop is with our own Gretchen Lang. She will be showing us how to make either a wallhanging or crib size attic windows quilt approximately 38 1/2" x 38 1/2", this would make a great photo quilt. Of course you can always make a larger one with the instructions she will be sharing. A picture and supply list can be found below.

At our February 9th program, we will find out “What’s Growing at Patchwork Garden with Joan”. If you haven’t been to the Patchwork Garden on Transit Road in Amherst, you will want to go and check out this quilt shop. It seems to have something for everyone. They have quite a selection of holiday fabrics and don’t forget to check out the upstairs of this two story shop.

On February 11th, we will be learning Reversible Applique with another of our own members, Susan McKenna, this picture will also be shown below.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas & a Happy & Healthy New Year.
   ~ Sandy Shufelt

**PROGRAMS**

**Programs Thursday Night 7pm to 9pm (no cost)**

Jan.  Proper Stretching and De-stressing with Jamie Aldridge
Feb.  What’s Growing at Patchwork Garden
Mar.  Re-sizing Blocks, Mitered Borders, Binding Corners & Making the Ends Meet, Using the Color Wheel & Choosing Colors
Apr.  Linda Glantz from Peace Quilts, Etc. - Author of “Flowercolor - Picture Quilts with Two-Inch Squares
May  Karen Sienk
June  Picnic and Trash to Treasure

**WORKSHOPS**

Saturday workshops are held between 9:00 am - 3 pm.
Tuesday workshops are held 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm.

| TBA | One Block Wonder with Marge Sposito |
| Jan. 14 | Attic Windows with Gretchen Lang |
| Feb. 11 | Reversible Applique with Susan McKenna |
| Mar. 6 (T) | Sweatshirt Jacket with Judy Schryver & Sharon Schneider |
| Mar. 10 | Art Quilt Primer with Ina Randall |
| Apr. 14 | Floral Applique with Gail Schweigert |
| May 1 (T) | Sweatshirt Jacket with Judy Schryver & Sharon Schneider |
| May 11, 12 | Karen Sienk |

Attic Windows Supply list for a 38 1/2" x 38 1/2" size quilt:

1. sewing machine in working order
2. your appropriate tools, thread and needles
3. 1 yard of a feature fabric
4. 1 yard of light colored fabric to contrast and frame the windows
5. 1 yard of dark colored fabric to contrast and frame the windows
6. 1/4 - 1/2 yard of contrast fabric for the sashing
7. 1 yard of coordinating fabric for borders
8. don’t forget your lunch, snack and a drink
SHOW AND TELL

Katie DerSarkissian – Wall guilt
Maria Adams – Candle mat, table topper
Mae Andes – Pillow case, 2 purses
Laurie Hartman – Tote bag, 3 table runners
Rena Tuohy – Tote bag, 2 table runners
Gretcehen Lang & Midge Maonna – 3 dresses for African girls
Pat Tracy – 2 Bed runners for Hospice, 2 4th of July wall hangings

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Please welcome and add as a new member(s) to your information:

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Birthday: March 2nd

Returning Member:

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