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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

One of the things I most like about our guild is the range of interests and talents in our guild. Gail's baskets were wonderful. After attending her workshop, I not only admire the beauty of what she creates but also the skill required to make them. Making sense of the directions takes a certain way of seeing the various materials and the effects we want to create. Her turkey soup was good too as was Sue's bread.

I also attended Clarence's quilt show and enjoyed the range of quilts in the show. I did miss the more artsy quilts they used to have like Ina Randall's work, but all in all, it was a nice show. I look forward to a great range of quilts at our show since we've had some really interesting workshops in the past two years. I hope everyone has something to share with our viewers in our coming show.

If you need inspiration, be sure to visit the Bond House on Ontario Street in Lockport. Some of the historical quilts there are exquisite. I am fascinated by the crazy quilts and the variety of embroidery done on them. I am planning on a second trip to record some of those stitches for my own use. If you haven't had an opportunity to visit or play docent, give it a chance. It's like stepping back in time to be in that house. I can imagine the hours and lamplight it would require to create some of those quilts. I was also amazed at the vivid colors and state of preservation of the quilts. They probably haven't seen the light of day very often. One thing our guild might do is donate a sum to help with the preservation of the quilts, and perhaps we could include one or two quilts in our own show to highlight the work the Historical Society is doing to preserve quilts from the community and their history. Who knows? Our own quilts may one day become part of that heritage!

Our next meeting will be at the Historical Society, so I hope you all come out to see for yourselves the beautiful quilts and other handcrafts on display. I'm looking forward to the collection on display at the Historical Society as I have not made it over there yet. Keep quilting. Don't forget to keep working on your challenge and a cuddle or veteran's quilt to share with someone from our community. Those quilts may not make it to the Historical Society, but they will be



remembered as a source of comfort by people in the community.

Respectfully,

Martha Krupa

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gail's basket class was interesting. Eight girls participated. I made the garlic bag, which I plan to make more for Christmas gifts. Seven of the girls made the same basket with the same amount of supplies. They are all different in size and shape though using the same instructions. Much like our challenge for June will be the same picture, how we see the colors, and how we use them in our work are different. Mine is coming along fine. Hope yours is too. If you haven't started you still have time, as size does not matter.

The May meeting is at the historical museum in Lockport. Parking is limited so carpooling from the Kenan was suggested. I will drive myself as I'm only a few blocks away. See you there.

Are you thinking of Martha's Presidents Block? They are due in June. Stephanie is in charge of the June picnic. For the June meeting bring a dish to pass, Martha's block and your challenge.

See you May 9th,

Marge Sposito

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Meeting Minutes April 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Martha Krupa. The March Treasurer's Report and Meeting Minutes were approved as written.

New Business:

Quilt Show; Jan Jordan said a Committee Chair is needed to schedule Demonstrations during the Quilt Show.

Kenan Center; Sue McKenna needs volunteers to do surveys at the 100 American Craftsmen Show in the arena in June.

Col. Bond House Quilt Exhibit; Pat Tracy said the May meeting will be held in the meeting room at the

Niagara County Historical Society on Niagara St., then we will go to the Col. Bond house on Ontario St. for a tour and refreshments. Due to parking limitations, we will carpool from the Taylor Theater.

Old Business:

Officers; the slate of officers for next year will be: President, Linda Davis; Vice President, Judy Schryver and Sharon Schneider; Secretary, Stephanie Drehs; and Treasurer, Gail Schweigert

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Nancy Smith and seconded by Sue Laubacker.

Submitted by Barbara Sanford

PROGRAMS

Programs Thursday Night 7pm to 9pm (no cost)
Workshops Saturday 9am to 3pm

May 9th, Meeting will be held at the Niagara County Historical Society on Niagara St then move to the Colonel William Bond House, 143 Ontario Street

May 11th, No Workshop

June 13th, Picnic; bring a dish to pass, Challenge Quilt and President's Block.

SHOW AND TELL

Dotti Timkey	Flip Flop Quilt, Liberty Quilt, Auction Items
Sue McKenna	Stained Glass, White/Hand Dyed
Martha Krupa	Snow Dyed
Sharon Schneider	Quilt, Wall Hanging, Purse
Judy Schryver	Mini Trip Around the World
Pat Tracy	Table Toppers

THIS MONTHS BIRTHDAYS

Judith Fleckenstein	May 20 th
Patricia Brace	May 31 st

MAY MEETING: EARLY QUILTS OF NIAGARA

The meeting in May will be held at the Niagara County



Historical Society at 215 Niagara St. at 7:00 PM. After our business meeting and program, we will proceed to the Colonel Bond House on Ontario where some of the society's quilts are on display. There is on street parking on both Niagara and Ontario.

For those who are not familiar the NCHS locations, please meet at 6:45 PM in the parking lot at the Kenan Center where you would usually park for a regular guild meeting. We will then carpool to the Historical Society. There should be no trouble that way finding a place to park.

Alisa Hill, Stephanie Drehs and Pat Tracy are working on a program about the quilts in the collection. They hope you will enjoy the change of venue and the chance to see some remarkable quilts done before rotary cutters and Heat and Bond up close.

NEW MEMBER

Please update your roster with the following members:

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JUNE CHALLENGE

June will quickly be here, and this year's challenge is based on a photo of Gretchen Lang's backyard. The only requirement is that the colors of your project match the colors of the landscape depicted. Looks like we will be seeing blues ranging from light to dark, purples, browns and tans and of course a range of greens from yellowy to blue-green.

The beautiful greens now "springing" forth should be an inspiration to begin, if you haven't already, to design your challenge quilt.

There will be two \$25 prizes: one for the most beautiful and one for the most creative interpretation of the photo. Everyone will vote in each category. Don't write your name on the front of the quilt, though I'm sure some of us will recognize our members' distinctive styles.

JUNE CHALLENGE - COLOR PALATE

Sue McKenna to inspire me to get started on my June

challenge project gave me an article entitled, "Finding Your Inner Artist." Once you've found her, you are ready to execute your inspirations in the real world.

Think of your stash as a giant Crayola box with 296 crayons with a built in sharpener - a really deluxe set. Select the following crayons and line them up on your worktable with a coffee cup at each end to keep them from falling off.

amber, auburn, beige, brick, cream, buff, russet, saddle, umber, tawny, bronze, chestnut, ecru, cinnamon, cocoa, gold, khaki, natural, sand, fawn, ginger, suntan, biscuit, BROWN, bay, coffee, copper, hazel, henna, mahogany, nut, ochre, puce, rust, sepia, sorrel, russet, terracotta, toast, aqua, azure, cerulean, gentian, indigo, mazarin, periwinkle, BLUE, royal, navy, teal, turquoise, ultramarine, cobalt, beryl, sapphire, emerald, apple, GREEN, chartreuse, forest, jade, Kelly, lime, malachite, pine, sage, verdigris, moss, amaranthine, amethyst, heliotrope, lavender, lilac, PURPLE, magenta, mauve, mulberry, lilac, orchid, perse, plum, pomegranate, violet, wine

Now there's no excuse for not starting to draw your project. You've got the colors. I can't wait to see the finished drawing.

PRESIDENT'S BLOCK

Each year, as members of the Kenan Quilters' Guild, we make our outgoing President the block of her choice. This year, Martha would like **blue and white** blocks that finish to 9" square (a block should measure 9 1/2" when you have completed it, 9" when put together in a quilt). The block that you make can be any pattern (pieced or applique), but it must be blue (any shade) and **white**. They will be presented to her at the June picnic.

SCRAPS FOR DALE ASSOCIATION

Sandy Diel will no longer be collecting scraps for the Dale Association.

KENAN QUILT SHOW - DOOR PRIZES

I will be collecting items in excellent condition to use as door prizes from now until October. If you have



patterns, books, fat quarters, or any notions that you no longer have a need for and that are like new, please let me know. Thanks!

Dotti Timkey
Quilt Show Door Prize Chairman

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