

Highlights from the October Meeting and Reminders!

We had 38 members and 1 guest attend the October meeting.

Members who attended the meeting were given an envelope with guild quilt raffle tickets inside to sell. If you were not at the meeting be sure to pick them up next month. We are asking that members purchase or sell all your tickets. With the absence of Victorian Days we are feeling the impact. If you can sell extra tickets that would be a big help. Let me remind you this is the only fundraiser we do as a guild so give it your all.

Marlene Marlowe is still taking reservations for our Mystery Quilt to be held on February 11, 2017. She has the fabric requirements ready to give you when you sign up and pay your \$20.00. I'd love to give you more information but "It's a Mystery"!

Jeannie Campbell did a wonderful lecture/trunk show at our October meeting. Her workshop on "Decorative Stitches and a Crazy Quilt Heart" the Saturday before the meeting was attended by 8 members. We used stitches on our machine we never knew we had.

Sisters Connie and Lynn will be speaking to us at the November meeting on what it takes to enter and win at the Kutztown Quilt Show. Believe me they know what they are talking about, they win all the time. I am hoping someday our guild will incorporate their lecture into our own Kutztown quilt entry.

November is your last chance to start the Step of the Month with Carol Smith. Carol tells us it is a beautiful quilt. It measures about 34 x 34 and would be perfect for the center square of a big quilt. If you were on the fence about giving this a try, go for it, and sign up in November.

Our guild members have been handing in lots of QOV blocks. I'll send out the pattern for December when I receive it from Laura Lyman. Lorraine Hare will be collecting them at the meeting.

Don't Forget - we'll be making fun colorful hospital gowns for "Patients to People" as our charity project. Nancy Murphy needs a head count of those who are planning to participate. It doesn't matter if you plan to work at

home or are planning to attend a workshop on December 10th and or March 18th, either way she needs to order your packets, so please let her know. Email Nancy at quilterfriend@gmail.com or call her at [973-219-5636](tel:973-219-5636)

Thank you to Natalie D'Aiello for organizing placemats for the homebound this past Saturday at the Hope Church, 6 ladies attended. There are over 100 placemats handed in so far, with Irene Compton dropping off a whopping 40 on Saturday.

I'd like to take a moment to shine the light on 3 guild members this month.

Nancy Geiger

After attending a workshop entitled the Little Bird with Linda Poole, Linda asked Nancy to make her a sample. Nancy chose a Little Owl.

When she sent her a photo of the progress, Linda told her she would like her to enter him (the little owl) into her Facebook contest. The contest ended Sept 15 and voting started. There were only 4 entries. Nancy and one other entry were neck & neck during the entire 10 days of voting. When it ended at midnight, Oct 10, "Guess What Nancy Won"! In the future, Little Owl will be one of the samples Linda uses in her workshop.

Here is the Blog with the details of the contest and also a photo of her quilt: [The Summer Fun "Color by Design" contest rules are here and the Prize is awesome!](#)

Leanna McCutcheon

Did a little Brown Floral art quilt to use as a sample for a demo at our quilt show last year. She was demonstrating how to finish with uneven curved edges. The techniques used were fussy-cut batiks, fused raw-edge machine appliqué, trapunto, and machine quilting. She entered it in the NJ State Fair on a whim, mostly because she had no other art quilts finished. Imagine her surprise when she won First Place in the class Art Quilt-Professional and a pink ribbon for a special award given to the top art quilt.

Leanna also entered Cherrywood Fabrics first challenge she was to make a 20" square quilt using their pack of Wicked Green & Black fabrics inspired

by the book & show Wicked. After they saw all the quilts together, they decided to publish a book. Leanna's witch is pictured in the book.

This year she entered again, same requirements but inspired by the movie The Lion King. There were 304 entries with the winning 120 going on tour to AQS Shows in 2016 – 2017. Leanna was one of the 120 that will be on display at Houston in a couple of weeks. The nearest AQS shows to us are Lancaster in March and Syracuse next summer.

The next challenge will be announced at Houston – she has already pre-registered! Give it some thought ladies you to could be chosen! Cherrywood hand-dyed fabrics. CHERRYWOODFABRICS.COM

Fran Visicaro

For almost 2 years Fran worked secretly with RaNae Merrill on a project for her new book "Sideways Spiral Quilts". You can find Fran's quilt on page 13 and a picture of the center block on page 22. If you get a chance ask Fran to tell you all about keeping a secret for so long and the work she did with RaNae. www.ranaemerrillquilts.com

Congratulations to all three ladies, we are blessed to have such talented members. I attached some pictures of the quilts to this email.

That's all I have this month and I hope to see you at the November meeting.

Feel free to email or call me if there is something you would like to discuss.

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I will be sending the October meeting minutes and treasurer's report in separate emails to you. I will also be sending a list of committees that we will need to fill for the 2017 Quilt Show.

Your president,

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