

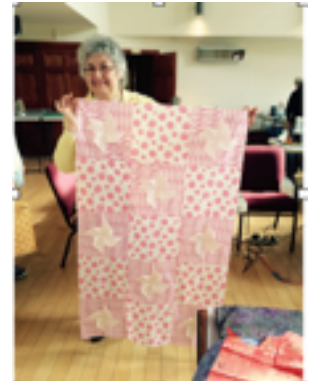
PIECED TOGETHER QUILTERS

Scraps from the Pres...

I have been hooked on quilt retreats ever since the first one I went to so many years ago. A retreat is a time to recharge, relax and escape from the everyday activities in our lives. It is a good time spent hanging out with friends and making new ones. There is lots of laughter and inspiration. And maybe, best of all, NO COOKING!

I love the time spent having a cup of coffee and sharing ideas with another early riser or two. And it is the uninterrupted time to sew with people who love it, too. Never been on one? Give it a try.

“You want to know the difference between a master and a beginner? The master has failed more times than the beginner has ever tried.” Spirit Science
Charledine



QUILT CAMP 2016

We only have a couple more openings for Quilt Camp on April 22-24.

Please contact Fran Stanley if interested.

QUILT CAMP 2015 PICTURES:



**RAFFLE QUILT 2016
APPRIASED AT
\$4665!!!**

WE HAVE TICKETS TO SELL!!!



**EVEN THOUGH THIS QUILT SHOULD SELL ITSELF, WE NEED YOUR HELP!
PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE ASK ANYONE (WITHIN REASON)... YOUR BEST
FRIEND, YOUR CLEANERS, YOUR NEWSPAPER BOY. WAIT, ARE THERE
ANY OF THOSE LEFT???** AND YES, PERHAPS, A PAPER GIRL? ;)

**MAYBE CONSIDER THROWING A TICKET INTO A FRIENDS BIRTHDAY
CARD, ANNIVERSARY CARD, PASSOVER, EASTER, OR MAYBE AN EARLY
HOLIDAY CARD!!!**

JUST DO IT!

PIECED TOGETHER QUILTERS

Officers/Committees 2015-2016

President- Charledine Rome
Secretary- JoAnne Marcine

Vice-President- Carol Dreitlein
Treasurer- Linda Martin

Hospitality- Eileen Schmidt
Program/ Focus Groups- Nancy Hollasch
Sunshine- Christine Fellin
Bulletin Board/Resources- Diane Lebovitz
Library- Bonnie Wilson
Raffle Quilt Chair- Mary Yanchok
Webmaster-

Membership- Linda Helmstaedter
Newsletter- Fran Stanley
Telephone Chain- Shirley Riggs/Rae Wong
Friendship Quilts- Betsy Schneekloth
Historian- Connie Wood
2016 Raffle Quilt Production- Linda Martin
Facebook Group- Kathleen Basilone

Past President- Chris Pape



COMING UP!!!! AUNT LUCY
Mancuso QuiltFest of NJ at the Garden State Exhibit Center,
Somerset March 3-6, 2016.

Aunt Lucy Goes to Quilt Fest

Sue McDermott has a great idea... when you get your quilt back after showing it... take the printout... (hope we will get them back- or ask me) and copy it to fabric so that you may have THAT as a label for Life, on Lucy! :)

2015 PTQ MEETING CALENDAR

- March 3-6 Aunt Lucy at the MANCUSO QUILTFEST SHOW**
- March 9 Business Meeting - Refreshments**
- March 23 Lecture and Quilts- Cheryl Lynch Teacher, Author, and Designer- Refreshments**
- April 9 Saturday Stitch Bishop Jane's United Methodist Church, 22 So. Finley Ave. Basking Ridge**
- April 13 Business Meeting - Refreshments**
- April 22-24 Quilt Camp at Cross Roads**
- April 27 PTQ Annual Garage Sale Member Participation**



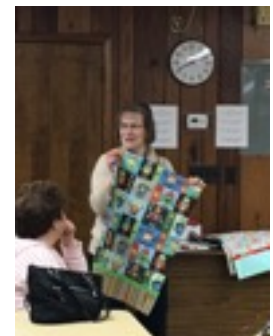
Christine Fellin showing her heart holder.

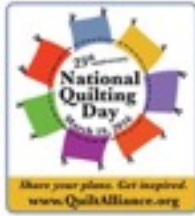
Sue McCollum's special quilt for her sister



Janet with her "garbage" bag

Elizabeth Bender with one of her pillowcases





Future Events- Mark Your Calendar!
+ LOTS TO DO + LOTS TO SEE +
GET READY FOR SPRING!!!!

Mancuso Quilt and Sewing Fest of NJ March 3-6, 2016

***Garden State Exhibition Center
Somerset, NJ***

PTQ Aunt Lucy Exhibit

Quilt Show Capital Health Medical Center Ongoing through March 31.

One Capital Way, Hopewell.

It is open 7 days a week in their beautiful Arts and Healing Art Gallery.

Very easy to get to; about 15 minutes from Pennington Quilt Works. Stop there first!

AQS QUILT WEEK, Lancaster, PA March 16-19, 2016

Harvest Quilters of Central New Jersey April 2, 2016

Willow Grove Presbyterian Church

1951 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

www.harvestquilters.com

Beachplum Quilters of the Jersey Shore April 9-10, 2016

Toms River Elks Lodge

600 Washington Street, Toms River, NJ 08753

WWW.beachplumquilters.com

Colonial Quilters "QuiltFest"

Saturday April 30 10:00-5:00; Sunday May 1 10:00-4:00

Charles Chrin Community Center Palmer Township, PA.

show@colonialquilters.org

Rebecca's Reel Quilters Around the Block Show

Friday, May 13, 2016 and Saturday, May 14, 2016 10:00-4:00

Poricy Park, 345 Oak Hill Road, Middletown, NJ.

Quilt Odyssey Hershey, PA. July 21-24. 2016

AQS QUILT WEEK, Syracuse, NY July 27-30, 2016

PLEASE TAKE NOTE and CONSIDER... LAST YEAR WAS AMAZING:



In 2015 Ricky Tims was the keynote. **Meg Cox, Edyta Sitar, and Victoria Findlay Wolfe** were among those who attended and participated. {IT'S WHERE STEPH WON HER BEAUTIFUL JACKET!!!} A lot wrapped up in one and well worth supporting. Easy by bus, car, or train.



Support to Document-Preserve-Share

Quilts



**Quilters,
Take Manhattan with us!
September 23-25, 2016.**



Tickets for QTM 2016 go on sale to [Quilt Alliance](#) members on Monday, March 7, 2016, and to non-members on Monday, March 14, 2016. allianceforamericanquilts.org

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ON-GOING WEEKLY QUILT ACTIVITIES
Monday Morning Charity Quilt Group
Meets at Green Knoll Rescue Squad
Mondays 9:30am-11:45am

Friday Church Ladies Quilt Group
Meets at Bridgewater United Methodist Church
651 Country Club Road
Fridays 9:30am -2:00 pm

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WE HAVE A NEW QUILT BLOCK THAT MARY YANCHOK IS GOING TO TEACH US. IT IS CALLED THE “SQUIRCLES” BLOCK. THANK YOU MARY ;)

REMINDER: PIECED TOGETHER QUILTERS CHALLENGE 2015-2016

We will be presenting at the May 25th, 2016 meeting, No rules , except to do it with love and of course, keep it to an 18’ size, quilted, and titled. This is NOT a judged challenge so PLEASE, everyone, consider to do this fun creation.

Finished Size to be 18 x 18 inches

- 1. Designers choice of colors**
- 2. Designers choice of fabrics. Can be repos, batiks, moderns.**
- 3. Designers choice of pattern. Can be paper pieced, appliqué, blocks, hexies. Whatever you wish!**
- 4. Embellishments should be included and can be beads, crystals, charms, ribbons, yarns, lace, yo-yos, embroidery.**
- 5. Must have some quilting, either hand or machine**
- 6. Piece needs a title, and the Designers inspiration for the design**
- 7. Challenge to be presented at the May 25th, 2016 meeting.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
MARCH**

- 2- OLGA BUTOROVA**
- 5- CINNIE BORGER**
- 7- JOANNE MARCINE**
- 7-LINDA MARTIN**
- 11- MARY YANCHOK**
- 20- FRAN STANLEY**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
APRIL**

- 6- LINDA HELSTAEDTER**
- 14- DENISE O’BARA**
- 22- MARY ELLEN FERRARO**
- 26- SANDY EODICE**
- 26- ADELE HUESTON**

Friendship Quilts- Betsy Schneekloth

We have completed friendship quilts . There are more tops that need to be pieced, quilted and bound. The quilting can be very simple. **PLEASE**, members, if you would take one (or two or three...) it would be very much appreciated.

THE MYSTERY QUILT: WHAT A BUNCH OF BEAUTIFUL QUILTS & COLORS!



JoAnne
Barbara
Nancy
Janet



Fran
Stephanie



Bernadette



Betsy
Ann
Bonnie
Patti
Sue McD



Sue McC, Linda, Diane



Charledine, Rae

THANK YOU RAE, FOR ORGANIZING!!!
For others who haven't shown, please do!

**We can all only hope that this would never happen to us. A gf of mine lost her home and all possessions to a raging fire in '08. It is devastating; but thankfully life not lost. It saddens me to hear this news, especially amongst the quilting world:
From Ricky Tims:**

Ricky Tims

Please share.

I have just concluded an emotional phone call with **David Taylor**. Here are more details about the explosion and fire at his home last Tuesday evening, February 17, 2016. The explosion is under investigation, but it appears that ice/snow slid from the roof onto the gas meter causing it to breach the line and cause the explosion. David was not home at the time. He was teaching in Chicago.

What was lost:

His very first quilt is gone. It was made from his Grandmother's pattern from calico prints. In David's words, "It's just gone, it's nothing but charred ruins."

His first pictorial quilt, Woodland Sprits, is gone.

The quilt he has worked on as a personal project since 2003 (which was nearing completion and was on his Handy Quilter), is gone.

His BERNINA sewing machines and his Handy Quilter Sweet 16 is gone.

All of his treads are gone.

What was not lost:

His extensive Harry Potter collection is untouched - pristine, untouched.

His bedroom, untouched.

His new Hogwarts model that he created after Christmas was in his kitchen.

Most everything in the kitchen is gone, but the Hogwarts model is untouched.

His fabrics are covered in soot, but appear to be salvageable and members of his guild in Steamboat Springs will assist in caring for them.

His most beloved quilt, "Did you Wash your Beak?", is on exhibit at the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum so it was not in his home at the time.

Insurance:

David says he has excellent insurance which had been recently increased due to nearby wildfires in recent years. The insurance will replace everything that is replaceable. Obviously they cannot replace his one-of-a-kind treasured quilts.

The future:

David's insurance will also provide him lodging until he can return home. At this time it is not sure if the structure will be restored, torn down and rebuilt, or whether or not he will have to relocate. David expects several months of being displaced.

David plans to continue with his teaching commitments.

David has a very strong support group so he will not be abandoned in his time of need.

Show your support:

For those who wish to do something as a way of supporting him and letting him know you care, I am creating a thread drive to replace his threads. David only uses cotton threads. He uses solid and variegated threads by Superior, Sulky, YLI, and Aurifil. If you would like to help replenish David's thread collection as a way to say you care, please send a spool or two (doesn't have to be new), to:

Threads for David

c/o Ricky Tims

PO Box 392

La Veta, CO 81055

Quilt: Woodland Spirits (shown here) by David Taylor was lost in the fire.



PTQ Minutes February 10, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 with 41 members in attendance

Refreshments: Nancy Hollash, Maggie Balkovec with a special Valentine's Day theme.

Opening Statements: The Stack n Whack program that was canceled due to weather will be presented at the Feb 24th meeting.

Welcome back to Alice Springer

Treasurer's Report: Presented and approved as read

MQGnet: Kathy O'Hara, Fran Stanley and JoAnne Marcine have expressed interest in attending.

Membership: 70 members and all are paid in full

Program: April 9th, 2016 Saturday Sew in has been scheduled. See Nancy Hollash to sign up and give your \$5.00 deposit to hold your seat.

We are looking for Ideas for Programs for the coming year: Nancy Hollash is stepping down as Program Director. Please submit your ideas to Charledine Rome, Carol Dreitlen or JoAnne Marcine. Remember this group has a LARGE depth of talent and many beginners...let us know what YOU want to learn about!

March: Cheryl Lynch will be our guest speaker

Reminder: Our 18" Challenge is going strong! Pieces to be presented at the 2nd meeting in May.

Quilt Camp: Registration is almost full, 2-3 spots remaining.

Friendship quilts: Betsy Schneekloth spoke about the NICU at UMDNJ and it was decided to donate our next batch of blankets to this group. We are currently in need of kits to be cut and package. Please let Betsy know if you are willing to help.

Raffle Quilt: Signups are going well, please help if you haven't already done so. Tickets are orders and post cards have been printed....its ALMOST Time to display our beautiful quilt!

Website: Charledine is continuing to work with the developer and things are looking great. You can see the progress if you log on to our site. We also can have several members trained to edit and work the site once it is setup. Let Charledine know if you are interested.

2017 Raffle Quilt: Looking at "Dreaming" by Ada Sitar as a possible option. (Sorry if I spelled this wrong)

We will need cutters, Kit packers, sewers, assemblers and a quilter to make this all happen by FALL of 2016!

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 followed by Show & Tell

PTQ Minutes Jan 13th, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:20pm with 38 members and 2 guests in attendance

Refreshments: Betty Sanderson, Sue McDermott, Linda Ruckiegel, Betsy Schneekloth, Sue Bundy

Opening Messages: President gave a little reminder about being courteous when someone else has the floor and not to interrupt the speaker

Treasurers Report: Presented and Motion to approve Barb Zilesdorf 2nd Bonnie Wilson.

Membership: Currently at 70. Please pay your dues if you have not as of tonight.

Program: We had a very successful Stitch in with 23 members participating. The mystery quilts will be shown at a later date once everyone has completed theirs.

April 9th Sew in with a Stack & Whack workshop for those who wish to participate at Bishop Jane's 9:00-3:00

January 23rd Stack and Whack Presentation JoAnne Marcine

Feb 22nd Antique Quilts Lyna Wiggins

UFO Challenge: Complete your OLDEST and your NEWEST UFO. Ann Smith is coordinating

Friendship Quilts: 7 tops to quilt, 14 completed, 5 kits to assemble at this time

Raffle Quilt: We are looking for volunteers for White Gloving and Ticket Table for the Mancuso Show.

Diane Lebovitz is the coordinator for Ticket sales

Claire Liptak White Glovers. PLEASE remember to sign in at the Mancuso Booth at the entrance of the show so PTQ gets the credit for your time. Remember THIS is how we pay for our booth space!

Note: 3 people ONLY at the raffle table. Please do not hang at the table if you are not scheduled to sell tickets.

We will be selling tickets at the show FIRST and then personal books will be handed out AFTER the show. Please do not ask for tickets or post cards ahead of time.

Donations of wrapped candy for the ticket table are needed.

Website: Charledine is working with someone about redesigning our currently outdated website. Helen Pearly has stepped down as webmaster and we are in need of a new volunteer. If anyone is interested.

Library: 2 new books have been added to our library, Kaffe & Jelly roll and Layer Cakes

MAQnet: looking for at least 2 people to attend 4/30 in Coltsneck NJ. A chance to get together with other guilds and share ideas.

Quilt Camp: Crossroads Retreat, Califon, NJ Friday April 22nd - Sunday April 24th

\$195.00 double occupancy room, all meals included. Linens and towels provide. Snacks to share!
Please see Fran Stanley if interested. 30 beds are available.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 followed by fellowship and show & tell

Respectfully submitted, JoAnne Marcine, secretary

FACEBOOK: Please join and utilize our Facebook page to share your VERY own tips and share your OWN quilts. The PTQ PAGE is for PTQ related sharing. **COME JOIN!!! We now have 41 members!**

Dropbox & Facebook- other ways to share your quilting with PTQ members:

Dropbox- You can upload pictures to share with PTQ members at www.dropbox.com
Login in quiltshowandtell@gmail.com
Password: showandtell

PTQ's Facebook Page- Share pictures and tips, that stay in our closed Facebook group.
Any questions, contact Kathy Basilone, katbas44@gmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/PiecedTogetherQuilters>

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