FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I am writing this we have just had another snowstorm, and schools in the area have closed. At least we can be pretty sure we will be having a white Christmas this year.

Our November meeting was a lot of fun, lots of laughs and very well received. We had 27 baskets to raffle off, and there was a vast assortment to choose from. It was hard deciding which baskets I wanted to put a ticket on. Thank you to everyone who made a basket and to those of you who bought raffle tickets. I think the Program Committee made a wise choice suggesting smaller, therefore more numerous baskets.

Our Block of the Month was also very successful. A total of 39 beautiful blocks in fall colors were handed in, and the winner was Cathy Kirk! With such an enthusiastic response I’m sure we can convince Candy Fike to do at least one more BOM this year. I’m sure she would also be open to suggestions for block and color choices.

Since the newsletter deadline is before our December meeting, I do not know the outcome. I do know that I am looking forward to a pleasant, relaxing meeting. I’m also sure everyone who attends will be pleasantly surprised and have an enjoyable evening.

Thank you again to the Program Committee. I know they spent a lot of extra time in planning and preparing for the event.

When you are reading this, it will be January. The holiday rush will be over and many of you are writing down your New Year’s Resolutions. I personally don’t do that anymore. In fact, I think it’s a great day if I just get through most (some?) of the things on my daily “to do” list! That said, I do have some long range personal goals as far as the Guild is concerned. I have at least one quilt that will be ready in time for the Quilt Show. Do I dare hope for two? I have already turned in some items for the Boutique and have several more in the planning stages. Now is the time for EVERYONE to start planning (hopefully finishing) their entries for the Show and considering donations to the Boutique.

We never can be sure what winter will bring us, but some predictions I heard were for colder than normal temperatures. That would be a great time to be sitting in your sewing room, or on the couch, or in your favorite comfy chair working on your latest creation. With a beverage of your choice by your side, perhaps a fire in the fireplace, a classic old movie on the TV – can we ask for anything more?

I hope you all had a pleasant, enjoyable Holiday Season spending valuable time with family and loved ones. May you all have a Healthy and Happy New Year! See you at the January meeting!

Keep on stitchin’,
Nancy Kapfer
Send a Card – Colleen Bogan

Everyone experiences "peaks" and "valleys" in their lives. This is reflective of life's highs and lows, much like a roller coaster.

If you know a club member who is in need of a card and caring thoughts such as "We are thinking of you," "Congratulations," or "Our condolences," please contact me, 841-8527 or email: colleenbogan333@gmail.com

I will be happy to send out a card.

Please keep Sandy Jones in your thoughts because her sister-in-law passed away.

The ride is so much better when we share the peaks and valleys together.

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Basic sewing machine maintenance video. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:
http://ifixit.org/blog/8208/basic-sewing-machine-maintenance/

Baby quilt tutorial. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:
https://weddingdressblue.wordpress.com/2015/06/18/tutorial-quarter-turn-quilt/

Free pattern and tutorial for Winter Seeds Table Topper. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL:
http://thecraftyquilter.com/2013/06/christmas-once-a-month-seeds-of-winter-table-topper/

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QUILT SHOW CORNER

It is the new year and the Quilt Show will be held in about five months. The show will be May 19th, 20th, and 21st. Soon each member will be given 20 raffle tickets for that beautiful quilt that was made for us by Joanie Massa this year. We encourage each member to sell or buy the tickets that they are given, if possible.

At each membership meeting, there will be someone at the Quilt Show table where Boutique donations can be left. We have received some very nice boutique items already. Thank you to all those who have donated items. Please keep them coming.

Watch the newsletters, email, and Facebook for any upcoming information. If you have any questions please stop at the Quilt Show Table.

Thank you for your support,
Cindy and Paula

Tip for Using Shelf Liner for Non-Slip Rulers. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4042cAxo5aY&feature=youtu.be

What’s the difference between sizing and starch? Click HERE or copy and paste this URL:
18 pictures of quilting during the Depression. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL: http://oldphotoarchive.com/stories/quilting-during-great-depression/ref=share2

Keeping Your Sewing Machine Pedal in One Place. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL: http://sew-whats-new.com/video/video/show?id=2031451%3AVideo%3A373586&xgs=1&xg_source=msg_share_video

World’s Oldest Needle. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL: http://siberiantimes.com/science/casestudy/news/n0711-worlds-oldest-needle-found-in-siberian-cave-that-stitches-together-human-history/

Amish Mini Quilt Pattern. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL: http://thecraftyquilter.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Amish-Mini-Quilt-Quilt-Pattern-1.pdf

Free Pattern for Simply Spring Table Runner. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL: http://static.fatquartershop.com/media/wysiwyg/pdf/SimplySpringTablerunner-Pattern.pdf

Make yourself some spring tulips. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL: http://www.makeitcoats.com/en-us/images/CA_COA_CS303%20Spring%20Tulips_tcm72-187052.pdf

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PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESS

QUILT SHOW CHALLENGE

The 2017 Quilt Show theme is Friendship. With that in mind, the Show Quilt Challenge will also be about Friendship. The challenge entry must be made by two or more friends working together.

Your challenge piece can be anything you want (quilt, wearable, wall hanging, etc.) If a quilt, it cannot be more than 40” x 60”.

Lastly, but the most important, the challenge piece must have a short statement about your friendship: how long you have been friends, how you met, or anything you want that tells about your friendship.

Any questions? Get in touch with Suzanne Bauer, the Challenge Chair.

We are in need of a Vice President for 2017-18. Feel like stepping up to help out? Contact Pam Kuhr 736-2127 or at kuhry@verizon.net
FROM THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The baskets were great this year; we had more winners, which makes everyone happy. We made over $450 to put toward our programs.

Our winter program is as follows:

March 27, 2017 program:
Kathryn Greenwold will present a trunk show on unique NYS quilting styles and trends in our state.

Her bio: Kathryn Greenwold grew up surrounded by quilts and other needle arts. Her grandmothers taught her embroidery, counted cross-stitch, and the basics of quilting. She developed a love for these art forms as a child and has grown in skill and knowledge through research and by doing. Quilt making is her primary interest. She has studied Quilt History, has taken the AQS Appraisal Skills Course, and has served as a quilt judge for local guild shows.

Do I have your attention?
I’m going backwards, I wanted you to think of March, melting snow and St. Patrick’s Day are right around the corner.

February 27, 2017 meeting:
We do plan to have a great stitch and sew project. We have a few options and are working on what would be easy to complete in an hour meeting.

January 23, 2017 meeting:
We are having a demo derby showing a variety of small skills that will improve your quilting and make it easier.

A Change - our May meeting will be on Monday the 15th so it is before the quilt show.

Looking for ideas to make for the Quilt Show Boutique Try one or more of these:

Heart shaped pot holder. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:
http://aspoonfulofsugardesigns.com/2013/02/pot-holder-pattern/

Memory Match Game. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:

Quick and Easy Table Runner. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:
http://www.positivelysplendid.com/easy-table-runner-pattern/

Dresser Top Coin Catcher. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:

Car Seat Canopy. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:

Little Man Diaper Clutch. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:
http://seekatesew.com/little-man-diaper-clutch-tutorial/

Denim Fabric Baskets. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:

Microwave Bowl Potholder. Click HERE or cut and paste this URL:
http://www.seamshappy.com/2012/08/13/microwave-bowl-pot-holder/
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Events & Shows

BUS TRIP:  7-8 April 2017, Snow Country Quilt Guild, MXQ Quilt Festival in Manchester NH to include shopping at Keepsake Quilts. Flyer posted on MVQC web site. FMI, Pat Holt, 315-797-8736, mompatruth@aol.com

QUILT SHOW:  7-8 Apr 2017, Towpath Quilt Guild – NQA Chapter NY 628, “Reach for the Stars”, Manlius Village Center, 1 Arkie Albanese Ave., Manlius NY 13104

QUILT SHOW:  22-23 Apr 2017, Q.U.I.L.T, Inc. of Delmar NY, The Hilton Garden Inn, Troy NY

QUILT SHOW:  2-4 Jun 2017, Genesee Valley Quiltfest, RIT, Gordon Field House, Rochester NY

March 31, April 1 & 2. If you aren't in Florida and need to getaway, come join your friends and fellow quilters on that weekend. Not only will you be inspired by the quilts at the AQS show in Lancaster, PA, but you will have a memorable weekend shopping and seeing what is new out there (tools, patterns, etc.). I will have flyers with me at the next meeting. We will be joined by quilters from Syracuse and the Cortland area. Questions call Kathie Chrywyaty at 363-3888.

How to Make a Wine Bottle Tote by Shabby Fabrics. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MFNLuoLk19Q&feature=youtu.be

HST Tutorial and Formulas. Click HERE or copy and paste this URL: http://www.blossomheartquilts.com/2012/07/hst-tutorial-and-maths-formula/?v=7516fd43adaa
Happy New Year!
A new semester of classes is ready for you along with special events, sit 'n' and stitches and lots of laughter and fun. Get the scoop at tigerlilyquiltco.com.

“Class on Demand” Gather 3 friends and we'll get the teacher for whatever you want to learn!

Bring in your quilts to be quilted by Bev, or take a lesson and do your own! Basting is available too.

Come and join us for some quilting FUN!
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Email us at marlous@marlousdesigns.com if you’re interested in attending or want some more info.
My sister Karla is running another half marathon with “Team In Training” to raise funds for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society so I made another quilt to help. Tickets are $1.00 each. I will have them at our meetings and they are available at Tiger Lily and Sew Wilde until mid March. The drawing is March 25th, the night before she runs. Thank You in advance for your help. It means a lot to my family.

Pam Kuhr
November 8, 2016

Ms. Linda Tuggey & 
Mohawk Valley Quilt Club 
410 Florence Avenue 
Oneida, New York 13421

Dear Mrs. Tuggey & Friends:

The Neighborhood Center is delighted to send this letter of thanks while acknowledging the beautifully handmade quilt known as the Savannah Bop donated to the Agency. I have enclosed a picture of the quilt which is hung in our School Aged Child Care area, which I feel is the perfect place for it. Every act of kindness helps us further our mission.

Because we are a registered 501(c)3 organization, your donation is completely tax deductible. Please keep this for your tax records to claim your deduction. Again, we thank you for your support.

Sincerely Yours,

Sandra L. Soroka, 
Executive Director
Block of the Month by Candy Fike

As I was busy trying to pick a block for the Block of the Month, I started thinking about my mother, Virginia Smith. My mother has been a member of MVQC since 1983 (we think, who can really remember back that far). She has made hundreds of quilts, dolls toys, pillows, wall hangings and anything else you can sew or quilt including wedding gowns for her five daughters. Her birthday is also in January. I am not sure she would want me to tell you how old she will be, but she was born in 1920.

To honor Mom, I have chosen one of Mom’s favorite blocks, the Ohio Star. This is a simple block, great for all experience levels. Mom’s favorite color is blue, so I am asking that you make your block using only BLUE and White. You may use prints or solids but limit yourself to fabric that would be called blue or white. The fun happens when you decide how many fabrics to use and where to place the colors. Make the block as simple as a two colored arrangement or go scrappy and make each piece a different color. Make a white star with a blue background or a blue with a scrappy white background. The color choices and placement are all up to you. Hopefully, the result will be a variety of blocks which will enable the lucky winner to make an Ohio Star Sampler.

Block patterns for a 12 inch finished block will be available at the January meeting or www.quilterscache/o/ohiostarblock.html and get a head start. Remember, blocks need to be turned in at the February meeting. Make as many blocks as you wish. Your name goes in to the drawing one time for every block you bring in.

I can hardly wait to see all the beautiful blue and white blocks. I am sure there will be a variety of color placements resulting in interesting and unusual blocks. Spend a winter day creating a block or two. Participation in the last Block of the Month is not required, so join in the fun again or for the first time. Remember, you got to be in it to win it!

On the second Sunday of each month I will be opened for anyone who wants to work on items for the MVQC Quilt Show. Come and sew for free. Quilts, Boutique items or your Challenge. Lynn Robinson, Stash Away Quilt Shoppe

Please bring your own mug for refreshments so we can "go green"

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REMINDER:

If you want a table for a garage sale, be sure to contact me 2 weeks prior to the meeting date.

Thanks, Cathie Kirk
Garage Sale Coordinator,
335-4523 ctomkat@verizon.net.

NYS Quilters Consortium News
by Michele Ricci & Nancy Landset

The winter Quilt Consortium meeting was held on December 6 in Cicero, NY. At the meeting Quilt Passports listing the 2017 Quilt Shows were distributed to Quilt Club representatives. Michele and I will be selling them at our meetings beginning in December and at our quilt show in May. New this year if you are a passport holder and you get only ONE stamp for attending only ONE show, you will be eligible for a drawing for a prize basket worth at least $50.00 at the 2017 December Quilt Consortium Meeting. In the past you had to have at least 8 stamps to be eligible for prizes in December. And don’t forget each Quilt Show has a special drawing for a gift basket that is for passport holders only.

Also new this year is that Quilt Consortium is sponsoring a bus trip to Quilt Canada in June 2017. This is Canada’s National Quilt Show and features different vendors and teachers than show in the US. Buses will be leaving from Rochester area. See Nancy or Michele if you are interested and we will get more information to you.
MEMBERSHIP
September through September term of membership at $25.00 per year. Non-members may attend one meeting with a $5.00 admission fee charged for a program with an outside speaker.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS
Meetings are usually held on the fourth Monday of each month, from September through June, beginning at 7:00 pm at The New Hartford First United Methodist Church, 105 Genesee St., New Hartford, NY.

CANCELLATIONS DUE TO WEATHER
If the New Hartford Public Schools are closed on the day of a scheduled meeting, the meeting will automatically be cancelled. Should poor weather conditions arrive late in the day, an email will be sent to advise members of a cancellation. Members without email capability should call 339-2693. PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A POLICY CHANGE!

TREASURY BUSINESS
All financial business should be completed by the meeting’s break. The treasurer should be called in advance regarding transactions. Deposits must be submitted in a sealed envelope, identified with the amount, name and deposit source.

NAME TAGS
Each member is responsible for creating their own personalized name tag, and encouraged to wear it each meeting. It’s a great way to attach a name to a face, and it helps new members get to know us.

SHOW AND TELL
A “Show and Tell” session is held at each meeting and all attendees are encouraged to participate. Bring your items to show. It’s a great way to encourage and motivate others!

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- September 26, 2016
- October 24, 2016
- November 28, 2016
- December 19, 2016
- January 23, 2017
- February 27, 2017
- March 27, 2017
- April 24, 2017
- May 15, 2017 (note change)
- June 12, 2016 (Banquet)

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