Notes from the President
Message from the president:
Hello ladies, it’s hard to believe time seems to be passing so quickly. I got a call that my niece could see snow on Whiteface Mt in the Adirondacks and I got to thinking that winter is really coming. Mother Nature keeps warning us to get ready and maybe we need to listen.

We have now had the hottest meeting and the coldest back to back member meetings. I want to thank Lake to Lake Quilt Guild for hosting our last meeting. You did a great job and it was a fun meeting wind and all. Thanks to all who helped put the meeting together. A special thanks to Peg Oppenheimer for standing in and doing a short trunk show. If you care to see more, Peg will be part of the lecture team at the GVQC Quilt Show from 10am -11am on Saturday June 1, 2013.

I hope all of you received your special edition of Networker Notes and will be meet the deadlines. I have received quite a few Service Grant requests and the board will have a tough job deciding which member guilds will be receiving the grants.

Our next meeting will be earlier in the month of December due to the holidays so please remember to check your new letter and get your reservations in as soon as possible. Cayuga Lake Guild will need the count so they can buy supplies and not waste money. There will be time to visit the museum after the meeting or a few of the quilt shops.

Again thanks to all of you who make our meeting informative and fun. I would also like to thank you for your vote of confidence for allowing me to remain your president for an additional two years.
The business meeting will start at 10:30 AM

The meeting will be held at Auburn United Methodist Church, 99 South Street Auburn NY 13021. Free parking is available either on street or in a parking lot behind the church.

Cost: $8
Lunch is provided
Chicken & biscuits, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, dessert & beverages.

Reservations: checks made payable to Cayuga Lake Quilt Guild

Click here for Reservation Form (printable)

Deadline Nov. 26

Mail to: Ann Lafler, Box 157, Cayuga NY 13034
Seating is limited to 120

Travel Club Raffle winners will be announced – don’t forget your baskets and passport forms!!

Educational Scholarship Drawing will be held, bring completed forms please.

The Schweinfurth Memorial Art Center 205 Genesee St. Auburn NY 13021 is holding its annual Quilts=Art=Quilts exhibit at this time and offers $1 off admission - usually $6 - day of the meeting only $5 for consortium members. open till 10am-5pm. The Schweinfurth is 1.2 miles from the church where the luncheon will be, and free parking is on the street or behind the museum.

O'Susannah's Quilts & Gifts, 111 West 4th St. Watkins Glen NY 14891 will offer members a 15% discount the day of the meeting. O'Susannah's is 1 hr. 27 min. south of the meeting site, at the foot of Seneca Lake in Watkins Glen.
Send reservation form and check ($8.00 per person) payable to Cayuga Lake Quilt Guild
***Deadline Nov. 26***
Mail to: Ann Latler, Box 157, Cayuga NY 13034

**QCNYS Calendar of Events is ONLINE**

http://www.calendarwiz.com/calendars/calendar.php?crd=qcnys

We are pleased to offer you a calendar that shows all the member events. Click on "Add an Event" on the calendar.

You'll want to bookmark this and use it often. (Allow 5-7 days for publication please.)

Business Member? Please send a link that can be included to your website or your calendar of classes for the month.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Travel Club Information**
**Membership Renewal Forms** - Deadline December 31, 2012
**General Educational Scholarship** - Deadline December 5, 2012
**QBL 2013 Scholarship** - Deadline December 5, 2012

**IMPORTANT LINKS for YOU**

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**Guild Program Opportunities**
**November, December and January**

**November 16, 2012, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** Barb Garrett, Quilt Historian, teaches a workshop "Star Quilt" (a miniature) at Grace Community Church. (Cost $30 non-members)

**November 17, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.** Barb Garrett’s lecture, "With a Mother's Love: The History of Quiltmaking" (Cost $6 non-members) and at noon a half-day class "Lily Miniature Doll Quilt" (Cost $25 non-members). Both held at Grace Community Church. Contact Marquita Rich at marquitarichh@aol.com

**Call for Entries.** Genesee Valley Quilt Club 2013 quilt show, Magical Threads - Inspired Stitches. Your choice of having your quilt(s) judged by professional certified judges, or just entering them in the show. 600+ quilts, 45+ vendors, free demonstrations. November 1, 2012 registration opens for lectures and workshops. May 31 - June 2, 2013, Rochester, NY. More info: www.geneseequiltfest.com Submitted by Joyce Blowers, joyce.blowers@yahoo.com

**2013: SAVE THE DATES**

**Magical Threads - Inspired Stitches Quilt Show, May 31-June 2, 2013, Genesee Valley Quilt Club 2013 Quilt Show.** Over 600 quilts, over 45 vendors, and much more. Information and details will be posted as they become available. www.GeneseeQuiltFest.com

**Coming to ELIQG May 2013: Joe Cunningham** - Cunningham’s 11 books on quilts include the 2010 book “Men and the Art of Quiltmaking,” (the first book on the subject) and his essay for the de Young Museum show “Amish Abstractions: Quilts from the Collection of Faith and Stephen Brown.” His column for the national magazine The Quilt Life is called “Biased and Edgy.” He has been seen on the HGTV series “Simply Quilts with Alex Anderson”, the PBS series “Sewing with Nancy” and on “The Quilt Show” with Alex Anderson and Ricky Tims.” He performs his musical quilt show, “Joe the Quilter,” for guilds and theaters nationwide and teaches regularly at conferences across the country.

Would your guild like to announce your program plans here? We would be pleased to include it - please send your information to webmistress@qcnys.org, Ann Hawkins.

**Service Project Report**

**Cuddle Quilts, the QCNYS Service Project for 2012-2013**

**UPDATE: Thank You Quilters!**

We had a good number of quilts for the State Police brought in at the member meeting in September. They are sooooo cute! The children receiving the quilts will get a lot of comfort out or our love. Our next collection will be at the December meeting, the state police representatives will stop by to make their first collection. If you place a quilt on the bench and did not mark the board, let us know. Bless all of you.

**Roll Call:**

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Small quilts to be given to NY State Police. These quilts can be kept in the cars for use in those unfortunate circumstances when there is a need to remove a small child from their home. The quilts are meant to provide the child with something to hold and cuddle. The calming influence will be greatly appreciated by the troopers. New York State has over two hundred and fifty marked State Police vehicles.

Please help reach the goal of 500 quilts (that's two quilts for each of the 250 cars in NY State.)
1. The requested sizes are 18" x 24" and 24" x 36", folded to fit into a gallon size clear storage bag.
2. The fabric should be washable and child oriented. Flannels, fleece or any type of soft cuddle fabric should be used on the quilt front, back or as a binding. Batting can be used in the middle but if using fleece on the back, batting is not necessary.
3. If the material is especially meant for a boy or girl, please insert a note in the bag where it can be easily seen indicating boy or girl.
4. Please wash the quilt before placing into the bag. No pet dander or scents on the quilt, in case of allergies.

The project will begin in September 2012 and end in June 2013.
Contact the Service chair if you have any questions: Kathleen Gilbert

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Membership Report

Greetings fellow QCNYC Members. This will be my last membership report. Some of you might already know this, but December will be my last meeting as your Membership Chairman. I have held this position for many years; I lost track a while ago. I think it is time to step down and pass it on.

As for membership, we are closing this year with 36 Member Guilds, 11 Business Members, 6, Individuals and 1 Not for profit. As a reminder it is dues renewal time for our Member Guilds, Individuals and the Not for Profits. This includes our newest member, Aunties Attic Quilt Shop in Niagara Falls NY.

Information was distributed at the last meeting or is being sent via email. The Board instituted a new procedure this year with the dues check being sent directly to our Treasurer and the renewal form being completed online and sent to the Membership Chairman. The renewal form has the complete instructions. Dues are still due by the end of this year and we will be glad to collect them at the December Membership meeting to save the postage.

As for the Business Members, we presented a By-Law Change at the last meeting the changes the membership levels and the renewal date for membership. We are splitting the Business Members into two categories - Category 1 is a quilt related storefront business with employees (i.e. a quilt shop), and Category 2 is a quilt related business without a storefront and no employees (i.e. a mail order business, long arm quilter or a bed and breakfast). Your annual renewal date will now be March 1. Your renewal information will be issued via email following the Holidays and after the By-Law amendments have been approved.

I think this covers all the membership information. I want to thank everyone for your support over the years. I will still be around but I will be sitting out in the audience with the rest of you as "just a delegate". (Wow, it has been years since I said that.)

Happy Quilting to you all. Linda Storrings, Membership Chairman
By-Law and Standing Rule Amendments report by Linda Storrings

Years ago, by default I became the parliamentarian for QCNYS, and I was responsible for the By-Law and Standing Rule Amendments. (I think it was because I was responsible for the Delegate Notebooks.) Once every few years, we have to review the By-Laws and update them. At the September meeting, we presented an update that we will be voting on in December. As required by the By-Laws we are including a copy with the newsletter to be sent to all our members. (click link for copy) The following are few of the changes that are proposed (please see the attachment for the complete text):

1) Splitting the Business Membership into two categories - one with a storefront and employees and one without a storefront and no employees.
2) Change the annual renewal date for the business members to March 1 from December 31.
3) Eliminate the requirement for Member Guilds to send delegates to at least 2 meetings per year.
4) Update the job description for the Treasurer, Membership Committee, Event Coordinator.
5) Revise the dissolution requirements should we decide to close this organization.

If you should have a comment or questions after reading the complete text, and will not be able to attend the December meeting, please forward them to me by Nov. 26, and I will read them at the meeting prior to the vote. My email is lstorrings@windstream.net

See you in December for the vote.

QCNYS Delegate Meeting Schedule

December 5, 2012 Cayuga Lake Guild, Union Springs, NY and O'Susannah's Quilt and Gift Shop, Watkins Glen, NY
March 20, 2013 Community Quilting Bee, Rochester, NY
June 19, 2013 Amherst Museum Quilters, Amherst, NY and Kenmore Quilters Patch, Kenmore, NY
September 2013 Thumbstall Quilt Guild, Marcellus, NY and Patchwork Plus(?)

* Effective December 7, 2011 a $100 stipend from QCNYS is provided to the host guild to help offset the cost of hosting meetings. The modest fee paid by each attendee will remain in effect. Many host guilds also offer raffle baskets to further reduce the expense of hosting the quarterly meetings.

Are you ready for “The Event”?
One of the main purposes of our Consortium is: “to foster and promote knowledge and participation in all forms and aspects of quilt making”. To this purpose, we will be hosting “The Event” in the summer of 2014. “The Event” will be a weekend of classes with national instructors, a vendor mall and more. The classes will be open to all members of the Consortium at a reduced price, non-members will have the opportunity to take the classes, but will have to pay a higher price. The ultimate goal would be to grow in our skills and to have more guilds join and participate in the Consortium.

This is very much in the planning stages. Several members have already expressed their interest in working on such an event. But, we will need more. I am looking for anyone interested in working together as a team to find the venue, find teachers, or help in any way. All ideas are encouraged and welcome. Whether you are in a guild in Buffalo or a guild on Long Island, I hope you will think of helping out on this committee.

Think about your role in the Consortium. If you would like to be involved in “The Event”, please let me know. We will need to be contacting teachers as soon as possible as well as defining a date and a location. Now is your chance to give your input as to who you would like to have as a teacher. No better way than to be a part of the committee! We will all benefit in that we have the opportunity to grow as an organization as well as individuals.

I can be reached at 315-415-2923 (cell), 315-682-6134 (home), marilyn@divinethreadsllc.com, Marilyn Urciuoli

Do you have an event in 2013??

October 28 - December 1 Schweinfurth Q=A=Q Show

QCNYS TRAVEL CLUB – thru December 2012
QCNYS Travel Club is working on the Passport for 2013

Click here to register your event by completing the Travel Club Form (link will open on new page for printing)

2013 QCNYS Quilters Travel Club

Goal: To encourage attendance at QCNYS Guild Quilt Shows March through November 2013.

Concept: QCNYS members travel to QCNYS member Quilt Shows throughout the year, validate their passport and become eligible to win prizes.

Hi Everyone!
It's that time of year again! We are just about a month away from our consortium meeting when we have the drawings for the baskets that are provided by all of you who were listed in the 2012 Quilters Travel Club. We have had good feedback from several of you about increased attendance at your shows due to the exposure in this venue - and therefore will be continuing this next year as well!

Please bring your basket with you to the December meeting and we will gather them together for the drawing that day. If you are unable to attend that meeting please contact me ASAP - so that we can figure out how to get baskets to me ahead of time. Last year we had several people who had to wait for their baskets as they were not at the meeting for pickup - a bit disappointing for them. We would prefer to have everyone leave happy that day with their baskets.

I would appreciate a response to this email so that I know that you have received this info and are prepared to bring your baskets. Just a quick return email saying "coming with basket" or "need to connect to get basket there another way" Thank you! Thank you!
Leisa Fischer 315-560-5513 leisafischer@yahoo.com

Does your Guild or Shop have an upcoming event? Get the word out!!
Send your information to Ann Hawkins, webmistress@qcnys.org for the next QCNYS Network News!!
Add your info to the QCNYS Events Calendar at http://www.calendarwiz.com/calendars/calendar.php?crd=qcnys

ANNOUNCING QCNYS CHALLENGE
Click here for Entry Form and more information
The QCNYS Board is pleased to invite you to participate in a themed challenge. In keeping with the goals of the Travel Club the quilts resulting from the challenge will be made available to member guilds for exhibition at quilt shows in 2013 and 2014. Guilds requesting the exhibit may request the entire exhibit or a subset of the exhibit. Participation is limited to those who belong to QCNYS in any membership category – Member Guilds, Individuals, Non-profit or Business.

Title: Stitching New York - A Quilted Perspective
Theme: Explore and celebrate the diversity of New York State
Categories: Traditional Modern/contemporary Art
Eligibility: Entrants may come from any QCNYS membership category – Guild, Non-Profit, Individual or Business member
Fees: No entry fees.

Please consider volunteering for the following positions; without this positions filled, we cannot continue to provide the program that many of our membership have found valuable.

We are currently looking for volunteers for the following appointed position:

Build Your Guild Event Coordinator: In 2006 and 2009, QCNYS hosted a one day “Build your Guild” event to provide a venue for member guilds to share ideas for hosting and promoting events, publishing newsletters, guild and meeting organization, along with a host of other topics. The Coordinator shall oversee the research and obtain a suitable location, organize the food required, recruit volunteers to facilitate discussions and scribes to take notes, and to oversee the publication of these notes and distribution to the membership.

If you or someone else in your Guild might be interested in this position, please contact our Information Chairman for more information or to sign up. Ann Hawkins webmistress@qcnys.org

IS YOUR FAVORITE QUILT SHOP A QCNYS MEMBER??
Have you heard? The Quilters Consortium of New York State (QCNYS) is offering quilt shops and quilt related businesses a few months of free membership with all the benefits of membership beginning now -
and your membership fee is not due until March 31, 2013.
It’s simple to join. Go online to www.qcnys.org and click on “Join QCNYS” link. Then click on the link for the Business Membership (http://www.qcnys.org/joinqcnys/info_business.htm) and complete the online application. That’s how easy it is! The deadline for this offer is December 1, 2013.

Membership starts now but membership dues are not paid until March 31st for the period of April 1, 2013 – March 20, 2014 (membership is free until then if they join before December 1st).

- Inclusion in the QCNYS 2013 Travel Passport to member Quilt Shows
- List 4 events per year on the QCNYS Events Calendar (online)
- Attend Quarterly meetings for opportunity to give business information to member guilds
- Advertising in Network News and on the QCNYS website
- And a growing number of benefits that you can help create

QCNYS Meeting Minutes
QUILTERS CONSORTIUM OF NEW YORK STATE (QCNYS)
General Meeting Minutes
September 19, 2012 hosted by Lake to Lake Quilt Guild

Greetings to all members attending from President Pamela Langdon.
Pamela informed all members present to let other Members know that all QCNYS forms can be found ONLINE and a new Calendar of Events is available to all members. All information for the newsletter and calendar is to be sent to the Webmistress/Information Chair, Ann Hawkins. webmistress@qcnys.org

Roll call was done members went around the room and introduced themselves and their attending members, what guild they were from and where they are located.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, December 5th in Auburn at the Methodist Church, sponsored by Cayuga Lake Quilt Guild.

Treasurer's Report: $18,887.16 accepted and filed for audit.

Membership Report: Linda Storrings. There are 36 guilds, 10 businesses, 6 individual members and 1 not for Profit member. Renewal forms are available ONLINE at www.qcnys.org. (The link is available above in this newsletter.) Check your guild info and make sure that it is correct and that email addresses are correct. You may complete the online form and send your payment to Natalie Masker, 123 Radcliffe Drive, Getzville, NY 14068.

Nominating Committee: Linda Storrings and Valerie Schultz. Two positions are open - President and Treasurer. Nominations requested from the floor...none. Motion made to accept Pamela Langdon as continuing president and Natalie Masker as Treasurer. Question was brought up about holding office and it is ok for someone to hold another office / position after they leave a position. Motion carried for President and Treasurer.

Information: Ann Hawkins. Everyone should be getting the newsletter online see Ann if you are not getting the newsletter. Information on the public side includes guild meetings and where and when they are held. The new online Events Calendar shows information on member quilt shows, guild meetings, and classes that are open to the public/other members. We also have a Facebook site that will be linked to our website.
Information Chairman, Ann Hawkins, should get a copy of guild newsletters.

"The Event" coordinator: Marilyn Urciuoli. Coming together of the members as a group for sharing of information. Education, need people who are interested in working on projects. Need teachers and Classes.

Historian: Judy LaMay needs pictures, magazine articles, newspaper articles, quilt show pictures. Please label any pictures with who, what, when and where.

Community Service: Kathy Gilbert. Cuddle quilts for the troopers are coming in the top number is 75 from the Community Sewing Bee group. We would like to turn 500 quilts over to the the beginning of December please bring your Cuddle quilts with you to the meeting in December.

QCNYS Quilt Challenge: Information is on the QCNYS website (and above in this newsletter). This is a themed challenge limited to only QCNYS members, Stitching New York - A Quilted Perspective. Explore and celebrate NY. Quilts can be traditional, modern or art quilts. Perimeter measurement is 96" to 108". Quilts must have a label be placed in a pillowcase with a copy of the entry form. 1 entry per person. Deadline January 31, 2013. Independent judging with cash and Ribbon prizes. Check complete information on the website please.

Peg Oppenhiemer presented a trunk show of table runners using Judy Barrows square in a square technique and ruler.

BYLAWS: Changes to the bylaws were introduced. Including the changes to the Business category.

Service Grants: Guilds need to submit an application if they want to apply for a grant. You will find the applications Online. (a link is available above in the newsletter).

Educational Grants: General Education Scholarship are for individuals wanting to take a class, this includes any member of your guild. Grant is now $100. A link to the information and application is available above in this newsletter.

An additional scholarship grant of $200 is available for 2013 for QBL1 (Quilting by the Lake 1) and QBL2 (Quilting by the Lake 2). A link to the information and application is available above in this newsletter.

Travel Club: Leisa Fischer, leisafischer@yahoo.com Let them know when you are having a quilt show by the Dec. Meeting so that they can go in the passport. Guilds benefit from the passport with more members coming to their show. Also is a benefit for businesses that have an advertisement in the passport. Passports will be available in March.

Meeting closed by President Pamela Langdon.

Sincerely,
Martha Wetzler
Secretary