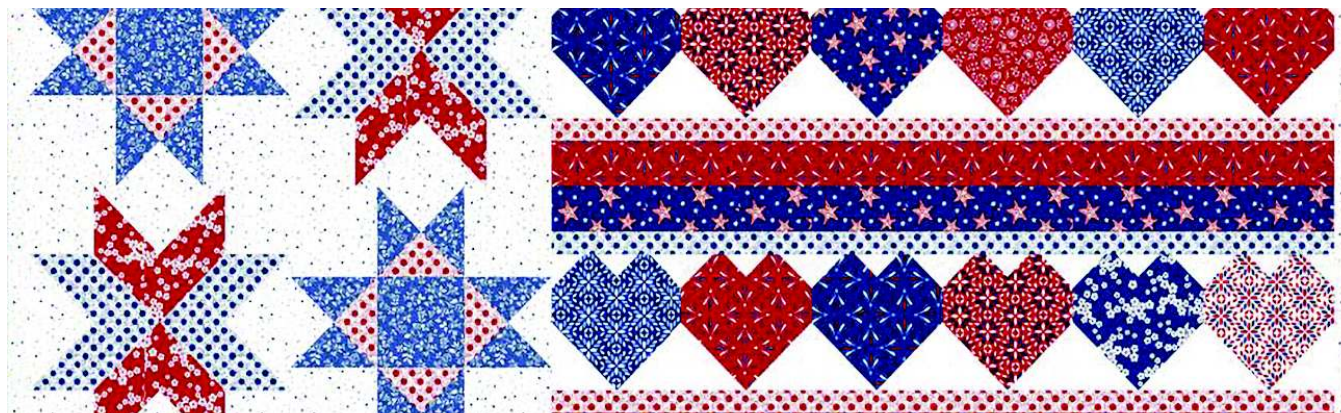


Meanderings

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi! Sandy here. Do you believe it is May already? The year is going by fast, and every minute has been enjoyable. Karen Miller from Aurifilosophy was especially good with a learning curve that was way up for learning about threads, needles, and free-motion quilting. It was a lovely trunk show, lecture, and workshop.

Next, Christopher Sierotowicz from Madden and Gilbert gave us a lecture on the correct ways to do our quilting as well as what to do when we do get aches and pains. On Sunday, May 4, (heads up, that is coming up soon) we will have Carolann Schmitt of Genteel Arts talk about textile history. She is a founder of the Shippensburg University Fashion Archives and Museum. If you haven't been there, that is a very interesting road trip for a day. That promises to be a very enthralling lecture for us here at LeTort.

That will also be the next time you can view items Lin received from a friend and is giving us a chance to buy it at rock bottom prices. Don't forget your bag and your cash. Monday, May 19, will be a trunk show with Rachel Rossi of Rachel Rossi Design. She is a modern quilt designer and also a local from the Lancaster area.



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MEETING MINUTES

LOVE QUILTS

And then, the end of the year party on Sunday, June 1, promises to be an exciting afternoon of fun and wrap up of the year. I have formed a committee to help with this endeavor—and future celebrations—and would love to have more participants. We would be responsible for three guild meetings a year with the celebration for the meeting, which is pretty well mapped out with what we have done previously.

But on that note, we are going to do the Left Right Center game again as we did on Christmas. Please bring three fat quarters to the June 1 meeting and keep watch as there may be more games to play. You never know what we may pull out of our hat!

See you real soon.
Sandy

BUTTONED UP



We had an unexpected mix-up with the church last month about our facilities-use payment amount. It took quite a few emails and phone conversations to get to the bottom of the story...it turns out that everyone involved had a piece of the story, but no one knew the whole story. The upshot is that we and the church now have the same understanding: the guild will pay \$67.50 per meeting until the church advises otherwise, and we have a document from the church for our permanent records that shows where the consistory voted on this amount. We will make two payments per guild year, one in December and the other in June. Last, we no longer have to let them know which part of the building we use. The treasurer's SOP has been updated to reflect the payment amount and new schedule.

In the interests of transparency, we want to share financial information about this year's workshops. As you may already know, the cost of guild workshops is expected to be covered by attendees. This year, we spent \$2,350.00, which includes the instructors' fees plus building rental. We took in \$2,328.00, which means we came up just a little bit short. While it is only \$22.00, this does underscore the importance of guild members supporting the workshops offered each year.

MINUTES

Membership Meeting Minutes April 6, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Sandy Kohler at 2pm.

Sandy introduced our guest speaker, Karen Miller from Red Bird Quilt Company. Karen is a quilter, designer, national educator, Aurifilosopher, blogger, and author. Her passion is any type of applique, and she loves to free motion quilt. As an Aurifil Master Educator, Karen has a deep knowledge of the company's history, dying process, labeling, and product line. She gave us a deep dive into the different weights of threads Aurifil offers. Karen also brought a trunkload of quilts reflecting her application of those different weights showing us how it makes a difference. The presentation was very informative and she offered a ton of tips. A special thank you to Aurifil for the gift bags and to our volunteer holders and folders; they got a workout!

Meeting Reminder

Remember, for Monday meetings, the doors open at 6:30, and the meeting starts at 7:00. For Sunday meetings, doors open at 1:30 and the meeting starts at 2:00.

Our May meetings are Sunday, May 4 and Monday, May 19 at St. Matthews Church of Christ, 3240 Spring Road, Carlisle.

Newsletter

If you have information on upcoming events, quilty news, sewing items for sale, or tips and tricks, the deadline for articles for the June issue is May 23. Articles are welcome from all members. Email articles to letortquilters@gmail.com

Monday Meetings

If it's a Monday meeting, there is dinner at Brad's!

Are you looking to meet friends and enjoy a meal together? You are welcome to meet us at Brad's on Spring Rd, Carlisle. We arrive around 5:15, order at the counter, and join the group.

Gathering time for the guild meeting is 6:30, so there is plenty of time to visit.

Any questions, please contact Deb Weigle.

Updates/News

Our next meeting is on Monday, April 2. Our guest speaker and physical therapist, Christopher Sierotowicz from Madden & Gilbert Physical Therapy, will help us understand impacts from our sewing posture.

Committee Updates:

Workshops: The last workshop for this guild year is Aurifilosophy Sampler by Karen Miller from Redbird Quilt Company tomorrow morning. A few seats are still available. Please arrive 8:15-8:30am if you can help set up tables.

Comfort Quilts: Carlene shared she received 31 finished quilts and two tops needing quilting.

Fiddle Quilts: Kits are available at the church downstairs.

Bingo: Debbie Weigle, Jane Black, and Jean Ilgenfritz are the Door Prize Committee so far. If you'd like to join the committee or have ideas for specific prizes, please reach out to Debbie. Two or three service days will be scheduled for the Fall to make door prizes. Julie extended a special thank you to Janet Nelson for her quilt donation and Karen Buckley for her project/storage bags donation. Keep them coming, ladies!

Newsletter: Reminder to submit any newsletter info by the 23rd of the month.

Retreats: You can sign up for the September retreat following the May session. With the summer approaching, Cathy is requesting full payment at sign up.

Nominations: The president-elect role is still open. If you would like more information, please reach out to Sandy, Lin, Lynndee, or Suzie Horner from the Nominations Committee.

Service Days: A community service day has been scheduled on April 23, from 9a-3p at S. Middletown Township Municipal Building to work on NCIU hearts and comfort and fiddle quilts from 9am to 3pm. Come join us for as much time as you can!

Bees:

Wool Bees 2nd Monday

Handwork Bees 4th Monday

Any project is fine for either session

Bosler Library in Carlisle, 1:30-4pm

Room assignment will be listed on the sign inside the door

Drawings:

50/50 - \$19 to Carol Houf

Name Tag/Shop - Charm packs and a pattern to Julie Rhen

Meeting was adjourned at 3:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynndee Nelson



Bees

Wool Bee will be Monday, May 12, 1:30-4:00 pm at the Bosler Library in Carlisle. Bring your own project to work on.

Handwork Bee will not be held this month because of Memorial Day!

Questions, call Cathy Irwin 717-919-8470 or Lin Keller 717-979-0506

Board Meeting

The June board meeting has been changed to Thursday, June 12, starting at 6:30.

The next Board Meeting will be held Thursday, June 12, at 6:30 p.m., at Sandy Kohler's, 93 McAllister Church Rd, Carlisle. Members are reminded they may attend. We just ask that they let us know in advance so that we can have seating available.



Membership Meeting Minutes April 21, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Sandy Kohler at 7pm.

Sandy introduced our guest speaker, Christopher Sierotowicz from Madden & Gilbert Physical Therapy. Chris shared the impacts from our sewing posture and why we need to set up a proper workspace. He discussed the importance of sitting in the right chair at your sewing machine, the right height and depth for your cutting table and the proper position to sit while sewing. He provided us with a cheat sheet of quick exercises to do when you realize you've been in a poor posture position. Just in time for retreat!

Updates/News

Our next meeting is on Sunday, May 4, with presenter Carolann Schmitt of Genteel Arts. She is a clothing historian and will share her story on textile history.

Greeters are still needed in May; see Patti Miller.

The June board meeting has moved to June 12 due to conflicts.

Lin Keller thanked everyone who took advantage of the fabric yard sale in the church basement today. The proceeds will go to purchasing batting and backing for comfort quilts. Thank you for your generous donation, Lin.

The guild is participating in the Global Quilt Connection's Sampler Platter, May 3 & 4. See Lin's email from April 20 for more details.

Committee Updates:

Comfort Quilts: Sue A. shared she has kits available and will bring extra to work on at our April 23 service day. Also, many quilts are ready for delivery to the local agencies. If you can assist, please contact Sue.

Fiddle Quilts: Jane asked many of the members today to safety check a large batch of fiddle quilts she had collected. They tugged and pulled and made notes if something wasn't secure. The ladies all stood in place and shared the creative work on the fiddle quilts. These will be delivered in the near future.

NCIU Hearts: Sandy shared Sarah is still collecting hearts for UPMC.

Membership: Marcia announced the 2025-26 Membership Renewal Form will be attached to the May Newsletter. The yearly membership cost remains \$25.

Bingo: Lynndee Nelson introduced the 2026 Gift Basket Committee: Pat Loomis, Sandy Kohler, and Marcia Brumbaugh. The committee decided on 15 basket themes, including sewing/quilting, kitchen, garden, tea/coffee, family game night and a man-related option. They will begin soliciting local and national businesses for donations in September. They will also solicit donations from guild members. An article will be posted in the June newsletter.

Newsletter: Reminder to submit any newsletter info by the 23rd of the month.

Retreats: You can sign up for the September retreat following the May session. Cathy is asking for payment in full before the summer. Sign-up and payment can be made at the May 19 or June 1 meetings.



May Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all the May birthdays

5/3 – Carol Brown

5/3 – Lin Keller

5/8 – Sandy Gilleo

5/13 – Laura Dries

5/22 – MaryBeth Fowler

5/31 – Becki Davis

Thank You

Hello! I recently had a fall, cracked my hip, and had to have surgery. It has been a rather painful recovery. I received quite a few get-well cards in the mail from other members of the guild. This was such a nice surprise and a "pick-me-up" each time a card arrived. I would like to thank everyone for the cards and the well-wishes. Most of you don't even know me, as I don't attend the meetings. However, I do keep up with all the goings-on and enjoy reading the monthly newsletters. I am grateful for being able to belong to this group even if I don't see most of you in person. Thank you again for sending well-wishes and cards my way while I recovered. Gratefully, Ann Allen

Membership

It's that time of year again! The new/renewal membership form for the 2025-26 Letort Quilters of Carlisle is available. As in the past, if you send your membership renewal form and payment, you also need to include a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to have your new membership card mailed to you. Otherwise, your card will be available for you to pick up at the next meeting. The new form is included with this newsletter and can also be found on our website.

Nominations: The president-elect role is still open. If you would like more information, please reach out to Sandy, Lin, Lynndee, or Suzie Horner from the Nominations Committee.

Service Days: A community service day has been scheduled on April 23, from 9a-3p at S. Middletown Township Municipal Building to work on NCIU hearts and comfort and fiddle quilts from 9am to 3pm. Come join us for as much time as you can!

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Drawings:

50/50 - \$16 to Lin Keller

Name Tag/Shop - Five fat quarters donated by Serendipity went to Wanda Shaffer

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynndee Nelson

RETREATS

September 4-7, 2025, Quilt Retreat

Signups for the September retreat at Bongiorno Conference Center will be at the Monday, May 19, and Sunday, June 1, meetings. Please check your calendar to see if you can come. The entire payment must be made at signup since we do not meet in the summer. If you would need to cancel, you can be refunded until August 1, 2025. If you decide in the middle of the summer that you want to come, just call me! There will probably be space!

Any questions, call Cathy Irwin 717-919-8470.

Price for Retreat

	Single	Double
Thursday	\$ 317	\$ 273
Friday	\$ 254	\$ 212

Where to Recycle Fabric

Where to Recycle your fabric scraps and more

H & M Store at the Capital City Mall, Camp Hill

https://www2.hm.com/en_us/sustainability-at-hm/our-work/close-the-loop.html

See website for more details as noted below:

Don't want it? Recycle.

H & M's garment collecting program was rolled out in 2013, and they have recycling boxes in stores across the globe. It works like this:

1. Bring any unwanted clothes or textiles, by any brand, and in any condition to one of our stores.
2. Hand in your bag of old clothes at the register and receive a thank-you coupon (via an app) to use toward your next purchase. Easy!

H & M website explains:

"Once you've dropped off your previously loved fashion in one of our garment collecting boxes, our business partner takes over. It empties the boxes and sorts the contents into three categories:

Rewear: Wearable clothes are marketed as secondhand clothing.
Reuse: If the clothes or textiles are not suitable for rewear, they're turned into other products, such as remake collections or cleaning cloths.
Recycle: All other clothes and textiles are shredded into textile fibers and used to make, for example, insulation materials."

Jane Shull

HELPING THE COMMUNITY

Fiddle Quilts News

Thank you all for making all the great fiddle quilts and checkerboards and for collecting plastic lids. Currently we have these kits for signing out:

1. Fiddle Quilt Kits
2. Checkerboard Kits
3. 6" block Fiddle Mats to be embellished later.

We currently have about 40 fiddle quilts and some checkerboards ready to be delivered to various locations including: Thornwald, Claremont, Country Meadows, Perry Village, and possibly a couple of school locations.

Thank you for helping to safety check the fiddle quilts during the April 21st meeting. Please let us know of individuals or locations who may benefit from these items. I can bring them to you at the next meetings.

Thank you so much! Jane Shull, Terry Stibrany, Wanda Shaffer

Love Quilts

At the April 21, 2025, meeting, I showed this Love Quilt top that I made incorporating the 11 squares designed by school students and this Love Quilt logo square.

Visit the website to learn the story of this project based in Arlington, Virginia. Now that my quilt top is finished, I will mail it to them to be completed by their team. These quilts will be given to children in foster care across South Africa and the United States.

See the website to learn their full story and how they partner with school teachers and students to create the beautiful squares.
<https://www.lovequiltproject.org/>

Jane Shull (this was fun! I will do more!)



Comfort Quilts

Thanks to Lin Keller for “thinking outside the box” and orchestrating the fabric sale from her friend’s donated stash, and to all of you who made purchases! As a result, the money earned will go a long way in buying much-needed batting. As always, good things happen when we all pull together.

We are grateful that so many of you continue to stitch comfort quilts, and as a result, we will need to schedule another cutting day to keep up with the demand. We’ll let you know as soon as a date is confirmed.

Sew long for now,
Carlene and Sue

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Becki Davis

BALANCE SHEET

AS OF MARCH 31, 2025

MAR 31, 2025

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings

Checking - M&T Bank (LQ of C) 24,941.35

Total Checking/Savings 24,941.35

Total Current Assets 24,941.35

TOTAL ASSETS **24,941.35**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities

Deferred Income 50.00

Sales Tax Payable -6.86

Total Other Current 43.14

Liabilities

Total Current Liabilities 43.14

Total Liabilities 43.14

Equity

Education Fund 30,288.33

General Fund -3,760.17

Retained Earnings

Retreats - Equity Account 7,874.31

Net Income -9,504.26

Total Equity 24,898.21

TOTAL LIABILITIES &

EQUITY

24,941.35

PROFIT & LOSS

JULY THROUGH MARCH 2025

JUL 24- MAR 25

Income

Membership Dues 3,075.00

Misc. Income 3.50

Newsletter Advertising 425.00

Royalties from Quilt Doc. 13.43

Book

Sale of Quilt Doc. Book 120.00

Total Income 3,636.93

Expense

Bank Fees 41.70

Bingo 500.00

Bus Trips 1,260.00

Comfort Quilts 328.57

Donation 2,695.10

Facilities Rental 1,110.00

Insurance 262.00

Licenses and Permits 1,148.37

Membership -100.00

Office supplies 242.99

P O Box Rental 182.00

Workshop/Lectures 5,470.46

Total Expenses 13,141.19

Net Income **-9,504.26**

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominations Committee is looking for an Assistant Webmistress. Since we have expanded the amount of information on our website, especially with the members-only area, we need someone to help Sarah edit files on the site. It is important to note that the work is only on existing files. However, if you are interested, the job can be expanded to uploading new files, creating new pages, and site maintenance. Also important...you can do this job in your jammies! See Sarah Burkett at a meeting, or email her sbrktt@gmail.com for more information.

AROUND THE GUILD

April 6 Meeting and April 7 Workshop



2024/25 GUILD SCHEDULE

DATE	ACTIVITY
May 4, Sunday	Textile History Carolann Schmitt, Genteel Arts
May 19, Monday	Trunk Show Rachel Rossi, Rachel Rossi Design BOM Reveal
Jun 1, Sunday	End-of-Year Celebration Challenge Reveal



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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY/JUNE

10 MAY SASSY STRIP CLUB 9:30-10:45 AM	31 MAY MINI MYSTERY FIVE-O JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR DETAILS	14 JUNE SASSY STRIP CLUB 9:30-10:45 AM	17-21 JUNE 15 TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
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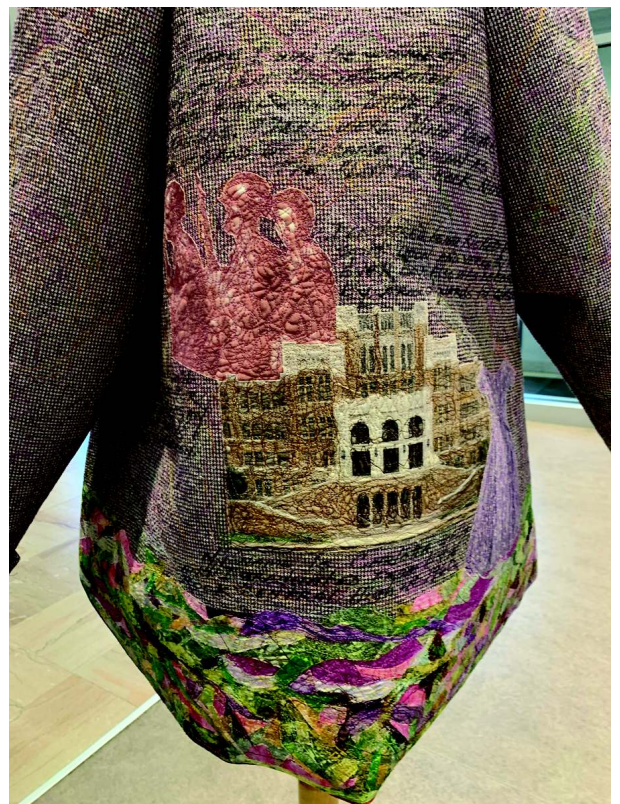
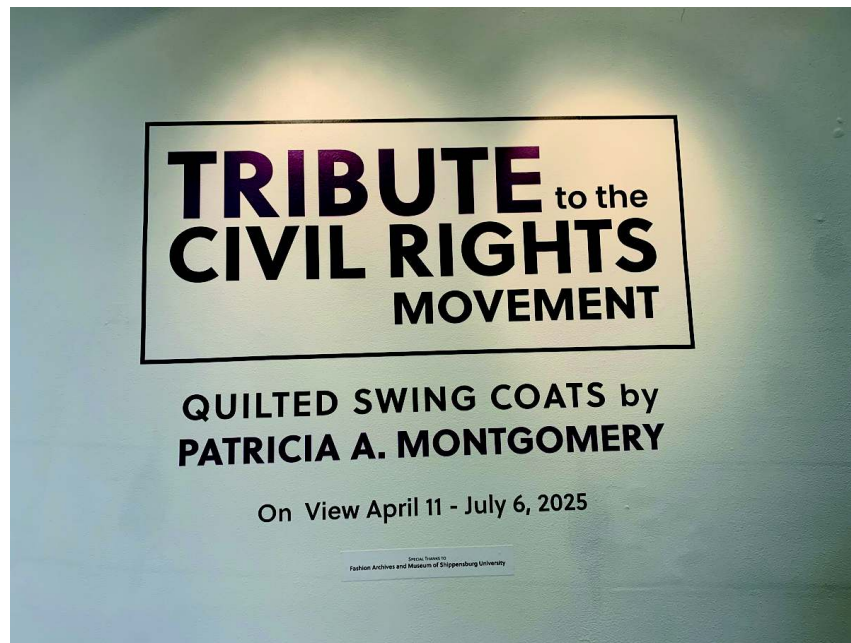
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2025 QUILT SHOW

CLINTON PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

Friday, June 20th 10 am to 7 pm

Saturday, June 21st 10 am to 4 pm

Air-conditioned location with plenty of close parking:

Commonwealth University Lock Haven

Recreation Center

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Lock Haven, PA 17745

(street is one way – enter from West Water St.)

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