



County Line
Quilters **News**

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October 2020

Dear Ladies of CLQ,

It's hard to believe we are preparing for our October meeting! It finally feels like Fall in the air, and that encourages us to quilt even more in preparation for the coming winter. There's nothing like snuggling in a warm quilt on a winter evening.

Last month Gina provided numerous options for utilizing our scraps and creating beautiful quilts. I'm very sorry that some of you had a problem joining us on Zoom. I know we will have some bumps along the road as we transition into virtual meetings. Many thanks to everyone who tried to assist others in joining the meeting, especially Kathy and Jacob. Hopefully, I have that remedied for this month.

I spoke to Dot Rimmer who is in charge of the Food Larder at NBBC. The Food Larder will have more limited hours this year. It is only open on Mondays, 9 A.M. - 1 P.M. and Wednesdays, 11 A.M. - 3 P.M. The Byrnes Block is on the third Wednesday of the month, so the Philanthropy Ladies decided to do their pick-up and drop-off the same day as Byrnes, so I also added the Larder. It will be easy to stop at NBBC while you are already out. Dot will assess their needs each month, and I'll pass it along to you. This month is male or female deodorant and regular or decaffeinated ground coffee. No one will be allowed to go into the Larder. We will place our donations in the shopping carts outside in the lower parking lot. We are also invited to visit with each other in the parking lot and on the lawn, so bring a chair, a mask, a snack, and visit with a friend!

This month begins our Mystery Quilt; I hope you will join the fun. The fabric requirements are in September's newsletter and the first hint is this month. The result of the last Mystery Quilt Challenge was a long row of beautiful quilts. Please join us! It will be fun to share them in the Spring!

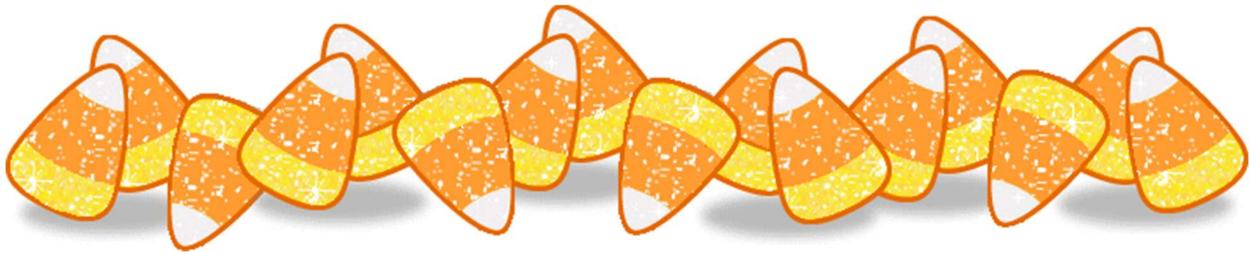
Kathy will provide the info for signing into Zoom each month in the newsletter. I'm hoping for a much easier sign in and great attendance.

We are in need of a new Historian for our Guild. If you think you would be interested, please contact me at jhelstrom1@comcast.net.

I hope that you and your families are staying well, and I look forward to seeing you on the 12th!

Yours in stitches,

Joyce Helstrom
CLQ President



COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 9-14-2020

A Zoom meeting was held at 7:00 pm. There were a few connection issues.

Gina Gempesaw gave a presentation "Scrap Management." She had some great ideas and quilts to show that she created with her scraps. Many thanks to Gina for starting off the unusual year for the County Line Quilters.

Committee Reports

Membership - Carol

Carol asked that outstanding membership checks should be sent as soon as possible.

Guests may receive the contact information for the Zoom meeting. There are 73 members and 55 attended the meeting.

Newsletter - Kathy Acker

Please send articles for the newsletters by the 25th of the month.

Website – Ellen Cicak will work on the website.

Philanthropy - Barbara Gleason

Barbara Lewis was unable to connect for the meeting. Barb Gleason reported that there would be a "Give and Take" at the church on 9-15-20 from 10-11:30am. Members could drop off quilts and pick up kits for new quilts.

Quilt Show - Kathy and Sue

We are checking with the church for possible dates to reschedule the show for 2021.

Activities - Rosanna Wirth

At the meetings drawings for gift cards will be made, winners will receive the cards by mail. No fabric will be given at this time.

A tea is scheduled October 25th There will be a limit to the number able to attend.

Food Larder

Nothing is needed at this time. Donations may be made in October in the parking lot Monday or Wednesday the week after our meeting.

New Business

Dee Carr - Some members haven't paid for their raffle quilt tickets.

Dot Fabian and Ellen Cicak will be the presenters at the next meeting on October 12th. The "Running with Scissors" group will hold a workshop in November.

Show and Tell

Ten members may send in photos of a quilt for "Show and Tell" to Ellen by the 25th of the month, they may be shown at the next meeting. Please send only one quilt per month.

The Mystery quilt cutting instructions were sent with the September Newsletter.

The drawings for the gift cards were made and Kristin Kerr and Linda Pickett won the two Byrnes gift cards and Marianne Grey won the Stitch Central card. Congratulations to those winners.

PHILANTHROPY

Thank you to everyone who came by, brought back your projects, and took new kits. It was nice to see people!

This month we decided to piggyback on the Byrne's BOM date, so we will be in the Church parking lot from 11 to 12 for "Give & Take" on Wednesday, October 21. We have kits for walker bags, placemats, baby blankets and wheel chair quilts. If you work and would like a kit or two, Barbara and I would be happy to meet you somewhere nearby. Give one of us a call.

It has been a busy month. I made placemats deliveries to Central Bucks Meals on Wheels (55), Montco Senior Adult Center (60), and Generations Senior Center (170). Each group was so very happy to receive our placemats. Please consider making one or two, so we can give more in a few months. I also made a delivery of walker bags to the VA in Horsham. They were gone in a few days.

Thank you for your generosity ! Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis

GUILD HAPPENINGS

October



In October we welcome back Running With Scissors - our own Ellen Ciicak, her sister, Kathy Webb, and Heidi Chase with Dot Fabian. They are very excited to share with us new designs and

patterns for the Corner Pop tools they developed for Studio 180 Design and their brand new tool (being announced this month) that they have been developing for the past few years. Their computer-based presentation will make it easy for you to see the details of the quilt projects and the tools and methods used to make them.

Activities

Thank you for supporting Byrne's Sewing Connection and Stitch Central. Both stores are still supporting our guild.

This month the Food Larder has asked us for ground coffee (regular and decaf) and men's and women's deodorant. We will be able to drop off these items on Wednesday, October 21. This is the same day as Byrne's BOM, so we hope you will be up in the area to drop by the church. NO FOOD ITEMS are to be dropped off inside the Food Larder. Food should be placed in the grocery carts outside. Also if anyone is interested in meeting at the church, bring your own chair, and mask and sit 6 feet apart and use the lawn behind the church.

Rosanna Wirth. Activities Chair

Membership

Included with the newsletter email, is the most recent copy of the membership list. Please check all your information for correctness!

If you have any corrections or would like to add a cell phone or delete a landline, please contact Carol Cotter at cacotter@yahoo.com or 215-802-8904.

If we could spread a little SUNSHINE



Do you know of a guild member who could use a cheery greeting during difficult times? Our guild "Sunshine" lady sends out cards on behalf of our guild to members who are ill or have lost a cherished family member. But... we need YOU to tell us when someone is in need! Please email Sue Edelman at wilkin01@hotmail.com if you know of someone who could use a friendly greeting from the Guild.

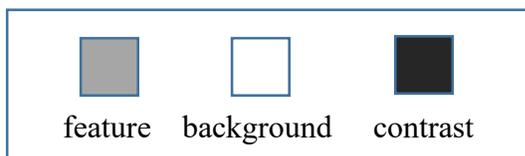
Over the summer we learned that the New Britain Baptist Church secretary, Patti Roden, was in a serious accident. Patty, while not a member of County Line Quilters, has been extremely helpful to our officers and members regarding use of the building, so Sunshine sent her a Get Well Soon card. The following note was received today (9/17)

"Hello Sue and all the Gals from CLQ. Thank you so much for your card and kind words. It was a wonderful surprise and so very much appreciated. Both husband Michael and I sustained a few injuries, but we are mostly mended but still dealing with an issue or two that we hope will clear with time. Thank you again for reaching out. Please take care everyone. Be well and safe. Patti Roden NBBC Secretary"

Fons & Porter Love of Quilting Magazine

Please subscribe or renew your subscriptions through the guild. For \$20.00 per year, (which is often less than the individual renewal amount), County Line Quilters makes \$5.00. If you have a renewal form or address label, please bring that along with your check made out to the Guild for \$20 and Susan Clark will send in your order.

Secret in the Bureau Drawer Mystery Quilt Clue #1



Clue 1:



1. Gather 36 (thirty-six) 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" background squares and 18 contrast squares.
2. Sew two background squares to opposite sides of each contrast square. Press the seam allowances in one direction. Make 18.



Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday dear ...

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

2 – Sue Edelman
5 – Kristin Kern
8 – Sharon Moran
15 - Gail Cooper
15 – Linda Pickett

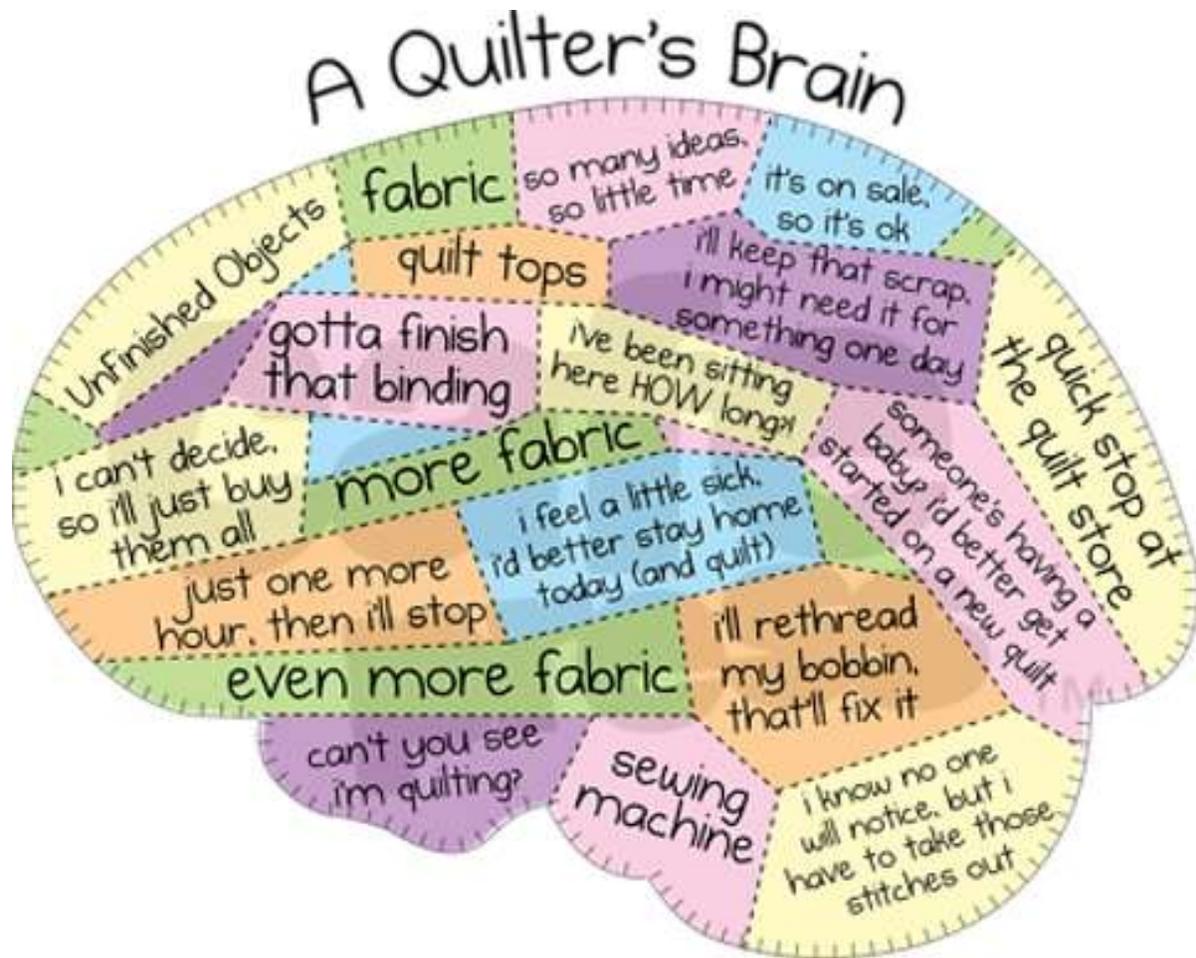
16 – Robin Abraham
19 – Marianne Grey
24 – Gina Gempesaw
26 – Gretchen Gibbons
27 – Susan Grasman

CLASSIFIEDS

Gloria Tafel has a sewing machine that she believes was her Great grandma's. The leather belt broke a few years ago. It seemed to work before that happened. The top of the machine when closed could use some refinishing. With an iron base the machine and table are very heavy. From what she can tell from the internet it was probably made in the late 1800's. If anyone is interested please contact Gloria Tafel, 267-879-4092.



Marianne Kuleba has a Little Gracie II Quilt frame that she doesn't use anymore. You put YOUR machine on it and can quilt any design you want. It can be expanded to a king size. She isn't asking anything for it. If anyone is interested please contact Marianne Kuleba, 215-345-7302.



County Line Quilters' Guild meets on the second Monday of every month at 7PM at the New Britain Baptist Church, 22 East Butler Avenue, New Britain, PA 18901. Visitors are welcome! There is a \$5.00 charge for each visitor.

Check out our vendors and see what's new!

Byrne Sewing in Chalfont – 215-230-9411
 Stitch Central in Huntingdon Valley – 267-277-4148



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