

County Line Quilters News

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December 2020

Dear CLQ Ladies,

I hope you all had a nice, safe Thanksgiving. We certainly had a real list of things to be thankful for this year. If you and your family are COVID free, you had something to celebrate!

One more thing to celebrate is your generosity. I received a text from Dottie, at the Larder; she sent many thanks for all the food donations and \$520 in gift cards. She said she was so thankful for our kindness! This coming month they need soap, shampoo, deodorant, and laundry detergent. They don't need toothpaste or toothbrushes.

I'd like to mention that Giant gave them 100 turkeys to distribute for Thanksgiving, and they will send 100 hams for Christmas. So nice to know that a local store is reaching out to the community!

This is the month that we will draw for the winner of our raffle quilt. If you have any tickets hanging around, you need to get them to Dee Carr.

Hopefully, you are focusing on all the blessings you have and all this down time to sew. Philanthropy is working hard, so don't forget the Pick-up and Drop-off day which coincides with the Larder drop-off, December 16.

I wish you good health, good cheer, and many blessings as we enjoy the holiday season ahead. Keep sewing, it is so relaxing!

See you December 14 on Zoom!

Yours in stitches,

Joyce Helstrom





COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 11-09-2020

Teresa Duryea Wong gave an enlightening presentation on American cotton framers and American cotton.

Fifty-two members attended the presentation and the meeting following.

Committee Reports

Programs

On November 7th "Running with Scissors" held a Zoom workshop that introduced a new tool "six in a square". Ten members attended and if more members are interested another workshop may be held.

In December, Terry Sontra of Purple Moose Designs will be the presenter. She will talk about the history of the sewing machine. "A Tale of Intrigue and Espionage" will be her topic. On December 12th at 12 noon she will have a Zoom meeting to help others with difficulties with Zoom.

In January Jane Haworth a award-winning professional quilter will be our presenter. She specializes in nature inspired raw edge fabric collages. On Saturday January 30 she will hold a Zoom workshop will be held on raw edge quilts. The Class is a Sunflowers.

In April Marie Bostwick will be the presenter. Marie is a NY Times author of 18 books. She is releasing a new book in March, "Restoration of Celia Fairchild." If we can sell 25 books, she has offered to hold a Zoom workshop for the guild members.

Studio 180 may have a workshop to make a table runner, "Celia's Charleston Lily".

Treasurer's Report

\$12,000 now in the account. The treasurer's report was approved.

Historian

Karen Adams is requesting the history books of the Guild, please contact her if you have any books or know where they are stored.

Librarian

An order will be placed for Teresa Wong's books she mentioned in her presentation. If anyone would like to donate any of Marie Bostwick's books to the library, it would be appreciated.

Newsletter

Kathy would like any information for the newsletter by Nov. 25th.

Website

The website is up and running and photos could be added. The website is www.Countylinequilters.org.

Philanthropy

Barb Gleason reported that there were huge donations over the last month, including Baby Bureau, Walker and wheelchair bags, and placemats.

November Give and Take was held November 18th 12-1. Enter the parking lot close to Woodland Drive.

Gift Cards for turkeys will be collected and given to the Food Larder.

Activities

Rosanna mentioned the Food Larder was collecting Thanksgiving needs along with gift cards, 12-3 November 18th. Thanks for your donations for October.

Quilt Show

It was decided at the board meeting that the. Quilt Show will not occur in the spring. We will start planning for the show in October shortly in the beginning of 2021. The October dates are October 17th and 18th, with set up on October 16th.

The raffle quilt drawing will occur in December's general meeting. WE are looking for a quilt or quilts for the Raffle for the show in October. Sue Edelman

has the mini quilts. The boutique items are still being stored.

Challenge Quilts

Gina has created a power point presentation showing the Challenge Quilts for the 2 categories, "Do Not Touch" quilts and the "Home Sweet Home" quilts. She has set up a way of voting forecourt favorite quilt in each category. The results will be presented during the December General meeting.

The meeting was adjourned and the drawings for the gift cards were made, Lynn Holtzman won a Byrnes card, Gail Bromberger also won a Byrnes gift card, and Dot Fabian won a Stitch Central Gift Card.

PHILANTHROPY

Here we are in the midst of the holiday season, and in many ways celebrations are taking on a whole new meaning.

We, at Philanthropy are working to continue to help others in need, while also working with our fellow guild members to coordinate and collect needed kits and projects for donations.

Our "Give and Take" days are going very well, and we appreciate all of you giving and taking the kits, projects, and items requested. This list can give you an idea of what we have collected last month.

30 burp cloths
40 receiving blankets
25 walker bags
50 placemats
30 stuffed quilted tabletop Christmas trees
6 wheelchair quilts
5 quilts
and assorted baby clothes, toys and books

We are fortunate that several of our donation locations are available and are allowing us to drop off our goods for distribution.

Our next "Give and Take" will be Wednesday, Dec.16th, from 12 to 1.

Please use the driveway on Woodland Rd. to enter the lower field.



In addition to regularly contributed items we are also requesting donations of yarn and masculine fabric.

Best Wishes to all for a safe and healthy holiday.

Barbara Lewis and Barb Gleason.

GUILD HAPPENINGS

December



In our December meeting, Terri Sontra of Purple Moose Designs will be joining us with "A Tale of Intrigue & Espionage – The History of the Sewing Machine." In advance of the meeting - on Saturday, December 12, 2020 - Terri will conduct a zoom meeting for guild members at 12 noon to work through any zoom meeting issues we are having. Anyone who has questions on zoom, or has had trouble navigating our zoom meetings (or just wants to meet the presenter in advance of our meeting), should join in. <https://www.purplemoosedesigns.com/>

From now until 12/16/2020, our guild members are entitled to a 20% discount for anything purchased on Terri's website (www.purplemoosedesigns.com). In order to receive the discount, you must use the coupon code **COUNTYLINE20** during checkout. To avoid shipping charges, everything will be shipped to me, Marianne Grey, and I will coordinate local deliveries. If you order something, please let me know by sending an email to CLPrograms@outlook.com with your name, phone number, email address and a list of what you ordered.

NOTE – THERE IS A SEPARATE ZOOM INVITATION FOR EACH MEETING – PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU ARE USING THE CORRECT INVITATION FOR EACH MEETING.

January

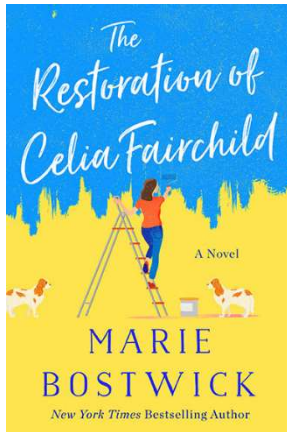


In January, we will be welcoming Jane Haworth, an award winning professional quilter from Northern California who specializes in nature inspired raw edge fabric collage quilts. In "Living a Creative Life," Jane will talk about her journey as a quilter, techniques that she uses and her desire to get other quilters to work out of their comfort zone and to play with fabric. On Saturday January 30, 2021, Jane will hold a three-hour sunflower workshop from 1 to 4 pm EST at a cost of \$20. Space in the workshop is limited. Samples of the workshop projects are on the following page..



April

Marie Bostwick will discuss her new book, *The Restoration of Celia Fairchild*. Marie is a NY Times and USA Today bestselling author who has written 18 books of historical and contemporary fiction, including the popular Cobbled Court Quilt series. *The Restoration of Celia Fairchild* is the story of a fired advice columnist who discovers friends and family while renovating a house left to her by her recently deceased aunt. Deb Tucker, who is a friend of Marie Bostwick, will be releasing a table runner pattern to accompany the book. <https://mariebostwick.com/>



Marie will waive her speaking fees if guild members purchase 25 of her books. If we can't sell 25 books as a guild, we can join with another guild to meet this requirement. The book will be released in March and, I believe, will sell for \$16.99. While we can't get autographed copies of the book, Marie will send us autographed bookplates for each book that the guild orders. If you are interested in ordering the book, please let me, Marianne Grey, know by sending an e-mail to CLPrograms@outlook.com with your name, phone number and e-mail address and the number of books you would like, no later than December 31, 2020. Books will be ordered through Doylestown Bookstore – I will pick them up and set up delivery options for guild members.

Activities

Thank you to all who donated to the food larder. They were very grateful. In December we generally donate toiletries for men, women and children. We will be dropping off donations on Wednesday, December 16 at the New Britain Baptist Church lower parking lot.

Thank you for patronizing Byrne's Sewing Connection and Stitch Central. They each donate a gift card for us every month. Stitch Central is moving to 2535 Huntingdon Pike. Their new building is in the same parking lot, but closer to the street. Hope to see you in December.

Rosanna Wirth. Activities Chair

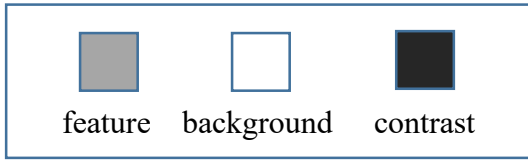
Library

The library has acquired three new books authored by Teresa Duryea Wong. The first book is "*American Cotton; from Farm to Quilt*" which was also the name of the program that she presented at our November meeting. The other two books are: "*Cotton & Indigo from Japan*" and "*Japanese Contemporary Quilts and Quilting*". All three books contain beautiful photographs and a fascinating history of cotton production, dying, and Japanese quilt making. If anyone is interested in borrowing these books, please contact Diane Foos.

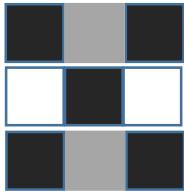
Fons & Porter Love of Quilting Magazine

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 #3



Clue 3:



1. Use the strips completed in clues 1 and 2 to make 18 Nine-Patch blocks, as shown. Press the seam allowances in one direction.

Make 18.

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



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

7 – Dee Carr
17 – Beryl Stine

23 – Carol Duke
27 – Suzie Sergeant

