

County Line Quilters News

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February 2022

Dear Ladies of CLQ,

As I gaze out at 6 – 8 inches of glistening snow, I am reminded that winter is still here! It doesn't end with New Year's celebrations. What a great time to seek refuge in your sewing room. It's a wonderful excuse to throw something in the crock pot and escape for hours in your "happy place."

It is time to switch to high gear in preparations for our Spring Bazaar, only 3 months away. There is a workshop at the church on February 4th by Running with Scissors to make table runners that will be donated to our Craft Room. Marilyn Malik is planning a workshop for February 24th to make eye glass cases and cosmetic bags. All are welcome! You must let Ellen and Marilyn know if you plan to attend, just so we arrange enough space. Be sure to check the supply lists.

Ladies the craft room is the perfect place to sell any craft that you make, including items that are not fabric. I know many of you knit, crochet, paint etc. It is our chance to build up our coffers for next year and for start-up funds for the next quilt show. Imagine how enticing that room would be if every member donated at least one item to sell! I know several members have been working hard and have donated several pieces already. We have two opportunities to sell our collection: one at "A" Day by Del Val University and the other our craft room.

NICU quilts have been rolling in at Give and Take, along with many other goodies. Ladies you are awesome! Your generosity is admirable. The ladies are meeting just inside the church to escape the winter chill. It's also a chance to visit for a bit with other members. It's the third Wednesday, 12 – 1 P.M. Please join us.

Tickets are out for our Bazaar Quilt. If you haven't stopped to get yours yet, you can send Kathy Acker a check for \$30 and we will fill them out with your name and phone number, or I will mail them. Please let Kathy know which you prefer.

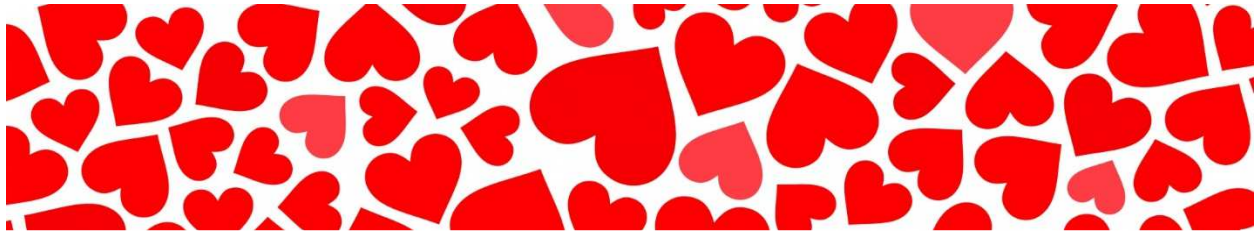
A special thanks to all who jumped in last month when the speaker had to reschedule. It was such a great opportunity to see your beautiful quilts. Don't forget to send Ellen a picture of your quilts for the Show and Tell; that is such an important facet of our guild. Others receive new ideas and inspiration from your projects. If you have a minute, please send a favorite recipe too.

May I take this opportunity to wish each of you a very Happy Valentine's Day!

I look forward to seeing you at our general meeting on the 14th.

Yours in stitches,

Joyce Helstrom



COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 1-10-2022

Forty-eight members attended the general meeting. The speaker for the evening was unable to attend and rescheduled her presentation for April's general meeting.

Committee Reports

CLQ Bazaar – Kathy Acker

Bazaar will be held on April 30th from 10am to 4pm. A rain date will be May 14th.

Quilt raffle tickets and postcards with the quilt photo can be picked up Saturday January 15th at the church from 12noon to 1pm. Another option is to send a check to Kathy Acker and your ticket stubs will be sent to you. Carol Cotter will be at Give and Take January 19th and will also have raffle tickets available.

Other prizes for the raffle are mini quilts, an antique quilt, a bed runner and other items.

Volunteers will be needed to help with the bazaar.

Barbara Gleason will recruit volunteers.

Set up and tear down volunteers are needed.

Several volunteers will be needed for the boutique tables.

Church door guard will be needed, to be sure no one enters the church that isn't a guild member.

Diane Foos will organize volunteers for the food table. Food will be simple with bottles of water and soda. Kathy is

going to check with Chic-fil-A about food for the volunteers.

Volunteers will be needed for the craft tables.

Suzette will organize the mini quilts and volunteers are needed to help.

Volunteers will be needed for the raffles.

Volunteers will also be needed for directing parking and traffic.

We will need tables chairs and tents for the bazaar. Please let Kathy know if you have these items so they won't need to rent them.

Karen Adams will work on advertisements.

Ellen Cicak has gotten permission to have a booth at Delaware Valley University's A-Day the cost will be \$15. A-Day is April 21st to 23rd. Volunteers will be needed to sell raffle tickets and crafts.

Karen Adams will work on Publicity in the newspapers and for Face Book. Bonnie has signs that can be used. Joyce will contact the other local quilt guilds.

Payments for items on sale will be only cash and checks. No admission will be charged.

Joyce will collect crafts that will be sold.

A philanthropy table with samples and a donation jar will be included, to show what we make for philanthropy.

Pamphlets for information about the guild will be included for folks who may want to become guild members.

The "Running with Scissors" group will hold a class on Friday February 4th from 10am to 3pm at the Church. Table runners will be made.

All interested must bring lunch and a beverage. Attendees must wear a mask. More information will be coming about the class.

Show and Tell - Ellen Cicak

Kathy Acker, Kristin Kern, Diane Foos, Linda Pickett, Susie Sergeant, Merrie Keller, Marilyn Malik, Sandy Rotenberg, Margaret Wheaton, Nancy Williams, Pat Piasecki, and Ellen Cicak submitted quilts for Show and Tell.

The hospitality recipe was submitted by Margaret Wheaton and the recipe was for Pecan Pumpkin Bread.

Videos from Byrnes and Stitch Central will be shown at the next general meeting.

The Food Pantry will be collecting paper products and soap on January 19th from 12noon to 1pm inside the church. Masks must be worn.

Philanthropy – Barbara Lewis/Barbara Gleason

Eighty-one placemats have been made so far and more are needed, 175 total needed.

Door Prizes - Carol Cotter

Byrnes gift certificate- Lois Moore
Stitch Central Gift certificate – Kristin Kern

Fat Quarters- Linda Pickett

PHILANTHROPY

Thank you to everyone who came to Give&Take in January. It was great to see everyone. This month we made deliveries to the Baby Bureau and Cradles to Crayons. Remember, if your daughters or granddaughters are clearing out old baby clothes, the Baby Bureau does take used clothing up to a size 2 . We are still in need of placemats for our large Meals on Wheels group in Souderton. They service 150 to 175 people. We will continue to meet in the church hall for next month. Our G&T day is February 16 from 12 to 1. Please come and take a kit or bring something you have made. Hope to see you there.

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis Co-chairs

GUILD HAPPENINGS

February



Ana Buzzalino will present **The Fibre Artist in Me – Trunk Show** at our February meeting. This presentation covers her story of how she started quilting and the progress from traditional quilting to art quilting and surface design. While showing different examples of her work, she will talk about the importance – to her – of having a passion, and feeding that passion with constant experimentation and play in the hopes of influencing participants to add some of the techniques she talks about to their own repertoire. She will describe the techniques used to make a specific piece and some of the things that went wrong and how she fixed them. Funny stories about the art pieces are shared throughout the talk. www.anabuzzalino.com

March



Allie McCathren joins us at our March meeting with her presentation, The Exhausted Octopus. Allie is a Marine Biologist and a mother to three boys. Her love of science and the ocean finds its way into her work in interesting and beautiful ways. She is all about using up scraps whenever possible and loves to play with texture and color to create interesting art pieces.

<https://exhaustedoctopus.com/>

Activities

This month the Food Pantry is in need of deodorant and toothbrushes. They could also really use soup with pull top lids. We want to thank Byrnes Sewing Connection and Stitch Central for donating gift cards to our guild every month. We would also like to thank Running With Scissors for donating fat quarters for our giveaways. The food pantry was so very thankful for the huge amount of paper products and soup donated in January.

Rosanna Wirth - Activities Chair

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.

2023/24 Raffle Quilt

With eyes ever hopeful on our next quilt show, whether in 2023 or 2024, it's time to start working on our new raffle quilt. The raffle quilt committee will have kits available at the February Give and Take. Most kits will utilize the paper piecing method. The finished blocks will be due at the March Give and Take. If you would like a kit but are unable to make the date, please contact Betsy Penzone or Joyce Overberger.

Show and Tell

The items you shared at last month's meeting were both enjoyable and inspiring. As a thank you, we're sending a pattern for a walking bag. This small bag will be very handy for holding a wallet and a couple of small personal items. If you make the bag, please consider sharing a photo with the guild. Send your pictures to Ellen Cicak at ecicakquilt@gmail.com to be included in an upcoming Show and Tell"

QUILT RAFFLE AND BAZAAR

Saturday, April 30, 2022

rain date: Saturday, May 14, 2022

10:00am to 4:00pm

New Britain Baptist Church

22 East Butler Avenue

New Britain, PA 18901

Quilt Raffle - Mini Quilt Raffle – Boutique filled with material, sewing notations, books, and patterns – Homemade Crafts – Food – and more!

So excited to be able to put this together, **but we need your help!** And there are several ways to do that!

Committee Chairs – Below is a list of all the committees that we will need help with. Please consider stepping up to help make this a success. Still looking for someone to head up the parking committee.

Food – Diane Foos

Set-up/Tear Down – Gloria Tafel

Mini Quilts – Suzette Trucksess

Publicity – Karen Adams

Signs – Bonnie Kane

Philanthropy – Barbara Gleason/Barbara Lewis

Volunteers – Barbara Gleason

Boutique – Rosemarie Malizia/Pat Kennedy

Craft Area – Joyce Helstrom

Parking - ?

Supplies Needed - To keep the cost of this event at a minimum, we hope that you will be able to help with some other items that we will need. Below is a list of things we are looking for. If you can help and supply anything, please let us know. If you have tables and tents, please email katalts@outlook.com, and please include the size.

Folding tables

Folding chairs

Pop-up Tents

Quilt stands for hanging items

Quilt Raffle tickets – Thank you to all who have already returned their stubs and checks and those who have requested additional tickets. I will be planning another pickup or drop off time but down at the lower end of Montgomery County, possibly near Stitch Central. Stay tuned.

Homemade Crafts – If you have any homemade crafts that you make that you would like to contribute to our craft area, please email Joyce Helstrom, jhelstrom1@comcast.net.

For any additional questions, or if you can contribute in any way listed above, please email Kathy Acker, katalts@outlook.com.

MYSTERY QUILT 2021 – THE UNEXPECTED PLAYGROUND

Clue #5



Feature



Light Background



Dark Contrast

Gather 12 four-patch units and 6 two-patch units from clue #2. Gather 15 rectangular pair units completed in clue #3. Assemble 3 rows as shown below. Pay close attention to the positions of the contrast pieces.



Row C: Assemble 3.

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

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2 - Marianne Kuleba
11 - Beth Alden
12 - Pat Kohne
17 - Nancy DeMaria

24 - Merrie Keller
26 - Alicia Wydro
28 - Nancy Phillips