

County Line Quilters News

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April 2022

Ladies of CLQ,

Spring is battling its way forward, I think. However, I'm sure that our Spring Bazaar is on the horizon!

It has been so wonderful to see the many items created and sewn at the workshops, and the beautiful pieces donated by many members. Please bring any additional items to the general meeting at the church, so we have time to price and register the items for sale. We need to have them ready for the weekend of A Day, the weekend before our bazaar.

If you have not yet volunteered to work, please contact Barb Gleason for the bazaar and Ellen Cicak for A Day.

If you have not yet returned your money for your raffle tickets, please contact Carol Cotter.

Everyone pulling together will make this a great success and guarantee money to operate until our next show.

The workshops have provided a great opportunity for sharing ideas and skills, as well as great bonding time. I'm sure each person who has attended would admit she has gotten to know someone better than she knew them before. It's been a fantastic time for camaraderie. Many thanks to all who have participated!

I hope you are sharing our flyer on social media and posting it in the areas you frequent. The more publicity we have the better!

We are still in need of a nominating committee or a slate of officers for 2022- 2024.

I know this has been almost a list, and I apologize. We are just getting down to the wire and need to be prepared.

I hope you can join us for the general meeting this month at the church or on zoom. If you want a drink or a snack, you will need to bring it with you this month.

Hope to see you on the 11th!

Sincerely,

Joyce Helstrom

Happy Easter & Happy Passover



COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 3-14-2022



Meeting Minutes

Fifty-five members attended the meeting. Patti Halpin joined us from FL and is a new member. Allie McCathren gave an interesting presentation of her raw edge appliqué quilts many with a sea theme.

Programs: Kristin Kern Michelle from Little Pup Designs will be April's presenter. Members will have an option to attend the meeting in person at the church or via Zoom.

In May Brita Nelson will be in person at the church and a workshop is also possible. More information will be available shortly.

The workshop proposed for May has only 3 members signed up for the landscape wall hanging and free motion quilt. The cost is \$50.00 for a full day workshop. More members are needed to have the class.

Treasury: Suzette Trucksess
Starting Balance \$8,936.06
Final Balance for the month \$9,818.65

Bazaar: Kathy Acker
For A-Day we will sell raffle tickets for the raffle quilts and the craft items. A-Day is April 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. Volunteers will be needed.

We need members to volunteer some time for the bazaar. Contact Barbara

Gleason about when you can volunteer your time.

Set up will be on Friday starting at 11:30. The following members have volunteered to help with setup.

Suzette and her husband, Ellen and her husband, Barbara Miller and her husband, Carol and her husband, Gloria and Jim Tafel, Sue Albaugh, Kathy Webb, and Kathy Acker.

Carol Cotter is taking care of the raffle quilts and ticket sales.

Door prizes are around from the previous show that had to be cancelled. They will be used as door prizes for those volunteers that committed time for the bazaar.

Food donations are being collected for water, soda, and snacks.

The boutique room will contain fabrics, books, patterns, notions kits, etc.

Help is needed to pick up the boutique items from Pat Kennedy and Rosemarie Malizia.

Suzette received a bag of embroidery thread to be donated.

Craft items are due the week before A-Day. Craft items are being collected by Joyce Helstrom.

Three craft workshops will be held for crafts. March 18th 10-3 Carol Cotter and Pat Piasecki will teach the class to make wine cozies and glass cases. March 24th

Suzie Sergeant will show how to make Microwave bowls. Two 10 in squares are needed. March 31st Barbara Lewis is showing the "Hotdog method of making pillowcases. That same day Diane Foos will show how to make tea bag holders.

Karen will send flyers to members via email.

No volunteers have volunteered for the nominating committee. Please contact Joyce if you would like to volunteer.

Philanthropy: Barbara Gleason and Barbara Lewis
March 16th is Give and Take between 12 and 1pm.

Activities: Rosanna Wirth
Hot and cold cereal, feminine products, Giant gift cards and boxed milk are needed at the Food Pantry.

Show and Tell - Ellen Cicak
Crafts

Barb Sarafinas made table runners and little tote bags

Bonnie Kane made some decorated jars.

Door Prizes - Carol Cotter
Byrnes: Eileen Wiskowski
Stitch Central: Bonnie Kane
Fat Quarters: Gloria Tafel

PHILANTHROPY

Philanthropy is coming along. We saw lots of folks at our last Give & Take, but we didn't receive very many items. I'm sure people are concentrating on making crafts for our Fabric Day at the end of next month. We did make deliveries to The Baby Bureau and Saint Christopher's NICU.

A mother with a tiny baby stopped Barbara while she was delivering the isolette quilts. Her baby had been discharged from the NICU, but she was back for an appointment. She told Barbara that she was thrilled when the hospital told her she could take the quilt home. The mother raved about how beautiful the quilt was, and how much she still uses it now that the baby is home. She thanked her over and over, and asked her to thank all of the guild members. We rarely get to see the recipients of our projects, so this was a wonderful encounter. Please continue to make the isolette quilts and placemats. They really do make a difference in people's lives.

Since we are meeting in person in April we will NOT be having a Give&Take day. Please bring your finished items to our guild meeting on April 11. We will have kits available. Thanks for all you do !

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis Co-chairs

GUILD HAPPENINGS

April



Michelle Banton from Little Pup Designs will join us at our April meeting with her presentation, Looking Great, Dresden Plate. This presentation will look at the history of the nearly 100-year-old Dresden Plate quilt block. What inspired it? How is it being kept current? Something old is still new. We'll see traditional designs and more modern variations. <https://www.littlepupdesigns.com/>

Activities

Thank you for your generous donations to the Food Pantry last month. They are very appreciative. Since we will be meeting in person on April 11 please bring your donations with you that night. They are in need of salad dressing, and small sizes of mayonnaise and mustard.

Please continue to support Byrne's Sewing Connection and Stitch Central for their donations to the guild. Thank you to Running with Scissors for donating fat quarters each month.

My two years as Activities Chair are just about done. This is a fun job and an easy way to give back to the guild. Please consider taking it over.

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.

Spreading Some Sunshine

Thank you everyone for spreading some sunshine to the sunshine person during her unexpected cloudy days!! Your calls and cards and emails of get-well wishes were very kind. I did not expect the "bump in the road" after a procedure that I've had done several other times without incident. Thank you!!!

Sue Edelman

QUILT RAFFLE AND BAZAAR

Saturday, April 30, 2022

Rain or Shine

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 – Snacks – Scissor Sharpening – Jewelry and more!

We are just a few short weeks away from **our first ever** Quilt Raffle and Bazaar. A huge thank you to all who have signed up to volunteer for the day, attended our craft workshops, and/or donated homemade crafts!

Ellen Cicak and Gloria Tafel met with the representatives from the church, and we have our instructions on how we can set up and what we can and cannot do. We will need

to all wear masks, and we will have masks available for attendees who may not have a mask. We will have hand sanitizer available as well.

We will be setting up on Friday, April 29, beginning around noon. Gloria Tafel will have a schedule together for the order of set up, so things go smoothly.

Set up and tear down will be all hands-on deck. Tear down will include vacuuming and wiping down all surfaces, including chairs and tables.

Barbara Gleason will have index cards available for anyone who has volunteered in any capacity for Saturday. She will have them available at our meeting on Monday evening, April 11. We ask that everyone volunteering wear your name tag and apron.

Quilt Raffle tickets – This is a friendly reminder that we haven't received your \$30 for the raffle quilt tickets that are due on or before Monday, April 11, 2022.

If you are attending in person for the meeting Guild Monday, you can give to me, Carol Cotter, the money then. I'll be as you come in at the membership table where you get your name tags.

If you are unable to attend, please send the money to Kathy or Carol.

Homemade Crafts – If you are planning on donating any homemade crafts that you have made, please bring them to the membership meeting on Monday, April 11. Joyce Helstrom will be collecting them.

Snacks and Beverages – We are still looking for a few other snack items. They should be single serving size and individually packaged. Donations can be brought to the membership meeting on Monday, April 11. Diane Foos will be collecting items.

- Cookies
- Crackers
- Nut & Fruit Mix – Trail Mix
- Candy bars

Another bazaar committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 13 at 7:30pm. For any additional questions, or if you can contribute in any way listed above, please email Kathy Acker, kataqlts@outlook.com.

Help Wanted



As we wind down on this year of our quilt guild, we need to look forward to the future of the guild. Our executive term will be ending, and it is time to vote for our new team. However, we need to form a nominating committee to do this. If you feel inclined to help extend the future of the guild, please contact Joyce Helstrom. Without a president, vice presidents, secretary, and treasurer, our guild cannot continue, and we will lose our non-profit status. **Please consider joining this important committee!**

There may be other committees that will need someone to step up and help as well. For example, after 8 years as the newsletter editor, I would like to step down as newsletter editor.

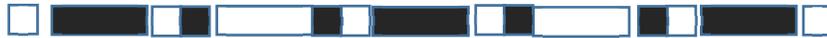
MYSTERY QUILT 2021 – THE UNEXPECTED PLAYGROUND



Feature Light Background Dark Contrast

Clue 7A and 7B

Gather 8 two-patch units, 5 dark and 5 light single 2 ½" by 6 ½" rectangles, and 2 dark and 2 light 2 ½" squares. Assemble two rows as shown below. Pay close attention to the positions of the contrasting pieces.



Row E: Assemble 1.



Row F: Assemble 1.

Clue #7C

Layout the rows in the following order:

E, A, C, B, D, A, C, B, D, A, C, B, F

Notice that every other feature square is completely surrounded by either all background bars or all contrast bars. Sew together.

Final clue will have border instructions. If you do not plan to add borders, quilt, bind, and you are finished!

Going Crazy at the Schwenkfelder Museum!

Our friends at the Schwenkfelder Library and Museum in Pennsburg will be showing their collection of Crazy Quilts beginning April 1st, running through the end of the summer. Admission to the museum is FREE but donations are welcome. (If you get there before May 13, bright quilts from their Pennsylvania German collection - "In Living Color" - will also be on display).

Also, to note is that this year they will resume their Penn Dry Goods Market as an in-person event. There are always lots of wonderful lectures on textile history at this event, focusing on quilts, embroidery, fabric, and its historical importance. Dates this year are Friday June 3 and Saturday June 4. Go to their website for a list of the programs and registration information. [Penn Dry Goods Market — Schwenkfelder Library and Heritage Center](#).

During the Market, there will also be a special exhibit and a silent auction of Doll Quilts.

Their newsletter also noted that during the Penn Dry Goods Market, there would be a sale of fabric and notions (in the area near their gift store). They've always had vendors selling antique items in the upstairs exhibit area, but this sounds like a sale that today's crafters might enjoy. (As if we STILL need to purchase any supplies after our own Spring Bazaar!)



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

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 – Kim Pope
 4 – Gale Bromberger
 4 – Donna Delaney
 5 – Barbara Harrison

12 – Ellen Matter
 15 – Diane Foos
 22 – Bonnie Rice
 25 – Jeanne Malone

TREASURER’S REPORT – APRIL 2022

DATE	CK#	PAYEE	ACCT/EXP	CK AMT	DEPOSIT	CK BK BAL
Opening Balance						\$9,818.65
02/28/22		Deposit	Reimbursement for Returned Deposit Item (\$30) and Fee (\$12)		\$42.00	\$9,860.65
03/15/22	1788	Allie McCathren	March Program	\$275.00		\$9,585.65
03/16/22		Deposit	Pro-rated Membership (\$15) Philanthropy Donation (\$75)		\$90.00	\$9,675.65

Submitted by Suzette Trucksess
 March 26, 2022

