

County Line Quilters News

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November 2025

Dear Ladies and Jacob,

It has been delightful to appreciate the lovely Autumnal days with the beautiful changing colors of leaves. We have many opportunities for both sewing and socializing!

Thank you to all members who made fidget quilts either at home or during the Philanthropy days we were able to give 15 to Neshaminy Manor and 10 to Lutheran Nursing Home in Telford. They greatly appreciate the fruits of your labor. The Philanthropy is in desperate need of placemats for the Meals on Wheels in both Montgomery and Bucks Counties, please consider making one or two. This month Philanthropy is knotting with the ladies from the church, please come and join them on Thursday, November 20th.

During the MODA blocks on Zoom, it is interesting to see the variety of color waves as well as the aspects of the same block stand out differently due to the light and dark contrasts. Members also share trials and successes in making the blocks. Please consider joining on Saturday the 15th.

The Thursday Potluck luncheon was such a relaxing and enjoyable afternoon not only was the variety of food delicious, but the company was supreme! It was lovely hearing members' quilting journeys and stories of their show and tells. Thank you to Marilyn Lopez and Joanne D'Allura and the events group for planning this.

What a wonderful time was had by all at the Tilly Mint's Tea Room. It was such a delight to sit and socialize while enjoying tea, scones, and sandwiches. Thank to Joyce Overberger, Joyce Helstrom, and the events team for planning this.

Hopefully you are making the finishing touches on your Challenge project "Everyday is a Holiday" due at our December meeting. I cannot wait to see the wonderful final products!

You can purchase your own soft cover 2024-2025 yearbook 8.5" x 8.5" for \$25. We need more orders to make a member order.

Please consider buying a Giant gift card from the store or from Ellen or Joyce. Many people are experiencing food difficulties and this is one way we can help.

If you are interested in selling something at the Quilt Show consignment shop, please see Suzette Trucksess by January.

Boutique is accepting folded measure fabric for the quilt show.

Fat quarters for November are rose.

Please take advantage of the coming opportunities, something for everyone!

Thursday, November 13 – Craft and Sew Day

Saturday, November 15- MODA block Zoom

Saturday, November 15- Quilts for Kids Open House- fabric \$9/yard

Thursday, November 20- Philanthropy Day knotting

Saturday, November 22 Paper piecing ornaments \$20

Monday, December 1- Dinner at the Plumsteadville Inn

Saturday, December 13- Chubby Charmer Totebag \$20

May feel joy while sewing,

Carol

"The best antidepressant is a sewing machine and a room full of fabric" - Sewing Moments

COUNTY LINE QUILTERS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 10-13-2025



Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Carol Cotter at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Doylestown Mennonite Church, Doylestown, PA. President Carol Cotter welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Nancy Williams said that she would be circulating a sign-up sheet during the meeting for anyone who would like to order a yearbook.

Denise Beck introduced Janneke Van Der Ree, the speaker for the evening.

Secretary – Vickie Detwiler – A Motion was made by Suzie Sergeant and seconded by Pat Clayton to accept the Minutes of the September 8, 2025 meeting. The Motion passed.

Vice Presidents – Denise Beck/Stella Bredin – Lori Leonardi will be the speaker for November. Sign-up sheets will be available next month for the holiday party in December.

Membership – Helen Haun/Lois Moore – There were 48 members in attendance at this meeting, as well as four members on Zoom and two new members.

Events – Marilyn Lopez – A potluck will be held on October 23rd at the

Church. If the weather is good, it will be outside in the pavilion; otherwise, it will be inside. We will have a table for books, magazines and patterns that you would like to trade. Sign-up sheets are in the back. If we don't have enough people, it will be canceled.

Moda Blockheads will be held this Saturday on Zoom. There will be a paper piecing workshop on November 22nd. A sign-up sheet is in the back. The class includes the pattern, which includes six different ornaments. Sue Edelman will be teaching this workshop. The cost is \$20.

There will be a Chubby Charmer tote bag workshop on December 13th. Pat Clayton will be teaching this class. The cost is \$20.

Sign-ups are still being taken for Tilly Mint's Tea; however, you must sign up tonight.

The December holiday dinner will be held at the Plumsteadville Inn again this year. This was the choice of three-quarters of the members. Next year, we will have a committee to investigate other venues so that we can choose a place that is more centrally located.

The newsletter contained an insert about the Dear Jane quilt. Marilyn

suggested that we could have a club to work on this quilt, similar to the Moda Blockheads. Please let her know if you are interested and she will come up with more details.

Newsletter – Jacob Kane – The newsletter deadline is October 25th.

Facebook – Kathy Acker – No report.

Philanthropy – Barbara Lewis/Barb Gleason – We have requests for fidget quilts from three different organizations. Materials were prepared for members to take home and work on these. We will also be working on them on Philanthropy sew day this Thursday. We also need placemats desperately. There are NICU quilt kits available as well.

Crafts – Liz Watson – There are samples on the back table of items that have been made for the boutique. There will be another demo night next Monday, October 20th starting at 5:00 p.m. Instructions for these items are on the website (or will be soon.)

Website – Marilyn Malik – There are various tabs on the website to look at. On the Philanthropy tab, there are instructions and links for items. There is also a new tab called “How to Make Stuff”. There will be instructions for how to make some of the items that have been demonstrated, as well as how to make a hanging sleeve.

Challenge – Carol reminded everyone about the “Every Day is a

Holiday” challenge. Items are due at the December meeting.

Quilt Show – Marilyn Lopez/Marilyn Malik – Thank you for the donations for the boutique. The entrance fee for the show will be increased from \$7 to \$10. Please do not bring books, magazines or patterns until set-up day. They can also be brought to the potluck.

Please see Suzette to sign up for consignment. The deadline is January. The guild will get 10% of the sale price of any item that is consigned.

Mini Quilts – The size should not exceed 80 inches in total but items can be any shape. Please include a label with your name.

We will start volunteer sign-ups next month for the quilt show. There will be two-hour time slots.

Marilyn Lopez apologized for an error on some of the neons, which indicated that the quilt show would be in 2006. Please discard those if you have them.

Quilt registration will begin at the next meeting.

New Business – Carol said that the Church asked her to let us know that they have a video doorbell at the front entrance/porch. It has audio also, so if you have any conversation on the porch, it can be heard. If you have any private conversations, please have them in the parking lot rather than on the porch.

Yearbook – Nancy Williams said that only six people signed up for the yearbook. Unless more people sign up, we may not be able to order them.

Show and Tell – Pat Clayton showed a quilt that was a Spring pattern. Sue Edelman asked if she would be willing to teach it. Pat said she would.

Quilts for Kids – Denise Beck said that Quilts for Kids would be having an open house on Saturday, November 15 from 10:00 to 3:00. Fabric will be \$9 per yard. They will also have precuts and Superior thread.

Drawings – Fat Quarters: Sylvia O'Neill Next month's color will be rose.

Gift Cards: Stella Bredin – Byrnes

Marilyn Lopez – Stitch Central

There were several additional drawings:

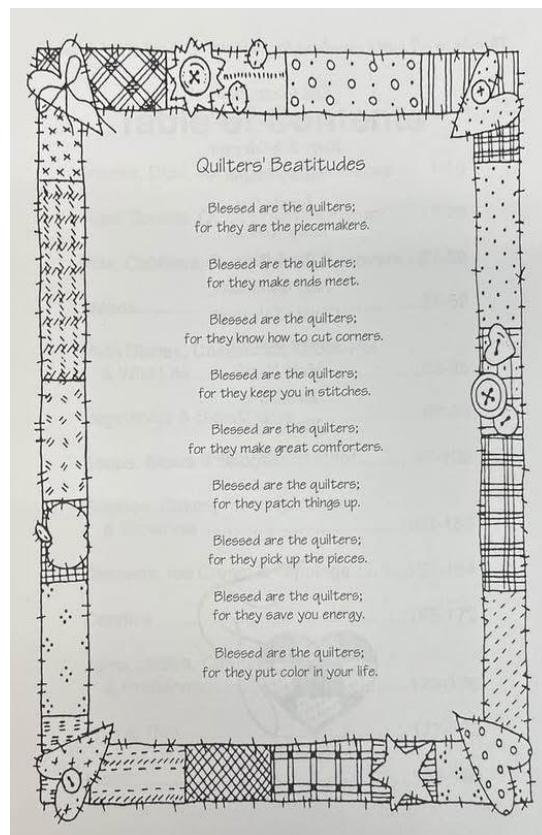
Block Magazine: Mary Finley

Card by Janneke Van Der Ree: Betsy Penzone

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vickie Detwiler, Secretary



GUILD HAPPENINGS

Programs and Activities

Upcoming Guild Programs

November: Lorie Leonardi from Newtown Quilt Guild

December: Holiday Party, Block Exchange, "Every Day is a Holiday" Quilt Contest

January: Kate Colleran, "Journey of a Quilt Pattern Designer" (Zoom)
www.katecollerandesigns.com

February: Karen Eckmeier, The Quilter Lizard www.quilted-lizard.com (Zoom)

March: Quilt Show prep

April: TBD

May: TBD

June: Ice Cream Social

Philanthropy

Thanks to all of the ladies who came out to make fidget quilts. We ended up with 25. A few people took "stuff" to make a quilt at home, so we'll be able to give out a few more when they come in.

*****'Our charity sew day is Thursday, November 20 from 10 to 2. We will be tying quilts for the Mennonite outreach. We really hope to have a minimum of 12 ladies. Come on out and learn a new skill and enjoy a fun day ! Bring your lunch, and a thimble if you use one. Everything is provided. *****

When I reached out to our Meals on Wheels groups , all of them had vastly increased the number of clients. I was able to give out 50 to the group based in Hatboro, but I don't have any more to give. Please consider making 2 placemats for our November meeting. If we all made two I'd have almost enough. Thank you.

We always have the need of NICUs, baby blankets and baby clothes, so keep our groups in mind for the holidays.

Barb Gleason and Barbara Lewis - Philanthropy Chairs

Challenge Quilt

Hopefully you've all been enjoying a summer filled with family, friends, fun, and inspiration for our **Every Day's A Holiday** Challenge. This is an anything goes challenge. You can use a pattern or create your own design. You can quilt, embroider, embellish. Any item is eligible to win a prize, so wherever your creativity takes you, please share it with your fellow guild members. We'll be viewing and voting on your completed project(s) at our December meeting, so get stitching and join the fun!

Website

countylinequilters.org The website has a new page titled "How to Make Stuff". It is currently listing directions or links for the following items:

Iron Caddy Tote	Circular Jewelry Case	Tissue Holder (
Snappy Eye Glass	Zippered Mini	Curved)
Case	Cosmetic Case	Fabric Journal Cover
Casserole Cozy	Adding Sleeve to Quilt	Project Bags
Quilted Scissor Holder	Back	
Roll Up Pouch		

Giant Gift Cards

Ten dollar Giant Gift Cards will be available for purchase at our general meeting. The cards are distributed to those in need by the Bucks County Opportunity Council. Please see Joyce Helstrom or Ellen Cicak to buy one or more. Your generosity makes a difference!

2026 QUILT SHOW COMMITTEES FOR APRIL 24-26, 2026

Chairs	Marilyn Lopez
	Marilyn Malik
Boutique	Roseanna Wirth
	Janet Liples
	Pat Piasecki
Craft Table	Liz Watson
	Joanne D'Allura
Decorations	Barb Gleason
Door Prizes	Barbara Lewis
	Vickie Detweiler
Front Desk	Emily Kane
Layout/Set Up	Barb Miller
	Gina Gempesaw

	Bonnie Kane
Mini-Quilts	Eileen Witkowski
	Anita Lehman
Publicity	Bonnie Kane
Raffle Tix	Dee Carr
	Mary Finley
	Mary Beth Hoff
Registration	Barb Serafinas
Volunteers	Sue Clark
Raffle Quilt	Ellen Cicak
	Kathy Webb
Vendors	Joyce Helstrom

QUILT SHOW GOINGS ON

Remember to mark your calendar for April 24-26, 2026 to volunteer 🥰

Boutique continues collection of fabric & notions. Thank you! for your contributions! When donating fabric, please measure, fold & staple the price & yardage to the lower edge. Folding instructions are on the CLQ website (countylinequilters.org > Scroll down Philanthropy page). Fabric should be in one quarter yard increments (1/4 - 1/2- 3/4- 1 yd, etc) Pricing is \$4 per yard. Please contact Roseanna Wirth or Janet Liples for any questions

Craft Table ~ there have been three demonstrations so far at the church for popular craft items. Please check the sign up sheets at the rear of the guild meetings if you would like to use your sewing skills to help. Please contact Liz Watson or Joanne D'Allura

Mini Quilts ~ Anita Lehman & Eileen Witkowski are looking forward to accepting your lovely little works of art for our show! Your mini can be any shape or size as long it doesn't exceed 80 inches perimeter. Please attach a sleeve at the top back and a label/ or your name on the back. Don't be shy ... time to show off!

Raffle tickets ~ Everyone should have gotten or will be getting their ticket envelopes. It includes tickets to sell and some neons & pictures to give out and promote our Quilt Show. 1 ticket for \$1 or 6 tickets for \$5 for a chance to WIN! the beautiful quilt that our own guild designed & created. Neon advertisements have been provided at the Oaks show and the Lancaster show, and will also be

given at the Allentown Show in October. If you haven't picked up your envelope yet, please check with Dee Carr, Mary Finley or Mary Beth Hoff at the next guild meeting.

Vendors & consignment ~

At this year's Quilt Show we will be offering a Consignment Shop. Members may bring quilting/craft related items they would like to sell. This includes kits, finished quilts, sewing supplies, machines, sewing chairs, etc. You will be given a seller number and will be asked to set the price for any item(s) you want to sell. All items must be securely labeled with your seller's number and the price of the item. Do not use any form of tape to price your item(s). You will be asked to complete a form with your seller number, name, contact information, description of the item, and the asking price. For those items over \$50 indicate whether the price is firm, and if not firm, the minimum price you are willing to accept. The Guild will be collecting 10% of the selling price. All unsold items must be picked up at the end of the show. Each seller will be provided a check or Venmo transaction after the Treasurer reviews the sales sheets. Suzette Trucksess will be working with Joyce Helstrom on the consignment shop.

LONGARM QUILTERS IN OUR GUILD

Many people ask about finding a longarm quilter who quilts as a business. Here are two names and contact information. If you are also longarmer and would like us to share your information, please contact me, Carol Cotter 215-802-8904, cacotter@yahoo.com.

Bonnie Kane -Bonnie does edge to edge quilting on an Innova longarm 267-673-8444; 610-304-8022
abk102995@msn.com

Joanne D'Allura – Joanne does pantograph edge to edge quilting, custom free motion, and ruler work.

917-750-3371 jdalldesignss@gmail.com
